Grunfeld - KID Structures
ECO Style Chess Tables

E60 — 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6

	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	f3[1] e5[2]	dxe5[3] Nh5	Nh3[4] d6[5]	Bg5[6] Be7[7]	Bxe7 Qxe7	exd6 Qh4+	g3 Qxc4[8]
2	. . . Nc6	d5[9] Ne5	e4[10] d6[11]	Nc3[12] Bg7[13]	f4[14] Ned7	Nh3[15] c6!?[16]	Be3[17] Qa5[18]
3	. . . . . .	e4 e5!	dxe5[19] Nxe5	Be3[20] Bg7[21]	Nc3 0-0[22]	Qd2[23] d6[24]	Rd1[25] c6[26]
4	. . . e6	e4[27] c5[28]	d5[29] Bg7[30]	Be3[31] d6	Nc3 a6[32]	a4[33] exd5	cxd5 0-0[34]
5	. . . d5	cxd5[35] Nxd5[36]				Qd2[41] Nc6[42]	0-0-0[43] e5[44]
6	. . . Bg7	e4[45] 0-0[46]				a3 Ne8[52]	Nge2[53] d6[54]
7	. . . . . .	. . . . . .				Nbc3[57] a6[58]	g4[59] b5[60]

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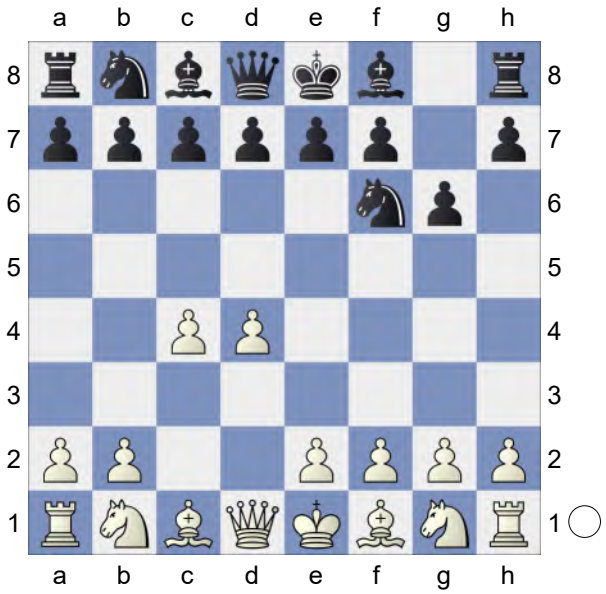

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2	. . . Nc6	d5[9] Ne5	e4[10] d6[11]	Nc3[12] Bg7[13]	f4[14] Ned7	Nh3[15] c6!?[16]	Be3[17] Qa5[18]
3	. . . . . .	e4 e5!	dxe5[19] Nxe5	Be3[20] Bg7[21]	Nc3 0-0[22]	Qd2[23] d6[24]	Rd1[25] c6[26]
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5	. . . d5	cxd5[35] Nxd5[36]	e4 Nb6[37]	Nc3[38] Bg7	Be3[39] 0-0[40]	Qd2[41] Nc6[42]	0-0-0[43] e5[44]
6	. . . Bg7	e4[45] 0-0[46]	Nc3[47] c5[48]	dxc5[49] Qa5[50]	Be3 Na6[51]	a3 Ne8[52]	Nge2[53] d6[54]
7	. . . . . .	. . . . . .	Be3 d6[55]	Qd2 e5	Ne2 c6[56]	Nbc3[57] a6[58]	g4[59] b5[60]
8	. . . . . .	. . . . . .	. . . . . .	Ne2 c5[61]	Qd2[62] Nc6[63]	d5[64] Ne5[65]	Nec3[66] e6[67]

	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
9	. . .	. . .	Ne2[68]	Be3[70]	Nec3[72]	Bd3[73]	0-0	
	. . .	d6!?	c6[69]	0-0[71]	a6	b5	Nbd7[74]	
10	. . .	. . .	Nc3	Nge2[76]	Be3[78]	cxb5[80]	Nxb5	
	. . .	. . .	0-0[75]	a6[77]	b5[79]	axb5	Nbd7[81]	
11	. . .	. . .	. . .	Bg5	d5[83]	Qd2[85]	Be3[87]	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	c5[82]	e6[84]	h6[86]	exd5[88]	
12	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	Qd2[89]	d5	Be3	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	c6	e5	h6[90]	a6[91]	
13	. . .	. . .	. . .	Be3	Qd2[93]	Bd3[95]	Nge2[97]	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	c6[92]	a6[94]	b5[96]	Nbd7[98]	
14	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	d5[99]	Qd2[101]	g4[103]	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	e5	c6[100]	Na6[102]	cxd5[104]	
15	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	Bd3[105]	Nge2[107]	d5	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	a6	c6[106]	e5	cxd5[108]	
16	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	Nge2[109]	d5[111]	Ng3[113]	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	c5	Nc6[110]	Ne5[112]	e6[114]	
17	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	Nh3[115]	d5[117]	g4[119]	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	Nbd7	e5[116]	a5[118]	Nc5[120]	
18	. . .	dxc5	Nc3	e4	Qd3	Be3[125]	Qd2	
	c5	Qa5+[121]	Bg7[122]	Qxc5[123]	Nc6[124]	Qa5[126]	0-0[127]	
19	. . .	. . .	e4[128]	Nc3[129]	Be3	Nge2[130]	Nf4	
	. . .	Na6	Nxc5	d6	b6	Bg7	0-0[131]	
20	. . .	d5	e4[133]	Nc3[135]	cxd5	a4[137]	Nge2	
	. . .	d6[132]	e6[134]	exd5	Bg7[136]	0-0	Na6[138]	=
21	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	Nge2[139]	Ng3	a4	
	. . .	. . .	. . .	Bg7	0-0[140]	a6[141]	exd5[142]	
22	. . .	. . .	. . .	Ne2[143]	Nec3	g4[145]	h3[147]	
	. . .	. . .	Bg7	0-0	e5[144]	h5[146]	Nh7[148]	

	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
23	. . .	. . .	e4[149]	Nc3[151]	h4	Be2	Bxh6
	. . .	e5	d6[150]	h5[152]	Ng8	Bh6	Nxh6[153]
24	. . .	e4[154]	Be3[156]	d5[158]	Ne2	Nbc3	Qd2
	Nh5	e5[155]	Bg7[157]	d6	f5	0-0[159]	Na6[160]

[1] Mikhalevski,V: 'Avoiding' **3.Nc3** Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '(Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s)' 3...Bg7

[3...d5 4.Nf3 *(4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7)* 4...Bg7 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 c5 8.Bb5+ Nc6 9.d5 *(9.0-0 cxd4 10.cxd4 0-0 11.Be3 Bg4 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Rc1 Qa5)* 9...Qa5 *(9...a6 10.Be2 Bxc3+ 11.Bd2 Bxa1 12.Qxa1 Nd4 13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Qxd4)* 10.Rb1 a6 11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.0-0 Qxa2 13.Rb2 *(13.Be3 cxd5 14.exd5 0-0 15.Bxc5 Rd8 16.Bxe7 Rxd5)* 13...Qa5 14.d6 Ra7

A) 15.Bf4

A1) 15...0-0 16.Ne5 Qxc3 *(16...Bxe5 17.Bxe5)* 17.Rc2 Bxe5 18.Rxc3 Bxc3 19.Qc2 Bd4 20.dxe7 Rxe7 21.Bd6 Rfe8;

A2) 15...Rd7 16.Rd2 *(16.Rb8 0-0 17.dxe7 Rxe7 18.Bd6 Rd7 19.e5 Rdd8; 16.e5 0-0)* 16...exd6 17.Bxd6 Bxc3 18.Rc2 Bf6 19.e5 Be7;

B) 15.Bg5 exd6 16.Qxd6 Rd7 17.Qxc6 Qc7]

[3...Nc6±]

4.Nf3

[4.e4 d6 1-0 (38) Lautier,J-Glek,I 45: Wijk aan Zee 1997 [Eric Montany]]

4...0-0 5.g3 c5 6.Bg2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.0-0 Qa5

[8...Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.c5 Ne8 12.Qb4 a5 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qa7 Rxb2 15.Ne4 Rxd2 16.Nxd2 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 dxc5 Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Ehlvest,J (2620) Beograd 48/(60) 1989]

9.Ncb5 a6 10.Nb3 Qd8 11.Nc3 d6 12.c5 dxc5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Nxc5 Nd7 15.N5a4 Nde5 16.Bf4 Bf5 17.Nc5 Rab8 Gharamian,T (2657)-Bacrot,E (2720) Nimes 2014 CBM 166 [Skembris,Spyridon] 1-0 (34)

3.h4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.e4 Nc6 6.Nf3 e5 7.d5 Ne7 8.Be2 0-0 9.Be3 Ng4 10.Bd2 h5 11.Ng5 c6 12.f3 Nh6 13.Be3 f6 14.Ne6 Bxe6 15.dxe6 14) KID 5...Nc6-KID 5...Nc6 6.Nf3 e5 #4 Kinna 2024

3.Nd2 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Ngf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3 Na6 10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nf1 exd5 12.cxd5 c4 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bb5 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bd2 Nfd7 17.Bc3 Ba6 1-0 Lazarevic,M (2646)-9.b3 ♖e8 10.h3_68766 (2531) French Championship 2011

[2] Schipkov,Boris: 'or' **3...d6** Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'going for a Saemisch King's Indian is also entirely possible. Krasenkow,Michal: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez) going for a Saemisch King's Indian is also entirely possible.' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes)

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[4.c5 dxc5 5.dxc5 Qxd1+ 6.Kxd1 Na6 7.e4 Nxc5 8.Be3 Na4 9.Na3 Nxb2+ 10.Kc2 Na4 11.Nb5 Kd8 12.Bf4 Ne8 13.Rd1+ Bd7 14.Nh3 f6 15.Bc4 e5 16.Ng5 fxg5 17.Bxe5 Bg7 18.Be6 Nc5 19.Bxg7 Nxg7 20.Bg4 a6 21.Nd4 Ke7 22.Bxd7 Nxd7 23.h4 gxh4 24.Rxh4 h5 25.f4 Nc5 26.Rh3 Rad8 27.Rg3 Kf7 28.Rc3 b6 29.f5 gxf5 30.exf5 Rd5 31.f6 Nge6 32.Nxe6 Rxd1 33.Nxc5 Rg1 34.Nxa6 Rxg2+ 35.Kb3 c5 36.Nc7 h4 37.Re3 h3 38.Nd5 Rd8 39.Re7+ Kg6 40.f7 Rf2 41.Re8 Rxd5 42.Rg8+ Kxf7 43.Rh8 h2 44.Kc4 Rd1 45.Kb5 h1Q 46.Rc8 Rb1+ 47.Ka6 Rxa2# 0-1 (47) penguingim1 (2774)-Chesssplayer21 (2880) Blitz 2023]

4...e5

[4...c6 5.Nc3 a6 *(5...Nbd7 6.Be3 Qc7 7.Qd2 Bg7 8.Nh3 0-0 9.Nf2 a6 10.Be2 b5 11.d5 bxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 13.Bb3 cxd5 14.exd5 Bb7 15.Rc1 Nc4 16.Nce4 Nxd2 17.Rxc7 Ndxe4 18.fxe4 Rfb8 19.Rxe7 Bc8 20.0-0 Bf8 21.Rc7 Ne8 22.Rc2 Bd7 23.Bd4 a5 24.Nd3 a4 25.Bc4 Bg7 26.Bxg7 Nxg7 27.b3 axb3 28.Bxb3 Bb5 29.Rd1 Nh5 30.Nb4 Nf4 31.Nc6 Re8 32.Re1 Nd3 33.Re3 Nc5 34.e5 Nxb3 35.axb3 Bxc6 36.dxc6 dxe5 37.b4 f5 38.b5 e4 39.b6 f4 40.Rb3 Ra1+ 41.Kf2 e3+ 42.Ke2 Rg1 43.Kf3 Rf1+ 44.Kg4 e2 45.Rxe2 Rxe2 46.b7 Rxg2+ 47.Kh3 Re2 48.b8Q+ Kg7 49.Qd8 Re5 50.Rb7+ Kh6 51.Qf8+ Kg5 52.Re7 Rd5 53.c7 Rfd1 54.Re2 R5d3+ 55.Kg2 f3+ 56.Qxf3 Rxf3 57.c8Q Rdf1 58.Re5+ Rf5 59.Rxf5+ Rxf5 60.Qc1+ Kf6 61.Kg3 Kg7 62.Qc7+ Kh6* 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Darkside2021 (2738) Blitz 2021 *)* 6.Be3 b5 7.Qd2 h5 8.d5 bxc4 9.Bxc4 c5 10.Nge2 Bg7 11.0-0 Nbd7 12.a3 0-0 13.b4 Qc7 14.Bd3 cxb4 15.axb4 Ne5 16.Rfc1 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 Nd7 18.Nb5 Qb7 19.Nbd4 Ne5 20.Qd2 Bd7 21.Rab1 Bb5 22.Nxb5 axb5 23.Bh6 Nc4 24.Qg5 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 Ra2 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Nf4 Qf2 28.Rf1 Qd2 29.Rbd1 Qe3 30.Rde1 Qd2 31.Re2 Qxe2 32.Nxe2 Rxe2 33.Qxe7 Ra8 34.Qg5 Raa2 35.Rg1 Nd2 36.Qf4 Nc4 37.h4 Rad2 38.Kh2 Ne3 39.Kh3 Nxg2 40.Qxd6 Ne3 41.Qe5+ Kh7 42.d6 Nc4 43.Qf4 Nxd6 44.e5 Nf5 45.Rc1 Ne3 46.Rc7 Nf5 47.Rxf7+ Kg8 48.Rxf5 gxf5 49.Qg5+ Kf8 50.Qxf5+ Ke8 51.Qg6+ Kd8 52.Qg3 Kc8 53.f4 Kb7 54.f5 Kb6 55.f6 Rh2+ 56.Qxh2 Rd3+ 57.Qg3 Rd4 58.Qf2 Ka6 59.Qxd4 Kb7 60.f7 Ka6 61.f8Q 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Felini21 (2667) Blitz 2021]

[4...Nfd7 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nge2 Bh6 7.Bxh6 Qh4+ 8.g3 Qxh6 9.Qd2 Qxd2+ 10.Kxd2 Nc6 11.Nd5 Kd8 12.Kc3 exd4+ 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Kxd4 Ne5 15.Be2 Be6 16.f4 Nc6+ 17.Kc3 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Ne7 19.Kd4 f6 20.Bg4 f5 21.Bf3 fxe4 22.Bxe4 Kd7 23.Rhf1 Rae8 24.Rae1

Rhf8 25.Bd3 Nf5+ 26.Bxf5+ gxf5 27.b4 c6 28.dxc6+ bxc6 29.a4 d5 30.b5 cxb5 31.axb5 Re4+ 32.Rxe4 dxe4 33.Ra1 Ke6 34.Ra6+ Kf7 35.Rxa7+ Kg6 36.Ra2 Rd8+ 37.Kc4 Kh5 38.b6 Kg4 39.b7 Rb8 40.Rb2 e3 41.Kd5 e2 42.Rxe2 Rxb7 43.Re8 Kh3 44.Rg8 Kxh2 45.Ke6 Rb5 46.Kf6 h5 47.Rg5 Kh3 48.Rxh5+ Kxg3 49.Rxf5 Rb6+ 50.Kg5 Rb8 51.Rf7 Rg8+ 52.Kf5 Ra8 53.Rg7+ Kh4 54.Rh7+ Kg3 55.Kg5 Rg8+ 56.Kf6 Rf8+ 57.Ke7 Rxf4 58.Rg7+ Kf3 59.Rf7 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Filipets,E (2513) Blitz 2024]

[4...c5 5.dxc5 Na6 6.cxd6 exd6 7.Nc3 Be6 8.Be3 Bg7 9.Qd2 0-0 10.b3 Qa5 11.Rc1 Rfd8 12.Nd5 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 h6 14.Bd3 Nc5 15.Nc7 Rac8 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Ne2 Kf7 18.Rhd1 b6 19.Ke1 Nxd3+ 20.Rxd3 Rc6 21.Rcd1 Ke7 22.Nf4 g5 23.Ng6+ Kf7 24.Ne5+ dxe5 25.Rxd8 Bf8 26.Ra8 Rc7 27.Rdd8 Be7 28.Rdc8 Rd7 29.Ke2 Nh7 30.c5 bxc5 31.Bxc5 Bxc5 32.Rxc5 Nf6 33.Ra5 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-anon_fm (2559) Blitz 2024]

5.Ne2

[5.Be3 It is usually not recommended to allow Black to take on d4, when White can't recapture with his knight. exd4 6.Qxd4 *(6.Bxd4?! Nc6)* 6...Bg7 7.Qd2 Be6 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.b3 a5 A typical plan involving counterplay.

10.Nge2 a4 11.Rb1 axb3 12.axb3 0-0 Too standard. *(12...Nh5!? ⩲13.g4 Nf6)* 13.Nf4 Nd7 14.Be2 Nc5 15.b4! *(*In the event of *15.0-0 Ra3* White can't protect his b3-pawn.*; 15.Nb5?! Nxb3 16.Rxb3 Ra1+ 17.Bd1 Bxc4)* 15...Na4 16.Nb5 Na7!? 17.Bxa7?! A strange exchange, obviously unfavourable for White. It is unclear what GM Etienne Bacrot had overlooked. *(⌓17.Nd4 Bd7 18.0-0±)* 17...Rxa7 18.Nxe6 *(18.Nxa7?? Bc3)* 18...fxe6 19.0-0 ChessBase: 'Black is already in big trouble.' Ra8= 20.Rbc1 *(⌓20.Bd1)*

A) ⌓20...c6! ChessBase: 'and mate to follow.' 21.Nd4 *(21.Nxd6 Be5 22.c5 Qh4 ⩲23.g3 Bxg3 24.hxg3 Qxg3+ 25.Kh1 Rf4)* 21...Qe7↑;

B) 20...Qe7 21.f4 Rfd8 22.Bg4 c6 23.Nd4 White's counterplay is now sufficient for equality. Bxd4+ 24.Qxd4 e5 25.Qe3 exf4 ChessBase: 'Count the material: White has a queen for rook and knight, and a position a 2700+ GM should not have problems winning.' 26.Rxf4 ChessBase: '?' Qe5 27.h3 c5 ChessBase: 'Oops, now the game is a draw.' 28.bxc5 Nxc5 29.Rd1 Rf8 30.Rxf8+ Rxf8 31.Rd5 Qa1+ 32.Rd1 Qf6 33.e5 Qxe5 34.Qxe5 dxe5 35.Rd5 ChessBase: 'A lucky escape for Vachier-Lagrave.' b6 ½-½ (35) Bacrot,E (2721)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2735) Poikovsky 2014 CBM 161 [Krasenkow,Michal] ChessBase: '??']

[For 5.d5 see Giri-Carlsen in CBM 153. c6 6.Nc3 cxd5 7.cxd5 a6 8.Bg5 b5 9.Nge2 Nbd7 10.Nc1 b4 11.Na4 h6 12.Be3 Qa5 13.Be2 h5 14.Qd2 h4 15.b3 Nh5 16.Nd3 Rb8 17.0-0 Be7 18.a3 Qd8 19.axb4 g5 20.Rfc1 Nf4 21.h3 Rg8 22.Rc6 Bb7 23.Rac1 Kf8 24.Rc7 Nf6 25.Nb6

Kg7 26.Nxf4 gxf4 27.Bf2 Rh8 28.Qe1 Ba8 29.Rc8 Rxc8 30.Rxc8 Qxc8 31.Nxc8 Rxc8 32.Bxh4 Bb7 33.Bc4 Bd8 34.Kh2 Bb6 35.Bxf6+ Kxf6 36.Qh4+ Kg6 37.Qg4+ Kf6 38.Qd7 Bc7 39.Qf5+ Kg7 40.Qg5+ Kf8 41.Qh6+ Ke7 42.Qg5+ Kd7 43.Qf5+ Ke7 44.Qg5+ Kd7 45.Qf6 Rf8 46.b5 Bd8 47.Qf5+ Kc7 48.bxa6 Bc8 49.Qh7 Kb6 50.Qg7 Be7 51.a7 Bb7 52.h4 Kxa7 53.h5 Ba6 54.h6 Bxc4 55.bxc4 Kb6 56.h7 Kc5 57.h8Q Rxh8+ 58.Qxh8 Bd8 59.Qg7 Ba5 60.Qxf7 Kxc4 61.Qd7 Bb4 62.Qxd6 Bc5 63.Qc6 Kd4 64.d6 Bxd6 65.Qd7 Ke3 66.Qxd6 Ke2 67.Kh3 Kf1 0-1 (67) nastroyani (2664)-shuriks91 (2745) Blitz 2021]

5...c5

[5...h5 6.Nbc3 Nc6 *(6...Be7 7.Be3 c5 8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8+ Bxd8 10.Bxc5 Be6 11.Nd5 Nbd7 12.Be3 Ba5+ 13.Kf2 Rc8 14.b3 b5 15.Nc1 bxc4 16.Bxc4 Bxd5 17.exd5 Nb6 18.Bxb6 Bxb6+ 19.Ke2 e4 20.fxe4 Nxe4 21.Nd3 0-0 22.Rhe1 Rfe8 23.Kd1 Ba5 24.Kc2 Bxe1 25.Rxe1 Nd6 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8 27.Kc3 Re2 28.Kd4 Rxa2 29.Kc5 Nf5 30.d6 Kf8 31.Ne5 Rd2 32.Nxf7 h4 33.Kc6 Nd4+ 34.Kc5 Nf5 35.d7 Rxd7* 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-JelenaZ (2649) Blitz 2022*)* 7.d5 Ne7 8.Be3 *(8.Bg5 Neg8 9.Qd2 Bh6 10.h4 Bxg5 11.Qxg5 Nd7 12.0-0-0 a5 13.g3 Nc5 14.Kc2 Nf6 15.Nb5 Nfd7 16.Nc1 Nb6 17.Be2 Bd7 18.Qxd8+ Kxd8 19.Nc3 Ke7 20.b3 c6 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.Rxd3 cxd5 23.Nxd5+ Nxd5 24.Rxd5 Bc6 25.Rd2 Rab8 26.Rhd1 Rhd8 27.a3 b5 28.cxb5 Bxb5 29.Bxb5 Rxb5 30.Rd5 Rdb8 31.Rxb5 Rxb5 32.Rd5 Rxd5 33.exd5 f5 34.Kc3 g5 35.Kd3 f4 36.hxg5 fxg3 37.Ke2 h4 38.b4 axb4 39.axb4 h3 40.Kf1 Kf7 41.b5 Kg6 42.b6 Kxg5 43.b7 Kf4 44.b8Q* 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-LavishChess (2552) Blitz 2025 *)* 8...Bh6 9.Bxh6 Rxh6 10.Qd2 Rh8 11.h4 a5 12.c5 dxc5 13.Rc1 Kf8 14.g3 Ne8 15.Bg2 Nd6 16.0-0 Kg7 17.b3 Ng8 18.Qb2 Qe7 19.Na4 b6 20.f4 f6 21.Rf2 Nh6 22.fxe5 fxe5 23.Rcf1 Bd7 24.Nc1 Ng4 25.Nd3 Bb5 26.Qc3 Bxd3 27.Qxd3 Nxf2 28.Rxf2 Rhf8 0-1 (28) AgressiveMode (2777)-Chess-Network (2722) Blitz 2021]

6.d5 Nbd7

[Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Grischuk-Nepo, World Blitz 2013 went" Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Grischuk-Nepo, World Blitz 2013 went' 6...h5 7.h4 *(7.Nec3 Nbd7 8.Na3 h4 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Be3 a6 11.Qd2 Nh7 12.g3 Ng5 13.Qg2 f5 14.Bd3 f4 15.Bd2 h3 16.Qe2 0-0 17.Rg1 Rf7 18.0-0-0 Qf8 19.Rdf1 Qg7 20.Nc2 Nf8 21.Kb1 Nfh7 22.Ne1 Bd7 23.Bc2 Raf8 24.gxf4 exf4 25.Nd3 Bf6 26.Bxf4 Bxc3 27.Bxd6 Bd4 28.f4 Bxg1 29.Be5 Nf6 30.fxg5 Ng4 31.Bf6 Bxh2 32.e5 Nxf6 33.exf6 Bd6 34.Nf4 Rxf6 35.gxf6 Rxf6 36.Ne6 Rxf1+ 37.Qxf1 Qh6 38.Qf6 h2 39.Be4 h1Q+ 40.Bxh1 Qxh1+ 41.Kc2 Qe4+* 0-1 (41) Duda,J (2756)-Carlsen,M (2855) chess24.com INT 2021 *)* 7...Bh6 8.Bxh6 Rxh6 9.Qd2 Rh8 10.Nbc3 Kf8 *(10...Na6* Yermolinsky,A: 'and White applied a typical positional squeeze to win in 39 moves.'and White applied a typical positional squeeze to win in 39 moves. *11.Nc1 Nc7 12.Nd3 Qe7*

13.a3 b6 14.b4 Nd7 15.g3 Qf8 16.Bh3 Qh6 17.Qxh6 Rxh6 18.Kd2 Ba6 19.b5 Bc8 20.a4 Ke7 21.a5 bxa5 22.Bxd7 Kxd7 23.Rxa5 Bb7 24.Rha1 a6 25.Na4 Kd8 26.Naxc5 dxc5 27.Nxc5 Rb8 28.b6 Na8 29.Nxb7+ Rxb7 30.c5 Nxb6 31.cxb6 g5 32.Rxa6 gxh4 33.gxh4 Rhxb6 34.Rxb6 Rxb6 35.Ra8+ Ke7 36.Rh8 Rb3 37.Rxh5 Rxf3 38.Rxe5+ Kf8 39.d6 1-0 (39) Grischuk,A (2779)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2717) Khanty-Mansiysk RUS 2013*)* 11.g3 Kg7 12.0-0-0 a6 13.Kb1 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Ba6 16.Nec3 Qb6 17.Be2 Nbd7 18.g4 Rhb8 19.f4 hxg4 20.Rdf1 Bxb5 21.Bxb5 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Qxb5 23.h5 Rxa2 24.Kxa2 Qa4+ 25.Kb1 Qxe4+ 26.Qc2 Qxc2+ 27.Kxc2 exf4 28.Rxf4 f5 29.Rhf1 Nf6 30.hxg6 Nxd5 31.Rxf5 Ne3+ 32.Kd3 Nxf1 0-1 (32) sber1 (2843)-Multibrendovyi (2873) Blitz 2021]

7.h4

[7.Nbc3 a6 8.a4?! Yermolinsky,A: 'I don't see why White should even bother with preventing b7-b5. A pawn sac with the black pawn on e5 would be unthinkable even for the most die-hard Benko fan.'I don't see why White should even bother with preventing b7-b5. A pawn sac with the black pawn on e5 would be unthinkable even for the most die-hard Benko fan. *(8.h4 h5 9.Be3±* Yermolinsky,A: 'I don't get it. What does Nepo see in this position?'I don't get it. What does Nepo see in this position?*)* 8...Nh5 9.g3 Yermolinsky,A: 'Normally in the Sämisch KID White doesn't play like this.' Normally in the Sämisch KID White doesn't play like this. *(* Yermolinsky,A: 'If only White kept his a-pawn where it belonged, he would have been happy to accept the upcoming pawn sac.'If only White kept his a-pawn where it belonged, he would have been happy to accept the upcoming pawn sac. *9.Be3 Bg7 10.g4 Nf4* Yermolinsky,A: 'Absolutely forced.' Absolutely forced. *11.Nxf4 exf4 12.Bxf4 Bd4 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Be2 Bd7 15.h4* Yermolinsky,A: 'as it is, Black would get chances after' as it is, Black would get chances after *Qb6)* 9...Bg7 10.h4!? *(* Yermolinsky,A: 'Another interesting move was' Another interesting move was *10.Bh3 0-0 11.0-0* Yermolinsky,A: 'anticipating'anticipating *f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Qc2* Yermolinsky,A: 'In that case, same as in the game Black suffers the consequence of his early developing with Nbd7, as Bc8 remains blocked.'In that case, same as in the game Black suffers the consequence of his early developing with ♘bd7, as ♗c8 remains blocked.*)* 10...f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.g4! fxg4 13.fxg4 Nf4 14.g5 0-0 15.Ne4 Nb6! Yermolinsky,A: 'Ian grabs a chance to get that knight out of the way.' Ian grabs a chance to get that knight out of the way. 16.N2g3 Yermolinsky,A: 'The correct approach. White needs to keep the situation from getting out of control.'The correct approach. White needs to keep the situation from getting out of control. *(* Yermolinsky,A: 'The point was' The point was *16.a5? Nxc4! 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bxc4 Re8* Yermolinsky,A: 'with a strong attack.'with a strong attack. *)* 16...Bd7 17.Rg1 Kh8 18.Bd2 *(18.Nxd6 Bxa4 19.Nxb7 Qc7 20.Rxa4 Nxa4 21.Qxa4 Qxb7*

22.Ne4 Rab8∞) 18...Nc8 Yermolinsky, A: 'On the face of it Wesley's kingside advantage should ensure a long-term edge for White, but playing such positions takes a very subtle approach.'On the face of it Wesley's kingside advantage should ensure a long-term edge for White, but playing such positions takes a very subtle approach. 19.Nh5? Yermolinsky,A: 'I don't like this plan. Trading pieces just feels wrong.'I don't like this plan. Trading pieces just feels wrong. *(* Yermolinsky,A: 'Suppose we start with' Suppose we start with *19.h5 h6 20.g6 Qc7* Yermolinsky,A: 'and now White, whose king appears to be safe, can try the other side:'and now White, whose king appears to be safe, can try the other side: *21.a5 Ne7 22.b4?! Nf5 23.bxc5 dxc5 24.Nxf5 Bxf5 25.Qf3* Yermolinsky,A: 'only to find himself under pressure after' only to find himself under pressure after *b5!; 19.a5 Qc7 20.h5!* Yermolinsky,A: 'only now when the black queen no longer attacks the g5-pawn.' only now when the black queen no longer attacks the g5-pawn. *h6 21.Qc2 Ne7 22.0-0-0 b5 23.Ne2!* Yermolinsky,A: 'So much for the positional squeeze. Instead, White is trying to get to the black king!' So much for the positional squeeze. Instead, White is trying to get to the black king! *b4 24.Nxf4 exf4 25.gxh6 Bxh6 26.Kb1 Nf5 27.Qd3±)* 19...Bf5 20.Neg3 *(20.Nef6 Nxh5 21.Nxh5 Ne7)* 20...Qd7 21.Nxg7 Qxg7 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.Qb3 Na7 24.Qb6 Yermolinsky,A: 'A disappointing finish.' A disappointing finish. *(* Yermolinsky, A: 'I guess Wesley was not quite happy with allowing'I guess Wesley was not quite happy with allowing *24.0-0-0 b5* Yermolinsky,A: 'but White might still be better.'but White might still be better.*)* 24...Nc8 25.Qb3 Na7 26.Qb6 Nc8 27.Qb3 ½-½ (27) So,W (2788)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2729) London 2017 CBM 182 [Yermolinsky, Alex]]

7...Ng8 8.Nbc3

[8.h5 gxh5 9.Rxh5 Ndf6 10.Rh2 h5 11.Nbc3 Bh6 12.Bxh6 Rxh6 13.Qd2 Nh7 14.0-0-0 Qg5 15.Qxg5 Nxg5 16.Rh4 Bd7 17.a3 Nh7 18.Kd2 0-0-0 19.b4 Ne7 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Nc1 Ng6 22.Rh1 b6 23.Nd3 Ng5 24.a4 h4 25.Ke3 f6 26.a5 Nf7 27.Be2 Kb7 28.Ra1 Rc8 29.Kf2 Nd6 30.Ra2 Nxc4 31.axb6 axb6 32.Rb1 Nd6 33.Nb2 c4 34.Nba4 b5 35.Nxb5 Bxb5 36.Nc3 Rc5 37.Rab2 Kc7 38.Nxb5+ Nxb5 39.Rxb5 Rxb5 40.Rxb5 Nf4 41.Bxc4 h3 42.gxh3 Rxh3 43.Ra5 Rh2+ 44.Kg3 Rg2+ 45.Kh4 Kd6 46.Bf1 Ng6+ 47.Kh5 Nf4+ 48.Kh6 Rg6+ 49.Kh7 Rg1 50.Ra6+ Ke7 51.d6+ Kd7 52.Bb5+ Ke6 53.Bc4+ Kd7 54.Bb3 Rg3 55.Ba4+ Ke6 56.Bd1 ½-½ (56) Lczero Dev (3623)-Stockfish (3639) tcec-chess.com INT 2021]

8...h5 9.Ng1 Bh6 10.g3 Nb6 11.Bd2 Kf8 12.a4 Kg7 13.b3 a6 14.Nh3 Bxh3 15.Bxh3 Qe7 16.Qe2 Nf6 17.Bxh6+ Rxh6 18.0-0-0 Nbd7 19.Kc2 Rhh8 20.Ra1 b6 21.Qe3 Rhb8 22.Qg5 Rb7 23.Rhf1 Nf8 24.Qe3 N8d7 25.Rg1 Rab8 26.Qg5 Rh8 27.Rg2 Rhb8 28.Rf2 Qd8 29.Bf1 Qe7 30.Bh3 Qd8 31.Rff1 Rc8 32.Rfb1 Qe7 33.Bf1 Rbb8 34.Bh3 Rh8 35.Rb2 Rhc8 36.Rbb1 Rh8 37.Rg1 Ra8 38.Rgd1 Rhe8 39.Rdb1 Rh8 40.Rg1 Rab8 41.Raf1

Rbe8 42.Rb1 Ra8 43.Qc1 Rag8 44.Qd2 Ra8 45.Ra1 Rab8 46.Qg5 Rb7 47.Rgd1 Rbb8 48.Rf1 Ra8 49.Qd2 Rab8 50.Ra2 Rb7 51.Qg5 Rhb8 52.Raa1 Rh8 53.Ra2 Ra8 54.Rh1 Rab8 55.Raa1 Re8 56.Bf1 Rbb8 57.Bh3 Rb7 58.Rae1 Rh8 59.Rhf1 Nf8 60.Ra1 Rb8 61.Ra3 Rg8 62.Rb1 Rh8 63.Qe3 Ne8 64.Raa1 Nd7 65.Rf1 Nef6 66.Rf2 Rbg8 67.a5 Rb8 68.axb6 Rxb6 69.Nb1 Ra8 70.Ra5 Qd8 71.Qc3 Rb4 72.Qa1 Rb6 73.Nd2 Qe7 74.Rf1 Kg8 75.Qb2 Kg7 76.Rfa1 Qf8 77.R1a2 Qh8 78.Qa1 Qc8 79.Qd1 Qe8 80.R2a3 Qf8 81.Qa1 Qc8 82.R5a4 Qb7 83.Qg1 Qb8 84.Ra5 Qd8 85.Qe1 Qf8 86.Qe2 Qe7 87.Qf1 Qf8 88.R5a4 Qe8 89.Ra5 Qd8 90.Nb1 Qc7 91.Nc3 Qb7 92.Nb1 Qb8 93.Qd3 Qd8 94.Qe3 Qe7 95.Qg5 Qe8 96.Qe3 Qe7 97.Nc3 Qd8 98.Qc1 Qc7 99.Qa1 Qb7 100.Na4 Rb4 101.Nb2 Rb6 102.Nd1 Rb8 103.Qa2 Ra8 104.Nc3 Nb8 105.Nb1 Nbd7 106.Nd2 Qc8 107.Qb2 Qd8 108.Qa1 Qc8 109.Qd1 Qd8 110.f4 Ra7 111.Ra1 Qe7 112.Qf3 Nf8 113.R5a3 Ra8 114.Qc3 N8d7 115.Qf3 Nf8 116.Ra5 Ra7 117.Qe3 N8d7 118.Qe2 Qe8 119.f5 Qd8 120.Qe3 Nf8 121.Qg1 N6h7 122.fxg6 fxg6 123.R1a4 Nf6 124.g4 Nxg4 125.Bxg4 hxg4 126.Qxg4 Nh7 127.Ra1 Nf6 128.Qg5 Qh8 129.Rb5 Rbb7 130.Rxb7+ Rxb7 131.Rg1 Qh6 132.Ra1 Ra7 133.Kb2 Nh7 134.Qxh6+ Kxh6 135.Ka3 Rf7 136.b4 Rf2 137.bxc5 dxc5 138.Nb3 Rc2 139.Na5 Nf6 140.Re1 Kh5 141.Kb3 Rh2 142.Nb7 Nd7 ½-½ (142) Stockfish (3639)-Lczero Dev (3623) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

3...c6 4.e4 d5 5.cxd5

[5.e5 Nfd7 6.Nc3 e6 7.cxd5 exd5 8.f4 Nb6 9.Bd3 Be6 10.Nf3 Be7 11.0-0 N8d7 12.f5 gxf5 13.Qc2 Nf8 14.Bxf5 Qd7 15.Ng5 h6 16.Nxf7 Bxf5 17.Qxf5 Qxf5 18.Rxf5 Rh7 19.Nxh6 Ne6 20.Ne2 Nc4 21.b3 Na3 22.Bxa3 Bxa3 23.Rf6 Ke7 24.Nf5+ Kd7 25.Rf1 Rg8 26.Nf4 Ng5 27.Rg6 Rxg6 28.Nxg6 Ne4 29.h4 Rf7 30.g4 c5 31.Kg2 Nd2 32.Rd1 Bb4 33.dxc5 Kc6 34.e6 Rf6 35.e7 Kd7 36.Ng7 1-0 (36) jposthuma (2646)-Kntr714 (2418) Rapid 2021]

5...cxd5 6.e5 Nfd7

[6...Ng8 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'was once played by Vokarev, maybe his idea was' 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Bd3 *(8.f4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.Nf3 Nh6 11.Be3 Nf5 12.Bf2 h5 13.0-0 a6 14.Qd2 b5 15.Nd1 Bb7 16.Ne3 Rc8 17.Rac1 0-0 18.Nxf5 exf5 19.Bh4 Qb6 20.Kh1 Na5 21.b3 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Rc8 23.Rxc8+ Bxc8 24.Be7 Be6 25.Bc5 Qc6 26.Qxa5* 1-0 (26) unitedff (2613)-AxoloteOscuro (2589) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Nc6 9.Nge2 Nh6 10.0-0 Nf5 Glenn Flear: 'with a reasonable game.']

7.f4

[7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Bg5 Nb6 9.Qd2 Bg7 10.h4 f6 11.exf6 exf6 12.Be3 0-0 13.h5 Re8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.0-0-0 Qe7 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Qe3+ 18.Qxe3 Rxe3 19.Bd3 Kg7 20.Nge2 Nb4 21.Bb1 Bd7 22.b3 Rc8 23.Kd2 Re7 24.Rh2 Rh8 25.Rxh8 Kxh8 26.Bxg6 Rg7 27.Nf4 Nc6 28.Ke3 Ne7 29.Bb1 Bf5 30.Bxf5 Nxf5+ 31.Kf2 Rc7 32.Rd3 Nxd4 33.Ncxd5 Nxd5 34.Nxd5 Rc2+ 35.Ke3 Nc6 36.Nxf6 Rxg2 37.Rd7 Rg7 38.Rd6 Re7+ 39.Kf4 Kg7 40.Ne4 Ne5 41.Ng5 Ng6+ 42.Kf5 Re5+ 43.Kg4

Re2 44.Rd7+ Kg8 45.Rxb7 Rxa2 46.Kf5 Nh4+ 47.Kf6 Ra6+ 48.Ke5 Ng6+ 49.Kf5 Nh4+ 50.Kg4 Ng6 51.f4 Rf6 52.Rb4 a5 53.Ra4 Rb6 54.Rxa5 Nxf4 55.Kxf4 Rxb3 56.Kf5 Rb6 57.Ne6 Rb1 58.Re5 Rf1+ 59.Kg6 Ra1 60.Rf5 Rg1+ 61.Ng5 Ra1 62.Rf6 Ra7 63.Nf7 Ra8 64.Re6 Kf8 65.Ng5 Kg8 66.Nh7 Kh8 67.Nf6 Rb8 68.Re7 Rb7 69.Re8# 1-0 (69) penguingim1 (2713)-Shant7777777 (2725) Blitz 2020]

[7.h4 e6 8.h5 Be7 9.Bd3 Rg8 10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Ne2 Nc6 12.Nbc3 Nf8 13.Be3 Bd7 14.Rc1 Rc8 15.Kf2 Na5 16.b3 a6 17.Qd2 Ba3 18.Rc2 Be7 19.Nf4 Nc6 20.Be2 Qa5 21.g4 Kd8 22.Kg2 Na7 23.Nd3 Nb5 24.b4 Qc7 25.Nc5 Na3 26.Rcc1 Bc6 27.Bf2 Nd7 28.Rh7 Nxc5 29.dxc5 Ke8 30.Bd4 Nb5 31.Nxb5 Bxb5 32.Bd1 Qc6 33.Bc2 Ba4 34.Qf4 Rf8 35.Rxf7 Bxc2 36.Rxf8+ Bxf8 37.Rxc2 Qa4 38.Qd2 Bh6 39.Qd3 Kf7 40.f4 Bf8 41.f5 gxf5 42.gxf5 Be7 43.fxe6+ Ke8 44.c6 1-0 (44) Korobov,A (2674)-Yandemirov,V (2388) Sochi RUS 2016]

7...Bg7

[7...Nc6 8.Nc3 Nb6 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.Be2 e6 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Be3 a6 13.Rc1 h5 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Rxf3 Be7 16.g4 hxg4 17.hxg4 Rh4 18.Rg3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.d5 exd5 21.Nxd5 Nb4 22.Nxb4 Qxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Bxb4 24.Bf2 Bc5 25.Bxc5 Rxc5 26.Kg2 g5 27.Kf3 Ke7 28.Ke4 gxf4 29.Kxf4 Rh2 30.b4 cxb3 31.Rxb3 b5 32.Rbd3 Rf2+ 33.Kg3 Rxa2 34.Rd7+ Ke6 35.R1d6+ Kxe5 36.Rb6 Ra3+ 37.Kh4 f5 38.Re7+ Kf4 39.g5 Ra1 40.Kh5 Rh1+ 41.Kg6 Rg1 42.Rxa6 Rxg5+ 43.Kf6 Rg1 44.Rb7 Rgc1 45.Rbb6 Ke4 46.Re6+ Kf4 47.Rab6 R1c4 48.Kg6 b4 49.Kh5 Kg3 50.Rg6+ Kf3 51.Rg1 f4+ 52.Kh4 Kf2 53.Rgg6 f3+ 54.Kh3 Ke2 55.Rbe6+ Kf1 56.Rgf6 f2 57.Kg3 Rc3+ 58.Kg4 R5c4+ 59.Kg5 Rc5+ 60.Kg6 Kg2 61.Re2 Rf3 62.Rb6 Kg3 63.Rxf2 Kxf2 64.Rxb4 Rg3+ 65.Kf6 Rcc3 66.Ke6 Kf3 67.Rb8 Re3+ 68.Kd5 Rg4 69.Rf8+ Rf4 70.Rh8 Rd3+ 71.Kc5 Re3 72.Kb5 Ke2 73.Rh2+ Kd3 74.Rh1 Ke4 75.Rd1 Kf3 76.Rd8 Kg4 77.Rh8 Kf5 78.Rg8 Ke4 79.Rf8 Kf3 80.Re8 Rb3+ 81.Ka5 Re3 0-1 (81) estudiante2008 (2658)-Asaf_Givon (2665) Blitz 2022]

8.Nf3 Nc6 9.Nc3 e6 10.Be3

[10.a3 0-0 11.Bd3 f6 12.0-0 fxe5 13.fxe5 Qb6 14.Be3 Ndxe5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.Rxf8+ Kxf8 17.Qf3+ Kg8 18.dxe5 d4 19.Ne4 dxe3 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Nxh7 e2+ 22.Kh1 Nxe5 23.Qf6+ Kxh7 24.Qxe5 Qf2 25.Qh5+ Kg7 26.Qxg6+ Kf8 27.Qg3 Qxg3 28.hxg3 Bd7 29.Bxe2 Rc8 30.Rd1 Bc6 31.Kg1 Ke7 32.Kf2 e5 33.Rc1 Rf8+ 34.Kg1 Rg8 35.Kf2 Rf8+ 36.Ke3 Rg8 37.g4 Bd7 38.Rc7 Kd6 39.Rxb7 a5 40.Rb6+ Kc5 41.Rf6 Bxg4 42.Bxg4 Rxg4 43.Kf3 Rc4 44.Rf8 Kd5 45.Rd8+ Ke6 46.Rd2 a4 47.g4 Kf6 48.Rd6+ Kg5 49.Rd5 Rf4+ 50.Ke3 Kxg4 51.Rxe5 Rc4 52.Re4+ Rxe4+ 53.Kxe4 Kg5 54.Kd4 Kf6 55.Kc4 Ke7 56.Kb4 1-0 (56) superfm1 (2681)-DragonMaster3000 (2541) Blitz 2024]

10...a6 11.Rc1 Rb8 12.Be2 0-0 13.h4 f6 14.h5 fxe5 15.fxe5 Ne7 16.g4 gxh5 17.Rxh5 Ng6 18.Kd2 Nf4 19.Bxf4 Rxf4 20.Ke3 Rf7 21.Qd3 Nf8 22.Rch1 Bh8 23.Ng5 Rg7 24.Nxh7 Nxh7 25.Rxh7

Qg5+ 26.Kf2 Qf4+ 27.Bf3 1-0 (27) jposthuma (2739)-Turboplombir (2403) Rapid 2022

3...Nd5 4.cxd5 Bg7 5.e4 0-0 6.Nc3 c5 7.dxc5 b6 8.Be3 Na6 9.cxb6 axb6 10.Bxa6 Bxa6 11.Nge2 b5 12.a3 b4 13.axb4 f5 14.b5 Bb7 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.0-0 e5 17.Qa1 Qc8 18.Rc1 f4 19.Bf2 g5 20.Qa7 d6 21.Na4 Qd7 22.Qb6 Bc8 23.Rc7 Qd8 24.Qb8 g4 25.Nb6 gxf3 26.Qxc8 Qg5 27.Qe6+ Kh8 28.Qh3 fxe2 29.Qf3 Rb8 30.Qxe2 f3 31.Qxf3 Qd2 32.g3 Rf8 33.Rc8 Rxc8 34.Nxc8 Qc1+ 35.Kg2 Qxc8 36.b6 Kg8 37.Qf5 Qa6 38.Qe6+ Kf8 39.Qxd6+ Kf7 40.Qd7+ Kf6 41.Qe6+ Kg5 42.h4+ Kh5 43.g4# 1-0 (43) supertactic91 (2729)-alikoohpeima1 (2293) Rapid 2021

3...b5 4.cxb5 d5 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Bg5 0-0 7.e3 h6 8.Bh4 Nbd7 9.Bd3 e5 10.Nge2 Re8 11.Qd2 g5 12.Bf2 e4 13.fxe4 dxe4 14.Bc4 Nb6 15.Bb3 a6 16.0-0 axb5 17.Nxb5 Ba6 18.Na3 Nbd5 19.h3 Rb8 20.Rac1 Qd7 21.Nc4 g4 22.h4 Nh5 23.Ng3 Nhf6 24.Ne5 Qc8 25.Ne2 Qe6 26.Bg3 Nh5 27.Rc6 Nxg3 28.Nxg3 Qc8 29.Bxd5 Bxe5 30.Bxf7+ Kh7 31.Bg6+ Kh8 32.dxe5 Bxf1 33.Qd4 Rd8 34.Rd6 cxd6 35.e6+ Kg8 36.Bf7+ Kh7 37.Qf6 Rg8 38.Nf5 Qf8 39.Bxg8+ Kxg8 40.Qg6+ Kh8 41.e7 Qf6 42.Qxf6+ 1-0 (42) penguingim1 (2726)-Nguyen,D (2406) Blitz 2020

3...Bh6 4.Bxh6 d6 5.Nc3 Rg8 6.Bg5 Nbd7 7.e4 c5 8.d5 h6 9.Be3 Ne5 10.Bd3 g5 11.Nge2 h5 12.Qd2 Bh3 13.Ng3 Bxg2 14.Qxg2 Nxd3+ 15.Kd2 Nxb2 16.Qe2 b5 17.Nxb5 Qa5+ 18.Kc2 a6 19.Nc3 Na4 20.Qd3 Nb6 21.Rab1 Nfd7 22.f4 gxf4 23.Bxf4 Rg4 24.Rhf1 Rxf4 25.Rxf4 Ne5 26.Qe2 Nbxc4 27.Rb3 Na3+ 28.Rxa3 Qxa3 29.Qxh5 Kd7 30.Qf5+ Kc7 31.Rf1 Rb8 32.Rb1 Rxb1 33.Nxb1 Qxa2+ 34.Kc1 Nd3+ 35.Kd1 Qxb1+ 36.Kd2 Ne5 37.Ne2 Qd3+ 38.Ke1 c4 39.h4 Nf3+ 40.Kf2 Ne5 41.h5 Qd2 42.Qh3 Nd3+ 43.Kf3 Ne5+ 44.Kf2 Qg5 45.h6 Ng4+ 46.Kf1 Nxh6 47.Qc3 Qf6+ 48.Qxf6 exf6 49.Nc3 Kb6 50.Ke2 Kc5 51.Ke3 Ng4+ 52.Kd2 Kd4 53.Kc2 Nf2 54.Kd2 0-1 (54) Superfm1 (2644)-IAmMateCheckMate (2825) Blitz 2025

[3] **4.d5** e4!

[4...Bg7 5.e4 Nxe4 6.fxe4 Qh4+ 7.Kd2 Qxe4 8.Bd3 Qxg2+ 9.Ne2 e4 10.Rg1 Qf3 11.Rg3 Bh6+ 12.Kc3 Qf6+ 13.Kb3 Bxc1 14.Qxc1 exd3 15.Qe3+ Qe7 16.Qxd3 0-0 17.Nbc3 Na6 18.Kc2 Nb4+ 0-1 (18) Dark_Hu7nter (2631)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2752) Blitz 2023]

[4...Bc5 5.Nc3 d6 6.e3 Nh5 7.Nge2 f5 8.Qc2 a5 9.Bd2 0-0 10.0-0-0 Na6 11.a3 Ba7 12.h3 f4 13.exf4 exf4 14.Ne4 Bf5 15.Nxf4 Ng3 16.Bd3 Nxh1 17.Rxh1 Bxe4 18.Bxe4 Qf6 19.Ne6 Rf7 20.Bc3 Qh4 21.Kb1 Qh6 22.Bd2 Qh4 23.Bxg6 Rf6 24.Bg5 1-0 (24) MaLeKkoNihli (2626)-LaVoieLactee (2665) Blitz 2022]

5.Nc3 exf3

[5...d6!? 6.Bg5 h6 *(6...Be7 7.Qd4 exf3 8.Nxf3 h6 9.Bd2 Nbd7 10.0-0-0 Rh7 11.e4 Ng4 12.h3 Nge5 13.Bf4 Bf6 14.Qd2 Bg7 15.Be2 a6 16.g4 h5 17.Ng5 Rh8 18.gxh5 gxh5 19.Rdg1 Bf6 20.Nf3 Ng6 21.Be3 Qe7 22.Nd4 Nc5 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.exf5 Ne5 25.b4 Ncd7 26.Re1 0-0-0 27.b5 a5 28.b6*

Nxb6 29.Bxb6 cxb6 30.Na4 Bg5 31.Kc2 Bxd2 32.Kxd2 Nd7 33.Bd3 Qg5+ 34.Kc3 Qf6+ 35.Kc2 Rde8 36.Nc3 Rxe1 37.Rxe1 Rg8 38.Re2 Rg3 39.Ne4 Qg7 40.f6 Qg6 41.Nxd6+ Kc7 42.Bxg6 Rxg6 43.Ne8+ Kd8 44.Nd6 Nxf6 45.Nxb7+ Kc7 46.Re7+ Kc8 47.Rxf7 Ne4 48.Kd3 Ng5 49.Nd6+ Rxd6 50.Rf8+ Kd7 51.Rf5 Nh7 52.Rf7+ Kd8 53.Rxh7 Rd7 54.Rh8+ Kc7 55.Rxh5 1-0 (55) OnkelKonkel (2605)-Centner-01 (2602) Blitz 2022*)* 7.Bxf6 *(7.Bh4!?)* 7...Qxf6 8.fxe4 Bg7 9.Nf3 0-0⩱]

6.exf3 d6 7.Qe2+ Qe7 8.Qxe7+ Kxe7=

4.Bg5 h6 5.Bh4 Nc6!?

[5...exd4 6.Qxd4

A) 6...g5?! 7.Bg3

A1) 7...Nc6 8.Qe3+ *(8.Qd2 d5!)* 8...Be7 9.Nc3 d6 10.0-0-0 Be6 11.Nd5±;

A2) 7...d6!?;

B) 6...Bg7 7.Qe3+ Kf8 *(7...Qe7 8.Qxe7+ Kxe7 9.Nc3 g5 10.Bf2±)* 8.Nc3 d6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.e4 Nbd7!? *(10...Nc6∞ Δ ♘e4 Δ Ne4)*]

6.d5

[6.e3? exd4 7.exd4 Be7 8.Nc3 d5!∓]

6...Nd4 7.Nc3

[7.e4 c5 8.Ne2 d6∞]

[7.g4 h5 8.e3 *(8.g5? Nh7)* 8...hxg4 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.exd4

A) 10...g3 11.Bh3! *(11.Qe2?! Qf4!)*;

B) 10...exd4 11.Qe2+ Kd8 12.Nd2 Qh4+ 13.Kd1 d6⩱;

C) 10...Bb4+!? 11.Nd2 *(11.Nc3? exd4 12.a3 Ba5 13.b4 dxc3 14.Qe2+ Kd8 15.0-0-0 Bb6 16.c5 d6 17.cxb6 axb6-+; 11.Kf2? e4!∓)* 11...Qh4+ 12.Ke2 exd4⩱]

7...c5!

[7...Bc5?

A) 8.Bf2 d6 9.e3 *(9.g4? Bxg4! 10.fxg4 Nxg4∓)* 9...Nf5 10.Qd2∞;

B) 8.g4 h5 9.e3 hxg4 10.exd4 *(10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.exd4 Bxd4⩱)* 10...Bxd4 11.Bg5!+-]

8.e3

[8.g4? h5 9.e3 hxg4 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.exd4 cxd4 12.Ne4 Qh4+ 13.Nf2 *(13.Ng3 f5; 13.Kd2 gxf3 14.Qxf3 f5)* 13...Bh6! 14.fxg4 Be3 15.Qf3 *(15.Qe2 e4!)* 15...d6∓ Δ f5 Δ f5]

8...Nf5 9.Bf2 h5⇄ Δ ♗h6 Δ Bh6

4.e4 exd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Qd2 Bg7

[6...Bc5!?]

7.Nc3 0-0 8.b3 d6 9.Bb2 Ne8!?

[9...Nd7 Δ ♘c5, f5 Δ Nc5, f5]

10.0-0-0 f5⇄

[4]

5.g3 Nc6

[5...d6 6.f4 dxe5 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Nc3 exf4 9.gxf4 Bb4 10.Nf3 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Be6 12.e3 Nd7 13.Ng5 Ke7 14.Ba3+ Kf6 15.Bg2 c6 16.0-0-0 Nb6 17.Bd6 Nxc4 18.Bc5 Rhd8 19.Nxh7+ Kg7 20.Ng5 Bg4 21.Rd4 Rxd4 22.Bxd4+ f6 23.Rg1 c5 24.Bxb7 Rb8 25.Rxg4 cxd4 26.Ne6+ Kf7 27.Nc5 dxe3 28.f5 Ne5 29.fxg6+ Nxg6 30.Bd5+ Kg7 31.Be4 Nhf4 32.Nd3 Re8 33.Nxf4 Rxe4 34.Nh5+ Kh6 35.Rxe4 Kxh5 36.Rxe3 Nf4 37.Re7 Nd5 38.Rxa7 Nxc3 39.a4 f5 40.a5 f4 41.Rc7 Na2+ 42.Kb2 Nb4 43.Kb3 Nd3 44.a6 f3 45.a7 f2 46.Rf7 Nc5+ 47.Kc4 Ne4 48.a8Q Nd6+ 49.Kc3 Nxf7 50.Qf3+ Kg6 51.Qxf2 Ng5 52.Qf4 Ne6 53.Qg4+ Kf6 54.h4 Nc5 55.Qd4+ 1-0 (55) OnkelKonkel (2674)-RomChartres (2561) Blitz 2022]

6.e4
[6.f4 d6 *(6...Bc5 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Nc3 Re8 9.g4 Ng7 10.Ne4 Be7 11.g5 d6 12.Nf6+ Bxf6 13.exf6 Nf5 14.Kf2 Be6 15.e4 Qd7 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Bg2 Be4 18.Re1 Qg4 19.h3 Qf5 20.Kg3 h5 21.Nh4* 1-0 (21) slogger (2643)-dapd18 (2571) Blitz 2024 *)*
A) 7.exd6 Bxd6 Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: 'Ü 5...♘c6 Ü 5...♘c6 Leko,P; Adorjan,A: '— 5...♘c6' Ü 5...Nc6' 8.Bg2 0-0 *(8...Be6!?)* 9.Nc3 Re8 10.Nf3 Be6 11.Nd5 Bc5⇄;
B) 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Bg2 0-0 9.Be3 Be6 10.Nf3 dxe5 11.fxe5 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 Bxe5 13.Bxb7 Bxc4 14.Bxa8 Qxa8 15.0-0 Rd8 16.Qa4 Be6 17.Qxa7 Qc6 18.Qc5 Qxc5 19.Bxc5 Rd2 20.Rad1 Rxb2 21.Rd8+ Kg7 22.Bf8+ Kg8 23.Bh6# Normal 1-0 (23) SuriusPlaya (2621)-Dmitry_Gritsenko (2546) Blitz 2024;
C) 7.Bg2 Be6! *(7...dxe5? 8.Bxc6+ bxc6 9.Qxd8+ Kxd8 10.fxe5±)*
C1) 8.Qb3? Nd4! 9.Qxb7 Rb8 10.Qe4 dxe5-+;
C2) 8.Qa4 dxe5!? *(8...Qd7!?⩱; 8...Bd7 9.exd6 Bxd6 10.Nf3 0-0 11.0-0 Nf6 12.Nc3 Qe7⩱)* 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Qxc6+ Bd7 11.Qe4 Bg7 *(11...Nf6!? 12.Qxe5+ Be7 13.Nf3 0-0 14.0-0 Re8↑)* 12.Nf3 0-0 13.Nxe5 Re8 14.Nc3 f6 *(14...Bh3∞)* 15.Qd5+ Be6 16.Qxd8 Raxd8 17.Nc6 *(17.Nf3? Bxc4 18.g4 f5!)* 17...Rd6 18.Nxa7 Bxc4 19.Nab5 Rd7 20.g4 f5! 21.gxh5 c6 22.Na3 Bxc3+ 23.Kf2 Bd4+ *(23...Rxe2+? 24.Kf3 Rxb2 25.Nxc4 Rd3+ 26.Be3 Rb4 27.Ke2!+-)* 24.e3 Bd5! 25.Rg1 Bf6 26.hxg6 hxg6 27.Rxg6+ Kf7∓;
C3) 8.Bxc6+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '→ 89/466 Ü 89/466';
C4) 8.exd6 Bxd6!?⩱ Leko,P; Adorjan,A: '!?' Leko, Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '!?' Moiseenko,Alexander: '⩱']
[6.Nc3 d6 7.exd6 Bxd6 8.e4 0-0 9.Bh6 Re8 10.Qd2 Be6 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Nd5 c6 13.Ne3 Bc5 14.Qxd8 Raxd8 15.Rxd8 Rxd8 16.g4 Nf6 17.b3 Nd3+ 18.Kc2 Nf2 19.Bg2 Nxh1 20.Bxh1 Nd7 21.Ne2 f6 22.Nc1 g5 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.gxf5 Be3 25.Nd3 Ne5 26.Nxe5 fxe5 27.h4 Rd2+ 28.Kc3 Rh2 29.Kd3 Bf4 Normal 0-1 (29) licg (2632)-KevinPaveto (2701) Blitz 2024]
6...d6 7.Nc3 Be6 8.Be3 dxe5! Giulian-Taylor, cr 1987
5.f4 f6!?
[5...d6 6.Nf3 Nc6 *(6...Bg4 7.g3 Nc6 8.Bg2 dxe5 9.Qxd8+ Rxd8 10.fxe5 Bg7 11.0-0 Nxe5 12.Bg5 Rb8 13.Nc3 Nxc4 14.Nd5 c6 15.Ne3 Nxb2 16.Nxg4* 1-0 (16) Superfm1 (2603)-createa (2347) Rapid 2023 *)* 7.Nc3
A) 7...Bg4 8.e4 *(8.e3 dxe5 9.Qxd8+ Rxd8 10.fxe5 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Nxe5 12.Be2 Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 Rxd3 14.Ke2 Rd8 15.b3 c6 16.Bb2 Bg7 17.Rad1 0-0 18.Na4 Bxb2 19.Nxb2 Rfe8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Rd1 Rxd1 22.Nxd1 Kf8 23.Nc3 Ke7 24.Ne4 b6 25.b4 h6 26.c5 Nf6 27.Nxf6 Kxf6 28.cxb6 axb6 29.a4 Ke6*

30.Kd3 g5 31.a5 bxa5 32.bxa5 1-0 (32) Superfm1 (2634)-peahuelle (2585) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Bxf3 9.Qxf3 dxe5 10.fxe5 Nxe5 11.Qh3 Bb4 12.Bd2 Qd4 13.0-0-0 0-0 14.Bh6 Qc5 15.Bxf8 Rxf8 16.Kb1 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Qd3 Qc6 19.Nd5 Bd6 20.e5 Bc5 21.g4 Ng7 22.Nf6+ Kh8 23.Qh3 h5 24.gxh5 gxh5 25.Qd3 1-0 (25) Superfm1 (2640)-Biriyani (2682) Blitz 2024;

B) 7...Be6 8.e4 dxe5 9.Nd5 exf4 10.Be2 Bb4+ 11.Bd2 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 Qd6 13.Qc3 0-0-0 14.0-0-0 Kb8 15.Kb1 Rhe8 16.Ng5 h6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Nf6 Nd4 19.Nxe8 Nxe2 20.Nxd6 Nxc3+ 21.bxc3 cxd6 22.c5 Kc7 23.cxd6+ Rxd6 24.Rxd6 Kxd6 25.Rd1+ Ke7 26.e5 Ng7 27.Rf1 g5 28.h4 Nf5 29.hxg5 hxg5 30.Rh1 Nh4 31.Kc2 Kf7 32.Kd3 Kg6 33.Ke4 Nxg2 34.Rd1 g4 35.Rd6 Kf7 36.Rd7+ Kf8 37.Rxb7 f3 38.Rb2 Ne1 39.Rf2 Ke7 40.Rf1 Ng2 41.Rd1 Kf7 42.c4 f2 43.Rf1 g3 44.Kf3 Ne1+ 45.Kxg3 Nd3 46.Rxf2+ Ke7 47.Re2 Nc5 48.Kf4 Kd7 49.Ke3 Kc6 50.Kd4 Na4 51.Rf2 Nc5 52.Rf8 a5 53.Rc8+ 1-0 (53) superfm1 (2674)-peahuelle (2654) Blitz 2024]

[5...Qh4+ 6.g3 Nxg3 7.Nf3 Qh5 8.hxg3 Qxh1 9.Nc3 Bb4 *(9...c6 10.Ne4 Na6 11.Nf6+ Kd8 12.Ng5 Kc7 13.Nxf7 Bb4+ 14.Bd2 Rf8 15.Bxb4 Rxf7 16.Qd6+ Kd8 17.e6* 1-0 (17) Superfm1 (2626)-Dmitry_Gritsenko (2483) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Kf2 Bxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Ba3 Re8 13.Bg2 Qxd1 14.Rxd1 Nc6 15.Ng5 h6 16.Ne4 Kg7 17.Nf6 Rd8 18.g4 a5 19.Nd5 a4 20.Nxc7 Ra5 21.Nd5 b5 22.c5 Bb7 23.Nb6 Ra7 24.Rd6 Na5 25.Bxb7 Rxb7 26.Bb4 Nc4 27.Nxc4 bxc4 28.c6 Ra7 29.f5 gxf5 30.gxf5 h5 31.Kg3 h4+ 32.Kh3 a3 33.e6 fxe6 34.fxe6 Kf6 35.exd7+ Ke5 36.Rd4 Rc7 37.Ba5 Rxc6 38.Bxd8 Rd6 39.Bc7 1-0 (39) superfm1 (2668)-Masaya7 (2304) Blitz 2024]

6.exf6 Qxf6 7.Nc3 Bb4⇄

5.Be3 Nc6 6.g3

[6.g4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Ng7 8.f4 Qh4+ 9.Bf2 Qxg4 10.Qd2 Ne6 11.e3 Nc5 12.h3 Qf5 13.Bg2 Nd3+ 14.Kf1 Nxf2 15.Qxf2 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Qd3+ 17.Ne2 Qxc4 18.Rd1 0-0 19.h4 d6 20.h5 Bg4 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Re1 Kg7 23.Qh4 Bh5 24.Qf6+ Kg8 25.Rxh5 gxh5 26.Qg5+ Kh8 27.Kf2 Rg8 28.Qh6# 1-0 (28) SouthAfricanWolf (2629)-petriashvili2 (2743) Blitz 2022]

6...d6 7.exd6 Bxd6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Bf2 Re8 10.e4 Qf6 11.Bg2 Be6 12.Nge2 Bxc4 13.0-0 Rad8 14.Qa4 b5 0-1 (14) Fastchess2345 (2692)-peahuelle (2619) Blitz 2024

[5] **5...Nc6** 6.Bg5

[6.Nc3 Nxe5

A) 7.e4 Bg7 8.Nf2 0-0 9.Be2 d6 10.f4 Nc6 11.Bxh5 gxh5 12.Qxh5 f5 *(12...Be6 13.Nd5 Nd4 14.0-0 c6 15.Ne3 f5 16.g4 Nf3+ 17.Kg2 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Rxf4 19.Ng5 Nxg5 20.Rxf4 d5 21.Nf5 dxc4 22.Nxg7 Qd5+ 23.Kg1 Kxg7 24.Be3 Nf3+ 25.Rxf3 Qxf3 26.Bd4+* 1-0 (26) tornike_sanikidze (2696)-Yarebore (2722) Blitz 2019*)* 13.0-0 Be6 14.b3 Bxc3 15.Rb1 Bg7 16.Re1 Qd7 17.Ba3 a5 18.Rbd1 Qf7

0-1 (18) supertactic91 (2726)-AgressiveMode (2696) Blitz 2021;

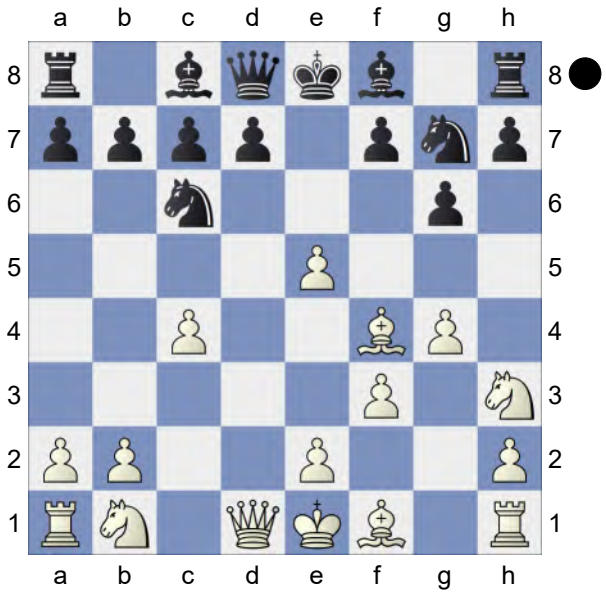
B) 7.e3 Bg7 8.Nf2 0-0 9.Be2 f5 10.f4 Ng4 11.Nxg4 fxg4 12.0-0 d6 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.Qxg4 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Qe7 16.Qf3 b6 17.a4 Rae8 18.a5 Qe4 19.axb6 axb6 20.Qd1 Qxc4 21.Ra4 Qc6 22.Re1 Nf6 23.c4 Re4 24.Qb3 d5 25.Ba3 dxc4 26.Qd1 Rfe8 27.Bb2 c3 28.Qb3+ Qe6 29.Qxe6+ R8xe6 30.Ra8+ Kf7 31.Bxc3 Rxe3 32.Rxe3 Rxe3 33.Be5 Ng4 34.g3 Nxe5 35.fxe5 Rxe5 36.Rc8 Re7 37.Kf2 Ke6 38.Rh8 Kd5 39.g4 Kc4 40.h4 b5 41.h5 gxh5 42.gxh5 c5 43.h6 b4 44.Rg8 Re6 0-1 (44) supertactic91 (2793)-Chess_Training_2021 (2670) Rapid 2021]

[6.Nf2 Nxe5 7.e4 Bc5 8.Be2 Qh4 9.0-0 d6 10.Nc3 0-0 11.Na4 Nf4 12.Nxc5 dxc5 13.g3 Nxe2+ 14.Qxe2 Qh5 15.Kg2 Nc6 16.Be3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 cxd4 18.g4 Qh4 19.Nd3 b6 20.Qf2 Qe7 21.Qxd4 c5 22.Qe3 f5 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Rae1 Be6 25.b3 Rad8 26.Kh1 Qf6 27.Rd1 Rd4 28.Rd2 Rfd8 29.Rfd1 Bh3 30.Ne1 Rxd2 31.Rxd2 Rf8 32.e5 Qf5 33.Kg1 Qb1 34.Kf2 Be6 35.Ng2 Qf5 36.Kg1 Qxf3 37.Qxf3 Rxf3 38.Rd6 Kf7 39.Rc6 Rd3 40.Nf4 Rd7 41.Nxe6 Re7 42.Ng5+ Kg7 43.Rd6 h6 44.Ne6+ Kf7 45.Nd8+ Kg7 46.Nc6 Rf7 47.e6 Rf8 48.e7 Re8 49.Rd8 Kf7 50.Kf2 a6 51.Ke3 1-0 (51) brianthegreat (2721)-Colmen (2592) Blitz 2022]

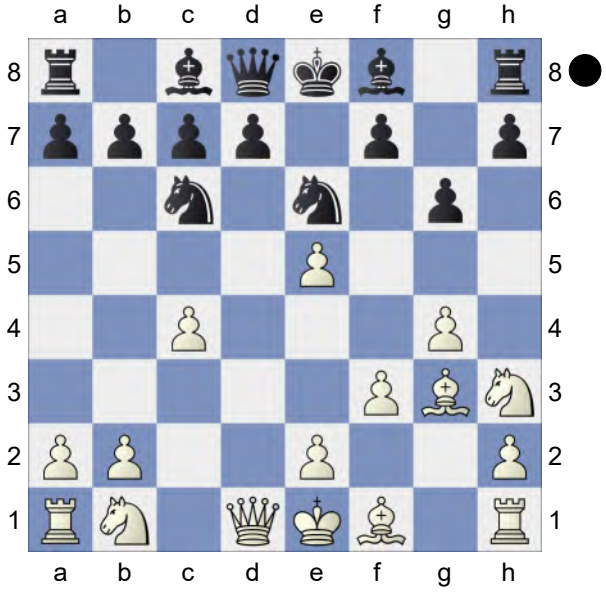
[6.g4

A) 6...Ng7

A1) 7.Bf4 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram



' Ne6 8.Bg3 Diagram



A1a) 8...Bg7 9.f4 *(9.Nc3 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic, Zoran' Nxe5 10.e4 d6∞)* 9...d6 *(9...Nc5 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic, Zoran' 10.Nc3 d6 11.Nf2 Be6∞)* 10.Nc3 *(10.f5 Gledura,Benjamin gxf5 11.gxf5 Ned4)* 10...dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Ncxd8∞ Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,

Zoran: ' ∞ " 12.f5 Gledura,Benjamin *(12.fxe5* Gledura,Benjamin *Nc6)* 12...gxf5 13.gxf5 Nd4= /∞;

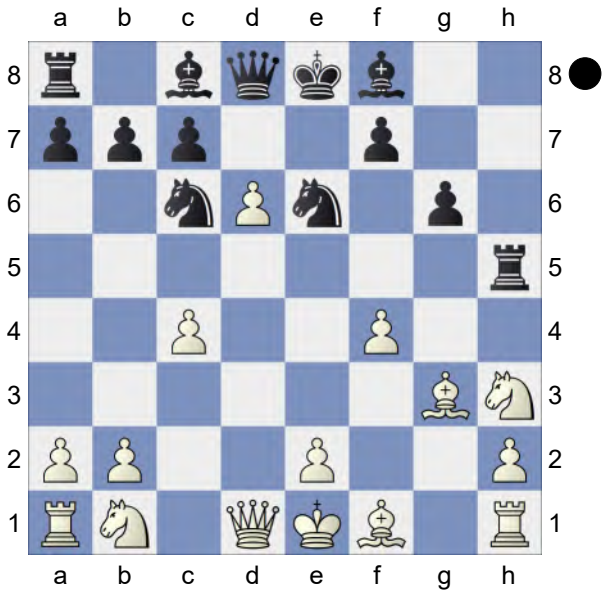
A1b) 8...h5! Gledura,Benjamin: '!?' '!?' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Again a typical move!' Gledura, Benjamin: 'Again a typical move! Arsovic,Zoran: '!"

A1b1) 9.Nc3 hxg4 10.fxg4 Bg7 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Gledura, Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '=''' '=' '=''' 11.Qd5 b6 Gledura,Benjamin: ' ↑''↑' *(11...Nb4 12.Qd1 Nc6=)* 12.Qe4 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' Bb7 13.Bg2 *(13.Nd5 Nc5 14.Qe3 Nb4 15.0-0-0 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Qe7∓)* 13...Rxh3! 14.Bxh3 Ng5 15.Qg2 Na5 16.e4 Qe7≌;

A1b2) 9.gxh5?! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic, Zoran: '?!'' 9...Rxh5 10.f4 d6! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Of course Black has to open the position!'

A1b21) 11.Nc3 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' dxe5 *(11...Ned4!?)* 12.Qxd8+ Nexd8 13.Nd5 Bb4+ 14.Kf2 Kf8 15.Ng5 *(15.Nxc7? Rb8 16.Ng5 Bd6-+)* 15...exf4 16.Bxf4 Ne6 17.Nxe6+ Bxe6 18.Nxc7 Rd8 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.h4 Rd4≌;

A1b22) 11.exd6?! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram

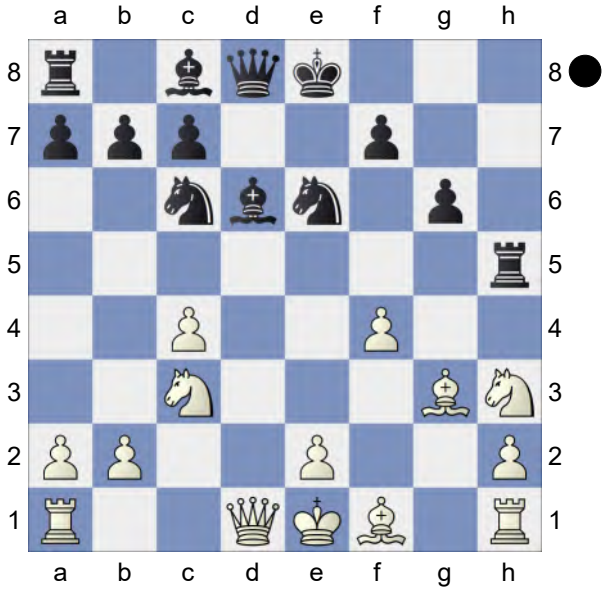


' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram [#] Arsovic, Zoran: '?!"

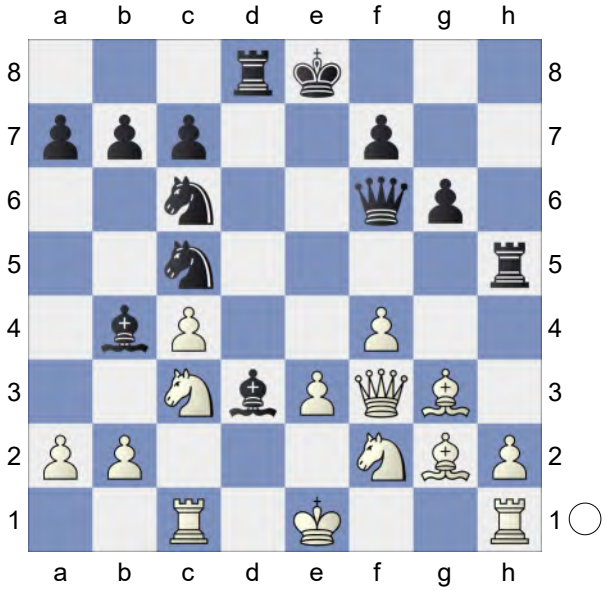
A1b221) Gledura,Benjamin: 'I saw' 11...Qxd6! Gledura,Benjamin: ' ↑!' '↑!' Gledura,Benjamin: 'but did not want to exchange queens. However this in fact would leave Black with very good compensation for the pawn:' Gledura, Benjamin: 'but did not want to exchange queens. However this in fact would leave Black with very good compensation for the pawn: Arsovic,Zoran: '!" 12.Nc3 *(12.Qxd6 Bxd6 13.e3 Nb4 14.Na3 Bd7∓* Gledura,Benjamin: ' ∓!' '∓!' Gledura,Benjamin:

'Black has much better pieces and everything is coming ...Bc6, Bc5, 0-0-0 etc.' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Black has much better pieces and everything is coming ...Bc6, Bc5, 0-0-0 etc. Arsovic,Zoran: ' ∓") 12...Qb4 13.Rb1 Bg7∓ Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *(13...Bd7* Gledura,Benjamin *14.a3 Qxc4∓)*;

A1b222) 11...Bxd6 Gledura,Benjamin: ' ⩲' '⩱' 12.Nc3 Gledura,Benjamin: '



' Qf6 *(12...Ned4* Gledura,Benjamin *13.Nf2 Nf5⩱ 14.e4? Ne3 15.Qc1 Nb4 16.Bd3 Bc5-+)* 13.e3?! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '?!'' *(13.Bg2* Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *Bb4 14.Rc1 Bd7 15.e3 0-0-0⩱; ⌓13.Qd2* Gledura,Benjamin *Bb4⩲)* 13...Bb4 Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' 14.Rc1 Nc5 Gledura,Benjamin: 'I wanted to move all my pieces to their best squares.' 15.Nf2 Bf5∓ Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: ' ∓" 16.Bg2 Rd8 17.Qf3 *(17.Bd5* Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *Ne7∓)* 17...Bd3 Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram

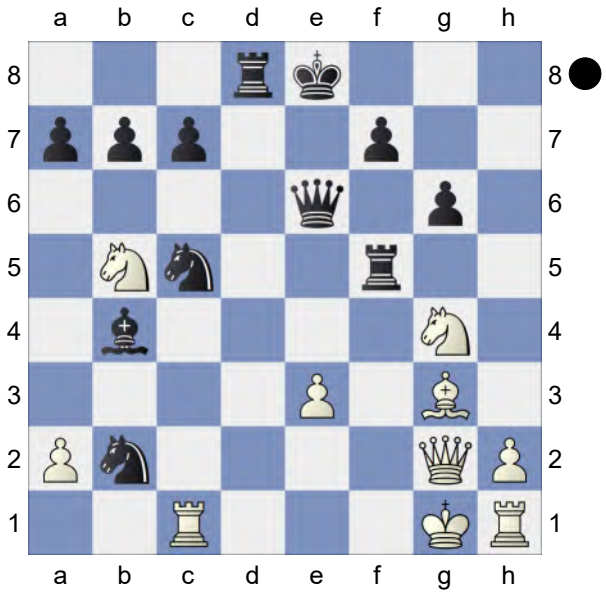


During the game I felt that I was doing pretty good!'

A1b2221) 18.a3 Gledura,Benjamin Qe6!! *(18...Ba5∓)*

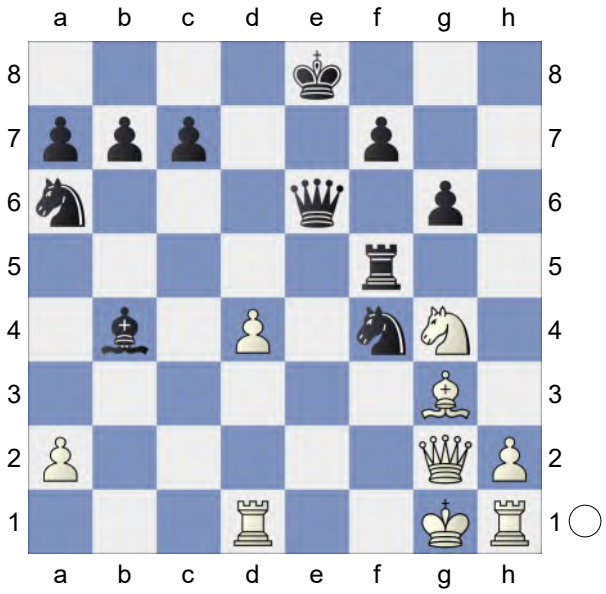
19.axb4 Nd4!-+ and everything collapses.;
A1b2222) 18.Bf1 Ne5! Gledura,Benjamin: '-+!' '-+!' Gledura, Benjamin: 'I guess my oppenent missed this nice idea.' Gledura, Benjamin: 'I guess my oppenent missed this nice idea. Arsovic,Zoran: '!" 19.Qg2 Bxf1 *(19...Qb6!* Gledura,Benjamin *20.fxe5 Bxc3+ 21.bxc3 Qb2-+)* 20.Kxf1 Nxc4-+ Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '-+'' 21.Kg1 Nxb2 Gledura,Benjamin: '!?' '!?' *(21...Qb6*-+ Gledura,Benjamin*)* 22.Ng4 Qe6 23.f5 Rxf5 24.Nb5 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram

(Diagram)



We were both in time trouble so it was not so easy to calculate all the possibilities here.'
A1b22221) Gledura,Benjamin: 'Here the engines give many crazy winning lines but I choose to give the most human-like one:' 24...Qc4! 25.Qxb2 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *(25.Nxc7+* Gledura,Benjamin *Ke7!)* 25...Qxg4-+;
A1b22222) 24...Qe4-+ (Gledura,Benjamin) is also decisive.;
A1b22223) 24...Na6 25.Nd4 *(25.Qxb7* Gledura,Benjamin *Rg5 26.Qxa6*

Qxg4-+) 25...Rxd4! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '!'' 26.exd4 Nd3 Gledura,Benjamin: '∓' '∓' 27.Rd1 Nf4 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram



' 28.Qxb7 Gledura,Benjamin: '?' '?' *(Better is 28.Bxf4* Gledura,Benjamin *Rxf4 29.h3 Bd6∓* but in a practical game it would still be hopeless for White. *)* 28...Qe2 *(28...Ne2+* Gledura,Benjamin *29.Kg2 Nxg3-+* was easier*)* 29.Nf2 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram

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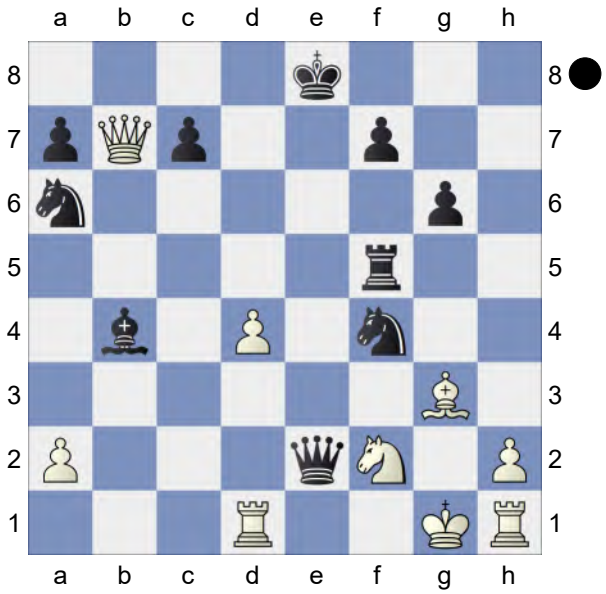
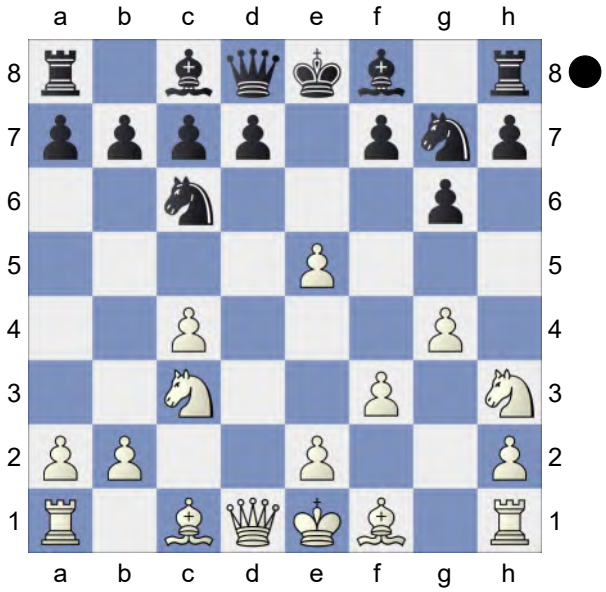


' Kf8 Gledura,Benjamin: '-+!' '-+!' Gledura, Benjamin: 'Safety first!' 30.h4 Nh5 Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' 31.Qc8+ Kg7 32.Be5+ Rxe5 *(32...f6-+* Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran'*)* 33.dxe5 Be1 Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' 34.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 35.Kg2 Nf4+ 36.Kf3 Qe2+! Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '!'' 37.Kxf4 *(37.Kg3* Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *Qe3+ 38.Kg4 Nh5-+)* 37...Qxf2+ 38.Ke4 Nc5+ 39.Kd5 Ne6 40.Kc4 Qc5+ Gledura,Benjamin: 'This is one of my

favourite games!' 0-1 (40) Vocaturo, D (2600)-Gledura, B (2585) Bastia 2016 130 Games Section [Arsovic, Zoran];

A2) 7.Nf2 Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran' d6 8.exd6 Bxd6 9.Nc3 Be6 10.Bh6 0-0⩲;

A3) 7.Nc3 (Gledura,Benjamin) Diagram



Now Black has: But

A3a) 7...Qh4+!? 8.Nf2 Ne6 9.e3 Gledura,Benjamin: 'is a transposition into 7....Qh4' h5 10.h3 d6 11.Bd2±;

A3b) 7...Ne6!? 8.Nf2 Nxe5 *(8...Qh4 9.e3* is a transposition into 7....Qh4 *)* 9.f4 Gledura,Benjamin: '!' '!' Arsovic,Zoran: '!' Nxc4 10.f5!± Gledura,Benjamin: '↑!' '↑!' Arsovic,Zoran: '↑!';

A3c) 7...Nxe5 is critical: Diagram

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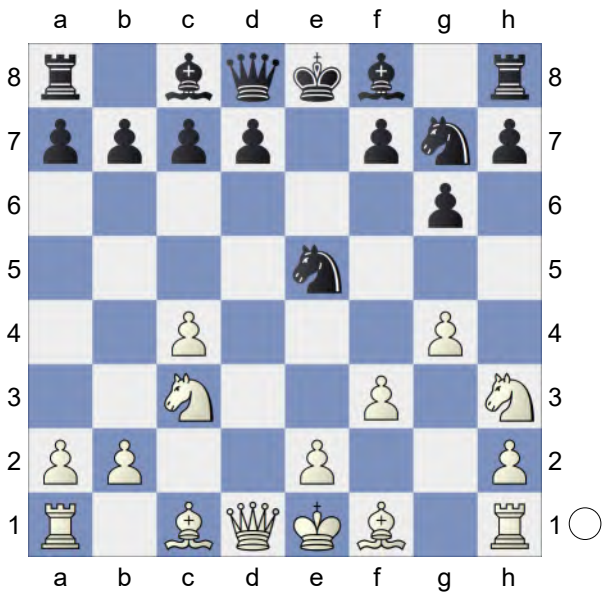
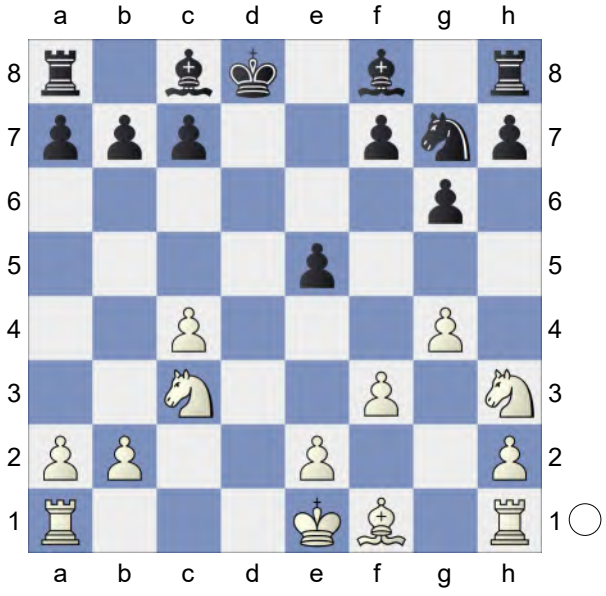


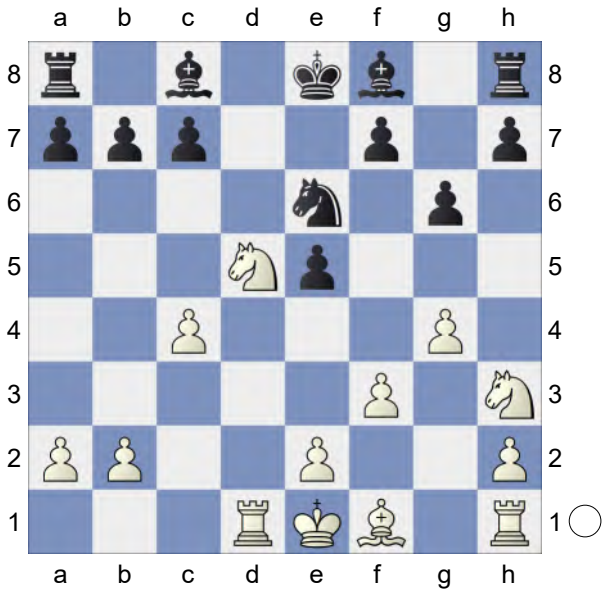
There are many options for Black and probably White is better if you trust the engine, but this can be a very tricky position in over the board play! Now

A3c1) 8.Bf4 d6 *(8...f6 9.Qc2 Ne6 10.0-0-0 Bg7∞* also playable but I prefer 8... d6 *)* 9.Bxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 Diagram



11.Rd1+ *(11.Ng5 Be6 12.0-0-0+ Ke8 13.Nb5 Rc8*

14.Nxa7 Rd8⩱; 11.0-0-0+ Ke8 12.Nd5 Ne6 and because the white king is on c1 there is no chance of Ng5 because of ...Bh6. Then *13.Nf6+ Ke7 14.Nd5+ Ke8=)* 11...Ke8 12.Nd5 Ne6 Diagram



Gledura,Benjamin: '=' '=' Arsovic,Zoran: '=' 13.Ng5!? *(13.Nf6+ Ke7 14.Nd5+ Ke8=)* 13...Nxg5! 14.Nxc7+ Ke7 15.Nxa8 Ne6↑ Diagram

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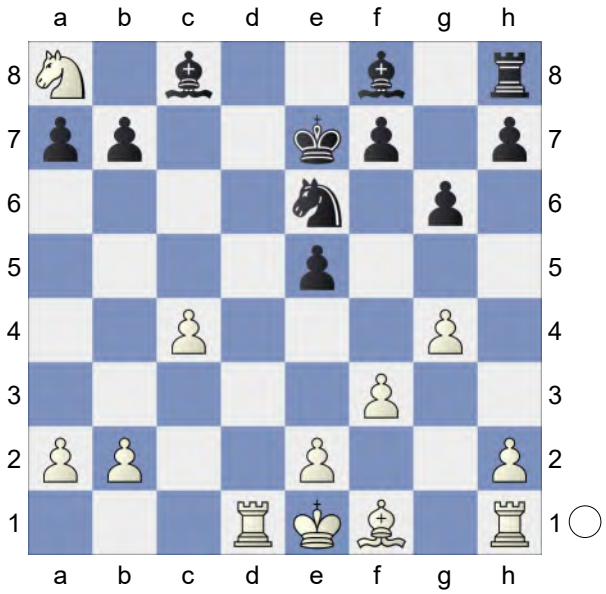
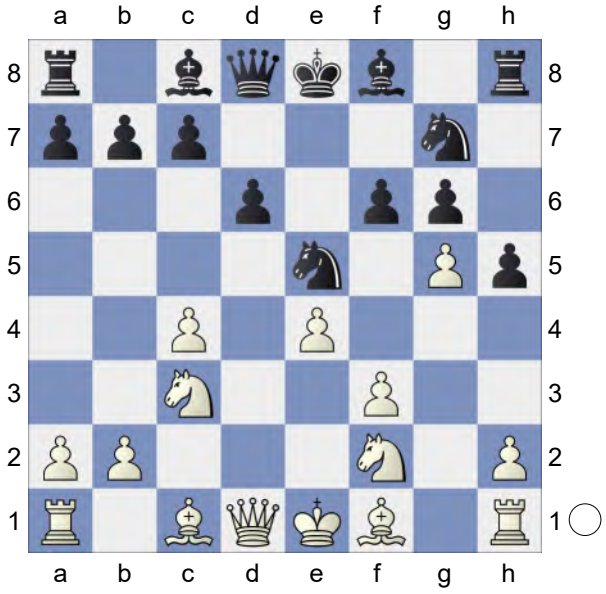


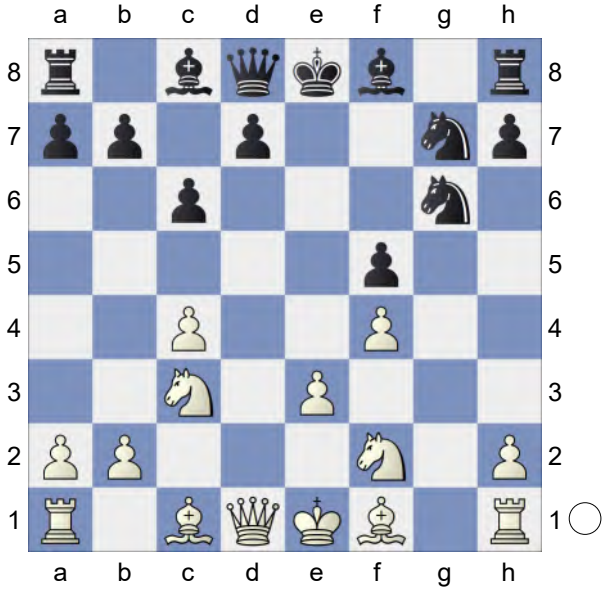
I think this should be okay for Black, because the a8N is trapped. 16.Rd5! b6! 17.Rxe5 Kf6 18.Rd5 Bc5!; **A3c2)** After 8.Nf2! there are a few alternatives:

A3c21) 8...d6 9.e4 h5!? *(9...Nc6 10.Be3 Ne6 11.Qd2; 9...f5 10.gxf5 gxf5)* 10.g5 f6⩱ Diagram



I think this position is also playable for Black, however you should

check it with your engine: 11.h4 c6!? to prevent Nd5 *(11...Be7 12.Be2±)* 12.Be3 Be6 13.f4 Ng4 14.Nxg4 hxg4 15.Be2;
A3c22) 8...Ne6 9.f4! Nxc4 10.f5!↑;
A3c23) 8...h5!? 9.g5 Ne6 10.Nfe4 Bg7 11.Nd5↑;
A3c24) 8...c6!? 9.e3! *(9.e4?! Bc5∓; 9.Qd4?! d6↑)* 9...f5! 10.gxf5 gxf5 11.f4 Ng6∞ Diagram



This is an interesting position, sometimes you can see similar formations in the Benoni, but nevertheless I prefer White here: 12.Bd2 d6 *(12...Be7 13.Qf3 d6 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.Rg1 Bf6)* 13.Qc2± *(13.Qf3±)*;
A3c25) 8...Nxc4!? 9.Qd4 Nb6 Diagram

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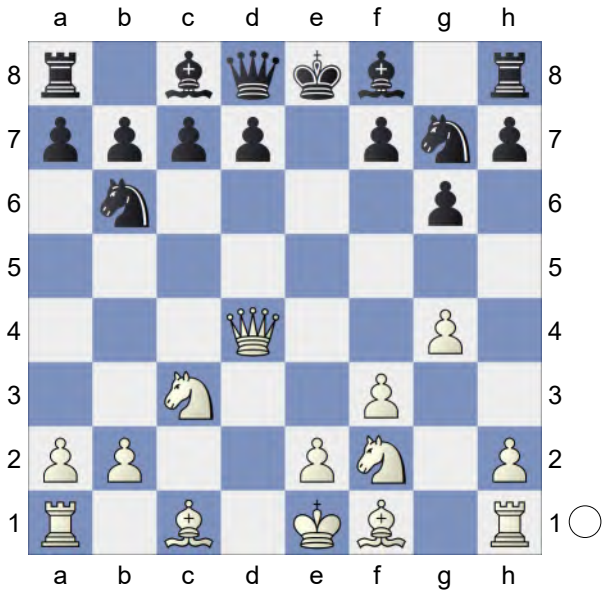

A3c251) 10.a4 d6 11.a5 Nd7;
A3c252) 10.Nfe4 f6 11.Nxf6+ *(11.Qxf6?! Qxf6 12.Nxf6+ Kf7=)* 11...Kf7 12.Nfe4 *(12.g5 Ne6=)* 12...Be7 13.Bh6 Ne6 14.Qf2 Bh4 15.Ng3 Qf6∞;
A3c253) 10.Nce4 f6! 11.Nxf6+ Kf7 12.g5 *(12.N6e4?! Ne6! 13.Qxh8?? Bb4+)* 12...d5 Diagram

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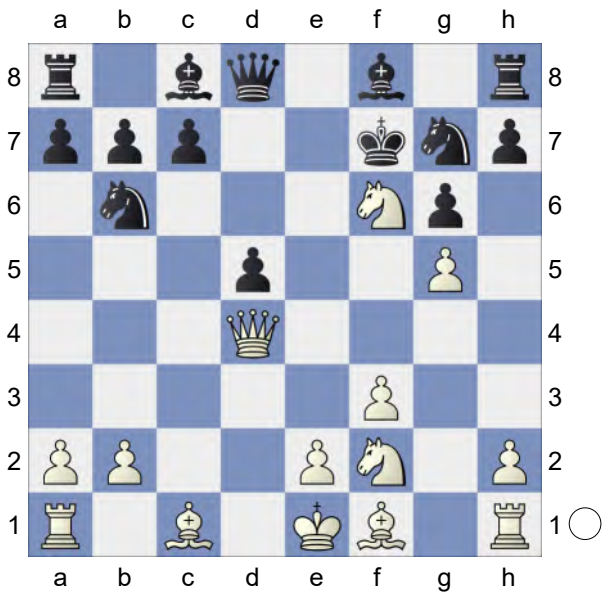


At first sight this looks scary but in fact it is not that bad, so if you like these kinds of position then go for it!

A3c2531) 13.N2g4 Bxg4 14.fxg4 *(14.Nxg4 Nf5!∓)* 14...Ne6↑;

A3c2532) 13.e4 Be7=;

A3c2533) 13.Nd3 Nf5∞;

A4) 7.Qd5 d6 8.Bg5 Be7 9.exd6 Bxg5 10.Nxg5 Be6 11.Nxe6 Nxe6 12.Nc3 Qh4+ 13.Kd1 0-0-0 14.Ne4 h5 15.g5 Nf4 16.Qxf7 cxd6 17.Kc2 d5 18.Nc5 Na5 19.b4 Rhf8 20.Qg7 Qf2 21.Rd1 dxc4 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qe5 Nd3 24.Nxd3 cxd3+ 25.Kc3 Nc6 26.Bh3+ Rd7 27.Qe8+ Kc7 28.Qxd7+ Kb6 29.Qxd3 1-0 (29) Tg_63 (2611)-IndianHeat (2441) Rapid 2021;

B) 6...Qh4+ 7.Nf2 Ng7 8.Bf4 Bc5 9.Bg3 Qe7 10.Nd3 Bd4 11.Nc3 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 Bxe5 13.Nd5 Bxg3+ 14.hxg3 Qd6 15.Kf2 0-0 16.Qd4 Ne8 17.c5 Qe6 18.Nxc7 Nxc7 19.e4 b6 20.Bc4 bxc5 21.Qc3 Qe7 22.Rxh7 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-BraveHeartIndian (2631) Blitz 2022]

6...Be7 7.Bxe7 Qxe7 8.Nc3 Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '!' Arsovic,Zoran: '±' Arsovic,Zoran: 'the opening should be better for White! RR Kramnik,Vladimir 2780 - Leko,Peter 2665, Tilburg 1998 - 74/564'

[8.f4? Qb4+ *(8...d6 9.exd6 cxd6 10.g3 Bg4 11.Nf2 Be6 12.Nc3 Bxc4 13.Bg2 0-0 14.0-0 Qe3 15.Qc1 Rfe8 16.Qxe3 Rxe3 17.Ng4 Re7 18.b3 Be6 19.f5 Bxf5 20.Nh6+ Kg7 21.Nxf5+ gxf5 22.Rxf5 Kg6 23.Raf1 Nd4 24.Rd5 Nxe2+ 25.Nxe2 Rxe2 26.g4 Ng7 27.Rxd6+ Ne6 28.Bxb7 Rd8 29.Rxd8 Nxd8 30.a4 Nxb7 31.Rd1 Nc5 32.b4 Nxa4 33.Rd6+ f6 34.Ra6 Nc3 35.Rxa7 Rb2 36.h4 Rxb4 37.h5+ Kh6 38.Kf2 Rxg4 39.Rf7 Rf4+ 40.Ke3 Nd5+ 41.Kd3 Rf5 42.Ke4 Rxh5 43.Rd7 Re5+ 44.Kf3 Kg6 45.Rd8 h5 46.Rg8+ Kf7 47.Ra8 Ne7 48.Ra7 Rb5 49.Kf4 Rb4+ 50.Kg3 h4+ 51.Kh3 f5 52.Rc7 Kf6 53.Ra7 Ng6 54.Ra6+ Kg5 55.Kh2 Rb2+ 56.Kg1 h3 57.Ra3 Nf4 58.Rg3+ Kh4 59.Rf3 Kg4 60.Ra3 Ne2+ 61.Kf2 Ng3+ 62.Ke3 h2 63.Ra4+ Kh3 64.Ra1 h1Q 65.Rxh1+ Nxh1 66.Kf4 Ng3 67.Kg5 f4 68.Kxf4 Rf2+ 69.Ke3 Rf8 70.Kd4 Kg4 71.Ke5 Kg5 72.Ke6 Rf1 73.Ke5 Re1+ 74.Kd4 Kf4 75.Kd3 Re8 76.Kd2 Kf3 77.Kd3 Rd8+ 78.Kc4 Ke4 79.Kc5 Ke5 80.Kc6 Rd1 81.Kc5 Rc1+ 82.Kb6 Kd4*

83.Kb7 Rc5 84.Kb8 Ne4 85.Kb7 Rc4 86.Kb6 Nd2 87.Kb5 Nb3 88.Kb6 Nc5 89.Ka5 Rb4 90.Kxb4 ½-½ (90) Itinerant69 (2635)-gmnihalJO (2603) Blitz 2023*)* 9.Qd2 d6!]

[8.g4 Ng7

A) 9.f4 d6 *(9...Qb4+ 10.Nc3 d6 11.exd6 cxd6 12.Nf2 0-0 13.Qb3 Qa5 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.e4 g5 16.f5 Bc8 17.Nd5 Ne5 18.h4 f6 19.hxg5 fxg5 20.Ne7+ Kf7 21.Nd5 Kg8 22.c5 Qxc5+ 23.Kb1 Kh8 24.Nd3 Qc4 25.Nxe5 Qxb3 26.Ng6+ Kg8 27.Nge7+ Kf7 28.axb3 Nxf5 29.exf5* 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-LaVoieLactee (2555) Blitz 2021*)* 10.exd6

A1) 10...Qh4+ 11.Nf2 Bxg4 12.dxc7 Be6 *(12...0-0⩱* and I think Black has enough compensation for the material.*)* 13.Qd2 0-0 14.Nc3 Bxc4 15.e4 Bxf1 16.Rxf1 Rac8 17.Nd5 Ne8 18.Qc3 Ne7 19.Qh3 1-0 (19) Hammer,J (2633)-Yankovsky,R (2474) Las Vegas USA 2012;

A2) 10...cxd6 11.Nf2 h5 *(11...Ne6 12.Qd2 Qf6 13.e3 Nc5 14.Nc3 0-0 15.g5 Qd8 16.h4 Bf5 17.Bh3 Qd7 18.Rd1 Nb4 19.Kf1 Bxh3+ 20.Rxh3 Nbd3 21.Rh2 Nxf2 22.Qxf2 Rfe8 23.Nd5 Ne4 24.Qf3 Qc6 25.b3 b5 26.h5 bxc4 27.hxg6 fxg6 28.Nf6+ Kf8 29.Nxh7+ Kg7 30.Nf6 Nd2+ 31.Kg2 Qxf3+* 0-1 (31) cant_handle_h5 (2636)-JonasPradoLobo (2649) Blitz 2024*)* 12.g5 Nf5 13.e4 Ne3 14.Qd2 Nb4 15.Na3 Nxf1 16.Rxf1 d5 17.cxd5 a5 18.Nc2 0-0 19.Nxb4 axb4 20.Qd4 Re8 21.Ke2 b6 22.Kf3 Ba6 23.Rfe1 Rac8 24.Rac1 Qd7 25.e5 Qa4 26.Ne4 Rxc1 27.Rxc1 Rd8 28.Nf6+ Kf8 29.Qxb6 Ra8 30.Qc6 Bb5 31.Qc5+ Kg7 32.e6 Qxa2 33.Qe7 Qb3+ 34.Rc3 Ra7 35.Qxa7 Qd1+ 36.Kf2 Qe2+ 37.Kg3 Qe1+ 38.Qf2 h4+ 39.Kg2 h3+ 40.Kg3 Qxf2+ 41.Kxf2 bxc3 42.bxc3 fxe6 43.dxe6 Kf8 44.Nd5 Bc6 45.Ne3 Ke7 46.Kg3 Kxe6 47.Kxh3 Be4 48.Kg3 Kd6 49.h4 Kc5 50.f5 gxf5 51.Kf4 Bd3 52.Nxf5 Kd5 53.g6 Ke6 54.h5 Bxf5 55.c4 Kf6 56.c5 Bd7 57.h6 Kxg6 58.Ke5 Kxh6 59.Kd6 Ba4 60.Kc7 Bb5 61.Kd6 Ba4 62.Kd5 Kg7 63.Kd6 Kf7 64.Ke5 Ke7 65.Kd5 1-0 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-Elfugitivo (2691) Blitz 2023;

B) 9.Nc3 Nxe5 10.Nd5 Qh4+ 11.Nf2 Ne6 Arsovic,Zoran: '=' 12.Qc2 c6 13.Qe4 d6 14.Nf4 0-0 15.Rd1 Re8 16.Ng2 Qf6 17.f4 Nc5 18.fxe5 Qxf2+ 19.Kxf2 Nxe4+ 20.Kf3 Rxe5 21.h4 Be6 22.e3 Re8 23.Bd3 Nf6 24.Rde1 Bxg4+ 25.Kg3 h5 26.b3 Bf5 27.Bxf5 Rxf5 28.Rhf1 Ne4+ 29.Kh3 Rxf1 30.Rxf1 Kg7 31.Nf4 Nf6 32.Re1 Ng4 33.Ng2 Re4 34.Kg3 f6 35.Kf3 Re5 36.Rd1 Rf5+ 37.Kg3 Nf2 38.Rd4 c5 39.Rf4 Rxf4 40.Kxf4 Kf7 41.Kg3 Ne4+ 42.Kf3 Nc3 43.e4 g5 44.Nf4 gxf4 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-AttackingBeast (2674) Blitz 2023]

8...0-0 Stohl: '!' Stohl: 'Adorjan'

[8...Nxe5 9.Nd5 Qd8 10.Qd4 d6 11.f4 c6 12.Nc3 c5 13.Qe3 Bxh3 14.fxe5 Be6 15.0-0-0 0-0 16.Qh6 Bxc4 17.g4 Ng7 18.e3 Bxf1 19.Ne4 f6 20.Rxd6]

[8...Qxe5 Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): ' ∞' '∞' Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Kramnik - Leko, Tilburg 1998' Stohl: '?!' Leko, Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '?!' Moiseenko, Alexander: '→ 74/564 Ü 74/564'

A) 9.Qd2 0-0 10.0-0-0 d6 11.g4

A1) 11...Ng7 12.e4

A1a) 12...Be6 13.f4 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!?' *(13.Nd5* Moiseenko, Alexander: ' ±'*)* 13...Qc5 14.f5 Bxc4 15.Qh6 *(15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Qh6 f6 17.fxg6* ½-½ (30) Moiseenko,A-Barbeau,S Montreal_76786 2006 [Moiseenko,Alexander] *)*

A1a1) 15...Ne8 16.Ng5 Nf6

A1a11) 17.e5 Moiseenko,Alexander: '?!' Nxe5 18.Nce4 Nexg4 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' 19.Qxf8+ Rxf8 20.Nxc5 Bxf1 21.Rhxf1 dxc5 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Ne6 Re8 Moiseenko, Alexander: '=';

A1a12) 17.Kb1 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!?' Ne5 *(17...Kh8* Moiseenko,Alexander: '?' *18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Rhf1 Ne5 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Rxf6* Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-' *)*

A1a121) 18.Bxc4 Moiseenko,Alexander: '?' Nexg4 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' 19.Bxf7+ Rxf7 Moiseenko, Alexander: '=' '=' 20.Qh4 *(20.Qh3 Nf2 21.Qh6 N2g4)* 20...Qf2 Moiseenko, Alexander: '⇄!';

A1a122) 18.fxg6 Nexg4 *(18...fxg6 19.Bxc4+ Qxc4 20.Nd5 Nexg4 21.Nxf6+ Nxf6 22.e5 dxe5 23.Rd7)* 19.gxh7+ Kh8 20.Qh4 Ne3 21.Bxc4 Nxd1 22.Rxd1 Qxc4 23.Rg1 Moiseenko,Alexander: '⩲';

A1a13) 17.Bxc4 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' 17...Qxc4 18.Kb1 Ne5 19.fxg6 Nexg4 *(19...fxg6 20.Nd5 Nexg4 21.Nxf6+ Nxf6 22.e5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *dxe5 23.Rd7* Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-!' '+-!'*)* 20.gxh7+ Kh8 21.Qh4 Moiseenko,Alexander: '±';

A1a2) 15...f6 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' 16.fxg6 hxg6 17.Bxc4+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '½-½ (30) Moiseenko,A (2649)-Barbeau,S (2397) Montreal (open) 97/414 2006 CI1-130 [Moiseenko,Alexander]' Qxc4

A1a21) 18.Qxg6

A1a211) 18...Rae8 19.Kb1 b5 20.g5

Moiseenko,Alexander: '→';
A1a212) 18...b5 19.g5 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' f5 *(19...b4 20.gxf6 Rxf6 21.Qxf6 Rf8 22.Qh4 bxc3 23.Ng5 cxb2+ 24.Kb1* Moiseenko,Alexander: '+-' *)* 20.Qh6 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' fxe4 *(20...Nb4 21.Kb1 fxe4 22.g6 Rf3 23.Ng5 Rxc3 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Qh8+* Moiseenko,Alexander: '+-' *)* 21.g6 Rf3 22.Kb1 Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' Rxc3 23.bxc3 Qxc3 24.Rd2 Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-';
A1a213) 18...Ne5 19.Qh6 Nxg4 *(19...Rae8 20.g5* Moiseenko,Alexander: '→' *)* 20.Qh4 Ne5 21.Kb1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '⩲';
A1a22) 18.Nf4
A1a221) 18...b5 19.Kb1 b4 20.Ncd5 Qxe4+ 21.Ka1 Nd4 22.Ne7+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *(22.Qxg6* Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' *Nc2+ 23.Kb1 f5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '∓ !' *)* 22...Qxe7 *(22...Kf7 23.Qxg6+ Qxg6 24.Nfxg6 Nc2+ 25.Kb1 Ne3 26.Rde1 Nxg4 27.Nxf8 Rxf8 28.Nd5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '±' *)* 23.Rxd4 Qe3 *(23...Qe5 24.Rxb4 Rfe8 25.Qxg6 Qe1+ 26.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 27.Qb1 Rxb1+ 28.Kxb1* Moiseenko, Alexander: '± ' *)* 24.Qxg6 Rae8 25.Rxb4 *(25.Rc4)* 25...Qe1+ 26.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 27.Qb1 Rxb1+ 28.Kxb1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '±';
A1a222) 18...Ne5 19.Nxg6 Nxg6 20.Qxg6 Rae8
A1a2221) 21.Rd5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '±!'
A1a22211) 21...Re5 22.h4 Rxd5 23.exd5 f5 24.g5 f4 25.h5 f3 26.h6 Qf4+ 27.Kd1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-!' *(27.Kb1* Moiseenko, Alexander: '??' *Qf5+ 28.Qxf5 Nxf5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '∞' *)*;
A1a22212) 21...Re6 22.Rh5 c6 *(22...b5 23.Qh7+ Kf7 24.Rxb5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-' *)* 23.h4 b5 24.Rh7 Rf7 25.h5

Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' f5 26.exf5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' Rxg6 27.hxg6 Kf8 28.Rh8+ Ke7 29.Re1+ Kd7 30.gxf7 Qxf7 31.Ra8 Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-';

A1a2222) 21.h4 Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' 21...b5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!'

A1a22221) 22.g5

A1a222211)

22...b4 Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' 23.gxf6 Rf7 24.h5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!'

A1a2222111)

24...bxc3 25.h6 cxb2+ *(25...Qxa2* Moiseenko, Alexander: '??' *26.h7+ Kh8 27.fxg7+ Rxg7 28.Qxe8+ Rg8 29.hxg8Q#* Moiseenko, Alexander: '#') 26.Kb1 Qxe4+ 27.Qxe4 Rxe4 28.hxg7 Rxf6 29.Rdg1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-!';

A1a2222112)

24...Re6 25.Rhf1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' bxc3 26.h6 cxb2+ 27.Kb1 Qxe4+ 28.Qxe4 Rxe4 29.fxg7 Rxf1 30.Rxf1 Re8 31.Kxb2 Moiseenko, Alexander: '±';

A1a222212) 22...f5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' 23.Qh6 b4 24.g6 Rf6 25.exf5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' Rxf5 *(25...bxc3* Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' *26.b3* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *Qe2 27.Qh7+ Kf8 28.Qh8+ Ke7 29.Qxg7+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-') 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Qh8+ Qg8 28.Qxg8+ Kxg8 29.Nd5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '±';

A1a222213)

22...Re6 23.gxf6 *(23.Qh6* Moiseenko, Alexander: '??' *fxg5 24.Qxg5 Re5 25.Qg4 b4 26.Rhg1 Rf7* Moiseenko, Alexander: '-+') 23...Rexf6 24.Qg5 b4 25.Qd5+ Qxd5 26.Nxd5 Re6

Moiseenko, Alexander: '='; **A1a22222)** 22.h5 b4 23.h6 Re7 **A1a222221)** 24.g5 bxc3 25.gxf6 Qxa2 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *(25...cxb2+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '?' *26.Kb1 Qxe4+ 27.Qxe4 Rxe4 28.h7+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *Kh8 29.fxg7+ Kxg7 30.h8Q+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *Rxh8 31.Rdg1+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-') 26.Qh7+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '!!' Kxh7 27.hxg7+ Kg6 Moiseenko, Alexander: ' □ ' 28.Rdg1+ *(28.Rh6+* Moiseenko, Alexander: '??' *Kg5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' *29.Rg1+ Kf4* Moiseenko, Alexander: '-+') 28...Kf7 29.gxf8Q+ Kxf8 30.fxe7+ Kxe7 31.bxc3 Moiseenko, Alexander: '∓'; **A1a222222)** 24.hxg7 Rxg7 25.Qf5 bxc3 26.Rd5 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' **A1a2222221)** 26...Qxa2 Moiseenko, Alexander: '??' 27.Qe6+ Rff7 28.Rh8+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' Kxh8 29.Rh5+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-'; **A1a2222222)** 26...cxb2+ 27.Kb1 Qe2 28.Qe6+ *(28.g5* Moiseenko, Alexander: '!?') 28...Rgf7 29.Rg5+ fxg5 30.Qg6+ Rg7 31.Qe6+ Rgf7 32.Qg6+ Moiseenko, Alexander: '='; **A1a2222223)** 26...Re7 Moiseenko, Alexander: '=!?' 27.Qg6+ Rg7 28.Qf5 Re7 29.Qg6+ Rg7 30.Qf5 Re7 ½ - ½ (3 0) Chigogidze,K (2649)-6. ♗g2 ♘e7 7.00 00 8. ♖e1 (2397) Leningrad 2006 Telechess CBM 89 [Hervet, Le Courrier des Echecs 512];

A1b) 12...Qa5 13.Kb1 Be6 14.Nf2 Ne5 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Nxf3 17.Rd3 Ne5 18.Rc3 c6 19.Nc7 Rac8 20.Nxe6 Nxe6 21.h4 Rfe8 22.h5 Ng5 23.c5 dxc5 24.Rxc5 b6 25.Rc1 Rcd8 26.Nh3 Nxh3 27.Bxh3 Rd4 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Rhe1 Red8 30.g5 Nd3 31.Red1 Nxc1 32.Rxc1 Rd1 0-1 (32) Knightindiandefence (2686)-Colmen (2567) Blitz 2021;

A2) 11...Nf6 12.Nf2 a6 13.g5 Nh5 14.Nd5 Be6 15.Ng4 Qg7 16.Ndf6+ Kh8 17.Nxh5 gxh5 18.Nf6 Bxc4 19.Nxh5 Qe5 20.f4 Qa5 21.Qxa5 Nxa5 22.b3 Bb5 23.Nf6 b6 24.e4 Bxf1 25.Rhxf1 Nb7 26.Rf3 Kg7 27.Rh3 Rh8 28.Rh6 Nc5 29.Kd2 Rad8 30.Ke3 Nd7 31.Nh5+ Kf8 32.Kf3 Ke7 33.Ng7 Nc5 34.Nf5+ Kd7 35.h4 Ne6 36.h5 a5 37.e5 Kc6 38.exd6 cxd6 39.Rf6 Rhf8 40.h6 a4 41.bxa4 Kc5 42.a3 Rd7 43.Rc1+ Kd5 44.Ne3+ Kd4 45.Rf5 d5 46.Rxd5+ Rxd5 47.Rd1+ Kc3 48.Rxd5 Re8 49.Nf5 Nc5 50.a5 Kc4 51.Rd4+ Kc3 52.axb6 1-0 (52) GoksuRiver (2732)-outoftheblu (2635) Blitz 2020;

B) 9.e4 d6 10.Nf2 0-0 *(10...Be6 11.Qd2 Qc5 12.Be2 Bxc4 13.0-0 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Nf4 15.Qd2 Qg5 16.Ng4 Nh3+ 17.gxh3 Qxd2 18.Rf2 Qd4 19.Rd1 Qc5 20.Nd5 0-0-0 21.a3 a5 22.Ngf6 Nd4 23.b4 Qa7 24.Rc1 Ne2+* 0-1 (24) papasi (2616)-MatteurFOU (2582) Blitz 2020*)* 11.Be2 *(11.Qd5 Qe7 12.Qd2 Be6 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.cxd5 Ne5 15.0-0-0 Rfd8 16.Kb1 c6 17.f4 Nd7 18.dxc6 Nc5 19.Qe3 bxc6 20.Be2 Nf6 21.Bf3 Rab8 22.e5 d5 23.Qa3 Nfd7 24.Nd3 Rb5 25.Rc1 Qf8 26.Nxc5 Rxc5 27.Rxc5 Nxc5 28.Rc1 Ne6 29.Qxf8+ Kxf8 30.Rxc6 Nxf4 31.Rc7 d4 32.Kc2 d3+ 33.Kd2 h5 34.Rc3 h4 35.g3 hxg3 36.hxg3 Ne6 37.Rxd3 Rb8 38.b3 Rb5 39.Rd5 Rb6 40.Rd6 Rxd6+ 41.exd6 Ke8 42.Bc6+ Kd8 43.Kd3 f5 44.Kc4 g5 45.Kd3 g4 46.Ke3 Kc8 47.b4 Nd8 48.Bd5 Kd7 49.Kf4 Kxd6 50.Bc4 Nc6 51.b5 Nd4 52.Bd3 Nc2 53.Kxf5 Nb4 54.Bc4 Kc5 55.Bb3* 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2624)-Jimmythedog (2586) Blitz 2021 *)* 11...Nf4 12.0-0 f5 13.g3 Nxe2+ 14.Qxe2 f4 15.g4 h5 16.h3 Rf7 17.Rad1 Be6 18.Nd3 Qh8 19.Qh2 Raf8 20.Nd5 g5 21.b3 hxg4 22.hxg4 Rh7 23.Qg2 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Nd4 25.Nc1 Nc2 0-1 (25) Spiegelstufe (2630)-ICanOnlyAttack (2558) Blitz 2021;

C) 9.Qd5 Nf6 10.Qxe5+ Nxe5 11.e3 d6 12.Nf4 Be6 13.b3 Kf8 14.0-0-0 Kg7 15.h4 h5 16.Kb2 Rhe8 17.e4 a6 18.Be2 Rad8 19.Rc1 Nc6 20.Rhd1 Ng8 21.Ncd5 Rc8 22.a3 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Nge7 24.Nxe7 Rxe7 25.c5 dxc5 26.Rxc5 Nd8 27.Rcd5 Ne6 28.Rd7 Rce8 29.Bc4 Nc5 30.Rxe7 Rxe7 31.Kc3 Kf6 32.b4 Nd7 33.f4 Nb6 34.e5+ Kf5 35.g3 Nxc4 36.Kxc4 Kg4 37.Rd3 Re6 38.Rd7 Rc6+ 39.Kd5 Kxg3 40.Rxf7 Kxh4 41.e6 Rd6+ 42.Ke5 Rd1 43.e7 Re1+ 44.Kf6 Kg4

45.Kxg6 h4 46.f5 h3 47.f6 h2 48.Rh7 Kg3 49.Kf7 h1Q 50.Rxh1 Rxh1 51.e8Q Rh7+ 52.Ke6 Rh2 53.Qg6+ Kf2 54.f7 Ke1 55.f8Q Re2+ 56.Kd7 Rd2+ 57.Kc8 Rc2 58.Qxc2 c5 59.Qff2# 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2608)-GabrielTricks2003 (2590) Blitz 2021;

D) 9.g4

D1) 9...Nf4? 10.Nxf4 Qxf4 11.Nd5 Qd6 *(11...Qe5 12.f4 Qd6 13.c5 Qxc5 14.Nxc7+ Kd8 15.Nxa8 Re8 16.Rc1 Qb4+ 17.Qd2 Qe4 18.Rg1 Nd4 19.Rg3 b6 20.Nc7 Re7 21.Rcc3 Bb7 22.Rge3 Nc2+ 23.Qxc2 Qxc2 24.Rxc2 Rxe3 25.Nb5 Bc6 26.Nd4 Bd5 27.Kf2 Re7 28.e3 Bxa2 29.b3 Bb1 30.Rb2 Be4 31.Ra2 a5 32.Bc4 d5 33.Nc6+ Kd7 34.Bb5 Re6 35.Nd4+ Kd6 36.Nxe6 fxe6 37.Ke2 Kc5 38.Bd3 Kb4 39.Bxe4 dxe4 40.Rb2 Kc3 41.Rb1 Kc2 42.Rd1 b5 43.Rd6 Kxb3 44.Rxe6 b4 45.f5 a4 46.f6 a3 47.f7 a2 48.Ra6* 1-0 (48) LoneRider (2602)-Yarebore (2775) Blitz 2019*)* 12.c5 Qe5 13.f4+-;

D2) 9...Nf6!?;

D3) 9...Ng7 10.f4 Qe7 *(10...Qa5!?=* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *)* 11.Nd5 Stohl: '±' Stohl: 'Kramnik-Leko, Tilburg 1998' Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: 'Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): ' ±'" Qd8 12.Qd2 *(12.Nf2 0-0 13.Bg2↑)* 12...0-0 13.Qc3 Ne8 Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '!' *(13...f5 14.g5±)*

D3a) 14.g5 Ne7 *(14...d6 15.Nf2)* 15.Nf6+? *(15.Nf2 Nxd5 16.cxd5 d6; 15.0-0-0* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *Nxd5 16.cxd5 Qe7±)* 15...Nxf6 16.gxf6 Nf5 17.e4 Re8 18.Ng5 *(18.Nf2* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *d5 19.cxd5 Qxd5±)* 18...c5!!∓ *(18...h6!?* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *19.0-0-0 Nh4=)* 19.0-0-0 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): ' ±" Nd4

D3a1) 20.Nxh7? Kxh7 21.Rxd4 *(21.Qh3+ Kg8 22.e5 d6 23.Qh6 Nf5-+)*

D3a11) 21...Qxf6? 22.Qh3+ *(22.e5 Qf5)* 22...Kg8 23.e5 d6! 24.exf6 Bxh3 25.Rxd6 Re1+ 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Rd8+∓;

D3a12) 21...cxd4 22.Qh3+ Kg8 23.e5 Re6-+;

D3a2) 20.Rxd4? cxd4 21.Qxd4

D3a21) 21...d5!?

D3a211) 22.cxd5 Qc7+;

D3a212) 22.exd5 Re1+ 23.Kd2 Qa5+ 24.Qc3 Qxc3+ 25.bxc3 *(25.Kxc3 h6!)* 25...Ra1∓;

D3a213) 22.e5! Bf5! 23.Bg2!↑;

D3a22) 21...h6!

D3a221) 22.h4

D3a2211) 22...d5? 23.h5!

D3a22111) 23...dxe4 24.Qxd8 Rxd8 25.hxg6!

fxg6 *(25...hxg5 26.g7)* 26.Rxh6 Bf5 27.Rh7+-;

D3a22112) 23...hxg5 24.hxg6 Re6 *(24...Rxe4 25.g7!+-)* 25.fxg5+-;

D3a2212) 22...hxg5! 23.hxg5 d5! (→⇢g4-h5) (Δ Bg4-h5) 24.Qf2 Bg4 25.Be2 *(25.Qh4 Bh5 26.Be2 Qb6 27.Bxh5 Qe3+ 28.Kb1 Qxe4+ 29.Ka1 gxh5-+)* 25...Bxe2 26.Qxe2 Qc7-+ △27.Qh2 Qxc4+ 28.Kb1 Qxe4+ 29.Ka1 Qe1+ 30.Rxe1 Rxe1# #;

D3a222) 22.Nf3 b5! 23.f5!? *(23.c5 Bb7∓)* 23...Bb7 24.Bd3 *(24.fxg6 Rxe4 25.gxf7+ Kxf7 26.Ne5+ Rxe5 27.Qxe5 Bxh1 28.Qh5+ Kxf6)* 24...bxc4 25.Bc2 Qb6∓;

D3a3) 20.Qh3? Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s)' h5 *(20...Qxf6? 21.Qxh7+ Kf8 22.Qh4+-)* 21.e5 d6 *(21...Qa5= Leko,Peter)* 22.Qg3 dxe5 23.fxe5 Bf5↑;

D3a4) 20.e5 d6 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '=" 21.Nf3!? *(⌓21.Qg3!?= (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s))* 21...Bg4 22.Nxd4 Bxd1 23.Nb5 dxe5 24.fxe5 Ba4! Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): 'Threatening mate: Qd8-d1" 25.Nd6

D3a41) 25...Bc6 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s)' 26.Nxe8 *(26.Rg1 Leko,Peter Re6)* 26...Bxh1 *(26...Qd4? 27.Nc7+-)* 27.Nd6 Qf8 28.Qe3⩲;

D3a42) 25...Re6!

D3a421) 26.Qg3 Bc6 27.Rg1 Rxd6 28.exd6 Qxf6 29.Bh3 *(29.Be2 Re8)*

D3a4211) 29...Qd4 30.Rd1 Qxc4+ 31.Kb1 Be4+ *(31...Bd5 32.d7 Qxa2+ 33.Kc1 Qa1+ 34.Kd2 Qxb2+ 35.Ke1 Qb4+ 36.Kf2)* 32.Ka1 Qc2 33.Re1∓;

D3a4212) 29...Qf3!? 30.Rd1 Qxg3 31.hxg3 f5∓;

D3a422) 26.Bg2 Rxd6! *(26...Bc6 27.Bxc6 bxc6 28.Rd1⩲)* 27.exd6 Qxd6 28.Bxb7 Re8 29.b3 Qf4+

D3a4221) 30.Kb1 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s)' Bd7 Leko,Peter: '=' 31.Rd1 Bf5+ 32.Ka1

D3a42211) 32...h5

33.Qg3! Qxg3
34.hxg3 Re3
(34...Re6 35.Rd5 Rxf6 36.Rxc5)
35.Rd8+ Kh7
36.Bd5 Rxg3
(36...Be6∞)
37.Bxf7 *(37.Rf8? Be6)*;

D3a42212)
32...Qxh2 33.Bc6 Qe2∓;

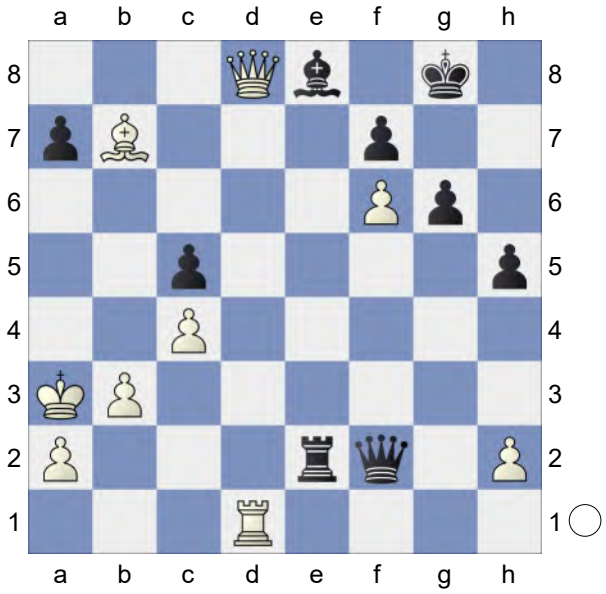
D3a4222) 30.Kb2 Re3 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): ' ∓" 31.Rd1 h5
(31...Be8!?)

D3a42221)
32.Rd3!? Re2+!?
(32...Rxd3 33.Qxd3 Qxf6+ 34.Qc3∓) 33.Ka3 Be8 34.Bf3 Re6∓;

D3a42222)
32.Qa5⊕

D3a422221)
32...Qxf6+!?
33.Ka3 Be8
34.Qxc5 *(34.Qxa7 Qf2!)* 34...Re2↑
35.Qxa7
Leko,Peter Qe7+
36.c5-+;

D3a422222)
32...Re2+⊕ 33.Ka3 Qf2 *(33...Qxf6* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *34.Qxc5)*
34.Qd8+
Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '=" *(34.Ra1? Qxf6-+)* 34...Be8
Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): 'Do you see the mate threat?"
Leko: '



' 35.Rd2! *(35.Ra1* Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): ' ⩲ !?" *Qe3! 36.Bc6 Qc3!-+)*
35...Rxd2
Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '∓' Fritz 6 (3s): 'Threatening mate: Rd2xa2" 36.Qxe8+ Kh7 37.Qxf7+ Kh6 38.Ka4 Rxa2+
(38...a6? 39.a3!)
39.Kb5 Qe3
(39...Rb2!?
Leko: 'laut Fritz';
39...Qxh2
(Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *40.Qf8+ Kg5∓)*

D3a4222221)
40.Qf8+
Leko,Peter: ' ⩲ '
Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s)' Kg5
41.Qxc5+ *(41.Kc6*

Rf2) 41...Qxc5+ 42.Kxc5 Kxf6-+ 43.h3-+
Leko,Peter;

D3a4222222)

40.Bd5 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '?'' Leko: 'Mit seinen letzten verbleibenden Sekunden erinnert sich mein Gegner an die goldene Regel: Zentralisation!!' 40...Qxb3+
Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '-+'' 41.Kc6 Ra6+!
Leko: 'Später überprüfte ich die Sache mit dem Computer und er fand den gleichen Gewinn in wenigen Minuten.' *(41...Qb8*
Leko: '?!' '?!' Leko, Peter: '?!' '?!' *42.Kd7!*
Leko: 'und der Kampf beginnt von neuem.' *)* 42.Kd7 *(42.Kc7? Qb6+*
Leko: '-+' '-+' Leko, Peter: '-+' '-+' *)*

D3a42222221)

42...Qb8? 43.Qg7+ Kg5 44.Qe7

D3a422222211)

44...Rxf6 45.h4+ Kxh4 *(45...Kf5 46.Qe4# #)*
46.Qxf6+ g5 47.Qf2+ Qg3 48.Qxc5;

D3a422222212)

44...h4 45.f7+ *(45.Bc6 Rxc6 46.Kxc6 Qb6+ 47.Kd5 Qxf6 48.Qxf6+ Kxf6 49.Kxc5 Ke7-+)* 45...Rf6 46.Qxc5;

D3a42222222)

42...Qh3+!
Leko: 'Alles läuft genau nach meinem Plan!'

D3a422222221)

43.Ke7 Qxh2 44.Qf8+ *(44.Qg7+ Kg5 45.f7 Qc7+ 46.Ke8 Rb6-+*
Leko: 'nebst Matt'*)* 44...Kg5 45.f7 Qc7+ 46.Ke8 Qc8+ 47.Ke7 Qxf8+ 48.Kxf8 Rf6-+;

D3a422222222)

43.Be6 Qd3+ *(43...Qxh2*
(Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *44.Qf8+ Kg5 45.f7 Rxe6 46.Qd8+ Rf6 47.f8Q Qd2+ 48.Kc8 Qxd8+ 49.Qxd8±)*

D3a4222222221)

44.Bd5 Kg5
Leko: '!' '!' Leko, Peter: '!' '!' 45.Qe7 *(45.h4+ Kf5)* 45...Rxf6 46.h4+

Kf5 Leko: 'deswegen muß die schwarze Dame auf d3 stehen!' 47.Qxc5 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '-+'' Kg4-+;

D3a4222222222) 44.Ke8 Leko,Peter: 'Fritz 6 (3s): '?'' Leko: 'Ich hatte hauptsächlich mit Ld5 gerechnet:' 44...Qd6

D3a42222222221) 45.Qg7+ Kg5 46.h4+ Kxh4 47.Qe7 Leko: 'Es kostete mich viel Bedenkzeit, darauf den Gewinn zu finden:' Qxe7+ *(47...Qxe6? 48.f7+)* 48.Kxe7 Ra1 49.f7 *(49.Bf5 Re1+)* 49...Rf1-+;

D3a42222222222) 45.Bc8 (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) Qc6+ 46.Bd7 Qxf6 47.Qxf6 Rxf6 48.Ke7-+;

D3a42222222223) 45.Qe7 Leko: 'Der letzte Trick bestand in '

D3a422222222231) 45...Qxe6 46.f7 *(46.Qxe6* (Leko,Peter) Fritz 6 (3s) *Rxe6+ 47.Kf7 Re2-+)* 46...Qc8+ 47.Qd8 Re6+ 48.Kf8 Leko Qxd8#;

D3a422222222232) 45...Qxe6 0-1 (45) Kramnik,V (2780)-Leko,P (2665) Tilburg 1998 Cl1-130 [Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras];

D3b) 14.Nf2 Ne7 15.Bg2↑;

D3c) 14.0-0-0 Ne7 15.Nf2 Nxd5 16.cxd5 d6 17.h4 c6 18.h5 cxd5 19.Kb1 Nf6 20.Bg2 Qe7 21.h6]

9.g4

[9.e4!

A) 9...Qb4?!

A1) 10.Qd2 d6!

A1a) 11.g4?! Nxe5!;

A1b) 11.exd6 Bxh3 12.gxh3 Rad8 13.0-0-0 *(13.Nd5? Qxd6)* 13...Rxd6 14.Nd5 Qa4⩲;

A1c) 11.Nd5 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 Bxh3 13.gxh3 Nxe5 *(13...dxe5 14.Nxc7 Rad8+ 15.Nd5 Nd4⩲)*

A1c1) 14.f4 c6! 15.fxe5 *(15.Ne7+ Kg7 16.fxe5 dxe5)* 15...cxd5 16.exd5 dxe5∞;

A1c2) 14.Nxc7 Rac8 15.Nd5 *(15.Nb5 a6 16.Nd4 Nxc4+ 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Ke3 Rfc8∓)* 15...Kg7!⇄ *(15...Nxc4+? 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Rhc1±)*;

A2) 10.Qb3! d6 11.g4 *(11.exd6? Bxh3 12.gxh3 Qxd6∓)* 11...Ng7 12.exd6 *(12.Qxb4!? Nxb4 13.exd6 Nc2+ 14.Kd2 Nxa1 15.dxc7⩲)*

12...Qxd6 13.Rd1!
A2a) 13...Nd4? 14.Nb5!+-;
A2b) 13...Qc5? 14.Nd5 f5
A2b1) 15.exf5 Bxf5!? *(15...gxf5 16.g5)* 16.gxf5 *(16.Qb5 Rae8+ 17.Be2 Rxe2+ 18.Kxe2 Nd4+ 19.Rxd4 Qxd4 20.gxf5 Nxf5≅ ⩲21.Rd1 Qe5+)* 16...Nxf5±;
A2b2) 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.Qc3 fxe4 17.Rg1 Rf7 18.b4 Qf8 19.Ng5+-;
A2c) 13...Qe5 14.f4 Qa5 *(14...Qe7 15.Nf2± ⩲Qh4 16.Nd5! Bxg4 17.Qg3! Qxg3 18.Nf6+ Kh8 19.hxg3+-; 14...Qc5 15.Nd5±)* 15.Rd5 *(15.f5 h5!)* 15...Qb6 16.Qxb6 axb6 17.Rg1± ⩲Nb4 18.Rd2 Nxa2 19.Nd5;

B) 9...Nxe5 10.Nd5 Qd8 11.f4 Nc6 12.Be2 Nf6 13.Nf2± d6 14.0-0 Moiseenko,Alexander: '±';

C) 9...Qxe5 10.Qd2± ○ *(10.Qd5 d6 11.Qxe5 dxe5 12.Nf2 Nd4 13.0-0-0 c6 14.c5 Nf4 15.Nd3 Nxd3+ 16.Bxd3 Be6 17.b3 b5 18.Ne2 Rfd8 19.Nxd4 Rxd4 20.Be2 Rad8 21.Rxd4 Rxd4 22.Rd1 Rxd1+ 23.Bxd1 a5 24.Kd2 Kg7 25.a3 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.b4 axb4 28.axb4 Kf6 29.g3 h6 30.f4 Bd5 31.Ke3 Ke6 32.Bh5 Kf6 33.Be8 Ke6 34.Bh5 Kf6 35.Be2 Ke6 36.Bd3 Kf6 37.Bf1 Ke6 38.h3 Kf6 39.g4 fxg4 40.hxg4 exf4+ 41.Kxf4 Bh1 42.Bd3 Bd5 43.Bf5 Bh1 44.Bd7 Bd5 45.Bf5 Bh1 46.Bd3 Bd5 47.Bc2 Bh1 48.Bd3 ½-½ (48) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-BezMozga (2592) Blitz 2021)*

10...d6
C1) 11.Nf2 f5;
C2) 11.g4!? Ng7 *(11...Nf6!?)* 12.Nd5!? Bxg4! 13.fxg4 Qxe4+
C2a) 14.Kf2 f5!↑ *(14...Qxh1? 15.Nf6+ Kh8 16.Qh6 Qxh2+ 17.Bg2+-)*;
C2b) 14.Qe3 Qxh1 15.Nf6+ Kh8 16.Qh6 *(16.0-0-0 Ne8)* 16...Rfe8+! 17.Kd2 *(17.Kf2? Qxh2+ 18.Bg2 Re2+ 19.Kxe2 Qe5+-+)* 17...Qxh2+ 18.Kd1 Re1+! 19.Kxe1 Qe5+ 20.Be2 Qxf6 21.Ng5 Kg8 22.Qxh7+ Kf8 23.Qh8+ Ke7 24.Qxa8 Qxg5 *(24...Qxb2 25.Rd1 Nd4 26.Rxd4 Qxd4 27.Qxb7)* 25.Qxb7 Qh4+ 26.Kd2 Qh6+≅;
C3) 11.f4 Qd4! *(11...Qc5 12.Nf2 f5 13.Nd5)* 12.Qxd4 Nxd4 13.0-0-0 c5! *(13...Bxh3 14.Rxd4 Be6 15.f5!±)* 14.g3 Nf6 15.Nf2 Ng4!∞ *(15...Bd7!? Δ ♗c6 Δ Bc6)*]

[9.Nd5 Qxe5 10.Qd2
A) 10...f5? 11.f4 Qd6 12.c5 *(12.g3 b6)* 12...Qxc5 13.Nxc7;
B) 10...Ne7! 11.f4 Qd6
B1) 12.g3 c6! 13.Nxe7+ *(13.Nc3 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 d5)* 13...Qxe7 14.Bg2 d5! 15.cxd5 Bxh3 16.Bxh3
B1a) 16...cxd5 17.0-0 *(17.Qxd5? Nxf4! 18.gxf4 Qh4+∓)*;
B1b) 16...Rad8 17.Bg2 Nf6 18.0-0 Rfe8↑ *(18...Qc5+ 19.Kh1 Nxd5)*;
B2) 12.e4 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Re8 14.e5 *(14.Bd3 Qxd5)* 14...Qe7!⇄ Δ ...d6 Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '!?' Leko,Peter;

Adorjan,Andras: '→d6 Δ d6' *(14...Qb6! 15.Be2 d6 16.Bxh5 gxh5∓; 14...f6?! 15.Be2 fxe5 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.0-0⩱)*]

[9.f4 Qb4 Leko,Peter; Adorjan, Andras: '!' 10.Qd2 d6! 11.exd6 Bxh3 12.gxh3 Rad8↑ △13.Nd5 Qxd6]

[9.Qd2 Nxe5 10.e4 d6 11.Nf2 Be6∞]

9...Ng7 10.f4 d6

[10...Qb4 Leko,Peter; Adorjan, Andras: '!' 11.Qd2 d6 Leko,Peter; Adorjan,Andras: '⇄' 12.exd6]

11.exd6 Qh4+ 12.Nf2 Bxg4 13.dxc7 Nf5

5...Qh4+ 6.Nf2

[6.g3 Qxc4 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.f4 Bb4 9.Bg2 d6 10.exd6 cxd6 11.0-0 Bxc3 12.bxc3 0-0 13.Nf2 Re8 14.Qd3 Qxd3 15.exd3 Nf6 16.Rb1 d5 17.Bb2 b6 18.c4 d4 19.Bxc6 1-0 (19) unitedff (2641)-Dmitry_Gritsenko (2517) Blitz 2024]

6...Qxc4 7.e4

[7.Nc3 Bb4 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.e4 Qc5 10.f4 d6 11.Nd5 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 0-0 13.Rc1 Qd4 14.g4 Ng7 15.Qxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxc7 Rb8 17.exd6 Rd8 18.e5 g5 19.Ne4 gxf4 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Kf2 Nc6 22.Re1 Ne6 23.Bc4 b5 24.Bxe6 Bxe6 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.Re4 b4 27.Rc1 Rb6 28.Kf3 Kg7 29.Kxf4 Kg6 30.Rec4 Nxe5 31.Kxe5 Rdxd6 32.Ne4 Rd5+ 33.Kf4 Rb8 34.Rc5 Rd4 35.Ke3 Rd5 36.Rxd5 exd5 37.Rc6+ Kg7 38.Nc5 Re8+ 39.Kd3 Re1 40.Re6 1-0 (40) TMB2023 (2616)-Man-Anchor (2580) Blitz 2023]

7...Qe6 8.Be3 Nc6 9.f4 Bh6 10.g3 d6 11.exd6 cxd6 12.Nc3 0-0 13.Be2 f5 14.Bxh5 gxh5 15.Qxh5 fxe4 16.0-0-0 Rf5 17.Qh4 d5 18.g4 Rxf4 19.Bxf4 Bxf4+ 20.Kb1 e3 21.Nd3 Bh6 22.Ka1 d4 23.Nc5 Qg6 24.Nd5 Bg7 25.Ne7+ Nxe7 26.Qxe7 e2 27.Qd8+ Bf8 28.Rxd4 b6 29.Rf4 Qd6 30.Qg5+ Kh8 31.Qf6+ Qxf6 32.Rxf6 Bxc5 33.Re1 Ba6 34.b4 Rd8 35.bxc5 Rd1+ 36.Kb2 Rxe1 37.Rf8+ Kg7 38.Re8 Rd1 39.Kc2 e1Q 40.Re7+ 1-0 (40) mate-in-three (2672)-RomChartres (2647) Blitz 2021

5...Bc5 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Qd2 Nc6 8.Nc3 Nxe5 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Nd5 Qd8 11.g4 c6 12.Qc3 d6 13.Ne3 0-0 14.0-0-0 Nf6 15.c5 Re8 16.Rxd6 Qe7 17.Nf2 b6 18.g5 Nd5 19.Rxd5 Nxf3 20.Neg4 Bxg4 21.Nxg4 1-0 (21) Sjugirov,S (2670)-Chigaev,M (2496) Sochi RUS 2015

5...Bg7 6.Bg5 f6 7.exf6 Nxf6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.e4 Nc6 10.Be2 d6 11.Nf2 h6 12.Be3 Ne5 13.Qd2 Be6 14.Nd5 c6 15.Nxf6+ Qxf6 16.Rc1 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Rad8 19.Ne4 Qf7 20.dxe6 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-Colmen (2561) Blitz 2021

[6] **6.Nf2** Nc6 7.exd6 Bxd6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Bh6 Re8 10.e4 Qh4 11.Qd2 Nf4 12.c5 Be5 13.Bxf4 Bxf4 14.Qc2 Nb4 15.Qb3 a5 16.g3 Bxg3 17.hxg3 Qxg3 18.Ne2 Qe5 19.a3 Be6 20.Qa4 Qxb2 21.axb4 axb4 22.Qxa8 Rxa8 23.Rxa8+ Kg7 24.Nd1 Qb1 25.Nd4 Bb3 26.Nxb3 Qxb3 27.Be2 Qc2 28.Rb8 Qxc5 29.Rxb7 Qd6 30.Rf1 h5 31.f4 h4 32.e5 Qc5 33.Rf3 Qg1+ 34.Bf1 Qc5 35.Re3 Qd4 36.Rxc7 Qxf4 37.Rb7 Kg8 38.Bh3 g5 39.e6 fxe6 40.Bxe6+ Kf8 41.Rf7+ 1-0 (41) Itinerant69 (2694)-maffpoderallerechte (2696) Blitz 2023

[7] **6...f6** 7.exf6 Nxf6 8.Nc3 Bxh3

9.gxh3 Bg7 10.Qb3 Nbd7 11.Ne4 0-0 12.c5+ d5 13.0-0-0 c6 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Bh6 Bg5+ 16.Bxg5 Qxg5+ 17.Kb1 Nxc5 18.Qc2 Qf5 19.e4 dxe4 20.fxe4 Qxe4 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Qxe4 Nxe4 23.Rd7 Rad8 24.Rhd1 Rxd7 25.Rxd7 b5 26.Bb3 Rf1+ 27.Kc2 Rf2+ 28.Kc1 a5 29.Bc2 Nc5 30.Rc7 Rf6 31.Kd2 Rd6+ 32.Ke3 a4 33.h4 Ne6 34.Rc8+ Kg7 35.Be4 c5 36.Rb8 b4 37.Ra8 a3 38.bxa3 bxa3 39.Rxa3 Rb6 40.Ra7+ Kf6 41.a4 Rb3+ 42.Kd2 Ra3 43.Bc2 Nd4 44.Bd1 Ra2+ 45.Kc3 Ra1 46.Bb3 Ra3 47.Kc4 Nxb3 48.Ra6+ Ke5 49.Ra7 Nd4 50.Kxc5 Ne6+ 51.Kb4 Rh3 52.Ra5+ Kf6 53.Ra7 Rxh4+ 54.Kb5 Rxh2 55.a5 Rb2+ 56.Ka4 h5 57.Ra8 Rb1 58.a6 Ra1+ 59.Kb5 h4 60.Kc6 h3 61.Kb6 Rc1 62.Rh8 Rb1+ 63.Ka7 Ra1 64.Rxh3 Rb1 65.Rf3+ Kg7 66.Ra3 Rd1 67.Ra5 Rd7+ 68.Kb6 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-RomChartres (2621) Blitz 2022

6...Qd7 7.g4 h6 8.Be3 Ng7 9.exd6 Bxd6 10.Nc3 Nc6 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.b3 Bb4 13.0-0-0 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Be6 15.Kc2 c6 16.Nf4 Ke7 17.Bd4 f6 18.Bxe5 fxe5 19.Nxg6+ 1-0 (19) americannextstar (2646)-Nefer-Pitou (2611) Blitz 2024

[8] **10.Nc3** 0-0 11.e4 Qc5 12.dxc7 Nc6 13.Nf2 Ne5 14.Be2 Qxc7 15.f4 Nc4 16.Nd5 Qa5+ 17.b4 Qa6 18.Qd4 b5 19.Ne7# 1-0 (19) sber1 (2879)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2836) Blitz 2021

[9] Mikhail Golubev: 'In Anand-Carlsen, Linares 2009 there was' After **4.Nc3** Krasenkow,Michal: '="(Ftacnik, Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L" Black can steer the game into 'true Grünfeld' territory with 4...d5! Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Mikhail Golubev: '(the game was cited on ChessPublishing earlier this year)' e. g. Marin,Mihail: 'has come into the limelight as in Vallejo Pons,F (2698)-Le,Q (2710) Tromso 2014 CBM 162 [Krasenkow,M] (1-0, 38)' Krasenkow,Michal: 'with a "strange Grünfeld"'

[4...e5 5.d5]

5.cxd5

[5.e4 dxe4 *(≤5...dxc4 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Bxc4±)* 6.d5 Ne5 7.fxe4

A) 7...c6 8.Nf3 Nxf3+ *(8...Qc7?! 9.Nxe5 Qxe5 10.Qf3 g5 11.Qg3 Qxg3+ 12.hxg3 Rg8 13.Be2 h6 14.e5 Nd7 15.e6 Nf6 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Bf3 Bb7 18.exf7+ Kxf7 19.Be3± 1-0 (44) Dreev,A (2682)-Hillarp Persson,T (2530) Reykjavik 2004 g4 20.Be2 c5 21.0-0 Rc8 22.Rad1 Ke8 23.Rf5 Nd7 24.Na4 Be4 25.Rf4 Bc2 26.Rxd7 Kxd7 27.Nxc5+ Ke8 28.Bxg4 Rxg4 29.Rxg4 e5 30.b4 a5 31.a3 axb4 32.axb4 Ra8 33.Ne6 Ra1+ 34.Kh2 Bf5 35.Ng7+ Bxg7 36.Rxg7 Ra2 37.Bxh6 Be4 38.Rg5 Bxg2 39.Rxe5+ Kf7 40.Kg1 Bh3 41.Bf4 Rg2+ 42.Kh1 Rb2 43.b5 Bf1 44.Bc1 1-0 (44) Dreev,A (2682)-Hillarp Persson,T (2530) Reykjavik ISL 2004)* 9.gxf3 leads to a similar position *(≤9.Qxf3 Bg7 10.e5? Nd7 11.e6 fxe6 12.dxe6 Ne5)*;

B) 7...Bg7∞ 8.Nf3 Nxf3+ *(8...Nfd7!? 9.Be3 0-0 10.Qd2 f5 11.Bh6 Nxf3+ 12.gxf3 Ne5 13.Be2 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 fxe4 15.Nxe4 e6⇄* 1/2 (26) Caruana,F

(2697)-Howell,D (2616) Biel 2010 *16.0-0-0 Qe7 17.Ng5 exd5 18.Rxd5 Nc6 19.Re1 Qg7 20.Qxg7+ Kxg7 21.a3 h6 22.Ne4 Be6 23.Rd2 Rad8 24.Nc5 Bc8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Bd3 Rd6* ½-½ (26) Caruana,F (2697)-Howell,D (2616) Biel SUI 2010*)* 9.gxf3!? White wants to create a strong pawn chain in the centre at some point. *(9.Qxf3 0-0* is harmless.*)* 9...0-0 10.Be3 c6 *(10...e6 11.Qd2 exd5 12.cxd5 c6 13.dxc6 Qe7 14.0-0-0 bxc6 15.Qd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Be6 17.Rxc6 Nd7 18.f4 Rfc8 19.Rxc8+ Rxc8 20.Ba6 Rc7 21.Kd2 Nc5 22.Bd3 Nxd3 23.Kxd3 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Bxa2 25.Bd4 Bc4+ 26.Ke3 a6 27.f5 Kf8 28.Rb1 Bb5 29.Kf4 Ke8 30.h4 Rc6 31.Rg1 Ke7 32.h5 Be2 33.h6 Bb5 34.f6+ Kd7 35.Rd1 Ke6 36.Rg1 Kd7 37.Rg2 Re6 38.Rd2 Rd6 39.Rb2 Rc6 40.Be5 Ke6 41.Bd4 Kd7 42.Rd2 Rd6 43.e5 Rd5 44.Ke4 Ke6 45.Rc2 Bc6 46.Ke3 Rb5 47.Ra2 a5 48.Kd3 g5 49.Ra1 g4 50.Rg1 Bf3 51.Ke3 a4 52.Ra1 Ra5 53.Rb1 a3 54.Rb6+ Kf5 55.e6 a2 56.c4 a1Q 57.Bxa1 Rxa1 58.e7 Re1+ 59.Kd2 Re2+ 60.Kd3 g3 61.Rb2 Re1 62.Kd2 Re6 63.Rb3 Kf4 64.Rb6 Re2+ 65.Kd3 g2 66.Rb1 Re6* 0-1 (66) Vallejo Pons,F (2684)-Swiercz,D (2620) Berlin GER 2015 *)* 11.Qd2 Bd7 *(11...cxd5!? 12.cxd5 Qd6)* 12.0-0-0 cxd5 13.cxd5 Rc8 14.Kb1 a6 *(14...e6 15.d6!? e5 16.Nb5!? a6 17.Nc7)* 15.Bd3 e6 16.Rhg1 *(16.d6 e5)* 16...exd5 17.e5 Nh5 18.f4

B1) 18...Be6!? 19.Be2 *(19.f5 d4! 20.fxe6 dxc3 21.exf7+ Rxf7 22.bxc3 Qc7↑)* 19...Qh4 20.Nxd5 Rfd8 21.Bf3 Rd7∞;

B2) 18...d4 19.Bxd4 Ba4 20.Bc2 Bxc2+ 21.Qxc2 Qh4∞ 22.f5 Rfd8 23.Qe4 Qxe4+ 24.Nxe4 Nf4? Starting a series of inaccuracies. *(24...Rc4! 25.Nd6 Rxd4 26.Rxd4 Bxe5 27.Rd5 Bxh2* , and Black is not worse *)* 25.Nd6

B2a) ⌓25...Rc6!

B2a1) 26.Nxb7 Rd5 27.Rgf1 Ne2! *(27...Rc7 28.Nc5 Bxe5 29.Bxe5 Rxe5 30.Nxa6±)* 28.Bc5 Rxd1+ 29.Rxd1 Bxe5! 30.Re1 f6! 31.Rxe2 Rc7 32.Bd6 Rxb7 33.Bxe5 Re7 , and the resulting rook ending may be drawn, e.g. 34.fxg6 hxg6 35.Rf2 *(35.Kc2 fxe5)* 35...fxe5 36.Rf6 e4 37.Kc2 e3 38.Rxg6+ Kf7 39.Rg1 Ke6! 40.Kd3 Rh7 41.Rg2 Rh3 42.Re2 Kd5 43.b4 Kc6 etc.;

B2a2) 26.f6!? Bxf6 *(26...Bf8 27.Be3 Nh5 28.Nxb7)* 27.Nxb7 Rxd4 28.Rxd4 Bxe5 29.Rd8+ Kg7 30.Rd7 Rb6 31.b3 - White is better here but there is a lot of fight ahead;

B2b) 25...Rb8? After this passive move Black's position becomes bad. 26.Rgf1! Nd5 *(26...Ne2 27.Bb6 Rd7 28.Rde1 Bxe5 29.Nc4!+-; 26...Nh5* was relatively better: *27.Ba7 Ra8 28.Bb6 Rd7*

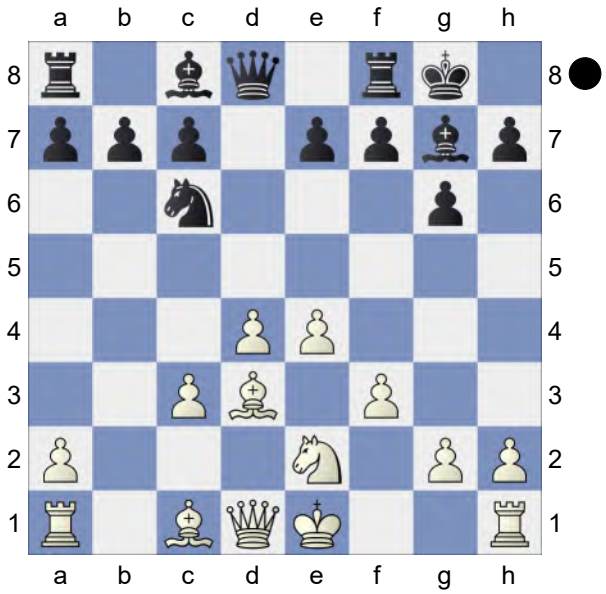
29.f6 Bf8 30.Nc4 Rxd1+ 31.Rxd1 Nf4 32.Rd7 Rb8 33.Kc2±) 27.Ba7 Ra8 28.Rxd5 Rxa7 29.f6 Bf8 30.Rc1 White has obtained a decisive positional advantage. b5 31.Rc8! Ra8 *(31...Rxc8 32.Nxc8 Rc7 33.Rd8+-)* 32.Rc7! Rab8 *(32...Bxd6 33.exd6* is absolutely hopeless for Black: White plays d6-d7 and then brings his king into play. *)* 33.Rxf7! Rb6 *(33...Bxd6 34.Rg7+)* 34.Re7! Rc6 35.f7+ Kg7 36.Ne8+ Kh6 37.Rxd8 Bxe7 38.Nd6 1-0 (38) Vallejo Pons,F (2698)-Le,Q (2710) Tromsoe 2014 CBM 162 [Krasenkow,Michal]]

[5.Bg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Bg7 6.e3 e6 *(6...0-0!?)* 7.cxd5 *(7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 h6 9.Bh4 Nb4 10.0-0 c5?! 11.dxc5 Qa5 12.a3 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 Qxc5 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.cxd5 exd5 16.Rac1 Be6 17.Nf4 Qc4 18.Ncxd5 Qxd3 19.Nxf6+ Kg7 20.N6h5+ gxh5 21.Nxd3±* 1-0 (29) Gretarsson,H (2505)-Pedersen,C (2427) Rhodes 2013*)* 7...exd5 8.Bb5 0-0 9.Nge2 h6 10.Bh4 Ne7 11.g4 b6 12.Qd2 c5 13.Bg3 a6 14.Ba4 Bd7 15.Bb3 Bb5 16.Nf4 cxd4 17.exd4 Nc6 18.0-0-0 Na5 19.h4 Rc8 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (42) Kramnik,V (2790)-Dominguez Perez,L (2713) Nice 2010' 20.Kb1 Nxb3 21.axb3 Bd7 22.h5 g5 23.Nd3 Nh7 24.Rhe1 f5 25.Nxd5 Rf7 26.Ne5 fxg4 27.Nxf7 Bf5+ 28.Ka1 Qxd5 29.Nd6 Rc2 30.Nxf5 Qxb3 31.Qxc2 Qxc2 32.fxg4 Nf6 33.Rc1 Qa4+ 34.Kb1 Nd5 35.Be5 Nb4 36.Rc8+ Kh7 37.Bxg7 Qa2+ 38.Kc1 Qa1+ 39.Kd2 Qxb2+ 40.Ke3 Nd5+ 41.Kf3 Qb3+ 42.Kf2 1-0 (42) Kramnik,V (2790)-Dominguez Perez,L (2713) Nice FRA 2010]

5...Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'leads to a more traditional "Grünfeld-type" position, in which Black is more or less OK:' 7...e5 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲'

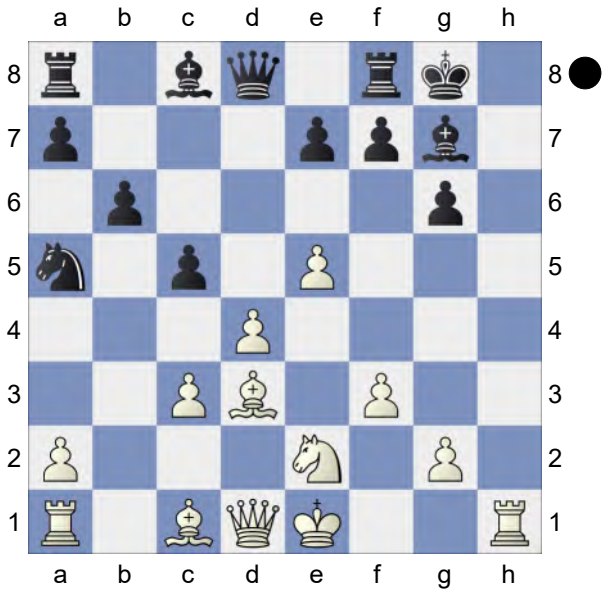
[7...Bg7 Ü 89/(399) RR: 'Ü 89/(399) → 89/(399)'

A) 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Ne2 Diagram



b6N *(If Black wishes to prepare ... c5, it would have been better to begin with an immediate 9...Na5* as Jobava pointed out. *10.Be3 c5 11.0-0 b6 12.Rc1 Bb7 13.Qd2 Qd7 14.Bh6 Qa4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.e5 Rfd8 17.Qg5 Nc6 18.Ng3→* 1/2 (28) Berry,N (2247)-Dale,A (2122) London 2012*; 9...e5 10.d5 Na5 11.Ba3 Re8 12.Bb4 b6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.Bxa5 bxa5 16.0-0 Rab8 17.Qc2 Bf8 18.Rfb1 Rb6⇄* 0-1 (54) Ward,C (2522)-Seel,C

(2380) Catalan Bay 2004) 10.h4! Na5 (After *10...h5 11.Bg5!?*↑ Black's position is quite dangerous.) 11.h5 c5 12.hxg6 hxg6? (Necessary was *12...fxg6* (Jobava) and White's advantage not as big as in the game.) 13.e5! Diagram



Now Black does not have real counterplay while White just prepares his kingside attack. cxd4 14.cxd4

A1) After 14...Bb7 strong is 15.Kf2! (Premature is *15.Bh6? Bxh6 16.Rxh6 Kg7 17.Qd2 Rh8*);

A2) Maybe the best practical chance was 14...f5 , planning a possible ...Kf7. A crazy-looking plan, indeed, but in the game it was even worse.;

A3) 14...Nc6 15.Be4! Diagram

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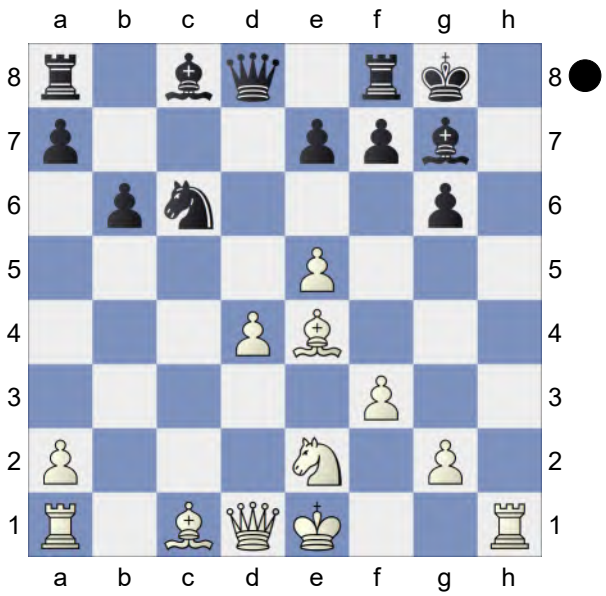
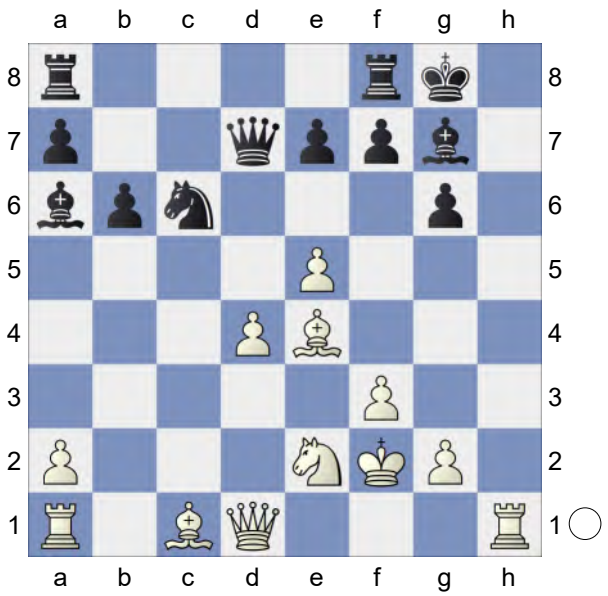


Qd7 (No better is *15...Bb7 16.Bh6* - for example, *Bxh6 17.Rxh6 Kg7 18.Qc1! Nb4 19.Bxg6! fxg6 20.Qg5 Qe8 21.Ng3 Nd3+ 22.Kd2 Nf4 23.Rah1* and Black can resign.)

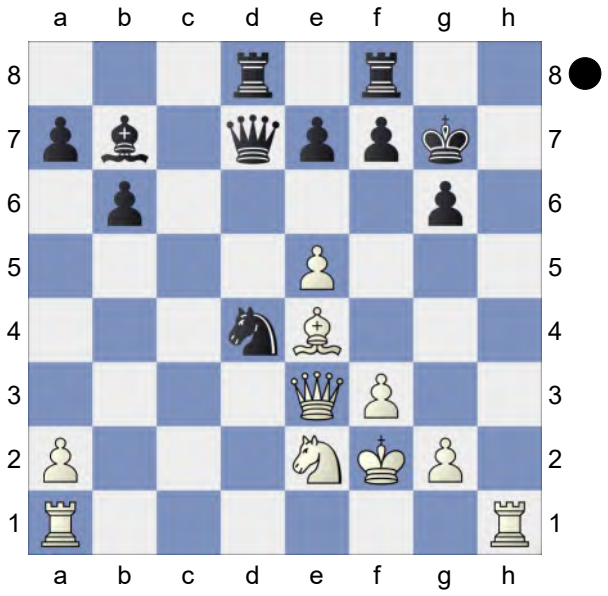
A3a) It turns out that after the direct 16.Bh6! Black has no adequate defence. Bxh6 17.Rxh6 and then, e.g., Ba6 (*17...Kg7 18.Qc1 Bb7 19.e6!?*+- with the idea of *19...Qxe6 20.Nf4 Qd6 21.Nh5+ Kg8 22.Rh8+ Kxh8 23.Qh6+ Kg8 24.Qg7#*) 18.Qd2 Bxe2 19.Qg5! and wins. After Jobava's imprecise move White, nevertheless, preserves a serious advantage.;

A3b) 16.Kf2? Ba6 Diagram

(Diagram)

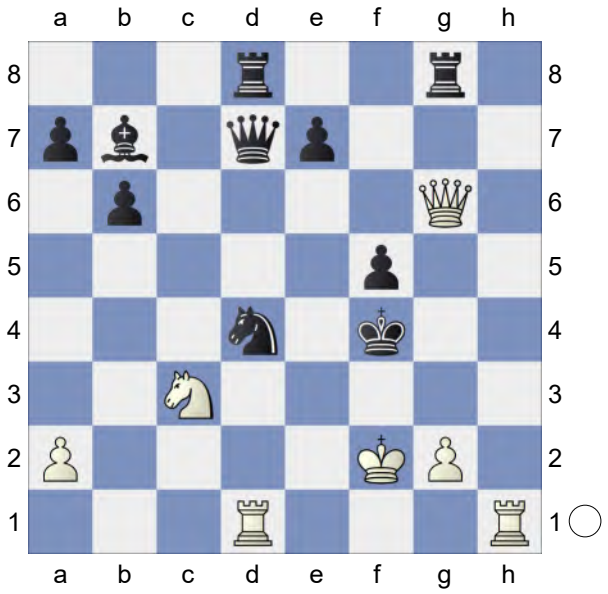


17.Qa4! Bb7 Forced. 18.Bh6 Rad8? *(Black's best chance probably was 18...Bxh6 19.Rxh6 Kg7* and if *20.Rah1 Rh8 21.e6! Qd6! 22.Rxh8 Rxh8 23.Rxh8 Kxh8 24.exf7 Kg7)* 19.Qa3! Krasenkow, Michal: '→!' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (29) Jobava,B (2704)-Robson,R (2596) Moscow 2012' Nxd4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qe3!+- Diagram



A3b1) The alternative was to lose a piece: 21...Rh8 22.Rxh8 Rxh8 *(22...Kxh8 23.Qh6+ Kg8 24.Rh1+-)*;

A3b2) 21...f5 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.Qh7+ Ke6 24.Qxg6+ Kxe5 25.Rad1 Rg8 26.f4+ Kxe4 27.Nc3+ Kxf4 Diagram



28.Rh4+! Ke5 29.Re1+ 1-0 (29) Jobava,B (2704)-Robson,R (2596) Moscow RUS 2012 CT 1-4231 [Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)];

B) 8.Bb5 0-0 *(8...Bd7 9.Ne2 0-0 10.Rb1 Na5 11.Bd3 c5 12.d5 e6 13.0-0 c4 14.Bc2 exd5 15.exd5 Re8 16.Ba3 b5 17.Bc5 Qc7 18.Bf2 Qd6=* 1-0 (45) Toth,E (2392)-Groszpeter,A (2541) Hungary 2010*)* 9.Ne2 Na5 10.Be3 Be6 (with a strategy based around the c4-square) 11.Bf2 a6 *(or perhaps 11...c6!?)* 12.Bd3 Bc4 13.0-0 b5= Vachier-Lagrave, M - Svidler, P Reykjavik 2015 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Nc1 c5 16.Nb3 cxd4 17.cxd4 Qd6 Schwarz hat die

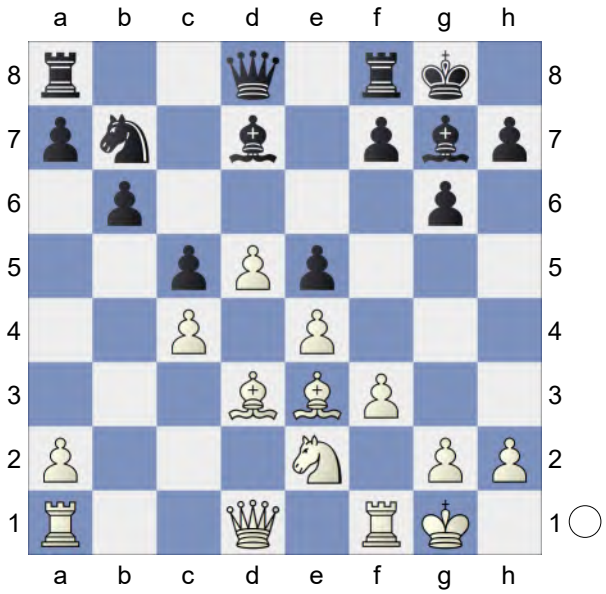
Eröffnung gut gespielt und steht einen Ticken angenehmer. Die c-Linie ist in seiner Hand, der potentielle Freibauer am Damenflügel ist ein weiterer Trumpf. 18.Qe2 Qa3 19.Rab1 Rac8 20.Rfd1 Na5 Rückwärtsgang - für mich so nachvollziehbar, dass Svidler 23...Se7 nebst ...Sd5 plante, aber rechtzeitig die prekäre Lage seiner Dame erkannte. 21.Nc5 Nc6 22.e5 e6 23.f4 Rc7 *(23...Ne7?! 24.Qd2 ⩲Nd5 25.Rb3+-)* 24.d5± jetzt ist die geplante weißfeldrige Blockade dahin. exd5 25.Rxd5 Rd8 26.Rxd8+ Nxd8 27.Qd2 Nb7 28.Nxb7 Rxb7 29.Rc1 h5 30.Rc8+ Kh7 31.h3 Qe7 32.Qd6 Qd7 33.Qxd7 Rxd7 Schwarz hat den weißen Druck neutralisieren können und Remis ist das folgerichtige Ergebnis 34.Bh4 Rd4 35.Bg5 Bh6 36.Bf6 Bg7 37.Bg5 Bh6 38.Bf6 Bg7 39.Bg5 ½-½ (39) Vachier Lagrave,M (2765)-Svidler,P (2745) Reykjavik 2015 CBM 170 [Baldauf,Marco]]

8.Be3

[8.Bb5 Bd7 9.Ne2 *(9.Rb1 a6 10.Bc4 Qh4+ 11.g3 Qf6 12.Ne2 exd4 13.cxd4 Qxf3 14.Rf1 Qxe4 15.Bxf7+ Kd8 16.Bg5+ Be7 17.Rf4 Qg2 18.Rf2 Qe4 19.Rf4 Qg2 20.Rf2 Qe4 21.Rf4* ½-½ (21) Kuzubov,Y (2627)-Korobov,A (2671) Linares ESP 2022 *)* 9...Bg7

A) 10.Rb1 0-0 *(10...Na5 11.Bd3 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qe7 13.0-0 0-0 14.Be3 Rad8 15.Qc1 b6 16.Rf2 f5 17.Bg5 Bf6 18.Bh6 Bg7 19.Bg5* 1/2 (19) Kuzubov,Y (2636)-Timofeev,A (2668) Ohrid 2009*)* 11.0-0 Re8 12.Be3 Na5 13.Bd3 b6 14.Qd2 Qe7 15.Kh1 Rad8 16.Ng3 Ba4 17.d5 Nb7 18.c4 Bd7 19.Qf2 c5 20.Ne2 f5 21.Nc3 Rf8 22.Bc2 Nd6 23.Qe2 ½-½ Moiseenko - Huzman, Kitchener 2006 Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (23) Moiseenko,A (2649)-Huzman,A (2585) Kitchener 2006';

B) 10.Be3 Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'N' 'N' Mikhail Golubev: 'N' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'N' 10...0-0 11.d5 Na5 12.Bd3 b6 13.0-0 Nb7 14.c4 c5 'Diagram



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Golubev: '- GM Baburin - GM Baburin' *)* 15...Bxc6 Mikhail Golubev: 'and White did not manage to achieve a significant advantage in Anand-Carlsen, Linares 2009 and White did not manage to achieve a significant advantage in Anand-Carlsen, Linares 2009 ' 16.Nc3 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'was, probably, a bit better for White in Anand - Carlsen, Linares 2009.' Bd7 Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' '!?''Interesting re-grouping - Black clears the c-file so he can put pressure on the c4-pawn. RR: 'Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Interesting re-grouping - Black clears the c-file so he can put pressure on the c4-pawn.'" 17.Nd5 Be6 18.Qd2 Rc8 19.Rfc1 f6 20.Kh1 Kh8 21.Rab1 Rf7 22.Qe2 Bf8 Krasenkow, Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (29) Anand,V (2791)-Carlsen,M (2776) Linares 2009' 23.Bd2 Bd6 24.Bc3 Kg8= 25.Qd2 Qf8 26.Be2 Rd8 27.Rd1 Diagram

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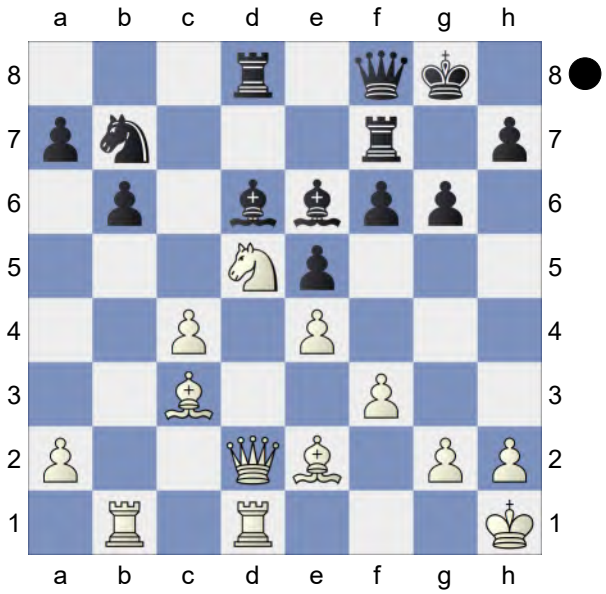

Position is balanced and both players were happy to settle for a draw: Rc8 28.Rdc1 Rd8 29.Rd1 ½-½ (29) Anand,V (2791)-Carlsen,M (2776) Linares ESP 2009 CT-3043 [Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net)] Glenn Flear: '1/2-1/2 Anand-Carlsen, Linares 2009']

[8.d5 Na5 *(8...Nb8 9.h4 Bc5 10.h5 Qf6 11.Rb1 Nd7 12.Qd2 gxh5 13.Ne2 h4 14.Qg5 Be7 15.Qxf6 Bxf6 16.g3 Rg8 17.gxh4 Nb6 18.Bg5 Bxg5 19.hxg5 c6 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.Rxh7 Rxg5 22.Rh6 f5 23.exf5 Rxf5 24.Rxc6 Bb7 25.Rc5 Bxf3 26.Nd4 Be4 27.Nxf5 Bxb1 28.Rxe5+ Kd8 29.Ra5 Rc8 30.Kd2 Bxf5 31.Rxf5 Rc7 32.Bb5 Rh7 33.Kc2 Nc8 34.Bd3 Rh2+ 35.Kb3 Rd2 36.Rf8+ Kc7 37.Rf7+ Kb6 38.Rf6+ Kc7 39.Rf7+ Kb6 40.Rf6+ Kc7 41.Rf3 Nd6 42.a4 Kb6 43.Rh3 a5 44.Bg6 Rf2 45.Rh5 Rf6 46.Bc2 Rf8 47.Bd3 Rc8 48.Rd5 Nb7 49.Rb5+ Ka7 50.Kc2 Rc5 51.Rb1 Rh5 52.Bb5 Nc5 53.c4 Rh3 54.Bc6 Rh5 55.Bb5 Rh3 56.Rg1 Ra3 57.Rg7+ Kb6 58.Rg6+ Kb7 59.Rg7+*

Kb6 ½-½ (59) Sjugirov,S (2646)-Artemiev,V (2676) Khanty-Mansiysk RUS 2015 *)* 9.h4 Bc5 *(9...Bd7 10.Be3 Ba3 11.h5 g5 12.Qd2 h6 13.Rb1 Qe7 14.Nh3 Bc5 15.Nf2 0-0 16.Bxc5 Qxc5 17.c4 b6 18.Nd3 Qd4 19.Rc1 c5 20.Qf2 Qxf2+ 21.Kxf2 Rae8 22.Ke3 Nb7 23.Nf2 Nd6 24.Bd3 f6 25.a4 a5 26.Rb1 Rb8 27.Ra1 Kg7 28.Kd2 Kf7 29.Nd1 g4 30.Ne3 Rg8 31.Ke2 Ke7 32.Kf2 Rg5 33.Rh4 gxf3 34.gxf3 Rbg8 35.Rb1 Rb8 36.Bc2 Kf7 37.Rbh1 Rbg8 38.f4 exf4 39.Rxf4 Ke7 40.Bd1 Re5 41.Bf3 Reg5 42.Rb1 Rb8 43.Bg4 Bxa4 44.Be6 Rxh5 45.Ng4 Bc2 46.Rc1 Nxe4+ 47.Ke2 Bb1 48.Rf3 f5 49.Ne5 Rh2+ 50.Ke3 Kd6 51.Nf7+ Ke7 52.Rxb1 Nd2 53.Rbf1 Nxc4+ 54.Kd3 Nb2+ 55.Ke3 Nc4+ 56.Kf4 Rg8 57.Re1 Kf6 58.Rff1 Rg4+ 59.Kf3 Nd2+ 60.Ke3 Rg3+ 61.Kf4 Rg4+ 62.Ke3 Rg3+ 63.Kf4 Nxf1 64.Rxf1 Rd3 65.Bxf5 Rxd5 66.Bg4 Rhd2 67.Nxh6 R2d4+ 68.Kg3+ Kg5 69.Nf7+ Kg6 70.Be6 c4 71.Rh1 Rc5 72.Re1 c3 73.Ne5+ Kg7 74.Nd7 Rc7* 0-1 (74) Sadhwani,R (2627)-Erdos,V (2565) Sharjah UAE 2023*)* 10.Ba3 Qd6 11.Bb4 Bxb4 12.Qa4+ Bd7 13.Qxb4 b6 14.Ba6 Ke7 15.0-0-0 Bc8 16.Bb5 a6 17.Ba4 Rb8= 0-1 (37) Zhang,Z (2442)-Ni,H (2646) Xinghua Jiangsu 2011]

8...Bh6 9.Bxh6 Qh4+ 10.g3 Qxh6 11.d5 Qe3+ 12.Ne2 Qxf3 0-1 (12) klari64 (2828)-Berserk12-X (3343) Blitz 2025

4.e3 Bg7 5.Nh3 d5 6.Nf2 e5 7.c5 0-0 8.Bb5 exd4 9.Bxc6 dxe3 10.Bxe3 bxc6 11.0-0 Rb8 12.Bd4 Re8 13.Qd2 Nh5 14.Nc3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Rxb2 16.g4 Qf6 17.Rad1 Qxf3 18.Rd3 Qf4 19.gxh5 Qg5+ 20.Rg3 Qxh5 21.Nxd5 Rxf2 22.Ne7+ Rxe7 23.Qxf2 Be6 24.Rb1 Bd5 25.Rb8+ Kg7 26.Qd4+ f6 27.Rb1 Re2 28.h3 Qf5 29.Rf1 Qe6 30.Qf4 g5 31.h4 h6 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Rg4 Kg6 34.Qg3 Rg2+ 35.Qxg2 Bxg2 36.Rxg2 Qd5 37.Rgf2 Qxc5 38.Kg2 f5 39.Kg3 Qd5 40.Re2 f4+ 41.Kg4 Qf5+ 42.Kf3 g4+ 43.Kf2 g3+ 44.Kg2 Qg4 45.Rf3 Kg5 46.Re8 Qf5 47.Rg8+ 1-0 (47) gmluke (2674)-Nadigraj (2730) Blitz 2023

4.Nh3 e5 5.d5 Nd4 6.e3 Nf5 7.Bd3 Bc5 8.Bxf5 gxf5 9.Nc3 d6 10.Nf2 Rg8 11.0-0 a6 12.Nd3 Ba7 13.Kh1 Qe7 14.Qe1 Nh5 15.b4 Bd7 16.c5 0-0-0 17.Ba3 Rg6 18.Rc1 Kb8 19.b5 axb5 20.c6 bxc6 21.dxc6 Bxc6 22.Nb4 Bb7 23.Ncd5 Qg5 24.Rf2 c5 25.Na6+ Bxa6 26.Qa5 Bb7 27.Qxb5 Kc8 28.Nb6+ Bxb6 29.Qxb6 Qxe3 30.Rfc2 Ng3+ 0-1 (30) gg-gm-gmg (2615)-afgano45 (2604) Blitz 2020

[10] **5.f4** Nxc4 6.e4 Nb6 7.Nc3 [7.a4 a5 8.Nc3 d6 9.Be3 Bg7 10.Bxb6 cxb6 11.Bb5+ Nd7 12.Nf3 0-0 13.0-0 Nc5 14.Qe2 Bd7 15.Rad1 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Nxa4 17.e5 Nc5 18.e6 fxe6 19.dxe6 Rxf4 20.Ng5 Rxf1+ 21.Rxf1 Qc8 22.Qg4 h6 23.Nc7 Qxc7 24.Nf7 Nd3 25.Nxh6+ Kh7 0-1 (25) Rikikits (2619)-sh20032006 (2577) Blitz 2021]

7...d6 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.Be3 0-0 10.h3 e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Qd2 Re8 13.0-0-0 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.e5 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxd2+ 17.Rxd2 Be6 18.Rhd1 c6 19.g4 Nd5 20.Nxd5 Bxd5 21.Bd4 Bxa2 22.Kc2 Bd5 23.Nd7 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 Re2+ 25.Kc3 Kg7 26.Nc5 b6 27.Na6 Rae8 28.Nc7 R8e3+ 29.R4d3

Bg2 30.h4 h6 31.g5 a5 32.Na8 b5 33.Nc7 Bh3 34.Kd4 Rxd3+ 35.Rxd3 Rxb2 36.Ne8+ Kh8 37.Kc5 hxg5 38.hxg5 Rc2+ 39.Kb6 Bd7 40.Rxd7 Kg8 41.Nf6+ Kf8 42.Kc7 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2756)-Necklacesurvivor (2624) Blitz 2023

5.Nd2 d6 6.b3 Bg7 7.Bb2 0-0 8.e4 Nh5 9.Qc2 e6 10.0-0-0 exd5 11.cxd5 c6 12.Nc4 cxd5 13.Nxe5 dxe5 14.Rxd5 Qe7 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Rd1 Rac8 17.Qf2 Rfd8 18.Rxd8+ Qxd8 19.Qe1 Nf4 20.Ne2 Nd3 21.Qd2 Nxb2 22.Qxd8+ Rxd8 23.Kxb2 Rd2+ 24.Kb1 a5 25.Nc3 Bf8 26.Bc4 Bb4 27.Nd5 Rxg2 28.Nxb4 axb4 29.Bxe6 fxe6 30.h4 Rf2 31.h5 Rxf3 32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Rg1 Kg7 34.Rc1 g5 35.Rc7+ Rf7 36.Rxb7 Rxb7 0-1 (36) basheriyti1995 (2603)-sh20032006 (2589) Blitz 2021

[11] **5...Bg7** 6.f4 Neg4 7.e5 Nxd5 [7...d6 8.exf6 exf6 9.Be2 h5 10.Nf3 Kf8 1-0 (10) amrullah_MF (2601)-lukas_111111 (2604) Blitz 2019] 8.cxd5 Nh6 9.Nf3 d6 10.Bb5+ Kf8 11.0-0 c6 12.Bc4 Qb6+ 13.Kh1 Ng4 14.Qe2 cxd5 15.Bxd5 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.fxe5 e6 18.Bb3 h5 19.Nc3 h4 20.Be3 Qc7 21.Bd4 h3 22.g3 Bd7 23.Kg1 Kg8 24.Rf2 Bc6 25.Raf1 Be8 26.Ne4 Rd8 27.Bc3 Rh5 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.Rxf6 Rf5 30.R6xf5 gxf5 31.Rd1 Qc5+ 32.Qf2 Rxd1+ 33.Bxd1 Qd5 34.Bb3 Qe4 35.Bc2 Qd5 36.Qd2 Qf3 37.Bd1 Qe4 38.Qe2 Qd5 39.Kf1 Bb5 40.Ke1 Bxe2 41.Bxe2 Qh1+ 42.Kd2 Qxh2 43.Bd4 Qxg3 44.Bxa7 h2 45.Bf3 Qxf3 46.Be3 h1Q 47.Kc3 Qxe3+ 48.Kb4 Qhe1+ 49.Ka4 Q1d2 50.b4 Qxe5 51.a3 Qdd4 52.Kb3 Qdd5+ 53.Ka4 Qb5+ 54.Kb3 Qa4+ 55.Kxa4 Qd5 56.b5 f4 57.Ka5 f3 58.a4 1-0 (58) hirnloserverlierer (2652)-RSUPE_MiRacLe (2637) Blitz 2019

5...c5 6.Nc3 d6 7.f4 Ned7 8.Nh3 Bg7 9.Nf2 0-0 10.Bd3 Re8 11.0-0 e6 12.Re1 exd5 13.cxd5 a6 14.a4 Qc7 15.Be3 c4 16.Bc2 Rb8 17.a5 Nc5 18.Bd4 b5 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.Na4 Nxa4 21.Bxa4 Bd7 22.Bxb6 Qxb6 23.Qc2 Bxa4 24.Rxa4 Nxd5 25.Qxc4 Nxf4 26.b3 a5 27.Rf1 h5 28.g3 Ne6 29.Kg2 Nc5 30.Ra3 Re7 31.Ra2 Qxb3 32.Qxb3 Nxb3 33.Ra3 Nd2 34.Re1 Re5 35.Re2 Nc4 36.Raa2 Rb5 37.Nd3 Bd4 38.Nf4 Nb2 39.Nd5 a4 40.Rd2 Be5 41.Ne7+ Kf8 42.Nc6 Bf6 43.Rxd6 Kg7 44.Rd5 Rb6 45.e5 Bg5 46.Nd4 Nc4 47.Rd7 Nxe5 48.Ra7 a3 49.R7xa3 Bf6 50.Nf3 Nxf3 51.Rxf3 Re6 52.Raf2 Rd6 53.h3 Re6 54.g4 hxg4 55.hxg4 g5 56.Rf5 Rd6 57.R2f3 Re6 58.Kh3 Rd6 59.Rb5 Re6 60.Rff5 Rd6 61.Kg2 Re6 62.Kf3 Rd6 63.Rfc5 Re6 64.Rc4 Rd6 65.Rbc5 Re6 66.Rc6 Re5 67.R4c5 1-0 (67) curtainsjr (2631)-Prikolica (2632) Blitz 2018

5...e6 6.f4 Nxe4 7.fxe5 Qh4+ 8.Ke2 Ng3+ 9.hxg3 Qxh1 10.Nf3 Qh5 11.Qd4 c5 12.Qe4 Qf5 13.Qxf5 gxf5 14.d6 Rg8 15.Kf2 f6 16.exf6 Bxd6 17.Ng5 Rf8 18.f7+ Kd8 19.Nxh7 Rxf7 20.Ng5 Rg7 21.Nc3 b6 22.Nb5 Be7 23.Nf3 a6 24.Nc3 Bd6 25.Bf4 Bxf4 26.gxf4 Bb7 27.Rd1 Kc7 28.g3 Rag8 29.Ng5 Rh8 30.Bg2 Rh2 31.Nf3 Rh8 32.Ne5 Bxg2 33.Kxg2 Rhg8 34.Ne2 d6 35.Nf3 b5 36.Ng5 Re7 37.b3 Kc6 38.Ng1 d5 39.N1f3 d4 40.Ne5+ Kb6 41.Rh1 Rd8 42.Kf2 Ka5 43.Nc6+ 1-0 (43) cbkawk (2623)-easypiecetaker04 (2575) Rapid 2021

[12] **6.Be2** Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0
[7...c6 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qd2 a6 10.Rc1 b5 11.cxb5 cxd5 12.b6 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.fxe4 Bb7 15.Nf3 Nd7 16.Rc7 Bxe4 17.0-0 Rb8 18.Qa5 Nc5 19.b4 Ne6 20.Bxa6 Ra8 21.b5 Nxc7 22.bxc7 Qd7 23.Rc1 Bb7 24.Bxb7 Rxa5 25.b6 Ra3 26.Bc6 Qc8 27.Bf2 Rxa2 28.Bd5 Rxf2 29.Kxf2 Qa6 30.b7 Bd4+ 31.Nxd4 Qb6 32.Ke3 e5 33.c8Q Qxd4+ 34.Ke2 Qxd5 35.Qxf8+ Kxf8 36.b8Q+ Kg7 37.Kf1 Qd3+ 38.Ke1 Qe3+ 39.Kd1 Qg1+ 40.Kc2 Qxg2+ 41.Kb1 Qxh2 42.Qxd6 Qf4 43.Rc5 Qf5+ 44.Kc1 Qf1+ 45.Kd2 Qf4+ 46.Kd1 Qf3+ 47.Kd2 e4 48.Ke1 Qe3+ 0-1 (48) gg-gm-gmg (2706)-Artoo (2699) Blitz 2021]
8.f4 Neg4 9.h3 Nh6 10.g4 e6 11.g5 exd5 12.gxh6 Bxh6 13.cxd5 Re8 14.Bf3 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Qd3 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 f5 18.Ne2 Rxe4 19.Kd1 Qf6 20.Kc2 Rae8 21.Nc3 Rd4 22.Qf3 Qh4 23.Rf1 a6 24.Bd2 b5 25.a3 Rb8 26.Ne2 Rc4+ 27.Bc3 a5 28.Qd3 Rc5 29.Kb3 b4 30.axb4 axb4 31.Bd4 Rxd5 32.Qc4 Qxh3+ 33.Kc2 b3+ 34.Kd2 Qg2 35.Ra5 c5 36.Ra7 Kf8 37.Kc1 Qxf1+ 38.Kd2 Rxd4+ 39.Qxd4 cxd4 40.Nxd4 Bxf4+ 41.Kc3 Rc8+ 42.Kb4 Qc4+ 43.Ka3 Qxd4 44.Ra4 Qc5+ 45.Kxb3 Rb8+ 46.Ka2 Qb5 47.b4 Qxa4+ 0-1 (47) Violet_Pride (2747)-hamidebh001 (2727) Blitz 2023

6.Be3 Bg7 7.Ne2 c6 8.Nd4 c5 9.Nc2 0-0 10.Nc3 Nh5 11.g4 f5 12.exf5 Nf6 13.Be2 b5 14.cxb5 gxf5 15.g5 Ne8 16.f4 Nd7 17.Na3 Bb7 18.Nc4 Nc7 19.Na5 Bxc3+ 20.bxc3 Bxd5 21.0-0 Nb6 22.c4 Be4 23.a4 Qd7 24.Nb3 Qe6 25.Qc1 h6 26.a5 Nd7 27.h4 hxg5 28.hxg5 Rf7 29.Rf2 Rh7 30.Rh2 Rxh2 31.Kxh2 Rf8 32.Qc3 Ba8 33.Nd2 d5 34.Nf3 d4 35.Nxd4 cxd4 36.Qxd4 Rd8 37.Kg3 Ne8 38.c5 Nb6 39.Qe5 Qxe5 40.fxe5 Nd5 41.Rd1 e6 42.a6 Rb8 43.Bd4 Nec7 44.b6 axb6 45.cxb6 Nxb6 46.a7 Rb7 47.Bxb6 Rxb6 48.Rd8+ Kg7 49.Rd7+ Kg6 50.Rxc7 Rb3+ 51.Kh4 Rb4+ 52.Rc4 Rb7 53.Ra4 Rh7+ 54.Kg3 Kxg5 55.Bf3 f4+ 56.Kg2 Rh8 57.Bxa8 Rxa8 58.Kf3 Kf5 59.Ra5 Kg5 60.Ke4 Kg4 61.Ra1 f3 ½-½ (61) Nyzhnyk,I (2679)-Sorokin,A (2521) Las Vegas USA 2021

6.Ne2 c6 followed by Qb6.
[6...Bg7 7.Nec3 c6 8.Be2 Qb6 9.Na4 Qc7 10.Na3 0-0 11.Be3 Bd7 12.0-0 cxd5 13.cxd5 Qa5 14.Nc3 g5 15.Qd2 h6 16.Rab1 Rfc8 17.Rfc1 a6 18.b4 Qd8 19.b5 axb5 20.Ncxb5 Rxc1+ 21.Rxc1 Qa5 22.Rc2 Qxd2 23.Bxd2 Bxb5 24.Nxb5 Nfd7 25.Be3 b6 26.Nd4 Nc5 27.Nf5 Bf8 28.Kf1 Ra3 29.Bc1 Ra4 30.Bd2 e6 31.Ne3 Ned3 32.Nc4 b5 33.Nb6 Ra6 34.Nd7 Ra3 35.Bxd3 Rxd3 36.dxe6 fxe6 37.Nxf8 Kxf8 38.Bb4 Na6 39.Be1 Ra3 40.Rb2 b4 41.e5 dxe5 42.Rxb4 Rxa2 43.Rb7 Rc2 44.Ba5 Rc5 45.Bd8 Ke8 46.Bf6 Nc7 47.Bxe5 Nd5 48.Rb3 Rc1+ 49.Ke2 Rc2+ 50.Kf1 Rc1+ 51.Ke2 Rc2+ 52.Kf1 ½-½ (52) Postny,E (2604)-Zaslavsky,M (2424) Haifa ISR 2010]
7.Ng3 Qb6
[7...Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Nc3]
8.Nc3 Bg7 and if 9.Qb3?! then 9...0-0 10.Qxb6 axb6± 11.Be2 e6!? 12.f4 Ned7 13.dxe6
[13.0-0 exd5 14.cxd5 Re8]
13...fxe6 14.0-0 Bh6

6.f4 Ned7 7.Nf3 Nxe4 8.Bd3 Nef6 9.0-0 Bg7 10.h3 c6 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Nc3 0-0 13.Be3 e6 14.Qd2 Re8 15.Rab1 d5 16.cxd5 exd5 17.b4 a5 18.a3 axb4 19.axb4 Ra3 20.Bd4 Nf8 21.Qb2 Ra8 22.f5 Nh5 23.Bxg7 Nxg7 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Qd2 Qb6+ 26.Kh2 Qc7+ 27.Kg1 Qb6+ 28.Kh2 Bf5 29.b5 d4 30.Ne2 c5 31.Ng3 Qd6 32.Rfe1 Nh5 33.Bxf5 Nxg3 34.Kg1 Nxf5 35.Rxe8 Rxe8 36.b6 Rb8 37.Qa5 c4 38.b7 c3 39.Qa7 Qh2+ 0-1 (39) Aghasiyev,K (2622)-Nadigraj (2744) Blitz 2021

6.h3 c6 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.f4 Ned7 9.Nf3 0-0 10.Bd3 Nc5 11.0-0 e6 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.Kh2 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Nd7 15.Re1 Nc5 16.Qe2 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Qf6 18.Bd2 Rfe8 19.g4 Rad8 20.e5 dxe5 21.fxe5 Bxc4 22.Qe3 Qe7 23.Qh6 Ne6 24.Rad1 Rd3 25.Ng5 Rxd2+ 26.Rxd2 Nxg5 0-1 (26) SlowSmokingTurtle (2610)-grandmastergauri (2718) Blitz 2023

[13] **6...c6** 7.f4

[7.Be3 Bg7

A) 8.h3 cxd5 *(8...0-0 9.f4 Ned7 10.Nf3 a6 11.e5 Ne8 12.Bd3 dxe5 13.f5 cxd5 14.cxd5 Nd6 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.h4 e4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 Nf6 19.Ng5 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Ng3 Qd7 22.Qd2 Rac8 23.Nxf5 Qxf5 24.Rf1 Qe4 25.Rf4 Qe5 26.Rb1 Rfd8 27.Kf1 Rxd5 28.Qf2 Qe6 29.Kg1 Rcd8 30.Rf1 Bf6 31.g4 Rd3 32.Re1 Rd1 33.g5 Rxe1+ 34.Qxe1 Be5 35.Rf3 Qg4+* 0-1 (35) retardedplatypus123 (2666)-afgano45 (2629) Blitz 2021*)* 9.cxd5 0-0 10.f4 Ned7 11.Nf3 b5 12.Bxb5 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qa5+ 14.Nc3 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Qxb5 16.Rb1 Qc4 17.Qb3 Qd3 18.c4 Qxb3 19.axb3 a5 20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Ra1 Nc5 22.Ra3 Rfe8 23.Nb5 Rec8 24.Ke2 Ba6 25.Bxc5 Bxb5 26.Bb6 Ba6 27.Rha1 Rcb8 28.Bxa5 Bb7 29.Bc3 Rxa3 30.Rxa3 e6 31.dxe6 Re8 32.Kf2 Rxe6 33.Ra7 Re7 34.Bf6 Rd7 35.Ke3 Kf8 36.b4 Ke8 37.g4 Rc7 38.Kd4 Kd7 39.b5 Kc8 40.Ra2 Kb8 41.Bg7 Bc8 42.Bf8 Rd7 43.Re2 Rd8 44.Be7 Rd7 45.Bf8 Rd8 46.Bh6 Be6 47.Bg5 Rc8 48.Rc2 Kb7 49.Bh4 h5 50.gxh5 gxh5 51.Be1 Bxh3 52.Kd5 Rd8 53.Ba5 Be6+ 54.Kd4 Rc8 55.Bb4 Kc7 56.Ra2 Kd8 57.Bxd6 Rxc4+ 58.Ke5 Rc8 59.Ra7 h4 60.Kf6 h3 61.f5 h2 62.fxe6 fxe6 63.Rd7+ Ke8 64.Bxh2 Kxd7 65.b6 Rb8 66.b7 Rxb7 67.Ke5 Kc6 68.Bf4 Rb5+ 69.Kxe6 Rb3 70.Ke7 Rf3 71.Kf7 Rf1 72.Kf8 Re1 73.Kg7 Re2 0-1 (73) leytenantsimonyan (2705)-Vahe_S (2638) Blitz 2023;

B) 8.f4 Neg4 9.Bd4 c5 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.h3 Ne3 12.Qe2 Bh4+ 13.Kd2 Nxf1+ 14.Rxf1 a6 15.Nf3 b5 16.Nxh4 Qa5 17.e5 0-0 18.f5 Rb8 19.e6 bxc4 20.Kc1 fxe6 21.fxg6 1-0 (21) grandmatt (2617)-KeyzerSoze (2609) Blitz 2016;

C) 8.Qd2 a6 9.0-0-0 b6 10.dxc6 Nxc6 11.Kb1 0-0 12.g4 b5 13.h4 bxc4 14.Bxc4 Na5 15.Bd3 Rb8 16.Nge2 Be6 17.Nd4 Bc4 18.h5 Qc8 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Bh6 Bxd3+ 21.Qxd3 Nc4 22.Nb3 Ne5 23.Nd5 Nxd3 24.Nxe7+ Kh8 25.Nxc8 Nf2 26.Bxg7+ Kxg7 27.Nxd6 Nxh1 28.Rxh1 Nd7 29.Rd1 Ne5 30.Nc5 Rxf3 31.Rd5 Nxg4 32.b3 h5

33.Nxa6 Rbf8 34.Nc5 Rf1+ 35.Kb2 R8f2+ 36.Kc3 Rxa2 37.Nc4 h4 38.Rd7+ Kh6 39.Rd8 Kg7 40.Ne6+ Kf6 41.Rf8+ Kxe6 42.Rxf1 h3 43.Nd2 h2 44.Rh1 Ke5 45.b4 Kf4 46.b5 Ke3 47.Nc4+ Kf3 48.b6 Ra8 49.e5 Kg2 50.Rb1 Rb8 51.e6 Nf6 52.Kd4 h1Q 53.Rxh1 Kxh1 54.Ke5 Ne8 55.e7 Kh2 56.Ke6 Kh3 57.Kd7 g5 58.Kc6 g4 59.b7 g3 60.Ne5 g2 61.Nd7 Rxb7 62.Kxb7 g1Q 63.Kc8 Qg8 64.Kd8 Nd6+ 65.Kc7 Ne8+ 66.Kd8 Nf6+ 67.Kc7 Nxd7 68.Kxd7 Qd5+ 0-1 (68) Rikikits (2603)-afgano45 (2558) Blitz 2021;

D) 8.Bd3 cxd5 9.cxd5 0-0 10.Nge2 e6 *(10...Bd7 11.0-0 Qa5 12.Nd4 Rfc8 13.Nb3 Qd8 14.Rc1 Nh5 15.Be2 Nf6 16.Bd4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Ne2 Rxc1 19.Qxc1 Bb5 20.Qe3 a5 21.Rc1 a4 22.Nd2 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Nxd5 24.Bxg7 Qb6+ 25.Qf2 Qxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Nf4 27.Rc7 Kxg7 28.Rxe7 Nd3+ 29.Ke3 Nxb2 30.Rxb7 Nd1+ 31.Kd4 Rc8 32.Nc4 a3 33.Rxf7+ Kxf7 34.Nxd6+ Ke6 35.Nxc8 g5 36.Nb6 h5 37.Nc4 Nf2 38.Nxa3 h4 39.Nc4 h3 40.gxh3 Nxh3 41.a4* 1-0 (41) AM0R_FATI (2611)-balachess2006 (2674) Blitz 2024*)* 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.0-0 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Bxc4 14.Re1 d5 15.e5 Nd7 16.f4 Re8 17.b3 Ba6 18.Nxd5 f6 19.Rc1 fxe5 20.Nc7 exf4 21.Nxf4 Rxe3 22.Rxe3 Rc8 23.Qd5+ Kh8 24.Rce1 Qxc7 25.Ne6 1-0 (25) tryhard122 (2707)-AstanehChess (2703) Blitz 2023]

7...Ned7 8.Nh3 [8.Be3 e5 9.dxe6 fxe6 10.Nh3 e5 11.f5 Qa5 12.fxg6 hxg6 13.a3 Qc7 14.b4 a5 15.Ng5 axb4 16.axb4 Rxa1 17.Qxa1 d5 18.Ne6 Qd6 19.exd5 cxd5 20.cxd5 Qxb4 21.Bd3 e4 22.Bb5 Bd6 23.Bd4 Ke7 24.Ke2 Rxh2 25.Rb1 Qa3 26.Qxa3 Bxa3 27.Bxd7 Bxd7 28.Bxf6+ Kxf6 29.Rxb7 Rxg2+ 30.Kf1 Rc2 31.Nxe4+ Ke5 32.Rxd7 ½-½ (32) Kramnik,V (2780)-Navara,D (2722) Khanty-Mansiysk RUS 2010]

8...Nc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Anand,V (2783)-Leko,P (2751)/Miskolc HUN 2009/The Week in Chess 761 (27)'

9.Nf2 Bg7 10.Be2 0-0!?

[10...Qb6 11.Qc2 is necessary when 0-0 leaves matters rather unclear]

11.Be3 cxd5 12.cxd5 Qa5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'In view of White's weaknesses on the kingside, this splitting up of the pawns is of absolutely no importance.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Angesicht der weißen Schwächen am Königsflügel spielt diese Zersplitterung der Bauern keine Rolle.'

[12...b6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: '-+' 13.0-0 a5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'It is not certain whether this continuation is better than the one played in the game.' 14.Qd2 Bb7 15.Rad1 Rc8 16.b3± e6 17.dxe6 Nxe6 18.Bc4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: ' ±' Van Delft & Ris: 'Lupulescu-Safarli, Al-Ain 2012. '' Nc5 19.Bxc5 bxc5 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Ne8 22.Rd3± 1/2 (57) Lupulescu,C (2618)-Safarli,E (2626) Al-Ain UAE 2012 Bd4 23.e5 Ng7 24.Nb5 Ba6 25.Nxd4 Bxc4 26.bxc4

cxd4 27.Rxd4 Ne6 28.Re4 Rfd8 29.Ng4 Rd4 30.f5 gxf5 31.Nh6+ Kf8 32.Rxd4 Nxd4 33.Nxf5 Nxf5 34.Rxf5 Ke7 35.Rf4 Rb8 36.a3 Rb3 37.Rf3 Rb1+ 38.Kf2 Rb2+ 39.Ke3 Rxg2 40.Rh3 Rg4 41.Kd3 Ke6 42.Rxh7 Kxe5 43.Rxf7 Rh4 44.Rg7 Kd6 45.Rg5 Rh3+ 46.Kd4 Rh4+ 47.Kc3 Rh3+ 48.Kd4 Rh4+ 49.Kc3 Rh3+ 50.Kb2 Rxh2+ 51.Kb3 Rh3+ 52.Ka4 Rc3 53.Kb5 Rxa3 54.c5+ Kc7 55.Rg7+ Kb8 56.Kc6 Rh3 57.Rg8+ Ka7 ½-½ (57) Lupulescu,C (2618)-Safarli,E (2626) Al-Ain UAE 2012]

[12...e6 13.0-0 exd5 14.e5 Nfe4 15.Nfxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.exd6 Bxb2 18.Rb1 Ba3 19.Qa4 Qxd6 20.Rfd1 Qe7 21.Rb3 Bc5 22.Qd4 Bxd4 0-1 (22) WhiteBishop4761 (2653)-Donnerhall (2710) Blitz 2023]

[12...a5 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.e5 Ne8 15.Nfe4 a4 16.Nxc5 a3 17.b4 Nd6 18.0-0 Nf5 19.Qd3 b6 20.N5e4 Ba6 21.Qd2 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 Qc7 23.Rac1 Rfc8 24.Kh1 Qc4 25.Qd2 Qxb4 26.Rb1 Qc4 27.Rfc1 h6 28.Ng3 Qd4 29.Qxd4 Nxd4 30.Rxb6 Ra4 31.Rb8 Rxb8 32.Nxa4 h5 33.Ne4 Ne2 34.Re1 Nxf4 35.d6 exd6 36.exd6 Ne6 37.g3 Be5 38.Rd1 Rd8 39.d7 Nf8 40.Nac5 Bc7 41.Nb7 Ne6 42.Nxd8 Bxd8 43.Rc1 Kf8 44.Rc3 Ke7 45.Rxa3 Kxd7 46.Rd3+ Ke7 47.a4 Bb6 48.Rd5 Bc7 49.a5 Nd8 50.a6 Nc6 51.Rc5 Kd7 52.Rb5 h4 53.Nc5+ Kd6 54.Nb7+ Kd7 55.Rb1 Kc8 56.Nc5 Na7 57.Ne4 Nc6 58.gxh4 Na7 59.Kg2 Nc6 60.h5 Na7 61.h6 Nc6 62.h7 Be5 63.Nc5 Bh8 64.a7 Nxa7 65.Ra1 Nc6 66.Rb1 Nd4 67.Rc1 Nf5 68.Ne4+ Kd7 69.Re1 Ke6 70.Rf1 Ke5 71.Re1 Ne3+ 72.Kf3 Nf5 73.Ng3+ Kf6 74.Nxf5 Kxf5 75.Rf1 Kf6 76.Kg2+ Kg7 77.Kh1 1-0 (77) h16 (2648)-Attacke2021 (2581) Blitz 2021]

13.0-0 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'N' Edouard, Romain: ' ± ' Edouard,Romain: 'wasn't satisfying for Black in the game Ding Liren (2804)-Svidler,P (2756) Porto Carras 2018, 1-0 (41).' Edouard,Romain: 'wasn't satisfying for Black in the game Ding Liren (2804)-Svidler,P (2756) Porto Carras 2018, 1-0 (41).'

[Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'In one not so recent game White made a terrible blunder - ' 13.Qd2 Jacimovic, Dragoljub: '?' Nb3 Jacimovic, Dragoljub: '-+']

13...Bd7 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'N' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'According to the database this is a new move. Diagram

[13...Qb4 14.Qc1 e6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Rd1 Ne8 17.Qc2 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Qd2 a5 20.a3 Qb3 21.Bf3 Be6 22.Rac1 Rc8 23.Re1 Bf7 24.Nd5 Kh8 25.Bd4 Qb5 26.Rxe8 Rfxe8 27.Bxg7+ Kxg7 28.Qc3+ Kf8 29.Qh8+ Bg8 30.Qf6+ Bf7 31.Qh8+ Bg8 32.Nf6 Kf7 33.Nxe8 Rxe8 34.Bd5+ Ne6 35.Rc7+ 1-0 (35) Hammer,J (2630)-Tari,A (2216) Oslo NOR 2012]

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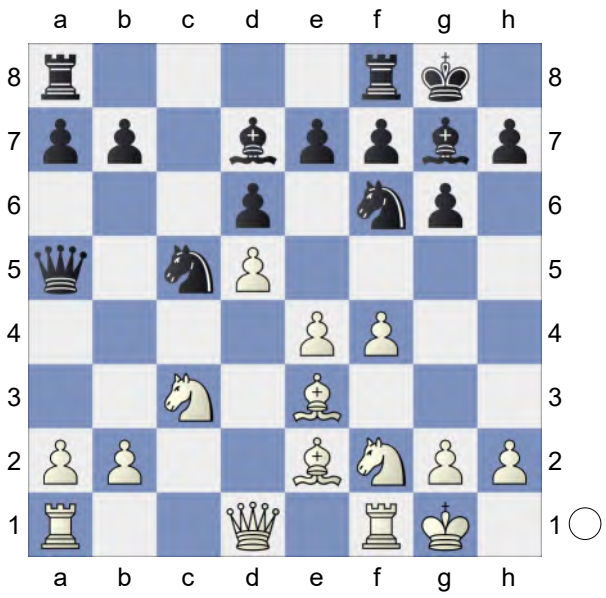
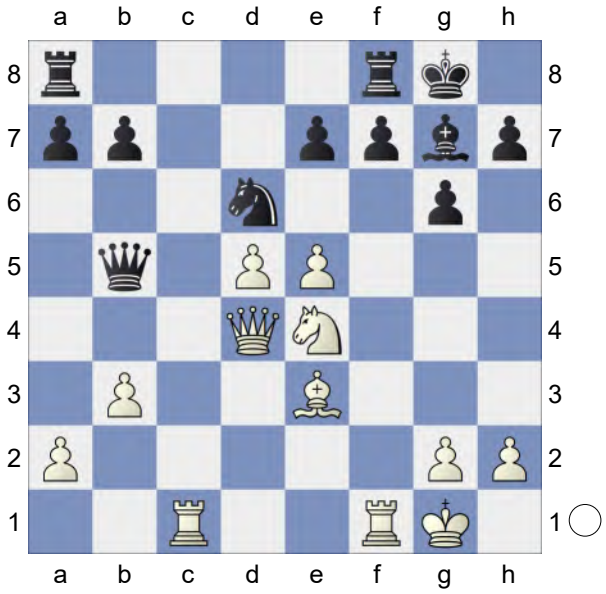


' 14.e5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '!?' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'White gains space in the centre. However, he could have treated the position differently, for example:'
[14.Rb1 Na4 Arsovic,Goran: '=' 15.Nxa4 Bxa4 16.b3 Jacimovic, Dragoljub: ' ±' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'although the knights are exchanged, White still keeps the spatial advantage under his belt.' Arsovic, Goran: '-+']
[Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'or' 14.Bf3 Rfc8 15.e5 Ne8 Arsovic,Goran: '-+' 16.Bd4 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '±']
14...Ne8 15.Qd4
[15.Bd4 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '!?']
15...Na4 16.Nxa4 Qxa4 17.Rac1 Qa5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'White has a significant spatial advantage, he controls the open file, but still needs to find a concrete blow. On the other hand, Black is rather cramped, so he is trying to force the trades and ease his position. The obvious motif is de5 followed by Nd6-f5 manoeuvre.' Arsovic,Goran: 'N!' 18.Ne4 Bb5 19.Bxb5 Qxb5 20.b3
[20.a4 Qd7 21.Rce1 Jacimovic, Dragoljub: '±']
20...dxe5
[Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Black could try to break the white centre, but it seems such a strategy would only help White to develop strong initiative:' 20...f6 21.exf6 Nxf6 22.Nxf6+ Arsovic,Goran: '!' Bxf6 23.Qe4 Kh8
A) 24.Rf3 Rac8 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 25.Rcf1 Rf7 Arsovic,Goran: '=' 26.g4 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '±' *(26.Rh3* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *Qe2* Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '⇄' *)*;
B) 24.f5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '↑']
21.fxe5 Nd6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram



Ding: "Now I have enough space for my dark-square bishop to act, but I still need to create a d-passer..." Obviously, White had a much better position and much more time on the clock at that point.' 22.Bf4 Rac8 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' 23.Nc3 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' 23...Qa5 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' 24.Qd3 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'The white queen moved away from the x-ray,

so Ding is now able make use of his central pawns:' 24...Nf5
[Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'In case of' 24...e6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'White would be able to obtain quite a decent advantage by means of a series of forced moves:' 25.exd6 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 Qxc3 Arsovic,Goran: '-+' 27.Qxc3 Bxc3 28.Rc1 Bd4+ 29.Kf1 Rd8 *(Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'and Black is busted after' 29...e5 30.Bh6 Rd8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' *31.d7* Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-!')* 30.Rc7 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '±']
25.g4 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' 25...Qb6+ Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: '∓'
[25...Nh4 26.Bg5 Bxe5 27.Bxh4 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' Rxc3 28.Rxc3 Qxc3 29.Qxc3 Bxc3 Arsovic,Goran: '+-' 30.Bxe7 Re8 31.d6 Ba5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: ' ±' Jacimovic, Dragoljub: 'White managed to create a really strong d-passer. However, Black should be able to fight for a draw after the exchange of the dark-square bishops.']
26.Kh1 Qd4 Arsovic,Goran: '?' 27.Qe4 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram

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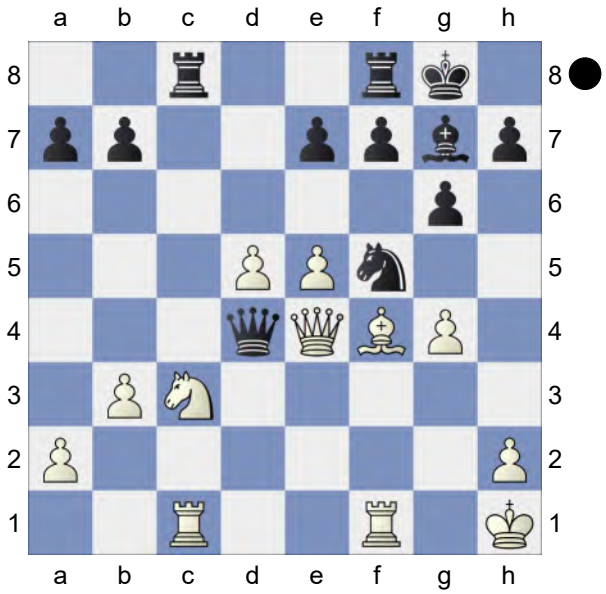

Black's position is a really unpleasant one.' Arsovic,Goran: '+-'
27...Qxe4+
[Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Black is not able to secure compensation even if he goes for a tricky exchange sacrifice:' 27...Rxc3 28.Qxd4 Nxd4 29.Rxc3 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' Ne2 30.Rc2 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' Nxf4 31.Rxf4 Bxe5 32.Rfc4 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '±']
28.Nxe4 Arsovic,Goran: '?' 28...Nd4 29.Rcd1 Ne2 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'The pesky knight is causing some disturbance in the white camp, but it may end up being trapped'
30.Bg5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-' 30...f6 31.exf6 Arsovic,Goran: '=' 31...exf6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram

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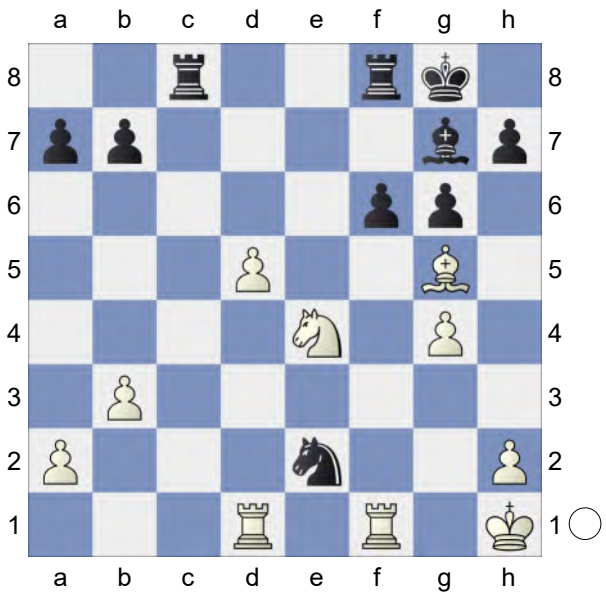

' 32.Nxf6+ [Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'A bit more efficient is' 32.Bxf6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '!' Bxf6 *(* Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'or' *32...Rce8* Arsovic,Goran: '=!' *33.Bxg7* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *Rxf1+* *34.Rxf1* *Kxg7* *35.Ng5* Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'and White should convert the advantage without too much trouble.'*)* 33.Nxf6+ Kg7 34.g5 h6 35.gxh6+ Kxh6 Arsovic,Goran: '=' 36.d6 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-'] 32...Bxf6 33.Bxf6 Nc3 34.Rd4 Rcd8 35.Bxd8 Rxf1+ 36.Kg2 Rf7 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'The line was quite forced, so even the spectators could have calculated it.' 37.d6 Rd7 38.Bg5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram

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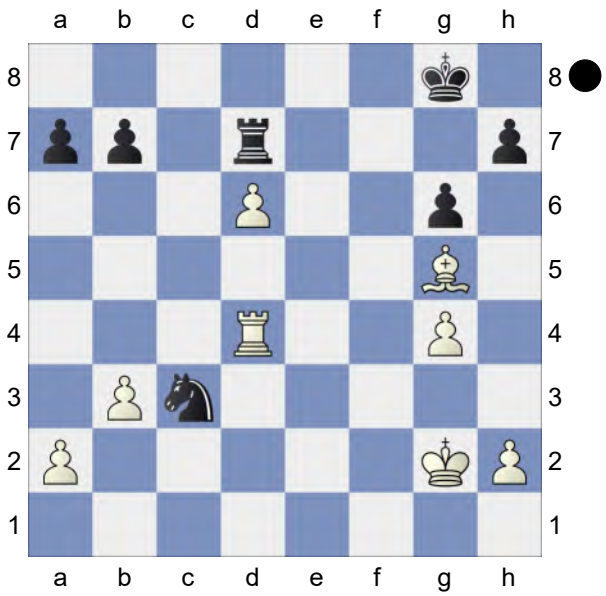

Diagram [#] Diagram [#]' 38...Nxa2 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '?' [38...Kf7 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '±!' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'After this cunning king move White would have to show a true mastery in order to convert his advantage. He has an extra pawn, but Black managed to block it, so there is no clear path to victory.'] 39.Bd2 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-' 39...b5 [Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Also, a complete domination of the white bishop over black knight is obvious after:' 39...a5 40.Bxa5 Nc1 41.Bb4 Nxb3 42.Rd3 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '+-'] 40.b4 Kf7 41.Rd3 1-0 (41) Winter (2804)-Wohl,R (2756) Sautron 2018 200 Traps In The Opening [New Chess Player 28/8/1852 pp26-7] Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram

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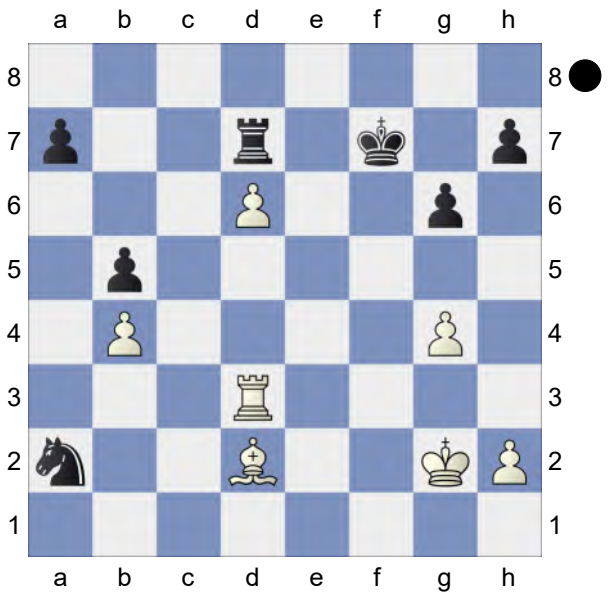


The third loss in a row for Svidler. After this excellent game Ding was one step closer to the new record of games without a defeat.'

6...c5 7.Be2 Bg7 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Qd2 a6 10.a4 Rb8 11.f4 Ned7 12.Nf3 h6 13.Bh4 Nh5 14.g4 Nhf6 15.h3 Qc7 16.Bg3 e6 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.f5 gxf5 19.Bxd6 Qd8 1-0 (19) penguingim1 (2672)-Prikolica (2626) Blitz 2018

14 **7.Be3** 0-0 Atlas,Valeri: 'and activity of Black's pieces will likely allow him to win back a pawn.'

[7...e6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bd3 exd5 10.cxd5 c6 11.Nge2 cxd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.0-0 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Nd7 15.Bd4 Ne5 16.Qd1 Bd7 17.Ng3 Qh4 18.Bf2 Qb4 19.Rb1 Rac8 20.a3 Qa5 21.Nge4 Qa6 22.Bd4 Rc4 23.Bf2 b5 24.h3 b4 25.axb4 Rxb4 26.Kh2 h6 27.Ra1 Qd3 28.Qxd3 Nxd3 29.Rxa7 Bf5 30.Bg3 Rxb2 31.Nxd6 Rf8 32.Nce4 Bd4 33.Ra4 Be5 34.Bxe5 Nxe5 35.Nxf5 gxf5 36.Nf6+ Kg7 37.Nh5+ Kh7 38.Rd4 Rc8 39.d6 Rcc2 40.Nf4 Ng6 41.Rg1 Nh4 42.Kg3 1-0 (42) mbchessmaster (2637)-Wade1 (2533) Rapid 2021]

8.Be2

[8.Qd2 c6 *(8...c5 9.0-0-0 a6 10.h3 b5 11.f4 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.Nf3 Rb8 14.Kb1 Rb4 15.Ka1 Qb6 16.g4 Nxe4 17.Qc2 Rxb2* 0-1 (17) hesenlinna (2615)-SleepyJoseph (2652) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 9.0-0-0 cxd5 *(9...a6 10.Kb1 b5 11.c5 cxd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 dxc5 14.Bxc5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Ne2 Rb8 17.Nc3 Bf5+ 18.Ka1 Bd3 19.Qf2 Qa5 20.Bd4 Rxb2 21.Qxb2 Bxd4 22.Rc1 Kg7 23.Rhe1 Rb8 24.Qxb8 Bxc3+ 25.Rxc3 Qxc3+ 26.Qb2 Qf6 27.Qxf6+ Kxf6 28.Kb2 g5 29.Kc3 h5 30.Kd4 h4 31.g3 hxg3 32.hxg3 a5 33.f4 gxf4 34.gxf4 a4 35.a3 e6 36.d6* 1-0 (36) alumno (2623)-JonahB94 (2626) Blitz 2021*)* 10.cxd5 Bd7 11.Bd4 *(11.Kb1 Rc8 12.h4 h5 13.Nh3 Qa5 14.Nf4 a6 15.Be2 b5 16.a3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Na2 Qc7 19.Rc1 Qb7 20.Ne2 Rfc8 21.b3 Rxc1+ 22.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 23.Nexc1 e6 24.dxe6 Bxe6 25.Qxd6 Nxe4 26.Qb6 Qd5 27.Nb4 Nc3+ 28.Kc2 Qd1+ 29.Kb2 Na4+* 0-1 (29) ELMALANDRO (2605)-marktven22 (2673) Blitz 2020*)* 11...Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.f4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nge2 b5 16.e5 Ng4 17.e6 fxe6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.Nd4 Bf7 21.Rhe1 b4 22.Ne4 Rxd4 23.Qxd4+ e5 24.Qxd6 Qxa2+ 25.Kc2 Rc8+ 26.Nc5 Qc4+ 27.Kb1 Rxc5 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-

TheBeagles (2669) Blitz 2024;
B) 9.h3 e6 10.f4 Ned7 11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Qxd6 Re8 13.0-0-0 Bf8 14.Qd2 Bb4 15.Bd3 Nc5 16.Qc2 Qa5 17.Bxc5 Bxc5 18.e5 Nh5 19.Nge2 Nxf4 20.Nxf4 Be3+ 21.Kb1 Bxf4 22.Bxg6 Re7 23.Rhf1 Bxe5 24.Bxh7+ Rxh7 25.Qg6+ Rg7 26.Qe8+ Kh7 27.Rf8 Rxg2 28.Qh5+ Kg7 29.Rf7+ Kg8 30.Qh7# 1-0 (30) alumno (2618)-ThanksForNothing (2656) Blitz 2021;
C) 9.b3 a6 10.dxc6 bxc6 11.Rd1 c5 12.Nge2 Bd7 13.Nf4 Rb8 14.Be2 a5 15.Nb5 a4 16.0-0 axb3 17.axb3 Ra8 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Qa5 20.Qxa5 Rxa5 21.Bd2 Ra2 22.Rfe1 Rb8 23.Bf1 Bf6 24.Kh1 Bf5 25.b4 Bc2 26.Rc1 Bd3 27.Bc3 Bxf1 28.Rxf1 cxb4 29.Bxe5 Bxe5 30.Rb1 Ra4 31.f4 Bf6 32.Rb3 Rc8 33.Rc1 Rc5 34.g3 h5 35.Kg2 Ra2+ 36.Kf3 Rb2 37.Rxb2 Bxb2 38.Rb1 Bc3 39.Rxb4 Bxb4 0-1 (39) W-B-Yeats (2610)-LuisMarini (2604) Blitz 2023;
D) 9.Nge2 Nxc4 10.Qc1 Nxe3 11.Qxe3 Qb6 *(11...cxd5 12.exd5 Qa5 13.0-0-0 Bd7 14.Qxe7 Rac8 15.Kb1 Bf5+ 16.Ka1 Rc5 17.Qxb7 Rfc8 18.b4 Nxd5 19.Rxd5 Rxc3* 0-1 (19) chipmunknau (2600)-AbdullahAbdallah (2570) Blitz 2023 *)* 12.Qxb6 axb6 13.0-0-0 b5 14.a3 Nd7 15.Kb1 Nb6 16.Nd4 Bd7 17.Be2 f5 18.exf5 Bxd4 19.Rxd4 Bxf5+ 20.Kc1 c5 21.Rh4 b4 22.Nb5 bxa3 23.bxa3 Bd7 24.Kb2 Nxd5 25.Bc4 Bxb5 26.Bxd5+ Kg7 27.Re1 e5 28.f4 Ra4 29.g3 Bc6 30.Bb3 Rd4 31.fxe5 Rxh4 32.gxh4 Re8 33.e6 d5 34.Bc2 Kf6 35.h5 gxh5 36.Rf1+ Kxe6 37.Bxh7 h4 38.Rf4 h3 39.Rh4 Rf8 40.Rh6+ Ke5 41.Rh5+ Kd6 42.Rh6+ Ke5 43.Rh5+ Ke6 44.Rh6+ Rf6 45.Rxh3 Rf2+ 46.Kc1 c4 47.Rh5 Kd6 48.h4 d4 49.Rg5 d3 50.Rg6+ Kc5 51.Rg5+ Kd4 52.Kb1 Rf1+ 53.Ka2 d2 54.Bc2 d1Q 55.Bxd1 Rxd1 56.h5 Rh1 57.a4 Bxa4 58.Rg4+ Kc5 59.Rg5+ Kb4 60.Rg2 Rxh5 61.Kb2 c3+ 62.Ka2 Bb3+ 63.Kb1 Rh1+ 0-1 (63) W8W8W8W8W8 (2848)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2873) Blitz 2021]
[8.h3 c5 9.f4 Ned7 10.Nf3 Re8 11.Bd3 e6 12.dxe6 Rxe6 13.0-0 a6 14.Qd2 Nb8 15.Rad1 Nc6 16.Bb1 Qa5 17.Ng5 Re8 18.Qxd6 Nd4 19.e5 Nh5 20.Nd5 Ng3 21.Ne7+ Rxe7 22.Qxe7 Be6 23.Bxd4 Ne2+ 24.Kh1 Nxd4 25.b4 Qxb4 26.Rxd4 1-0 (26) Scarlet_dawn (2711)-Stas-2444 (2594) Blitz 2023]
[8.h4 c5 9.Nh3 e6 10.Nf4 exd5 11.cxd5 Qa5 12.Qd2 a6 13.h5 b5 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Ne6 b4 16.Nd1 Bxe6 17.dxe6 Qd8 18.Nf2 Qe7 19.0-0-0 Rfd8 20.f4 Neg4 21.Nxg4 Nxg4 22.Bc4 Nxe3 23.Qxe3 a5 24.g4 a4 25.g5 Rac8 26.Rd5 h5 27.gxh6 Bd4 28.h7+ Kg7 29.Qh3 Kh8 30.Kb1 Qf6 31.Qh4 Bxb2 32.e7 Re8 33.Qxf6+ Bxf6 34.Rxd6 1-0 (34) BillyBigMan (2668)-Itachi_Ut (2597) Blitz 2020]
[8.Bd3 e6 *(8...c6 9.Nge2 b5 10.cxb5 cxd5 11.exd5 Bb7 12.0-0 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.Bxg6 hxg6 15.Qxd5 e6 16.Qb3 d5 17.Bd4 Nc4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qc3+ Kg8 20.b3*

Qb6+ 21.Qd4 Ne3 22.Qxb6 axb6 23.Rfc1 Rfc8 24.a4 e5 25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Rc1 Rd8 27.Rc6 d4 28.Kf2 Nd5 29.Nc1 Nb4 30.Rc4 d3 31.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 32.Ke3 Nf4 33.Rc6 Rd4 34.g3 Nd5+ 35.Ke2 Kf8 36.Rc8+ Ke7 37.h4 Rb4 38.g4 Rxb3 39.h5 gxh5 40.gxh5 Nf4+ 41.Kd2 Nxh5 42.Rc6 Ra3 43.Rxb6 Rxa4 44.Rh6 Nf6 45.Kc3 Rf4 46.Rh8 Nd5+ 47.Kd3 Rb4 48.Rb8 Kd6 49.Rd8+ Ke6 50.Rb8 f5 51.Re8+ Kd6 52.Rb8 Kc5 53.Rf8 e4+ 54.fxe4 fxe4+ 55.Ke2 Kxb5 56.Rf5 Kc5 57.Kf1 Kd4 58.Ke1 Rb2 59.Kd1 Ne3+ 60.Kc1 Rc2+ 61.Kb1 Nxf5 62.Kxc2 Ke3 63.Kd1 Kf2 0-1 (63) Aghasiyev,K (2635)-Nadigraj (2705) Blitz 2021*)* 9.Nge2 Nxd3+ 10.Qxd3 exd5 11.cxd5 Nh5 12.0-0 a6 13.Bd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qe7 15.Rac1 Bd7 16.Ng3 Nf4 17.Qd2 Qe5 18.Nce2 Nxe2+ 19.Nxe2 Bb5 20.Rxc7 Rfc8 21.Rfc1 Rxc7 22.Rxc7 f5 23.Nc3 fxe4 24.Nxe4 1-0 (24) Mischuk_D (2658)-hardtraining (2604) Blitz 2021]

8...e6 9.f4 Ned7 Cabrilo,Goran: '- 128/186 Svidler,Peter: '(Cabrilo,Goran) - 128/186" 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'The variation is still in the formative period and aprt from the counterplay with the help of the e-pawn advance Xiong could have thought about a c-pawn move. Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'The variation is still in the formative period and aprt from the counterplay with the help of the e-pawn advance Xiong could have thought about a c-pawn move.'''' 10.Nh3

[10.dxe6 fxe6

A) 11.h4 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L''Krasenkow, Michal: 'This move is absolutely harmless.'

A1) 11...b5N Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A typical and strong response.

' 12.cxb5 Bb7 13.Qb3! Kh8 *(13...Nxe4?? 14.Nxe4 Bxe4* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' *15.Qxe6++-)* 14.Bf3 e5 15.Nh3! Black has practical compensation for the pawn, but not enough of it objectively. Black has practical compensation for the pawn, but not enough of it objectively.

A1a) 15...a6 looked natural. After looked natural. After 16.0-0-0!? *(16.Ng5 exf4 17.Ne6 Qe7 18.Nxf8 fxe3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Carlsen,M (2776)-Karjakin,S (2706)/Nice FRA 2009/CBM 128 Extra (62)' *19.Ne6* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Ne5≅)* 16...axb5 17.h5 gxh5 18.f5 Black's position remains difficult .Black's position remains difficult.;

A1b) 15...Nh5 16.Bxh5 gxh5 *(* Better may have been Better may have been *16...exf4 17.Nxf4 Nc5! 18.Bxc5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' *Rxf4 19.g3 Rf8 20.0-0-0 gxh5±)* 17.f5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'The black king is now far away from the centre, which gives White a small benefit (of course, insufficient for a real advantage).' Nf6

18.Nf2 A good but timid move. A good but timid move. *(* When watching the game, I was thinking Aronian would definitely have dared to play When watching the game, I was thinking Aronian would definitely have dared to play *18.Ng5* if his opponent wasn't Magnus Calsen! if his opponent wasn't Magnus Calsen! *)* 18...a6 19.b6!? *(19.bxa6 Bxa6* opens columns and diagonals, which White prefer to avoid. opens columns and diagonals, which White prefer to avoid.*)* 19...cxb6 20.Bxb6 *(20.Rd1 b5 21.0-0* was enough for a clear advantage.was enough for a clear advantage.*)* 20...Qd7 21.Rd1

A1b1) 21...Rfb8 Krasenkow,Michal: '??' 22.Qe6!? *(22.Qc2!?)* 22...Qxe6 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⩲ 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'keeping the material balance but weakening the light squares' 23.fxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Re8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 24.Bc7 Rxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 25.Rxd6 Rxd6 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! ' 26.Bxd6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Rd8 27.Bxe5 Re8 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! ' 28.Bd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Bxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 29.0-0 and Black is far from equalizing, for example: Bg6 30.Nh3 Ne4 31.Bxg7+ Kxg7 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' 32.Nxe4 Rxe4 33.Rf4 Re2 34.Rf2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Re4 35.Nf4± Krasenkow, Michal: 'was now necessary, e.g.';

A1b2) 21...Rab8 22.Ba7 Rbc8 23.Be3±;

A1b3) 21...d5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 22.exd5 Qxf5 23.0-0 doesn't bring Black enough compensation either. doesn't bring Black enough compensation either.;

A1b4) 21...Rac8 22.Be3 Edouard,Romain: ' ± ' Krasenkow,Michal: '△' h6 23.Rh3 d5!? *(23...Ba8 24.Qe6±)* 24.exd5 Ba8 25.Rf3 Rb8 26.Qc2 Rfc8 27.Qe2 *(27.Qd2 Kh7* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *28.Nfe4* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' *Nxe4* Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! ' *29.Nxe4* looked winning to me, but after looked winning to me, but after *Rb5!* Black does keep some chances. Black does keep some chances. *)* 27...Qf7

A1b41) 28.Rg3! would have won the game: would have won the game: Nxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ' *(28...Bxd5 29.Qd2+-)* 29.Nxd5 Bxd5 30.Bxh6! Bxh6 31.Rg6!+-;

A1b42) 28.Qd2 Kh7 29.Nfe4 Nxe4 30.Nxe4 Rd8 31.f6 Bf8 32.Qc2 Kh8 33.Nc3 Rb4 34.Qf2 Bxd5

A1b421) 35.Rf5!? was strong. Krasenkow, Michal: '!' was strong.;

A1b422) So was the clever So was the clever 35.Bb6!? Rd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' 36.Bc5! Krasenkow, Michal: '△' Bxf3 *(36...Rd4* no longer works due to no longer works due to *37.Bxf8+-)* 37.Rxd7 Qxd7 38.Bxb4 Bxb4 39.Qxf3 Qd4 40.Qg3+-;

A1b423) 35.Bc5? Tempting, but bad! Tempting, but bad! 35...Rd4!! Suddenly Black is back in the game. Suddenly Black is back in the game. 36.Bxd4 Bxf3 37.gxf3 exd4 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'A wrong plan as Black will be unable to get to the b2- pawn this way. It was better to stay on the d-file, ready to play ...♖Rd7-d4:' 38.Rxd4 Rb8? *(38...Qxf6* Krasenkow, Michal: '!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'preparing to shoulder off the white king' *39.Rxd8* Krasenkow,Michal: '△' *Qxd8* with great drawing chances for Black, due to the weakness of the h4-pawn. Krasenkow, Michal: '='with great drawing chances for Black, due to the weakness of the h4-pawn. *)* 39.Qh2 Rb6 40.Nd5 Qe6+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?' 41.Qe2 Qg8 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' 42.Kf1 Re6 43.f7? At first, that looked to me like an amazing shot - but it is a bad move! At first, that looked to me like an amazing shot - but it is a bad move! *(43.Qh2 Rc6* Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *44.Rd1* and Black doesn't have any compensation. and Black doesn't have any compensation.*)* 43...Qxf7 44.Rf4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Of course, White has some technical problems but a pawn is a pawn.' Qg6! Probably the ressource overlooked by Aronian. Probably the ressource overlooked by Aronian. 45.Rxf8+ *(45.Re4 Rc6⇄* Krasenkow, Michal: '=') 45...Kg7

46.Qd1 *(46.Rg8+ Kxg8 47.Ne7+ Rxe7 48.Qxe7 Qb1+=)* 46...Kxf8 47.Nf4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's a4 pawn must now decide the game but...' Qe8 48.Nxe6+ Qxe6 White has an extra pawn, but can't pary both of Black's threats: ...Qxa2 and ... Qh3+. White has an extra pawn, but can't pary both of Black's threats: ...Qxa2 and ... Qh3+. 49.Qd8+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This exchange of a strong knight for a passive bishop gives the win away.' Kf7 50.Qc7+ Ke8 51.Qb8+ Kd7 52.Qb7+ Kd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black has unexpectedly created counterplay. ' 53.Qb8+ Kd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'An "obvious" move and a decisive mistake! Black's rook now gets overloaded. He should have urgently brought his king to hold White's d-pawn:' 54.Qa7+ Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Ke8 55.b3 Qh3+ 56.Ke2 Qxh4 The only thing Black should be careful of is not to exchange queens under bad circumstances. But it is certainly not going to happen! Krasenkow, Michal: ' □ 'The only thing Black should be careful of is not to exchange queens under bad circumstances. But it is certainly not going to happen! 57.Qb8+ *(57.Qxa6* Krasenkow, Michal: '?'Krasenkow, Michal: 'gives Black the crucial tempo as the white king is a move farther from the kingside:' *Qh2+ 58.Kd3 h4=)* 57...Ke7 58.Qc7+ Kf8 Krasenkow,Michal: ' □' 59.Qc5+ Kg7 60.Qe5+ Kg8 61.a4 Qh1 62.Qb8+ Kf7 63.Qf4+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has finally kept his extra passed pawn and wins relatively easily.' Ke8 64.Qb8+ Kd7 65.Qa7+ Kd8 66.Qd4+ Ke8 67.Qe5+ Kd7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'A usual defence: Black is trying to win something on the kingside, then (when forced) give up his rook for White's passed pawn, and

achieve a draw in the "rook vs. pawns" ending; however, he lacks just one tempo to complete this plan!
' 68.Qd4+ Ke8 69.b4 Qg2+!? *(There was nothing wrong with There was nothing wrong with 69...h4* either. Krasenkow, Michal: '+-'either. *)* 70.Qf2 Qg5! Now it's an easy draw. Now it's an easy draw. 71.f4 *(71.Qe3+ Kd7=)* 71...Qd5 72.Qe3+ Kf7 73.Qa7+ Ke8 74.Qc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Qa2+ 75.Kf3 Qxa4 76.Qxh5+ Ke7 77.Qe5+ Krasenkow, Michal: 'This "nicety" was unnecessary:' Kf7 78.Qd5+ Kg7 79.Qd4+ Kf7 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' 80.Qd5+ Kg7 81.Qd4+ Kf7 ½-½ (81) Aronian,L (2775)-Carlsen,M (2872) London 2019 CBM 194 [Edouard, Romain];

A2) 11...e5?! 12.f5± Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 Arutinian,D (2548)-Ter Sahakyan,S (2486)/Gyumri ARM 2009/The Week in Chess 760 (43)';

A3) 11...Qe7!?N may also be playable: may also be playable: 12.h5 *(12.g4!?)* 12...gxh5 13.Bxh5 Nxh5 14.Qxh5 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Rf7⇄;

A4) 11...b6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 12.h5 Bb7 *(12...Nxh5 13.Bxh5 gxh5 14.Qxh5 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Qe7* may be playable may be playable*)* 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Qc2 e5 15.f5 Nc5 16.Bxc5 dxc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' 17.Rd1 Qe7 18.g4 Ne8 19.Nf3 Edouard,Romain: ' ±' Edouard, Romain: '1-0 (28) De Jong,J (2454)-Wagner,D (2490) Netherlands 2014' Edouard,Romain: '1-0 (28) De Jong,J (2454)-Wagner,D (2490) Netherlands 2014' Nd6 20.Rh3 Bf6 21.Bd3 Kg7 22.g5 Bxg5 23.Qg2 Nf7 24.fxg6 Kxg6 25.Nh4+ Kf6 26.Rf3+ Ke6 27.Qg4+ Kd6 28.Nf5+ 1-0 (28) De Jong,J (2454)-Wagner,D (2501) Haarlem 2014;

B) Edouard,Romain: 'Black could never prove equality after' Edouard,Romain: 'Black could never prove equality after' 11.Nh3 Edouard,Romain: '- so I actually wonder what was Magnus' idea.' Edouard,Romain: '- so I actually wonder what was Magnus' idea.'

B1) 11...b6 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' and we return to the main game

B1a) 12.Nf2 Krasenkow, Michal: 'is still unnecessary:' Bb7 13.Qc2

B1a1) 13...Nc5!?

B1a11) 14.0-0-0!? Nfd7∞ ½-½ (51) Cheparinov,I (2703)-Najer,E (2706) Kocaeli 2017½-½ (51) Cheparinov,I (2703)-

Najer,E (2706) Kocaeli 2017

B1a111) 15.h4 Bxc3! (a courageous decision to give up the key KID bishop) 16.bxc3 e5 17.f5 gxf5 (the engines prefer *17...Nf6!* but Najer decides on a different way to handle the centre) 18.exf5 Rb8 19.Rh3 Cheparinov, I - Najer, E Turkish league 2017, with a sharp middlegame in prospect where White's kingside play looks quite dangerous. Bc6 20.Bh6 Kh8 21.Bxf8 Qxf8 22.g4 Ba4 23.Qd2 Bxd1 24.Kxd1 a6 25.Rf3 b5 26.cxb5 axb5 27.f6 Qf7 28.Nh3 Qg6 29.Qc2 e4 30.Rf5 Nxf6 31.Qd2 Rf8 32.Nf4 Qg7 33.Qd4 c6 34.g5 Nfd7 35.Rxf8+ Nxf8 36.Qxd6 Qd7 37.Qxd7 Nfxd7 38.Kd2 Kg7 39.Bd1 Nb6 40.Ke3 Nca4 41.Ne2 Nd5+ 42.Kd2 e3+ 43.Kc2 h6 44.gxh6+ Kxh6 45.Nd4 Ndxc3 46.Bf3 c5 47.Nf5+ Kg6 48.Nxe3 Nxa2 49.Kb3 Nc1+ 50.Kc2 Na2 51.Kb3 ½-½ (51) Cheparinov,I (2703)-Najer,E (2706) Kocaeli TUR 2017;

B1a112) 15.Bf3 Bh6 16.g3 e5 17.Ng4 Bg7 18.h4 Ne6 19.Ne2 Qe7 20.h5 exf4 21.gxf4 Ng5 22.Bg2 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 Nxe4 24.hxg6 Nef6 25.Nxf6+ Nxf6 26.gxh7+ Kh8 27.Bd4 Qe4 28.Rdg1 Rae8 29.Qxe4 Rxe4 30.Kd2 Ree8 31.Kd3 Rf7 32.Rxg7 Kxg7 33.Ng3 1-0 (33) Wojtaszek,R (2734)-Baron,T (2541) Skopje MKD 2015;

B1a12) 14.0-0

B1a121) 14...a5 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Bf3 *(16.b3 Nfd7 17.Nb5 Nf6 18.Nc3 Nfd7 19.Nb5 Nf6* ½-½ (19) Martirosyan, H (2682)-Maghsoodloo, P (2719) Almaty KAZ 2022) 16...Nfd7 17.g3 g5 18.Kh1 gxf4 19.gxf4 Ne5 20.Be2 Ng6 21.Rg1 Kh8 22.Rxg6 hxg6 23.Rg1 Qh4 24.Rg4 Qh6 25.Qd2 Bf6 26.Kg1 Rf7 27.Rg3 Rh7 28.Ng4 Qf8 29.Nxf6 Qxf6 30.e5 Qh4 31.Bf1 dxe5 32.fxe5 Rf8 33.Bg2 Qxh2# 0-1 (33) Jaguar_92 (2690)-Tantusz (2665) Blitz 2021;

B1a122) 14...Nfd7 15.Bf3 a5=;

B1a2) 13...a6 14.0-0-0 Qe7 15.h4 Nh5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!?'' 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.Nh3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Nf6⇄ Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (37) Ding,L (2714)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2719) Biel 2013 Van Delft & Ris: '∞' Van Delft & Ris: 'Ding Liren-Vachier Lagrave, Biel 2013." 19.Nf2 d5 20.Bd4 c5 21.Be5 Nd7 22.Nd3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 Rxf4 24.exd5 exd5 25.Rhe1 Re4∓ 0-1 (37) Ding,L (2714)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2719) Biel 2013 26.Rxe4 dxe4 27.Nd7 Rd8 28.Qd2 Kg7 29.Qg5+ Qxg5+ 30.hxg5 e3 31.Nxb6 Rxd1+ 32.Kxd1 Bxg2 33.Ke2 Kg6 34.Kxe3 Kxg5 35.Nd7 h4 36.Nxc5 Bc6 37.Nd3 h3 38.Kd4 0-1 (38) Ding,L (2714)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2719) Biel SUI 2013;

B1b) 12.Qc2 Bb7 13.0-0-0 Qe7 14.Rhf1 *(14.g4 d5 15.cxd5 Nc5 16.g5 Nfxe4 17.Nxe4 exd5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Ng3 c4 20.f5 Qe3+ 21.Kb1 gxf5 22.Rhf1 Rae8 23.Nf4 Qe5 24.Ngh5 Bh8 25.Rg1 Kf7 26.Bxc4 dxc4 27.Qxc4+ Ke7 28.Qb4+ Kf7 29.Qb3+ Ke7 30.Qb4+ Kf7 31.Qb3+ Ke7 32.Qa3+ c5 33.Rge1 Be4+ 34.Ka1 Ra8 35.Nd5+ Kf7 36.Nhf6 Rfb8 37.Rd2 Bxf6 38.Nxf6 Rd8 39.Red1 Rxd2 40.Rxd2 Qe7 41.Qc3 Rd8 42.Rxd8 Qxd8 43.Qc4+ Kg6 44.Qc1 Qd3 45.Ne8 Qc2 46.Qxc2 Bxc2 47.Nd6 Kxg5 48.b3 f4 49.Kb2 f3 50.Kxc2 Kf4 51.Kd3 f2 52.Ke2 f1Q+ 53.Kxf1 Ke3 54.Nb5* 1-0 (54) Sjugirov,S (2675)-Miranda,R (2284) chess.com INT 2020*; 14.Nf2 Nc5 15.g4 Nfd7 16.h4 Bxc3 17.bxc3 e5 18.f5 gxf5 19.exf5 Bxh1 20.Rxh1 e4 21.Bd4 Rae8 22.Rh3 Nd3+ 23.Nxd3 exd3 24.Bxd3 Qe1+ 25.Kb2 Nc5 26.Bxc5 bxc5 27.Ka3 Re3 28.Rxe3 Qxe3 29.Be4 Rb8 30.f6 Qh3 31.Bd5+ Kf8 32.Qd2 Qxh4 33.g5 Qh3 34.Bc6 Rb6 35.Qe1 Qc8 36.Qe7+ Kg8 37.Qg7#* 1-0 (37) Craze (2633)-HamburgOslo2018 (2584) Blitz 2020*)* 14...a6 15.g4 Nc5 16.Nf2 Kh8 17.h4 b5 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.e5 Ng8 20.Nfe4 b4 21.Na4 Bxe4 22.Qxe4 Qxh4 23.Nxc5 Qe7 24.Qe3 Rad8 25.g5 a5 26.Ne4 Qf7 27.Nf6 Ne7 28.Qh3 Bxf6 29.gxf6 Nf5 30.Bg4 Nd4 31.Rxd4 Rxd4 32.Bxe6 Qe8 33.Qxh7+ Kxh7 34.Rh1# 1-0 (34) Sjugirov,S (2675)-Bykhovsky,A (2496) chess.com INT 2020;

B1c) 12.0-0 Nc5 *(12...Bb7 Van Delft & Ris 13.Bf3±)* 13.Qc2

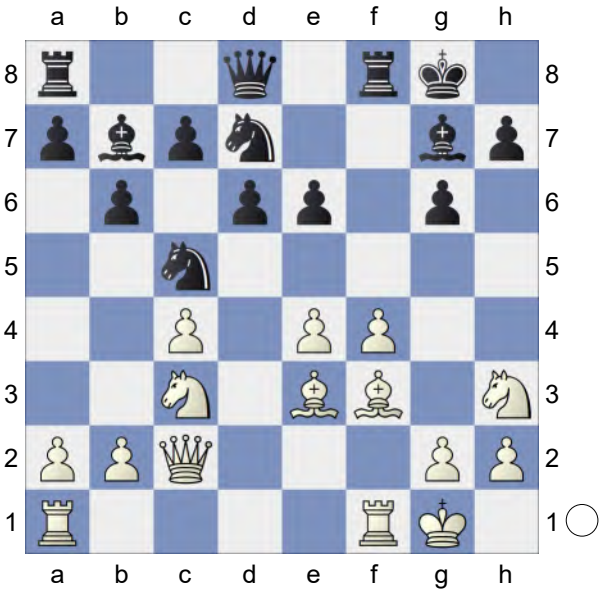
B1c1) 13...Bb7 14.Bf3

B1c11) 14...e5 15.f5 *(15.fxe5 dxe5 16.Rad1 Qe8 17.Nd5±)* 15...a5 16.g4 h6 17.Rad1 Nh7

18.Qg2 g5 19.Nf2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Dokhoian,Y (2550)-Kuczynski,R (2520)/ Germany 1993/GER-chT (75)' Bf6 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?'Krasenkow, Michal: 'is apparently a simpler way to equality:' 20.Nh1 Bc6 21.Ng3± 1-0 (69) Fedoseev,V (2680)-Trjapishko,A (2512) Yaroslavl 2019 1-0 (69) Fedoseev,V (2680)-Trjapishko,A (2512) Yaroslavl 2019 Be8 22.Nd5 Bg7 23.b3 Nd7 24.Qd2 Bf7 25.Kg2 Nb8 26.Rh1 Nc6 27.Ne2 Nd4 28.Nxd4 Bxd5 29.exd5 exd4 30.Bxd4 Bxd4 31.Qxd4 Qf6 32.Rhe1 Qxd4 33.Rxd4 Nf6 34.Re6 Kf7 35.h3 Rfe8 36.Rd1 Re7 37.Rde1 Rd7 38.Be2 Kg7 39.Kf2 Rf7 40.Ke3 Rff8 41.Kd4 Rae8 42.Bd1 Ra8 43.a3 Rf7 44.Kc3 Ra7 45.Kb2 Ra8 46.b4 Ra7 47.Bb3 Ra8 48.Kc2 Ra7 49.c5 bxc5 50.bxc5 a4 51.Bc4 Ra5 52.cxd6 Rc5 53.Kd3 cxd6 54.Rxd6 Rfc7 55.Rc6 R7xc6 56.dxc6 Rxc6 57.Re7+ Kf8 58.Rf7+ Ke8 59.Ra7 Rd6+ 60.Ke3 Kd8 61.Be6 Rd1 62.Rxa4 Ke7 63.Ra7+ Kd6 64.Ra6+ Ke7 65.Bc4 Rc1 66.Re6+ Kf7 67.Rc6+ Kg7 68.Rc7+ Kh8 69.Kd4 1-0 (69) Fedoseev,V (2680)-Triapishko,A (2512) Yaroslavl RUS 2019;

B1c12) 14...Rb8 15.b4 Ncd7 16.Rae1 Qe7 17.a3± ½-½ (35) Baldauf, M (2493)-Esipenko,A (2616) Karlsruhe 2019 ½-½ (35) Baldauf,M (2493)-Esipenko,A (2616) Karlsruhe 2019;

B1c13) 14...Nfd7 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



' 15.b4! Taking the opportunity to seize extra territory.

B1c131) 15...Na6 16.a3

B1c1311) 16...c5 17.b5 *(17.Rab1±)* 17...Nc7 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.Qd3 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 d5 21.exd5 exd5

22.Rfe1±;
B1c1312) 16...Qe7 17.Rad1± ½-½ (58) Dziuba,M (2556)-Tomczak,J (2615) Poland 2017 Dziuba, M - Tomczak, J Polish league 2015, and White's space advantage gives him an edge. ½-½ (58) Dziuba,M (2556)-Tomczak,J (2615) Poland 2017;
B1c132) 15...Bxc3 16.Qxc3 Nxe4
B1c1321) 17.Qd3 d5 *(17...Ndf6 18.Ng5+-)* 18.cxd5 Nef6 19.Ng5± Bxd5 20.Bxd5 exd5 21.Ne6 Qe7 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Rac1 *(23.f5 Ne5 24.Qd4 Nc6 25.Qc3±)* 23...c5 24.bxc5 bxc5 25.f5! Qe4 *(25...Re8 26.Bg5 c4 27.Qd4±)* 26.Qd2 d4 27.Bh6 Re8 28.Rce1+- Qd5 29.Rxe8+ Nxe8 30.Qe2 Qf7 31.fxg6 Qxg6 32.Qc4+ *(32.Rf3 Kh8 33.Bf4 Nef6 34.Be5+-)* 32...Kh8 33.Bf8 Qg8 34.Qe2 Nxf8 35.Qxe8 Ne6 36.Qe7 d3 37.Qf6+ Ng7 38.Qd6 Ne6 39.Qe5+ Ng7 40.Qxc5 1-0 (40) Postny,E (2648)-Kovchan,A (2605) Kavala 2015 CI1-130 [Arsovic, Goran];
B1c1322) 17.Qc2 Arsovic,Goran: '!?'
B1c13221) 17...d5 18.cxd5 exd5 19.Bxe4 dxe4 *(19...Qe7 20.Bxg6! hxg6 21.Qxg6+ Qg7 22.Qxg7+ Kxg7 23.Bd4++-)* 20.Qc4+ Kh8 *(20...Kg7 21.Rad1+-)* 21.Rad1+-;
B1c13222) 17...Ndf6 18.Ng5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Nxg5 19.Bxb7 Arsovic,Goran: '+-' Nf7 20.Bxa8 Qxa8 21.Rae1± Krasenkow,Michal: ', and Black has no sufficient compensation for the exchange.';
B1c2) 13...e5? Van Delft & Ris 14.f5!↑;
B1c3) 13...a5 14.Bf3 Rb8 *(14...Bb7? 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.e5* Arsovic,Goran: '+-' *Bxf3 17.exf6+-)* 15.Rae1 *(15.a3* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!?'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was quite possible. Alexander Grischuk's plan is

apparently less effective.') 15...Nfd7 16.Ng5 Bb7 *(16...Qe7* Van Delft & Ris*)* 17.b3 Qe7 18.a3 e5?! *(18...h6 19.Nh3 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Nxe4* Krasenkow, Michal: 'doesn't lose now but is very risky as Black's kingside is weakened with ... h7-h6:' *21.Qc2 Ndf6 22.Bd4 d5 23.Nf2↑* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '→"*;* Krasenkow, Michal: 'It was appropriate to take the a-file abandoned by White's rook:' *18...Ra8!? 19.b4 axb4 20.axb4 Na6; 18...Bf6!?* was interesting, too*; 18...Rbd8* Van Delft & Ris *19.b4 axb4 20.axb4 Na6 21.Rb1±*) 19.f5! h6 20.Nh3 gxf5 21.exf5 e4 22.Bxc5 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 bxc5 *(23...Nxc5 24.Bh5 Qe5 25.Re3 Qxc3 26.Rxc3 Nd3 27.f6±* Krasenkow, Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '→" *)* 24.Nf2?! *(24.Bh5! Qe5 25.Qc1 Rxf5 26.Rxf5 Qxf5 27.Qxh6±)* 24...Qg7 *(24...Qf6!? 25.Qxf6 Nxf6 26.Bd1 Kf7∞)* 25.Nxe4 Bxe4 26.Qxg7+ Kxg7 27.Rxe4= 1-0 (43) Grischuk, A (2786)-Navara,D (2703) Rhodes 2013 Rxb3 A sudden turn. White's pawns are now blocked; his bishop can become weaker than Black's knight! 28.Re6

B1c31) 28...Ne5!? 29.f6+ *(29.Bd5 c6!)* 29...Kh8 30.Be4 Re3 31.Rf4 Re1+ 32.Kf2 Nd3+ 33.Kg3 Nxf4 34.Kxf4≅;

B1c32) 28...Nf6 29.g4 The only attempt to break through but it should not be successful. Re8? But after this premature exchange White gets winning chances. *(⌓29...Rxa3 30.h4 Nd7!* e.g. *31.Bd5 Ne5 32.Re7+ Kh8 33.g5 hxg5 34.hxg5 Rg3+ 35.Kf2 Rxf5+ 36.Kxg3 Rxf1 37.Rxc7 a4=)* 30.Rxe8 Nxe8 31.Kf2 *(≤31.h4 Kf6)* 31...Rxa3 *(31...Kf6 32.Re1 Ng7 33.Re3* , and White keeps his important a3-pawn. However, after the text move Black can't stop White's pawns anymore. *)* 32.Re1 Nf6 33.h4! *(33.Re7+ Kf8 34.Rxc7 Rc3 35.h4 Rxc4 36.g5 hxg5 37.hxg5 Ne8 38.Rc8 Rf4 39.f6 Rf5 40.g6 Rxf6 41.g7+ Kxg7 42.Rxe8=)*

B1c321) 33...Kf8 34.g5 *(34.Re6 Nd7 35.Rxh6 Ne5 36.Be2 Ra2 37.Ke3 Ra3+ 38.Kf4 Ra2!=)* 34...hxg5 35.hxg5 Nd7 36.Bh5 *(36.Bd5* Van Delft & Ris *Ne5 37.Rb1)* 36...Ne5 37.Rb1±;

B1c322) 33...Rc3 34.g5 hxg5 35.hxg5 Rxc4 36.Kg3! *(But not 36.Re7+ Kf8 37.gxf6 Rf4* , and White loses both of his pawns.*)* 36...Ng8 37.Bh5! Rc3+ 38.Kg2 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rb2 *(39...Rc3 40.f6+ Nxf6 41.Re7+ Kh8 42.gxf6 Rg3+ 43.Kf2 Rg8 44.Ke3+-)* 40.f6+! Nxf6 41.Re7+ Kh8 42.gxf6 Rb8 43.Bg6 Rg8 1-0 (43) Grischuk,A (2786)-Navara,D (2703) Rhodes 2013 CBM 157 [Krasenkow, Michal] *(43...Rg8 44.Rh7#)*;

B2) 11...Qe7 In a strict sense only this move is a novelty by the talented young American player. The previously played idea of 11...b6 is anything, but easy for Black but should probably have been preferred.'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'In a strict sense only this move is a novelty by the talented young American player. The previously played idea of 11...b6 is anything, but easy for Black but should probably have been preferred. Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'In a strict sense only this move is a novelty by the talented young American player. The previously played idea of 11...b6 is anything, but easy for Black but should probably have been preferred.'''' 12.0-0 b6 *(12...e5?!* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *13.f5±)* 13.Bf3 Rb8 As a consequence of the 11th move Black must be very careful and is forced to invest a tempo. 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'As a consequence of the 11th move Black must be very careful and is forced to invest a tempo. Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'As a consequence of the 11th move Black must be very careful and is forced to invest a tempo.'''' *(13...Bb7?* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *14.e5! Bxf3 15.exf6 Bxd1 16.fxe7+-)* 14.Qc2 Bb7

B2a) 15.Rad1!? '(Ftacnik, Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' is again back to the main game a6 16.b4 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Alekseev,E (2714)-Leko,P (2756)/Jermuk ARM 2009/The Week in Chess 771 (36)' Ba8 17.a3 Bh6 18.Bc1± 0-1 (50) Vocaturo,D (2607)-Svidler,P (2760) Antalya 2017 0-1 (50) Vocaturo,D (2607)-Svidler,P (2760) Antalya 2017 e5!? An ambitious choice from the higher-rated player. 19.Nd5 *(*Now *19.f5!* is tempting: *Bxc1 20.Qxc1 gxf5 21.exf5 e4!? 22.Be2* and the engines prefer White (who does have the safer king), but maybe Black can live with his draughty kingside! *)* 19...Bxd5 20.cxd5 exf4 21.Nxf4 Bxf4 It's going to be knights against bishops.

For the cavalry to compete with the ecclesiastics, they need good staging posts, hence the importance of the e5-square. 22.Bxf4 Ne5 23.Be2 b5 24.Bg5 Despite the nice bishop pair, the knight on e5 holds Black's position together. Of course, Svidler doesn't want to just grovel for half-a-point, so has a more enterprising plan up his sleeve... Rbc8 *(*If Black unpins with *24...Qg7* then Vocaturo could grab the c-pawn with *25.Rxf6 Rxf6 26.Bxf6 Qxf6 27.Qxc7±)* 25.Qc1! This makes it difficult for Black to unravel, as he can no longer count on using the g7-square (because of the annoying Bh6). c6?! 26.Kh1 A trap. h5 *(26...cxd5?* fails dismally to *27.Bxf6!* as the rook on f8 is overloaded.*)* 27.Qf4 *(* The engines also want to open another front...but on the queenside (!) with *27.a4!* which will (in the long-term) stretch the defender's resources.*)* 27...Ned7 28.dxc6 Rxc6 29.Qg3 *(* Here again *29.a4* is plausible, as *bxa4 30.b5!* is sharp. Here, however, Black has counter chances based on *Rc5 31.bxa6 Qxe4* but that passed a-pawn should nevertheless give White good practical chances.*)* 29...Kh7 30.Bd3 Qe6 31.Qh4 Qg4! Svidler has been able to meet the threats on a limited front and the elimination of the queens ensures that his king will be safe. 32.a4?! Too late to be dangerous. bxa4 33.b5?! axb5! Unlike in the earlier case (see the note to move 29) this is possible and indeed even favourable for Black. 34.Bxb5 Rc5 35.Qxg4 hxg4 36.Bxd7 Nxd7 37.Rxf8 Nxf8 The weakness of White's first rank limits his rook. 38.Be7 Ne6 39.Bxd6 Rc4 40.e5 g5 41.Rf1 *(41.Kg1 Kg6* and Black's king will have a more important role in the next act. *)* 41...Rf4 42.Kg1 Somehow I find it risky for White to allow the exchange of rooks (as the a-pawn will be harder to stop), but analysis suggests that he should still be OK. Rxf1+ 43.Kxf1 Kg6 44.Kf2 Kf5 45.Kg3? The wrong way. *(* Correct is *45.Ke3! Nf4 46.g3* and Black is unable to penetrate with his king.*)* 45...Nf4 46.h3 Nd3! Black isn't forced to capture on h3! This is what the Italian seems to have overlooked. 47.hxg4+ Ke6 48.Bf8 Nxe5 49.Kf2 Nc4 50.Ke2 *(* Or *50.Bb4 a3 51.Bc3 a2 52.Ke2 Kd5 53.Kd3 Na5 54.Kc2 Kc4 55.Bf6 Nb3 56.Bc3 a1Q 57.Bxa1 Nxa1+ 58.Kb2 Kd3* and the pawn endgame is a win for Black.*)* 50...a3 The a-pawn will cost the

bishop and ultimately the game (see the previous note for an example of plausible play). 0-1 (50) Vocaturo,D (2607)-Svidler,P (2760) Antalya TUR 2017 [Flear, Glenn];

B2b) 15.Rae1 was played in Nakmaura, H - Xiong, J Saint Louis 2016, when after 15...Kh8 Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N''Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'N' 'N'" the forward leap *(15...a5* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *16.Ng5±; 15...a6* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran" *16.Kh1 Kh8 17.Bc1 Ng8 18.b3 Nh6 19.Bb2 Nf7 20.g3 Nd8 21.Bg2 Nc6 22.Nd5 Qd8 23.Ng5 Nc5 24.b4 h6 25.Nf3 Nd7 26.Nh4 exd5 27.exd5 Nxb4 28.Nxg6+ Kg8 29.Ne7+* 1-0 (29) So,W (2755)-Perez,R (2332) Las Vegas USA 2014*)* 16.Ng5! ensured a nagging edge. Nakamura, H - Xiong, J Saint Louis 2016, with more space and gentle pressure for White. Bh6 *(16...h6 17.Nh3±* 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ±''±''±' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: ' ±"" *e5* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran" *18.f5 Qf7 19.b3±* *)*

B2b1) 17.h4 Arsovic,Goran: ' ▵ ' '▵"Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: ' ▵ '' ▵ "' Bg7 *(17...e5* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *18.f5±)* 18.f5± 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: ' ±''±''±' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: ' ±"" exf5 Arsovic,Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran" 19.exf5↑;

B2b2) 17.Nb5

B2b21) 17...c6 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik, L" 18.Nxd6 Qxd6 *(18...Bxg5 19.fxg5 Qxd6 20.gxf6±)* 19.e5 Nxe5 20.fxe5 Qxe5 21.Qd2 Bxg5 22.Bxg5 Qc5+ 23.Rf2 Qxc4? 24.Qd6+-;

B2b22) 17...e5! 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: '!'''' 18.Nxc7 *(18.f5* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *gxf5 19.exf5 Ng4! 20.Bxg4 Bxg5 21.Bxg5 Qxg5∞)* 18...exf4 19.Bxf4 Ne5 20.Nce6 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 h6 22.Nh3 g5 23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Nf2±;

B2b23) 17...Bxg5?! The defence was taking a serious toll on Black's nerves and he loses patience. Objectively best was to find courage for the pawn sacrifice with a timely 17...e5! with a very limited disadvantage. 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'The

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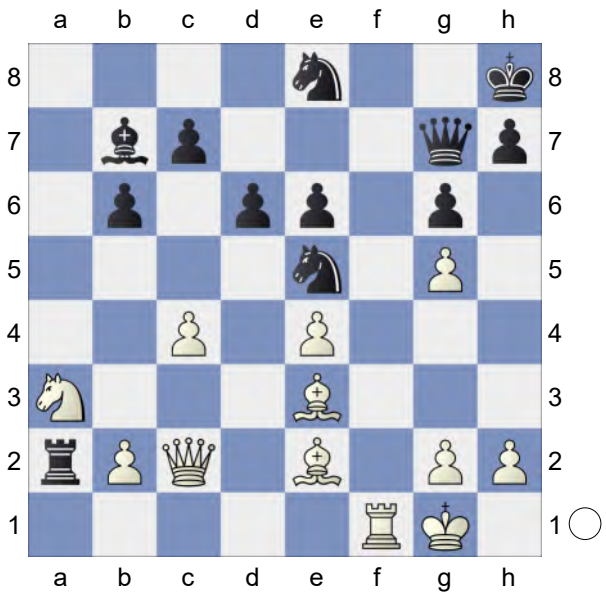
B2b231) 19...c6 20.Qb3

B2b2311) 20...Ra8 Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 21.Bxb6 c5 22.h4±;

B2b2312) 20...Ba8 Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 21.Be2 Rxf1+ 22.Rxf1 Kg8 *(22...Nf8? 23.c5! dxc5 24.Bf4+-)* 23.Bf4±;

B2b2313) 20...Ng7 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' 21.Rd1 Ne5 22.Be2±;

B2b232) 19...Ne5 20.Be2 Rxf1+ 21.Rxf1 Ra8 *(21...Kg8* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik, L'' *22.Nb5 Ng7 23.b4±)* 22.Nb5 Rxa2 23.Na3! 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: '!'''' This is not an everyday picture with the black rook getting trapped on a2. Xiong was probably hoping for tricks against the b2-pawn, but Nakamura calculates extremely well.'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'This is not an everyday picture with the black rook getting trapped on a2. Xiong was probably hoping for tricks against the b2-pawn, but Nakamura calculates extremely well. Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'This is not an everyday picture with the black rook getting trapped on a2. Xiong was probably hoping for tricks against the b2-pawn, but Nakamura calculates extremely well.'''' Qg7 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram *(23...Kg8* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik, L'' *24.Qb1 Rxa3 25.bxa3±)*



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B2b2321) 26.Bg4!? 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' '!?' '!?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: '!?''' e5 27.Qb1 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *(27.Bxd4* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *exd4 28.Qb3+-)* 27...Rxa3 28.bxa3+-;

B2b2322) 26.Bd3 Objectively speaking Black is really doomed without proper counterplay for the stranded rook. White was spoiled for choice and had really prolems to guess which line is the best.'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Objectively speaking Black is really doomed without proper counterplay for the stranded rook. White was spoiled for choice and had really prolems to guess which line is the best. Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'Objectively speaking Black is really doomed without proper counterplay for the stranded rook.

White was spoiled for choice and had really prolems to guess which line is the best.'''' 26...Kg8 *(26...Nxc2?? '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L" 27.Rf8#)*

B2b23221) 27.Qd1 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' c5 28.Rf2+-;

B2b23222) 27.Qb1

B2b232221) 27...Bxe4 Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 28.Qxa2 *(28.Bxe4? Ne2+ 29.Kh1 Nxc3 30.Qd3 Nxe4 31.Qxe4 Qe7∞)* 28...Bxd3 29.Re1+-;

B2b232222) 27...Rxa3 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' 28.bxa3 Bxe4 29.Re1+-;

B2b23223) 27.Qf2 c5 28.Bb1 *(28.Bc2* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *e5 29.Bxd4 exd4 30.Bb3 Rxa3 31.bxa3 Bxe4 32.Ba4 Nc7 33.Re1+-)* 28...Ra1 29.Nc2 Rxb1?! 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' '?!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: '?!'''' Black is biting the bullet and will pay the prize in accelerated fashion. It was somewhat better to exercise restraint with the rook retreat, but White would be on the verge of a winning position anyway.'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Black is biting the bullet and will pay the prize in accelerated fashion. It was somewhat better to exercise restraint with the rook retreat, but White would be on the verge of a winning position anyway. Arsovic, Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'Black is biting the bullet and will pay the prize in accelerated fashion. It was somewhat better to exercise restraint with the rook retreat, but White would be on the verge of a

winning position anyway.'''' *(29...Ra8* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *30.Nxd4 cxd4 31.Bxd4 e5 32.Bxb6+-; 29...Ra4* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *30.Nxd4 cxd4 31.Bxd4 Qe7 32.b3+-)* 30.Rxb1 Bxe4 *(30...e5* Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *31.Re1+-)* 31.Nxd4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!''Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'" Bxb1 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram *(31...cxd4* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *32.Bxd4 e5 33.Re1 Qb7 34.Rf1 Qe7 35.Bxb6+-)*

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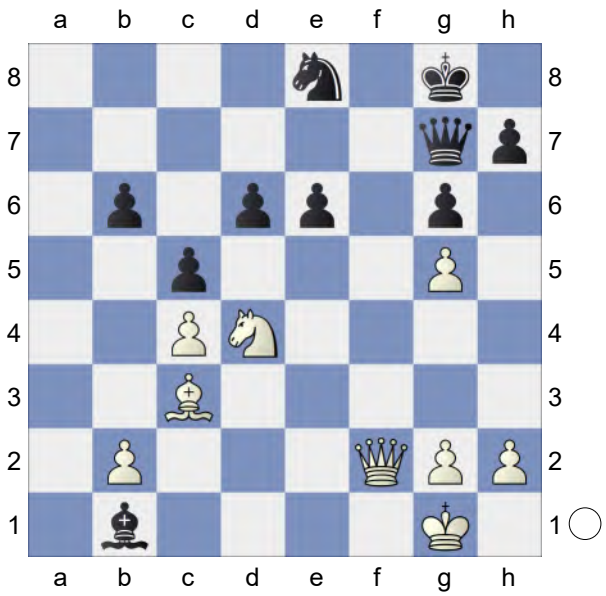


''Diagram [#] Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram {#} ''' 32.Nf5! Nakamura could not resist the temptation, when he discovered this flashy shot from some distance. 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Nakamura could not resist the temptation, when he discovered this flashy shot from some distance. Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L: 'Nakamura could not resist the temptation, when he discovered this flashy shot from some distance.'''' *(32.Nxe6?*

Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *Qf7 33.Qe3 Qe7∓)* 32...exf5 *(32...Qf8* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *33.Nh6++- ; 32...gxf5* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *33.Bxg7 Kxg7 34.Qe2 Be4 35.Qh5+-)* 33.Bxg7 Kxg7 34.Qe3 1-0 (34) Nakamura,H (2787)-Xiong,J (2618) Saint Louis 2016 CBM 172 [Ftacnik,Lubomir] *(34.Qe3 Be4* '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' *35.Qb3+-)*]

10...exd5 11.cxd5 Re8 12.Nf2

[12.Qc2 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.0-0 Qe7 15.Bf3 Bb7 16.Rfe1 Nb6 17.Rad1 Rad8 18.Bf2 c5 19.Bh4 Qc7 20.Nf2 Rd7 21.a4 a5 22.b3 Bc6 23.Nb5 Qb8 24.Qd2 Qa8 25.Nxd6 Nxe4 26.Nfxe4 Bxe4 27.Bxe4 Rxe4 28.Rxe4 Bd4+ 29.Rxd4 cxd4 30.Qxd4 Nc8 31.Qe5 Qa7+ 32.Bf2 Qc7 33.Qe8+ 1-0 (33) rhungaski (2633)-donatello (2684) Blitz 2020]

12...Nc5

[12...Qe7 13.0-0 c6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Bf3 Ba6 16.Re1 Nb6 17.b3 Ng4 18.Nxg4 Bxc3 19.Bd4 Bxe1 20.Nf6+ Kf8 21.Nxh7+ Kg8 22.Nf6+ Kf8 23.Qxe1 c5 24.Qh4 Kg7 1-0 (24) chessisinmyblood (2709)-liczner (2659) Blitz 2021]

[12...Nb6 13.Qd2 c6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.0-0 h5 16.h3 Bb7 17.Rad1 d5 18.e5 Nfd7 19.b3 Rb8 20.Nd3 Qe7 21.Bf3 c5 22.Bf2 c4 23.Nc1 Nc5 24.Rfe1 cxb3 25.axb3 Rbd8 26.Nb5 Ne4 27.Bxe4 dxe4 28.Nd6 Rf8 29.Bc5 Qc7 30.Qd4 Nd7 31.b4 Nxe5 32.fxe5 a6 33.Ne2 Qc6 34.Nf4 Rfe8 35.Rxe4 Rxd6 36.Bxd6 Qxe4 37.Qxe4 Bxe4 38.Nd5 Bxd5 39.Rxd5 Rb8 40.Rc5 Re8 41.Rc6 Bxe5 42.Bxe5 Rxe5 43.Rxa6 Rb5 44.Ra4 Rd5 45.Kf2 Rd2+ 46.Kf3 Rb2 47.Ra8+ Kg7 48.Rb8 Rb3+ 49.Kf2 Rb2+ 50.Kg1 h4 51.Kh2 g5 52.b5 Kf6 53.b6 Kf5 54.b7 f6 55.Kh1 Rb1+ 56.Kh2 Rb3 57.Kh1 Rb2 0-1 (57) rhungaski (2680)-hAMBURGoSLO2018 (2594) Blitz 2021]

13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.e5 Nd7 15.0-0 Nb6 16.Nfe4 c4 17.Qd4 Bf5 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.Rfe1 Rad8 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Qxc4 Kh8 22.d6 cxd6 23.Nxd6 Be6 24.Qa4 Rf8 25.Qxa7 Rd7 26.Nd5 Qd8 27.Qb6 Qa8 28.Nc7 Qxa2 29.Nxe6 fxe6 30.g3 g5 31.f5 exf5 32.e6 Re7 33.Nf7+ Kg8 34.Nxg5 Qxb2 35.Qxb2 Bxb2 36.Rd7 Bf6 37.Nf7 Kg7 38.Nd6 Rxd7 39.exd7 Rd8 40.Nxf5+ Kf7 41.Nd6+ Kg6 42.Nxb7 Rxd7 43.Na5 Bc3 44.Re6+ Kf7 45.Ra6 Rd1+ 46.Kg2 Ra1 47.Ra7+ Kg6 48.Nc6 Rxa7 49.Nxa7 Bf6 50.Nb5 h5 51.h4 Be5 52.Kf3 Kf5 53.Na3 Kg6 54.Nc4 Bd6 55.Nxd6 1-0 (55) elconceto (2917)-masoudshojaei001 (2703) Blitz 2022

Atlas,Valeri: 'or' **7.Bg5?!** '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' 7...c6

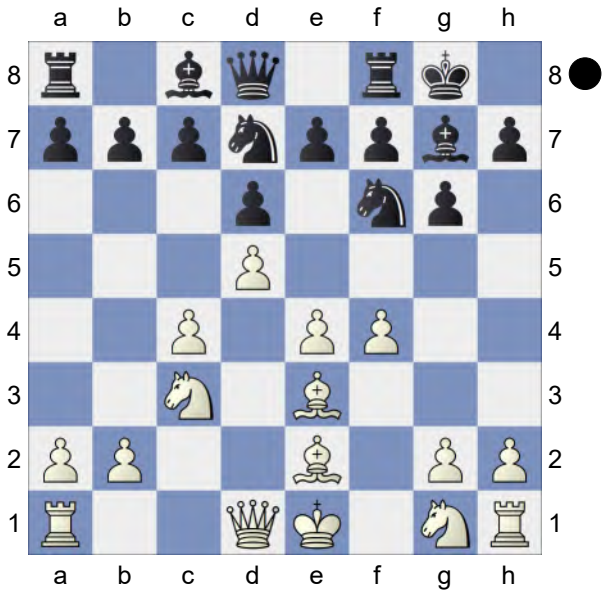
[7...0-0]

8.Qd2 0-0 9.Rd1 Qb6 10.Be3 Qb4 11.b3 Nfg4! 12.Bd4 Bh6 13.Qb2 c5∓ 0-1 (25) Dreev,A (2683)-Sutovsky,E (2656) ICC INT 2002

7.Nge2 c6 8.Ng3 h5 9.f4 Ned7 10.Bd3 Nc5 11.Bc2 Qb6 12.Rb1 a5 13.h3 Bd7 14.Be3 0-0 15.0-0 Qc7 16.Qd2 cxd5 17.exd5 b5 18.cxb5 Qb7 19.a4 h4 20.Nge4 Ncxe4 21.Nxe4 Nxd5 22.Bd4 Nb4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rfe1 Bf5 25.Bb3 Qa7+ 26.Kh2 d5 27.Bxd5 Rad8 28.Qc3+ Kg8 29.Bc4 Rd4 30.Ng5 Bxb1 31.Rxb1 Rxf4 32.Re1 Qd4 33.Qxd4 Rxd4 34.b3 e6 35.Ne4 Rc8 36.Kg1 Kg7 37.Kf2 Nd5 38.Nd6 Rd8 39.Nb7 Ra8 40.Rc1 Nb6 41.Be2 Ra7 42.Bf3 Rd7 43.Nc5 Rdc7 44.Bc6 Nd5 45.Bxd5 exd5 46.Ke3 Rab7 47.Kd4 Kh6 48.Rc3 Rb6 49.Kxd5 Kg5 50.Ne4+ Kf4 51.Rxc7 f5 52.Nc5 Kg3 53.Rc6 Rb8 54.Rxg6+ Kf2 55.b6 f4 56.b7 1-0 (56) Iestri (2683)-kaka66 (2864) Blitz 2022

[15] **8.Be3** 0-0 9.Be2 'Diagram

(Diagram)



Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'" 9...Nc5

[another way to aim to undermine the centre is with 9...c6 Arsovic,Goran: '-121/(192)' e.g. 10.Nf3 '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Arsovic,Goran: 'Ftacnik,L'' Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: '*'

A) 10...Qa5 Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: '- 121/192' 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Bd4 Bxd4+ 13.Qxd4 Qb6 Eljanov,Pavel: '?' '?' Eljanov,Pavel: 'But this is a clear mistake.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'But this is a clear mistake.' 14.Qxb6 Nxb6 15.h3!? *(15.Rfe1 a5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Nd4 c5 18.Nc6 Re8 19.Nb5±; 15.dxc6)*

A1) 15...Nf6 16.Nd4 c5 *(16...cxd5 17.exd5±)* 17.Nc2;

A2) 15...Ne3! 16.Rfc1 Nexc4 17.Nd1 Eljanov,Pavel: '±' '±' Eljanov,Pavel: 'Now it's just a strategically bad position which is very unpleasant to defend.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'Now it's just a strategically bad position which is very unpleasant to defend.' *(17.a4 Na5! 18.Bd1*

Eljanov,Pavel: '1/2 (14) Ivanchuk, V (2758)-Le Quang, L (2705) Caleta 2013. Not because of its content of course but thanks to after the game talks. There were a 30-moves rule which forbade draw offers. Wise organisers decided to not punish players but to hold a master-class of Vassily instead.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'Not because of its content of course but thanks to after the game talks. There were a 30-moves rule which forbade draw offers. Wise organisers decided to not punish players but to hold a master-class of Vassily instead.' *c5)* 17...cxd5 18.exd5

A2a) Eljanov,Pavel: 'After' Eljanov,Pavel: 'After' 18...Na5 Eljanov,Pavel: 'the game of my great compatriot became well known' Eljanov,Pavel: 'the game of my great compatriot became well known' 19.Ne3! *(19.b4 Nxd5 20.bxa5 Nxf4)*;

A2b) 18...Nxb2 19.Nxb2 Eljanov,Pavel: '!' '!' Eljanov, Pavel: 'This was the key move which decided the game. I think I spent about 20 minutes to calculate different options and realised that the move in the game is the only decisive one.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'This was the key move which decided the game. I think I spent about 20 minutes to calculate different options and realised that the move in the game is the only decisive one.' Nxd5 20.Rc4 Eljanov,Pavel: '!' '!' Eljanov,Pavel: 'The main point is that my main idea ...hxg4 h5! is fully correct in all lines already as my bishop on f4 is not under attack anymore.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'The main point is that my main idea ...hxg4 h5! is fully correct in all lines already as my bishop on f4 is not under attack anymore.' *(20.Nd3 Bf5 21.Rab1!? b6 22.Nd4 Bxd3 23.Bxd3 Nxf4 24.Ba6* Eljanov,Pavel: '1-0 (65) Dreev,A (2694)-Harikrishna,P (2673) Khanty-Mansiysk 2005. White has some pressure here and managed to convert it.' Eljanov,Pavel: 'White has some pressure here and managed to convert it.'*)* 20...Bd7 21.Rd4 Nc7 1-0 (62) Fier,A (2570)-Ftacnik, L (2571) Tromso 2014 Eljanov, Pavel: 'Black has managed to defend against my main idea but now I have different options and a pleasant choice. ' Eljanov,Pavel: 'Black has managed to defend against my main idea but now I have different options and a pleasant choice.

' *(21...Ne3 22.Bd3 Nf5* Eljanov,Pavel: ' **±**' '**±**' Eljanov, Pavel: 'or'Eljanov,Pavel: 'or' *23.Rb4 b6 24.Re1; 21...Bc6* Eljanov,Pavel: 'it's not that bad for Black but with two bishops White has an easy game as well Maybe the main line nowadays is'Eljanov,Pavel: 'it's not that bad for Black but with two bishops White has an

easy game as well' Eljanov,Pavel: 'Maybe the main line nowadays is' *22.Bc4 e6 23.Kf2; 21...Nc3 22.Bc4 Bc6 23.Rc1* 1/2 (26) Kramnik,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2805) Wijk aan Zee 2011 *Ne4!?± 24.Re1?)* 22.Re4 I decided to make the transition to the technical phase of the game with an extra pawn. Eljanov,Pavel: 'I decided to make the transition to the technical phase of the game with an extra pawn.' *(22.Bc4 b5 23.Bb3 a5 24.Re1 a4 25.Bc2 Rfe8)* 22...Rfe8 23.Nd3 Rac8 24.Rb4 b5 25.Rb2 Nd5 26.Nd4 Nc3 27.Bf1 Not only an extra pawn but I also have a positional advantage.Eljanov,Pavel: 'Not only an extra pawn but I also have a positional advantage.'

A2b1) 27...a5 28.Re1 b4 29.Nb3 Ra8 *(29...a4 30.Nd4 e5 31.fxe5 dxe5 32.Ne2 a3 33.Rxb4 Nxa2 34.Rb3 Ra8 35.Nc5)*;

A2b2) 27...e5 28.fxe5 dxe5 29.Nb3! Na4 30.Re2 *(30.Rd2 Bf5* This engdame is just more pleasant for White but Kramnik didn't manage to convert it: Eljanov,Pavel: 'This engdame is just more pleasant for White but Kramnik didn't manage to convert it:' *31.Nb4 Nc3 32.Re1)*

A2b21) 30...e4 31.Nb4 *(31.Nf4!?* The main idea of the subtle move ♖c1 is revealed after Eljanov,Pavel: 'The main idea of the subtle move ♖c1 is revealed after' *31...Nc3 32.Rd2* Now after Black has closed the c8-h3 diagonal the main defensive resource ... ♘a5 is simply impossible. So Black should stick to Eljanov,Pavel: 'Now after Black has closed the c8-h3 diagonal the main defensive resource ... ♘a5 is simply impossible. So Black should stick to' *Be6 33.Re1)* 31...Re5 32.Rd1 Nb6 33.Rd6±, but was unable to break through the defence of the well known Chinese defender in 1/2 (34) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Wang,Y (2696) Al Ain 2012. Eljanov,Pavel: ', but was unable to break through the defence of the well known Chinese defender in 1/2 (34) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Wang,Y (2696) Al Ain 2012.';

A2b22) 30...f6 31.Nb4 Nc3 32.Rd2+- Be6?

A2b221) 33.Rc2 Bf5 *(33...Kf7 34.Rac1 Nxa2 35.Rxc8 Rxc8 36.Nxa2)* 34.Rxc3 Rxc3 35.Nd5 Rec8 The Serbian grandmaster played this part of the game

very well and managed to consolidate his small plus into a stable endgame advantage. Eljanov,Pavel: 'The Serbian grandmaster played this part of the game very well and managed to consolidate his small plus into a stable endgame advantage.' 36.Nxc3 Rxc3 37.Bxb5 Be6 38.Rc1;

A2b222) 33.Rd6 f5 34.Ra6 Rc7 35.Re1 Bf7!? was also decisive Eljanov,Pavel: 'was also decisive'

A2b2221) 36.Na5 e4 37.Nac6 e3 38.Ra3 *(38.Bd3 f4)* 38...e2 39.Rxc3 exf1Q+ 40.Kxf1± A safer way is Eljanov,Pavel: 'A safer way is' 40...Rxe1+ 41.Kxe1 a5 42.Na6;

A2b2222) 36.h4 Nxa2 *(36...Kg7 37.Ra5)* 37.Nxa2 Bxb3 38.Bxb5 Ree7 39.Nb4 e4+- 40.Nc6 Re6 41.Ra3 Bd5! 42.Nb4 *(42.Nxa7 Rb6 43.Bf1* and it should be draw. Eljanov,Pavel: 'and it should be draw.' *Rc5)*

A2b22221)

42...Ba8! 43.Na6 *(43.Rd1⇄ Rb6 44.Rd8+↑* The engine also likes Eljanov,Pavel: 'The engine also likes' *44...Kf7* but I think this position is too tame and drawish Eljanov,Pavel: 'but I think this position is too tame and drawish' *45.Rxa8 Rxb5 46.R3xa7 Rxa7 47.Rxa7+ Ke6 48.Nc2 Rb1+)* 43...Rc2 44.Ba4 Rb2!↑ White has a strong initiative anyway. Eljanov,Pavel: 'White has a strong initiative anyway.' 45.Bb3 Rxb3 46.Rxb3 Rxa6 47.Rb8+;

A2b22222)

42...Re5 43.Nd3 *(43.Nxd5 Rxd5 44.Rxa7!? Rxa7 45.Bc4 Rad7 46.Rd1± Kg7 47.Bxd5 Kf6 48.Kf2± Ke5* it was a bit more precise (prevent the extra possibility 13. ♘ h4) Eljanov,Pavel: 'it was a bit more precise (prevent the extra possibility

13.♘h4)' *49.Bb3 Rxd1 50.Bxd1 h5* but after Eljanov,Pavel: 'but after' *)* 43...Ree7 44.Nf4 Bf7+- 45.Ra6 Kg7 46.Be2 *(* I realised during the game that after Eljanov,Pavel: 'I realised during the game that after' *46.Bc6!?* White should have a pleasant edge but I wanted to play for more Eljanov,Pavel: 'White should have a pleasant edge but I wanted to play for more' *Bc4)* 46...h6+- *(46...Bg8 47.Rea1→)* 47.Rd1 Red7! 48.Rda1 g5+-

A2b222221)

49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Nh5+ *(50.Nh3 f4 51.Nxg5 f3 52.gxf3 exf3 53.Bxf3)* 50...Bxh5 51.Bxh5 Rc5 52.Rg6+± Kh7 was probably more stubborn: Eljanov,Pavel: 'was probably more stubborn:' 53.Rxg5 Kh6 54.Rg8 Rdc7 looks bad for Black but not losing immediately. Eljanov,Pavel: 'looks bad for Black but not losing immediately.' *(54...Kxh5 55.Kf2 Rc2+±* As we already know Eljanov,Pavel: 'As we already know' *56.Ke3 f4+ 57.Kxf4 Rf7+!* White has an initiative but it was the lesser evil. Eljanov,Pavel: 'White has an initiative but it was the lesser evil.' *58.Ke5 Rc5+ 59.Ke6)* 55.Kf2!? Rc1;

A2b222222)

49.Nh5+ Bxh5 50.Bxh5

A2b2222221)

50...gxh4 51.Rg6+ Kh8 *(51...Kh7± 52.Raa6)* 52.Ra5 h3 53.gxh3 Rc3 54.Rxf5 Rxh3 55.Re6 Rg7+ 56.Kf2;

A2b2222222)

50...f4+- 51.Rg6+ Kh7 52.Raa6 gxh4 53.Rxh6+ Kg8+- 54.Bg4 Rh7 55.Be6+ Kh8 *(55...Kf8*

1-0 (38) Caruana,F (2813)-Tregubov,P

(2586) Germany 2017 *56.Rf6+ Ke7! 57.Rxf4; 55...Kg7 56.Rxh7+ Kxh7! 57.Bf5+ Kg7⇄ 58.Bxe4)* 56.Bf5 Predecessor: 56...Rxh6 57.Rxh6+ Kg8! 58.Bxe4 Rc1+⩲ 59.Kh2 Kg7 60.Rxh4 Kf6 61.Rxf4+ Ke5 62.Rg4 1-0 (62) Eljanov,P (2723)-Mamedov,R (2659) Tromsoe 2014 CBM 162 [Eljanov, Pavel];

B) 10...a6 11.0-0 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.a3 Bb7 14.Rc1 Rc8 15.Bd4 Nc5 16.Bd3 Nh5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.g3 Qb6 19.Kg2 b4 20.Na4 Nxa4 21.Qxa4 Qe3 22.Rcd1 bxa3 23.bxa3 Rc3 24.Rfe1 Qc5 25.Qb4 Qxb4 26.axb4 Rb8 27.Nd4 Nf6 28.Bb1 Ba8 29.Nc2 e6 30.Re3 Rxe3 31.Nxe3 Rxb4 32.Kf2 Nxe4+ 33.Bxe4 Rxe4 34.dxe6 Rxe6 35.f5 Rf6 36.g4 h6 37.h4 d5 38.g5 Rb6 39.f6+ Kh7 40.Nxd5 Bxd5 41.Rxd5 hxg5 42.hxg5 Rb5 43.Rd7 Kg8 44.Rd8+ Kh7 45.Rf8 Rxg5 46.Rxf7+ Kh6 47.Kf3 Rf5+ 48.Ke4 a5 49.Rf8 Kg5 50.f7 Kf6 51.Ra8 Kxf7 52.Ra6 Rf6 53.Ra7+ Ke6 54.Ra8 Kf7 55.Ra6 Re6+ 56.Rxe6 Kxe6 57.Kd4 a4 58.Kc5 a3 59.Kb4 a2 60.Kc4 a1Q 61.Kd3 Qe5 62.Kc4 Qd5+ 0-1 (62) Leon_Livaic (2762)-liczner (2720) Blitz 2019;

C) 10...Ng4 Leitao,Rafael; Fier, Alexandr: 'N' 'N' 11.Bd4 Bxd4 12.Qxd4 Qb6 13.Qxb6 Nxb6

C1) 14.h3! Ne3 15.Kf2 Nexc4 16.a4 Nxb2 *(16...a5 17.b3* Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: '+-' '+-'*; 16...Na5 17.b4 Nb3 18.Ra3* Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: '+-' '+-'*; 16...cxd5 17.a5 Nxa5 18.Rxa5 dxe4 19.Nxe4* Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: ' ±' '±' *)* 17.Ra2 N6c4 18.Nd2! Leitao,Rafael; Fier,Alexandr: ' ⩲!' '⩲!';

C2) 14.b3 f5! 15.Nd4 fxe4 16.dxc6 Ne3 17.Kf2 Vallejo Pons, F - Grandelius, N Tromso Olympiad 2014, when White keeps a small edge in the complications Nf5 18.Nxf5 gxf5 19.Nd5 Rf7 20.Bh5 bxc6 21.Bxf7+ Kxf7 22.Ne3 Be6 23.g4 fxg4 24.f5± 1-0 (63) Vallejo Pons,F (2698)-Grandelius, N (2571) Tromso 2014]

[9...Qe8 Cabrilo,Goran: 'N!''Svidler, Peter: '!?' Svidler,Peter: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?''Cabrilo,Goran: 'N!' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!?' Svidler,Peter: '!?' Svidler, Peter: 'Played after a very long think.' Svidler, Peter: 'Gespielt nach sehr langem Nachdenken.''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Played after a very long think.''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Gespielt nach sehr langem Nachdenken."

A) 10.Nf3 'Svidler, Peter Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter is not really any better than Gukesh's choice ist nicht wirklich besser als Gukeshs Wahl''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is not really any better than Gukesh's choice'

Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist nicht wirklich besser als Gukeshs Wahl' e6 11.dxe6 *(11.Qc2 exd5 12.cxd5 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.0-0* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'gives Black a bunch of decent options: Ng4, Nd5 and even Nxe4 are all playable here gibt Schwarz eine Reihe anständiger Optionen: Sg4, Sd5 und sogar Sxe4 sind hier alle spielbar.''' 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'gives Black a bunch of decent options: Ng4, Nd5 and even Nxe4 are all playable here'Cabrilo,Goran: 'gibt Schwarz eine Reihe anständiger Optionen: Sg4, Sd5 und sogar Sxe4 sind hier alle spielbar.'*)* 11...Qxe6 12.Bd3 *(12.Nd2* Cabrilo,Goran: '?' *Nxe4 13.Ncxe4 f5* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is straight up bad for White ist schlichtweg schlecht für Weiß'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'is straight up bad for White 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist schlichtweg schlecht für Weiß'*)* 12...b6 13.0-0 Bb7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black is quite comfortable und Schwarz steht recht bequem'"Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black is quite comfortable' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Schwarz steht recht bequem';

B) 10.g4 Cabrilo,Goran: '!?"Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter is interesting and critical, but Black survives ist interessant und kritisch, aber Schwarz überlebt'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'is interesting and critical, but Black survives' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist interessant und kritisch, aber Schwarz überlebt' e6 11.g5 Nh5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'both of us thought wir beide dachten'''Cabrilo,Goran: 'both of us thought'Cabrilo,Goran: 'wir beide dachten' *11...Nxe4* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'was a possible reply, but we missed that after wäre eine mögliche Antwort, aber wir übersahen, dass nach'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'was a possible reply, but we missed that after' Cabrilo,Goran: 'wäre eine mögliche Antwort, aber wir übersahen, dass nach' *12.Nxe4 exd5 13.Qxd5 Nb6 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Nf6+* Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *Bxf6 16.gxf6 Bf5* Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'White has Weiß'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'White has' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Weiß' *17.Kf2 Be4 18.Qg5* Cabrilo,Goran: '!"Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and the Rh1 survives due to the threat of Qh6-g7# hat und der Th1 überlebt wegen der Drohung Dh6-g7#''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and the Rh1 survives due to the threat of Qh6-g7#' Cabrilo,Goran: 'hat und der Th1 überlebt wegen der Drohung Dh6-g7#' *)* 12.Bxh5 Bxc3+ Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *(12...gxh5 13.Nge2* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'is bad ist schlecht''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is bad' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist schlecht'*)* 13.bxc3 gxh5 14.Ne2 exd5 15.Qxd5 h4 Cabrilo,Goran: '!?"Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', preventing Ng3, with a very messy position Verhindert Sg3, mit einer sehr unübersichtlichen Stellung'" Cabrilo,Goran: ', preventing Ng3, with a very messy position' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Verhindert Sg3, mit

einer sehr unübersichtlichen Stellung';

C) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'The 'refutation' I mentioned above is, possibly, the very non-obvious sequence Die 'Widerlegung', die ich oben erwähnt habe, ist möglicherweise die sehr nicht offensichtliche Sequenz''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'The 'refutation' I mentioned above is, possibly, the very non-obvious sequence' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Die 'Widerlegung', die ich oben erwähnt habe, ist möglicherweise die sehr nicht offensichtliche Sequenz' 10.Qc2 Cabrilo,Goran: '!?''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'" e6 *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'the positions after die Positionen nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'the positions after' Cabrilo,Goran: 'die Positionen nach' *10...c6 11.Nf3 cxd5 12.cxd5* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'are just never good for Black sind einfach nie gut für Schwarz'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'are just never good for Black 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'sind einfach nie gut für Schwarz'*)* 11.Nb5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'This is the point. With the Queen covering the e4 square, White has this option of attacking c7, which forces Black to choose between giving up a ton of material, or allowing dxe6 fxe6 Das ist der Punkt. Da die Dame das Feld e4 deckt, hat Weiß die Möglichkeit, c7 anzugreifen, was Schwarz vor die Wahl stellt, entweder eine Menge Material aufzugeben oder dxe6 fxe6 zuzulassen.'''Cabrilo,Goran: 'This is the point. With the Queen covering the e4 square, White has this option of attacking c7, which forces Black to choose between giving up a ton of material, or allowing dxe6 fxe6'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Das ist der Punkt. Da die Dame das Feld e4 deckt, hat Weiß die Möglichkeit, c7 anzugreifen, was Schwarz vor die Wahl stellt, entweder eine Menge Material aufzugeben oder dxe6 fxe6 zuzulassen.'

C1) 11...Qd8 12.dxe6 fxe6 13.Nh3 a6 14.Nc3 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is pretty much exactly what I was trying to avoid by playing Qe8 ist so ziemlich genau das, was ich mit De8 vermeiden wollte''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is pretty much exactly what I was trying to avoid by playing Qe8'Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist so ziemlich genau das, was ich mit De8 vermeiden wollte';

C2) 11...Qe7 12.Nxc7 Rb8 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is a curious try, but after ist ein kurioser Versuch, aber nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is a curious try, but after'Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist ein kurioser Versuch, aber nach'

C2a) 13.dxe6 Nb6 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is actually quite unclear: ist eigentlich ziemlich unklar:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is actually quite unclear:'Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist eigentlich ziemlich unklar:' 14.Nb5 *(14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 fxe6;*

14.Nd5 Nbxd5 15.cxd5 fxe6) 14...Bxe6 15.Bxb6 axb6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White is very far behind in development und Weiß ist in der Entwicklung sehr weit zurück.'" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White is very far behind in development'Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Weiß ist in der Entwicklung sehr weit zurück. ';

C2b) 13.Bxa7 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: '(there is no turning back anymore - you have to continue going after the material: (Es gibt kein Zurück mehr - man muss dem Material weiter nachgehen:'" Cabrilo,Goran: '(there is no turning back anymore - you have to continue going after the material:'Cabrilo,Goran: '(Es gibt kein Zurück mehr - man muss dem Material weiter nachgehen:' 13...b6 14.Bxb8 Nxb8 15.Nb5 exd5 16.Nf3 *(16.exd5 Bf5 17.Qd2 Ne4 18.Qe3* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'also appears to stabilize scheint auch zu stabilisieren''Cabrilo,Goran: 'also appears to stabilize' Cabrilo,Goran: 'scheint auch zu stabilisieren'*)* 16...dxe4 17.Nfd4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'and White is ahead und Weiß liegt vorn'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'and White is ahead' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Weiß liegt vorn';

C3) 11...exd5 12.Nxc7 Qd8 *(12...Qxe4 13.Qxe4 Nxe4 14.Nxa8 d4* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'looks very inspiration and 'Old Masters'-y, but a rook is a rook sieht sehr inspiriert und 'altmeisterlich' aus, aber ein Turm ist ein Turm''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'looks very inspiration and 'Old Masters'-y, but a rook is a rook' Cabrilo,Goran: 'sieht sehr inspiriert und 'altmeisterlich' aus, aber ein Turm ist ein Turm'*)* 13.Nxa8 Nxe4 14.Nf3 Qa5+ 15.Bd2 Qc5 16.0-0-0 Ndf6 17.cxd5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: ', and Black will be able to win the Na8, but not before the queens come off, leaving White with a clear edge und Schwarz wird den Sa8 gewinnen können, aber nicht bevor die Damen fallen, so dass Weiß einen klaren Vorteil hat'''Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black will be able to win the Na8, but not before the queens come off, leaving White with a clear edge' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Schwarz wird den Sa8 gewinnen können, aber nicht bevor die Damen fallen, so dass Weiß einen klaren Vorteil hat';

D) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'The text move is not great, but it does have its merits, and in fact, to my great surprise, it's only 'refuted' by a very subtle reply - all the normal-looking moves actually do give Black a decent game. Black's plan is very simple - I want to play e6 next, and attack the White center directly.' Svidler, Peter: 'Der Textzug ist nicht

großartig, aber er hat seine Vorzüge, und tatsächlich wird er zu meiner großen Überraschung nur durch eine sehr subtile Antwort 'widerlegt' - alle normal aussehenden Züge geben Schwarz tatsächlich ein anständiges Spiel. Der Plan von Schwarz ist sehr einfach - ich möchte als nächstes e6 spielen und das weiße Zentrum direkt angreifen.''''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'The text move is not great, but it does have its merits, and in fact, to my great surprise, it's only 'refuted' by a very subtle reply - all the normal-looking moves actually do give Black a decent game. Black's plan is very simple - I want to play e6 next, and attack the White center directly.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Der Textzug ist nicht großartig, aber er hat seine Vorzüge, und tatsächlich wird er zu meiner großen Überraschung nur durch eine sehr subtile Antwort 'widerlegt' - alle normal aussehenden Züge geben Schwarz tatsächlich ein anständiges Spiel. Der Plan von Schwarz ist sehr einfach - ich möchte als nächstes e6 spielen und das weiße Zentrum direkt angreifen. " 10.Nh3 e6

D1) 11.Nf2 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was stronger. Gukesh didn't feel' Svidler, Peter: 'war stärker. Gukesh fand''''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was stronger. Gukesh didn't feel'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'war stärker. Gukesh fand'' exd5 12.cxd5 Nxe4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was very clear, and it isn't, but after' Svidler, Peter: 'nicht sehr klar, und das ist es auch nicht, aber nach'''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was very clear, and it isn't, but after'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'nicht sehr klar, und das ist es auch nicht, aber nach'' 13.Ncxe4 f5 14.Rc1 'Svidler, Peter: '! Svidler,Peter: '! '! '! '!''Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '! Svidler, Peter: '!''' *(14.Qc2* Cabrilo,Goran: '?''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'''' *fxe4 15.Qxc7 Nc5* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'is much weaker because Nd3 is a very strong threat ist viel schwächer, denn Sd3 ist eine sehr starke Drohung''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is much weaker because Nd3 is a very strong threat' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist viel schwächer, denn Sd3 ist eine sehr starke Drohung'*)* 14...fxe4 15.Rxc7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White is a bit better' Svidler, Peter: 'steht Weiß ein bisschen besser'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White is a bit better'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'steht Weiß ein bisschen besser'' Bxb2 Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran'' 16.0-0 Bg7 17.Bd4 Rf7 Cabrilo,Goran: '∞';

D2) 11.dxe6 'Svidler, Peter: '?!' Svidler,Peter: '?!' '?!' '?!' ''Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '?!' Svidler, Peter: '?!''' ?!'' 11...Qxe6 12.Qc2

'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White is of course a few moves away from stabilizing and being comfortably better, but Black has a lot of decent options.' Svidler, Peter: 'Weiß ist natürlich ein paar Züge davon entfernt, sich zu stabilisieren und komfortabel besser zu stehen, aber Schwarz hat eine Menge anständiger Optionen.''' 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White is of course a few moves away from stabilizing and being comfortably better, but Black has a lot of decent options.''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Weiß ist natürlich ein paar Züge davon entfernt, sich zu stabilisieren und komfortabel besser zu stehen, aber Schwarz hat eine Menge anständiger Optionen."

D2a) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'there was also a very amusing Benko-like' Svidler, Peter: 'Es gab auch das sehr amüsante Benko-ähnliche"" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'there was also a very amusing Benko-like''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Es gab auch das sehr amüsante Benko-ähnliche" 12...b5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!?' 13.cxb5 *(13.Nxb5* Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran'' *Qxe4 14.Qxe4 Nxe4 15.Bf3 Bb7 16.Nf2 Ndc5 17.Nxc7 Rac8 18.Nb5 Rfe8 19.0-0 a6 20.Bxc5 axb5 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Bxd6 Rxc4 23.Nxe4 Rcxe4* Cabrilo,Goran: '=') 13...Bb7 14.Bf3 *(14.Ng5* Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran'' *Qe7 15.0-0 h6 16.Nf3 Nxe4 17.Bd4 Rfe8* Cabrilo,Goran: '=''; *14.Nf2* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'" *Rae8* Cabrilo,Goran: '∞') 14...a6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: ', with good compensation for the pawn.' Svidler, Peter: 'mit guter Entschädigung für den Bauern.''' 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: ', with good compensation for the pawn.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'mit guter Entschädigung für den Bauern.'' 15.bxa6 Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran'' Bxa6 Cabrilo,Goran: '⩱';

D2b) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Even the very restrained Selbst das sehr zurückhaltende'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Even the very restrained 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Selbst das sehr zurückhaltende' 12...b6 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'" 13.0-0 Nc5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is playable: ist spielbar:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is playable:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist spielbar:' 14.Ng5 *(14.Nf2 Bb7)* 14...Qe8 15.Rae1 h6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White will probably have to give up the Be3 for Nc5,

leading to a decent position for Black. und Weiß wird wahrscheinlich den Le3 für Sc5 aufgeben müssen, was zu einer anständigen Stellung für Schwarz führt.'" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White will probably have to give up the Be3 for Nc5, leading to a decent position for Black.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Weiß wird wahrscheinlich den Le3 für Sc5 aufgeben müssen, was zu einer anständigen Stellung für Schwarz führt.';

D2c) 12...Re8

D2c1) 13.0-0 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter was stronger: stärker war:'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'was stronger: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'stärker war:'

D2c11) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'perhaps it is wiser not to engage and play vielleicht ist es klüger, sich nicht zu verpflichten und hier''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'perhaps it is wiser not to engage and play' Cabrilo,Goran: 'vielleicht ist es klüger, sich nicht zu verpflichten und hier' 13...c6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'here: zu spielen:'''Cabrilo,Goran: 'here:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'zu spielen:' 14.Ng5 *(14.Nf2 Nxe4 15.Ncxe4 d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.Bb5 dxe4 18.Rfe1* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'is not unplayable for White, but Black shouldn't worry too much here after e.g. ist für Weiß nicht unspielbar, aber Schwarz sollte sich hier keine allzu großen Sorgen machen, nachdem z.B.''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is not unplayable for White, but Black shouldn't worry too much here after e.g.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist für Weiß nicht unspielbar, aber Schwarz sollte sich hier keine allzu großen Sorgen machen, nachdem z.B.' *Qf5 19.Ba4 h5)* 14...Qe7 15.Rae1 h6 16.Nf3 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: ', and now after und jetzt erhalten wir nach'" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and now after' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und jetzt erhalten wir nach' Ng4 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *(16...Nxe4* Cabrilo,Goran: '?' *17.Nxe4 Qxe4 18.Bd3 Qe7 19.f5* Cabrilo,Goran: '+-' *)* 17.Bc1 Nc5 18.h3 Nf6 19.Bd3 Qd8 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'we get a typical KI type position which is a bit better for White, but not catastrophic for Black at all. eine typische KI-

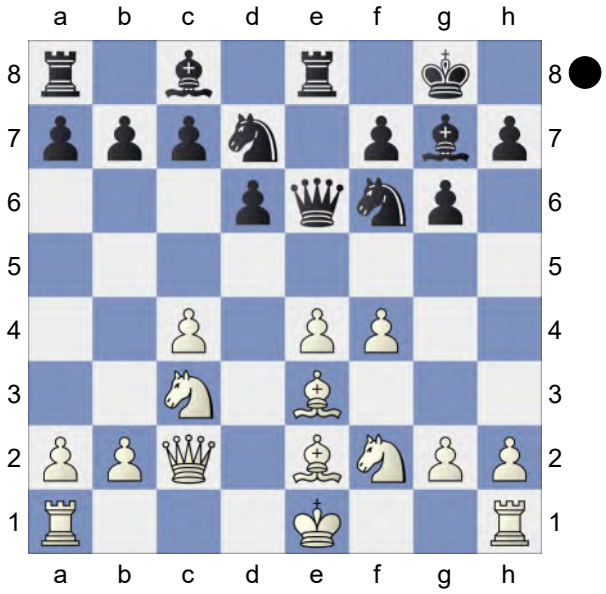
Stellung, die etwas besser für Weiß ist, aber keineswegs katastrophal für Schwarz.'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'we get a typical KI type position which is a bit better for White, but not catastrophic for Black at all.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'eine typische KI-Stellung, die etwas besser für Weiß ist, aber keineswegs katastrophal für Schwarz. ';

D2c12) 13...Nxe4 14.Nd5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'The point. The pawn on c7 is indefensible, meaning that Black will have to be very imaginative. Der Punkt. Der Bauer auf c7 ist nicht zu verteidigen, was bedeutet, dass Schwarz sehr einfallsreich sein muss.'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'The point. The pawn on c7 is indefensible, meaning that Black will have to be very imaginative.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Der Punkt. Der Bauer auf c7 ist nicht zu verteidigen, was bedeutet, dass Schwarz sehr einfallsreich sein muss.' Nef6 15.Ng5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' Qf5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' ('Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'the very amusing series of captures after die sehr amüsante Schlagzugserie nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'the very amusing series of captures after' Cabrilo,Goran: 'die sehr amüsante Schlagzugserie nach' *15...Nxd5 16.Nxe6 Nxe3 17.Nxg7 Nxc2 18.Nxe8 Nxa1 19.Nxc7 Rb8 20.Rxa1* Cabrilo,Goran: '±''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'leads to a bad endgame for Black. führt zu einem schlechten Endspiel für Schwarz.'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'leads to a bad endgame for Black.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'führt zu einem schlechten Endspiel für Schwarz.') 16.Bd3 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'and now it's time: und jetzt ist es so weit:'''Cabrilo,Goran: 'and now it's time:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und jetzt ist es so weit:' Nxd5 17.Bxf5 Nxe3 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'This position ends up being OK for Black, but finding the correct way thru in a practical game would be quite tricky: Diese Stellung ist am Ende für Schwarz in Ordnung, aber in einer praktischen Partie wäre es ziemlich schwierig, den richtigen

Weg zu finden:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'This position ends up being OK for Black, but finding the correct way thru in a practical game would be quite tricky:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Diese Stellung ist am Ende für Schwarz in Ordnung, aber in einer praktischen Partie wäre es ziemlich schwierig, den richtigen Weg zu finden:' 18.Rae1 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Stockfish 15.1 NNUE syzygy: 1) Stockfisch 15. 1 NNUE syzygy: 1)''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Stockfish 15.1 NNUE syzygy: 1)' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Stockfisch 15.1 NNUE syzygy: 1)' Re7 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'worse is schlechter ist''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'worse is' Cabrilo,Goran: 'schlechter ist' *18...Bd4 19.Kh1 Nf6 20.Qd3 Nxf5 21.Rxe8+ Nxe8 22.g4 c5 23.gxf5 Bxf5* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: ', where White has to be better despite the wonderful bishops , wonach Weiß trotz der wunderbaren Läufer besser stehen muss''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', where White has to be better despite the wonderful bishops' Cabrilo,Goran: ', wonach Weiß trotz der wunderbaren Läufer besser stehen muss'*;* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'or oder''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'or' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder' *18...Nf6 19.Qb3 Nxf5 20.Rxe8+ Nxe8 21.c5 Nh6 22.Re1 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Ng7 24.cxd6 cxd6 25.h3* Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black has a lot of pieces for the queen, but very few good squares for them und Schwarz hat viele Figuren für die Dame, aber nur sehr wenige gute Felder für sie''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black has a lot of pieces for the queen, but very few good squares for them' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Schwarz hat viele Figuren für die Dame, aber nur sehr wenige gute Felder für sie' *)* 19.Rxe3 Bd4 20.Kh1 Bxe3 21.Re1 Nf6 22.Qb3 Bxf5 23.Rxe3 Rxe3 24.Qxe3 Re8 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: ', and Black should hold und Schwarz sollte halten''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black should hold' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und

Schwarz sollte halten';

D2c2) 13.Nf2 'Diagram



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D2c21) 14.Nfxe4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was perhaps a saner choice, but considering the tournament standings, I assesed the likelihood of that move as near zero. ' Svidler, Peter: 'wäre vielleicht eine vernünftigere Wahl gewesen, aber in Anbetracht des Turnierstandes schätzte ich die Wahrscheinlichkeit eines solchen Zuges als nahezu null ein.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was perhaps a saner choice, but considering the tournament standings, I assesed the likelihood of that move as near zero.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'wäre vielleicht

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D2c22) 14.Ncxe4 f5 15.0-0-0 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'An important moment in the game. We both had about half an hour left at this point, and I felt like I couldn't really invest much of it into any single decision. My original intention was to insta-recapture on e4 here, but then, somewhere along the line

while Gukesh was thinking, I spotted that the move I made existed - and I simply couldn't resist. It's nothing special objectively, in terms of both quality and beauty, but it somehow appealed to me a great deal - it's not that often you can take a full knight but instead make a move that allows your opponent to trade it away while also unpinning his other endangered pieces.' Svidler, Peter: 'Ein wichtiger Moment in dieser Partie. Zu diesem Zeitpunkt hatten wir beide noch etwa eine halbe Stunde Zeit, und ich hatte das Gefühl, dass ich nicht wirklich viel davon in eine einzelne Entscheidung investieren konnte. Ursprünglich wollte ich hier sofort auf e4 schlagen, aber dann sah ich irgendwann, während Gukesh nachdachte, dass der Zug, den ich machte, existierte - und ich konnte einfach nicht widerstehen. Er ist objektiv gesehen nichts Besonderes, sowohl in Bezug auf die Qualität als auch auf die Schönheit, aber er hat mich irgendwie sehr angesprochen - es kommt nicht oft vor, dass man einen vollen Springer nehmen kann, aber stattdessen einen Zug macht, der es dem Gegner erlaubt, ihn abzutauschen und gleichzeitig seine anderen gefährdeten Figuren zu entfesseln.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'An important moment in the game. We both had about half an hour left at this point, and I felt like I couldn't really invest much of it into any single decision. My original intention was to insta-recapture on e4 here, but then, somewhere along the line while Gukesh was thinking, I spotted that the move I made existed - and I simply couldn't resist. It's nothing special objectively, in terms of both quality and beauty, but it somehow appealed to me a great deal - it's not that often you can take a full knight but instead make a move that allows your opponent to trade it away while also unpinning his other endangered pieces.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Ein wichtiger Moment in dieser Partie. Zu diesem Zeitpunkt hatten wir beide noch etwa eine halbe Stunde

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D2c221) 15...fxe4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was, of course, entirely playable. After' Svidler, Peter: 'war natürlich absolut spielbar. Nach'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was, of course, entirely playable. After'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'war natürlich absolut spielbar. Nach'' 16.h4 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' ''!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!''' ' *(16.c5* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter worried me for a bit, but in fact it's a bad mistake: after hat mich etwas beunruhigt, aber eigentlich ist es ein schlimmer Fehler: nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'worried me for a bit, but in fact it's a bad mistake: after' Cabrilo,Goran: 'hat mich etwas beunruhigt, aber eigentlich ist es ein schlimmer Fehler: nach' *Nf6 17.g4 Kh8* Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *18.g5 Nd5* Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'White is completely busted ist Weiß völlig pleite''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'White is completely busted' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist Weiß völlig pleite' *)* 16...Nc5 17.h5

D2c2211) 17...Qf7 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 18.g4 Bd7 *(18...Nd3+ 19.Nxd3*

exd3 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Rxd3 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'is very unclear, even if the engine assigns its customary zeroes to most sensible moves ist sehr unklar, auch wenn die Engine den meisten sinnvollen Zügen ihre üblichen Nullen zuweist''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is very unclear, even if the engine assigns its customary zeroes to most sensible moves' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist sehr unklar, auch wenn die Engine den meisten sinnvollen Zügen ihre üblichen Nullen zuweist' *)* 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Rde1 *(20.Rdg1* Cabrilo,Goran: '?''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'loses to verliert nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'loses to' Cabrilo,Goran: 'verliert nach' *Nd3+)* 20...Bc6 21.Rh3 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'would lead to a very unbalanced position which is probably quite decent for Black, e.g. würde zu einer sehr unausgewogenen Stellung führen, die für Schwarz wahrscheinlich recht anständig ist, z.B.''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'would lead to a very unbalanced position which is probably quite decent for Black, e.g.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'würde zu einer sehr unausgewogenen Stellung führen, die für Schwarz wahrscheinlich recht anständig ist, z.B.' a5 22.f5 a4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it's very unclear why Black's initiative on the Qside must be slower than White's on the other side of the board und es ist sehr unklar, warum die Initiative von Schwarz auf der Damenseite langsamer sein muss als die von Weiß auf der anderen Seite des Brettes''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it's very unclear why

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D2c2212) 17...Qf6 18.g4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'is similar' Svidler, Peter: 'ist ähnlich"" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'is similar' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'ist ähnlich" Bd7 Cabrilo,Goran: ' ∞' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran";

D2c222) 15...Nc5 16.Bxc5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Nothing else makes much sense.' Svidler, Peter: 'Nichts anderes macht viel Sinn."" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Nothing else makes much sense.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Nichts anderes macht viel Sinn." dxc5

D2c2221) 17.Ng5 ''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'was quite testing, but it all ends up equal:' Svidler,Peter: 'war ziemlich fordernd, aber am Ende steht alles gleich:''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'was quite testing, but it all ends up equal:'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'war ziemlich fordernd, aber am Ende steht alles gleich:"

D2c22211) 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'I had dreams of making Ich habe davon geträumt,'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'I had dreams of making ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Ich habe davon geträumt,' 17...Qe3+ 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter work, but in the end I probably wouldn't risk it: zum Funktionieren zu bringen, aber letztendlich würde

ich es wahrscheinlich nicht riskieren:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'work, but in the end I probably wouldn't risk it:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'zum Funktionieren zu bringen, aber letztendlich würde ich es wahrscheinlich nicht riskieren:'
18.Rd2 Qxf2
19.Bf3 Re1+
(19...Qe3 20.Kb1 Cabrilo,Goran: ''!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is super risky ist super riskant''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is super risky' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist super riskant'*)*
20.Bd1 Qxf4
21.Rxe1 Qxg5
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'I got to this position, and couldn't see why it should lose, but I had a very bad feeling about it, and not incorrectly, even if the solution is fairly unfindable: Ich kam zu dieser Position und konnte nicht erkennen, warum sie verlieren sollte, aber ich hatte ein sehr schlechtes Gefühl dabei, und das nicht zu Unrecht, auch wenn die Lösung ziemlich unauffindbar ist:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'I got to this position, and couldn't see why it should lose, but I had a very bad feeling about it, and not incorrectly, even if the solution is fairly unfindable:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Ich kam zu dieser Position und konnte nicht erkennen, warum sie verlieren sollte, aber ich hatte ein sehr schlechtes Gefühl dabei, und das nicht zu Unrecht, auch wenn die Lösung ziemlich unauffindbar ist:'
22.Qd3 Cabrilo,Goran: '!!'
(22.h4 Qxh4
23.Re8+ Kf7
24.Rdd8 Bd7 Cabrilo,Goran: ''!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is a very cute line I did see during the game ist eine sehr

nette Variante, die ich während der Partie gesehen habe'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is a very cute line I did see during the game ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist eine sehr nette Variante, die ich während der Partie gesehen habe') 22...Bd4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'why did White give us a tempo to close down the center?? Warum hat Weiß uns ein Tempo geschenkt, um das Zentrum zu schließen?'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'why did White give us a tempo to close down the center??' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Warum hat Weiß uns ein Tempo geschenkt, um das Zentrum zu schließen?' 23.b4 Cabrilo,Goran: '!!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'and suddenly everything collapses: und plötzlich bricht alles zusammen:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'and suddenly everything collapses:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und plötzlich bricht alles zusammen:' b6 24.Bf3 Rb8 25.Re8+ Kf7 26.Qe2 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'and with the rook on b8, Black will never be able to unpin the back rank und mit dem Turm auf b8 wird Schwarz nie in der Lage sein, die Grundreihe zu entfesselnhintere Reihe zu entblößen'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'and with the rook on b8, Black will never be able to unpin the back rank' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und mit dem Turm auf b8 wird Schwarz nie in der Lage sein, die Grundreihe zu entfesselnhintere Reihe zu entblößen';

D2c22212)

17...Qxe2 18.Qxe2 Rxe2 19.Rd8+ Bf8 ''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: ', and now both White's moves are

a draw, but it gets quite tricky:' Svidler, Peter: 'und jetzt sind beide Züge von Weiß remis, aber es wird ziemlich knifflig:'" ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: ', and now both White's moves are a draw, but it gets quite tricky:'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'und jetzt sind beide Züge von Weiß remis, aber es wird ziemlich knifflig:"

D2c222121)

20.Nd3 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter is easier to handle: ist leichter zu handhaben:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is easier to handle:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist leichter zu handhaben:'

D2c2221211)

20...b6 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'is also OK ist auch OK''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also OK ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist auch OK' 21.Ne5 Kg7 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *(21...Bb7 22.Rhd1* Cabrilo,Goran: '+-')* 22.Rhd1 *(22.Ne6+ Bxe6 23.Rxa8 Bd6 24.Rxa7 Rxg2 25.Rd1 Kf6 26.Rd2 Rg1+ 27.Rd1 Rg2* Cabrilo,Goran: '=')* 22...Bd6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black is fine , und Schwarz steht gut ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and Black is fine' Cabrilo,Goran: ', und Schwarz steht gut';

D2c2221212)

20...h6 21.Nh7 Kxh7 22.Rxf8 Kg7 23.Rd8 b6 24.Ne5 Rxg2 25.Rhd1 g5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and we make enough progress on the Kside (while giving our King squares in the process) not to have to worry und wir machen genug Fortschritte auf der K-Seite (und geben dabei unserem König ein Feld), um uns keine Sorgen machen zu müssen. '" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and we make

enough progress on the Kside (while giving our King squares in the process) not to have to worry' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und wir machen genug Fortschritte auf der K-Seite (und geben dabei unserem König ein Feld), um uns keine Sorgen machen zu müssen. ';

D2c222122)

20.Nd1 h6 'Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: 'Here, this is the only move:' Svidler, Peter: 'Hier ist dies der einzige Zug:'" ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Here, this is the only move:'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Hier ist dies der einzige Zug:" *(20...b6* Cabrilo,Goran: '??''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'''

21.Nc3 Rxg2
22.Nd5 Bb7
23.Nf6+ Kg7
24.Rd7+ Kxf6
25.Rf7#) 21.Nc3 Rxg2 22.Re1 'Svidler,Peter: '!?' '!?' '!?' ''Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!?''' !?'' *(22.Nh7* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter is also a draw ist auch ein Unentschieden''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also a draw' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist auch ein Unentschieden' *Kxh7 23.Rxf8 Kg7*
24.Re8 b6
25.Rhe1 Bb7
26.R1e7+ Kf6
27.Re6+ Kf7
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White can take the perp or play on with und Weiß kann den Eindringling nehmen oder weiter spielen mit''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White can take the perp or play on with ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Weiß kann den Eindringling nehmen oder weiter spielen mit'

28.R8e7+ Kf8
29.Rxc7 Bf3

'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'but Black is fine anyway: , aber Schwarz steht trotzdem gut:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'but Black is fine anyway: ' Cabrilo,Goran: ', aber Schwarz steht trotzdem gut:' *30.Rh7 Kg8 31.Ree7 Re8* Cabrilo,Goran: '=!*)* 22...hxg5 23.Re7 'Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: '!''' ' c6 24.fxg5 Rxg5 25.Ree8 ''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: ', and we will lose both bishops, but we're still fine:' Svidler,Peter: 'und wir werden beide Läufer verlieren, aber uns geht es immer noch gut:''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: ', and we will lose both bishops, but we're still fine:'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'und wir werden beide Läufer verlieren, aber uns geht es immer noch gut:" **D2c2221221)**

25...Rg1+ 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 26.Kc2 Kg7 27.Rxf8 Rg2+ **D2c22212211)** 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'or' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder' 28.Kd3 Rxh2 *(28...Rxb2* Cabrilo,Goran: '!?' *29.h4 Rh2* Cabrilo,Goran: '=*')* 29.b3 g5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and we have enough counterplay for the eventual piece down ending und wir haben genug Gegenspiel für ein mögliches Minusfigurenendspiel''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and we have enough counterplay for the eventual piece down ending' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und wir haben genug Gegenspiel für ein mögliches Minusfigurenendspiel';

D2c22212212)
28.Kb3 Rxh2
29.Rxc8 Rxc8
30.Rxc8 g5
31.Rc7+ Kf6
32.Rxb7 g4
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and our pawns are enough of a nuisance to be OK und unsere Bauern sind lästig genug, um OK zu sein.''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and our pawns are enough of a nuisance to be OK' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und unsere Bauern sind lästig genug, um OK zu sein.';

D2c2221222)
25...Kg7
Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran''
26.Rxf8 Rg1+
27.Kd2 Rg2+
28.Ke3 Rxh2
Cabrilo,Goran: '∞';

D2c2222) 17.Nc3
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Not a mistake as such, but now White will need to play quite precisely' Svidler, Peter: 'Kein Fehler an sich, aber jetzt muss Weiß ziemlich genau spielen'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Not a mistake as such, but now White will need to play quite precisely'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Kein Fehler an sich, aber jetzt muss Weiß ziemlich genau spielen" 17...Qe3+
18.Rd2 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!''' ' Qxf2 19.Bf3
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White needs this tempo' Svidler, Peter: 'Weiß braucht dieses Tempo'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White needs this tempo'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Weiß braucht dieses Tempo'' Qh4
20.Nd5

D2c22221)
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'My original intention was Meine ursprüngliche Absicht war''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'My

original intention was ' Cabrilo,Goran: ' Meine ursprüngliche Absicht war' 20...Qd8 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 21.Nb6 axb6 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and while I think this is OK for Black, the moment I spotted 20...c6 I became convinced I must play it. und obwohl ich denke, dass dies für Schwarz in Ordnung ist, war ich in dem Moment, als ich 20...c6 entdeckte, überzeugt, dass ich es spielen muss.''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and while I think this is OK for Black, the moment I spotted 20...c6 I became convinced I must play it.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und obwohl ich denke, dass dies für Schwarz in Ordnung ist, war ich in dem Moment, als ich 20...c6 entdeckte, überzeugt, dass ich es spielen muss.' 23.Qe2 *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'or' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder' *23.Bd5+ Kf8 24.a3 c6 25.Bf3 Be6)* 23...Bf6 24.Kb1 c6 25.Re1 Bd7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it's hard to imagine how White ever gets through und es ist schwer vorstellbar, wie White jemals durchkommt.''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it's hard to imagine how White ever gets through' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und es ist schwer vorstellbar, wie White jemals durchkommt.'; **D2c22222)** 20...c6 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: 'And this point I was hugely optimistic. Play becomes very forced, and I didn't

see how White could easily (or at all, really) solve his problems. This type of assessment is quite unusual for me, and unsurprisingly, I was also wrong, White isn't even worse. He does, however, need to play well from here. ' Svidler, Peter: 'Und an diesem Punkt war ich sehr optimistisch. Das Spiel wird sehr forciert, und ich habe nicht gesehen, wie Weiß seine Probleme leicht (oder überhaupt) lösen könnte. Diese Art der Einschätzung ist für mich recht ungewöhnlich, und es überrascht nicht, dass ich auch falsch lag, Weiß steht nicht einmal schlechter. Allerdings muss er von hier an gut spielen.''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'And this point I was hugely optimistic. Play becomes very forced, and I didn't

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Re1+ 22.Rxe1 Qxe1+

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23.Rd1 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was even stronger, apparently: after' Svidler, Peter: 'war offenbar noch stärker: nach'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'was even stronger, apparently: after'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'war offenbar noch stärker: nach'' Qe3+ 24.Kb1 Rb8 25.Rd8+ Kf7 26.Ne8 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: 'White holds quite comfortably:' Svidler, Peter: 'hält Weiß recht bequem:''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'White holds quite comfortably:'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'hält Weiß recht bequem:''

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26...Bf8 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 27.Qd1 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'the only move der einzige Zug''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'the only move' Cabrilo,Goran: 'der einzige Zug' Qxf4 28.Qe2 *(28.Rxc8* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also a draw: ist ebenfalls unentschieden:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also a draw:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist ebenfalls unentschieden:' *Rxc8 29.Qd7+ Be7 30.Qxc8 Qxc4 31.a3 Qd3+* Cabrilo,Goran: '=' *)*

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28...Qxh2 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'leads to some more spectacular 0.00 lines: führt zu einigen spektakulären 0,00-Varianten:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'leads to some more spectacular 0.

00 lines:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'führt zu einigen spektakulären 0,00-Varianten:' 29.Nc7 Cabrilo,Goran: ' □' Qxc7 *(29...Bd6 30.Qe8+ Kg7 31.Qe1* Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also somehow a draw ist auch irgendwie ein Unentschieden''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is also somehow a draw ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist auch irgendwie ein Unentschieden'*)* 30.Qe8+ Kf6 31.Qxf8+ Kg5 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and here I like the quiet und hier mag ich das ruhige''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and here I like the quiet ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und hier mag ich das ruhige' 32.a4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'the most, illustrating both how few actual threats White can generate, and how little Black can move am meisten, was sowohl zeigt, wie wenig tatsächliche Drohungen Weiß erzeugen kann, als auch wie wenig Schwarz sich bewegen kann''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'the most, illustrating both how few actual threats White can generate, and how little Black can move' Cabrilo,Goran: 'am meisten, was sowohl zeigt, wie wenig tatsächliche Drohungen Weiß erzeugen kann, als auch wie wenig Schwarz sich bewegen kann';

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28...Be7 29.g3 Qh6 30.Nd6+ Kf6 31.Ne8+ *(31.Rxc8 Bxd6 32.Qd3 Ke7 33.Qe2+ Kf6)* 31...Kf7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'more draws for the draw god. mehr Unentschieden für den Remisgott.''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'more draws for the draw god.' Cabrilo,Goran: ' mehr

Unentschieden für den Remisgott.';
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26...Ke7
Cabrilo,Goran: '?''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'''
27.Rd3
Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is just bad ist einfach schlecht''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is just bad' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist einfach schlecht';
D2c2222213)
26...Qe1+
Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran''
27.Bd1 Bf8
28.Qd3 Qe4
29.Qxe4 fxe4
30.Bg4 Be7
31.Rxc8 Rxc8
32.Bxc8 Kxe8
33.Kc2
Cabrilo,Goran: '=';
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23.Bd1 Rb8
24.Rd8+ Kf7
'Diagram

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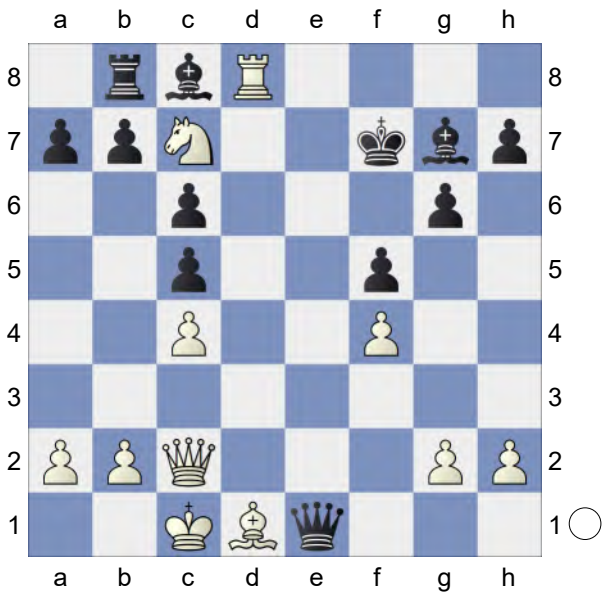

Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'''
25.Ne8
Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: '!' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Strictly the only move' Svidler, Peter: 'Streng genommen der einzige Zug''''
Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Strictly the only move'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Streng genommen der einzige Zug'' *(25.Qd3* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' *Qf2* 'Svidler,Peter:

'Cabrilo,Goran: 'loses on the spot verliert auf der Stelle''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'loses on the spot' Cabrilo,Goran: 'verliert auf der Stelle' *)* 25...Qe3+ *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Somewhere along the way I realized that Irgendwann wurde mir klar, dass''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Somewhere along the way I realized that' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Irgendwann wurde mir klar, dass' *25...Ke7* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter 'and White resigns' runs into und 'Weiß gibt auf' in''' Cabrilo,Goran: ''and White resigns' runs into' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und 'Weiß gibt auf' in' *26.Rd2* Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it is Black who has to find a bunch of only moves: läuft und es Schwarz ist, der eine Reihe von einzigen Zügen finden muss:''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and it is Black who has to find a bunch of only moves: ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'läuft und es Schwarz ist, der eine Reihe von einzigen Zügen finden muss:' *Bd4* Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *27.Re2+ Be3+ 28.Kb1 Qg1 29.Qd2 Be6* Cabrilo,Goran: '!' *30.Qd6+ Kf7 31.Qc7+ Kf8 32.Qd6+ Kf7* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', with a perpetual. , mit einem Dauerschach.''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', with a perpetual.' Cabrilo,Goran: ', mit einem Dauerschach.*)* 26.Kb1 **D2c2222221)** 26...Ke7 Cabrilo,Goran: '?''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 27.Rd3 *(27.Rd2 Be5* Cabrilo,Goran: '!!''Svidler,Peter:

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the Be6 is.' Svidler, Peter: 'Der Staub hat sich gelegt, Schwarz hat einen Mehrbauern und eine sichere Struktur, und Weiß hat anscheinend überhaupt kein Gegenspiel. Mit diesem Wissen und etwas mehr Zeit auf der Uhr hatte ich das Gefühl, dass ich Druck machen muss. In der realen Welt ist diese Stellung einfach ausgeglichen. Die Engine hält sie ohne ein einziges Problem, und ich vermute, dass auch ein Mensch nicht allzu sehr leiden wird. Schwarz kann einfach nicht durchbrechen, vor allem, weil der Le6 so nutzlos ist.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'The dust has settled, Black has an extra pawn and a safe structure, and White seemingly won't have any counterplay at all. Armed with that knowledge, and with a bit more time on the clock, I felt like I must push. In the real world, this position is just equal. The engine holds it without a single problem, and I suspect even a human won't suffer too much. Black just can't break through, mainly because just how useless the Be6 is.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Der Staub hat sich gelegt, Schwarz hat einen Mehrbauern und eine sichere Struktur, und Weiß hat anscheinend überhaupt kein Gegenspiel. Mit diesem Wissen und etwas mehr Zeit auf der Uhr hatte ich das Gefühl, dass ich Druck machen muss. In der realen Welt ist diese Stellung einfach ausgeglichen. Die Engine hält sie ohne ein einziges Problem, und ich vermute, dass auch ein Mensch

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für zukünftige Probleme.'' *(30...Re8* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' *31.Rd3 Qg1)* 31.Be2 'Svidler, Peter: 'Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'I missed that this move is playable, but other options were also completely fine, up to and including the very humiliating' Svidler, Peter: 'Ich übersah, dass dieser Zug spielbar ist, aber andere Optionen waren auch völlig in Ordnung, bis hin zu dem sehr demütigenden"" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'I missed that this move is playable, but other options were also completely fine, up to and including the very humiliating'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Ich übersah, dass dieser Zug spielbar ist, aber andere Optionen waren

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31...Qg1+ 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' 32.Kb2 Qxh2 33.cxb5 cxb5 34.Rxe6 Kxe6 35.Bc4+ 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'was a very stupid thing to blunder zu übersehen wäre eine große Dummheit.''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'was a very stupid thing to blunder' Cabrilo,Goran: 'zu übersehen wäre eine große Dummheit.';
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31...a6 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter would still require White to play würde Weiß immer noch'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'would still require White to play' Cabrilo,Goran: 'würde Weiß immer noch'
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'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'or' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder' 32.Rxc6 Rd8 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'and now a long sequence of only moves: und nun eine lange Sequenz von einzigen Zügen:'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'and now a long sequence of only moves:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und nun eine lange Sequenz von einzigen Zügen:' 33.Rc7+ Cabrilo,Goran: ' □'

Kg8 34.Qb2 Cabrilo,Goran: ' □' Qe4+ 35.Qc2 *('Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'or o d e r ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'or' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder' 35.Ka1 Qh1+ 36.Qb1 Qg2 37.Qe1* Cabrilo,Goran: '!*)* 35...Rd2 36.Qxe4 fxe4 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and now somehow und jetzt stellt sich i r g e n d w i e ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and now somehow' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und jetzt stellt sich irgendwie' 37.cxb5 Rxe2 38.bxa6 e3 39.Rxc5 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'turns out to be a d r a w a l s unentschieden h e r a u s ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'turns out to be a d r a w ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'als unentschieden heraus'; **D2c222222222)** 32.Kb2 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'a b v e r l a n g e n ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'a b v e r l a n g e n ' 32...Rb7 33.Rd2 'S v i d l e r , P e t e r : 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White is ready to start offering the Queen trades, safe in the knowledge all the endgames are just a draw while the bishops are still on the board. und Weiß ist b e r e i t , d e n D a m e n t a u s c h anzubieten, in der Gewissheit, dass alle Endspiele nur R e m i s s i n d , solange die Läufer noch auf dem Brett s i n d . ' ' ' Cabrilo,Goran: ', and White is ready to start offering the Queen trades, safe in the knowledge all the endgames are just a draw while the bishops are still on the b o a r d . ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und Weiß ist bereit, den D a m e n t a u s c h anzubieten, in der Gewissheit, dass alle Endspiele nur R e m i s s i n d , solange die Läufer noch auf dem Brett

sind.';
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31...b4 'Svidler, Peter: '?' Svidler, Peter: '?' '?' '?' '?''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '?' Svidler,Peter: '?' Svidler, Peter: 'Doesn't throw the game away, but is still completely unnecessary.' Svidler, Peter: 'Wirft die Partie zwar nicht weg, ist aber dennoch völlig unnötig.'" ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Doesn't throw the game away, but is still completely unnecessary.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Wirft die Partie zwar nicht weg, ist aber dennoch völlig unnötig." 32.Qd1 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'and here I began panicking, realizing I allowed this reshaping of White's pieces, with Bf3 coming, and my structure potentially coming under severe pressure. However,

I managed to get my act together just in time.' Svidler, Peter: 'und hier geriet ich in Panik, als ich merkte, dass ich diese Umformung der weißen Figuren zuließ, Lf3 kommt und meine Struktur gerät möglicherweise unter starken Druck. Ich schaffte es jedoch gerade noch rechtzeitig, die Kurve zu kriegen.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'and here I began panicking, realizing I allowed this reshaping of White's pieces, with Bf3 coming, and my structure potentially coming under severe pressure. However, I managed to get my act together just in time.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'und hier geriet ich in Panik, als ich merkte, dass ich diese Umformung der weißen Figuren zuließ, Lf3 kommt und meine Struktur

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32...Ke7

Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter , creating a very strong theat of Bd5, was simpler, but I missed that after , der eine sehr starke Drohung Ld5 schafft, war einfacher, aber ich übersah, dass nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: ', creating a very strong theat of Bd5, was simpler, but I missed that after' Cabrilo,Goran: ', der eine sehr starke Drohung Ld5 schafft, war einfacher, aber ich übersah, dass nach'

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'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'best play is just a dead draw here as well, though: Das beste Spiel ist aber auch hier nur ein totes Unentschieden:''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'best play is just a dead draw here as well, though:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Das beste Spiel ist aber auch hier nur ein totes Unentschieden:'

33.Rd3 Qf2 34.Bf3 Rc8 35.Rd2 Qe3 36.Rd3 *(36.Re2 Qc3)* 36...Qf2 37.Rd2 Qe3;

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33.Bf3 Bd5 34.cxd5 Kxd6 35.dxc6+

'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Black has Schwarz''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Black has' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Schwarz' Qd4 Cabrilo,Goran: '!''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'hat.'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'hat.';

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32...Re8 33.Bf3 Bc8 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo, Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,

Peter: 'This is a good decision, I need to connect the Re8 with the Queen to be able to generate counterplay.' Svidler, Peter: 'Das ist eine gute Entscheidung, ich muss den Te8 mit der Dame verbinden, um Gegenspiel zu erzeugen.''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'This is a good decision, I need to connect the Re8 with the Queen to be able to generate counterplay.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Das ist eine gute Entscheidung, ich muss den Te8 mit der Dame verbinden, um Gegenspiel zu erzeugen.''
34.Rxc6
Cabrilo,Goran: '=''Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: '=''' *(34.Bxc6* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter''' *Re7 35.Bf3 Qe1* Cabrilo,Goran: '=' *)*

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34...Qf2
'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter'''
35.Qd3 *(35.Rc7+ Re7 36.Qd5+ Be6 37.Qxc5 Qe1+* Cabrilo,Goran: '=*')*
35...Qxh2
'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is apparently completely fine as well, but on very low time I wasn't about to play lines like these if I could help it ist anscheinend auch völlig in Ordnung, aber bei sehr wenig Zeit wollte ich solche Varianten nicht spielen, wenn ich es vermeiden konnte''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is apparently completely fine as well, but on very low time I wasn't about to play lines like these if I could help it ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist anscheinend auch völlig in Ordnung, aber bei sehr wenig Zeit wollte ich solche

Varianten nicht spielen, wenn ich es vermeiden konnte';
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34...Qc3 35.Rc7+ Kg8 36.Be2 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: 'Annoyingly, this stops all of my counterplay for now.' Svidler, Peter: 'Ärgerlicherweise stoppt dies mein gesamtes Gegenspiel für den Moment.''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Annoyingly, this stops all of my counterplay for now.' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Ärgerlicherweise stoppt dies mein gesamtes Gegenspiel für den Moment." Qe3
D2c22222223221)
37.Qd3 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter would have given me a panic attack, but Black is OK after both hätte mir eine Panikattacke beschert, aber Schwarz steht okay sowohl nach''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'would have given me a panic attack, but Black is OK after both' Cabrilo,Goran: 'hätte mir eine Panikattacke beschert, aber Schwarz steht okay sowohl nach'
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37...Qg1+ 38.Bd1 Qxh2 Cabrilo,Goran: '!' 39.Rxc5 *(39.Qd5+ Be6 40.Qe5* Cabrilo,Goran: '?' *Bf7* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'is never mate ist niemals Matt''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'is never mate' Cabrilo,Goran: 'ist niemals Matt'*)* 39...Qg1 40.Rc7 Be6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'and we're OK - both kings are vulnerable enough for Black not to have to worry too much und es ist alles in Ordnung - beide Könige sind

verwundbar genug, dass Schwarz sich keine allzu großen Sorgen machen muss''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'and we're OK - both kings are vulnerable enough for Black not to have to worry too much ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und es ist alles in Ordnung - beide Könige sind verwundbar genug, dass Schwarz sich keine allzu großen Sorgen machen muss';

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37...Qxe2 38.Qxe2 Rxe2 39.Rxc8+ Kf7 40.Rxc5 Rxh2 41.Ra5 Ke6 42.Rxa7 Kd6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and with the white king as passive as it is, we always have enough counterplay. und da der weiße König so passiv ist, haben wir immer genug Gegenspiel. '" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and with the white king as passive as it is, we always have enough counterplay.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und da der weiße König so passiv ist, haben wir immer genug Gegenspiel. ';

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37.Qd5+ Be6 38.Qd3 Qg1+ 39.Bd1 Bf7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'At this point I spotted how solid this set up is, and began calming down.' Svidler, Peter: 'An diesem Punkt bemerkte ich, wie solide diese Aufstellung ist, und begann mich zu beruhigen.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'At this point I spotted how solid this set up is, and began calming down.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'An diesem Punkt bemerkte ich, wie solide diese Aufstellung ist, und begann mich zu beruhigen.'' 40.Qd7 *(40.Rxa7* 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran:

'Svidler, Peter''' *Qxh2* Cabrilo,Goran: '=') 40...Re7 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' '!' '!''Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: '!' Svidler,Peter: '!' Svidler, Peter: 'is the same' Svidler, Peter: 'ist dasselbe''' ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'is the same'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'ist dasselbe'' 41.Rc8+ Kg7 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Gukesh thought for quite some time here, since draw did absolutely nothing for him, tournament wise - but Black is now very solid, and in the end he decided not to push further.' Svidler, Peter: 'Gukesh dachte hier eine ganze Weile nach, da ihm das Remis turniermäßig absolut nichts brachte - aber Schwarz steht jetzt sehr solide, und am Ende entschied er sich, nicht weiterzumachen.'''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Gukesh thought for quite some time here, since draw did absolutely nothing for him, tournament wise - but Black is now very solid, and in the end he decided not to push further.'' Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'Gukesh dachte hier eine ganze Weile nach, da ihm das Remis turniermäßig absolut nichts brachte - aber Schwarz steht jetzt sehr solide, und am Ende entschied er sich, nicht weiterzumachen." **D2c222222232221)** 42.Qd6 'Svidler, Peter Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter gives Black a wide choice. Since 43. Rxc5 is not a threat right now - it loses to 43...Re1 44.Kc2 Rxd1! - Black can even spend a tempo on something useful,

like a5 - but there are also immediate solutions available: gibt Schwarz eine große Auswahl. Da 43.Txc5 im Moment keine Drohung ist - es verliert gegen 43...Te1 44.Kc2 Txd1! - kann Schwarz sogar ein Tempo für etwas Nützliches aufwenden, wie a5 - aber es gibt auch sofortige Lösungen:'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'gives Black a wide choice. Since 43.Rxc5 is not a threat right now - it loses to 43...Re1 44.Kc2 Rxd1! - Black can even spend a tempo on something useful, like a5 - but there are also immediate solutions available:' Cabrilo,Goran: 'gibt Schwarz eine große Auswahl. Da 43.Txc5 im Moment keine Drohung ist - es verliert gegen 43...Te1 44.Kc2 Txd1! - kann Schwarz sogar ein Tempo für etwas Nützliches aufwenden, wie a5 - aber es gibt auch sofortige Lösungen:' Qe3 Cabrilo,Goran: '!?' *(* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'or even oder sogar'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'or even ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'oder sogar' *42...Re8* Cabrilo,Goran: '!?' *43.Rc7 Qxh2 44.Qxc5 Qxg3 45.Qd5 Rf8 46.Qd4+ Kg8* 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: ', and the engine suggests Black has no reason to think they're behind in the impending race. und die Engine deutet darauf hin, dass Schwarz keinen Grund hat, zu glauben, dass er im bevorstehenden Rennen hinten liegt. '" Cabrilo,Goran: ', and the engine suggests Black has no reason to think they're behind in the impending race. ' Cabrilo,Goran: 'und die Engine deutet darauf hin, dass Schwarz

keinen Grund hat, zu glauben, dass er im bevorstehenden Rennen hinten liegt. ') 43.Rxc5 Re6 44.Qd5 Re7 45.Qd6 Re6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'with a draw. mit einem Unentschieden.''' Cabrilo,Goran: 'with a draw.' Cabrilo,Goran: 'mit einem Unentschieden.';
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42.Qxe7
½-½ (42) Sikorova, J (2730) - Wohl'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'With that draw, I was guaranteed at least a playoff for 1st, since Mishra was busy defending a pawn-down queen ending vs Boris. In the end, after holding perfectly for 120 moves, he made a fatal mistake with seconds left, giving me my first tournament win since 2017, and the first non-RussianSuperfinal win since I honestly don't know when. I'm still in a bit of shock.' Svidler, Peter: 'Mit diesem Remis war mir zumindest ein Stichkampf um Platz 1 sicher, da Mishra damit beschäftigt war, ein Damenendspiel mit Minusbauer gegen Boris zu verteidigen. Am Ende, nachdem er sich 120 Züge lang perfekt gehalten hatte, machte er Sekunden vor Schluss einen fatalen Fehler, der mir meinen ersten Turniersieg seit 2017 bescherte und den ersten Nicht-Russian-Superfinal-Sieg seit ehrlich gesagt ich weiß nicht wann.
Ich stehe immer noch ein wenig unter Schock.'''' ,R (2683) Lincoln 2023 200 Traps In The Opening [HB] Cabrilo,Goran: 'Svidler, Peter: 'With that draw, I was guaranteed at least a playoff for 1st, since Mishra

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Kg7 25.Nxe4 Rxd5 26.Rb3 Bc5+ 27.Kh1 Bf5 28.N2c3 Bxe4 29.Nxe4 b6 30.Ng5 Re8 31.Rb2 Re3 32.g3 h6 33.Nf3 g5 34.fxg5 hxg5 35.Kg2 Kg6 36.Rc2 Rf5 37.h4 g4 38.Nh2 Rxf1 39.Nxf1 Ra3 40.Nh2 Kf5 41.h5 Kg5 42.h6 Kxh6 43.Nxg4+ Kg5 44.Nh2 b5 45.Nf3+ Kf5 46.Re2 a5 47.Nh4+ Kg5 48.Nf3+ Kf5 49.Nh4+ Kf6 50.Kh3 b4 51.Kg4 Bd4 52.Nf3 Be5 53.Nxe5 dxe5 54.Kh4 a4 55.g4 b3 56.g5+ Kf5 57.Rf2+ Kg6 58.axb3 Rxb3 59.Rf6+ Kg7 60.Ra6 a3 61.Kh5 Rh3+ 62.Kg4 Rc3 63.Kf5 e4 0-1 (63) nastroyani (2621)-Asaf_Givon (2601) Blitz 2021]

10.Bxc5 dxc5 11.e5 Ne8 12.Nf3 c6 13.dxc6 Qa5 14.cxb7 Bxb7 15.0-0 Nc7 16.Ng5 Rad8 17.Qb3 Bc6 18.Bf3 Rb8 19.Qc2 Qb6 20.Bxc6 Qxc6 21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.b3 Rd4 23.Ne2 Rdd8 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Rd1 Rc8 26.Qe4 Qa6 27.Nc3 h6 28.Nf3 e6 29.Rd6 Qa5 30.Qd3 Bf8 31.Rd7 Na6 32.Ne4 Nb4 33.Qd2 Qxa2 34.Qxa2 Nxa2 35.Rxa7 Nc1 36.Nd6 Rd8 37.Nxf7 Nxb3 38.Nxd8 1-0 (38) AnythingButAverage (2942)-balachess2006 (2693) Blitz 2024

Another idea is **8.Nf3** Arsovic,Goran: '- 35/692' 8...0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and now:'

[8...c6 9.Be3 cxd5 10.cxd5 0-0 11.Be2 Ng4 12.Bd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Qb6 14.Qxb6 Nxb6 15.Nd4 Nf6 16.Kf2 Bg4 17.e5 Bxe2 18.exf6 Bc4 19.fxe7 Rfe8 20.Rhe1 a6 21.f5 f6 22.Ne4 Rxe7 23.Nxf6+ Kf7 24.Nxh7 Nxd5 25.Ng5+ Kg7 26.g4 Rae8 27.Rxe7+ Rxe7 28.Nge6+ Kf7 29.Rc1 Bxa2 30.Rc8 gxf5 31.Rf8+ Kg6 32.gxf5+ Kh7 33.f6 Rd7 34.Nf5 Nxf6 35.Rxf6 Bxe6 36.Rxe6 Rf7 37.Re7 1-0 (37) Leon_Livaic (2748)-liczner (2733) Blitz 2019]

9.Bd3

[9.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is more solid:'

A) 9...e5?! 10.dxe6 *(10.fxe5 Ne8 11.Bg5 f6 12.Bh4 g5 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Bg3 Nc5 15.0-0 Ng7 16.e5 dxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Ng4 Bxg4 19.Bxg4 Bxc3 20.Rxf8+ Kxf8 21.bxc3* 1-0 (21) Itinerant69 (2640)-jeromeovich (2580) Blitz 2023 *)* 10...fxe6 11.0-0 Qe7 *(11...Nc5 12.e5 dxe5 13.Nxe5 Qe7 14.Be3* Bacrot, E - Dorfman, J Nimes 2014, with extra space and easier development. *c6 15.Qc2 a5 16.Kh1 Nfd7 17.Ng4 e5 18.f5 Rxf5 19.Rxf5 gxf5 20.Qxf5 Nf8 21.Qh5 Bxg4 22.Bxg4 Nd3 23.Bf5 Nf4 24.Qg4 Qb4 25.Ne4 Qxb2 26.Re1 Rd8 27.Bxf4 exf4 28.Be6+ Kh8 29.Ng5 Re8 30.h4 Qf6 31.Qh5 Qg6 32.Nf7+ Kg8 33.Nh6+ Kh8 34.Nf7+ Kg8 35.Nh6+ Kh8* ½-½ (35) Bacrot,E (2720)-Dorfman,I (2571) Nimes FRA 2014 *)* 12.Ng5 Nc5 13.Qc2 e5 14.f5± 1/2 (52) Richter,M (2482)-Danin,A (2519) Wunsiedel 2012;

B) 9...Re8 10.e5 dxe5 11.fxe5 Ng4 12.e6 Nde5 13.Ng5 f5 14.h3 Nh6 15.Bf4 c6 16.Qd2 a6 17.0-0-0 b5 18.Nf3 1-0 (18) Itinerant69 (2613)-thebeagles (2580) Blitz 2023;

C) I assume that Bacrot's idea was that 9...Nc5 could be met by

C1) 10.Qc2 c6 *(10...e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.0-0 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 Nfd7 16.Bd2 Ne6 17.Ne2 Nb8 18.Bc3 Nc6*

19.Rad1 Qh4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Bg4 Nc5 22.g3 Qf6 23.Nc3 h5 24.Bf3 Nd4 25.Qf2 Nxf3+ 26.Qxf3 c6 27.Rd2 Rad8 28.Red1 a5 29.b3 h4 30.g4 Ne6 31.Ne2 Ng5 32.Qc3 Qxc3 33.Nxc3 Nf3+ 34.Kf2 Nxd2 35.Rxd2 g5 36.fxg5 Re5 37.Kf3 Rxg5 38.Ne2 Re5 39.Nd4 d5 40.Nf5+ Kf6 41.exd5 cxd5 42.c5 Rxf5+ 43.gxf5 Kxf5 44.Rd4 Ke5 45.Rxh4 f5 46.Rh7 Rc8 47.Re7+ Kf6 48.Rxb7 Rxc5 49.Kf4 Rc6 50.Rb5 Re6 51.Rxd5 Re4+ 52.Kf3 a4 53.Ra5 axb3 54.axb3 Rb4 55.Ra3 Kg5 56.h4+ Rxh4 57.Ra8 Rh3+ 58.Kf2 Rxb3 59.Rg8+ Kf4 60.Ra8 Rb2+ 61.Kf1 Rb3 62.Ra4+ Kf3 63.Ke1 f4 64.Ra8 Rb1+ 65.Kd2 Kf2 66.Kd3 f3 67.Ra2+ Kg1 68.Ke3 0-1 (68) Itinerant69 (2697)-balachess2006 (2733) Blitz 2023*)* 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Be3 Ng4 13.Bg1 Rb8↑ 0-1 (23) Gretarsson,H (2509)-Navara,D (2710) Reykjavik ISL 2013 14.Nd4 Van Delft & Ris Bd7 15.h3 Nf6 16.Be3 Nh5 17.Bxh5? Rxb2! 18.Qd1 Qa5 19.Rc1 Nxe4 20.0-0 Nxc3 21.Qe1 Qxh5 22.Qxc3 Rxg2+ 23.Kxg2 Bxh3+ 0-1 Gretarsson-Navara, Reykjavik 2013.;

C2) 10.e5! Nfe4 11.Nxe4 *(11.Be3 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Bg4 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.0-0 f6 15.Re1 fxe5 16.Nxe5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rxf4 18.Qe3 Rf5 19.Nf3 b6 20.Rac1 Qd6 21.Qxe7 Raf8 22.Qxd6 cxd6 23.Re6 g5 24.h3 h5 25.Rxd6 g4 26.Nh4 Rf2 27.hxg4 hxg4 28.Rg6 Rxa2 29.Rxg4 Rd2 30.Ra1 a5 31.Rb1 Rf6 32.Re1 Kf7 33.Re6 a4 34.Rc6 Bf8 35.Rc7+ Ke8 36.Re4+ Kd8 37.Ra7 Ra2 38.Ra8+ Kc7 39.Ra7+ Kb8 40.Rd7 Kc8 41.Ra7 Kd8 42.g4 Bd6 43.Nf5 Bb8 44.Rb7 Kc8 45.Rg7 Rf8 46.Ne7+ Kb7 47.Ng6+ Ka6 48.Nxf8 a3 49.Re1 Rb2 50.Kf1 a2 51.Ra7+ Kxa7 52.Nd7 Rb1 53.Nxc5 bxc5 54.Rc1 Rxc1+ 55.Ke2 a1Q 56.Ke3 Qxc3+ 57.Ke4 Qd4+ 58.Kf5 Qg7 59.Ke6 Qf7+* 0-1 (59) Itinerant69 (2615)-Nadigraj (2737) Blitz 2023*)* 11...Nxe4 12.0-0∞ c6 13.Be3 f5 14.Qc2 Qc7 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Bd3 dxe5 17.fxe5 Bxe5 18.Bxe4 fxe4 19.Nxe5 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 Qxe5 21.Qf2 Bf5 22.Bxa7 Rxa7 23.Qxa7 e3 24.Qb6 c5 25.Qd8+ Kg7 26.Re1 Qd4 27.Qxe7+ 1-0 (27) Stojanovic,M (2574)-Popovic,A (2324) Valjevo 2011]

9...c6 Stohl: '⇄!' Stohl: '∆ ...♘c5 ...♕b6 Ward-Conquest, GB ch 1999'

[9...e5!?

A) ⩲10.dxe6!? Ftacnik,Lubomir'Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲!' '⩲ !' 'Ftacnik,L: ' ⩲ !" Ftacnik, Lubomir: ' ⩲ !' ' ⩲ !' ' ⩲ !" : ' ⩲ !' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲ !' '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow,M: '⩲!" fxe6 11.0-0∞ Krasenkow, Michal: 'Krasenkow,M: ' ∞ " e5 *(11...b6 12.Bc2 Bb7 13.Ng5 Qe7 14.f5 exf5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.Bxf5 Nc5 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 h6 19.Ne6 Rxf5 20.Rxf5 Nxe6 21.dxe6 Qxe6 22.Qf1 Re8 23.Bd2*

Be4 24.Re1 d5 25.Bc3 d4 26.Rf4 Qg6 27.Bd2 c5 28.h3 h5 29.Qc4+ Kh7 30.Rf2 a5 31.Qf7 c4 32.Qxc4 Re7 33.b4 a4 34.b5 a3 35.Bb4 d3 36.Bxe7 h4 37.Qxe4 Normal 1-0 (37) MothToTheFlame (2618)-Bakayoyo (2709) Blitz 2024*)* 12.f5 Nc5 13.Bg5 gxf5 14.exf5 Qe8 15.Bc2 Qf7 16.Nd2 h6 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nde4 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 Kh7 20.Qd5 Bd7 21.Qxb7 Rac8 22.Qxa7 Qxc4 23.Rac1 Qd4+ 24.Qxd4 exd4 25.b4 Be5 26.f6 Kh8 27.Bb3 c5 28.bxc5 dxc5 29.Nxc5 Bb5 30.Rf5 Bxf6 31.Rd1 d3 32.Rxf6 Rxf6 33.Nxd3 Rd8 34.Ne5 Rxd1+ 35.Bxd1 Rf1# 0-1 (35) Grancanarias (2754)-ibrahimtatlises001 (2760) Blitz 2022;

B) 10.fxe5 Ng4 11.Bg5 *(11.exd6 cxd6⩱)* 11...f6 12.exf6 Bxf6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Qe2 Nde5 15.Rf1 Nxf3+ *(15...Bd7⩱)* 16.Qxf3 Qh4+ 17.Qg3 Rxf1+ 18.Bxf1 Qxh2 19.Qxh2 Nxh2 20.Nb5 Bd7 21.Be2 Re8 22.Nxc7 Rxe4 23.Kd2 Ng4 24.Rc1 Nf6 1/2 (24) Papin,V (2479)-Danin,A (2469) Lipetsk 2008]

[9...e6 10.0-0 *(⌓10.dxe6! fxe6 11.0-0∞)* 10...exd5 *(10...Nc5 11.Bc2 exd5 12.cxd5 Re8 13.e5 dxe5 14.fxe5 Ng4 15.Qd4 b6 16.h3 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.Qf2 f5 19.Bh6 Qf6 20.Qd2 Ba6 21.Rfe1 f4 22.Rxe5 Rxe5 23.Bxf4 Ree8 24.Bxc7 Bb7 25.Rf1 Qe7 26.Bf4 Rad8 27.Bg5 Qd7 28.b4 Ne6 29.Bxd8 Rxd8 30.Bb3 Qd6 31.Qf2 Nc7 32.Qf7+ Kh8 33.Ne4 Qe5 34.Nf6 Qd4+ 35.Kh1 Qh4 36.Qxc7 Rf8 37.Qxb7* 1-0 (37) Iestri (2604)-HamburgOslo2018 (2561) Blitz 2020 *)*

A) 11.cxd5 c6 *(11...Re8 12.Be3 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 f5 14.Nfg5 fxe4 15.Ne6 Qe7 16.Bxe4 Nf6 17.Bf3 Nxd5 18.Bxd5 Bxe6 19.Bxb7 Rab8 20.Bc6 Bd7 21.Bd5+ Kh8 22.Bxa7 Rxb2 23.Bd4 Bxd4+ 24.Qxd4+ Qg7 25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.a4 c6 27.Bf3 d5 28.a5 Ra8 29.Rfb1 Rxb1+ 30.Rxb1 Kf6 31.Ra1 Ke7 32.Kf2 Kd6 33.a6 c5 34.a7 Bc6 35.g4 Kc7 36.f5 gxf5 37.gxf5 Kb6 38.Kg3 c4 39.Kf4 d4 40.Bxc6 Kxc6 41.Ke4 d3 42.Ke3 Kd6 43.Ra6+ Ke7 44.Kd2 h5 45.h4 Kf7 46.Kc3 Ke7 47.Ra1 Kf7 48.Kxc4 d2 49.Kc3 d1Q 50.Rxd1 Rxa7 51.Rg1 Ra4 52.Rg5 Rxh4 53.Kd3 Kf6 54.Rg8 Kxf5 55.Ke3 Rh2 56.Kf3 h4 57.Rf8+ Kg5 58.Rg8+ Kf5 59.Rf8+ Kg5 60.Rg8+ Kf5* ½-½ (60) jelmatos (2687)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2795) Blitz 2020 *)*

A1) 12.dxc6 bxc6

A1a) 13.Kh1 Re8 *(13...Nc5 14.h3 Rb8 15.Bc2 Ba6 16.Re1 Re8 17.Rb1 d5 18.e5 Nfe4 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Nd4 Qd5 21.Be3 Nd3 22.Bxd3 Bxd3 23.Rc1 Rxb2 24.Nxc6 Qxa2 25.Rg1 a6 26.f5 gxf5 27.Ne7+ Kh8 28.Nxf5 Bxe5 29.Qh5 Qe6 30.Nh6 Rf8 31.Rcf1 Bxf1 32.Rxf1 Bg7 33.Nxf7+ Rxf7 34.Qxf7 Qxf7 35.Rxf7 Rb1+ 36.Kh2 Kg8 37.Re7 Rb4 38.g4 a5 39.Ra7 a4 40.Kg2 Be5 41.Kf2 Rb2+ 42.Ke1 Rb3 43.Ke2 a3 44.Ra4 Rb2+ 45.Kd1 a2 46.Bc1 Rh2*

47.Ra7 a1Q 0-1 (47) retardedplatypus123 (2607)-GRXbullet (2638) Blitz 2022*)*
14.Bc2 Nc5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxd8 Rxd8 17.Nxe5 Bb7 18.Be3 Ncd7 19.Nd3 Nd5 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Rad1 d4 22.Bg1 Rac8 23.Bb3 Be4 24.h3 Bxd3 25.Rxd3 Nc5 26.Rg3 Ne4 27.Rd3 Nc5 28.Rdf3 Nxb3 29.Rxb3 Rb8 30.Rxb8 Rxb8 31.b3 a5 32.Rd1 a4 33.bxa4 Ra8 34.Rb1 f5 35.g4 Rxa4 36.Rb8+ Kf7 37.Rb7+ Kf8 38.Rb8+ Kf7 39.Rb7+ Kg8 40.Rb8+ Bf8 41.Rd8 Kf7 42.gxf5 gxf5 43.Rxd4 Rxa2 44.Rd7+ Kg6 45.Bd4 Rd2 46.Rd8 Bg7 47.Bb6 Rxd8 48.Bxd8 Bh6 49.Bc7 Kf7 50.Kg2 Ke6 51.Kf3 Kd5 52.Bb8 Kd4 53.Be5+ Kd3 54.Bf6 Bg7 55.Bh4 Bd4 56.Bf2 Bxf2 57.Kxf2 Ke4 58.Kg3 Ke3 59.Kh4 Kxf4 60.Kh5 Ke3 61.h4 f4 62.Kh6 f3 63.Kxh7 f2 0-1 (63) lestri (2621)-hAMBURGoSLO2018 (2609) Blitz 2020;

A1b) 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.e5 dxe5 15.Qxd8 *(15.Nxe5 Qc7 16.Be3 Ne6 17.Qf3 Bb7 18.Rae1 c5 19.Qh3 Nd4 20.Bd3 Rad8 21.Bf2 Bc8 22.Qe3 Bf5 23.Bc4 Nc2 24.Qxc5 Qb7 25.Qxa7 Qxa7 26.Bxa7 Nxe1 27.Rxe1 Nd7 28.Nc6 Rde8 29.Rc1 Be6 30.Bb5 Ra8 31.a4 Bh6 32.Be3 Nf6 33.g3 Nd5 34.Nxd5 Bxd5 35.Ne7+ Kh8 36.Nxd5 Bg7 37.b4 Rfd8 38.Nb6 Rab8 39.a5 Bd4 40.Bxd4+ Rxd4 41.a6 Rxb6 42.Rc8+ Kg7 43.a7 Rxb5 44.a8Q Rdxb4 45.Rg8+ Kf6 46.Qd8+ Kf5 47.Qg5+ Ke4 48.Re8+ Kf3* 0-1 (48) amrullah_MF (2615)-lukas_111111 (2591) Blitz 2019 *)* 15...Rxd8 16.Nxe5 Bb7 17.Be3 Ne6 18.f5 Nd4 19.Bxd4 Rxd4 20.Bb3 Nd5 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.f6 Bf8 23.Rac1 Bd6 24.Rfe1 Rf4 25.Rcd1 Rxf6 26.Nf3 Bc5+ 27.Kh1 Rd8 28.Rc1 Bb6 29.Re7 Ba8 30.h3 Kf8 31.Re2 d4 32.Ne5 d3 33.Rd2 Be3 34.Rxd3 Rxd3 35.Rc8+ Kg7 36.Nxd3 Be4 37.Re8 Rf1+ 38.Kh2 Bg1+ 39.Kg3 Bxd3 40.Re7 Bc5 41.Rd7 Bb5 42.Rd5 Bf2+ 43.Kh2 Bc6 44.Rd6 Be4 45.Rd7 Be3 46.Re7 Bf4+ 47.g3 Rh1# 0-1 (47) hirnloserverlierer (2642)-vlad10898 (2649) Blitz 2020;

A2) 12.h3 cxd5 13.exd5 Qa5↑ 0-1 (47) Mohota,N (2324)-Hansen,S (2603) Pattaya 2011;

B) 11.exd5 c6 *(11...a5 12.h3 Nc5 13.Bc2 Re8 14.f5 Nfe4 15.Nxe4 Nxe4 16.Bf4 Bxf5 17.Nd4 Bd7 18.Re1 Qf6 19.Be3 Re7 20.Rf1 Qe5 21.Nf3 Qxb2 22.Rb1 Qa3 23.Bd4 Nc3 24.Bxc3 Qxc3 25.Rxb7 Qxc4 26.Bb3 Qc5+ 27.Kh2 Rae8 28.Qd3 Bf5 29.Qb5 Qe3 30.Qxa5 Bd3 31.Rg1 Qf4+ 32.Kh1 Be4 33.Rxc7 Rxc7 34.Qxc7 Bxf3* 0-1 (34) BillyBigMan (2672)-AttackingBeast (2719) Blitz 2021 *)* 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Kh1 Nc5

14.Be3 Ng4 15.Bg1 Rb8↑ 0-1 (54) Nikolov,M (2549)-Wang Yue (2732) Zuerich 2010]

[9...Nc5 10.Be3 *(10.Bc2 e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Qe2 Re8 13.0-0 Bf5 14.e5 Bxc2 15.Qxc2 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Qd4+ 17.Kh1 Nfe4 18.Nxe4 Qxe4 19.Qf2 Nd3 20.Nxd3 Qxd3 21.f5 Re2 22.Qf4 Re4 23.Qg3 Qxf1#* 0-1 (23) Iestri (2616)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2811) Blitz 2020*)* 10...Nxd3+ 11.Qxd3 e6 12.0-0 exd5 13.cxd5 Re8 14.Bd4 c5 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Rad1 Rb8 17.b3 Qa5 18.Rfe1 Ba6 19.Qd2 Rbd8= 0-1 (44) Wiedenkeller,M (2445)-Johansson,M (2265) Sollentuna 1995]

10.0-0

[10.Be3 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.0-0 a6 13.h3 Nc5 14.Bc2 b4 15.Bxc5 bxc3 16.Bd4 cxb2 17.Rb1 Nd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qd4+ f6 20.Rxb2 Nc5 21.e5 Bd7 22.Re1 Rb8 23.Rxb8 Qxb8 24.exf6+ exf6 25.f5 Re8 26.Rxe8 Qxe8 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.Qf4 Qe7 29.h4 Qe2 30.Nd4 Qe1+ 31.Kh2 Qe5 32.Kg3 f5 33.Qxe5+ dxe5 34.Nc6 Kf6 35.Kf3 Bxc6 36.dxc6 Ke6 37.g4 e4+ 38.Kf4 Nd3+ 39.Bxd3 exd3 40.gxf5+ gxf5 41.Ke3 Ke5 42.c7 1-0 (42) Aczgego (2641)-Training22667121 (2543) Blitz 2024]

10...Nc5

[10...Qb6+ Atlas,Valeri: 'and a draw is most plausible outcome here.' 11.Kh1 Atlas,Valeri: '?!' Nc5↑ Ward - Conquest, Scarborough 1999. 12.h3 was a better choice. Now after Qa6]

[10...cxd5

A) 11.exd5 Nc5 *(11...Qb6+ 12.Kh1 Nc5 13.Bc2 e6 14.Rb1 exd5 15.cxd5 Re8 16.f5 Nce4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 Rxe4 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.Ng5 Re7 21.Qa4 Bf5 22.Qh4 Qd4 23.Bf4 Bxb1 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Bxd6 Bf5 26.h3 Rd8 27.Ba3 b5 28.d6 Rxd6 29.Bxd6 Qxd6 30.Qh4 Rc7 31.Nh7+ Kg8 32.Ng5 Qd4 33.Qe1 Qe5 34.Qa5 Rd7 35.Qa6 Bd3 36.Qc8+ Bf8 37.Qxd7 Bc4 38.Nf3 Qxb2 39.Re1 Qxa2 40.Re8 Qa1+ 41.Kh2 Qa3 42.Ne5 Kg7 43.Nxc4 bxc4 44.Qd4+ Kh7 45.Rd8 c3 46.Qd5 c2 47.Qxf7+ Bg7 48.Qg8+ Kh6 49.Rd7 Qc3 50.Qd8 Qe5+ 51.Kg1 c1Q+ 52.Kf2 Qce3+ 53.Kf1 Qe1#* 0-1 (53) Superfm1 (2608)-TheBigGreek (2661) Rapid 2023 *)* 12.Bc2 e6 13.Be3 exd5 14.cxd5 Re8 15.Bd4 1-0 (48) Plachetka,J (2410)-Polgar,Z (2405) Stary Smokovec 1984 Bd7=;

B) 11.cxd5 b5 *(≤11...e6 12.dxe6 fxe6 13.Bc4 d5 14.exd5 Nb6 15.Bb3 Nbxd5 16.Ne5* 1-0 (39) Melkumyan,H (2642)-Tikkanen,H (2566) Albena 2012 *Qb6+ 17.Kh1 Nxc3 18.bxc3 Ne4 19.Qe1 Bxe5 20.Qxe4 Bxc3 21.Rb1 Qd4 22.Qc2 Qg7 23.Ba3 Re8 24.Rbc1 Bf6 25.Qe4 Kh8 26.Bd6 Bd7 27.Qxb7 Rac8 28.Qxa7 Bc6 29.Qe3 Bd5 30.Rxc8 Rxc8 31.Bxd5 exd5 32.Qe6 Rd8 33.Rc1 Bb2 34.Rc8 Rxc8 35.Qxc8+ Qg8 36.Be5+ Bxe5 37.Qxg8+ Kxg8 38.fxe5 Kf7 39.a4* 1-0 (39) Melkumyan,H (2642)-Tikkanen,H (2566) Albena BUL 2012*; 11...Nc5 12.h3 a6 13.Be3 Nfd7 14.Rc1 b5 15.a3 Bb7 16.Bb1 Rc8 17.Nd4 Nb6 18.b3*

e6 19.b4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Nca4 21.Nxa4 Nxa4 22.Rxc8 Bxc8 23.dxe6 Bxe6 24.f5 Bc4 25.Rf2 Qh4 26.Ba1 Qe7 27.Qd4 Qe5 28.Qxe5 dxe5 29.Bxe5 Re8 30.Bf6 Nb6 31.g4 Nd7 32.Bd4 Ne5 33.Bxe5 Rxe5 34.f6 Re6 35.g5 h6 36.h4 Kh7 37.Kg2 Re5 38.gxh6 Kxh6 39.Kg3 Be6 40.Kf4 Rh5 41.Kg3 g5 42.hxg5+ Rxg5+ 43.Kf4 Rg6 44.Ke3 Rxf6 45.Rxf6+ Kg5 46.Rxe6 fxe6 47.e5 Kg4 48.Kd4 Kg5 49.Be4 Kf4 50.Bb7 Kg3 51.Bxa6 Kf4 52.Bxb5 Kg3 53.Bc4 Kf3 54.Bxe6 Kf4 55.Bd5 Kg3 56.b5 Kf4 57.b6 Kg3 58.b7 Kf2 59.b8Q Ke1 60.Qf8 Ke2 61.e6 Kd2 62.Bc6 Kc1 63.Kc5 Kb2 64.e7 Kxa3 65.e8Q Ka2 ½-½ (65) AgressiveMode (2671)-CaissaNickManshanden (2558) Blitz 2021*)* 12.a3 Nc5 13.Bc2 Bb7 14.Be3 a5 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Nxb5 1-0 (37) Yang,D (2485)-Bora,S (2195) Wheeling USA 2013 Qb8! 17.Ne5 Bxd5⩱]

11.Bc2 Qb6

[11...cxd5 12.cxd5 *(12.e5 Nfd7 13.Qxd5 Nb6 14.Qd4 Bg4 15.Nd5* 1/2 (42) Sokolov,I (2570)-Martinovic,S (2430) Cetinje 1991 *Ne6∓)* 12...e6 *(12...b5∞)* 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Be3 1/2 (14) Donchev,D (2505)-Ermenkov,E (2420) Sofia 1984 *(14.f5 Bc4 15.Re1 Re8 16.Bg5 Qb6 17.Kh1 Ng4 18.Qd2 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Nxe4 20.Qd4 Qxd4 21.cxd4 Nxg5 22.Nxg5 Bd5 23.Bb3 Bxb3 24.axb3 a6 25.Kg1 Kg7 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.h3 Ne3 28.Rac1 Nd5 29.Rf1 Re7 30.Rf3 Rae8 31.h4 f6 32.Nh3 Re1+ 33.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 34.Kf2 Rb1 35.Kg3 b5 36.Nf2 Re1 37.Ng4 f5 38.Nf2 a5 39.Nd3 Re4 40.Kf2 Rxd4 41.Ke2 a4 42.bxa4 bxa4 43.Nb2 Rb4 44.Nd3 Rb3 45.Rf1 a3 46.Ra1 a2 47.Kd2 Ra3 48.Kc2 Kf6 49.Nc1 Nb4+ 50.Kb2 Rg3 51.Nxa2 Rxg2+ 52.Kb3 Nxa2 53.Rd1 Rh2 54.Rxd6+ Kg7 55.Rd7+ Kh6 56.h5 Rxh5 57.Ra7 Rh2 58.Kc4 Re2 59.Kd4 Re4+ 60.Kd3 Nc1+ 61.Kd2 Ne2 62.Ra3 Nf4 63.Rh3+ Nxh3 64.Kd3 Ng5 65.Kd2 Nf7 66.Kd3 Kg5 67.Kd2 Kg4 68.Kd3 Kf4 69.Kd2 Ke5 70.Kd3 f4 71.Kd2 f3 72.Kd3 f2 73.Kd2 f1Q 74.Kc2 Qf2+ 75.Kb1 Re1#* 0-1 (75) hirnloserverlierer (2644)-RSUPE_MiRacLe (2631) Blitz 2019 *)*]

12.Kh1 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⩱' Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩱' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' Mikhail Golubev: 'transposes to the same' 12...Bg4 13.Rb1 cxd5

[13...a5 14.Be3 Nfd7 15.Qe2 Qc7 ½-½ Vitiugov,N (2709)-Tomashevsky,E (2695)/Moscow 2011/ Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Vitiugov,N (2709)-Tomashevsky,E (2695)/Moscow 2011/CB06_2011' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '½-½ Vitiugov,N (2709)-Tomashevsky,E (2695)/Moscow 2011/CB06_2011']

14.cxd5 Rac8 15.Be3 Qb4 16.h3 Ncxe4 Mikhail Golubev: '!'

[16...Bxf3!? 17.Qxf3 Nfd7]

17.Bxe4 Rxc3! 18.bxc3 1/2 (18) Jussupow,A (2565)-Spassky,B (2605) Linares 1983 Mikhail Golubev: 'and in this double-edged position a draw was agreed.' 18...Qxe4 19.Bxa7 Bc8⩲ A.Jussupow

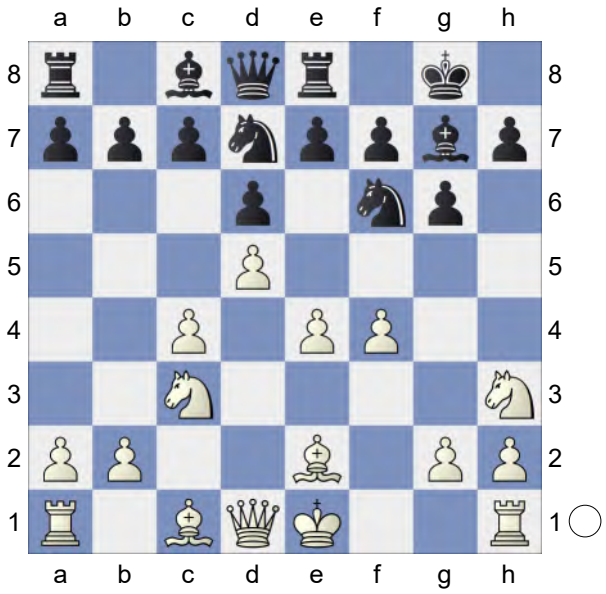
8.Nge2 0-0 9.Ng3 Re8 10.Be2 e6 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.Qc2 h5 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re8 17.Bg5 Qd6 18.Rae1 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Qxd5 20.Bc4 Qd4+ 21.Be3 Rxe3 22.Bxf7+ Kh8 23.Rxe3 Qxe3+

24.Kh1 Nd3 25.Bxg6 Bd4 26.Qxd3 Qxd3 27.Bxd3 h4 28.Nf5 Bxb2 29.Nxh4 Be6 30.Rb1 Rd8 31.Bf5 Bxa2 32.Rf1 Bc4 33.Re1 Bc3 34.Rc1 Bb2 35.Rb1 Bf6 36.Nf3 b5 37.Re1 a5 38.Rb1 a4 39.Bc2 a3 40.Ne1 a2 41.Rc1 Bb2 42.Rd1 Rxd1 43.Bxd1 0-1 (43) QuakeLatam (2693)-Nadigraj (2723) Blitz 2022

[16] **8...0-0** Krasenkow,Michal: 'After' 9.Nf2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'

[9.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Zhang Pengxiang (2567)-Negri,S/Dos Hermanas (Internet) 2004/CBM 099 ext (60)'

A) 9...Re8 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '?!' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'Diagram



A few years back Ding had this position with the white pieces:' 10.0-0 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' Nc5 11.Nf2 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: ' ±' e5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '(CVO 133 exercise)"

A1) 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.Qc2 Bd7 14.Bf3 Bc6 15.Bd2 a5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: ' ⇄ ' Van Delft & Ris: 'Grischuk-Kurnosov, Moscow 2010." 16.Rfe1 Nfd7 17.Rad1 Qe7?! *(17...Bd4!? 18.Bc1 Qf6* Krasenkow,Michal: 'or perhaps other plans for Black should be tried' *)* 18.b3 Qf8 19.Nb5! Moradiabadi,Elshan: ' ±!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '½-½ Grischuk,A (2771)-Kurnosov,I (2676)/Moscow 2010/CB00_2011 (41)' Bxb5 20.cxb5 Qe7 21.Be3 Rac8 22.a3 Ne6 23.b4± 1/2 (41) Grischuk,A (2771)-Kurnosov,I (2676) Moscow 2010 axb4 24.axb4 Nb6 25.Qb3 Ra8 26.g3 Qf6 27.Rd3 Qb2 28.Qxb2 Bxb2 29.f5 gxf5 30.Bxb6 fxe4 31.Nxe4 cxb6 32.Nxd6 Red8 33.Red1 Ra3 34.Rxa3 Bxa3 35.Nf5 Rxd1+ 36.Bxd1 Bxb4 37.Kg2 Bc5 38.Bb3 Nd4 39.Nxd4 Bxd4 40.Bd5 Kg7 41.Bxb7 ½-½ (41) Grischuk,A (2771)-Kurnosov,I (2676) Moscow RUS 2010;

A2) 12.f5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '↑!?' Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'and Ding managed to obtain the initiative and convert his advantage; Ding, Liren 2654 - Areshchenko,Alexander 2682, Ningbo 2011' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!'' 12...gxf5 13.exf5 Bxf5 *(⌓13...e4!⇄)* 14.Ng4 Bxg4 15.Bxg4 Nxg4 16.Qxg4 Qd7 17.Rf5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (28) Ding,L (2654)-Areshchenko,A (2682) Ningbo 2011' e4 Krasenkow,Michal:

'Van Delft & Ris' 18.Bh6 f6 19.b4 Na6 20.Bxg7 Qxg7 21.Qf4 Nxb4 22.Nxe4 Kh8= 1-0 (28) Ding,L (2654)-Areshchenko,A (2682) Ningbo 2011 23.Rf1 Nd3 24.Qh4 Re5 25.R5f3 f5 26.Nf6 Nc5 27.Rh3 Re7 28.Nxh7 1-0, Ding-Areshchenko, Ningbo 2011.;

B) 9...e5 Jacimovic,Dragoljub: '-126/129';

C) 9...Nc5 10.Nf2 Edouard,Romain: 'used to be the main line, but then Black found' Edouard,Romain: 'used to be the main line, but then Black found'

C1) 10...c6;

C2) 10...e5 Edouard,Romain: '!?' 11.fxe5 Ne8 Edouard,Romain: '!' 12.exd6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(12.Bf4 Qe7! 13.Rc1 Bxe5 14.Bxe5 Qxe5 15.b4 Nd7 16.0-0* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Grkinic,G-Van Bommel,T/IECG 2001/Telechess CBM 95 (52)' *a5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be just a loss of time after' *17.a3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *axb4 18.axb4 c5!? 19.dxc6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' *bxc6∞* ½-½ (33) Moiseenko,A (2635)-Baron,T (2531) Douglas 2019. Krasenkow,Michal: '?' ½-½ (33) Moiseenko,A (2635)-Baron,T (2531) Douglas 2019. *20.Qd2 Rb8 21.Rb1 Qe7 22.Rfd1 Ne5 23.Qd4 Rxb4 24.Rxb4 c5 25.Nd5 Qe6 26.Qb2 cxb4 27.Qxb4 Bd7 28.Qd2 Bc6 29.Ne3 Ba4 30.Ra1 Bc6 31.Rd1 Ba4 32.Ra1 Bc6 33.Rd1* ½-½ (33) Moiseenko,A (2635)-Baron,T (2531) Douglas ENG 2019*)* 12...Nxd6 Edouard,Romain: '⩲' Edouard,Romain: '0-1 (32) Laznicka,V (2679)-Salgado Lopez,I (2622) Dubai 2014' Edouard,Romain: '0-1 (32) Laznicka,V (2679)-Salgado Lopez,I (2622) Dubai 2014' 13.0-0 Qh4 14.g3 Qe7 15.Qc2 *(15.Bf4 Ncxe4 16.Ncxe4 Nxe4 17.Bf3 Nxf2 18.Rxf2 Qc5 19.b4 Qxb4 20.Rb1 Qc5 21.Kg2 Bh3+ 22.Kxh3 Qxf2 23.Rxb7 Rae8 24.Rxc7 Be5 25.Bxe5 Rxe5∓* 0-1 (32) Laznicka,V (2679)-Salgado Lopez,I (2622) Dubai 2014 *26.d6 Re1 27.Qd5 Re3 28.Bg2 Qf6 29.Be4 Qf4 30.Re7 Qh6+ 31.Kg2 Re2+ 32.Kf1 Qe3* 0-1 (32) Laznicka,V (2679)-Salgado Lopez,I (2622) Dubai UAE 2014*)* 15...Re8 16.Bf3 Nxc4 17.Bg2 b6 18.a4 Ne5 19.b4 Na6 20.b5 Nc5 21.a5 Bd7 22.Ra2 Nb7 23.Ba3 Qg5∓ 0-1 (113) Stopa,J (2521)-Swiercz,D (2616) Wroclaw 2014;

C3) 10...e6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'N'

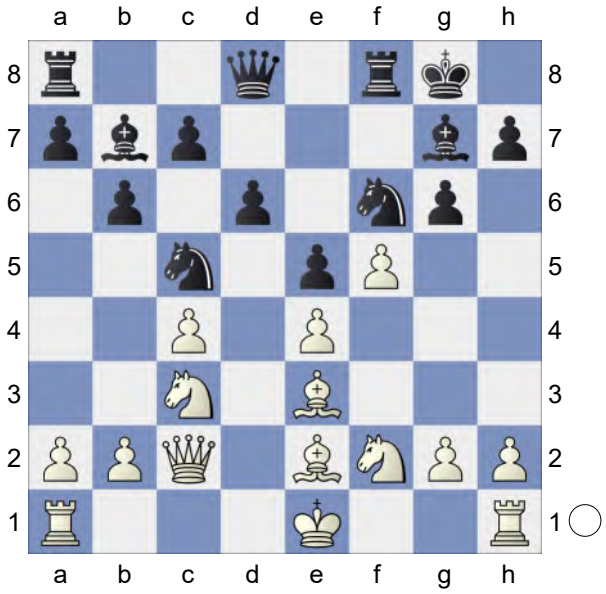
C3a) 11.Be3!? Nfd7 *(11...exd5 12.cxd5 Nfxe4 13.Ncxe4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Re8 15.Bf3 Bf5 16.Qb3 Bxe4 17.0-0 Bc2 18.Qxc2 Rxe3 19.Rac1 Bd4 20.Kh1 Bb6 21.Rfe1 Qe7 22.Rxe3 Qxe3 23.f5 Re8 24.h3 gxf5 25.Rf1 Re5 26.b4 f4 27.a4 Qe1 28.Qc4 Bf2 29.h4 Bxh4 30.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 31.Kh2 Bg3+ 32.Kh3 f5 33.Qc1 Rxc1* 0-1 (33) kflorian (2719)-

gmkantor (2751) Blitz 2021*)* 12.0-0 f5?! Krasenkow,Michal: 'a weakening move' *(⌓12...a5 13.Qd2±)* 13.dxe6 Nxe6 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Qd2 a5 16.Rad1 Qf6 17.Nh1 Ndc5 18.Ng3± 1-0 (43) Zhao Xue (2497)-Cmilyte,V (2525) Nalchik 2011;

C3b) 11.dxe6

C3b1) 11...fxe6 12.Be3 Arsovic,Goran: '*'

C3b11) 12...b6 13.Qc2N *(13.0-0)* 13...e5 14.f5 Bb7 Diagram

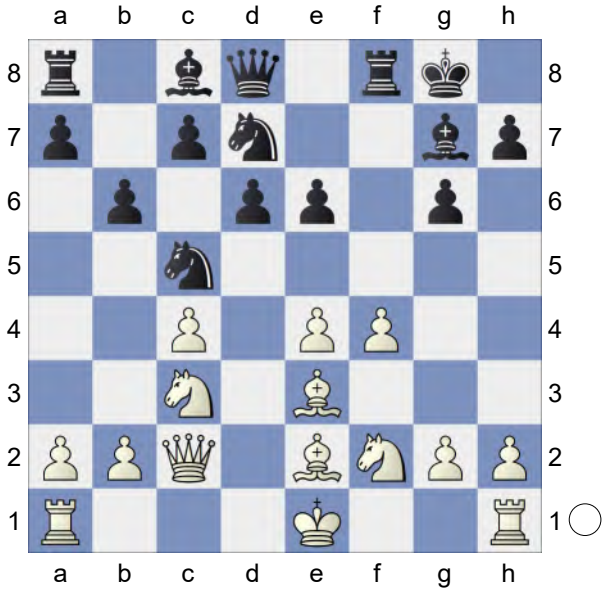


15.h4! gxf5 16.exf5 e4 *(16...Bxg2?! 17.Rg1 Bb7 18.h5+-)* 17.0-0-0 Nfd7 18.g4 Nd3+ 19.Nxd3! exd3 20.Bxd3 Bxh1 21.Rxh1 Qe8?! *(21...Bxc3 22.Qxc3 Qe7 23.Qd2 Rae8 24.Bd4±)* 22.Bd2 Bxc3 23.Bxc3 Qe3+ 24.Bd2 Qg3 25.Be4± Qxg4 *(25...Rae8 26.Bd5+ Kg7 27.g5 Ne5 28.Be4±)* 26.Be3!+- *(26.Bxa8 Rxa8 27.Qd3 Qg2 28.Re1±)* 26...Kh8 27.Rg1 Qxh4

C3b111) ⌓28.Bg5 Qh3 29.Bxa8 Rxa8 *(29...Rxf5 30.Qe2+-)* 30.Qe4+- Rf8 31.Qe7 Qxf5 32.Bh6 Rf7 33.Bg7++-;

C3b112) 28.Bxa8 Rxa8 29.Qc3+ Qf6 30.Qxf6+ Nxf6 31.Bd4 Rf8 32.Kc2 Rf7 33.b4 Rf8 34.Bc3 Rf7 35.a4 Rf8 36.a5 c5 37.bxc5 bxc5 38.a6 1-0 (38) Korobov,A (2700)-Sutovsky,E (2635) 2015 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Goran];

C3b12) 12...Nfd7 13.Qc2 Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N' *(13.Bg4)* 13...b6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



' 14.h4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' e5 15.f5 gxf5 16.exf5 Nb8 17.g4 *(17.Qd2 Bb7*

18.b4 Ncd7 19.Bg5 Arsovic,Goran: ' ±''±') 17...Nc6 18.Bf3 Nd4 19.Bxd4 exd4 20.Bxa8 dxc3 0-1 (28) Sethuraman,S (2623)-Sutovsky,E (2623) Tsaghkadzor 2015 21.b4±;

C3b2) 11...Bxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '- that's why 9...♘c5 was inserted!' 12.Be3 Re8 *(12...Qe7 13.Bd4 Rad8 14.0-0 Bc8 15.Bf3 Ne6 16.Be3 c6 17.Re1 Qc7 18.Rc1 Rfe8 19.Qd2 b6 20.Rcd1 Ba6 21.b3 Bb7 22.Qc1±* 1-0 (40) Postny,E (2668)-Schreiner,P (2435) Graz 2016 *Qb8 23.Re2 Re7 24.Red2 Red7 25.f5 Nf8 26.Bf4 Ne8 27.Ng4 a6 28.Nh6+ Kh8 29.e5 gxf5 30.Nxf5 dxe5 31.Rxd7 Rxd7 32.Rxd7 Nxd7 33.Bh6 Bxh6 34.Qxh6 e4 35.Bxe4 Qe5 36.Nd6 Qd4+ 37.Kf1 Nef6 38.Nxf7+ Kg8 39.Ng5 Nf8 40.Qxf8+* 1-0 (40) Postny,E (2668)-Schreiner,P (2435) Graz AUT 2016 *)*

C3b21) 13.Qd2?! Qe7 14.Bxc5 *(14.Bd4 Ncxe4! 15.Ncxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxc4)* 14...dxc5 15.e5 Nd7 16.0-0-0 Nb6 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 f6!↑ 1/2 (26) Ivanisevic,I (2648)-Yilmaz,M (2489) Sarajevo 2011 19.Rhe1 fxe5 20.fxe5 Rad8 21.Bd3 Nxd5 22.Re4 Nb6 23.Qe2 Qe6 24.Kb1 c4 25.Bc2 Rxd1+ 26.Nxd1 Qd5 ½-½ (26) Ivanisevic,I (2648)-Yilmaz,M (2489) Sarajevo BIH 2011;

C3b22) 13.Bd4 a5= 14.0-0 Nfd7!± /=;

C3c) 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5

C3c1) 12...Re8!? 13.Bf3 *(13.Qc2 a5 14.Re1 Bd7 15.Bd2 c6 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.Bf3 Rc8 18.Rad1 b5 19.Qb1 b4 20.Nd5 Ncxe4 21.Nxe4 Nxd5∓* 0-1 (57) Kaufman,L (2347)-Shabalov,A (2520) Arlington 2013*; 13.Be3 Ncxe4 14.Bd4 Nxc3 15.bxc3 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Ne3 17.Qd4 Nf5 18.Qd2 Kxg7 19.Bf3 Nh4 20.Bd1 b6 21.g3 Nf5 22.Bf3 Rb8 23.Rfe1 Be6 24.c4 h5 25.Ne4 Bxc4 26.Qc3+ Kh6 27.Ng5 b5 28.Bc6 Rxe1+ 29.Rxe1 Qh8 30.Qf3 Qd4+ 31.Kh1 Kg7 32.Rd1 Qf6 33.Qf2 d5 34.Qxa7 Rb6 35.Bd7 Ne3 36.Re1 Qc3 37.Nf3 d4 38.Qxc7 Qb2 39.Qe5+ f6 40.Qe7+ Bf7 41.Nh4 Qxa2 42.f5 Qd5+ 43.Kg1 g5 44.Be6 Rxe6 45.fxe6 Qxe6 46.Qxe6 Bxe6 47.Nf3 Bg4 48.Nxd4 Nf5 49.Nxb5 Kg6 50.Nc7 Nd4 51.Kf2 Nf3 52.Rh1 Ne5 53.Nd5 Bf3 54.Rc1 Bxd5 55.Ke3 Ng4+ 56.Kd4 Bg2 57.h4 gxh4 58.gxh4 Bh3 59.Ke4 Nh6 60.Kf4 Bf5*

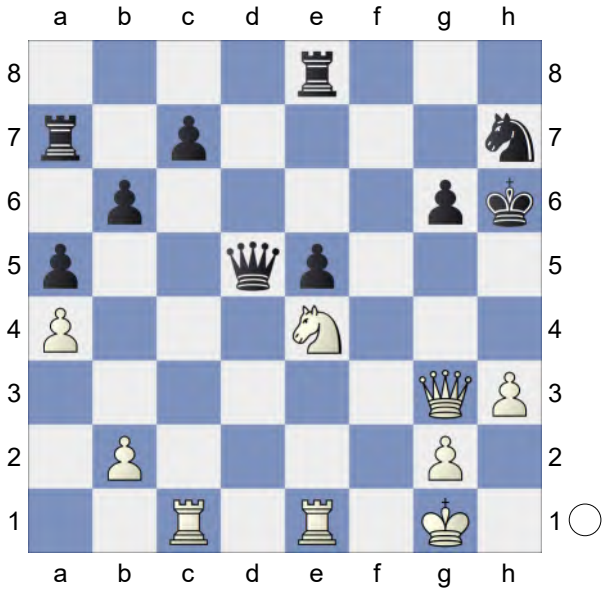
61.Rg1+ Ng4 62.Re1 Bd7 63.Rg1 f5 64.Rd1 Be8 65.Rd6+ Nf6 66.Ke5 f4 67.Rxf6+ Kg7 68.Rxf4 Bf7 69.Rf6 Ba2 70.Rd6 Kh8 71.Kf5 Bg8 72.Kg5 Ba2 73.Kxh5 Bg8 74.Kg5 Ba2 75.Kh6 Bg8 76.Rg6 Ba2 77.Rg5 Bg8 78.Rg3 Ba2 79.h5 Bg8 80.Kg5 Ba2 81.Rf3 Bg8 82.Rf2 Ba2 83.Rxa2 Kh7 84.Ra7+ Kh8 85.Kg6 Kg8 86.Ra8# 1-0 (86) penguingim1 (2638)-jsl (2674) Blitz 2018 *)*

C3c11) 13...b5 14.a3 h5 *(14...a5 15.Re1 Rb8 16.Bd2 b4 17.axb4 axb4 18.Na2 b3 19.Nb4 Bb7 20.Bc3 Nfd7 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd2 Ra8 23.Rxa8 Qxa8 24.Nbd3 Qa4 25.Qc3+ f6 26.Nxc5 Nxc5 27.Ng4 Rf8 28.e5 h5 29.exf6+ Kh8 30.f7+ Kh7 31.Nf6+ Kh6 32.Nxh5 gxh5 33.Qf6+* 1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Videnova,I (2251) Skopje MKD 2014 *)* 15.h3 a5 16.Qc2 Rb8 17.Be3 b4 18.Bxc5 bxc3 19.Bd4 cxb2 20.Rab1 Ba6 21.Rfd1 Nd7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rxb2 Rxb2 24.Qxb2+ Qf6 25.Qc1 Rc8 26.Qd2 Rb8 27.Qxa5 Rb6 28.Qd2 Nc5 29.Re1 Rb2 30.Qe3 Rxf2 31.e5 dxe5 32.fxe5 Qe7 33.Kxf2 Nd3+ 34.Kg1 Nxe1 35.Qxe1 Qxa3 36.Kh2 Qc5 37.Qh4 Bd3 38.Qf6+ Kg8 39.Qd8+ Kg7 40.Qf6+ Kg8 41.e6 ½-½ (41) Lafarga Santorroman,D (2643)-A, H (2681) corr ICCF 2012;

C3c12) 13...h5 14.h3 a5 15.Re1 Nfd7 16.Be3 b6 17.Qc2 Ba6 18.a4 1-0 (34) Jones,G (2641)-Andersen,M (2461) Reykjavik 2012

C3c121) 18...Qf6 Van Delft & Ris 19.Rab1 Kh7?! 20.e5! dxe5 21.Nce4 Qd8 22.f5!→ Jones-Andersen, Reykjavik 2012 Nxe4 23.fxg6+ Van de Oudeweetering, Arthur: '!' Van de Oudeweetering, Arthur: 'An accurate intermezzo move.' fxg6 24.Nxe4 Van de Oudeweetering, Arthur: 'Now Black cannot defend against Bxh5 or Ng5+. White will win back his pawn with a persistent attack to boot.' Bh6 25.Bxh5 Nf8 26.Qf2 Kg7 *(26...gxh5 27.Qf7+ Bg7 28.Bg5* is completely winning fo White. *)* 27.Bg4 Nh7 28.Bxh6+ Kxh6 29.Rbc1 Ra7

Van de Oudeweetering, Arthur: 'This kind of move won't save Black, but' *(29...Qxd5* fails to the same combination that finishes off the game.*)* 30.Qg3 Bb7 31.Be6 Bxd5 32.Bxd5 Qxd5 Diagram



33.Qh4+ Kg7 34.Qxh7+! Van de Oudeweetering, Arthur: 'Here White outrated and outplayed his opponent. Maybe you are also now ready to smash a higher-rated adversary someday, just as Penrose and Ojanen once did.' 1-0 (34) Jones,G (2641)-Andersen,M (2461) Reykjavik ISL 2012 [Ris,Robert] *(34.Qxh7+! Kxh7 35.Nf6+ Kg7 36.Nxd5+-)*;

C3c122) 18...Qh4∞;

C3c2) 12...c6

C3c21) 13.Be3 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'would not work, as a result of overload on the e-file' Nfxe4 14.Nfxe4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Re8 16.Bf3 Bf5 17.dxc6 Bxe4 18.cxb7 Bxb7! 19.Bxb7 Rb8 20.Bd5 Rxe3 21.f5 Qh4 22.fxg6 Bd4! 23.Kh1 *(23.gxf7+??* Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'loses to' *Kf8 24.Kh1 Be5 25.g3 Bxg3 26.Qd2 Bxh2-+)* 23...Be5 24.g3 Bxg3 25.Qc2 Bxh2 26.Rxf7 Be5+ 27.Kg1 Rg3+ 28.Kf1 Qh3+ 29.Bg2 Qe6∓ Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'and Black is better.';

C3c22) 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Bf3 *(14.Be3 Nfxe4! 15.Nfxe4* Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (15) Ganguly, S (2627)-Gupta,A (2627) Kavala 2012 Van Delft & Ris: '1/2-1/2, Ganguly-Gupta, Kavala 2012'' *Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Re8 17.Bf3 d5= 18.Re1* Van Delft & Ris *dxe4 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Bxe4 Be6=; 14.Qc2 d5 15.e5 Bf5 16.Qd1 Nfe4 17.Be3 Nxc3 18.bxc3 Ne4 19.Nxe4 Bxe4=* ½-½ (63) Fedoseev,V (2672)-Wei,Y (2638) Kocaeli 2014 *20.Qa4 Qd7 21.Rad1 Qe6*

22.Bc5 Rfb8 23.Rd2 f6 24.Bd6 Rb6 25.c4 fxe5 26.c5 exf4 27.Bg4 Qf6 28.cxb6 Qxd6 29.b7 Qc5+ 30.Kh1 Rb8 31.Be6+ Kh8 32.Bc8 Be5 33.Re2 Bd4 34.Rxe4 dxe4 35.Rd1 Be5 36.Qxe4 Kg7 37.Rd7+ Kh6 38.Qe1 Bf6 39.Qd1 Qe5 40.Rd6 c5 41.Re6 Qc3 42.Qf1 Qd4 43.Qg1 Qc3 44.Qf2 Kg7 45.g3 Bd4 46.Re7+ Kf8 47.Qe2 Qc1+ 48.Kg2 fxg3 49.Re8+ Kg7 50.Qe7+ Kh6 51.Qf8+ Kg5 52.h4+ Kxh4 53.Re4+ Kh5 54.Bg4+ Kg5 55.Qe7+ Kh6 56.Qh4+ Kg7 57.Qe7+ Kh6 58.Qh4+ Kg7 59.Qe7+ Kh8 60.Rxd4 Qb2+ 61.Kxg3 Qxd4 62.Bc8 h5 63.Qc7 Qc3+ ½-½ (63) Fedoseev, V (2672)-Wei,Y (2638) Kocaeli TUR 2014 *)*

C3c221) 14...Rb8 15.Be3 Rxb2 *(15...Ba6 16.Re1 Rxb2 17.e5 Nd5 18.Nxd5 cxd5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Bxd5 Rb4 21.Qf3 Rd4 22.Rad1 Qa5 23.Ng4 Rd8 24.Ne3 Bd3 25.f5 Bxe5 26.fxg6 Bxg6 27.Nf5 Rxd1 28.Rxd1 Kh8 29.Ne7 Qc7 30.Nxg6+ hxg6 31.g3 c4 32.Kg2 c3 33.Bb3 Rd2+ 34.Rxd2 cxd2 35.Qd5 Bc3 36.h4 Qe7 37.Qd3 Bb4 38.Qd4+ Kh7 39.Kh3 Qe1 40.Qd3 Qh1+ 41.Kg4 f5+ 42.Kf4 Kh6 43.Ke5 Qe1+ 44.Kd5 Bc3 45.Qf3 Qe5+ 46.Kc6 Bb4 47.g4 Qd6+ 48.Kb7 Qd7+ 49.Ka6 Qc8+ 50.Kb5 Qc5+* 0-1 (50) Sethuraman,S (2632)-Gozzoli,Y (2569) Germany GER 2017 *)* 16.e5 Nd5 17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.Qxd5 Bb7 19.Qxd6 Qxd6 20.exd6 Bxf3 21.Bxc5 Be2 22.d7 Rd8 23.Rfe1 f5 24.Bxa7 Rxd7 25.Bc5 Rc2 26.Rac1 Rxa2 27.Nh3 h6 28.Kh1 Bd3 29.Nf2 Be2 30.Nh3 Kf7 31.Ng1 Bd3 32.Nf3 Be4 33.Re3 Rc7 34.h3 Ra5 35.Ba3 Rxc1+ 36.Bxc1 Ra1 37.Re1 Bxf3 38.gxf3 Bc3 39.Rg1 Ra2 40.Be3 Re2 41.Bc5 Bd2 42.Bd6 Rf2 43.Rd1 Bc3 44.Rd3 Bf6 45.Kg1 Rc2 46.Bb8 Rb2 47.Rd7+ Ke6 48.Rd6+ Ke7 49.Rxf6 Rb1+ 50.Kg2 Kxf6 51.Be5+ Ke6 52.Bg7 h5 53.Kg3 Kd5 54.Kh4 Rg1 55.Bd4 Rg2 56.Bf6 Kc4 57.Bg5 Kd3 58.Bh6

Ke2 59.Bg5 Kxf3 60.Bh6 Ke4 61.Bg5 Kd5 62.Bh6 Ke6 63.Bg5 Kf7 64.Bh6 Rf2 65.Bg5 Rg2 66.Bh6 Ke6 67.Bg5 Kd5 68.Bf6 Ke4 69.Bg5 Kf3 70.Bh6 Rh2 71.Kg5 Rxh3 72.Kxg6 Rg3+ 73.Kxh5 Rg4 74.Bg5 Rxf4 75.Bxf4 Kxf4 76.Kh4 Kf3 77.Kh3 Kf2 78.Kh2 f4 79.Kh1 Ke2 80.Kh2 f3 81.Kh1 f2 82.Kh2 f1Q 83.Kg3 Qf5 84.Kh2 Qg4 85.Kh1 Kf1 86.Kh2 Qh4# 0-1 (86) Biriyani (2729) - PerfsheRadgestMistzh (2682) Blitz 2022;

C3c222) 14...Qe7 15.Be3 d5 16.e5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: ' ±' Van Delft & Ris: 'Grischuk-Giri, Wijk aan Zee 2011.'' Nfd7 17.b4 Ne6 18.b5 Nb6 19.f5 *(19.Rc1 d4 20.Bxd4 Rd8 21.Ne2 c5 22.Bxa8 Nxa8 23.Bxc5 Nxc5 24.Qc2 Bf8 25.Rfd1 Nb6⇄)* 19...gxf5 20.Bxb6 axb6 21.bxc6 Bxe5 22.Nxd5 Qh4 23.g3 Qg5∞ ½-½ (48) Grischuk,A (2773)-Giri, A (2686) Wijk aan Zee 2011 Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (48) Grischuk,A (2773)-Giri, A (2686) Wijk aan Zee 2011 CBM 141 [Moradiabadi]' 24.Bg2 *(24.Nd3 Bxa1 25.Qxa1 Qg7 26.Ne7+ Kh8 27.Qxg7+ Nxg7 28.Ne5* Moradiabadi, Elshan: ' ⩲') 24...Ba6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' 25.Re1 Bd4 26.Rc1

C3c2221) 26...Rad8 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'is too complicated to assess!' 27.Qf3 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' *(27.c7 Rd7 28.Qa4 Qd2 29.Qxd7 Bxf2+ 30.Kh1 Bxe1 31.c8Q Bxc8 32.Rxc8 Rxc8 33.Qxc8+ Kg7 34.Ne7 Kf6 35.Nd5+ Kg7* Moradiabadi,Elshan: '=') 27...Rfe8 28.Kh1 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '±';

C3c2222) 26...Bb5 27.c7 Rxa2 28.c8Q *(28.Rc2* Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' *Ba4 29.Qxd4 Nxd4 30.Rxa2 Bb3 31.Nh3 Qh6 32.Ra8 Rxa8 33.Ne7+ Kg7 34.Bxa8 Qd2 35.Rf1 Be6* Moradiabadi,Elshan: '∓') 28...Bxf2+

29.Kh1 Rxc8 30.Rxc8+ Kg7 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: 'Anish Giri: 'From this episode of my game with Alexander Grischuk, you can see how much is actually being missed at these scary top-tournaments... Obviously in time trouble (Grischuk and time trouble are more or less synonymous), Alexander thought that he was winning with...''' 31.Rxe6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: ''!?' Anish Giri. '' *(31.Qb1 Ra5 32.Rd1 Bd4* Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'should be better for White. It is not obvious whether Black has sufficient compensation for the sacrificed exchange, even though he has got two pawns in return. '*)* 31...fxe6 32.Nf4 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: 'Anish Giri: 'I must confess that I saw Rxe6 a bit too late, but after recovering from the cold shock, I quickly found the only defense...''' Kh6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: 'Anish Giri: 'This is a typical easy-to-miss move. '" 33.Qb1 Ra5 34.Nxe6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '??' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'A terrible blunder!' *(34.Qc1!!* (Moradiabadi) (Anish Giri) was a genius saver. For example: *Bd4 35.h4! Qxg3 36.Ne2+ Be3! 37.Nxg3 Bxc1 38.Rxc1 Ra4* with a more or less equal and probably drawn endgame.*)* 34...Qf6 35.Qc1+ f4 36.Rc3

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The win goes as follows: 36...Qxe6! (Moradiabadi) Anish Giri 37.Qxf4+ Kg6! I think I saw this idea, but I missed that after 38.Be4+ Kg7 39.Rc7+ *(39.Qg5+ Kh8 40.Rc8+!* would also have been a huge blow to my nervous system, but Black

wins with *Be8)* 39...Bd7 40.Qg5+ is never possible due to Rxg5 and the rook that seemed so boxed in a5 is suddenly back in town...;

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36...Be3

Moradiabadi, Elshan: '??' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: ''?' Anish Giri. Anish Giri: 'The problem with finding a win is that during the game nobody tells you that you have one (for more or less the same reason I missed the win against Anand). .. I would actually like one of the spectators to shout from the playing hall "There is a win!" but for some reason, nobody does that... '" Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Returns the favour!

' 37.Qe1 Bf2 *(* Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'IvanHoe 9. 47b x64:' *37...Qxe6 38.gxf4 Bd7 39.Rxe3 Qf6 40.Rc3 Rc5 41.Rd3 Bc6 42.Qd1 Kg7 43.Rg3+ Kf8 44.Kg1 Bxg2 45.Kxg2 b5 46.Qd7 h5 47.Qb7 Rc2+ 48.Kh1 Qc6+ 49.Qxc6 Rxc6 50.Rb3 Rc5 51.Kg2 Ke7 52.Kf3 Kf6 53.Ke4 Ke6 54.Re3* -0.13/26 *)* 38.Qc1 Be3

Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Moradiabadi: ''?' Anish Giri. Anish Giri: 'I still couldn't find it, so I agreed with myself that my opponent must have been lucky while I wasn't, and decided to conclude the game. I did deviate obviously, but the resulting position is only symbolically better for me.''' 39.Qe1 Qxe6 40.gxf4 Qf6 41.Qxe3 Ra1+ 42.Rc1 Bd7 43.h3 Rxc1+ 44.Qxc1 Qd4 45.Qc7 Bf5 46.Qe7 Qxf4 47.Qf6+ Kh5 48.Qxb6

½-½ (48) Ernst,H (2773)-Grube,J (2686) NB 4/f1 Krasnaya Polyana

(m/2) 2011 SO: King's Indian Attack [M. Botvinnik];

D) 9...e6 10.Nf2 Re8 11.0-0 Nc5 12.Bf3 e5!? 13.g3 a5 Wang Hao - Mchedlishvili, M Subic Bay 2016 (by transposition), with a solid-looking position, perhaps, but at this point White played a double-edged pawn sacrifice... 14.f5!? gxf5 15.Bg5 with complicated play. f4 16.Ng4 Kh8 17.Kh1 Rg8 18.gxf4 exf4 19.Nh6 Bxh6 20.Bxh6 Bh3 21.Rg1 Qe7 22.Bxf4 Nfd7 23.Qd4+ f6 24.Qe3 Ne5 25.Be2 Bd7 26.Rxg8+ Rxg8 27.Rg1 Ng6 28.Bh6 Qe5 29.Bf3 Qe8 30.Bh5 Qe5 31.Qf3 Nh4 32.Qf2 Ng6 33.Qf3 ½-½ (33) Wang,H (2678)-Mchedlishvili,M (2601) Subic Bay PHI 2016;

E) 9...c6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'needs more tests:'

E1) 10.Be3 1-0 (35) Hammer,J (2630)-Tari,A (2216) Oslo 2012 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5!?

E1a) 12.a3 Nc5 *(12...Rb8 13.Nf2 b4 14.axb4 Rxb4 15.Rxa7 Rxb2 16.0-0 Nc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.e5 Nd7 19.Nfe4 c4 20.Kh1 Qb6 21.Ra4 Rb4 22.Bxc4 Rxa4 23.Qxa4 Qd4 24.d6 Nb6 25.Bxf7+* 1-0 (25) BackyardProfessor (2720)-ThanksForNothing (2686) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Nf2 a6 14.0-0 Nfd7 15.Rc1 Bb7 16.b4 Na4 17.Nxa4 bxa4 18.Qxa4 Nb6 19.Qa5 Nd7 20.Qxd8 Rfxd8 21.Rc7 Bc8 22.Rfc1 Bf8 23.a4 Nf6 24.a5 Bd7 25.Ra7 Rxa7 26.Bxa7 Rc8 27.Rxc8 Bxc8 28.b5 axb5 29.Bxb5 e6 30.dxe6 fxe6 31.a6 d5 32.e5 Nd7 33.Bd4 Nc5 34.a7 Bb7 35.Nd3 Nxd3 36.Bxd3 Kf7 37.Ba6 Ba8 38.Bc8 Be7 39.Kf2 Bb4 40.g3 Ke7 41.Kf3 Ba5 42.h4 Bc7 43.Kg4 Kf7 44.h5 Bd8 45.hxg6+ hxg6 46.Kf3 Be7 47.Ke3 Bd8 48.Kd3 Be7 49.Kc3 Ba3 50.Kb3 Be7 51.Ka4 Bc6+ 52.Ka5 Bd8+ 53.Ka6 Ke7 54.Bb7 Kd7 1-0 (54) BackyardProfessor (2733)-ThanksForNothing (2665) Blitz 2021;

E1b) 12.Nf2

E1b1) 12...a6 13.0-0 *(13.a3 Bb7 14.Qd2 Nb6 15.0-0 Rc8 16.Rac1 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Rfd1 Qd7 19.h3 Rfc8 20.Kh2 e6 21.dxe6 Qxe6 22.Qxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Nxe4 24.Nfxe4 Bxe4 25.Nxe4 Rxc1 26.Bxc1 Rxc1 27.Rd8+ Bf8 28.Ra8 Rc6 29.Ng5 h6 30.Nf3 Kg7 31.Ne5 Rf6 32.Nd7 Rxf4 33.Nxf8 Rd4 34.Kg3 Rd2 35.b4 Rd3+ 36.Kf4 Rxa3 37.Nd7 Rb3 38.Rxa6 Rxb4+ 39.Kg3 Rd4 40.Ne5 Rd5 41.Kf4 Rd4+ 42.Ke3 Rd5 43.Ke4 Rd2 44.g4 Re2+ 45.Kd4 Rf2 46.Rb6 h5 47.Rxb5 hxg4 48.hxg4 f6 49.Rb7+ Kh6 50.Nf7+ Kg7 51.Ke3 Rf1 52.Ng5+ Kh6 53.Nf3 Ra1 54.Kf4 Ra4+ 55.Kg3 g5 56.Rd7 Kg6 57.Nd4 Ra3+ 58.Kf2*

Ra2+ 59.Ke3 Ra3+ 60.Ke4 Rg3 61.Rg7+ Kxg7 62.Nf5+ 1-0 (62) Lucky1357924680 (2658)-ma_long_ma (2649) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Nb6

E1b11) 14.a3

E1b111) 14...e6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Bd4 Nc4 *(16...Re8 17.Re1* ½ - ½ (1 7) masterofpuppets2 (2604)-liczner (2770) Blitz 2021*)* 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Re1 Rc8 19.f5 b4 20.axb4 Re8 ½-½ (41) Aczel,G (2553)-Antal,G (2561) HUN-ch 69th Budapest 2021 (6);

E1b112) 14...Bb7!?N New and interesting. Theoretisch interessant. 15.Qb3 Rb8 16.Rac1 Nfd7 17.Qd1 Rc8 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Qd2 Qb6 22.Kh1 Rfc8 23.Ng4 Nf6 24.Nxf6+ exf6 25.f5 Kg7 26.Rf3 Qd4 27.Rd3 Qe5 28.Rf1 g5 29.Qd1 a5 30.Ne2 Qxb2 31.Rb3 Qe5 32.Ng3 Rc3 33.Rg1 Ba6 34.Qb1 Kf8 35.Qd1 Ke7 36.Ne2 Rxb3 37.Qxb3 b4 38.Ng3 Qc3 0-1 (38) Wojtaszek,R (2655)-Teclaf,P (2555) Krakow 2025;

E1b12) 14.Rc1 Bb7 15.a4 Nxa4 16.Nxa4 bxa4 17.Qxa4 Nd7 18.Rfd1 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bf3 a5 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Nf6 23.Nh1 Bc8 24.Ng3 Rb8 25.Re1 Bd7 26.Rc2 Rb4 27.Qe3 Rf7 28.Ne2 a4 29.h3 Qa5 30.Rd1 Qb6 31.Qxb6 Rxb6 32.Nd4 Rf8 33.Nc6 Kf7 34.Rd4 Ra8 35.Re2 Bxc6 36.dxc6 Ra7 37.g4 fxg4 38.hxg4 Ne8 39.Rd5 h6 40.g5 hxg5 41.Bh5+ Kf8 42.Rf5+ Nf6 43.fxg5 a3 44.gxf6 e6 45.Rxe6 axb2 46.Re8# 1-0 (46) Xiong,J (2709)-Safarli,E (2598) chess.com INT 2020;

E1b2) 12...b4 13.Na4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'needs checking';

E2) 10.Nf2 cxd5 *(10...Qb6 11.0-0 Nc5 12.Bf3!?)* 11.cxd5

E2a) 11...Nb6 12.a4 Bd7 *(12...a5 13.Be3 e5 14.fxe5 dxe5 15.0-0 Nbd7 16.Rc1 b6 17.Nb5 Nc5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Rxc5 Bh6 20.d6 Be3 21.Rxe5 Bb7 22.Bf3 Nd7 23.Re7 Bg5 24.Bg4 f5 25.Nc7 Bxe7 26.dxe7 Qxe7 27.Nxa8 Bxa8 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Bf3 Bxf3 30.Qxf3 Qc5 31.Rd1 Nf6 32.Kh1 Re8 33.h3 Re3 34.Qf4 Re2 35.Qg5+ Kf7 36.Ng4 Ne4 37.Nh6+ Ke6 38.Qg8+ Ke5 39.Qg7+ Kf4 40.Kh2 Rf2 41.Nf7 Ke3 42.Ne5 Ke2 43.Re1+ Kd2 44.Ra1 Ke2*

45.Re1+ Kd2 46.Ra1 Ke2 47.b3 Qe3 48.Ra2+ Kf1 49.Ra1+ Ke2 50.Ra2+ Kf1 51.Ra1+ Ke2 52.Ra2+ ½-½ (52) Postny,E (2654)-Votava,J (2526) Austria AUT 2014 *)* 13.a5 Nc8 14.0-0 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Qb3± 1-0 (32) Kurnosov,I (2653)-Vokarev,S (2455) Olginka 2011 b6 17.Bf3 Rb8 18.Be3 Kh8 19.Rfd1 Ne8 20.a6 b5 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Bxe5 23.Nd3 Bg7 24.Nc5 Ned6 25.N3e4 Be5 26.Bd4 Bxd4+ 27.Rxd4 Qb6 28.Qc3 e5 29.Rxd6 Nxd6 30.Qxe5+ Kg8 31.Nxd6 Bc6 32.Bd1 1-0 (32) Kurnosov,I (2653)-Vokarev,S (2455) Olginka RUS 2011;

E2b) 11...e6 12.dxe6 fxe6 13.Qxd6 Re8 14.0-0 Bf8 15.Qd1 e5 16.f5 gxf5 17.exf5 Bc5 18.Kh1 Nf8 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Nfe4 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Bd4 22.Bg5 Bd7 23.Bxd8 Rxd8 24.Nf6+ Kf7 25.Nxd7 Nxd7 26.Rac1 Nc5 27.g4 Kf6 28.b4 Ne4 29.Rc7 Nc3 30.Bf3 e4 31.Rxc3 Bxc3 32.Bxe4 Be5 33.h4 h6 34.Bxb7 Rd2 35.Rc1 Rh2+ 36.Kg1 Rxh4 37.Bf3 Rh2 38.a4 Rb2 39.b5 Kg5 40.Rc4 Kh4 41.Kf1 Kg3 42.Be4 Kxg4 43.Ke1 Kf4 44.Kd1 Ke3 45.Bc2 Bd4 46.Rxd4 Kxd4 47.f6 Ra2 48.f7 Ra1+ 49.Ke2 Ra2 50.f8Q Rxc2+ 51.Kd1 Rc4 52.Qxh6 Kc3 53.Qa6 Rd4+ 54.Ke2 Re4+ 55.Kf3 Re7 56.Qd6 Rf7+ 57.Ke4 Rf1 58.Qd3+ Kb4 59.Qxf1 Ka5 60.Kd5 Kb6 61.Kc4 Ka5 62.Qe1+ Kb6 63.a5+ Kb7 64.Qe7+ Kc8 65.Kc5 Kb8 66.Kc6 Kc8 67.Qc7# 1-0 (67) edgelorde (2749)-sh20032006 (2745) Blitz 2021;

E2c) 11...b5 12.Bxb5 Rb8 *(12...Nc5 13.Bc6 Rb8 14.0-0 Ba6 15.Re1 Nfd7 16.Qc2 Qb6 17.Rd1 Bb7 18.Be3 Bxc6 19.dxc6 Qxc6 20.Rac1 Qb7 21.Nd5 Nb6 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Nxb6 axb6 24.e5 f6 25.f5 fxe5 26.fxg6 Bh6 27.Qb3+ Kg7 28.Qh3 hxg6 29.Rd7 Bxc1 30.Rxb7 Rxb7 31.Qc3 Bg5 32.Ne4 Rd7 33.g3 Bf6 34.Qf3 Rd4 35.Kg2 Bg5 36.Qe2 Bc1 37.h4 Rf5 38.b3 b5 39.Kh3 c4 40.bxc4 bxc4 41.a4 c3 42.Nxc3 e4 43.Nxe4 Re5 44.Qc2 Rexe4 45.Qxc1 Rxa4 46.h5 Ra6 47.Qc3+ Rf6 48.hxg6 Ree6 49.Qd4 Kxg6 50.Qd3+ Kg7 51.Qd4 Rd6 52.Qc3 Rd5 53.Qb2 Rg5 54.Qb7 Re6 55.Qc7 Rgg6 56.Qc3+ Kh7 57.Qf3 Ref6 58.Qe4 Rf7 59.Qd3 Rfg7 60.Qe4 Kh8 61.Qa8+ Rg8 62.Qa1+ Kh7 63.Qe5 Rxg3+ 64.Qxg3 Rxg3+ 65.Kxg3 Kg7 66.Kf3 Kf7 67.Ke3* ½-½ (67) Mishra,A (2616)-Preotu,R (2475) Charlotte USA 2024 *)* 13.0-0 Nc5 14.Be2 Qb6 *(14...Nfd7 15.Nb5 Qb6 16.Be3 Ba6 17.a4 Bxb2 18.Rb1 Bg7*

19.Qd2± 1-0 (45) Wen,Y (2550)-Gopal,G (2562) Ho Chi Minh City 2012*)* 15.Kh1 Qb4 16.a3 Qb3 17.Rb1 Bd7 18.e5 Ne8 19.Be3 Bf5 20.Qxb3 Nxb3 21.Bd3 dxe5 22.Bxf5 gxf5 23.fxe5 Bxe5 24.Nd3 Bg7 25.Bxa7 Rb7 26.Be3 Nd6 27.Nc5 Nxc5 28.Bxc5 Rc8 29.Bb4 Nc4 30.Rbc1 Nxb2 31.d6 Nd3 32.Nd5 Nxc1 33.Nxe7+ Rxe7 34.dxe7 Nd3 35.Bd6 Be5 36.Bxe5 Nxe5 37.Kg1 Ng6 38.Rxf5 Nxe7 39.Rf1 Ra8 40.Ra1 Ra4 41.Kf2 Nc6 42.Rc1 Ne5 43.Rc3 Kg7 44.h3 Nc4 45.Rg3+ Kf6 46.Rg4 h5 47.Rh4 Kg5 48.Rd4 Nb6 49.Rxa4 Nxa4 50.Ke3 f6 51.Ke4 Nc3+ 52.Kd3 Na4 53.Ke4 f5+ 54.Kf3 Nc3 55.Ke3 Na4 56.Kf3 Nb6 57.g3 Na4 58.Ke3 Nc5 59.Kf3 Kf6 60.Kf4 Ne6+ 61.Ke3 Ke5 62.a4 Kd5 63.a5 Kc5 64.Kf3 Kb5 65.g4 fxg4+ 66.hxg4 h4 0-1 (66) Carlsen,M (2862)-Artemiev,V (2708) chess.com INT 2020]

9...e5

[9...Nb6 10.Be2

A) 10...c6 11.0-0 cxd5 12.cxd5 e6 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Be3 Rc8 15.Rc1 *(15.Bd4 Re8 16.b3 Nfd7 17.Rc1 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qf6 19.Qxf6 Nxf6 20.Rfd1 d5 21.e5 Nfd7 22.Nb5 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Nxc8 25.Nd3 f6 26.Kf2 Kf7 27.Ke3 Bf5 28.Kd4 Bxd3 29.Bxd3 fxe5+ 30.fxe5 Ne7 31.Nc7 Nc6+ 32.Kc3 d4+ 33.Kd2 Ndxe5 34.Be4 Ke7 35.Nd5+ Kd6 36.Nf4 Nb4 37.a3 Nbc6 38.h3 a5 39.Bd5 g5 40.Bxc6 gxf4 41.Bxb7 Kc5 42.Be4 h6 43.Bf3 Nf7 44.Be2 Ne5 45.Bd1 d3 46.Bh5 Kd4 47.Be8 f3 48.gxf3 Nxf3+ 49.Kd1 Kc3 50.Bc6 Nd4 51.Bd5 Nxb3 52.Bxb3 Kxb3 53.Kd2 Kxa3 54.Kxd3 Kb2 55.Ke4 a4 56.Kf5 a3 57.Kg6 a2 58.Kxh6 a1Q 59.h4 Qg1 60.h5 Kc3 61.Kh7 Kd4 62.h6 Ke5 63.Kh8 Kf6 64.h7 Qg7#* 0-1 (64) papasi (2625)-liczner (2709) Blitz 2020*)* 15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Re1 Qa5 18.Qxd6 Rfd8 19.Qa3 Qxa3 20.bxa3 Bf8 21.e5 Ne8 22.Bxa7 Bxa3 23.Rcd1 Bb4 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.Rc1 f5 26.exf6 Nxf6 27.Nce4 Nxe4 28.Rxc4 Nxf2 29.Kxf2 Rd2+ 30.Kf3 Bd6 31.a4 Rb2 32.Rd4 Be7 33.Rd7 Kf8 34.a5 Rb3+ 35.Ke4 Rb5 36.Bb6 Bb4 37.Rxh7 Bxa5 38.Bxa5 Rxa5 39.Rxb7 Kg8 40.Kf3 Ra2 41.h4 Rc2 42.g3 Rc3+ 43.Kg4 Rd3 44.Rc7 Ra3 45.Rc5 Kf7 46.h5 gxh5+ 47.Rxh5 Kf6 48.Rb5 Kg7 49.Rb6 Rc3 50.f5 Kf7 51.Kh4 Rc1 52.g4 Rc4 53.Kg5 Re4 54.Rb7+ 1-0 (54) papasi (2643)-AttackingBeast (2713) Blitz 2020;

B) 10...e6 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Be3 *(14.a4 Rb8 15.a5 Na8 16.Qa4 Nd7 17.Qxc6 Nc5 18.Rd1 Nb3 19.Rxd6 Qc7 20.Qxc7 Nxc7 21.Rb1 Nxc1 22.Rxc1 Rxb2 23.e5±* 1-0 (50) Socko,B (2622)-Harikrishna,P (2726) Porto Rio 2014 *Ne6 24.Nd3 Rb3 25.Nd5 Kh8 26.Ne7 Bb7 27.g3 Re8 28.a6 Be4 29.Nf2 Re3 30.Nxe4*

Rxe2 31.Nc3 Rb2 32.Ncd5 Bf8 33.Rd7 Rd2 34.Rxa7 Nd4 35.Kf1 Rxh2 36.Rc4 Ne2 37.Rb7 Nxg3+ 38.Ke1 Ra2 39.a7 Bxe7 40.Nxe7 Rd8 41.Nd5 Re2+ 42.Kd1 Rxd5+ 43.Kc1 Ra5 44.Rc8+ Kg7 45.a8Q Rxa8 46.Rxa8 Nf5 47.Ra6 h5 48.e6 h4 49.exf7 Re7 50.Rf6 1-0 (50) Socko,B (2622)-Harikrishna,P (2726) Porto Rio GRE 2014*; 14.Bf3 Rb8 15.Qc2 d5 16.Rd1 Qe7 17.e5 Nfd7 18.a4 Nc5 19.b4 Na6 20.b5 Nb4 21.Qe2 a5 22.Be3 Be6 23.bxc6 Nc4 24.Rac1 Rfc8 25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.Bxd5 Nb2 27.Bxe6 Nxd1 28.Bxc8 Nxe3 29.Bb7 Nd5 30.Qd2 Nc7 31.Qd6 Bf8 32.Ne4 Rd8 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.Qxe7 Bxe7 35.Nd7 f6 36.exf6+ Bxf6 37.Rd1 Bc3 38.Kf2 Re8 39.Nc5 Re7 40.Rd7 Kf7 41.Kf3 Bb4 42.Nd3 Rxd7 43.cxd7 Be7 44.Ne5+ Ke6 45.Ke4 Kd6 46.d8Q+ Bxd8 47.Nf7+ Ke7 48.Nxd8 Kxd8 49.Ke5 Ke7 50.g3 Ne8 51.Kd5 Nd6 52.Bc6 Nf5 53.Kc5 Ne3 54.Bf3 Nf1 55.Be2 Nxh2 56.Kb6 Kd6 57.Kxa5 Kc5 58.Ka6 Kc6 59.a5 h6 60.Ka7 Kc7 61.g4 h5 62.gxh5 gxh5 63.Bxh5 Nf1 64.f5 Ne3 65.f6 Kd6 66.a6 Nc4 67.f7 Ke7 68.Kb8 Ne5 69.Kc7* 1-0 (69) Duda,J (2753)-Delchev,A (2550) chess.com INT 2020*; 14.Qc2 Re8 15.b3 Nxe4 16.Nfxe4 Rxe4 17.Nxe4 Bxa1 18.Bb2 Bxb2 19.Qxb2 Qf8 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Bf3 Be6 22.Bxc6 Rc8 23.Bb7 Rd8 24.Qd4 Qg7 25.Rd1 Nd7 26.Ne4 Qxd4+ 27.Rxd4 d5 28.Nc3 Nf6 29.b4 Bc8 30.Bc6 Bd7 31.Bb7 Bc8 32.Bc6 Bd7 33.Bxd7 Rxd7 34.Na4 Rc7 35.Nc5 a5 36.a3 axb4 37.axb4 Kg7 38.Kf2 Kf8 39.Ke3 Ke7 40.Rd2 Ra7 41.Kd4 Kd6 42.Rc2 Nh5 43.b5 Nxf4 44.Na6 Ne6+ 45.Kd3 Rb7 46.Rc6+ Ke7 47.b6 Nd8 48.Rc7+ Kd6 49.Rxb7 Nxb7 50.Kd4 Nd8 51.Nb4 Nc6+ 52.Nxc6 Kxc6 53.g4 Kxb6 54.Kxd5 Kc7 55.Ke5 Kd7 56.g5 Ke7 57.h3 Ke8 58.Ke4 Kf8 59.Kf4 Kg7 60.Ke5 Kg8 61.Ke4 h6 62.h4 Kg7 63.Ke5 f6+ 64.gxf6+ Kf7 65.h5 gxh5* ½-½ (65) Postny,E (2631)-Nyback,T (2599) Bremen GER 2013 *)*

B1) 14...Re8 15.Rc1 *(15.Bf3 Nc4 16.Bd4 Ba6 17.b3 Nb6 18.Re1 Rc8 19.Rc1 Bb7 20.e5 dxe5 21.Bxe5 Nfd5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qd4+ Qf6 24.Qxf6+ Nxf6 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 26.Nce4 Nxe4 27.Nxe4 Rd8 28.Nc5 Ba8 29.Rc2 Nd5 30.g3 Nb4 31.Rc4 a5 32.a3 Nd3 33.Na4 Ne1 34.Bxc6 Bxc6 35.Rxc6 Rd2 36.Rc3 h5 37.Nb6 h4 38.Nc4 h3 39.Nxd2* 1-0 (39) papasi (2622)-shahinlorpari (2667) Blitz 2020 *)* 15...Be6 16.g4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Re1 h5 19.g5 Nh7 20.Qa4 Bb5 21.Nxb5 cxb5 22.Qxb5 Rb8 23.Qd5± 1-0 (41) Postny,E (2668)-Kobo,O (2466) Graz 2016 Rxb2 24.Rc6 Nf8 25.Rxd6 Qb8 26.e5 Ne6 27.Rd7 Rb1 28.Rxb1 Qxb1+ 29.Kg2 Qf5 30.h4 Rc8 31.Qd3 Nxf4+ 32.Bxf4 Qxf4 33.e6 Qxh4 34.Qd5 Qb4 35.Rxa7 h4 36.Rxf7 h3+ 37.Kxh3 Rc3+ 38.Kg2 Qa3 39.e7 Rg3+ 40.Kh2 Rh3+ 41.Nxh3 1-0 (41) Postny,E (2668)-Kobo,O

(2466) Graz AUT 2016;
B2) 14...Qe7 15.Qd2 Re8 16.Rae1 d5 17.e5 Nfd7 18.a4 a5 19.f5 gxf5 20.Nh3 Rb8 21.Nf4 Nxe5 22.b3 Ng6 23.Bd3 Qb4 24.Nce2 Nd7 25.Nh5 Qxd2 26.Bxd2 Nc5 27.Nxg7 Kxg7 28.Bc2 Rxe2 29.Rxe2 Ba6 30.Bc3+ f6 31.Ree1 Bxf1 32.Rxf1 Ne5 33.Rxf5 Re8 34.Rf4 Ne6 35.Rh4 Ng5 36.Rf4 c5 37.Bxa5 Nc6 38.Bc3 d4 39.Bd2 Ne5 40.a5 Rb8 41.h4 Ne6 42.Rf2 d3 43.Bd1 c4 44.a6 cxb3 45.a7 Ra8 46.Be3 Nc4 47.Bf3 d2 48.Bxd2 Rxa7 49.Bc3 Ne5 50.Bd5 Nc5 51.Rf4 Rd7 52.Rd4 h5 53.Rd1 Rc7 54.Rb1 Ned3 55.Bxb3 Nxb3 56.Rxb3 Nc1 57.Ba5 Rc5 58.Rb7+ Kg6 59.Bd2 Ne2+ 60.Kf2 Nd4 61.Be3 Rc2+ 62.Kf1 Nf5 63.Bf2 Nh6 64.Rb5 Ng4 65.Bd4 Rd2 66.Bb6 Rc2 67.Ba7 Rc4 68.g3 Rc2 69.Bb8 Nh2+ 70.Kg1 Nf3+ 71.Kf1 Nd4 72.Ra5 Rb2 73.Bf4 Ne6 74.Bd6 Rd2 75.Bb8 Rd8 76.Ba7 Ra8 77.Bb6 Rxa5 78.Bxa5 Kf5 79.Kg2 Kg4 80.Bc3 f5 81.Be5 Nc5 82.Bd6 Nd3 83.Bc7 Ne1+ 84.Kf2 Nc2 85.Bb8 ½-½ (85) Ding,L (2799)-Artemiev,V (2704) chess24.com INT 2021]

[9...e6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'makes more sense']

[≤9...c6 10.Be3! Re8 11.Be2 Qc7 12.Qd2 e5 13.f5 Nc5 14.g4± 1-0 (31) Berczes,D (2532)-Papp,P (2307) Budapest 2013 Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (31) Berczes,D (2532)-Papp,P (2307) Budapest HUN 2013']

10.dxe6 fxe6 11.Be2

[11.Be3 b6 *(11...e5 12.f5 gxf5 13.exf5 e4 14.g4 Ne5 15.Be2 c6 16.g5 Ne8 17.f6 Nxf6 18.gxf6 Qxf6 19.Ncxe4 Qh4 20.Bg5* 1-0 (20) RebeccaHarris (2713)-donatello (2685) Blitz 2016*)* 12.g3 *(12.Qd2 Bb7 13.g4 Nc5 14.Bg2 Nfd7 15.h4 a5 16.0-0-0 a4 17.Kb1 a3 18.b3 Rf7 19.g5 e5 20.f5 gxf5 21.h5 f4 22.Bxc5 Nxc5 23.h6 Bf8 24.Bf3 c6 25.Rdg1 Bc8 26.g6 hxg6 27.Rxg6+ Kh7 28.Bh5 Rf6 29.Rgg1 Ne6 30.Ng4 Be7 31.Nxf6+ Bxf6 32.Rg6 Ra7 33.Rhg1 Ng5 34.b4 d5 35.cxd5 Rd7 36.Qc2 c5 37.b5 Nh3 38.Rh1 Rd6 39.Qg2 Ng5 40.Rg1 Bh3 41.Qh1 Bc8 42.Kc2 c4 43.Qh2 f3 44.Qg3 Qe7 45.Qh4 f2 46.Qxf2 Nh3 47.Qg2 Nxg1 48.Rg8 Bh4 49.Rg7+ Kxh6 50.Rxe7 Bxe7 51.Qh2 Rf6 52.d6 Bd8 53.Nd5 Nh3 54.Qxe5 Rf2+ 55.Kc3 Rf8 56.d7 Bxd7 57.Qd6+ Kxh5 58.Qxf8 Bxb5 59.Qxd8 Ba4 60.Qxb6 Ng5 61.Kxc4 Nf7 62.Kb4 Bd1 63.Qf6 Ng5 64.Kxa3 Bf3 65.Qf5 Bd1 66.e5 Bf3 67.e6 Bxd5 68.Qxd5 Kg4 69.e7 Ne6 70.e8Q Kg3 71.Qg6+ Ng5 72.Qgxg5+ Kf2 73.Qdg2+ Ke1 74.Qc1#* 1-0 (74) Luhut_ROBOT (2608)-mrchessmanager (2572) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...e5 13.f5 gxf5 14.exf5 Bb7 15.Rg1 e4 16.Qe2 Nc5 17.0-0-0 Nfd7 18.g4 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Ne5 20.Bd4 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 Rae8 22.Rg3 Nf3 23.Ka1 Qh4 24.Qe3 Nxd4 25.cxd4 Nd3 26.Rd2 Qf6 27.Bxd3 exd3 28.Qxd3 Re1+ 29.Kb2 c5 30.Re3 Re8 31.Rxe8+ Rxe8 32.Kb3 Qg5 33.h4 Qf4 34.Re2 Rxe2 35.Qxe2 Kf8 36.dxc5 bxc5 37.Nd3 Qd4 38.Ne1 d5

39.Nc2 Qf6 40.a3 h5 41.gxh5 Qxf5 42.Kb2 d4 43.Na1 Be4 44.Nb3 Bd3 45.Qg2 Bxc4 46.Qg5 Qxg5 47.hxg5 Bxb3 48.Kxb3 Kf7 49.a4 d3 50.h6 c4+ 51.Kb2 d2 52.Kc2 c3 53.Kd1 a6 54.h7 Kg7 55.g6 a5 56.Kc2 Kh8 57.Kd1 Kg7 58.Kc2 Kh8 59.Kd1 Kg7 ½-½ (59) HansNiemannBot (2722)-mrchessmanager (2610) Blitz 2022]

11...b6 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲'

[11...Ne8 12.Qc2 Nb6 0-1 (57) Svetushkin,D (2589)-Torrecillas Martinez,A (2406) Leon 2012 13.c5!? dxc5 14.e5⩱]

12.Be3

[12.0-0 Bb7 13.Bf3 Nc5]

12...Bb7 13.Qc2 Qe7 14.0-0 a6 15.Rae1 Rae8 16.b3 Kh8 17.Qd2 Nc5 18.Bf3 e5 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Qf7 21.fxe5 Bxe5 22.Ng4 Bg7 23.Nh6 Qf6 24.b4 Nd7 25.Bg4 Qe7 26.Bg5 Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 Nf6 28.Be6 Rf8 29.Nf7+ Rxf7 30.Bxf7 Qxf7 31.Qf4 b5 32.Bxf6 Bxf6 33.Qxf6+ Qxf6 34.Rxf6 bxc4 35.Rf7 Bxd5 36.Rxc7 c3 37.a3 1-0 (37) Iqevsll (2950)-Anya6 (2839) Blitz 2022

8...Nc5 9.Nf2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is now pleasant for White, e.g.'

9...h5

[9...Nfd7 10.Be3 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 e5 12.dxe6 Nxe6 13.Be2 Qe7 14.0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Van Delft & Ris: ' ⩲' Van Delft & Ris: 'Postny-Mikhalevski, Acre 2013.'' b6 15.Bd4 0-0 16.Ng4 h5 17.Ne3 Bb7 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Nxd4 20.Qxd4 Nc5 21.Bf3⩲ 1-0 (39) Postny,E (2635)-Mikhalevski, V (2530) Acre ISR 2013 Rfe8 22.Rae1 Qf8 23.e5 Re7 24.Re3 Rae8 25.Bxh5 Qg7 26.Rfe1 Nd7 27.e6 Nf8 28.Qxg7+ Kxg7 29.exf7 Kxf7 30.Rxe7+ Rxe7 31.Rxe7+ Kxe7 32.Bg4 Nh7 33.Kf2 Nf6 34.Bf3 Nd7 35.Ke3 Nc5 36.h4 Na4 37.Kd4 Kf6 38.g4 a6 39.Be4 1-0 (39) Postny,E (2635)-Mikhalevski, V (2530) Acre ISR 2013]

10.Be2 Ng4 11.0-0

[11.Nxg4 hxg4 12.Bxg4 Bxg4 13.Qxg4 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nxe4 15.f5 gxf5 16.Qxf5 Ng3 0-1 (16) AgressiveMode (2688)-Nadigraj (2776) Blitz 2021]

11...Nxf2 12.Rxf2 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Nxe4 14.Qd4 Nf6 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Rb1 b6 17.Re2 Bxd3 18.Qxd3 Qd7 19.Be3 0-0 20.Bd4 Rfe8 21.Rbe1 Kf8 22.f5 Qxf5 23.Qd2 g5 24.Rf2 Qg6 25.Ref1 Ne4 26.Rxf7+ Qxf7 27.Rxf7+ Kxf7 28.Qd3 Nf6 29.Qf5 e5 30.dxe6+ Rxe6 31.Bxf6 1-0 (31) Iqevsll (2941)-Nadigraj (2806) Blitz 2022

8...Nb6 9.Nf2 e6 'Svidler,Peter: 'Cabrilo,Goran: 'Black is still not entirely out of the woods, but that idea does the one thing I was very much looking for when searching for a new approach vs 3.f3. Black's normal response involves allowing e6 dxe6 fxe6, but my own experiences in that structure, and further attempts to analyze it, convinced me I don't much like it for Black. Therefore, I was very much looking for ways to prepare e6 which would allow Black to recapture with a piece beantwortete. Schwarz ist immer noch nicht ganz aus dem Schneider, aber diese Idee erfüllt genau das, wonach ich bei einem neuen Ansatz gegen 3.f3 auf der Suche war. Die normale Antwort von Schwarz besteht darin, e6 dxe6 fxe6 zuzulassen, aber meine eigenen Erfahrungen mit

dieser Struktur und weitere Versuche, sie zu analysieren, haben mich davon überzeugt, dass ich sie für Schwarz nicht besonders mag. Deshalb habe ich nach Möglichkeiten gesucht, e6 vorzubereiten, die es Schwarz ermöglichen, mit einer Figur zurückzuschlagen.'" Cabrilo,Goran: 'Black is still not entirely out of the woods, but that idea does the one thing I was very much looking for when searching for a new approach vs 3.f3. Black's normal response involves allowing e6 dxe6 fxe6, but my own experiences in that structure, and further attempts to analyze it, convinced me I don't much like it for Black. Therefore, I was very much looking for ways to prepare e6 which would allow Black to recapture with a piece' Cabrilo,Goran: 'beantwortete. Schwarz ist immer noch nicht ganz aus dem Schneider, aber diese Idee erfüllt genau das, wonach ich bei einem neuen Ansatz gegen 3.f3 auf der Suche war. Die normale Antwort von Schwarz besteht darin, e6 dxe6 fxe6 zuzulassen, aber meine eigenen Erfahrungen mit dieser Struktur und weitere Versuche, sie zu analysieren, haben mich davon überzeugt, dass ich sie für Schwarz nicht besonders mag. Deshalb habe ich nach Möglichkeiten gesucht, e6 vorzubereiten, die es Schwarz ermöglichen, mit einer Figur zurückzuschlagen.' 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 0-0 12.g4 c6 13.g5 Ne8 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.h4 Nc7 16.h5 Re8 17.a4

[17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Qd3 Qe7 19.Bd2 d5 20.e5 Nc4 21.Nfe4 Nxe5 22.fxe5 dxe4 23.Qxe4 Bf5∓ ½-½ (96) Berczes,D (2492)-Xiong,J (2550) Dallas 2015]

17...Ba6 18.a5 Nbd5 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Ra3 Nb4 21.Kf1 Rb8 22.Kg2 Bc8 23.Rh4 c5 24.Bc4 d5 25.Nxd5 Ncxd5 26.exd5 Bb7 27.f5 gxf5 28.Qh5 Bxd5+ 29.Rf3 Nc2 30.g6 Ne1+ 31.Kh3 Bxc4 32.Rg3 Qf6 33.gxf7+ Kf8 34.fxe8Q+ Rxe8 35.Rxc4 Qe6 36.Rf4 1-0 (36) Ding,L (2799)-Artemiev,V (2704) chess24.com INT 2021

8...e6 9.dxe6!

[9.Be2 exd5 10.cxd5 0-0 11.0-0 Re8 12.Bf3 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Qxd6 Qb6+ 15.Nf2 Bf8 16.Qd2 Ba6 17.Re1 Rad8 18.Qc2 Bc5 19.Na4 Qb4 20.Bd2 Bxf2+ 21.Kxf2 Qd4+ 22.Be3 Nxe4+ 23.Kg1 Qd3 24.Qxd3 Bxd3 25.Bxa7 Ra8 26.Rad1 Rxa7 27.Rxd3 Rxa4 28.Rxd7 f5 29.Bd1 Rb4 30.Bb3+ Kh8 31.Rc7 c5 32.Rxc5 Nxc5 33.Rxe8+ Kg7 34.Re7+ Kf8 35.Rxh7 Nxb3 36.axb3 Rxb3 37.h4 Rxb2 38.h5 gxh5 39.Rxh5 Rb5 40.Rh7 Kg8 41.Re7 Kf8 42.Rc7 Rb4 43.g3 Rb5 44.Kg2 Ra5 45.Kh3 Ra6 46.Kh4 Rg6 47.Rc5 Rf6 48.Kg5 Kg7 49.Rxf5 Rg6+ 50.Kh4 Rb6 51.g4 Rb1 52.Kg5 Rb6 53.Re5 Rb7 54.f5 Ra7 55.Re7+ Rxe7 56.f6+ Kf7 57.fxe7 Kxe7 58.Kg6 Kf8 59.Kh7 1-0 (59) Maghsoodloo,P (2719)-Nazari,A (2379) chess.com INT 2022 Kf7 60.g5 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Prettyfly (2588) Blitz 2023]

9...fxe6 10.Bd3

[10.Be2± - see below 0-0 11.Qc2 e5 12.f5 Nc5 13.0-0 a5 *(13...c6*

14.Be3 Qc7 15.Rad1 gxf5 16.exf5 b6 17.b4 Na6 18.a3 Bb7 19.Ng5 d5 20.Ne6 Qd7 21.Nxf8 Rxf8 22.Bg5 d4 23.Ne4 Nxe4 24.Qxe4 c5 25.Qg4 e4 26.f6 Qxg4 27.Bxg4 h6 28.Be6+ Kh7 29.fxg7 Rxf1+ 30.Rxf1 Kxg7 31.Rf7+ Kg6 32.Rxb7 Kxg5 33.Rxa7 cxb4 34.Rxa6 d3 35.Kf2 Kf4 36.Rxb6 e3+ 37.Ke1 bxa3 38.Ra6 e2 39.Rxa3 Ke3 40.Bf5 1-0 (40) Aczgego (2601)-sh20032006 (2552) Blitz 2021*)* 14.g4 h6 15.Be3 b6 16.Nf2 Bb7 17.Rad1 Qe8 18.h4 Nh7 19.g5 gxf5 20.exf5 e4 21.f6 Qe5 22.Kg2 Nxf6 23.gxf6 Rxf6 24.Ng4 Rg6 25.Nd5 h5 26.Rf5 Qe6 27.Rdf1 Rf8 28.Rxf8+ Bxf8 29.Ndf6+ Kh8 30.Nxh5 Rxg4+ 31.Bxg4 Qxg4+ 32.Ng3 Bg7 33.Qe2 Qf3+ 34.Kh2 Qxe2+ 35.Nxe2 Bxb2 36.Rf7 d5 37.Kg2 Ba6 38.Rxc7 Bxc4 39.Bd4+ Bxd4 40.Nxd4 Bxa2 41.h5 Bb1 42.Rc6 a4 43.Rxb6 Bd3 44.Rc6 Nb3 45.Nf5 d4 46.Rc8+ Kh7 47.Rc7+ Kg8 48.h6 e3 49.Rg7+ Kh8 50.Nd6 Bg6 51.Rxg6 Kh7 52.Rg7+ Kxh6 53.Nf5+ Kh5 54.Kf3 Nc1 55.Nxd4 a3 56.Ra7 Nd3 57.Rxa3 Ne5+ 58.Ke2 1-0 (58) Socko,B (2629)-Zakhartsov,V (2271) Leiden NED 2012]

[10.Be3]

10...0-0 11.0-0 b6 12.Qe2 Nc5 13.Bc2 Bb7 14.Bd2 a5 15.Rad1 Qe7

[15...Nfd7!?]

16.Be1 e5 17.f5 gxf5 18.exf5 Bh6 19.Nf4± Ivanisevic,I (2658)-Roganovic,M (2526) 2015 CI1-130 [Arsovic, Goran]

[17] **9.Nf2** Nb6

[9...Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is pleasant for Black, e.g.' 10.Na4 Qc7 11.Be2 *(11.Be3 0-0 12.Nc3 Re8 13.Bd3 e6 14.dxe6 Rxe6 15.0-0 Re8 16.Rc1 b6 17.b4 Bb7 18.Qc2 Re7 19.a3 Rae8 20.Rfe1 h5 21.Re2 a6 22.Rce1 c5 23.Bd2 Bc6 24.b5 axb5 25.Nxb5 Qb8 26.Bc3 Bxb5 27.cxb5 d5 28.e5 Ng4 29.Nxg4 hxg4 30.Qb1 c4 31.Bc2 Nc5 32.Bb4 g5 33.Bh7+ Kh8 34.g3 d4 35.Qf5 d3 36.Re3 Qd8 37.Bxc5 bxc5 38.Rd1 Qd4 39.Kf2 Rxe5 40.fxe5 Rxe5 41.Qxe5 Bxe5 42.b6 Kxh7 43.b7 Kg6* 0-1 (43) Romvid (2606)-Feanor_64 (2632) Blitz 2020*)* 11...b5 12.dxc6 bxa4 13.cxd7+ Bxd7 14.Be3 Bc6 15.Bf3 Nd7 16.Rb1 Rb8 17.Qd2 Nc5⇄ 1/2 (51) Goganov, A (2509)-Timofeev,A (2641) Samara 2012]

[9...cxd5 10.exd5 0-0 11.Be2 Nc5 12.0-0 e6 13.Bf3 exd5 14.Nxd5 Be6 15.Be3 Re8 16.Bd4 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Qb6 18.Rc1 Nfd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ Kg8 21.Nh1 Nd3 22.Qxb6 Nxb6 23.Rc7 Nxf4 24.Bd1 Nbxd5 25.Rxb7 Reb8 26.Rxb8+ Rxb8 27.Bb3 Re8 28.Nf2 Ne3 29.Rc1 Ne2+ 0-1 (29) Bakayoyo (2680)-RSUPE_MiRacLe (2647) Blitz 2021]

10.Be2 e6 11.c5 dxc5 12.d6 e5 13.fxe5 Nfd7 14.e6 fxe6 15.0-0 0-0 16.Be3 Ne5 17.Bxc5 Nbd7 18.Be3 b6 19.Qb3 Kh8 20.Rad1 Nc5 21.Bxc5 bxc5 22.Qa3 c4 23.Ng4 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 Nxg4 25.Bxg4 Be5 26.Rd1 Qh4 27.Bh3 Qf4 28.d7 Qxh2+ 29.Kf1 Qf4+ 30.Ke2 Bxd7 31.Rxd7 Rf8 32.Bf5 Qh6 33.Qc5 Bg7 34.Bxe6 Qh5+ 35.Qxh5 1-0 (35) Konevlad (2967)-kutiktau (2773) Blitz 2020

[18] **10.Nf2** cxd5

[10...Nc5 11.Bd4 *(11.Qd2 Nb3-+*

worked a treat for Black in Mareco, S - Li Chao b, Internet rapid 2017. *12.axb3 Qxa1+ 13.Ncd1 0-0 14.Be2 cxd5 15.cxd5 Qa2 16.b4 Bd7 17.0-0 Rfc8 18.Bd4 Qb3 19.Ne3 Qa4 20.e5 Ne8 21.Ne4 a5 22.e6 fxe6 23.dxe6 Bc6 24.Nc3 Qxb4 25.Bxg7 Nxg7 26.f5 Qc5 27.f6 exf6 28.Rxf6 Rf8 29.Rxf8+ Rxf8 30.Bc4 d5 31.e7 Qxe7 32.Ncxd5 Bxd5 33.Bxd5+ Kh8 34.h3 Qc5 35.Kh2 Qd6+ 36.Kh1 Re8 37.Nc4 Qd8 38.Qd4 Re1+ 39.Kh2 b5 40.Ne3 Rxe3* 0-1 (40) Mareco,S (2645)-Li,C (2720) chess.com INT 2017*)* 11...0-0 12.a3! △Ncxe4? 13.Nfxe4 Nxe4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.b4 Nxc3? 16.Qd4+]

11.cxd5 Nc5 12.Bd2 0-0 13.a3 Qb6 14.b4 Ncxe4 15.Nfxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5 17.Ng3 Bc2 18.Qxc2 Bxa1 19.Qd3 a5 20.b5 Rac8 21.Kd1 Bb2 22.Ne4 Qc7 23.h4 Bxa3 24.h5 Bb4 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Be3 e5 27.fxe5 a4 28.b6 Qe7 29.Nf6+ Rxf6 30.exf6 Qxf6 31.Qd4 Qxd4+ 32.Bxd4 a3 33.Bd3 Bc3 34.Bxc3 Rxc3 35.Kd2 Rb3 36.Ra1 Kf7 37.Kc2 Rxb6 38.Kc3 Rb2 39.Be4 h5 40.Rxa3 Re2 41.Kd4 Rd2+ 42.Ke3 Rb2 43.Kf4 Rb4 44.Rf3 Kf6 45.Ke3+ Ke5 46.Bxg6 Rb3+ 47.Bd3 Kxd5 48.Rf5+ 1-0 (48) PetersBot (2987)-ArasanX (2942) Blitz 2024

[19] **5.d5** Nd4 Stohl: '**Δ** ...c5' 6.Nc3 [6.Ne2

A) 6...Bc5

A1) 7.Nbc3 a6 *(7...d6 8.Nb5 Nxb5 9.cxb5 Nh5 10.g3 f5 11.Nc3 0-0 12.Bh6 Rf7 13.Bg2 f4 14.Ne2 Qf6 15.g4 Qh4+ 16.Kd2 Nf6 17.g5 Nxe4+ 18.fxe4 f3 19.Bxf3 Rxf3 20.Ng3 Qf4+ 21.Kc2 Bg4 22.Rf1 Rxg3 23.Rxf4 Bxd1+ 24.Kxd1 exf4 25.hxg3 fxg3* 0-1 (25) bodoque50 (2609)-TheBeagles (2706) Blitz 2022*)* 8.Qd3 d6 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Ne2 Nd7 11.f4 Qf6 12.Bd2 a5 13.0-0-0 Bb6 14.Kb1 0-0 15.Bc1 Qe7 16.Nxd4 Nc5 17.Qc2 Qxe4 18.Be2 Qxc2+ 19.Kxc2 Bd7 20.Bf3 h5 21.Rhe1 Rfe8 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.b3 Na6 24.a3 Nc5 25.Bb2 Bg4 26.Rd2 Bxf3 27.Nxf3 Re3 28.Bd4 Re4 29.g3 a4 30.bxa4 Nxa4 31.Kd3 f5 32.Re2 Bxd4 33.Nxd4 Nc5+ 34.Kc3 Kf7 35.Rxe4 Nxe4+ 36.Kb4 Ke7 37.Ne6 Kd7 38.a4 c5+ 39.Kb5 Nc3+ 40.Ka5 b6+ 41.Kxb6 Nxa4+ 42.Kb7 Nb2 43.Nf8+ Kd8 44.Nxg6 Nxc4 45.Kc6 Ne3 46.Kxd6 c4 47.Ne5 c3 48.Nd3 c2 49.Ke5 Nc4+ 50.Kd4 Nb2 51.Nc1 1-0 (51) bodoque50 (2642)-Nadigraj (2592) Blitz 2023;

A2) 7.Nxd4 Bxd4 8.Nc3 *(8.Qe2 c6 9.Be3 Qb6 10.Bxd4 Qxd4 11.Nc3 0-0 12.Rd1 Qc5 13.Qf2 Qxf2+ 14.Kxf2 cxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Rxd5 f6 17.c5 b6 18.Bc4 Kg7 19.Rhd1 Rb8 20.b3 Re8 21.Bb5 Re7 22.cxb6 Rxb6 23.Bxd7 Bxd7 24.Rxd7 Kf7 25.Rxe7+ Kxe7 26.Rc1 Kd7 27.Ke3 a5 28.Rc4 h5 29.g3 Kd6 30.f4 Kd7 31.h3 Kd6 32.g4 hxg4 33.hxg4 exf4+ 34.Kxf4 Rb5 35.Rd4+ Ke6 36.Rc4 Kd6 37.Rc8 a4 38.bxa4 g5+ 39.Ke3 Rb2 40.Ra8 Rxa2 41.a5 Ke5 42.a6 Ra3+ 43.Kf2 Kxe4 44.a7 Kf4 45.Rf8 Ra2+*

46.Kg1 Rxa7 47.Rxf6+ Kxg4 48.Rb6 Ra3 49.Kg2 Ra2+ 50.Kg1 Kh4 51.Rb4+ g4 52.Rb3 Rc2 53.Ra3 Re2 54.Rb3 Re4 55.Ra3 Rf4 56.Rb3 Rf3 57.Rxf3 gxf3 58.Kf2 Kg4 59.Kf1 Kf4 60.Kf2 Ke4 61.Kf1 Ke3 62.Ke1 f2+ 63.Kf1 Kd3 64.Kxf2 ½-½ (64) grandmatt (2617)-KeyzerSoze (2609) Blitz 2016 *)* 8...Nh5

A2a) 9.g3 d6 10.Bd3 c6 *(10...0-0* and White's central pawns dominate the position. *)*

A2a1) 11.Qe2 0-0 *(11...Qb6)* 12.Be3 *(12.Bd2)* 12...Qb6;

A2a2) 11.Bd2 0-0 *(11...Nf4* loses to *12.Bf1 Nh3)* 12.Qe2 cxd5 13.cxd5 *(13.Nxd5 Bxb2 14.Rb1 Bd4+-)* 13...Bd7 *(13...f5 14.0-0-0 Nf6+-)* 14.0-0-0!? A flexible continuation, which in this game allowed White to come out of the opening with better prospects. The other avenues explored in this line are: b5 *(14...Rc8 15.Kb1; 14...Qb6 15.Kb1 Rfc8)* 15.Bxb5 *(15.Nxb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Rb8 17.b3)* 15...Rb8 16.Bxd7 In contrast with Lputjan,S-Agrest,E where White played h2-h3, White spared an important tempo. Qxd7?! 17.Kb1 f5 18.Rhf1 Qb7 Is that the best retreat? 19.b3 Nf6 20.Rc1 a5 *(20...Rfc8)* 21.Na4 Nd7?! 22.Bc3! Nc5 After this move White launches a long and beautiful combination which secures him a victory. *(22...Bxc3 23.Rxc3+-)* 23.Nxc5 dxc5 24.Bxa5 fxe4 25.fxe4 Rxf1 26.Qxf1 Rf8 27.Qc4! Cutting off Black's queen. Bishop will remain the only piece able of preventing White's pawn from queening. Rf2 28.Bc3! Qa7 29.a4! Qb8 30.Rc2 Rf3 31.Kb2! Rxc3 32.Rxc3! Qb4 33.d6+ Kf8 34.Kc2 Bxc3 35.Qxc3 Qxe4+ 36.Qd3! Black's pieces, inspite of their menacing location, are not capable to stop White's pawn. Qg2+ 37.Kc3 e4 38.Qe3 Qh1 39.Kc4 Ke8 40.Kxc5 Kd7+- 41.Kd5 Qd1+ 42.Kxe4 Qc2++- 43.Kd4 could have been answered by Qd1+! 44.Kc3 Qa1+ 45.Kc4 Qf1+ 46.Kb4 Qd1+- 47.Qe7+ Kc6 48.Qc7++- Kd5 49.d7 Qe1+ 50.Kb5! 1-0 (50) Lputian,S (2614)-Janssen,R (2445) Wijk aan Zee 1999 CBM 069 [Atlas,Valeri];

A2b) 9.Kd2 d6 10.Kc2 c6 11.g4 Ng7 12.Bh6 0-0 13.h4 cxd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.Qd2 Qa5 16.h5 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Rfc8 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qh6+ Kf6 21.Qh4+ Kg7 22.Qh6+ Kf6 23.Qh4+ g5 24.Qh6+ Ke7 25.Qxg5+ f6 26.Rh7+ Kd8 27.Qxf6+ Kc7 28.Bh3 a6 29.Rxd7+ Kxd7 30.g5+ Kc7 31.Qe7+

Kb6 32.Qxd6+ Ka7 33.Bxc8 Rxc8 34.Qxe5 Qa4+ 35.Kd2 Qb5 36.Qd4+ Ka8 37.g6 Qb2+ 38.Kd3 Qxa1 39.g7 Qd1+ 40.Ke3 Qg1+ 41.Kd3 Qf1+ 42.Ke3 Rg8 43.Qf6 Qg1+ 44.Kd3 Rxg7 45.d6 Rg2 46.Qd4 Qd1+ 47.Ke3 Qe1+ 48.Kf4 Qg3+ 49.Ke3 Qf2+ 50.Kf4 Qh4+ 51.Ke3 Qg5+ 52.Kd3 Rd2+ 53.Kc4 Rxd4+ 54.cxd4 Qf4 55.Kd3 Qxf3+ 56.Kc4 Qxe4 57.Kc5 Qc6+ 58.Kb4 Qxd6+ 59.Kb3 Qc6 60.d5 Qxd5+ 61.Kb2 b6 62.Kb1 b5 63.Kb2 Qe5+ 64.Kb1 Qe4+ 65.Kb2 Qd4+ 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2621)-liczner (2662) Blitz 2021;

A3) 7.a3 a5 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Nxe2 10.Bxe2 g5 11.Bg3 d6 12.Nc3 Bd7 13.Qd2 Nh5 14.Bf2 Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Qf6 16.g3 b6 17.Rag1 Ng7 18.Ke1 h5 19.h4 g4 20.fxg4 Bxg4 21.Bxg4 hxg4 22.Rf1 Qg6 23.Rf2 Nh5 24.Qe3 Qh6 25.Qd3 Qc1+ 26.Nd1 Rh6 27.Rhf1 f6 28.Rc2 Qb1 29.Kd2 0-0-0 30.Nf2 Qa2 31.Kc3 a4 32.Kb4 Qb3+ 33.Qxb3 axb3 34.Rc3 Rf8 35.Kxb3 f5 36.Nxg4 Rg6 37.Ne3 Nxg3 38.exf5 Rgg8 39.Rf3 Ne2 40.Rd3 e4 41.Nc2 exf3 42.Rxf3 Rg3 43.Rxg3 Nxg3 44.f6 Nf5 45.h5 Rxf6 46.Nb4 Ng3 47.Nc6 Nxh5 48.Ne7+ Kb7 49.Nc6 Rf3+ 50.Kb4 Nf6 51.Nd8+ Kc8 52.Ne6 Ne4 53.Nd4 Rd3 54.Nb5 Nd2 55.Nc3 Rd4 56.b3 Rd3 57.a4 Kb7 58.c5 dxc5+ 59.Ka3 Rxc3 60.Kb2 Rxb3+ 61.Kc2 Rb4 62.d6 Rd4 63.d7 Rxd7 64.Kc3 Rd4 65.a5 bxa5 66.Kc2 a4 67.Kd1 a3 68.Kc2 a2 69.Kb2 a1Q+ 70.Kxa1 ½-½ (70) penguingim1 (2754)-Arad_Nazari (2628) Blitz 2023;

B) 6...c5

B1) 7.dxc6 Atlas,Valeri: ' ≤' dxc6 8.Be3 c5 *(8...Bc5 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Bf2 Be6 13.Nd2 Qd7 14.Bd3 g4 15.f4 Qc7 16.f5 Bd7 17.Bg3 Bd6 18.e5 Bxe5 19.Qe2 0-0-0 20.Bxe5 Rde8 21.Bxc7 Rxe2+ 22.Kxe2 Kxc7 23.Rhe1* 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-derwerter (2582) Blitz 2024 *)* 9.Nbc3 Bg7 10.Qd2 0-0 11.0-0-0 a6 *(11...Qa5 12.Kb1 Be6 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 b5 15.Nec3 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Bd7 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Nxb5 f5 19.exf5 Rae8 20.Bd3 Re3 21.Nd6 Rf6 22.Ne4 Rb6 23.Nxc5 Bc8 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Bxg6 Rxg6 26.Ne6 Bxe6 27.dxe6 Rgxe6 28.Rhd1 Re2 29.Kc2 Rxd2+ 30.Rxd2 Re3 31.Kd1 d3 32.h4 Kf7 33.Rf2 Bh6 34.f4 Rg3 35.Kd2 Kf6 36.Rf3 Rxg2+ 37.Kxd3 Rxb2 38.a4 Rb4 39.Rf1 Rxa4 40.f5 Rxh4 41.Kc3 a5 42.Ra1 a4 43.Rf1 Bf4 44.Kb4 Be5+ 45.Ka3 Bd6+ 46.Ka2 Rh2+* 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2604)-sh20032006 (2589) Blitz 2021 *)* 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.cxd5 b5 14.Bh6 *(14.Kb1 a5 15.Bh6 f5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Bxb5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Rb8 20.Bd3 Qc7 21.Rhf1 Bg4*

22.Rxf8 Rxf8 23.Rc1 Qxh2 24.Rxc5 Qg3 25.Bb5 Qe3 26.Qxa5 Qxe4+ 27.Ka1 Bf5 28.Qc7+ Rf7 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-sh20032006 (2635) Blitz 2021*)* 14...b4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Kb1 f5 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Rc1 Qd6 19.Qc2 fxe4 20.fxe4 Qe5 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.Qxc5 Rfc8 23.Qxb4 Bb5 24.Qd2 Rab8 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.g3 Rf8 27.Rd1 Ba4 28.b3 Bd7 29.Bc2 Kg8 30.Qxd4 Qh5 31.e5 Bf5 32.Bxf5 Qxf5+ 33.Kb2 Rc8 34.Rd2 Qf1 35.Rc2 Rxc2+ 36.Kxc2 Qe2+ 37.Kb1 Qe1+ 38.Kb2 Qe2+ 39.Ka3 Qe1 40.e6 Kf8 41.Qc5+ Ke8 42.Qc6+ Ke7 43.Qc7+ Kf6 44.e7 Kf7 45.d6 Qe5 46.e8Q+ Kxe8 47.Qe7+ Qxe7 48.dxe7 Kxe7 49.Kb4 Kf6 50.Ka5 Kf5 51.Kxa6 Kg4 52.b4 Kh3 53.b5 Kxh2 54.b6 Kxg3 55.b7 h5 56.b8Q+ Kh3 57.Qg8 g5 58.Qg6 g4 59.Qxh5+ Kg3 60.Kb5 Kf3 61.a4 Kf4 62.a5 g3 63.Qg6 g2 64.a6 Kf3 65.a7 Kf2 66.a8Q Kf1 67.Qa1+ Kf2 68.Qb2+ Kf3 69.Qbxg2+ Ke3 70.Q6e4# 1-0 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-sh20032006 (2583) Blitz 2021;

B2) 7.Nxd4 cxd4 Atlas,Valeri: 'deserved attention.' 8.Bd3 d6 *(8...Bg7 9.0-0 0-0 10.f4 d6 11.c5 Ng4 12.cxd6 Qxd6 13.Nd2 Ne3 14.Nc4 Qc5 15.b4 Qxb4 16.Nxe3 dxe3 17.Bxe3 exf4 18.Rb1 Qc3 19.Bxf4 Bg4 20.Qb3 b6 21.Qxc3 Bxc3 22.Rfc1 Rac8 23.Ba6 Rc5 24.Bd6 Bd4+ 25.Kf1 Rxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Re8 27.Bd3 f5 28.e5 Bxe5 29.Re1 Bxd6 30.Rxe8+ Kf7 31.Ra8 a5 32.Ra7+ Kf6 33.Rxh7 Bd1 34.Rb7 Bc5 35.d6 Ba4 36.d7 Ke7 37.g4 fxg4 38.Bxg6 Bb5+ 39.Ke1 Bd6 40.Bf5 g3 41.hxg3 Bxg3+ 42.Kd1 Bf2 43.Rb8 Bxd7 44.Rb7 Kd6 45.Bxd7 Kc5 46.a4 Bd4 47.Bb5 Bc3 48.Rc7+ Kb4 49.Rc4+ Kb3 50.Ke2 Bb4 51.Kd3 Bc5 52.Ke4 Bg1 53.Kd5 Bf2 54.Kc6 Bg1 55.Kb7 Bf2 56.Rc6 Kb4 57.Rxb6 Be1 58.Ra6 Bf2 59.Ra8 Be1 60.Ka6 Bd2 61.Rc8 Kb3 62.Rc5 Be1 63.Rd5 Bc3 64.Bd7 Bb4 65.Rxa5 Bd2 66.Rd5 Kc3 67.Rxd2 Kxd2 68.Kb5 Kc3 69.Bc6 Kd4 70.a5 Ke5 71.a6 Kd6 72.Kb6 Ke5 73.Kb7 Kd4 74.a7 Kc3 75.a8Q Kd4 76.Qc8 Kc5 77.Qd7 Kc4 78.Qd5+ Kb4 79.Qb5+ Kc3 80.Bd7 Kd2 81.Bc8 Ke3 82.Kc6 Kf3 83.Qc5 Kf4 84.Kd5 Kf3 85.Qd4 Kg3 86.Ba6 Kg2 87.Bb5 Kh2 88.Ba4 Kh3 89.Bb3 Kg3 90.Ba2 Kh2 91.Qe4 Kh3 92.Ke5 Kg3 93.Qf4+ Kh3 94.Ke4 Kg2 95.Qf3+ Kh2 96.Qg4 Kh1 97.Kf3 Kh2 98.Qg2#* 1-0 (98) jposthuma (2765)-sowesly789 (2735) Blitz 2021 *)* 9.0-0 Bg7 10.a3 0-0 11.b4 a5 12.Bb2 Nh5 13.Nd2 Nf4 14.Qc2 Qg5 15.g3 h5 16.Kh1 Nh3 17.c5 h4 18.g4 Qe3 19.Nc4 Qf4 20.Nxd6 Qg5 21.b5 Nf4 22.c6 bxc6 23.dxc6 Be6 24.b6 h3 25.b7 Rad8

26.c7 Rxd6 27.b8Q Bc8 28.Bc1 Qf6 29.Bxf4 exf4 30.Qb5 Rb6 31.Qxa5 Qd6 32.Qcc5 1-0 (32) squat2depth (2769)-ghorbanberdiyef001 (2641) Blitz 2022]

[6.Be3

A) 6...Bc5

A1) 7.Qd2 Nh5 *(7...c6 8.Nc3 Nc2+ 9.Qxc2 Bxe3 10.Qd3 Qb6 11.Nge2 cxd5 12.cxd5 0-0 13.Na4 Qa5+ 14.Nec3 Bd4 15.a3 a6 16.b4 Qd8 17.Rc1 d6 18.Nb2 b5 19.Nbd1 Nh5 20.g3 f5 21.Bg2 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Bf5 23.Ne3 Bxe4 24.Qxe4 Nf6 25.Qd3 Qb6 26.Rc6 Qa7 27.Ke2 Bxe3 28.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 29.Kxe3 Nxd5+ 30.Kf2 a5 31.f4 Nf6 32.Rxd6 Rac8 33.Bc6 axb4 34.axb4 exf4 35.gxf4 Nh5 36.Ke3 Rxf4 37.Bxb5 Rxb4 38.Bd7 Rc3+ 39.Kd2 Ra3 40.Be6+ Kg7 41.Rd7+ Kh6 42.Rc1 Nf4 43.Bg8 Kg5 44.Rxh7 Rd3+ 45.Ke1 Re4+ 46.Kf1 Rf3+ 47.Kg1 Re2 48.Kh1 Rff2 49.Rg1+ Kf6 50.Rf7+ Ke5 51.Re7+ Kd4 52.Rxe2 Rxe2 53.Bf7 Nh3 54.Rxg6 Nf2+ 55.Kg1 Ne4 56.Rg4 Re1+ 57.Kg2 Ke3 58.Kh3 Nf2+ 59.Kh4 Nxg4 60.Kxg4 Rg1+ 61.Kh3 Rh1 62.Bh5 Rxh2+ 63.Kxh2* ½-½ (63) AlmightyAlpaca (2649)-Nadigraj (2757) Blitz 2022*)* 8.Ne2 Qh4+ 9.Kd1 Nxe2 10.Bxe2 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Ng3 12.Qf2 Nf5 13.g3 Qh6 14.exf5 gxf5 15.f4 d6 16.Nc3 Bd7 17.Kc2 a6 18.Rad1 1-0 (18) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-Rama75 (2586) Blitz 2021;

A2) 7.Nc3 d6 8.Qd2 Bd7 9.Bd3 Nh5 10.Nge2 Qe7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rab1 a5 13.Kh1 Nxe2 14.Nxe2 Bxe3 15.Qxe3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Qd2 Kh8 18.b4 axb4 19.Rxb4 b6 20.f4 e4 21.Qb2+ Nf6 22.Bc2 Rg8 23.Nd4 Rg6 24.Rb3 Rag8 25.Rg1 Qg7 26.Bd1 Rh6 27.g3 Qg6 28.Re3 Rg7 29.Ree1 Nh5 30.Bxh5 Rxh5 31.a4 Qf6 32.Qc3 Kg8 33.Re3 Rg6 34.Ra1 Rgh6 35.Ra2 Rh3 36.Kg1 Be8 37.a5 bxa5 38.Ree2 a4 39.Nb5 Qg6 40.Rxa4 Qg4 41.Raa2 Rg6 42.Nxc7 Bd7 43.Qe3 h5 44.Kf1 h4 45.Rg2 hxg3 46.hxg3 Rh1+ 47.Kf2 Qd1 48.Qe2 Qd4+ 49.Qe3 Rf1+ 50.Ke2 Re1+ 51.Kxe1 Qxe3+ 52.Kd1 Qd3+ 53.Kc1 Rxg3 54.Rxg3+ Qxg3 55.Kb2 Qxf4 56.Ka3 Qe3+ 57.Kb4 Qb6+ 58.Kc3 Qxc7 59.Rf2 Kf7 60.Re2 Kf6 61.Rd2 Ke5 0-1 (61) amiraitowa (2713)-Demoly (2594) Blitz 2023;

B) 6...Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nxe4 8.fxe4 Qh4+ 9.Kd2 Qxe4 10.Nf3 Nf5 11.Bf2 0-0 12.Bd3 Qf4+ 13.Kc2 Bxc3 14.Kxc3 e4 15.g3 Qxf3 16.Qxf3 exf3 17.g4 Ng7 18.Rae1 d6 19.h3 Bd7 20.Re3 f5 21.g5 f4 22.Rxf3 Bf5 23.Bxf5 Rxf5 24.h4 Re8 25.Bd4 Nh5 26.Rhf1 a6 27.Kd3 h6 28.gxh6 Kh7 29.Bg7 Ng3 30.R1f2 Ne4 31.Rf1 Nc5+ 32.Kc3 Re4 33.b3 b5 34.cxb5 axb5 35.b4 Rc4+ 36.Kd2 Rxb4 0-1 (36) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2609)-donatello (2623) Blitz 2021;

C) 6...c5

C1) 7.dxc6 dxc6 8.Nc3 Bc5 *(8...Be6 9.Rc1 Bc5 10.Qd2 Qa5 11.b3 Rd8 12.Qb2 Ba3 13.Qb1 Bxc1 14.Qxc1 Nh5 15.Kf2 0-0 16.g4 Nf4 17.Nh3 Nxh3+ 18.Bxh3 Rd7 19.Rd1 Rfd8 20.Bg5 Re8 21.Bf6 Qc5 22.Kg2 b5 23.Qh6 Qf8 24.Qh4 Nxf3 25.Kxf3 Rxd1 26.Nxd1 bxc4 27.Bxe5 f6 28.Qxf6 Qxf6+ 29.Bxf6 cxb3 30.axb3 Bxb3 31.Ne3 a5 32.Bf1 a4 33.Bc4+ Bxc4 34.Nxc4 Ra8 35.Be7 Rb8 36.Kf4 Kf7 37.Bc5 Rb3 38.Ne5+ Ke6 39.Nxc6 Rc3 40.Nd4+ Kd7 41.Bb4 Rc4 42.Nf3 Rxb4 43.Ne5+ Ke8 44.Nd3 Rb3 45.Nc5 Rb4 46.Ne6 a3 47.Nc7+ Kf7 48.Nd5 Ra4 49.Nb6 a2 50.Nc4 a1Q 51.Nd6+ Ke6 52.Nb5 Qe5+* 0-1 (52) Killerkaz (2609)-Arad_Nazari (2575) Blitz 2023*)* 9.Qd2 Nc2+ 10.Qxc2 Bxe3 11.Bd3 Nh5 12.Nge2 Be6 13.Nd1 Bc5 14.Ndc3 Qg5 15.g3 0-0 16.Na4 Bb4+ 17.Kf2 f5 18.a3 Be7 19.Qc1 fxe4 20.Bxe4 Nf6 21.Nac3 Qh5 22.Ng1 Rad8 23.Kg2 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Rd3 25.Qf1 Bxc4 26.Qf2 Bd5 27.Re1 g5 28.h3 Qg6 29.Re3 Rd4 30.Qe2 h5 31.Qe1 g4 32.hxg4 hxg4 33.Nc3 Rd3 34.Nxd5 cxd5 35.Rxe5 gxf3+ 36.Kf2 Bc5+ 37.Kf1 f2 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2732)-Nadigraj (2729) Blitz 2021;

C2) 7.Nc3 d6 *(7...Bg7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Nge2 d6 10.0-0 Nh5 11.Kh1 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.f4 Qh4 14.Bf2 Qf6 15.fxe5 dxe5 16.b4 e4 17.bxc5 Nxe2 18.Bxe2 Nf4 19.Rc1 Qg6 20.Bg3 Nxe2 21.Nxe2 Bd7 22.Nf4 Qa6 23.Nh5 Bh6 24.Bf4 Kh8 25.Qd2 Bxf4 26.Qd4+* 1-0 (26) Fastchess2345 (2714)-schaakam (2741) Blitz 2024*)* 8.Bd3 *(8.Qd2 Bg7 9.0-0-0 h5 10.h4 Bd7 11.Nh3 a6 12.Ng5 b5 13.Bd3 Qa5 14.Kb1 Rb8 15.Nxb5 Qb6 16.Nc3 0-0 17.Ka1 a5 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5 Nxh5 20.fxg4 Bxg4 21.Rdg1 Bd7 22.Nd1 Nf4 23.Qh2 Rfe8 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Nxf7 Nxd3 26.Bxd4 Nf4 27.Rxg6 Nxg6 28.Qxg6 exd4 29.Rf1* 1-0 (29) Gukesh,D (2758)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2727) chess.com INT 2023*)* 8...Bg7 9.Qd2 h5 10.Nge2 a6 11.0-0 h4 12.h3 Nh5 13.f4 Bd7 14.Rf2 b5 15.f5 b4 16.Nd1 Qe7 17.Bg5 Bf6 18.Bxf6 Qxf6 19.Ne3 Nxe2+ 20.Bxe2 Nf4 21.Bg4 gxf5 22.Bxf5 Bxf5 23.Nxf5 Rg8 24.Qe3 Kd7 25.Qf3 Qg5 26.Kh2 f6 27.Rg1 a5 28.g3 Nh5 29.Nxh4 Nxg3 30.Qxg3 Qh6 31.Nf5 Qh7 32.Qg7+ Rxg7 33.Rxg7+ Qxg7 34.Nxg7 a4 35.Rxf6 Rg8 36.Nf5 Kc7 37.Rf7+ Kb6 38.Nxd6 Rg6 39.Nf5 1-0 (39) penguingim1 (2765)-samssky (2594) Blitz 2020]

[6.f4 Nxe4 7.Nf3 Bc5 8.Be3 Nxf3+ 9.Qxf3 Bb4+ 10.Nd2 Nxd2 11.Bxd2 Bxd2+ 12.Kxd2 d6 13.fxe5 dxe5 14.Re1 0-0 15.Rxe5 Qd6 16.Qc3 b5 17.c5 Qf6 18.Bxb5 Qf4+ 19.Ke1 Rb8 20.g3 Qf3 21.Qxf3 1-0 (21) speedytiger301 (2644)-TheSzef

(2550) Blitz 2020]
6...a5 7.Nge2 Bc5 8.Qd3 d6 9.Be3
[9.Nxd4 Bxd4 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Nh5 12.g3 0-0 13.Be2 Bd7 14.c5 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 exf4 17.Qd4 dxc5 18.Qxc5 Qg5 19.0-0-0 f3+ 20.Kb1 fxe2 21.Nxe2 c6 22.Nd4 f4 23.Nf3 Qg6+ 24.Ka1 Bg4 25.Ne5 Qf5 26.Nxg4 Qxg4 27.gxf4 Kh8 28.dxc6 bxc6 29.Rhg1 Qf5 30.Qxc6 a4 31.a3 Nxf4 32.Rdf1 Qe5 33.Re1 Qd4 34.Rd1 Nd3 35.Rg2 Rac8 36.Qb5 Rfd8 37.Rgd2 Qc5 38.Qxc5 Rxc5 39.Rxd3 Rb8 40.R3d2 Rh5 41.Ka2 Rh3 42.Rc1 Rhb3 43.Rc4 Ra8 44.Rxa4 Rxa4 45.Kxb3 Rg4 46.a4 Kg7 47.Ka3 Rh4 48.b4 Rh3+ 49.Kb2 Rh6 50.a5 Rc6 51.Kb3 Rc7 52.b5 Rb7 53.b6 Kf6 54.Kb4 Ke6 55.Rd3 Rg7 56.Kb5 Rg5+ 57.Ka6 Rg8 58.Re3+ Kd5 59.Rd3+ Kc6 60.Rc3+ Kd6 61.Rb3 Kc6 62.Rc3+ Kd5 63.Rb3 Kc6 64.Rb5 Rc8 65.b7 Rb8 66.Rb6+ Kc7 67.Ka7 Rxb7+ 68.Rxb7+ Kc8 0-1 (68) Nadigraj (2720)-NeverDreamed (2560) Blitz 2023]
9...Nc2+ 10.Qxc2 Bxe3 11.Qd3 Bh6 12.g4 Nd7 13.h4 Bf4 14.g5 h6 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.gxh6 Rxh6 17.Nb5 Ne5 18.Qc3 Bd7 19.0-0-0 Bxb5 20.cxb5 Kd7 21.Bh3+ Ke7 22.Kb1 Rxh4 23.Rc1 Kf6 24.Bg2 Rxh1 25.Rxh1 c6 26.Qc1 g5 27.Rh6+ Ke7 28.Bh3 cxb5 29.Qg1 Qg8 30.Qb6 Qd8 31.Qxb7+ Kf8 32.Rh8+ 1-0 (32) Ricky_Zhou (2827)-liczner (2798) Blitz 2022
5.Ne2 Bg7
[5...exd4
A) 6.Nxd4 Bc5 *(6...Nxe4 7.fxe4 Qh4+ 8.Ke2 Qxe4+ 9.Kf2 Qxd4+ 10.Qxd4 Nxd4 11.Na3 Bg7 12.Be3 0-0 13.Rd1 Nf5 14.Bf4 Bxb2 15.Nb5 d6 16.Nxc7 Rb8 17.Nb5 Be5 18.Bxe5 dxe5 19.g4 Nd4 20.Nxd4 exd4 21.Rxd4 Be6 22.g5 b6 23.h4 Rbc8 24.Be2 Rc5 25.Rhd1 Rfc8 26.Rc1 Kg7 27.Rc3 R8c7 28.a3 b5 29.Rf4 bxc4 30.Rf6 h6* 0-1 (30) Knightindiandefence (2691)-Salo_Flohr (2590) Blitz 2021*; 6...Bg7 7.Be3? Nxe4!* (if this is possible, then it's a sign that something has gone wrong with White's opening) *8.Nxc6 dxc6 9.Qe2 Nf6* (discovered checks are not dangerous) *10.Bc5+ Be6* Zakaryan, David - Popov, Iv Taganrog 2013, and White had nothing for his pawn except troubles. *)* 7.Nb3 *(7.Be3 Qe7 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Qd2 d6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bxc5 dxc5 12.Be2 Rd8 13.Qg5 Kg7 14.e5 Ng8 15.Qxe7 Nxe7 16.Ne4 Nf5 17.Nxc5 g5 18.Rc1 Be6 19.b3 Rd4 20.g3 Rad8 21.Rc2 Ne3 22.Rb2 Bf5 23.Kf2 Nc2 24.g4 Bg6 25.e6 Kf6 26.exf7 Kxf7 27.h4 gxh4 28.Rxh4 Rd2 29.Rh2 Re8 30.Kg3 Rexe2 31.Rxe2 Rxe2 32.Na6 Nd4 33.Rxe2 Nxe2+ 34.Kf2 Nc1 35.Nxc7 Nxa2 36.Na6 Ke7 37.Ke3 Kd6 38.b4 Bf7 39.Kd4 c5+ 40.bxc5+ Kc6 41.Nb8+ Kc7 42.Na6+ Kb7 43.c6+ Kxa6 44.c5 Nb4* 0-1 (44) Konstrictor (2604)-Erottev (2596) Blitz 2021*)* 7...Bb4+ 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Bg5 Re8 10.Be2 h6 11.Bd2 a5 12.0-0 a4 13.Nc1 a3 14.b3 Bc5+ 15.Kh1 Nh5 16.g4 Ng7 17.Nd3 Bd4 18.Rc1 d6 19.Bxh6 Qh4 20.Qd2 Ne6 21.Be3 Kg7 22.Nb5 Rh8 23.Rf2 Bxe3

24.Qxe3 Bd7 25.f4 Rh7 26.Rg1 Rah8 27.Rgg2 g5 28.f5 Nf4 29.Nxf4 gxf4 30.Qxf4 Ne5 31.Nxc7 Qd8 32.Nd5 Qa5 33.b4 Qa4 34.Qd2 Bc6 35.f6+ Kf8 36.Nb6 1-0 (36) jposthuma (2747)-Wade1 (2577) Rapid 2022;

B) 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Bc5 8.Bf2 d6 9.Nxd4 Nxe4 10.Nxc6 Bxf2+ 11.Ke2 bxc6 12.Qc2 0-0 13.fxe4 Bd4 14.Nd2 Qf6 15.Nf3 Bxb2 16.Rb1 Bd4 17.Qd3 Bc5 18.Kd2 Be6 19.Be2 Rab8 20.Rhf1 Rb2+ 21.Rxb2 Qxb2+ 22.Qc2 Rb8 23.Bd3 Qf6 24.Rb1 Qf4+ 25.Kd1 Re8 26.Qd2 Be3 27.Qe2 Bb6 28.Kc2 Qf6 29.Rf1 Bc5 30.Nd2 Qg7 31.Nb3 Bb4 32.Kd1 a5 33.h3 a4 34.Nc1 Qc3 35.Qc2 Qd4 36.Ne2 Qa1+ 37.Nc1 Ba3 38.Ke2 Rb8 39.Kf3 Rb2 40.Qxa4 Bc5 41.Nb3 Qxa2 42.Qxa2 Rxa2 43.Nxc5 dxc5 44.Rb1 Ra3 45.Ke2 Rc3 46.Kd2 Ra3 47.Rb2 Kg7 48.g4 Kf6 49.Rb7 Ke5 50.Rxc7 Ra2+ 51.Ke3 Rh2 52.Rxc6 1-0 (52) Temudzhin (2785)-vlad10898 (2666) Blitz 2020]

[5...Bb4+ 6.Nbc3 exd4 7.Nxd4 0-0 8.Be3 Nh5 9.Qd2 d6 10.Be2 Qh4+ 11.Bf2 Qf4 12.Nc2 Bc5 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.Nd5 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Ne5 18.g3 Rae8 19.f4 Nd7 20.Bxh5 gxh5 21.e5 Nb6 22.Ne3 f6 23.e6 f5 24.Rc2 c6 25.Rxc5 cxd5 26.Nxd5 Rxe6 27.Nxb6 axb6 28.Rc7 Rd8 29.Rd1 Rc6+ 30.Rxc6 Rxd1+ 31.Kxd1 bxc6 32.Kd2 Kf7 33.Kd3 Ke6 34.Kd4 Kd6 35.b4 b5 36.a3 Ke6 37.Kc5 Kd7 38.Kd4 Kd6 39.Kc3 Kd5 40.Kd3 c5 41.bxc5 Kxc5 42.Kc3 Kd5 43.Kb4 Kc6 44.Kb3 Kc5 45.Kc3 Kd5 46.Kb4 Kc6 47.Kb3 Kd5 48.Kb4 ½-½ (48) Konstrictor (2609)-Erottev (2590) Blitz 2021]

6.d5 Ne7 7.d6 cxd6 8.Qxd6 0-0 9.Nbc3 Ne8 10.Qa3 d6 11.Be3 Be6 12.Nd5 f5 13.Nec3 fxe4 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Nxe4 Rc8 16.Rd1 Bh6 17.Bf2 Bxc4 18.Bxc4+ Rxc4 19.Qb3 Qe6 20.Nxd6 Nxd6 21.Rxd6 Rc1+ 22.Rd1 Rxd1+ 23.Kxd1 Qxb3+ 24.axb3 e4 25.Ke2 e3 26.Be1 Rf5 27.Bc3 a5 28.Rd1 Rb5 29.Rd8+ Kf7 30.Rd7+ Ke6 31.Rxh7 Bf8 32.Kxe3 Rxb3 33.Kd2 Rb5 34.Kc2 Rd5 35.Rxb7 1-0 (35) doreality (2802)-AttackingBeast (2760) Blitz 2022

[20] **6.Nc3** Atlas,Valeri: '≤' 6...d6

[6...Bg7 7.Bg5 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.0-0-0 Be6 10.Nd5 c6 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.Bh6 Re8 13.Qxd6 Qa5 14.a3 Rad8 15.Qb4 Qxb4 16.axb4 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Nh3 Bb3 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.Bg5 Bxg5+ 21.Nxg5 Rd4 22.b5 cxb5 23.Nh3 Rc4+ 24.Kb1 Rc2 25.Nf4 Rf2 26.h4 h6 27.Rg1 a5 28.Nd3 Bc2+ 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2656)-sh20032006 (2634) Blitz 2021]

[6...Bc5 7.Bf4 Nc6 *(7...Qe7 8.Qd2 d6 9.0-0-0 Be6 10.Na4 0-0-0 11.Qc3 Nh5 12.Bd2 Bf2 13.g4 Bd7 14.Qa3 Bxa4 15.Qxa4 Bxg1 16.Rxg1 Nxf3 17.gxh5 Nxg1 18.Qxa7 Nf3 19.Bc3 Rhe8 20.Bh3+ f5 21.exf5 Qh4 22.Qa8+ Kd7 23.Qxb7 Qf4+ 24.Kb1 Ng5 25.Bd2 Qd4 26.Qb5+ Kc8 27.Bg2 Ne4 28.fxg6 Qd3+ 29.Kc1 Re5 30.Qa6+ Kd7 31.Bf4 Qe2 32.Bxe5 Qxg2 33.Bf4 Nc5 34.Qb5+ Kc8 35.Be3*

hxg6 36.Bxc5 Qg5+ 37.Kc2 dxc5 38.Qa6+ Kb8 39.Qb5+ Kc8 40.Qa6+ Kb8 41.Qxg6 Qh4 42.Rxd8+ Qxd8 43.a3 Qd4 44.Kb3 Qd1+ 45.Ka2 1-0 (45) Ponkratov,P (2630)-Zakhartsov,V (2483) Moscow RUS 2019 *)* 8.Qd2 d6 9.Bd3 Ne5 10.Nge2 Nh5 11.0-0-0 Nxd3+ 12.Qxd3 Nxf4 13.Nxf4 Qg5 14.Qd2 Be6 15.h4 Qh6 16.h5 g5 17.Nd3 0-0-0 18.Nxc5 dxc5 19.Qe3 b6 20.Nd5 c6 21.Qa3 Kb7 22.Ne3 Qf6 23.Qc3 Qxc3+ 24.bxc3 h6 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Kc7 28.g3 Kd6 29.f4 f6 30.Kd2 a5 31.Kd3 b5 32.fxg5 fxg5 33.g4 Ke5 34.Nf5 Bxc4+ 35.Ke3 Bxa2 36.Nxh6 b4 37.Kd2 a4 38.Kc2 a3 39.Nf5 b3+ 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-Corchov (2610) Blitz 2021]

[6...Nh5 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d6 10.g4 Nf6 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Nfd7 13.Kb1 Re8 14.Be2 a5 15.f4 Nc6 16.f5 Nc5 17.f6 Bf8 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Qxd8 Nxd8 20.Nd5 Ne6 21.Nf3 b6 22.Bf1 Bb7 23.Bh3 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Nf4 25.e5 Rad8 26.e6 Nxh3 27.e7 Nf2 28.exd8Q Rxd8 29.Rhf1 Nxd1 30.Rxd1 Re8 31.Re1 Rxe1+ 32.Nxe1 Bd6 33.Nf3 Kf8 34.Kc2 Ke8 35.Kd3 Kd7 36.Ke4 b5 37.b3 c6 38.Ne1 Bg3 39.Nf3 Kd6 40.dxc6 Kxc6 41.Kd3 Kd5 42.Ke3 c4 43.bxc4+ Kxc4 44.Ke4 b4 45.Ne5+ Bxe5 46.Kxe5 a4 47.Kd6 b3 48.axb3+ axb3 49.Ke7 b2 50.Kxf7 b1Q 51.Kg7 Kd5 52.f7 Qb7 53.Kg8 Qd7 54.f8Q Qe6+ 55.Qf7 Ke5 56.Qxe6+ Kxe6 57.Kg7 Kf5 58.Kf7 Kg4 59.Kxg6 Kxh4 60.Kh6 Kg4 61.g6 h4 62.g7 h3 63.g8Q+ Kf3 64.Qf7+ Kg2 65.Qe6 Kg1 66.Qd6 h2 67.Qd4+ Kg2 68.Qd5+ Kg1 69.Qd4+ Kg2 70.Qd3 Kg1 71.Qd4+ ½-½ (71) Consent_to_treatment (2625)-Erottev (2626) Blitz 2021]

7.Nge2

[7.Bg5 Bg7 8.Qd2 h6 9.Be3 Be6 10.b3 a5 11.Nge2 a4 12.Rd1 axb3 13.axb3 g5 14.Nd4 Bd7 15.Be2 Nh5 16.0-0 c6 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Ra3 19.Ne4 0-0 20.Nxd6 Rxb3 21.f4 Nxf4 22.Bxf4 gxf4 23.Qxf4 Qg5 24.Qxg5 hxg5 25.f6 Bh8 26.Bh5 Re3 27.Rf5 Nd7 28.Rxg5+ Kh7 29.Nf5 Bxf6 30.Rg4 Re5 31.Rxd7 Rxf5 32.Bg6+ 1-0 (32) mysterious_expert (2778)-AVS2000 (2957) Blitz 2023]

7...Bg7 8.Nd4 0-0 9.Be2 Re8 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Be3 Bd7 12.Nc2 Nh5 13.Qd2 f5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Bg5 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Rxe2 17.Qd5+ Be6 18.Bxd8 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Nxd8 0-1 (19) Donatella1954 (2826)-ibrahimtatlises001 (2771) Blitz 2022

[21] **6...c6** 7.Nc3 d5 8.cxd5 Qa5 9.Bd4 Bd6 10.f4 Bg4 11.Be2 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 c5 13.Bxe5 1-0 (13) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-IMaDale (2614) Blitz 2022

6...Bb4+ 7.Nc3 c6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.a3 Bxc3 10.Qxc3 Re8 11.0-0-0 d5 12.Bd4 Ned7 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.Bb5 a6 15.Bxf6 Nxf6 16.Bxe8 Be6 17.Kb1 Nxe8 18.Ne2 Rc8 19.Qd4 Qg5 20.exd5 Bf5+ 21.Ka1 Nd6 22.Ng3 Rc2 23.Nxf5 Qxf5 24.Rhe1 Rxg2 25.Qe5 Qxe5 26.Rxe5 Kf8 27.Rc1 Rxh2 28.Rc7 h5 29.Rd7 Nc4 30.Ree7 Rxb2 31.Rxf7+ Kg8 32.Rg7+ Kf8 33.Rdf7+ Ke8 34.Rc7 Kf8 35.Rgf7+ Kg8 36.Rfd7 Normal 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-

kzroma (2508) Blitz 2024

[22] **7...d6** 8.Qd2 Be6
[8...h5 9.0-0-0 Qe7 10.Kb1 a6 11.h4 Be6 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.cxd5 0-0 14.Nh3 Rfd8 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.Bg5 c5 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Nf4 Rab8 19.Qc2 Qc7 20.Bxf6 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-PerfsheRadgestMistzh (2686) Blitz 2022]
9.b3 0-0 10.Nge2 Nh5
[10...c6 11.Nd4 d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.c5 Nc6 14.Be2 Nd7 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.0-0 Re8 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Qf6 19.Qxf6 Nxf6 20.Bd3 Nd7 21.b4 a5 22.a3 Reb8 23.Rab1 axb4 24.axb4 Ra3 25.Rfc1 d4 26.Be4 Rxc3 27.Rxc3 dxc3 28.Bxc6 Nxc5 29.Rc1 Rxb4 30.Rxc3 Rc4 31.Re3 Nd3 32.Rxd3 Rc1+ 33.Kf2 Rxc6 34.h4 Kg7 35.Rd4 Kf6 36.Rd8 h5 37.Kg3 Ke7 38.Rd2 Rc8 39.Rd4 Re8 40.Re4 Kf6 41.Rd4 Bf5 42.Rf4 Re6 43.Rd4 Kg7 44.Rd2 Rf6 45.Rf2 Be6 46.Rd2 Kh6 47.Rf2 g5 48.Kh2 gxh4 49.Rd2 Kg5 50.Rd4 Rf5 51.Rd2 h3 52.gxh3 Rxf3 53.h4+ Kxh4 54.Rd4+ Bg4 55.Rd2 f5 56.Rg2 Rh3+ 57.Kg1 f4 58.Kf2 Rg3 59.Rh2+ Bh3 60.Rh1 Rg2+ 61.Kf3 Rg4 62.Kf2 Kg5 63.Rg1 Rxg1 64.Kf3 Kh4 65.Kf2 Rf1+ 66.Ke2 Kg3 67.Kd2 f3 68.Kc3 Rg1 69.Kb4 f2 70.Kc5 ½-½ (70) resiliente99 (2608)-Nadigraj (2698) Blitz 2021]
11.Nd4 Bd7 12.Be2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.0-0-0 f4 15.Bf2 a6 16.Kb1 c5 17.Nc2 b5 18.Qxd6 bxc4 19.Bxc4+ Nxc4 20.Qd5+ Kh8 21.Qxc4 Qc8 22.Nd5 Bb5 23.Qxc5 Qe6 24.Bd4 Rac8 25.Bxg7+ Nxg7 26.Qb4 Qf5 27.Rd2 Bd3 28.Nc3 Rfd8 29.Rhd1 Bxc2+ 30.Kb2 Bxd1 31.Nxd1 Rxd2+ 32.Qxd2 Ne6 33.Nc3 Qe5 34.a4 Nd4 35.Ka2 Rb8 36.Ne4 Rxb3 37.Qa5 Qxa5 0-1 (37) AvoNSWFins0034 (2826)-huangjiafangdan (2635) Blitz 2024

[23] **8.Bd3** d6 9.Nge2 Be6 10.b3 c6 11.0-0 d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.c5 Nc6 14.Bb5 Nd7 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.b4 Re8 17.Bd4 Ne5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ Qf6 21.Qxf6+ Kxf6 22.Nd4 Bd7 23.b5 Rac8 24.a4 Ne3 25.Rfe1 Nf5 26.bxc6 Rxe1+ 27.Rxe1 Bxc6 28.Nxc6 Rxc6 29.Nxd5+ Kg7 30.Rc1 a5 31.Rc4 h5 32.Kf2 Kf8 33.Ne3 Ne7 34.Nc2 Nd5 35.Nd4 Rc8 36.g3 Ke7 37.c6 Nb6 38.Rc5 Ra8 39.Nb3 Nxa4 40.Rxa5 Rxa5 41.Nxa5 Kd6 42.Ke3 Nc3 43.Kd4 Nb5+ 44.Kc4 Na7 45.Kd4 f6 46.f5 g5 47.Kc4 Nxc6 48.Nxc6 Kxc6 49.h3 Kd6 50.Kd4 Kc6 51.Kc4 h4 52.g4 Kd6 53.Kd4 Kc7 54.Kc4 Kd7 55.Kd4 Kd6 56.Kc4 Ke5 57.Kc5 Kf4 58.Kd6 Kg3 59.Ke6 Kxh3 60.Kxf6 Kxg4 61.Kg6 h3 0-1 (61) DoktorMatt (2799)-Nadigraj (2740) Blitz 2021

[24] **8...Re8** 9.0-0-0 d6 10.Kb1
[10.h4 h5 11.Nh3 Be6 12.b3 Bxh3 13.Rxh3 a6 14.Kb1 Nfd7 15.Bg5 Qc8 16.Be2 Nc5 17.Nd5 Kh8 18.Bf6 Kh7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qf4 Qd8 21.g4 Ne6 22.Qg3 Rh8 23.gxh5 c6 24.Ne3 Qf6 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Ng2 Raf8 27.Rxd6 Rd8 28.f4 Nf7 29.e5 Qe7 30.Rd3 Nd4 31.Bd1 Nf5 32.Qf2 Rxd3 33.Rxd3 Nxh4 34.Nxh4 Rxh4 35.Qg3 Rh1 36.Kb2 a5 37.Bc2 a4 38.a3 axb3 39.Rxb3 Rh6 40.Rf3 Qe6 41.Re3 Kf8 42.f5 gxf5 43.Qf4 Rh5 44.Rf3 Qxe5+ 45.Qxe5 Nxe5 46.Rxf5+ Rxf5 47.Bxf5 Nxc4+ 48.Kb3 Nd6 49.Bg4

Ke7 50.Kb4 Kd8 51.Ka5 Kc7 52.a4 b6+ 53.Kb4 c5+ 54.Kb3 Kb7 55.Bf3+ Ka6 56.Bg2 Ka5 57.Bh1 Nf5 58.Kc4 Nd4 59.Bc6 Nxc6 60.Kd5 Nb4+ 0-1 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-PerfsheRadgestMistzh (2678) Blitz 2022]

[10.Nd5 a6 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6 12.Bg5 Qe6 13.Qd5 Rb8 14.Kb1 b5 15.Qxe6 Bxe6 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Ne2 c5 18.Nf4 Bc4 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 Nc4 21.Bc1 Be5 22.f4 Bd4 23.Bd3 Rbd8 24.Re1 Nb6 25.Rxd4 cxd4 26.Bxb5 Re7 27.a4 f5 28.e5 d5 29.Bd2 Nc4 30.Bb4 Rb7 31.Rd1 Rxb5 32.axb5 Rb8 33.Rxd4 Rxb5 34.Bc3 Kf7 35.Kc2 Ke6 36.g3 h6 37.b3 Nb6 38.Rb4 Rxb4 39.Bxb4 g5 40.Kd3 gxf4 41.gxf4 Nd7 42.Kd4 Nb8 43.Kc5 Na6+ 44.Kb5 Nc7+ 45.Kc6 Na6 46.Bc5 Nb8+ 47.Kc7 Nd7 48.Bd4 h5 49.b4 Nf8 50.b5 Kf7 51.Kd6 Ne6 52.Kxd5 Nxf4+ 53.Kc6 Ne6 54.Bc5 f4 55.b6 Nxc5 56.Kxc5 f3 57.b7 f2 58.b8Q f1Q 59.Qc7+ Kg6 60.Qd6+ Kg5 61.Qf6+ Qxf6 62.exf6 Kxf6 63.Kd4 Kg5 64.Ke3 Kh4 65.Kf2 Kh3 66.Kg1 Kg4 67.Kh1 Kf3 68.Kg1 h4 69.Kh1 Kf2 70.h3 Kg3 71.Kg1 Kxh3 72.Kh1 Kg3 73.Kg1 Kg4 74.Kh1 Kf3 75.Kg1 Kg3 76.Kh1 h3 77.Kg1 Kf4 78.Kh1 Kg4 79.Kh2 Kh4 80.Kh1 Kg3 0-1 (80) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-Chariteawithambition (2741) Blitz 2024]

10...Be6 11.Nd5

[11.b3 a6 12.Nge2 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nd4 b4 15.Nxe6 bxc3 16.Nxd8 cxd2 17.Nb7 Reb8 18.Nxd6 cxd6 19.Rxd2 Bf8 20.Be2 Nfd7 21.f4 Nc6 22.e5 Nc5 23.Bf3 Ra6 24.exd6 Nd7 25.Rc1 Nb4 26.Rc7 Nf6 27.d7 Rd8 28.Rc8 Rxd7 29.Bc5 Rxd2 30.Bxf8 Nc6 31.Bxc6 Rxc6 32.Rxc6 Ne4 33.Bh6 f6 34.Rc2 Rd1+ 35.Kb2 Kf7 36.f5 g5 37.a4 Rd5 38.Rc7+ Ke8 39.Rxh7 Rxf5 40.b4 Nd6 41.Kb3 Rf4 42.g3 Re4 43.Ra7 Kd8 44.b5 Nc8 45.b6 Nxb6 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-PerfsheRadgestMistzh (2701) Blitz 2022]

11...c6

[11...Bxd5 12.cxd5 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Qxd6 Qa5 15.Qc5 Qc7 16.Ne2 Rab8 17.Nd4 Nfd7 18.Qc2 c5 19.Be2 Qa5 20.Nb3 Qa4 21.f4 c4 22.Nd4 Qxc2+ 23.Kxc2 Nd3 24.Rxd3 cxd3+ 25.Bxd3 Nc5 26.e5 Nxd3 27.Kxd3 Rxb2 28.g4 Rxa2 29.h4 a5 30.h5 a4 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.Rb1 g5 33.Nf5 gxf4 34.Nxg7 Rd8+ 35.Ke4 fxe3 36.Nh5 e2 37.Nf6+ Kg7 38.Nd5 Rxd5 39.Kxd5 Rd2+ 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-hamidebh001 (2719) Blitz 2023]

12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.Qxd6 Qa5

[13...Qxd6 14.Rxd6 Be7 15.Rd1 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Nh3 Red8 18.Nf4 a5 19.Bb6 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Ra6 21.Rd7 Bg5 22.Bd4 Ra8 23.g3 b5 24.h4 Bh6 25.b3 Bf1 26.Kc2 Bxf4 27.gxf4 Bg2 28.Bf6 Bxf3 29.Kd3 c5 30.Ke3 Bg4 31.Rc7 Rc8 32.Ra7 c4 33.bxc4 bxc4 34.Bc3 Re8 35.Rxa5 f5 36.Re5 Rd8 37.Rd5 Ra8 38.Ra5 Rd8 39.Bd4 fxe4 40.Kxe4 Bf5+ 41.Ke3 Re8+ 42.Be5 Rd8 43.Bd4 Re8+ 44.Re5 Ra8 45.Re7 Ra3+ 46.Kf2 Rxa2+ 47.Ke1 Ra3 48.Rg7+ Kf8 49.Rxh7 Rd3 50.Be5 c3 51.Rc7 c2 52.Rxc2 Re3+ 53.Re2 Rxe2+ 54.Kxe2 Kf7

55.Kf3 Ke6 56.Kg3 Kf7 57.Bd6 Kg8 58.Bb8 Kh7 59.Bc7 Kh6 60.Bd8 Kh5 61.Bg5 Bc2 62.Kf3 Bf5 63.Ke3 Bg4 64.Kd4 Bf5 65.Ke5 Bg4 66.Kf6 Bf5 67.Ke5 Be4 68.Kd4 Bf5 69.Ke3 Kg4 70.Ke2 Kh5 71.Kf3 Bg4+ 72.Ke4 Bf5+ 73.Ke5 ½-½ (73) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Nadigraj (2793) Blitz 2022]
14.Qc5 Qa6 15.Ne2 Red8 16.Rxd8+ Rxd8 17.Nc3 Bxc4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Bc1 Ne5 20.Rd1 Rxd1 21.Nxd1 Nd3 22.Qc2 Nxc1 23.Qxc1 Qe2 24.Qc2 Qf1 25.a3 Bd4 26.Ka2 c5 27.h4 h5 28.Nc3 Qc4+ 29.Qb3 Qxb3+ 30.Kxb3 Bf2 31.Kc4 Kf8 32.Na4 b6 33.Kb5 Ke7 34.Ka6 Kd6 35.Nc3 Bxh4 36.Nb5+ Kc6 37.Nxa7+ Kc7 38.Nb5+ Kc6 39.Na7+ Kc7 40.a4 Bf2 41.Nb5+ Kc6 42.Nc3 Bd4 43.a5 bxa5 44.Kxa5 g5 45.Nd5 g4 46.Nf4 gxf3 47.gxf3 h4 48.b3 Be3 49.Nh3 Kd6 50.Ka4 Ke5 51.b4 Kd4 52.bxc5 Kxc5 53.Kb3 Kd4 54.Kc2 Ke5 55.Kd3 Bh6 56.Ke2 f5 57.Kf2 fxe4 58.fxe4 Kxe4 59.Kg2 Kf5 60.Ng1 Kg4 61.Nf3 h3+ 62.Kf2 Bf4 63.Ne1 Bg3+ 64.Kf1 Bxe1 65.Kg1 Bg3 66.Kh1 Kf3 67.Kg1 h2+ 68.Kh1 Kf2 ½-½ (68) Consent_to_treatment (2726)-cutemouse83 (2845) Blitz 2023

8...c6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.exd5 b5
[11...Bd7 12.Bd4 Re8 13.f4 Neg4 14.h3 Nh6 15.g4 Rc8 16.Kb1 Nhxg4 17.hxg4 Bxg4 18.Be2 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 Ne4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Nxe4 Bxe4+ 22.Ka1 Bxh1 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.a3 Qxd5 Normal 0-1 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-toomanymanoevres (2939) Blitz 2024]
12.Bxb5 Rb8 13.Bf4 Nh5 14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Be2 Bf5 16.g4 Nxg4 17.fxg4 Rfc8 18.gxf5 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Qa3+ 20.Kc2 Rb2+ 21.Kd3 Rxd2+ 22.Bxd2 Qa6+ 23.Ke3 Qxa2 24.Bxh5 gxh5 25.Nf3 Qxd5 26.Rhg1+ Kf8 27.Kf2 Qc6 28.Rde1 Rd8 29.Be3 f6 30.Nd4 Qd6 31.Bh6+ 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Tantusz (2668) Blitz 2022

[25] **9.0-0-0** Be6 10.h4
[10.b3 a5 *(10...a6 11.f4 Neg4 12.Bd4 c5 13.Bf2 Nxf2 14.Qxf2 Ng4 15.Qc2 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 Nf2 17.Nf3 Nxh1 18.Qd2 Qf6 19.Kb1 Nf2 20.Qxf2 Qf5 21.exf5* 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-Carobee (2657) Blitz 2022*)* 11.a4 b5 12.Nxb5 c6 13.Nxd6 Qb8 2) The Anti-Grünfeld (3.f3)-3.f3 Nc6 4. e4 e5 #3 Forst 2023]
[10.Nd5 c6 *(10...a6 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.f4 Ng4 13.Bd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qf6 15.Qxf6 Nxf6 16.Bd3 Rfe8 17.Re1 Bd7 18.Nf3 Bc6 19.Nd2 a5 20.Rhf1 Re7 21.Re2 Rae8 22.Rfe1 Nd7 23.Kd1 Nc5 24.Bc2 h5 25.g3 Kg7 26.b3 h4 27.a3 hxg3 28.hxg3 Ne6 29.Nf3 Nc5 30.Nd2 Na6 31.Nb1 f5 32.Nd2 Nc5 33.exf5 Rxe2 34.Rxe2 Rxe2 35.Kxe2* 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-Adriana_Lima_Fan (2683) Blitz 2023*; 10...Nxd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.Kb1 c6 13.h4 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Rc8 15.Bd4 Be6 16.Qb5 Qc7 17.Bc3 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Bxc4 19.Qb4 b6 20.Nh3 a5 21.Qxd6 Bxa2+ 22.Kxa2 Qc4+ 23.Kb1 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Qb3+ 25.Ka1 Qxc3+ 26.Kb1 Qc2+ 27.Ka1 Rc4 28.Rd3 Rb4* 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-sh20032006 (2677) Blitz 2021*; 10...Bxd5 11.cxd5 c6 12.dxc6 bxc6*

13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Qb6 15.Qd2 d5 16.f4 Nxe4 0-1 (16) Consent_to_treatment (2634)-anonymous64206d (2756) Blitz 2022*)* 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 *(11...Qxf6 12.Bd4 c5 13.Bc3 Qe7 14.Kb1 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5+ 16.Ka1 Rad8 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nf3 Ne3 20.Re1 Rfe8 21.Bd3 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Qe4 23.Qc3+ Kg8 24.Ng5 Qd4 25.Qxd4 cxd4 26.Re2 d3 27.Rd2 Nxc4 28.Rxd3 Re2 29.b3 Na3 30.g3 Rc8 31.b4 Nc2+ 32.Kb1 Nxb4 33.Rb3 Nd5 34.Rc1 Rxc1+ 35.Kxc1 Rxa2 36.Rxb7 Rxh2 37.Rxa7 Nf6 38.Ne6 Re2 39.Rg7+ Kh8 40.Re7 h5 41.Kd1 Re4 42.Nf8 Rxe7 43.Nxg6+ Kg7 44.Nxe7 Kh6 45.Nf5+ Kg6 46.Nxd6 Ng4 47.f5+ Kg5 48.Ke2 Ne5 49.Ke3 Nf7 50.Nxf7+ Kxf5 51.Ne5 Kxe5 52.g4 h4* 0-1 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-ibrahimtatlises001 (2720) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Qc2 *(12.b3 d5 13.f4 Ng4 14.e5 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Bg7 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.Nf3 Qa5 18.Kb1 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 Be6 20.Nd4 Rac8 21.Rc1 Rfe8 22.g3 Bd7 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Rc1 Rc3 25.Qd2 Rxc1+ 26.Qxc1 Bf8 27.f5 Bc5 28.e6 fxe6 29.fxe6 Be8 30.Nc2 Qc3 31.Qd1 a5 32.Be2 a4 33.Qxd5 a3 34.Kc1 Bc6 35.Qd8+ Kg7 36.Qc7+ Kh6 37.Qf4+ g5 38.Qc4 Be3+* 0-1 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-akbarimani001 (2726) Blitz 2023*; 12.Qxd6 Bxc4 13.Qxe5 Bxe5 14.Rxd8 Bxf1 15.Rxa8 Rxa8* 0-1 (15) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-TheBeagles (2611) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Qa5 *(12...b5 13.c5 Qa5 14.Kb1 Qxa2+* 0-1 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-HamidrezaEbrahimi001 (2729) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Kb1 b5 14.Bd4 c5 15.Bc3 Qa6 16.f4 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Bxf6 Qxa2+ 19.Kc1 Bb3 20.Qe2 Bxd1 21.Qxd1 Qc4+ 22.Kb1 Qxe4+ 23.Qc2 Qe1+ 24.Qc1 Qe4+ 25.Ka1 Rab8 26.Nf3 Rb6 27.b3 Ra6+ 28.Kb2 Qe2+ 29.Qc2 Ra2+ 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2733)-TheBeagles (2654) Blitz 2022] 10...Nh5 11.Bf2 Bxc4 12.g4 Bxf1 13.Rxf1 Nf4 14.Kb1 Ne6 2) The Anti-Grünfeld (3.f3)-3.f3 Nc6 4.e4 e5 #4 Forst 2023

9.Rc1 Re8 10.b3 c6 11.Nge2 d5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Neg4 14.fxg4 Nxg4 15.Bf2 Bh6 16.Qd1 Nxf2 17.Kxf2 Be3+ 18.Ke1 Qf6 19.Qd3 Bxc1 20.Ne4 Qe5 21.Nxc1 Qxe4+ 22.Qxe4 Rxe4+ 23.Be2 Bg4 24.Kd2 Rd8 25.Bxg4 Rxd5+ 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-hamidebh001 (2720) Blitz 2024

9.Be2 Be6 10.b3 a5 11.Rd1 a4 12.h3 axb3 13.axb3 Nh5 14.f4 Qh4+ 15.Bf2 Qxf4 16.Be3 Qg3+ 17.Bf2 Nxc4 18.bxc4 Qxc3 19.Bxh5 gxh5 20.Nf3 Bxc4 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Qg3+ 23.Qf2 Qxf2+ 24.Kxf2 Ra2+ 25.Ke3 Rfa8 26.Nf5 R8a3+ 27.Kf4 f6 28.Nh4 Rf2+ 29.Nf3 Kf7 30.Rhe1 Rxg2 31.Rc1 b5 32.Re3 Rxe3 33.Kxe3 f5 34.exf5 Kf6 35.Nd4 c5 36.Nf3 Bd5 37.Nd2 Kxf5 38.Rf1+ Ke5 39.Rf8 Rg3+ 40.Ke2 Rxh3 41.Nb1 b4 42.Nd2 c4 43.Re8+ Kd4 44.Rb8 b3 45.Rb4 Kc3 46.Rb8 Rh2+ 0-1 (46) Saaker (2685)-kakak (2718) Blitz 2020

[26] **10.b3** d5 11.Nge2 Qa5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Ng3 Neg4 15.fxg4 Qb6 16.Be2 Qxe3 17.Qxe3 Rxe3 18.g5 Gomez Vasquez,L-

Machado Escanio,M 4.d4 cxd4 5. Nxd4 Rare moves 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] Kitty Kat: 'Gomez Vasquez,L-Machado Escanio,M 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Rare moves 2023' 18...Rxc3 19.gxf6 Bxf6 20.0-0 Bd8 21.Bc4 Rc2 22.a4 Bd7 3 Chapter-Games Chapter 1 Game

[27] **4.Nc3** Van Delft & Ernst: 'N' 4...d5 Andreikin,Dmitry: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'deserves further investigation.' Andreikin,D: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'deserves further investigation.'" Van Delft & Ernst: 'Black has waited for the White N to arrive on c3 and now takes the game back into normal Grunfeld territory. Black has waited for the White N to arrive on c3 and now takes the game back into normal Grunfeld territory.' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'In previous games White usually liked to continue with' 5.e4

[5.Bg5 h6 *(5...Bg7* Postny,Evgeny: 'transposing to the current game Almasi-Inarkiev.' *6.e3 0-0 7.Qc2 h6 8.Bh4 c5 9.dxc5 dxc4 10.e4 Qa5 11.Bf2 b5 12.cxb6 axb6 13.Bxc4 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.Nge2 Nb4 16.Qb1 Rfd8* Krasenkow,Michal: '' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (40) Zhu Chen (2491)-Cmilyte,V (2514) Huashan City CHN 2013' *17.0-0 Bf8 18.a3 Nd3 19.b4 Qa6 20.Be3 Bg7 21.Ra2 Rac8 22.Qb3 Nd7 23.Rd1 N7e5 24.Na4 b5 25.Nc5 Nxc5 26.Bxc5 Nc4 27.h3 Bf6 28.Rxd8+ Rxd8 29.f4 e5 30.a4 Nd2 31.Qe3 exf4 32.Nxf4 Nc4 33.Qb3 Bg5 34.Nd5 Qe6 35.Re2 Rxd5 36.exd5 Qxe2 37.axb5 Qe1+ 38.Kh2 Bf4+ 39.g3 Ne3 40.gxf4 Qf2+* 0-1 (40) Zhu Chen (2491) -Cmilyte,V (2514) Huashan City 2013 *)* 6.Bh4 Be7 *(6...Bg7 7.e4 dxe4 8.fxe4 g5 9.Bg3 c5 10.d5 exd5 11.cxd5 0-0 12.Be2 Qa5 13.Qd2 b5 14.e5 b4 15.exf6 bxc3 16.bxc3 Bxf6 17.Rc1 Re8 18.Nf3 g4 19.0-0 gxf3 20.Bxf3 Nd7 21.Bh5 Ba6 22.Qxh6 Bxf1 23.Rxf1 Qb6 24.Bxf7+ Kxf7 25.Qh7+ Kf8 26.Bf4 c4+ 27.Kh1 Re2 28.d6 Qf2 29.Bh6+ Bg7 30.Rxf2+* 1-0 (30) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Oral,T (2528) Yerevan ARM 2014 *)* 7.Qd2 Nbd7 *(7...dxc4 8.e4 a6 9.e5 Nd5 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.Bxc4 Nxc3 12.bxc3 c5 13.Ne2 b5 14.Bd3 Bb7 15.0-0 Nc6 16.Be4 Kf8 17.Nf4 Kg7 18.Qf2 cxd4 19.cxd4 Rhd8 20.Rfd1 Nb4 21.Rac1 Rac8 22.Qb2 Nd5 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Bxd5 Bxd5 25.Nd3 Qg5 26.Qd2 Qxd2 27.Rxd2 Rc4 28.Nc5 a5 29.Kf2 Rc3 30.Rb2 b4 31.Ke2 g5 32.Kd2 Rc4 33.Ke3 Kg6 34.Nb3 a4 35.Na5 Rc3+ 36.Kd2 Ra3 37.Kc1 b3* 0-1 (37) Arngrimsson,D (2390) - Petr,M (2523) Legnica 2013*)* 8.Bg3 c6 9.e4 dxe4 10.fxe4 Bb4 11.Bd3 e5 12.a3 Ba5 13.d5 cxd5 14.cxd5 Nc5 *(14...Kf8!? 15.Nf3 Kg7)* 15.b4 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3 Bb6 17.Nf3 0-0 18.Nxe5 a5 Schwarz hat Kompensation für den Bauern. Die Frage ist nur, ob es reicht. 19.b5 a4 20.Nc4 Bc5 21.0-0-0 Die Rochade zur anderen Seite versperrt, also wählt Nakamura die lange Rochade, auch wenn die weiße Stellung dort luftig wirkt. Bg4 22.Rd2 Qe7 23.d6 Qe6 24.Nd5

A) 24...Rac8 25.Nxf6+ *(25.Nc7 Qxe4)* 25...Qxf6 26.Kb1 *(26.e5 Qe6 27.Kb2 Bf5-+)* 26...Be6 27.Rc1 Rfd8 28.Be5 Qg5 29.Bb2

und Weiß konsolidiert sich.;
B) 24...Nxd5 25.Qxd5 Rac8 26.Kb1 Qxd5 *(26...Rfd8!?)* 27.Rxd5 Verbunden mit einem Qualitäts"opfer". *(27.exd5 Rfe8=)* 27...Be6 28.Rhd1 Bxd5 29.Rxd5 Bxd6? *(Zäher war 29...Bg1 30.Na5±)* 30.Nxd6 Rc3 31.Kb2 *(Gut war auch 31.Nxb7 Rb3+ 32.Kc2 Rc8+ 33.Kd2 Rxa3 34.Nc5+-)* 31...Rb3+ 32.Ka2 Rd8 33.Rd4 h5 *(33...f6 34.Bf4 g5 35.Bc1 Rc3 36.Bd2+-)* 34.Bh4 Rd7 35.Bf6 Kh7 36.e5 1-0 (36) Nakamura,H (2772)-Safarli,E (2660) Tromsoe 2013 CBM 156 [ChessBase] *(36.e5 Rc7 37.Rxa4 Rbc3 38.Ra8 Rc2+ 39.Kb3 R7c3+ 40.Kb4+-)*]

[5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Postny,Evgeny: ' ∞' Postny,Evgeny: '0-1 (88) Pfeffer,R (2232)-Ashwin,J (2470) Paleochora 2013' c5 *(7...Bg7)* 8.Bb5+ Nd7 *(8...Nc6 9.d5 exd5 10.exd5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.dxc6 Qh4+ 13.Kf1 bxa4∞)* 9.Ne2 cxd4 Van Delft & Ernst: '?!' 10.Qxd4 f6 11.e5 Kf7 12.exf6 Qxf6 13.Bf4 Van Delft & Ernst: 'Diagram

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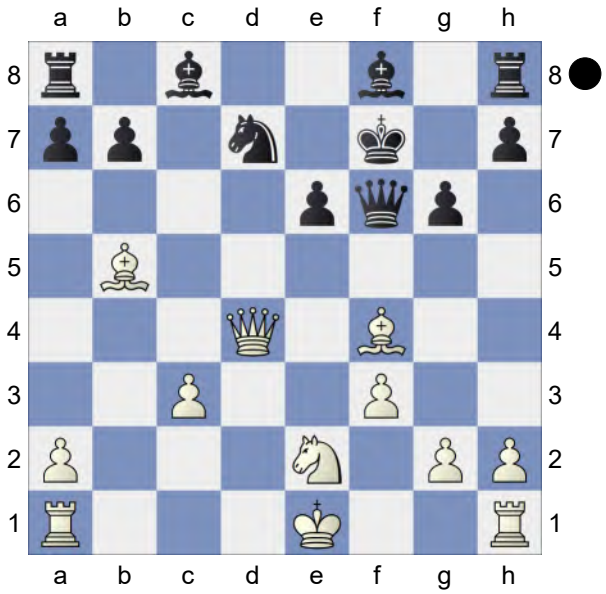

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A) 36...Rd7?! 37.Rxg6 *(37.Bc2 Kf7 38.Bxe4 Nxe4 39.Kxe4 Rd2)* 37...Rd3+ 38.Ke2 Ke7 39.f5 h4 40.g4!;

B) 36...Rc6 37.Ke2 *(37.Kd4 Rd6+ 38.Ke5 Ke7-+; 37.Rxg6? Nd5+)* 37...Nh7 38.Rd5 Nf6±;

C) 36...Rg7 Van Delft & Ernst: '?' Van Delft & Ernst: 'Black should have chosen a more active plan of defence.' 37.Bc2 *(37.c5 bxc5 38.Rxc5 Rd7 39.Bc4)* 37...Rc7 38.Rxg6 Kf7 39.Rg5 *(39.f5* is even stronger: *b5 40.g4 hxg4 41.hxg4 bxc4 42.g5 Nd5+ 43.Kxe4+-)* 39...Kf8 40.Rg6 Kf7 41.Rg5 Kf8 42.Kd4 Rd7+ 43.Kc3 Re7 44.Rf5 Kg7 45.Re5 Rxe5 46.fxe5 Nd7 47.Kd4 e3 48.Bd1

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A) 7.Bg5 h6! 8.dxe5 Qxd1+ 9.Rxd1 hxg5 10.exf6

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Ng4 14.Bxg4 Bxg4 15.Nf3 Bg7 16.Rd3 Rd8 17.Rxd8+ Kxd8⩲;

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B4) 8...Bg4 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Bg3 Nbd7 Postny,Evgeny: ' ⩲' Postny, Evgeny: '0-1 (63) Robson,R (2628)-Wang Yue (2705) Ningbo 2013' 12.Be2 Bxf3 13.Bxf3 h5 14.h3 Qe7= 1-0 (61) Korobov,A (2698)-Le Quang Liem (2717) Loo RUS 2013 '=' '=' 15.Qc2 Be3 16.Bf2 Qc5 17.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 18.Qe2 Qc5 19.0-0-0 0-0-0 20.b3 Rdg8 21.g4 h4 22.Rhf1 Ne8 23.Kb2 Rh6 24.Bg2 Nd6 25.Qd2 Qb4 26.Kc2 Rgg6 27.Qe3 Qa3 28.Ra1 Kb8 29.Nb1 Qb4 30.Nd2 Qb6 31.Qc3 Rf6 32.b4 c5 33.dxc6 Qxc6 34.Kb3 Rf4 35.Rxf4 gxf4 36.Rd1 Re6 37.a3 a5 38.Bf3 Nb6 39.Rc1 Qa4+ 40.Ka2 axb4 41.Qxb4 Qxb4 42.axb4 Nd7 43.Be2 Nf6 44.Bd3 b6 45.c5 bxc5 46.bxc5 Nb7 47.g5 Nh7 48.Nf3 Na5 49.Bb5 Rg6 50.Nxe5 Rxg5 51.Nxf7 Rg7 52.Nd6 Ng5 53.c6

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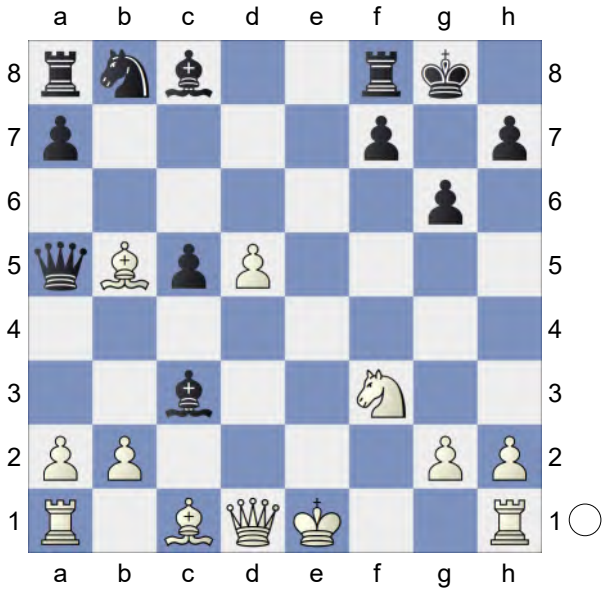

Remove Defender 14.bxc3 And now Qb3 would win. Qxb5 15.Kf2 Nd7 16.Re1 Prevents Re8. Ba6 17.d6 Rfe8 18.Bf4 0.17/17 *(18.Kg1± 0.49/19)* 18...Qb2+ 0.51/21 *(18...Rxe1= 0.17/17* feels stronger. *19.Qxe1 Qb2+ 20.Kg1 Bc4)* 19.Qd2± Qxd2+! *(19...Re2+? 20.Rxe2 Qxd2 21.Rxd2+-)* 20.Nxd2 Kf8! Against Re7 21.Bh6+ Kg8 22.Re7 Rxe7 0.88/17 *(22...Ne5±* 0.52/22 is more appropriate.*)* 23.dxe7± Strongly threatening Rd1. Re8 24.Re1 f5 25.Re6 Bb5

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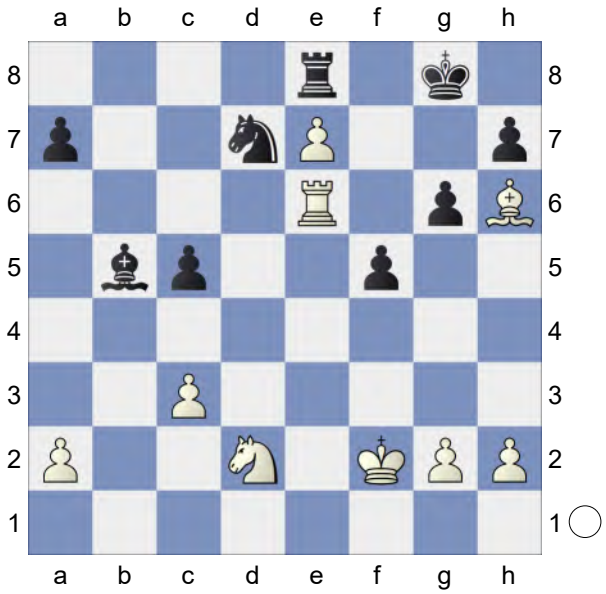

26.Bg5! &Bianco is more active. Kf7 27.Rd6 Ne5 Against c4 28.Kg3 h6⇄ Black is not holding back 29.Bxh6 Bg5 is the strong threat. Kxe7 30.Rd5 Nd7 31.Bf4 Kf6 32.Nf3 Against g5 Re2 33.h4 Ke7 34.Rd2 Rxd2 35.Nxd2= Endgame KBN-KBN Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KBN-KBN' Bc6 36.Be3 a5 37.Nb3 Bd5 38.Nxa5 Bxa2 39.Nb7 Ke6 40.Nxc5+ Nxc5 41.Bxc5 KB-KB Ke5 42.Bb6 Ke4 43.Kf2 Bc4 44.Kg3 Be6 45.Bc7 Bd5 46.h5 -0.01/29 *(46.Bf4± 0.33/28)* 46...gxh5 47.Kh4 f4 48.Bxf4 Kxf4 49.Kxh5 -1.16/29 KB-KPP *(49.g3+=* -0.01/32 remains equal. *Kf5 50.Kxh5)* 49...Ke3 0.00/30 *(49...Bxg2∓* -1.16/29 *50.Kh6 Bh3)* 50.g3 The position is equal. Kd2 51.c4 Bg8 52.g4 Kd3 53.c5 Ke4 54.g5 Bd5 55.c6 Ke5 56.g6 Bxc6 57.g7 Be8+ 58.Kg4 Bf7 59.g8B Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless) ½-½ (59) PetersBot (3014)-RaspFish (3048) Rapid 2024 [Kitty Kat]]

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[68...g2+ 69.Kg1 Kg3 ½-½ (65)

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69.Kg1 Ke4 70.Kg2 Kf4 71.Kg1 Kf3 ½-½ (71) Lenya228_BOT (3049)-ArasanX (2990) Blitz 2024

28 **4...d5** Arsovic,Goran: 'is the Anti-Grunfeld MVL line.' 5.cxd5 Andreikin,Dmitry: '!?'

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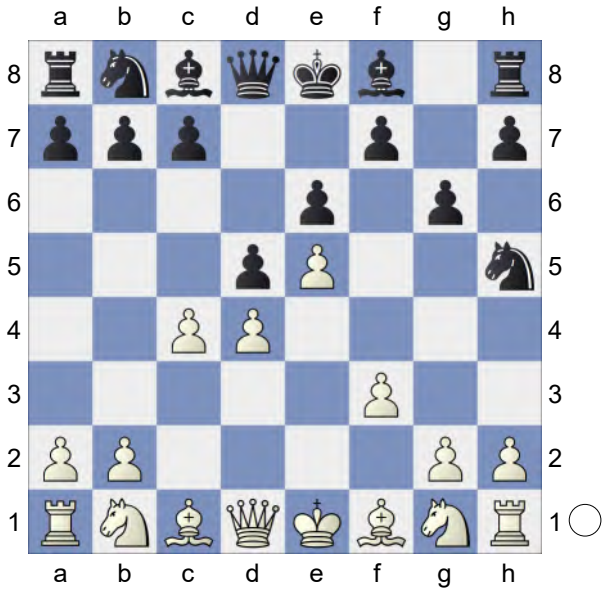

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A1a) 10...h5?! Andreikin,D: 'Reasonable, but not an ambitious move. Maxime is ready to give back some of the material advantage to retreat his queen. The problem is that this operation takes a lot of time. It is easy to assess the position when one is at home and has computer help, but playing it at the board is much harder.'Reasonable, but not an ambitious move. Maxime is ready to give back some of the material advantage to retreat his queen. The problem is that this operation takes a lot of time. It is easy to assess the position when one is at home and has computer help, but playing it at the board is much harder.

A1a1) 11.cxd5!?

A1a11) 11...exd5?!
12.Kf2!

A1a111) 12...c6?
13.Nxd5!+-;

A1a112) 12...Kd8
13.f5! h4 *(13...Bxf5 14.Qb3 h4 15.g4! Bxg4 16.Bg2+-)*
14.Bg5+ Be7
15.Bxe7+ Kxe7
16.Nxd5+ Kd8
17.Qc1+-;

A1a113) 12...h4□
13.Bb5+ c6 14.Qxh1 hxg3+ 15.Kg2 Rxh1 16.Kxh1 cxb5 17.Nxd5 Na6 18.Kg2±;

A1a12) 11...h4!

A1a121) 12.Ne4
exd5!!= *(12...hxg3 13.Nxg3 Qh7 14.Qa4+ Bd7 15.Qb3 b6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Ng5 Qh2 18.Bd2↑)* 13.Nf2 hxg3 14.Nxh1 Rxh1 15.Be3 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 Bg4! 17.a3 Rh2+ 18.Bg2 *(18.Kd3 Bf5#)* 18...Rxg2+ 19.Kf1 Bh3 20.Qa4+ Nc6 21.Ng5! Rf2+ 22.Kg1 Rg2+ 23.Kh1 Rh2+ 24.Kg1=;

A1a122) 12.gxh4
Rxh4!= *(12...Be7)*
13.Ne4 Rh3 14.Nfg5 exd5 15.Nf6+ *(15.Nf2?! Qg1! 16.Ngxh3 Bxh3 17.Nxh3 Bb4+ 18.Bd2 Qe3+ 19.Be2 Bxd2+ 20.Qxd2 Qxh3 21.0-0-0 Nc6∓)*
15...Kd8 16.Nxf7+ Ke7 17.Ng5 Nc6 18.Qc2 *(18.b3!? Kd8! 19.Nf7+ Ke7 20.Ng5 Kd8=)* 18...Kd8□
19.Qxg6 *(19.Nf7+ Ke7 20.Qxg6 Be6□*

21.Ng8+ Kd7 22.Nf6+ Ke7=) 19...Bb4+□ 20.Bd2 Re3+□ 21.Kf2 Qh2+ 22.Bg2 Re2+□ 23.Kxe2 Qxg2+ 24.Ke1 Qg1+ 25.Ke2 Qg2+ 26.Ke1=;

A1a123) 12.Nxh4 exd5;

A1a124) 12.g4! Andreikin,D: 'Now Black must find a series of very strong moves for a draw.' Now Black must find a series of very strong moves for a draw. 12...exd5 13.Nxd5 h3! 14.f5! *(14.Nxc7+?? Kd8 15.Nxa8 Bxg4-+)* 14...Be7!! 15.Nxe7 *(15.Nxc7+?! Kf8 16.Nxa8 h2 17.Bf4 Nc6 18.Kf2 Bh4+ 19.Ke2 gxf5⩱)* 15...h2!! 16.Bg5!! Rh3! 17.fxg6! *(17.Kd2?! Qxf3 18.Bxh3 Qxh3 19.fxg6 fxg6 20.Nxc8 Nc6 21.Qb1! Qg2+ 22.Kc3 Qf3+ 23.Qd3 Nxd4! 24.Kc4 Nc6!!=)* 17...Rxf3 18.Kd2! Rf2+ 19.Kc3 Rf3+ 20.Bd3 Qxd1 21.Rxd1 fxg6 22.Rh1 *(22.Nxc8? Nc6 23.Rh1 Rh3=)* 22...Bxg4 23.Rxh2 Rh3!? 24.Rxh3 Bxh3 25.d5!± Andreikin,D: 'White has a powerful pawn center, but Black has good drawing chances. As we see, the easy move 11.cxd5 gives Black very big practical problems. In many forced varations for Black it was necessary to find only moves. It is very difficult even for a strong grandmaster, but also from White it would require great attacking play. Now we will return from the analysis to the game.' White has a powerful pawn center, but Black has good drawing chances. As we see, the easy move 11.cxd5 gives Black very big practical problems. In many forced varations for Black it was necessary to find only moves. It is very difficult even for a strong grandmaster, but also from White it would require great attacking play. Now we will return from the analysis to the game.;

A1a2) 11.Be3?! Andreikin, D: 'Also an inaccuracy. Maybe Vitiugov wanted to maintain the tension, but miscalculated the following variations. Why did he not take the pawn on d5? He did not want to open the way for the black bishop,

but now White had a good play in specific ways:' Also an inaccuracy. Maybe Vitiugov wanted to maintain the tension, but miscalculated the following variations. Why did he not take the pawn on d5? He did not want to open the way for the black bishop, but now White had a good play in specific ways: 11...h4 Andreikin,D: 'Vachier Lagrave acts consistently.' Vachier Lagrave acts consistently. 12.gxh4 Andreikin,D: 'My greedy computer suggests to take the pawn with the knight, then to return it back.' My greedy computer suggests to take the pawn with the knight, then to return it back. *(* Andreikin,D: 'It would be interesting to continue hunting the black queen:' It would be interesting to continue hunting the black queen: *12.g4!?* Andreikin,D: 'Unfortunately, Black has a tactical refutation of this idea:' Unfortunately, Black has a tactical refutation of this idea: *h3 13.cxd5 h2 14.Kf2□ c6!! 15.dxc6 Qxf3+ 16.Qxf3 h1Q 17.Qxh1 Rxh1 18.Bg2 Rxa1 19.cxb7 Bxb7 20.Bxb7 Bb4∓)* 12...c6 Andreikin,D: 'Black reinforces the center and prepares to simplify the game.' Black reinforces the center and prepares to simplify the game.

A1a21) 13.Qe2! Rxh4 *(13...Nd7?? 14.0-0-0+-)* 14.Nxh4 Qxh4+ 15.Kd2⩲;

A1a22) 13.Kd2?! Andreikin,D: 'I think this is a serious mistake. White could get back the rook threatening castling.' I think this is a serious mistake. White could get back the rook threatening castling.

A1a221) 13...Be7! 14.Qe2 *(14.Bf2 Nd7 15.Qe2 Bxh4 16.Bxh4 Rxh4 17.Nxh4 Qxh4 18.Qe3⩱)* 14...Bxh4 15.Rc1! Bd8! 16.Bg2 Qh7 *(16...Qh6!? 17.f5 Qf8⩱)* 17.cxd5 exd5 18.Nxd5 Qg7!? 19.Nc3 Be6∓ Andreikin,D: 'Of course, White has good compensation for the material and the result can be anything. But I think that this would be the best solution for Black.' Of course, White has good compensation for the material and the result can be anything. But I think that this would be the best solution for Black.;

A1a222) 13...Rxh4?!

Andreikin,D: 'Maxime believed his opponent. He had a good opportunity to keep the material advantage.' Maxime believed his opponent. He had a good opportunity to keep the material advantage. 14.Nxh4 Qxh4 15.Qf3= Andreikin,D: 'The position is much easier and now White has excellent compensation for only one pawn.' The position is much easier and now White has excellent compensation for only one pawn.

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15...Qd8!? 16.Bd3 b5! Andreikin,D: 'After opening the queenside, the black pieces will enter the game much faster. White's king may experience problems in this case.' After opening the queenside, the black pieces will enter the game much faster. White's king may experience problems in this case. 17.cxd5 *(17.c5!? b4 18.Ne2 Ba6!=)* 17...cxd5 18.Bxb5+ Bd7⇄;

A1a2222) 15...Bd7? Andreikin,D: 'A clumsy move. Black could try a very interesting, energetic idea:' A clumsy move. Black could try a very interesting, energetic idea: 16.Bd3↑ Andreikin, D: 'Now a serious problems for Black is inevitable.' Now a serious problems for Black is inevitable.

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16...Qh7? 17.Rh1 Qg7 18.f5! gxf5 19.Qh3 f4 *(19...Na6 20.Rg1+-)* 20.Bxf4 Na6 21.Be3! Bb4 22.Rg1 Qf8 23.Bg5+-;

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16...Na6 17.Rh1

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17...Qe7!? 18.c5! Andreikin,D: 'The black pieces suffer from a catastrophic lack of space!' The black pieces suffer from a catastrophic lack of space! *(18.a3 0-0-0 19.Bf2↑)* 18...Bg7 19.Bf2!→;

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17...Qd8 18.a3!

Andreikin,D: 'A very strong preventive move. Nikita Vitiugov is a master of quiet moves! Now the possibilities for the black pieces are very limited.' A very strong preventive move. Nikita Vitiugov is a master of quiet moves! Now the possibilities for the black pieces are very limited. dxc4 Andreikin,D: 'Black must open the center.' Black must open the center. 19.Bxc4 Qa5 Andreikin,D: 'After' After *(19...Qb6 20.Kc2 0-0-0 21.b4!?±* Andreikin,D: 'Black has not enough space again.' Black has not enough space again. *)* 20.Rh7!± Andreikin,D: 'White has confidently carried out all his plans. It is a sad position for Black. But the inventive Vachier Lagrave find a way to create counterplay.' White has confidently carried out all his plans. It is a sad position for Black. But the inventive Vachier Lagrave find a way to create counterplay. 0-0-0 Andreikin,D: 'Of course, safety of the king is more important than a pawn.' Of course, safety of the king is more important than a pawn. 21.Rxf7 Nc7 Andreikin,D: 'A good move. Black's pieces are cramped and the b-pawn is ready to go to the last battle.' A good move. Black's pieces are cramped and the b-pawn is ready to go to the last battle. 22.Kc2 Andreikin,D: 'Also the strongest move. So far Nikita is great.' Also the strongest move. So far Nikita is great. b5⇄ 23.Bb3 Andreikin,D: 'Simple and the correct decision. Located on b3 the bishop secures his king. Other moves give Black good counterplay.'

Simple and the correct decision. Located on b3 the bishop secures his king. Other moves give Black good counterplay. *(23.Bf1?! b4 24.axb4 Bxb4 25.Ne4 Qa2! 26.Bf2 Be8 27.Rh7 c5⇄)* 23...b4 24.axb4 Bxb4 25.Ne4!? Andreikin,D: 'A knight in the center of the board is almost always a strong piece!' A knight in the center of the board is almost always a strong piece! Nd5 Andreikin,D: 'The French grandmaster has also played a series of strong moves. He did it quickly. At this moment I began to look at the online game. If the server was not wrong, and I remember correctly - White had about 10 minutes, and Black had about 30 minutes.' The French grandmaster has also played a series of strong moves. He did it quickly. At this moment I began to look at the online game. If the server was not wrong, and I remember correctly - White had about 10 minutes, and Black had about 30 minutes. 26.Bd2? Andreikin,D: 'Nikita spent a lot of time for this move, but it appeared unsuccessful. The desire to get the d6-square for the knight is understandable, but here this move is associated with a tactical blunder. White could make prophylactic moves:' Nikita spent a lot of time for this move, but it appeared unsuccessful. The desire to get the d6-square for the knight is understandable, but here this move is associated with a tactical blunder. White could make prophylactic moves: *(26.Kb1!? Qb6 27.Bc4±;*

26.Bc1!? Qb6
27.Qd3 Kb8
28.Kb1 Bc8
29.Bc4±) 26...Bxd2
27.Nxd2 Rh8!∓
Andreikin,D: 'I think this simple move possibly escaped the field of view of the Russian Grandmaster. When nerves are strained and little time remains, such things often occur... ' I think this simple move possibly escaped the field of view of the Russian Grandmaster. When nerves are strained and little time remains, such things often occur...
A1a2222221)
28.Nc4!
A1a22222211)
28...Rh2+?! 29.Kb1
Qe1+ 30.Qd1
Qe4+ 31.Ka2
Nc3+ 32.Ka3
Nb5+
(32...Nxd1?? 33.Nd6++-) 33.Ka2
Rh1 34.Nd2! Qg2
35.Qc2 Qg1
36.Qb1 Qg2
37.Qc2 Rh2
38.Rf8+ Kc7
39.Rf7!=;
A1a22222212)
28...Qa1!?
29.Qd1□ Rh2+
30.Kd3 Qa6
31.Rf8+ Kc7
32.Qe1!! c5
33.Qa5+ Qxa5
34.Nxa5 Kb6!
35.Nc4+ Ka6∓;
A1a2222222)
28.Nf1?
Andreikin,D: 'This move loses the game. The only way to continue was:' This move loses the game. The only way to continue was:
A1a22222221)
28...Qa1!-+
Van Delft & Ris: '!' Andreikin,D: 'The white king already can't be helped. Van Delft & Ris: '!'' The white king already can't be helped. 29.Bxd5
(29.Nd2 Rh1
30.Bxd5 Rc1+
31.Kd3 cxd5
32.Rf8+ Kc7
33.Rf7 Qxb2
34.Ke2 Rc3
35.Qh1 Rc2
36.Qd1 Qb5+
37.Ke1 Qd3
38.Qe2 Qxd4-+;
29.Bc4 Nb4+
30.Kc3 a5! 31.Be2 Qc1+ 32.Kb3 Kc7!
33.Qc3 Qb1-+)
29...exd5
A1a222222211)

30.Qe2 Bf5+
31.Kb3 Rh3+
32.Kb4 Qa2
33.Ne3 Rxe3
34.Qxe3 Qxb2+
35.Kc5 *(35.Qb3 a5+-+)* 35...Qb6+
36.Kd6 c5+
37.Ke7 Qd8#;

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30.Qa3 Qxf1
31.Rf8+ Rxf8
32.Qxf8+ Kb7
33.Qb4+ Qb5-+;

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28...Qe1?∓

Andreikin,D: 'A normal practical move, but Vachier Lagrave had time to think and find the queen move into the corner. Then we'd have had another winner of the tournament.' A normal practical move, but Vachier Lagrave had time to think and find the queen move into the corner. Then we'd have had another winner of the tournament.

29.Bxd5!

Andreikin,D: 'In a lost position Nikita defends in the best way.' In a lost position Nikita defends in the best way. *(29.Bc4?! Nb4+ 30.Kb3 a5! 31.Ne3 Rh2 32.Nd1 Qd2-+)*

29...exd5

(29...cxd5?? 30.Nd2±)

30.Rxd7?!

Andreikin,D: 'The right idea in a bad version.' The right idea in a bad version. *(* Andreikin,D: 'He should prefer this:' He should prefer this: *30.Qd3!? Bf5 31.Rxf5 gxf5 32.Qxf5+ Kc7 33.Qf6-+*

Andreikin,D: 'Here Black needs to show good technique.' Here Black needs to show good technique.*)*

30...Kxd7 31.Qg4+ Kc7 32.Qxg6

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32...Kb6! 33.Qd3
(33.Qg2 Qb4! 34.Qf2 Qc4+ 35.Kd2 Rh3 36.Ng3 Qb3-+;
33.Nd2 Rh1 34.Qg2 Rg1 35.Qf3 Qc1+ 36.Kd3 Qxb2-+;
33.Qd6 Qxf1 34.Qc5+ Kb7 35.Qb4+ Kc8)
33...Rh4 34.Ne3
(34.f5 Qf2+

35.Kc3 c5 36.dxc5+ Qxc5+ 37.Kb3 Rd4 38.Qe2 Qb4+ 39.Kc2 Qa4+ 40.Kc1 Qa1+ 41.Kc2 Rc4+-+) 34...Rxf4 35.Qb3+ Kc7 36.Qc3 Qxc3+ 37.bxc3 a5-+;

A1a222222222) 32...Qf2+?! Andreikin,D: 'Maxime for the second time passes by an easy win. Now the winning move was very natural.' Maxime for the second time passes by an easy win. Now the winning move was very natural. 33.Nd2 Rh2?? Van Delft & Ris: '?' Andreikin,D: 'I can not say why such a brave player as Maxime Vachier Lagrave made this move. Maybe he did not see the check on d6, but most likely he was affected by nerves and fatigue... Van Delft & Ris: '?'' I can not say why such a brave player as Maxime Vachier Lagrave made this move. Maybe he did not see the check on d6, but most likely he was affected by nerves and fatigue... *(33...Kb6!* Van Delft & Ris: '-+!' *34.Qf6 Rh7!-+)* 34.Qd6+ Andreikin,D: 'Nikita Vitiugov uses his chance...' Nikita Vitiugov uses his chance... Kb7 35.Qb4+ Kc8 36.Qf8+ ½-½ (36) Vitiugov, N (2694)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2713) Caleta 2013 CBM 153 [Andreikin, Dmitry];

A1b) 10...dxc4!? [%draw arrow,c8,d7,yellow] [%draw arrow,b8,c6,yellow] <xml ✕ :en>- White's compensation for the exchange is doubtful</:en ✕/ xml> Andreikin,Dmitry: '!' - White's compensation for the exchange is doubtful 11.Kf2!? *(11.Ne4?! Be7 12.Nf2 Qh6 13.f5 Qf8 14.f6 Bb4+ 15.Bd2 Bxd2+ 16.Qxd2 a5 17.a3 b5-+)* 11...Bd7! 12.Qe2 Bc6 13.Bg2 Qh5

A1b1) 14.Qxc4!? Nd7 *(14...Be7* seems to be better for Black. Andreikin, D: 'seems to be better for

Black.') 15.Ng5 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 h6 17.Nxf7 Kxf7 18.Qxc7 Ke8 19.d5 Qf5 20.Qxb7 Nb6 21.Be3 Qf7 22.Qa6 Rb8 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Rd1 Qb7 25.Qb5+ Qd7 26.Qb3 Kf7! 27.g4 Rg8!∓;

A1b2) 14.Be3 Nd7

A1b21) 15.Rh1!? Qf5 16.Rd1! Qg4! 17.d5 exd5! *(17...Bxd5? 18.Rxd5! exd5 19.Nxd5→)* 18.Nxd5 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Nb6 20.e6! f6!! 21.Bxb6 *(21.Rd1 Be7∓)* 21...axb6 22.Qxc4 *(22.Qe1!? Rxa2 23.Kf1! h5!! 24.Nh2 Bb4 25.Qe3 Ra1+ 26.Kf2 Be1+ 27.Qxe1 Rxe1 28.Nxg4 Rxe6 29.Ne3 c6 30.Rd2 b5-+)* 22...Bc5+ 23.Rxc5 bxc5 24.Nd4 *(24.Qb5+ c6 25.Qxb7 0-0!-+)* 24...cxd4 25.Bxb7 0-0 26.e7+ Kg7-+;

A1b22) 15.d5 Bxd5 *(15...exd5?! 16.Rh1 Qf5 17.Nd4 Qd3 18.Qf3 Bc5 19.Rd1 Bxd4 20.Rxd3 Bxe3+ 21.Qxe3 cxd3 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.Bxd5 c6 24.Bxf7+ Kxf7 25.e6+ Ke7 26.exd7+ Kxd7 27.Qd4+=)* 16.Nxd5 exd5 17.e6!? *(17.Rh1 Qf5 18.Ng5 Nxe5! 19.Bh3 Qd3 20.fxe5 Qxe2+ 21.Kxe2 h6∓)* 17...fxe6 18.Bd4 Nc5! 19.Bxh8 Ne4+ 20.Kg1 0-0-0⩱;

A2) 6.Nh3

A2a) 6...c5 7.g4 Ng7 8.Bg5 *(8.cxd5 Qxd5 9.Nc3 Qxd4 10.Qxd4 cxd4 11.Nb5 Na6 12.Bg5 Bb4+ 13.Kf2 Be7 14.Nd6+ Kf8 15.Bxe7+ Kxe7 16.Rc1 Rd8 17.Bxa6 bxa6 18.Rhd1 Ne8 19.Nxe8 Kxe8 20.Ng5 Bb7 21.Rc7 Rd7 22.Rxd7 Kxd7 23.Nxh7 Ke7 24.Rxd4 Bc6 25.Nf6 Rb8 26.b3 a5 27.Rc4 Rb6 28.h4 a4 29.bxa4 Bd5 30.Rc7+ Kd8 31.Rxa7 Rb2+ 32.Kg3 Rxa2 33.Rxf7 Rxa4 34.h5 gxh5 35.gxh5 Bb3 36.h6 Bc2 37.h7 Bxh7 38.Rxh7 Ra1 39.Rd7+ Kc8 40.Rd6 Kc7 41.Rxe6 Kd8 42.f4 Ra3+ 43.Kg4 Ra4 44.Kf5 Ra3 45.Rd6+ Ke7 46.Rd1 Kf8 47.e6 Ra5+ 48.Kg6 Ra8 49.Rd7 Re8 50.Rf7#* 1-0 (50) Fastchess2345 (2635)-Oleg946 (2552) Blitz 2025) 8...Qb6 9.Qb3 cxd4 10.Qxb6 axb6 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nf4 Ne6 13.Bb5+ Bd7 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Bd3 Nc6 16.Bf6 Rg8 17.Nd2 Bg7 18.Bxg7 Rxg7 19.f4 g5 20.Nf3 gxf4 21.g5 Nb4 22.Ke2 Ke7 23.h4 Be8 24.a3 Nc6 25.Kf2 Bh5 26.Rhe1 Bxf3 27.Kxf3 Rh8 28.Kxf4 Rf7+ 29.Kg4 Rhf8 30.Rad1 Rf4+ 31.Kh5 R8f7 32.Bb5 Na5 33.Rc1 Kd8 34.Bd3 Nb3 35.Rcd1 Nc5 36.Re2 Kc7 37.b4 Nxd3 38.Rxd3 Kc6 39.Red2 Re4 40.Rxd4 Rxe5 41.Kh6 Ref5 42.Rc2+ Kd6 43.Rc8 e5 44.Rd8+ Ke6

45.R4xd5 e4 46.R8d6+ Ke7 47.Rd7+ Ke6 48.Rxf5 Rxd7 49.Rf6+ Ke5 50.Rf8 Re7 51.Rf1 e3 52.Re1 Ke4 53.h5 Kd3 54.g6 Kd2 55.Rxe3 Re6 56.Rxe6 Kd3 57.Rd6+ 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2618) Blitz 2022;

A2b) 6...Be7 7.g4 Ng7 8.Bh6 0-0 9.Nc3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nc6 11.Ne2 Bh4+ 12.Kf1 b6 13.Bd3 Bb7 14.Be4 Na5 15.Kg2 Re8 16.Rc1 Rc8 17.Qd3 Bxe4 18.Qxe4 Qe7 19.Rhd1 c5 20.b3 cxd4 21.Rxc8 Rxc8 22.Qxd4 Nc6 23.Qe4 Nb4 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.g5 Bxg5 26.f4 Bh6 27.Nf2 Nd5 28.Ng4 Qh4 29.h3 Nc3 30.Qc2 Nxe2 31.Qxe2 Rc3 32.Rd3 Rxd3 33.Qxd3 Bxf4 34.Qf3 g5 35.Qd3 h5 36.Nf2 g4 37.hxg4 hxg4 38.Ne4 Qh2+ 39.Kf1 g3 40.Qf3 Bxe5 41.Qg4+ Kf8 42.Qf3 Ke7 43.Ng5 g2+ 44.Qxg2 Qf4+ 45.Nf3 Bd4 46.Qe2 e5 47.Kg2 Bc3 48.Qd3 e4 49.Qxc3 exf3+ 50.Qxf3 Qxf3+ 51.Kxf3 Ke6 52.Ke4 f5+ 53.Kf4 Kf6 54.a4 a5 55.Kf3 Ke5 56.Ke3 f4+ 57.Kf3 Kf5 58.Kf2 Ke4 59.Ke2 f3+ 60.Kf2 Kf4 61.Kf1 Ke3 62.Ke1 f2+ 63.Kf1 Kf3 0-1 (63) Crimson_walker95 (2715)-Zuma2910 (2690) Blitz 2022;

A3) 6.Be3!?

A3a) 6...c5!? when Black seems to be doing fine. For example:

A3a1) 7.dxc5?! Nc6! gives Black good play. 8.cxd5 *(8.f4 d4!; 8.g4 Ng7 9.f4 d4 10.Bf2 Bxc5 11.Nf3 h5 12.gxh5 Nxh5 13.a3 a5 14.Qc1 b6 15.Bd3 Bb7 16.0-0 Ne7 17.Bg3 Nxg3 18.hxg3 Nf5 19.Bxf5 gxf5 20.Nbd2 d3+ 21.Kg2 Be3 22.Qe1 Qd4 23.Rb1 a4 24.b3 0-0-0 25.bxa4 Rdg8 26.a5 Qxf4 27.Rxb6 Bxd2 28.Qf2 Be3 29.Qb2 Qxg3# 0-1 (29) OnkelKonkel (2672)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2564) Blitz 2022)* 8...exd5 9.Ne2 Bg7 *(9...Nxe5 10.Nbc3 Bg7 11.Nd4 0-0 12.Qd2 Nc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.0-0-0 Qa5 15.g4 Nf6 16.Bh6 Rd8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h4 h6 19.Qf4 Qxc5 20.Rhe1 Nd5 21.Qe5+ f6 22.Qe4 Nxc3 23.bxc3 Rd5 24.h5 gxh5 25.gxh5 Rxh5 26.Qe8 Qg5+ 27.Rd2 Qe5 28.Rg2+ 1-0 (28) Nabaty,T (2649)-Baron,T (2536) Tiberias ISR 2016)*

A3a11) 10.f4 d4 11.Nxd4 *(11.Bf2 d3)* 11...Qh4+;

A3a12) 10.Nbc3 Bxe5 11.Qxd5 Qe7↑;

A3a2) 7.g4 cxd4 8.Bxd4 Nf4 9.cxd5 Qxd5 10.Nc3 Bb4 11.a3 Bxc3+ 12.Bxc3 Nc6 13.Nh3 Nxh3 14.Bxh3 Qc5 15.Qe2 h5 16.Bg2 Bd7 17.Rd1 0-0-0 18.Qf2 Qb5 19.Qe2 Ne7 20.Qxb5

Bxb5 21.Kf2 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 hxg4 23.fxg4 Rxh2 24.Kg3 Rh8 25.Bb4 Nc6 26.Bd6 Bc4 27.b4 a6 28.Rd2 Bd5 29.Bxd5 exd5 30.Rxd5 Kd7 31.Rd2 Ke6 32.Rf2 Rh7 33.Rf6+ Kd5 34.Kf4 Nd4 35.Bb8 Ne6+ 36.Kg3 Kc4 37.Bd6 Kb5 38.Rf3 Nd4 39.Rd3 Kc4 40.Re3 Rh1 41.Bc5 Ne6 42.Rf3 Ng5 43.Rf2 Ne4+ 0-1 (43) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2626)-ukrchess_org_ua (2939) Blitz 2021;

A3a3) 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Bb5+ *(8.Nc3 Nc6 9.Nge2 Ng7!* with nice play for Black.*)* 8...Nc6 9.Ne2 may White give an edge.;

A3b) 6...Ng7 7.Bf2 Nf5 8.f4 Bb4+ 9.Nc3 c5 10.cxd5 Qa5! 11.Nge2 cxd4 12.Bxd4 *(12.a3!? Bxc3+ 13.bxc3 exd5 14.Qd2 Ne3!= 15.Nxd4 Nxf1 16.Rxf1 Nc6 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.c4=)* 12...Nxd4 13.Qxd4 exd5 14.Rd1 Nc6 15.Qxd5 Qb6 16.Qf3 Ba5! 17.Rd2 0-0 18.a3 Rd8⩱;

A4) 6.g3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 c5 8.Be3 Nc6 9.dxc5 Qa5+ 10.Qd2 Qxd2+ 11.Nxd2 Nxe5 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7 14.Rc1 Rc8 15.b4 a5 16.a3 Be7 17.Ke2 0-0 18.Nh3 Nhf6 19.Nf4 axb4 20.axb4 Nb8 21.b5 Rfe8 22.Ne4 Nbd7 23.Nxf6+ Nxf6 24.Rhd1 Ra8 25.c6 bxc6 26.bxc6 Rec8 27.Rc2 Kf8 28.Nd3 Nd5 29.Bd4 Ra3 30.Rb1 Ke8 31.Rb7 Ra6 32.Ne5 f6 33.Ng4 Raxc6 34.Rxc6 Rxc6 35.Ne3 Nxe3 36.Kxe3 e5 37.Bb6 Rxb6 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2755)-Zuma2910 (2622) Blitz 2023;

B) 5...Nfd7 6.cxd5 exd5 Arsovic,Goran: 'N!'

B1) 7.Nc3 c5

B1a) 8.Nxd5 Arsovic,Goran: '?!'

B1a1) 8...cxd4 9.Qxd4 Bg7 *(9...Nc6 10.Qf4 Bg7 11.Qg5 0-0 12.Qxd8 Rxd8 13.Bg5 Re8 14.0-0-0 Rxe5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩾*')* 10.Nf6+ Bxf6 11.exf6 0-0 12.Bg5 Nc6 13.Qc3 Re8+ 14.Be2 Re5 Arsovic,Goran: '⩾';

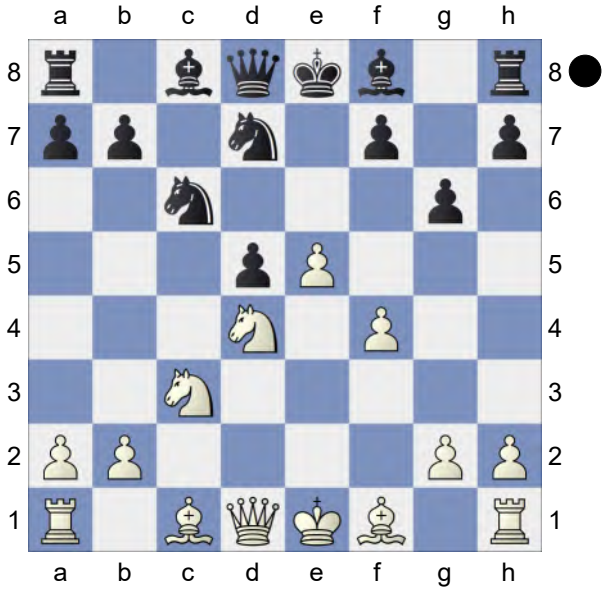
B1a2) 8...Bg7 9.dxc5 Nxe5 10.Ne2 0-0 11.Nec3 Nbc6 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0 Nd4 Arsovic,Goran: '∓!';

B1b) 8.f4 Nc6

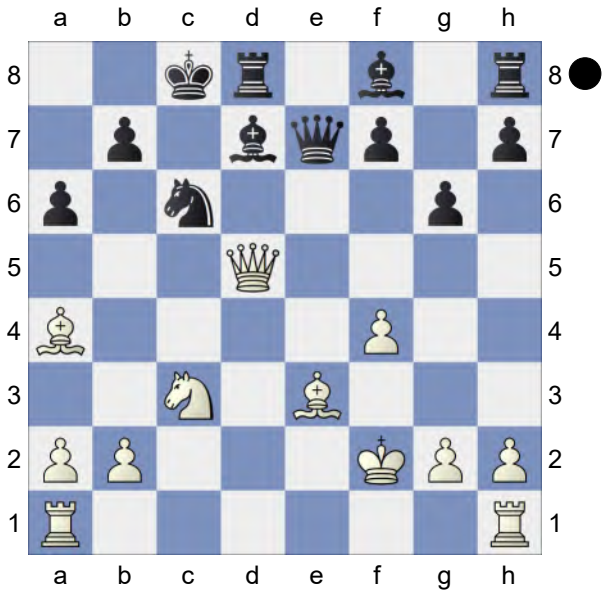
B1b1) 9.Nxd5 cxd4 10.Bc4 b5 *(10...Nb4 11.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 12.Bd2 Be7 13.e6 fxe6 14.Nf3 0-0 15.Bxe6+ Kg7 16.0-0 Nc5 17.Bc4 Ne4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩾*')* 11.Bb3 Bb7 12.Nf3 Nb4 13.Nf6+ Nxf6 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.0-0 0-0-0 16.Ne5 Bc5 Arsovic,Goran: '⩾';

B1b2) 9.Nf3 cxd4 *(9...Nb6 10.h3 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Qh4+ 12.Ke2 Bc5 13.Be3 Bxd4 14.Bxd4 Qxf4 15.Bxb6 Qxe5+ 16.Kf2 axb6 17.Qxd5 0-0 18.Qxe5 Nxe5 19.Be2 Bf5 20.Rhd1 Rfd8 21.a3 Nd3+ 22.Bxd3 Bxd3 23.Ke3 Bf5 24.Nd5 Kg7 25.Nxb6 Re8+ 26.Kf2*

Ra6 27.Nd5 Rae6 28.Re1 Be4 29.Nc3 Bc6 30.Rxe6 Rxe6 31.Rd1 h5 32.h4 f6 33.g3 g5 34.Rd4 Kg6 35.b4 f5 36.hxg5 Kxg5 37.b5 Be4 38.a4 h4 39.gxh4+ Kxh4 40.Ke3 Kg5 41.Nxe4+ fxe4 42.Rxe4 Rh6 43.Re5+ Kf6 44.Rc5 Rh4 45.a5 Ra4 46.b6 Ke6 47.Kd3 Kd6 48.Rh5 Kc6 49.Kc3 Rg4 50.Kb3 Rg3+ 51.Kc4 Rg4+ 52.Kd3 Rg3+ 53.Ke4 Rb3 54.Rh7 Rb5 55.Rc7+ Kd6 56.Rxb7 Rxa5 57.Kd4 Kc6 58.Rb8 Rb5 59.b7 Rxb7 60.Rxb7 Kxb7 ½-½ (60) Iestri (2656)-NewNr1 (2553) Blitz 2024) 10.Nxd4 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



' Ndxe5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 11.Bb5 *(11.fxe5 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qxd4 13.Qxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd5 Bf5 15.Nf6+ Kd8 16.g4 Be6* Arsovic,Goran: '∓' *)* 11...a6 12.Ba4 Bd7 *(12...Bc5* Arsovic,Goran: '!?' *13.Be3 Bg4 14.Qd2 Bxd4 15.Bxd4 Nc4 16.Bxc6+ bxc6 17.Qf2 Qe7+ 18.Kf1 0-0 19.h3 Bf5 20.Kg1 Rae8 21.Kh2 h5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 13.Nxc6 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *(13.0-0 Bc5 14.fxe5 Bxd4+ 15.Kh1 Bxe5 16.Qxd5 Qe7 17.Bg5 f6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Rae1 Be5 20.Bxc6 Bxc6 21.Qxe5 Qxe5 22.Rxe5+ Kd7* Arsovic,Goran: ' =') 13...Nxc6 14.Qxd5 *(14.Be3 Bg7 15.Qxd5 0-0 16.0-0-0 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Qf6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ ') 14...Qe7+ 15.Kf2 *(15.Qe4 Qxe4+ 16.Nxe4 0-0-0 17.Kf2 f5 18.Ng5 Bc5+ 19.Be3 Bxe3+ 20.Kxe3 Rhe8+ 21.Kf2 Nb4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ ') 15...0-0-0 16.Be3 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



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B1b21) 16...Bf5

Arsovic,Goran: '!' 17.Qf3 Nd4 18.Nd5 *(18.Bxd4* Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *Rxd4 19.Rad1 Qc5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 18...Qh4+ 19.g3 Nxf3 20.gxh4 Rxd5 21.Kxf3 h5 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B1b22) 16...Be6 17.Qe4 f5 18.Qc2 Nb4 19.Nd5+ Nxc2 20.Nxe7+ Bxe7 21.Bxc2 Bf6 22.Rac1 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Kb8 Arsovic,Goran: '=' *(22...Bxb2* Arsovic,Goran: '?' *23.Bxf5+ Kd7 24.Bxe6+ Kxe6 25.Rc7 b5 26.Re1* Arsovic,Goran: ' ±') 23.b3 Rc8 24.Bd3 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Rc8 26.Rxc8+ Kxc8 27.Bb6 Kd7 28.Ke3 Bd5 29.g3 Kc6 30.Bd4 Be7 31.Bf1 ½-½ (31) Sudgen,J (2778)-Ferri,S (2756) Gouves 71/209 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Adly,Ahmed];

B2) 7.Be3 c5 8.Bb5 *(8.Nc3* Arsovic,Goran: '- 7.Nc3') 8...Nc6 9.Nc3 Bg7 10.f4 cxd4 11.Bxd4 0-0 12.Nf3 f6 13.Bf2 *(13.e6 Nb6 14.f5 gxf5 15.Bc5 Re8 16.0-0 Bxe6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞') 13...Nb6 14.exf6 Qxf6 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B3) 7.f4

B3a) 7...Bg7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.Nc3 Re8 *(9...Nb6 10.Bd3 f6 11.0-0 fxe5 12.fxe5 Bg4 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Rxf3 Rxf3 15.Qxf3 Nc6 16.Be3 Qh4 17.Qf2 Qe7 18.Rf1 Rd8 19.Qg3 Qb4 20.Bxg6 hxg6 21.Qxg6 Rf8 22.Qe6+ Kh7 23.Rxf8 Qxf8 24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Qxd5 Qf5 26.Kh2 Qd3 27.Bf2 Bxe5+ 28.g3 Bxd4 29.Qf7+ Bg7 30.Qxc7 Qf3 31.Kg1 Nd4 32.Bxd4 Qd1+ 33.Kg2 Qxd4 34.Qxb7 Qd2+ 35.Kf3 Qd3+ 36.Kg4 Qd4+ 37.Kf3 Qd3+ 38.Kg4 Qd4+ 39.Kf3 Qd3+* ½-½ (39) alexkaspi (2602)-Son_Goku7 (2555) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Bd3 c5 11.Be3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nc6 13.0-0 f6 14.e6 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Rxe6 16.f5 gxf5 17.Qh5 Nf8 18.Rxf5 Qe8 19.Nxd5 Re1+ 20.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 21.Rf1 Qe6 22.Nxf6+ Bxf6 23.Rxf6 Qe7 24.Bc4+ Be6 25.Qg4+ 1-0 (25) Itinerant69 (2713)-MightBeDecent (2621) Blitz 2023;

B3b) 7...c5 8.Nf3 Nc6 9.Bd3 *(9.Bb5 Qb6 10.Nc3 cxd4 11.Nxd5 Qc5 12.Nc7+ Kd8 13.Bxc6 Kxc7 14.Be4 Qb6 15.Bd2 a5 16.0-0 Be7 17.Rc1+ Kb8 18.f5 Nc5 19.f6 Bxf6 20.exf6 Nxe4 21.Bf4+ Ka7 22.Qxd4 Be6 23.Be3 Qxd4 24.Nxd4 Ka6 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.f7 Nd6 27.Bh6 Nf5 28.f8Q* 1-0 (28) povadingo (2652)-rogerbr (2573) Blitz 2024*)* 9...cxd4 10.0-0 Bg7 11.a3 Nc5 12.Bb5 Qb6 13.Nxd4 0-0 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.b4 Nb3 16.Qxb3 Qxd4+ 17.Be3 Qxa1 18.Nd2 Bxe5 19.Rxa1 Bxa1

20.Nf3 Re8 21.Bd4 Bxd4+ 22.Nxd4 Bd7 23.Nf3 a5 24.Ne5 Be6 25.Qc3 axb4 26.axb4 Rec8 27.h3 h5 28.Kh2 Ra2 29.Qe3 d4 30.Qxd4 Bd5 31.Kg3 Rxg2+ 32.Kh4 Be6 33.Nf3 Rc2 34.Ng5 Bd5 35.b5 Rc4 36.Qe5 Rd8 37.b6 c5 38.Qf6 Rd7 39.Qe5 Rd8 40.Kg3 Rb4 41.f5 Rb3+ 42.Kf2 Rb2+ 43.Ke3 Rb3+ 44.Kd2 Bc4+ 45.Kc2 Rxb6 46.fxg6 Bd3+ 47.Kc3 Bxg6 48.Ne4 Rbd6 49.Nxd6 Rb8 50.Qf4 Rf8 51.Ne4 f6 52.Nxf6+ Kg7 53.Qe5 Rxf6 54.Qe7+ Rf7 55.Qe5+ Rf6 56.Kc4 Kh6 57.Qxc5 Rf4+ 58.Kb5 Rf5 59.Kb4 Rxc5 60.Kxc5 1-0 (60) AnythingButAverage (2920)-siroglantalibov (2767) Blitz 2024]

5...exd5 6.e5

[6.Nc3

A) 6...dxe4 7.fxe4

A1) 7...Bg7

A1a) 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Nf3 c5 12.dxc5 Qa5 13.Bd3 *(13.Qd2 Re8 14.e5 Nc6 15.Bb5 Nh5 16.0-0 Nxg3 17.hxg3 a6 18.Bxc6 Qxc5+ 19.Nd4 bxc6 20.Qf2 Be6 21.Ne4 Qxe5 22.Nf6+ Bxf6 23.Qxf6 Qxf6 24.Rxf6 Kg7 25.Rf3 Bg4 26.Rf2 c5 27.Nf5+ Kg6 28.Nd6 Re6 29.Nb7 c4 30.Na5 c3 31.bxc3 Rc8 32.Rc1 Re3 33.c4 Rxg3 34.c5 Be6 35.c6 Ra3 36.Nc4 Bxc4 37.Rxc4 Rd3 38.c7 Rd7* ½-½ (38) Kuzubov,Y (2636)-Zubov,A (2612) Mamaia ROU 2019*)* 13...Qxc5 14.Bf2 Qb4 15.a3 Qa5 16.b4 Qd8 17.Rc1 Nc6 18.0-0 Re8 19.Bb5 Bd7 20.Re1 Ng4 21.Bg3 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Rad8 23.Qe2 a6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nxd4 Bxd4 26.Nd5 Qg6 27.Rf1 Kh8 28.Bd3 Be5 29.Bxe5+ Nxe5 30.Rf6 Qg7 31.Qh5 Kh7 32.Be2 Be6 33.Rcf1 Bxd5 34.exd5 Kg8 35.Rxh6 Rxd5 36.Rb6 Rd7 37.Bg4 Rde7 38.Bf5 Nc4 39.Rh6 Re1 40.Bh7+ Kf8 41.Rg1 Rxg1+ 42.Kxg1 Qd4+ 43.Kf1 Nd2# 0-1 (43) Beginner741 (2645)-Alexander_Zubov (2838) Blitz 2020;

A1b) 8.Bc4 0-0 9.e5 Nfd7 10.Nf3 Nc6 11.0-0 Nb6 12.Bb5 Bg4 13.Be3 Nd5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Qb3 Qxb3 16.axb3 Nb4 17.Bd2 Nd5 18.Ng5 h6 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Nc3 Nb4 21.Bf4 c6 22.Bc4 b5 23.Be2 Rfd8 24.Rad1 Bc2 25.Rc1 Bxb3 26.Ne4 Rxd4 27.Nc5 Bc4 28.Bxc4 Rxc4 0-1 (28) Beginner741 (2634)-Alexander_Zubov (2854) Blitz 2020;

A1c) 8.e5 Nd5 9.Nf3 c5 10.Bc4 Nxc3 11.bxc3 cxd4 12.0-0 0-0 13.Ba3 Re8 14.Bxf7+ Kxf7 15.Qb3+ Be6 16.Nxd4+ Kg8 17.Nxe6 Qb6+ 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.Nc7 Rxa3 20.Nxe8 Bxe5 21.Rad1 Nc6 22.Rd7 Bxc3 23.Nc7 Ne5 24.Re7 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Nc6

26.Re8+ Kg7 27.Ne6+ Kh6 28.Nxd4 Nxd4 29.Re4 Nf5 30.Re2 Kg5 31.Rb2 h5 32.Kg1 h4 33.Rff2 Ra6 34.Rfc2 Nd4 35.Rc4 Ne6 36.Rcb4 Nf4 37.Rxb6 Ra3 38.R6b5+ Kh6 39.Rxb7 Rc3 40.Rf7 Rc1+ 41.Kf2 Nd3+ 42.Ke3 Nxb2 43.g3 h3 44.Kf3 Rc2 45.Kg4 Rxh2 0-1 (45) Beginner741 (2650)-Alexander_Zubov (2829) Blitz 2020;

A2) 7...Bb4 Krasenkow,Michal: '<xml ✕:en>Black immediately concentrates his fire on White's hanging pawns.</:en ✕/xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black immediately concentrates his fire on White's hanging pawns.
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A2a) 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.Nf3 Bg4 ChessBase: 'was eventually ok for Black in Svidler, Peter- Vachier-Lagrave, Maxime from last year in the Paris Grand Prix'

A2a1) 11.a3 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Qc6!? 13.Qd3 Nd7 14.Nd2 0-0-0 15.h3 Be6 16.Be2 *(16.d5?! Ne5 17.Qg3 Bxd5 18.exd5 Rxd5 19.c4 Re8! 20.0-0-0□ Red8!!⩱)* 16...Nc5 17.Qb5 Qxb5 18.Bxb5 a6 19.Be2 Na4 20.Rc1 f5!=;

A2a2) 11.Bb5+ Andreikin,Dmitry: '!?' 11...c6 12.Be2 Nd7 *(12...0-0 13.0-0 Be6!= 14.a3 Ba5 15.Kh1 Nd7 16.Qd2 Qg7=)* 13.0-0! Qe7 14.Qc1 Postny,Evgeny: 'transposing to the current game Almasi-Inarkiev.' *(14.Qc2 Ba5 15.Kh1 Bc7 16.b4 0-0 17.e5 Rad8 18.Nd5 cxd5 19.Qxc7 Qxb4 20.Rab1 Qa3 21.Qc2 Nb6 22.Rb3 Qe7 23.Ng1 Bd7 24.Rg3 Rc8 25.Qd2 Kh7 26.Bd3 Nc4 27.Qe1 a5 28.h3 Rc6 29.a3 Nb2 30.Bb1 Rb6 31.Rff3 Be8 32.Ne2 f5 33.Nf4 Bf7 34.Rf1 Nc4 35.Bd3 Re8 36.Rgf3 Kh8 37.h4 Nb2 38.Qxa5 Qd8 39.Kg1 Nxd3 40.Nxd3 Rc6 41.Qe1 Kh7 42.h5 gxh5 43.Nb4 Rb6 44.Qd2 Bg6 45.Nd3 Rg8 46.Nf4 Be8 47.e6 Rg7 48.Re1 h4 49.Qc2 Qf6 50.Kh2 Rc6 51.Nxd5 Qe5+ 52.Rxe5* 1-0 (52) ImpossibleWin (2730)-ArasanX (2765) Rapid 2023*)* 14...0-0-0 15.Qf4 f5 16.Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '<xml ✕:en>A good idea but Black has a sufficient defence. White could also have exchanged pawns in advance:</:en ✕/xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A good idea but Black has a sufficient defence. White could also have exchanged pawns in advance:' cxb5 17.Rac1+ Postny,Evgeny: '!' Nc5 18.exf5 Postny,Evgeny: 'This is one of the cases when "Houdini" gives the wrong evaluation.

In fact, the position is very dangerous for Black.' Qxe2 *(⌓18...gxf5* Krasenkow, Michal: " ⌓' <xml ✕:en>- see above</:en ✕/xml> ' ⌓" - see above *19.a3 Qe4 20.Qxe4 fxe4 21.axb4* Postny,Evgeny: ' ∞' Postny, Evgeny: '1-0 (50) Eliseev,U (2557)-Grachev,B (2683) Yekaterinburg 2013' *exf3 22.Rxc5+ Kb8 23.Bxf3 Bxf3 24.Rxf3 Rxd4 25.Rxb5 a6* <xml✕:en>, and the game should end in a draw</:en ✕ /xml> , and the game should end in a draw *)* 19.Qxg4 gxf5 *(⌓19...Qe3+! 20.Kh1 gxf5* Postny,Evgeny: '=' *21.Qxf5+ Kb8 22.dxc5 Rhf8)* 20.Qxf5+ Kb8 21.dxc5 *(⌓21.Qf4+!* Postny,Evgeny: '±' Postny,Evgeny: '1-0 (56) Erenburg,S (2615)-Rasmussen,A (2502) Helsingor 2013' *Ka8 22.dxc5* [%draw arrow,f4, b4] <xml ✕:en>winning a tempo</:en ✕ /xml> winning a tempo *Qxb2* Postny,Evgeny: 'should be playable for Black, but needs practical testing.' *23.c6!↑)* 21...Rhf8 22.Qe5+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(* <xml✕:en>It was essential to cover the 2nd rank:</ :en ✕/xml> It was essential to cover the 2nd rank: *22.Qc2! Qxc2 23.Rxc2±* <xml ✕:en>Even if Black regains the c5-pawn, he will have to play accurately since White's pawn advantage on the kingside can be more important than Black's on the opposite flank, where he has doubled pawns and can't easily create a passer.</:en ✕/ xml> Even if Black regains the c5-pawn, he will have to play accurately since White's pawn advantage on the kingside can be more important than Black's on the opposite flank, where he has doubled pawns and can't easily create a passer. *)* 22...Qxe5 23.Nxe5 Rfe8 Krasenkow,Michal: '[%draw arrow,e8,e1,green] [%draw arrow,d8,d1,green] [%draw full,d8,green] [%draw full,e8,green]' 24.c6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: '!' *(⌓24.Nf3)* 24...Rd2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '[%draw full,b2] <xml ✕:en>The capture of the b2-pawn clears the way for Black's queenside pawns.</:en ✕/ xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The capture of the b2-pawn clears the way for Black's queenside pawns. ' 25.Rf5 Bd6 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 26.Nd7+ Postny,Evgeny: '+-' Kc8 27.Nf6 *(27.Rf7!? Re7 28.Rxe7* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *Bxe7∓)* 27...Re5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!'

28.Rxe5 Bxe5 29.Ne4 Rxb2 30.cxb7+ Kxb7 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '<xml ✕:en>As the result of simplifications, Black has a clear advantage: his rook is more active, and his bishop is stronger than White's knight since the forthcoming passed pawns are on opposite sides. Black gradually brings home his advantage.</:en ✕/xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'As the result of simplifications, Black has a clear advantage: his rook is more active, and his bishop is stronger than White's knight since the forthcoming passed pawns are on opposite sides. Black gradually brings home his advantage.' 31.Nc5+ Ka8 32.Rd1 Bc7 33.Re1 a5 34.Re6 Rc2 35.Nd3 h5 36.Rh6 Rxa2 37.Rxh5 Rd2 38.Nc5 a4 39.Rh6 Rd6 40.Rh8+ Postny,Evgeny: '→' Ka7 41.Kf1 Rc6 Postny,Evgeny: '?!' 0-1 (41) Svidler, P (2747)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2722) Paris/St Petersburg 2013;

A2b) 8.Qd3 0-0 9.Be2 Re8 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.Nf3 Qf4 13.0-0 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxe4 15.Bc4 Be6 16.Rae1 Qc6 17.Ne5 Qb6 18.Nxf7 Nd7 19.Rxe6 Rxe6 20.Bxe6 Qxe6 21.d5 Qxf7 22.Rxf7 Kxf7 23.Qxc7 Ke7 24.Qxb7 Rb8 25.Qxa7 Rxb2 26.Qa3+ 1-0 (26) Dmiktor (2705)-NewNr1 (2453) Blitz 2025;

A2c) 8.Bd3! ChessBase: '!?' ChessBase: 'Giri's new idea'

A2c1) 8...0-0

A2c11) 9.a3 Ba5 10.Nge2 Re8 11.0-0 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Rxe4 14.Ng3 Re8 15.Qf3 Be6 16.Ne4 Bf5 17.Bg5 Qc8 18.Nf6+ Kg7 19.Nxe8+ Qxe8 20.g4 f6 21.Bh4 g5 22.Qxf5 gxh4 23.Qxf6+ Kg8 24.Rae1 1-0 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2683) Blitz 2022;

A2c12) 9.Nf3 Re8 *(9...Bg4 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Be3 Nc6 12.d5 Ne5 13.Be2 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Nfd7 15.0-0 Bc5 16.Bxc5 Nxc5 17.f4 Ned7 18.e5 a5 19.Qd4 Qh4 20.Kh1 Rfe8 21.e6 Rad8 22.exd7 Nxd7 23.Qf2 Qf6 24.Bb5 c6 25.dxc6 bxc6 26.Bc4 Rb8 27.Bb3 a4 28.Nxa4 Nb6 29.Nxb6* 1-0 (29) LoneRider (2608)-Yarebore (2768) Blitz 2019 *)* 10.0-0 Bg4 11.e5 Bxf3 12.Qxf3 Qxd4+ 13.Kh1 Nbd7 14.exf6 Ne5 15.Qf4 Qxd3 16.Rd1 c6 17.Qxb4 Qf5 18.Qf4 Qe6 19.Be3 Rad8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8

21.Rd1 Rxd1+ 22.Nxd1 Ng4 23.Qb8+ 1-0 (23) Dr-CRO (2671)-Yarebore (2788) Blitz 2019;

A2c13) 9.Nge2 Nc6 10.Be3 Bg4 11.0-0 Re8 12.Qc2 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Nxe4 15.Qf3 Nd6 16.Rae1 Qd7 17.Bh6 Rxe1 18.Rxe1 Re8 19.Rf1 Qe7 20.Bf4 h5 21.Qg3 Kg7 22.Bg5 Qe6 23.Bf6+ Kh7 24.Bg5 Qg4 25.Qxg4 hxg4 26.Bf4 Kg7 27.Rb1 Na5 28.Rb5 Nxb5 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2720)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2666) Blitz 2022;

A2c2) 8...c5 9.a3 Ba5 10.dxc5 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qa5 12.Ne2 Qxc5 13.a4 Nc6 14.Ba3 Qe3 15.Rf1 Ng4 16.Bb5 Qxe4 17.Rf4 Qe5 18.Bd6 Qg5 19.Qd4 f6 20.Qe4+ Nge5 21.h4 Qh5 22.Ng3 Qh6 23.Rxf6 1-0 (23) Matlakov,M (2695)-Navara,D (2727) Wroclaw POL 2014;

A2c3) 8...Nxe4 There are other tries but in any case White reaches a tremendous position. 9.Qe2

A2c31) 9...f5 ChessBase: 'is possible but surely Giri had some prep against this.' 10.Nf3 *(10.Bxe4 fxe4 11.Qxe4+ Qe7 12.Qxe7+ Bxe7 13.Bf4 c6 14.0-0-0 0-0 15.Bh6 Rf2 16.Rd2 Rf1+ 17.Rd1 Rxd1+ 18.Nxd1 Bg4 19.Ne3 Be6 20.a3 Na6 21.Nf3 Rd8 22.Re1 Nc7 23.Kc2 Bf6 24.Bf4 Nb5 25.Be5 Be7 26.h3 h6 27.Ng4 Bxg4 28.hxg4 c5 29.a4 Nd6 30.dxc5 Nf7 31.b4 Rc8 32.Bd4 Bf8 33.Kb3 a5 34.bxa5 Nd8 35.Ne5 Ne6 36.Bg1 Nxc5+ 37.Bxc5 Rxc5 38.Nxg6 Bd6 39.Ne7+ Kf7 40.Nf5 Bf8 41.Re4 h5 42.Ne3 hxg4 43.Rxg4 Rxa5 44.Nc4 Rf5 45.a5 Rb5+ 46.Kc2 Rc5 47.Kd3 Rd5+ 48.Rd4 Rxd4+ 49.Kxd4 Bb4 50.Ke4 Ke6 51.g4 Kf6 52.Kf4 Kg6 53.Kf3 Kg5 54.Nd6 Bxd6 55.Ke4 Bc7 56.a6 bxa6 57.Kd5 a5 58.Kc5 Kxg4 59.Kb5 Kf5 60.Ka4 Ke6 61.Ka3 Kd5 62.Ka2 Kc5 63.Kb1 Kb5 64.Ka1 a4 65.Kb1 Kb4 66.Ka1 Kb3 67.Kb1 a3 68.Ka1 Be5+ 69.Kb1 a2+ 70.Kc1 a1Q+ 71.Kd2 Qd4+* 0-1 (71) just_Forward (2601)-masmos97 (2550) Blitz 2020 *)* 10...0-0 11.0-0 with a tremendous attack.;

A2c32) 9...0-0 10.Bxe4 Re8 11.Nf3 Bf5 ChessBase: 'black will regain the piece, but that's not the end of his problems.' 12.Bg5 Bxc3+

(12...Qd6 13.Nd2 Qa6 14.Rb1!! is a tremendous prophylactic move Anish mentioned: *Bxc3 15.bxc3 Qxe2+ 16.Kxe2 Bxe4 17.Nxe4 Rxe4+ 18.Kf3* and Blacks loses the b7 pawn and reaches a terrible endgame.*)* 13.bxc3 f6 14.Nd2 fxg5 15.0-0 ChessBase: 'Black is up a pawn but his position is suspicious; his king is open and his development is far from complete.' Nd7 Giri,A (2750)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2766) Biel 2014 and now

A2c321) 16.Qc4+ Be6 17.Bd5 Bxd5 18.Qxd5+ Kh8 19.Rae1 *(19.Qxb7* ChessBase: ' ⩲*')* 19...c6 20.Qb3 Nb6 21.Nf3 Rxe1 22.Rxe1 Qf6 23.Qe6 Qxe6 24.Rxe6 ChessBase: 'through some help by his opponent MVL has managed to come close to equalizing, but he doesn't find the best way to continue now.' g4 25.Ne5 Nd5 26.c4 Nf4 27.Re7 Ne2+ 28.Kf2 Nxd4 29.Rxb7 ChessBase: 'Black's position is clearly dangerous' a5 ChessBase: '?!' *(29...Rf8+* ChessBase: '!' *30.Ke3 Nc2+ 31.Kd3 Ne1+* ChessBase: '=')* 30.Nd7 ChessBase: 'threatening the surprisingly lethal Nf6.' Ne6 31.Kg3 Rd8 32.Nf6 Ng5 33.Kxg4 ChessBase: ' ±' h6 34.Nd7 ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'White is controlling his opponent's position.' Nf7 35.Kf4 g5+ 36.Ke3 Nd6 *(36...Re8+ 37.Kd3 Re1* ChessBase: 'was the last chance for counterplay and to save the game.'*)* 37.Rb8 Rxb8 38.Nxb8 ChessBase: '+-' ChessBase: 'the knight endgame is hopeless because of the king activity.' Nxc4+ 39.Kd4 Nb6 40.Nxc6 a4 41.Kc5 Nc8 42.Kb4 Nb6 43.Kc5 Nc8 44.Kb4 Nb6 45.Kb5 Nd5 46.Kxa4 Kg7 47.Nb4 Ne3 48.Kb5 Kf7 49.a4 Ke6 50.a5 Kd7 51.a6 Kc8 52.Kc5 1-0 (52) Grube,J (2750)-4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2766) Kecskemet 2014 Inf 42 [FS 106];

A2c322) 16.Qd3! with a tremendous initiative.ChessBase: 'is stronger according to the computer.'

16...Bxe4 17.Nxe4 Kh8 18.Rae1 ChessBase: '±';

B) 6...Bb4 7.Bg5 *(7.e5 Nh5 8.Nge2 c5 9.a3 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Nc6 11.h4 f6 12.g4 Ng7 13.exf6 Qxf6 14.Bg2 0-0 15.Bg5 Qd6 16.Qd3 cxd4 17.cxd4 b6 18.Rc1 a5 19.Qc3 Na7 20.0-0 Ba6 21.Rf2 Nb5 22.Qc6 Rfc8 23.Qxd6 Rxc1+ 24.Bxc1 Nxd6 25.Nc3 Rc8 26.Bb2 Bb7 27.f4 Ne4 28.Bxe4 dxe4 29.d5 Ne8 30.f5 Rc4 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.Rf4 b5 33.h5 gxh5 34.gxh5 e3 35.Rxc4 bxc4 36.Bc1 Nf6 37.d6 Bc6 38.h6 Ng4 39.Nd5 c3 40.Kf1 Kh7 41.Nxc3 Kxh6 42.Ke2 Kg6 43.Bxe3 Kf5 44.Bb6 Ke6 45.Bc7 Ne5 46.Ke3 Nc4+ 47.Kd4 Nxa3 48.Kc5 Kd7 49.Bxa5 Nb5 50.Nxb5 Bxb5 51.Kxb5 Kxd6 ½-½ (51) Kovalenko, I (2657)-Kovchan,A (2582) Albena BUL 2015)* 7...h6 8.Bxf6 Qxf6 9.Qa4+ Nc6 10.Bb5 Qxd4 11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.Qxc6+ Bd7 13.Qxa8+ Ke7 14.Nge2 Rxa8 15.Nxd4 c5 16.Nc2 1-0 (16) Lucky13579246 80 (2704)-Zuma2910 (2562) Blitz 2024;

C) 6...Bg7 7.e5 Nfd7 8.f4 c5 9.Nf3 Nc6 10.Be3 cxd4 11.Nxd4 0-0 12.Be2 Nb6 13.0-0 Nc4 *(13...Re8 14.Rc1 Ne7 15.Ncb5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Nd6 Rf8 18.Rxc4 Nd5 19.Qf3 Be6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Rd1 Kh8 22.Rcd4 Bxe5 23.Nxb7 Qe7 24.Re4 Bxf4 25.Rxd5 Bxh2+ 26.Kxh2 Rxf3 27.Bd4+ Kg8 28.Nc5 Rf4 29.Rd7 Qh4+ 30.Kg1 Rxe4 31.Rg7+ Kf8 32.Nd7+ Ke8 33.Nf6+ Kd8 34.Bc5* 0-1 (34) hirnloserverlierer (2619)-jsl (2829) Blitz 2020*)* 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.Ne4 Bf5 17.Nd6 Bd3 18.Re1 f6 19.Qg4 Kh8 20.Qe6 fxe5 21.fxe5 Qa5 22.Bd4 Qd5 23.Qxd5 cxd5 24.b3 Rad8 25.Bc5 Rf4 26.bxc4 dxc4 27.e6 Bxa1 28.e7 Re8 29.Nxe8 1-0 (29) Iqevsll (2939)-MothAndTheFlame (2819) Blitz 2022]

6...Nh5 7.Be3

[7.Ne2 c5 Black hurries with the attack on the most important d4 pawn, but maybe another idea could have been even more effective. Black hurries with the attack on the most important d4 pawn, but maybe another idea could have been even more effective. *(7...f6!?* !? looks like an interesting option as well to destroy White's center. looks like an interesting option as well to destroy White's center. *)* 8.Nbc3

A) 8...cxd4? ? doesn't work because after doesn't work because after 9.Nxd4 *(9.Qxd4 Be6 10.Qa4+ Nc6 11.Nd4 Qh4+* 0-1 (11) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-cutemouse83 (2894) Blitz 2023 *)* 9...Qh4+ Black is winning the exchange but losing the game. Black is winning the exchange but losing the game. 10.g3! ! Nxg3 11.hxg3 Qxh1 12.Nxd5 With the killing threats of playing Nc7 or Nf6. White is totally winning. With the killing threats of playing Nc7 or Nf6. White is totally winning.;

B) 8...Nc6 9.Be3 Be6 This move looks a bit too slow. This move looks a bit too slow. *(* I think Black should have tried the more direct

9...cxd4!? !? *10.Nxd4 Nxe5* Of course things are looking dangerous, but it is not easy to see a direct win for White. Of course things are looking dangerous, but it is not easy to see a direct win for White. *11.Qb3* White has a lot of other possiblities, but this is just the most natural one. White has a lot of other possiblities, but this is just the most natural one. *Bg7 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.0-0 0-0 14.Nxd5* With some edge for White, but Black's position looks pretty solid. With some edge for White, but Black's position looks pretty solid.*)* 10.Qd2 Quite logical, but why not take the pawn on c5 ?! Not a bad move, Black is preparing to castle queenside, but I think Black had a better one. Quite logical, but why not take the pawn on c5 ?! Not a bad move, Black is preparing to castle queenside, but I think Black had a better one. *(10.dxc5!?* !? looks pretty logical to me. *Bg7* Blacks tries to play for development. *11.f4 0-0 12.g3* White's position is looking pretty solid. White's position is looking pretty solid. *f6!* ! Black's on ly chance, but I still think the advantage should be on White's side here. Black's on ly chance, but I still think the advantage should be on White's side here. *)*

B1) 10...Ng7! ! looks very logical and strong. 11.dxc5 DIAGRAM *(*After *11.g4 h5* Black is gaining control over the f5 square. Black is gaining control over the f5 square.*)* 11...Nf5 and I can't imagine that White can have any advantage here as the black pieces are perfectly placed and the upcoming d4 idea or just Qa5-0-0-0 seems to give Black great play for the pawn. and I can't imagine that White can have any advantage here as the black pieces are perfectly placed and the upcoming d4 idea or just Qa5-0-0-0 seems to give Black great play for the pawn.;

B2) 10...Qa5 11.g4 *(11.0-0-0 Ng7 12.g4* could have led to the same position as in the game. could have led to the same position as in the game.*)* 11...Ng7 12.Bg5 An interesting approach. White is trying to keep the black king in the center by not him allowing to castle queenside. An interesting approach. White is trying to keep the black king in the center by not him allowing to castle queenside. *(12.0-0-0 h5 13.dxc5 hxg4 14.fxg4* would also lead to a very complicated position. would also lead to a very complicated position. *)* 12...h5! ! Of course Black is not losing any time. 13.Bf6! ! A strong reply from Navara. The position is becoming very sharp. hxg4 14.fxg4 Bxg4 A very tempting move, but a very exact calculation is needed for it. The game is now entering an endgame where both kings are under pressure. A very tempting move, but a very exact calculation is needed for it. The game is now entering an

endgame where both kings are under pressure. *(* A more solid choice could have been *14...Rh7 15.Bg2 cxd4 16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Rc8* with very unclear play. with very unclear play.*)* 15.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 16.Kxd2 DIAGRAM Bf3? ? This is already a blunder. This is already a blunder. *(* Black should have been more careful with *16...Rc8!* ! A silent but very important move. Not only is the black king feeling himself uncomfortable on e8, his colleague on d2 is also quite badly placed. A silent but very important move. Not only is the black king feeling himself uncomfortable on e8, his colleague on d2 is also quite badly placed. *17.Bg2* White also has other moves, but it is tempting to develop the pieces first. White also has other moves, but it is tempting to develop the pieces first. *Bxe2 18.Kxe2 Nxd4+ 19.Kd3* Black is a pawn up, but White should have good compensation for it. The position is really hard to evaluate. Black is a pawn up, but White should have good compensation for it. The position is really hard to evaluate.*)* 17.Nc7+ Soon we will see what Oral missed... Soon we will see what Oral missed... Kd7 18.Nxa8 Bxh1 And now comes the moves that Black obviously missed when he played 16...Bf3: DIAGRAM And now comes the moves that Black obviously missed when he played 16...Bf3: DIAGRAM 19.h4! ! A fantastic move! White is not only defending the pawn on h2, but also threatening to play Bh3 next, winning the bishop on h1. A fantastic move! White is not only defending the pawn on h2, but also threatening to play Bh3 next, winning the bishop on h1. Be4 *(*Not much better is *19...Bd5* because of *20.Nc3)* 20.Bh3+ The white knight is out of game on a8, but the black king is too badly placed, which allows White to very quickly gain a decisive initiative. The white knight is out of game on a8, but the black king is too badly placed, which allows White to very quickly gain a decisive initiative. Bf5 Not a nice move to play, but there was nothing else left. Not a nice move to play, but there was nothing else left. 21.Bxf5+ gxf5 22.d5! ! An excellent move. Navara continues putting his opponent under pressure. An excellent move. Navara continues putting his opponent under pressure. Ne7 23.Nf4 All white pieces are greatly placed, but the knight on a8 is still almost caught, which makes things more difficult. All white pieces are greatly placed, but the knight on a8 is still almost caught, which makes things more difficult. Ng8?! ?! Black panicks too early... *(* The only way to go on was *23...Rh7!* ! Black's position looks on the verge, but it is very hard to find something concrete to break through and in

caseof Black's position looks on the verge, but it is very hard to find something concrete to break through and in caseof *24.d6 Nc6 25.Nc7* Black is in time for *Ne6!* ! and maybe White is still better, but nothing too special has happened. *)* 24.Bg5 White just wants to play Re1 and e6 next. Be7 Black is fighting. The bishop on g5 has to be exchanged of course. Black is fighting. The bishop on g5 has to be exchanged of course. 25.Rg1! ! A good move, now the g7 knight is White's target. A good move, now the g7 knight is White's target. Nh5? ? Black cannot handle the pressure... DIAGRAM Black cannot handle the pressure... DIAGRAM *(* Thee only way for Black to continue the fight was *25...Rh7!* ! Black needs to keep the knight on g7 to control the e6 move. Black needs to keep the knight on g7 to control the e6 move. *26.d6 Bxg5 27.Rxg5* White's position looks much better, but Black has a little trick. White's position looks much better, but Black has a little trick. *f6!* ! is the only chance, as the e5-d6 pawns are just too powerful and need to be destroyed. is the only chance, as the e5-d6 pawns are just too powerful and need to be destroyed. *28.Rg6 fxe5 29.Nd3 Ne6* And now White already needs to find the very strong *30.Nc7!* ! to be on top in this position. to be on top in this position. *)* 26.e6+! ! Too easy to miss. fxe6 Navara is accurate again. Navara is accurate again. 27.Ng6! ! Black can't avoid the loss of material now, at 27...Rh7 is following 28.Bxe7 and in case of Nxe7 Nf8 and Nxh7. Once again we could see an interesting game by Navara, who is usually playing very creatively and is excellent at calculation! Black can't avoid the loss of material now, at 27...Rh7 is following 28.Bxe7 and in case of Nxe7 Nf8 and Nxh7. Once again we could see an interesting game by Navara, who is usually playing very creatively and is excellent at calculation! 1-0 (27) Navara,D (2706)-Oral,T (2515) Ostrava CZE 2014 [Arkadij Naiditsch]]

[7.Nh3 c5 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.g4 Ng7 11.Nc3 Be6 *(11...cxd4 12.Qxd4 Nc6 13.Bb5 0-0 14.Nxd5 Nxd4 15.Nxe7+ Kh8 16.Be2 Re8 17.Nxc8 Rxe5 18.Nd6 Rxe2+ 19.Kf1 Rxb2 20.Nxf7+ Kg8 21.Nh6+ Kf8 22.Ng5 Nge6 23.Nxe6+ Nxe6 24.h4 Rd8 25.g5 Rd3 26.Rh3 Nf4 27.Rg3 Rdd2 28.Rc1 Rf2+ 29.Kg1 Rfc2 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.Rg4 Ne2+ 32.Kf1 Rxa2 33.Rc4 b5 34.Rc8+ Ke7 35.Rc7+ Ke6 36.Rxh7 b4 37.Rb7 a5 38.Rb6+ Kd5 39.Rxg6 b3 40.Rb6 Ng3+ 41.Ke1 a4 42.Kd1 Kc5 43.Rb8 Rg2 44.g6 Nh5 45.Ng4 b2 46.Ne3 Rg1+ 47.Kc2 a3 48.Rc8+ Kd4 49.Nf5+ Ke5 50.Rc5+ Kf4 51.Rb5 Rc1+ 52.Kd2 b1Q 53.Rxb1 Rxb1* 0-1 (53) Naroditsky,D (2634)-Vachier-Lagrave,M (2785) Chess.com INT 2016*)* 12.Bb5+ Nc6

13.Nf4 Qh4+ 14.Kf1 0-0 15.dxc5 Nxe5 16.Nfxd5 Bxd5 17.Qxd5 Nc6 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Qxc6 Rad8 20.Re1 Ne6 21.Qe4 Rd2 22.Re2 Rfd8 23.Kg2 g5 24.Rf1 Nf4+ 25.Kg1 Nxe2+ 26.Nxe2 Rd1 27.Ng3 R1d2 28.Ne2 Rxb2 29.c6 Qh6 30.Rc1 Qd6 31.c7 Rc8 32.Nd4 Qxh2+ 33.Kf1 Qf2# 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2610) Blitz 2022]

[7.g3 c5 8.Ne2 Nc6 9.f4 Bg4 10.dxc5 Bf3 11.Rg1 Bxc5 12.Qb3 Bxe2 13.Bxe2 Bxg1 14.Qxb7 Rc8 15.Bb5 Qc7 16.Qxc7 Rxc7 17.Nc3 Kf8 18.Nxd5 Rc8 19.g4 Nd4 20.Bd3 Ng7 21.Bd2 Nf3+ 22.Ke2 Nxd2 23.Rxg1 Nc4 24.Rc1 Nb6 25.Rxc8+ Nxc8 26.b4 Ne6 27.a4 Nb6 28.Nxb6 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2624)-AttackingBeast (2732) Blitz 2021]

7...c5 8.g4 cxd4 9.Bxd4 Nf4 10.Ne2 Ne6 11.Bf2 Nc6 12.f4 Bb4+ 13.Nd2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Ne4 15.Ngxe4 dxe4 16.Be2 Nd4 17.a3 Nxe2 18.Qxe2 Bxd2+ 19.Qxd2 Bxg4 20.Qxd8+ Rxd8 21.Bxa7 Rd3 22.Rg1 h5 23.Rg3 Bf3 24.Bc5 Kd7 25.Bb4 Ke6 26.Bc3 Rhd8 27.a4 Kf5 28.a5 Kxf4 0-1 (28) defenceboy1 (2949)-FairChess_on_YouTube (3023) Blitz 2021

4...d6 5.Nc3 Bg7

[5...Nbd7 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Qd2 0-0 8.Bd3 c5 9.Nge2 b6 10.0-0 Ba6 11.Rad1 Qe7 12.Kh1 Rfd8 13.b3 e5 14.dxc5 dxc5 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 Qd6 18.Nc3 a6 19.Na4 b5 20.Nc3 Rdc8 21.Rc1 c4 22.bxc4 Rxc4 23.Ne2 Rac8 24.Rxc4 Rxc4 25.Rc1 Nc5 26.Bxc5 Qxc5 27.Rd1 Qd6 28.Rc1 Qc5 29.Rd1 Kf8 30.d6 Ke8 31.d7+ Kd8 32.h4 h5 33.Qd2 f6 34.Qa5+ 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-Adriana_Lima_Fan (2824) Blitz 2023]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.0-0-0 Nbd7 10.e5 Ne8 11.h4 c5 12.exd6 b6 13.Nh3 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Bb7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h5 g5 17.Be2 f5 18.Rhg1 Kh8 19.g4 fxg4 20.Rxg4 e5 21.Nxg5 hxg5 22.Rxg5 Qf6 23.Rg4 Rf7 24.c5 Nxc5 25.Rdg1 Nxd6 26.Rg6 Qf4 27.Rxd6 Rd7 28.Qxf4 exf4 29.Rdg6 Rc8 30.Kb1 Kh7 31.h6 Kh8 32.Rg7 Rcd8 33.Bb5 Rd4 34.Re7 Bc8 35.Rxa7 Bf5+ 36.Ka1 Ne6 37.Rf7 Bh7 38.Rf6 R4d6 39.a4 Nd4 40.Rxf4 Rg8 41.Rh1 Ra8 42.Bc4 Bc2 43.b4 Rc8 44.h7 Bf5 45.Nb5 Nc2+ 46.Kb1 Na3+ 47.Ka2 Nxb5 48.Rxf5 Rd2+ 49.Ka1 Nd6 50.Be6 Nxf5 51.Bxc8 Nd6 52.Bg4 Rd4 53.Rh6 Rxb4 54.Rxd6 Rxa4+ 55.Kb2 Kxh7 56.Bf5+ Kg7 57.Rxb6 Rc4 58.Be4 Rc8 59.Rc6 Rd8 60.Kc3 Rd1 61.f4 Kf7 62.f5 Ke8 63.Kc4 Kd7 64.Ra6 Ke8 65.Bd5 Rc1+ 66.Kd4 Rd1+ 67.Ke5 Rf1 68.Ra7 Kf8 69.f6 Ke8 70.Be6 Re1+ 71.Kd6 Rd1+ 72.Bd5 Rxd5+ 73.Kxd5 Kf8 74.Ke6 Kg8 75.Ra8+ Kh7 76.Kf5 Kh6 77.Rh8# 1-0 (77) BotAlexGrandMaster (2804)-OpeningsBot (2576) Blitz 2025

[29] **5.Ne2** Bg7 6.dxc5 Qa5+ 7.Nbc3 Qxc5 8.Qd3 0-0 9.Be3 Qa5 10.0-0-0

[10.Nf4 Nc6 11.Qd2 Rd8 12.Be2 d5 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Nfxd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Be6 17.Kc2 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nb4+ 19.Kb3 Nxd5 20.Bf2 a5 21.Rad1 a4+ 22.Kc2 Nf4 23.Bb5 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Nxg2 25.Rd7 Nf4 26.Rxb7 Ne6 27.Ra7 Rc8+ 28.Kb1 Rb8 29.Ra5

Nc7 30.Bg3 Rxb5 31.Bxc7 Rxa5 32.Bxa5 f5 33.Kc2 Kf7 34.Bc3 Bf8 35.Kd3 Bd6 36.h3 g5 37.Kc4 h5 38.Kb5 g4 39.fxg4 fxg4 40.hxg4 hxg4 41.Kxa4 g3 42.Bd4 Ke6 43.Kb5 Bf4 44.a4 Bd2 45.Kc4 Be1 46.Kd3 Bf2 47.Bxf2 gxf2 48.Ke2 Kd5 49.Kxf2 Kc4 50.Ke3 Kb4 51.b3 Kxb3 52.a5 Kb4 53.a6 Kb5 54.a7 Kb6 55.a8Q 1-0 (55) Lucky1357924680 (2687)-BulgarianBulldozer (2581) Blitz 2024]

10...Nc6 11.Nd4 Nb4 12.Qb1 d5 13.a3 Nc6 14.exd5 exd5 15.Ndb5 Bf5 16.Bd3 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 dxc4 18.Qxc4 Rac8 19.Kb1 a6 20.Nd6 Rc7 21.Qc5 Qxc5 22.Bxc5 Nd7 23.Bf2 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Nde5 25.Rhe1 Rd8 26.f4 Ng4 27.Bb6 Rcd7 28.Bxd8 Nxd8 29.Ne4 Rxd1+ 30.Rxd1 Ne6 31.Rd7 b5 32.g3 Nxh2 33.Ng5 Nxg5 34.fxg5 Nf3 35.Rd5 Kf8 36.a4 bxa4 37.Kc2 Ke7 38.Ra5 Ke6 39.Kd3 Ne5+ 40.Ke4 Nc4 41.Rxa4 Nd6+ 42.Kf4 Kd5 43.Rxa6 Nb5 44.Ra5 Kc4 45.Ke5 Nxc3 46.Ra7 Ne2 47.g4 Ng1 48.Rxf7 Nh3 49.Kf6 Kd5 50.Rxh7 Nf4 51.Rd7+ Ke4 52.Rd1 Kf3 53.Rf1+ Kxg4 54.Rxf4+ Kxf4 55.Kxg6 Ke5 56.Kf7 Kf5 57.g6 Kg5 58.g7 Kf5 59.g8Q Ke5 60.Qe8+ Kd6 61.Qe6+ Kc5 62.Kf6 Kd4 63.Qe5+ Kc4 64.Ke6 Kb3 65.Qd5+ Kc2 66.Ke5 Kc3 67.Qd4+ Kc2 68.Kd5 Kb3 69.Qc4+ Kb2 70.Kd4 Ka3 71.Qc3+ Ka4 72.Qc5 Kb3 73.Qb5+ Ka3 74.Kc3 Ka2 75.Qb2# 1-0 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-Punisher00 (2672) Blitz 2023

5.e5 Nh5 6.dxc5 Bxc5 7.Ne2 Nc6 8.f4 g5 9.Nbc3 gxf4 10.Ne4 Qh4+ 11.Kd2 Be3+ 12.Kc2 Nxe5 13.Bxe3 fxe3 14.Qd4 0-0 15.Qxe5 f5 16.Nd6 b5 17.Ng3 bxc4 18.Nxh5 Qxh5 19.g4 Qh4 20.gxf5 Qf2+ 21.Kb1 Qe1+ 0-1 (21) Fastchess2345 (2646)-Punisher00 (2528) Blitz 2024

[30] **5...exd5** 6.cxd5

[6.exd5 Bg7 7.Qe2+ Kf8 8.Nc3 d6 9.Be3 Nbd7 10.Nh3 a6 11.Nf2 b5 12.Qd2 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Nb6 14.Be2 Bb7 15.0-0 Nbxd5 16.Bh6 Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bc6 18.Ng4 Nxg4 19.fxg4 Ra7 20.Rad1 d5 21.Be3 d4 22.cxd4 cxd4 23.Bc4 Rd7 24.Bg5 Qc7 25.Bf4 Qd8 26.Rb1 Bb7 27.Bd6+ Kg8 28.Rxf7 Rxf7 29.Rxb7 1-0 (29) Tony23Man (2627)-TheEloist (2471) Blitz 2024]

6...d6

5...Be7 6.Nc3 exd5 7.exd5 d6 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Nge2 Nh5 10.0-0 Bg5 11.f4 Bf6 12.h3 Na6 13.g4 Ng7 14.a3 Nc7 15.Kg2 b5 16.Ne4 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Nxa6 19.Qd3 Nc7 20.Bd2 Re8 21.Nxf6+ Qxf6 22.Bc3 Qe7 23.Ng3 Qe3 24.Qd1 Nb5 25.Rf3 Nxc3 26.bxc3 Qe7 27.Qd2 f5 28.Rb1 Qf7 29.c4 Re7 30.g5 Rae8 31.Kf2 Nh5 32.Nxh5 gxh5 33.Rfb3 Qg7 34.Rb8 h6 35.gxh6 Qxh6 36.Rg1+ Kh7 37.Rxe8 Rxe8 38.Rg5 Re4 39.h4 Qf6 40.Rxh5+ Kg6 41.Rg5+ Kf7 42.h5 Rxc4 43.Kg3 Rc3+ 44.Kh4 Qd4 0-1 (44) Dmiktor (2750)-Mischuk_D (2757) Blitz 2025

5...Bd6 6.Nc3 a6 7.f4 Bc7 8.e5 Nh5 9.Nf3 d6 10.Be2 0-0 11.0-0 Nd7 12.exd6 Bxd6 13.dxe6 Ndf6 14.exf7+ Rxf7 15.Ng5 Rf8 16.Bxh5 Nxh5 17.Qd5+ Kg7 18.Be3 Nf6 19.Qd2 Qc7 20.Rad1 Rd8 21.Nd5 Nxd5 22.Qxd5 Qe7 23.Ne4 Be6 24.Bd4+ Kf8 25.Bf6 Bxd5 26.Bxe7+ Kxe7 27.Rxd5 b6 28.Rfd1 Bxf4 29.Rxd8 Rxd8 30.Rxd8 Kxd8 31.h3 Be5 32.b3 Ke7 33.Kf2 h6

34.Kf3 Ke6 35.Nf2 Kf5 36.Nd3 Bd6 37.a4 h5 38.g4+ Kg5 39.Nf2 Kh4 40.gxh5 gxh5 41.Ne4 Be7 42.Kg2 Bf8 43.Nf6 Be7 44.Nd7 Bd8 45.Nb8 a5 46.Nc6 Bc7 47.Ne7 Kg5 48.Nd5 Bd8 49.Kf3 Kh4 50.Nf4 Bc7 51.Ne6 Be5 52.Kg2 Bd6 53.Ng7 Kg5 54.Ne6+ Kf5 55.Nd8 Ke4 56.Nf7 Bf4 57.Nd8 Kd3 58.Kf3 Bd6 59.Nf7 Bc7 60.Ng5 Kc3 61.Ne6 Bd6 62.Ke4 Kxb3 63.Kd5 Bg3 64.Nf8 Kxa4 65.Nd7 Kb4 66.Nxb6 a4 67.Nxa4 Kxa4 68.Kxc5 h4 69.Kd5 Ka5 70.c5 Ka6 71.c6 Kb6 72.Ke4 Kc7 73.Kf3 Kxc6 74.Kg2 Kd6 75.Kh1 Kd5 76.Kg2 Ke5 77.Kh1 Ke4 78.Kg2 Kd4 79.Kh1 Kc3 80.Kg2 Kc4 81.Kh1 Kb5 82.Kg2 Kc6 83.Kh1 Kd6 84.Kg2 Ke5 85.Kh1 Ke4 86.Kg2 Ke3 87.Kh1 Bf4 88.Kg2 Ke2 89.Kh1 Kf3 90.Kg1 Kg3 91.Kh1 Be5 92.Kg1 Bf6 93.Kh1 Be7 94.Kg1 Bd6 95.Kh1 Bc5 ½-½ (95) superfm1 (2630)-strongmama1 (2605) Blitz 2024

[31] **6.Nh3** d6 7.g3 [7.Nc3 exd5 8.Nf2 d4 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.cxd5 0-0 11.h4 h6 12.Bf4 Qa5+ 13.Bd2 Qb6 14.Qc1 h5 15.g4 hxg4 16.fxg4 Nd7 17.h5 Ne5 18.Be2 d3 19.Bd1 c4 20.Bh6 Qa5+ 21.Kf1 d2 22.Bxd2 Qb6 23.Be3 Qb5 24.Kg2 Nd3 25.Nxd3 cxd3 26.Rb1 Qb4 27.Bf3 Bd7 28.Bd2 Qd4 29.Bc3 Qb6 30.hxg6 Rac8 31.Rh8+ Bxh8 32.Qh6 1-0 (32) dmitry-lavrik (2688)-elliotchess1 (2587) Blitz 2021] 7...0-0 8.a4 Na6 9.Nf2 Nd7 10.Nc3 Nb4 11.Be2 f5 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Bd2 exd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.f4 Nf7 16.Qb3 Bd4 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.axb5 fxe4 19.Bxb4 cxb4 20.Qxb4 Qb6 21.Kg2 a5 22.Qb3 Bxf2 23.Rxf2 Nh6 24.Ra4 Rae8 25.g4 Nf7 26.Rf1 g5 27.f5 e3 28.Rc4 Ne5 29.Re4 Qc5 30.f6 h6 31.Rxe5 Rxe5 32.Qd3 Rf7 33.Qg6+ Kf8 34.b6 Qxd5+ 35.Kg1 Qe6 36.Qxh6+ Kg8 37.Qg6+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Ke8 39.h4 gxh4 40.g5 Qh3 41.g6 Qg3+ 42.Kh1 Qh3+ 43.Kg1 Qg3+ 44.Kh1 Qh3+ 45.Kg1 ½-½ (45) lord-bot (2895)-EmanBot (2885) Blitz 2023

6.a4 d6 7.g3 exd5 8.cxd5 0-0 9.Nh3 Na6 10.Nf2 Nc7 11.Bg5 a6 12.Bd3 Rb8 13.a5 h6 14.Bd2 Nb5 15.Na3 Nxa3 16.Rxa3 Nd7 17.Ra2 f5 18.exf5 Ne5 19.Be2 Bxf5 20.f4 Nf7 21.0-0 h5 22.h3 Re8 23.Kg2 Bd4 24.g4 Bd7 25.Bc3 Qf6 26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Ra3 g5 28.gxh5 gxf4 29.Ng4 Qg5 30.Kh2 Rxe2+ 31.Qxe2 Bb5 32.Nf6+ Kg7 33.h6+ Kxh6 34.Qe4 Qxf6 35.Rxf4 Qe5 36.Rg3 Qxe4 37.Rxe4 Kh5 38.Rxd4 Re8 39.Rdg4 Re5 40.Rg7 Nh6 41.Rxb7 Rxd5 42.Rh7 Bc6 43.b4 Rd2+ 44.Kg1 Be4 45.Rh8 Rb2 46.Rgg8 Rxb4 47.Re8 Bf5 48.Ref8 Rb1+ 49.Kh2 Rb2+ 50.Kg3 Rb3+ 51.Kf2 Kg6 52.Rxh6+ Kxh6 53.Rxf5 ½-½ (53) Valkyrie-Engine (2682)-RaspFish (2700) Blitz 2022

[32] **7...Nh5** 8.Qd2 f5 9.dxe6 Bxe6 10.0-0-0 Nc6 11.Qxd6 Qxd6 12.Rxd6 Bf7 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Bxc5 Bf8 15.Nb5 Rc8 16.Bd3 Ng7 17.Nh3 Ne5 18.Ba3 Nxd3+ 19.Rxd3 Bxc4 20.Re1+ Kf7 21.Rd7+ Kg8 22.Rc7 Rxc7 23.Nxc7 Bxa3 24.bxa3 Kf7 25.Re5 Rc8 26.Rc5 Bxa2 27.Ng5+ Kg6 28.f4 h6 29.Nf3 Ne8 30.Ne5+ Kh7 31.Na6 Rxc5+ 32.Nxc5 Nd6 33.Kd2 Bd5 34.g3 b6 35.Ncd3 Kg7 36.Ke3 Kf6 37.Kd4 Bb7 38.Kc3 Nb5+ 39.Kb2 Nd4 40.Nb4 a5 41.Nc2 Nf3 42.Nxf3 Bxf3 43.Nd4 Bd5 44.Kc3 Kg6 45.Nb5 Kh5 46.Kd4 Kg4 47.Kxd5 Kh3 48.Nd4 Kxh2 49.Nxf5

Kh3 50.Ke4 Kg4 51.Nxh6+ Kxg3 52.f5 b5 53.f6 b4 54.axb4 a4 55.f7 a3 56.f8Q 1-0 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-viennadragon (2559) Blitz 2024

[33] **8.dxe6** Bxe6 9.e5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.0-0-0+ Nfd7 12.Bxc5 Nc6 13.Be3 Nd4 14.Nge2 Nf5 15.Bf2 Bxc4 16.Ng3 Bxf1 17.Nxf5 gxf5 18.Rhxf1 Rc8 19.Kb1 Ke7 20.Bh4+ Ke6 21.g4 Nb6 22.gxf5+ Kxf5 23.Ne4 Nc4 24.Rg1 Bh6 25.b3 Na3+ 26.Kb2 Nb5 27.Rd7 Rc7 28.Rxc7 Nxc7 29.Rd1 Ne6 30.Rd7 Kg6 31.Rxb7 Rc8 32.Rxf7 Bc1+ 33.Kb1 Ba3 34.Rf6+ Kh5 35.Bg5 Nxg5 0-1 (35) Superfm1 (2676)-vaynetop (2785) Blitz 2024

[34] **10.Be2** Qe7 11.Qd2 Re8 12.Bg5 [12.g3 h5 13.h4 Nbd7 14.Nh3 Ne5 15.Nf2 Bd7 16.a5 *(16.0-0 b5 17.Kg2 bxa4 18.Bg5 Qf8 19.Nxa4 Reb8 20.Nc3 Rb4 21.Bxa6 c4 22.Bf4 Qb8 23.Ra2 Ne8 24.Rfa1 Nc7 25.Ncd1 Rxa6 26.Rxa6 Nxa6 27.Rxa6 Ba4 28.Bxe5 Bxe5 29.Ra8 Qxa8 30.Qxb4 Bxd1 31.Nxd1 Qa2 32.f4 Bd4 33.Qd2 Bf6 34.Qc1 Qb3 35.Nc3 Qb4 36.Qd2 Bg7 37.Qc1 Bf6 38.Kf3 Qb6 39.Ne2 Qb3+ 40.Nc3 Qb6 41.Ke2 Bg7 42.Qd2 Bf6 43.Kf1 Qb4 44.Kf2 Qb6+ 45.Kf1 Qb4 46.Kg1 Kf8 47.Kh1 Kg8 48.Kg2 Bg7 49.Kh2 Qb6 50.Nd1 Qb3 51.Nc3 Qb6 52.Qe2 Bd4 53.Kg2 Kf8 54.Qd2 Bf6 55.Qe2 Bd4 56.Kf3 Qb4 57.Qd2 Bf6 58.Kf2 Qc5+ 59.Kg2 Qb6 60.Kf1 Bd4 61.Ke2 Bf6 62.Qc1 Bd4 63.Qd2 Bf6 64.Kf1 Qb4 65.Qc2 Bd4 66.Kg2 Ba7 67.Kh3 Qb6 68.f5 Qe3 69.Qe2 Qd4 70.Nb5 Qd3 71.Qxd3 cxd3 72.Kg2 d2 73.Nc3 gxf5 74.exf5 Bd4 75.Nd1 Ke7 76.Kf3 Kf6 77.Ke4 Be5 78.b4 Bxg3 79.b5 Ke7 80.Kd3 Bxh4 81.Kxd2 Bf6 82.Nf2 Kd8 83.Ne4 Be5 84.Ke2 Kc7 85.Ng5 f6 86.Nf7 Bh2 87.Kf2 h4 88.Kg2 Bg3 89.Nh6 Kb6 90.Ng8 Kxb5 91.Nxf6 Kc4 92.Nh5 Kxd5 93.Nxg3 hxg3 94.Kxg3 Kc6 95.Kh4 Kd7 96.Kh5 Ke8 97.Kh6 Kf8 98.Kg6 Kg8 99.Kh6 Kh8 100.Kg6 Kg8 101.Kh6 Kh8 102.Kg6 Kg8* ½-½ (102) EmanPureNN (2901)-M-Z_Bot (2910) Blitz 2023*)* 16...b6 17.axb6 Reb8 18.0-0 Rxb6 19.Kg2 Rab8 20.Ra2 Bc8 21.Ncd1 Ne8 22.Bg5 Qb7 23.Bd8 Nc7 24.f4 Nd7 25.f5 Ne5 26.g4 Rb4 27.Ra3 Ne8 28.Qg5 f6 29.Qf4 hxg4 30.Bxa6 Qd7 31.Bxc8 Rxc8 32.Ba5 Qxf5 33.Qxf5 gxf5 34.Ne3 f4 35.Nf5 Rxb2 36.Bc3 Rb7 37.Bd2 c4 38.Bxf4 Bf8 39.h5 Ng7 40.Ng3 Ne8 41.h6 c3 42.Nf5 c2 43.Nxg4 Nxg4 44.Rg3 Kh7 45.Rxg4 Rb1 46.Bc1 Ra8 47.Kf3 Raa1 48.Rgg1 Nc7 49.Ke2 Na6 50.Ne3 Bxh6 51.Rh1 Rxc1 52.Rxc1 Rxc1 53.Rxc1 Nb4 54.Rxc2 Nxc2 55.Nxc2 Kg6 56.Kf3 f5 57.Nd4 fxe4+ 58.Kxe4 Bc1 59.Nc2 Bb2 60.Ne1 Ba1 61.Nc2 Bb2 62.Ne1 Ba1 63.Nc2 Bb2 ½-½ (64) PetersBot (3032)-RaspFish (3058) Blitz 2025]
12...Qc7 13.Be3 b6 [13...h5 14.Ra2 *(14.h4 Nbd7 15.Nh3 c4 16.Nf2 Nc5 17.Ra3 Bd7 18.Bxc4 Ncxe4 19.Ncxe4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.fxe4 Qxc4 22.Qd3 Qxd3 23.Rxd3 Bxa4 24.Kf2 Re8 25.Bf4 Bc2 26.Rd2 Rxe4 27.Bxd6 Bd4+ 28.Kf3 Re3+ 29.Kf4 Re4+ 30.Kf3 Re3+ 31.Kf4 Re4+ 32.Kf3* ½-½ (31) PetersBot (2768)-

Zoe_ChessBot (2764) Classical 2024 *)* 14...Nh7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.Bd1 a5 18.Nge2 Ba6 19.Ba4 Rd8 20.h3 Nd7 21.0-0 Ne5 22.Bh6 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 c4+ 25.Kh2 Nd3 26.Qd2 Rdb8 27.Nf4 Qd4 28.Nxd3 cxd3 29.Qc3 Rb4 30.Qxd4 Rxd4 31.Rd1 f5 32.exf5 Rb8 33.b3 gxf5 34.Rad2 Nf6 35.Rxd3 Rxd3 36.Rxd3 h4 37.Rc3 Nxd5 38.Rd3 Nf4 39.Rxd6 Kf7 40.g3 hxg3+ 41.Kxg3 Rb4 42.Rd7+ Kf6 43.Ra7 Ne2+ 44.Kf2 Nd4 45.Rxa5 Nxb3 46.Bxb3 ½-½ (45) the_magnificent_bob (2977)-RaspFish (2953) Rapid 2024]

14.b3 Ra7 15.Rc1 Qe7 16.Bc4 1-0 (16) PetersBot (3076)-Alexnajax_Fan (2998) Rapid 2025 [16.Bd3 Nbd7 17.Nge2 Ne5 18.Bc2 Rb7 19.0-0 b5 20.h3 b4 21.Nd1 a5 22.Nf2 *(22.f4 Ned7 23.Ng3 Nb6 24.Bd3 h5 25.e5 Nfxd5 26.Ne4 Nxe3 27.Nxe3 Rd8 28.Nxd6 Rxd6 29.exd6 Qxd6 30.Rcd1 Rd7 31.Qc1 Bd4 32.Kh1 Bb7 33.Bb5 Qe6 34.Bxd7 Nxd7 35.f5 Qe4 36.fxg6 Bxe3 37.gxf7+ Kf8 38.Qb2 Bd4 39.Qd2 Qe6 40.Kh2 Qg6 41.Qe2 Ne5 42.Rf4 Nxf7 43.Rdxd4 cxd4 44.Rxd4 Qg5 45.Qf2 Bd5 46.Rd3 Ke8 47.Kg1 h4 48.Qe2+ Kf8 49.Qf2 Kg8 50.Qe2 Kg7 51.Qf2 Be6 52.Re3 Bd5 53.Rd3 Be6 54.Re3 Qf6 55.Qd2 Ng5 56.Qd6 Qa1+ 57.Kh2 Qf6 58.Kg1 Kg6 59.Qd3+ Kh6 60.Qd6 Kg6 61.Qd3+ Kh5 62.Qb5 Qa1+ 63.Kh2 Qf6 64.Kg1 Qd4 65.Qe5 Qd8 66.Rf3 Kg6 67.Rf1 Bxb3 68.Qf5+ Kg7 69.Qe5+ Kg6 70.Qf5+ Kg7 71.Qe5+ Kg8 72.Rf6 Ne6 73.Rf5 Bc4 74.Kh2 b3 75.Rh5 Qd3 76.Qh8+ Kf7 77.Rh7+ Kg6 78.Rh6+ Kf5 79.Rh5+ Kg6 80.Rh6+ Kf5 81.Rh5+ Ng5 82.Qf8+ Ke6 83.Qc8+ Ke7 84.Qc7+ Ke6 85.Qc8+ Kf7 86.Rxg5 Qd6+ 87.Kh1 Qd1+ 88.Kh2 Qd6+ 89.Kh1 Qd1+ 90.Kh2 Qd6+* ½-½ (89) PetersBot (3028)-RaspFish (3048) Blitz 2024*)* 22...Rb8 23.Bg5 Qa7 24.f4 Ned7 25.Bd3 h6 26.Bxf6 Nxf6 27.Kh1 Ba6 28.Ng3 Bxd3 29.Qxd3 Rbd8 30.Qc4 Qd7 31.Nd3 h5 32.f5 g5 33.Rfe1 h4 34.Nf1 Qe7 35.Nf2 Nh5 36.Ng4 Bb2 37.Rc2 Be5 38.Qe2 Nf6 39.Nxf6+ Qxf6 40.Ne3 Bc3 41.Ng4 Qd4 42.Rcc1 Bxe1 43.Rxe1 c4 44.bxc4 b3 45.Rd1 Qc3 46.e5 Rxe5 47.Nxe5 Re8 48.Qf3 Qxe5 49.Qxb3 Qxf5 50.c5 Qf2 51.c6 Re1+ 52.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 53.Kh2 Qe5+ 54.Kg1 Qe1+ 55.Kh2 Qe5+ 56.g3 Qe2+ 57.Kg1 Qe1+ 58.Kg2 Qe2+ 59.Kg1 Qe1+ 60.Kg2 Qe2+ 61.Kg1 ½-½ (60) PetersBot (3028)-RaspFish (3008) Blitz 2024]

16...Nbd7 17.Nge2 Ne5 18.0-0 Nxc4 19.bxc4 Nd7 20.Bg5 f6 21.Bf4 h5 22.h3 Rb7 23.Rb1 Ne5 24.Bxe5 Qxe5 [24...fxe5 25.Rb3 Bd7 The position is equal. 26.Rfb1 Reb8 27.Ng3 Kh7 28.Nf1 Qe8 29.Qa2 Bh6 30.R1b2 Bc1 31.Rb1 Bh6 32.R1b2 Bf4 33.Qb1 Qd8 34.Ne2 Bh6 35.Nc3 Qc7 36.Qe1 Qd8 37.Rb1 Qe8 38.Ra3 Bg5 39.Rb2 Bh6 40.Qa1 Qd8 41.Rab3 Bf4 42.Qd1 Bh6 43.Qe2 Bc1 44.Ra2 Bg5 45.Rab2 Qc7 46.Qc2 Bf4 47.Rb1 Be8 48.Qf2 Bh6 49.Qh4 Bf4 50.Qf6 Bh6 51.R3b2 Bg7 52.Qh4 Qf7 53.Qe1 Bd7 54.Qe2 Qe8 55.Ra1 Bh6 56.Rab1 Qd8 *(56...Bxa4 57.Nxa4 Qxa4 58.Ra2±)* 57.Qc2 Bg5 58.Qd3 Qc7 59.Qe2 Qc8 60.Rb3 Bf4

61.Kh1 Qd8 62.Qc2 Qh4 63.Kg1 Qg5 64.Qf2 Qd8 *(64...Bxh3 65.Kh1±)* 65.Qc2 Qe8 66.R3b2 Qd8 67.Qd1 Bh6 68.Qe2 Bg5 69.Kh1 Bh6 70.Qd1 Bf4 71.Kg1 Bh6 72.Qe2 Qe8 73.Kh1 Kg7 *(Much less strong is 73...Bxa4 74.Nxa4 Qxa4 75.Ra2±)* 74.Qd1 Bd2? 4.57/22
Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) . An unexpected result. ½-½ (73) PetersBot (3015)-RaspFish (3057) Rapid 2024 [Kitty Kat]]
25.f4 Qe7 26.f5 gxf5 27.exf5 Qe3+ 28.Qxe3 Rxe3 29.a5 b5 30.cxb5 axb5 31.Kf2 Rbe7 32.Rxb5 Ba6 33.Rb8+ Kf7 34.Re1 Bh6 35.Rb6 Bxe2 36.Rxe2 c4 37.Rc2 R3e5 38.Rb1 Be3+ 39.Kg3 Rxf5 40.Kh2 Ra7 41.Nb5 Ra6 42.Rxc4 Kg6 43.Rc6 Rxa5 44.Nxd6 Rfxd5 45.Rf1 Bd4 46.Kh1 Ra2 47.Ne4 Rf5 48.Rd1 Be5 49.Rcc1 Rf4 50.Rd2 Ra3 51.Re2 h4 52.Rd1 Rf5 53.Rf2 Bg3 54.Rxf5 Kxf5 55.Nd2 Ra2 56.Nf3 Ke4 57.Nh2 Ke3 58.Rf1 Ke2 59.Rc1 f5 60.Nf3 Bf2 61.Ng1+ Kd3 62.Rb1 Ke4 63.Rb4+ Kd3 64.Rf4 Bg3 65.Rxf5 Ra1 66.Rf1 Rxf1 ½-½ (65) PetersBot (3028)-RaspFish (3043) Blitz 2024

[35] **4.e4** dxe4 5.Nc3 exf3
[5...e3 6.Bxe3 Bg7 7.Qd2 0-0 8.0-0-0 c5 9.d5 Nbd7 10.h4 a6 11.h5 Nxh5 12.Rxh5 gxh5 13.Bd3 Rb8 14.Nh3 b5 15.Nf4 bxc4 16.Bc2 Qb6 17.Bb1 Bd4 18.Re1 Ne5 19.Nxh5 Nd3+ 20.Bxd3 cxd3 21.Bh6 Bxc3 22.Qg5+ Qg6 23.bxc3 d2+ 24.Kxd2 Rb2+ 25.Ke3 Qxg5+ 26.Bxg5 Rxg2 27.Bxe7 Bf5 28.Kf4 Bg6 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Bxf8+ Kxf8 31.d6 Rd2 32.d7 Kg7 33.Re8 Kxf6 34.d8Q+ Rxd8 35.Rxd8 h5 36.Ra8 Bd3 37.Rc8 c4 38.Rc6+ Kg7 39.Rxa6 h4 40.Kg4 h3 41.Kxh3 1-0 (41) OnkelKonkel (2612)-PortoFC9 (2662) Blitz 2022]
6.Nxf3 Bg7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 c5 9.d5 Bg4 10.Ng5 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 Nbd7 12.Bf4 Nb6 13.Rae1 Nc8 14.Nb5 a6 15.Nc7 Ra7 16.Nce6 fxe6 17.Qxe6+ Kh8 18.Nf7+ Rxf7 19.Qxf7 b5 20.d6 e5 0-1 (20) supertactic91 (2729)-ffl0 (2613) Blitz 2021
4.e3 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.Nge2 Nc6 8.0-0 cxd4 9.exd4 e5 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Nxd5 Qxd5 12.Be4 Qd6 13.dxe5 Qc5+ 14.Kh1 Nxe5 15.Bf4 Be6 16.Rc1 Qb6 17.b3 Rfd8 18.Qe1 Nd3 19.Bxd3 Rxd3 20.Ng3 Qd4 21.Bg5 h6 22.Be7 Re8 23.Bc5 Qd7 24.Rd1 b6 25.Bb4 Bf5 26.Ne4 Rxd1 27.Qxd1 Qxd1 28.Rxd1 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Rxe4 30.Bd6 Re2 31.a3 Rb2 32.b4 Ra2 33.g3 Rxa3 34.Kg2 Ra2+ 35.Kh3 a5 36.bxa5 bxa5 37.Rc1 g5 38.Rc8+ Kh7 39.Rc6 a4 40.Rc7 Kg6 41.Ra7 h5 42.g4 Bd4 43.Ra6 hxg4+ 44.Kxg4 f5+ 45.Kf3 g4+ 46.Kg3 Bf2+ 47.Kf4 Bh4 48.Be7+ Kh5 49.Bxh4 Kxh4 50.Rh6# 1-0 (50) OnkelKonkel (2622)-Swampfox000 (2580) Blitz 2022

[36] **4...c5** 5.dxc5
[5.e4 cxd4 6.Bc4 Bg7 7.Ne2 0-0 8.0-0 e5 9.dxe6 Bxe6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nxd4 Ng4 12.Nxe6 Qb6+ 13.Kh1 Qxe6 14.fxg4 Rxf1+ 15.Qxf1 Nc6 16.Nc3 Rf8 17.Qg1 Ne5 18.Be3 Nxg4 19.Bxa7 Be5 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bd4 Nh5 22.Bxe5 Qxe5 23.Qe3 Ng3+ 24.Kg1 Nf5 25.Qd3 Qc5+ 26.Kh1 Ne3 27.Rg1 Qg5 28.Nd5 Nxd5 29.Qxd5+ Qxd5 30.exd5 Rf2

31.d6 Kf8 32.Re1 Rd2 33.Re7 Rxb2 34.Rxh7 Rxa2 35.Rxb7 Rd2 36.d7 Ke7 37.Rb6 Kf7 38.Rb7 Kf6 39.Kh2 Rd3 40.Kg1 Rd2 41.Kf1 Ke7 42.Ra7 Kd8 43.Ra6 g5 44.Rg6 Rd5 45.Rg7 Rf5+ 46.Kg1 Kc7 47.Kh2 Rd5 48.Kg3 Kd8 49.Kg4 Rd2 50.g3 1-0 (50) alireza2003 (2816)-SVODMEVKO (2810) Blitz 2021]

5...Na6 6.Nc3 e6 7.d6 Nxc5 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bf2 Bxd6 11.e4 Qe7 12.Nb5 Be5 13.Rc1 b6 14.b4 Ncxe4 15.fxe4 Qxb4+ 16.Qd2 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Nxe4+ 18.Ke1 Nxf2 19.Kxf2 Bd7 20.Nf3 Bf4 21.Nc7+ Kd8 22.Nxa8 Bxc1 23.Ba6 Bf4 24.Rd1 Ke7 25.Bb7 Bc8 26.Bc6 Rd8 27.Rb1 Ba6 28.g3 Bd6 29.Kg2 Rc8 30.Rc1 Bb7 31.Nd4 Bxa8 32.Kf1 Bc5 33.Bxa8 Rxa8 34.Nb3 Rc8 35.Rc2 Rc7 36.Kg2 Bd6 37.Re2 Rc4 38.Nd2 Ra4 39.Ne4 f5 40.Nc3 Rc4 41.Nd5+ Kf7 42.Ne3 Re4 43.Rd2 Rxe3 44.Rxd6 Re2+ 45.Kf3 Rxa2 46.Rd7+ Kf6 47.Rh7 Ra3+ 48.Ke2 g4 49.Rxh6+ Ke5 50.Kd2 Ra2+ 51.Kc3 Rg2 52.Kc4 a5 53.Kb5 Rb2+ 54.Ka4 Rb4+ 55.Ka3 Kd5 56.Rh7 e5 57.Rd7+ Ke4 58.Rc7 Rd4 59.Kb3 Rd3+ 60.Kc4 Rd5 61.Rg7 Rc5+ 62.Kb3 f4 63.Ka4 f3 64.Rxg4+ Ke3 65.Rg7 f2 66.Rf7 e4 67.g4 Ke2 68.g5 e3 69.h4 Rc4+ 70.Kb5 Rxh4 71.g6 Rg4 72.Rc7 Rg5+ 73.Ka6 Rxg6 74.Rc2+ Kd1 75.Rc3 e2 76.Rd3+ Kc2 77.Rh3 e1Q 78.Rh8 Qe2+ 79.Ka7 Qd3 80.Rc8+ Qc3 81.Rd8 Kb2 82.Rc8 Qxc8 ½-½ (82) mysterious_expert (2816)-Magicmaster17 (2801) Blitz 2023

4...c6!? A slightly speculative gambit. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A slightly speculative gambit.'' Glenn Flear: 'A gambit to try and exploit White's lagging development.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A crazy (desperate?), hardly sound gambit. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: 'A crazy (desperate?), hardly sound gambit.

''' 5.dxc6

[If White prefers to avoid ceding the initiative then Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'If White prefers to avoid ceding the initiative then'' Glenn Flear: 'There have been a few games with' 5.e4 cxd5 6.e5 settling for a space edge, is perhaps the best way. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'settling for a space edge, is perhaps the best way.'' Glenn Flear: 'where White settles for extra space rather than a pawn:'Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be enough for a small edge: Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: 'may be enough for a small edge:'''

A) 6...Nh5 Glenn Flear: '!?' 7.Nc3 *(7.Be3 Nc6 8.Qd2 Ng7 9.Na3 h5 10.Bb5 Nf5 11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.Bf2 Bh6 13.Qc3 0-0 14.Ne2 Ba6 15.g4 Ng7 16.h4 hxg4 17.fxg4 Ne6 18.g5 Bg7 19.Be3 c5 20.h5 Rc8 21.h6 cxd4 22.Qxd4 Nxd4 23.Bxd4 e6* 0-1 (23) gg-gm-gmg (2673)-black_knight22 (2782) Blitz 2020 *)* 7...Nc6 8.Bb5 Glenn Flear: '(the nagging problem for Black is that the bishop can't develop to g7 until the knight on h5 has secured a route to safety)' *(8.Be3 Ng7 9.Bf2 h5 10.Nge2 Nf5 11.Ng3 h4 12.Nxf5 Bxf5 13.Bd3 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 e6 15.0-0 Bb4 16.Ne2 Qb6 17.Rac1 Kd7 18.a3 Be7 19.Be3 Qa6 20.Qd2 Na5 21.Rc3*

Rac8 22.Rfc1 Rxc3 23.Nxc3 Nb3 24.Qc2 Nxc1 25.Qxc1 Rc8 26.Bg5 Qd3 27.Be3 Rc6 28.Qe1 Bxa3 29.Bc1 Qxd4+ 30.Kh1 Bb4 31.Bd2 Qd3 32.h3 d4 33.Ne4 Bxd2 34.Nxd2 Qe3 35.Qd1 d3 36.Kh2 Rc2 37.Ne4 Qe2 38.Qg1 Qxf3 39.Qd4+ Kc8 40.Nd6+ Kb8 0-1 (40) MaLeKkoNihli (2630)-MagusPowwow (2622) Blitz 2021*)* 8...e6 9.Nge2 Bd7 10.0-0 Ng7 Glenn Flear: '!' 11.Bh6 Nf5 12.Bxf8 Kxf8 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Qd2 c5 Glenn Flear: '!' 15.dxc5 Qc7 Glenn Flear: 'Edouard, R-Picard, Ro French league 2013, with a reasonable game.' 16.b4 Qxe5 17.Kh1± 1-0 (40) Edouard,R (2659)-Picard,R (2342) Haguenau 2013 Kg7 18.f4 Qe3 19.Qd1 Nh4 20.Qd4+ Qxd4 21.Nxd4 Rhc8 22.Rfc1 Rab8 23.Rab1 g5 24.g3 Ng6 25.Nce2 e5 26.fxe5 Nxe5 27.b5 Bg4 28.c6 Bxe2 29.Nxe2 Nc4 30.a4 a6 31.Nd4 axb5 32.axb5 Kf6 33.Re1 h6 34.Re2 Na3 35.Rf1+ Kg6 36.Ref2 Rc7 37.Rf6+ Kg7 38.Rxf7+ Rxf7 39.Rxf7+ Kxf7 40.c7 1-0 (40) Edouard,R (2659)-Picard,R (2342) Haguenau FRA 2013;

B) 6...Nfd7 7.Nc3 Nb6 *(7...Nc6!? ⩲8.Be3?! Ndxe5! 9.dxe5 d4)* 8.Bd3 Nc6 9.Nge2 Glenn Flear: 'instead the more ambitious' 9...Bg7 Glenn Flear: '!' *(9...e6* Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Stanciu, A-Tate, A Legnica 2013, and now' *10.0-0* Glenn Flear: 'gives White more options.' *)* 10.0-0 0-0 11.f4 f6 Glenn Flear: 'Visilevich, T-Nataf, I Reykjavik 2006, looks preferable. Incidentally, that game actually began as follows 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0 5.f3 c6!? 6.Bd3 d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.Nge2 Nc6 10.0-0 Nb6 11.f4 f6' *(11...Bg4 12.h3 Bf5 13.Bxf5 gxf5 14.b3 Kh8 15.Be3 Rg8 16.Ng3 Bxe5 17.Nxf5 Bg7 18.Qh5± 0-1 (38) Engels,L-Richter,K Aachen 1935)* 12.b3 Bg4 13.h3 Bxe2 14.Nxe2 e6 15.Ba3 Rf7 16.Rc1 Bf8 17.Bb2 a6 18.Kh2± 0-1 (46) Vasilevich,T (2385)-Nataf,I (2553) Reykjavik 2006]

5...Nxc6 6.e3 e5 Glenn Flear: 'White could pin immediately:' 7.Bb5

[The alternative continuation goes as follows: Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'The alternative continuation goes as follows:''Krasenkow,Michal: 'After the simple Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: 'After the simple'''

7.dxe5 Qa5+ *(7...Qxd1+ 8.Kxd1 Nxe5 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Nexd7 11.Nc3 0-0-0 12.Ke2 Nc5 13.e4 Nd3 14.Nh3 Bg7 15.Nf2 Nb4 16.Be3 Nc2 17.Rad1 Nxe3 18.Kxe3 Bh6+ 19.Ke2 Nh5 20.g3 Bg7 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Rd1 Re8 23.Kf1 f5 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Rd5 Rf8 26.f4 Nf6 27.Rxf5 Rd8 28.Ke2 Re8+ 29.Re5 Rd8 30.Re7 Bh8 31.Nfe4 Ng4 32.Rxh7 a6 33.h3 Nf6 34.Rxh8 Rxh8 35.Nxf6 Rxh3 36.g4 Rh2+ 37.Kf3 Rxb2 38.g5 Rb6 39.Ncd5 Rd6 40.g6* 1-0 (40) Firebullet (2600)-casuallychess (2621) Blitz 2024*)* 8.Nc3 Qxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White needs to play accurately but keeping an edge is within reach: Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: 'White needs to play accurately but keeping an edge is within reach:'''

A) for Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn

Flear: 'for'' 9.Bb5 Bc5 10.Nge2 0-0 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Naturally regaining the pawn with' *10...Bxe3 11.Bxe3 Qxe3* Glenn Flear: 'comes into consideration. Zhao Xue, after' *12.Qd6* Glenn Flear: ', suggests that White still has the initiative, which seems borne out by computer analysis:' *Qe6 13.Bxc6+ bxc6 14.0-0-0 Nd5 15.Qa3* Glenn Flear: '!*)* 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.e4

A1) Glenn Flear: 'Previous experience saw' 12...Bb6 13.Na4 Rd8 14.Qc2 Qa5+ 15.Nec3 Nd5?! *(* ⩲*15...Ba6*⩱ Zhao Xue *16.Nxb6 axb6 17.Be3 Rd3* Glenn Flear: 'also looks acceptable for Black, especially as' *18.Qc1* Glenn Flear: 'can now be well met by' *Nd5* Glenn Flear: '!*;* Glenn Flear: 'Not quite good enough. Despite Zhao Xue preferring White anyway, I think that' *15...Bd4 16.Bd2 Qe5 17.0-0-0 Ba6* Glenn Flear: 'offers Black adequate play. White's extra pawn is not really a big issue here.'*)* 16.exd5 Bf5 Glenn Flear: 'Zhao Xue-Lahno, K Nalchik 2011, and now' 17.Qd2 *(17.Qb3!* Glenn Flear: 'is apparently favourable for White.' *Re8+ 18.Kd1±* Zhao Xue *)* 17...Re8+ 18.Kd1 Be3 19.Qxe3 Rxe3 20.Bxe3 cxd5 21.Ke2 Bc2 22.b3± 1-0 (40) Zhao,X (2497)-Lagno,K (2554) Nalchik 2011 CBM 145 [Zhao Xue];

A2) 12...Ba6 see Socko, B-Tomczak, J Warsaw 2014, in the September 2014 update. Black clearly has 'nice' bishops for the pawn, but in the game Socko was able to keep control and retain a small edge. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'see Socko, B-Tomczak, J Warsaw 2014, in the September 2014 update. Black clearly has 'nice' bishops for the pawn, but in the game Socko was able to keep control and retain a small edge.'' see Socko, B-Tomczak, J Warsaw 2014, in the September 2014 update. Black clearly has 'nice' bishops for the pawn, but in the game Socko was able to keep control and retain a small edge. Glenn Flear: 'This is new.' 13.Bf4 Qe6 14.Qa4 Bxe2 Glenn Flear: 'It seems such a shame to give up the light-squared bishop.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Instead it's a moot point if' *14...Bc4 15.b3 Bxe2 16.Nxe2* Glenn Flear: 'is really weakening the white camp.'*)* 15.Nxe2 Rfd8 16.Rc1 Nd7 17.Qc4 Qe7 18.h4± 1-0 (53) Socko,B (2616)-Tomczak,J (2547) Warsaw 2014 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Socko decides to give up on castling and instead make some threats on the kingside. He is boosted by the fact that although his king isn't totally secure, everything else is under control. The extra pawn is starting to become important.' Bb4+ *(* Glenn Flear: 'If' *18...h5* Glenn Flear: ', the main reason behind White's previous move becomes apparent:' *19.Bg5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'wins material.'*)* 19.Kf2 *(19.Kf1* Glenn Flear: '!'

Glenn Flear: 'is more solid, the king being able to eventually settle on g2 (after a timely g2-g3).' *)* 19...Bc5+ 20.Kg3 Bd6 21.Rcd1 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Grabbing a weak pawn whilst ceding the initiative deserves to be punished:' *21.Qxc6* Glenn Flear: '?!' *Ne5 22.Qc2* Glenn Flear: '?' *Nd3* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and Black turns the tables.'*;* Glenn Flear: 'More to the point is' *21.Rhd1* Glenn Flear: 'which looks natural, the c-pawn then being in danger.'*)* 21...Bxf4+ 22.Nxf4 Ne5 23.Qc3 g5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Generating counterplay is important.' 24.Ne2 gxh4+ 25.Kf2 Glenn Flear: '!' Qg5 26.b3 Glenn Flear: 'Preparing to play Qe3.' Qf6 27.f4 Glenn Flear: 'A courageous attempt to make something out of his superior pawns.' Ng4+ 28.Kf3 Qg6 Glenn Flear: 'Of course, a queen exchange would suit White.' 29.Rxd8+ Rxd8 30.Rxh4

A2a) Glenn Flear: 'Correct seems to be' 30...Nf6 Glenn Flear: '!' 31.f5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'forced as' *31.Ng3* Glenn Flear: '??' Glenn Flear: 'loses to' *Qxg3+)* 31...Qg5 32.g3 Rd1 Glenn Flear: 'with plenty of annoying activity to help balance out the pawn deficit.';

A2b) 30...h5 31.Nd4 Nh2+ Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'An attempt at mixing matters for the time scramble.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'It's too late for' *31...Nf6* Glenn Flear: 'as then' *32.Nf5* Glenn Flear: 'would be strong.' *)* 32.Rxh2 Rxd4 33.Qxd4 Qg4+ 34.Ke3 Glenn Flear: '!' *(34.Kf2 Qxf4+ 35.Kg1 Qc1+ 36.Kf2 Qf4+* Glenn Flear: 'is only a draw.'*)* 34...Qg3+ 35.Ke2 Qxh2 36.Qd8+ Kh7 37.Qg5 Glenn Flear: 'With an extra pawn, the queen ending is highly promising for White.' f6 38.Qf5+ Kg7 39.Kf3 Qg1 40.Qd7+ Kh6 41.Qd2 Kg7 42.e5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The breakthrough. Passed pawns are highly-prized assets in queen endgames.' fxe5 43.Qd7+ *(* Glenn Flear: 'With the black queen out of play' *43.fxe5* Glenn Flear: 'was equally good if not better.'*)* 43...Kf8 44.Qf5+ Kg8 45.Qxe5 Qf1+ 46.Kg3 Qa6 47.Qe6+ Kf8 48.Qd6+ Glenn Flear: 'White retains the queen on an influential square (covering d3, as well as hitting Black's pawns), and keeps control.' Kg8 49.a4 Qb7 50.Qe6+ Kf8 51.Kh4 Glenn Flear: '!' c5 52.Qf6+ Kg8 53.Qg5+ 1-0 (53) Uddenfeldt,D (2616)-7. ♗d2 e6 8. ♕e2 ♗b4 9.→,e (2547) Survey 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/ Knight] Glenn Flear: 'The next pawn goes with check.';

B) 9.e4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: '!?'" 9...Bc5

10.Bh6 Be6 11.Bb5 Rd8 *(11...Bxg1 12.Rxg1 Qxh2 13.Be3±)* 12.Qc2 Bxg1 13.Rxg1 Qxh2 14.Be3 0-0 Swiercz, D-Tomczak, J Wroclaw rapid 2014, with an acceptable position for Black. White's king is slightly shaky, but his dark-squared bishop is excellent. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Swiercz, D-Tomczak, J Wroclaw rapid 2014, with an acceptable position for Black. White's king is slightly shaky, but his dark-squared bishop is excellent.'' Swiercz, D-Tomczak, J Wroclaw rapid 2014, with an acceptable position for Black. White's king is slightly shaky, but his dark-squared bishop is excellent. 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Ne2± Nd7?! 17.0-0-0 Qc7 18.Nd4± 0-1 (71) Swiercz,D (2616)-Tomczak, J (2561) Wroclaw 2014 Bxa2 19.b3 c5 20.Kb2 Rb8 21.Kxa2 Qa5+ 22.Kb2 cxd4 23.Bxd4 Rfc8 24.Bc3 Qb6 25.Rh1 Nc5 26.b4 Qc6 27.Ra1 Nxe4 28.Rhc1 Nxc3 29.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 30.Rxc3 Rxb4+ 31.Kc2 Rxc3+ 32.Kxc3 Rb7 33.Kd4 Kg7 34.Ke5 h5 35.Ra6 Re7+ 36.Kf4 Kf8 37.Kg5 Kg7 38.g4 hxg4 39.Kxg4 Kf8 40.f4 Ke8 41.f5 gxf5+ 42.Kxf5 Kd8 43.Kf6 Rb7 44.Ra1 Kc8 45.Ra2 Kd8 46.Ra1 Ke8 47.Re1+ Kf8 48.Rc1 Rb6+ 49.Kf5 a5 50.Rc8+ Kg7 51.Ra8 Rb5+ 52.Kf4 Kg6 53.Ke4 f5+ 54.Kd4 Kg5 55.Kc4 Re5 56.Kd3 Kf4 57.Ra7 Kf3 58.Rh7 f4 59.Rf7 a4 60.Ra7 a3 61.Kd2 Re2+ 62.Kd3 Re3+ 63.Kd2 Kf2 64.Rh7 Re2+ 65.Kd3 f3 66.Rf7 a2 67.Ra7 Kf1 68.Rh7 Kg1 69.Ra7 Rg2 70.Ke3 f2 71.Rxa2 f1Q 0-1 (71) Swiercz,D (2616)-Tomczak,J (2561) Wroclaw POL 2014]

7...Qa5+

[7...exd4 8.Qxd4 Bd6 Glenn Flear: '!' 9.b3 *(9.Ne2 0-0* Glenn Flear: 'gives Black rapid development for his pawn' *)* 9...0-0 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.Bb2 Be7 12.Ne2± Ba6 Glenn Flear: 'with enough compensation to make most gambiteers happy']

8.Nc3 Bb4 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Nge2 0-0 11.a3

[Previously Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Previously'' 11.0-0 had been played: Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'had been played: Krasenkow,M: '!?''' Ba6 Glenn Flear: 'Praczukowski, S-Niedbala, W Poznan 2014, with enough counterplay.' 12.Re1 Rfd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (59) Praczukowski,S (2018)-Niedbala,W (1868) Poznan 2014 Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: '1-0 (59) Praczukowski, S (2018)-Niedbala,W (1868) Poznan 2014''' 13.Qc2 *(13.Bd2±)* 13...c5? *(*correct is *13...exd4 14.Nxd4 Rac8* with ...c5 in mind, when Black has adequate play for the gambited pawn. with ...c5 in mind, when Black has adequate play for the gambited pawn. *)* 14.a3? *(14.dxe5!)* 14...Bxc3? *(14...exd4 15.exd4 cxd4∓)* 15.Qxc3 Qxc3 16.bxc3 Bxe2 17.Rxe2 exd4 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Bb2 Praczukowski, S-Niedbala, W Poznan 2014, with advantage to White. Praczukowski, S-Niedbala, W Poznan 2014, with advantage to White.]

11...Bxc3+

[11...Bd6 12.0-0 Ba6 , keeping a

bishop pair, was more promising. After the text move, despite the apparent activity of Black's pieces, he can't get enough counterplay.]

12.bxc3 Ba6 13.0-0 Nd5!? Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?"

[Not 13...Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Qxc3 15.Bb2 when White will win the pawn on e5.]

[13...e4 , trying to set up a blockade on the light squares, was relatively better but White should gradually consolidate his position by means of 14.Bd2]

14.Bd2 Bc4 Timofeev installs his pieces on the light-squares, which is all very well, but I already have the feeling that Black lacks full compensation. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Timofeev installs his pieces on the light-squares, which is all very well, but I already have the feeling that Black lacks full compensation.'' Timofeev installs his pieces on the light-squares, which is all very well, but I already have the feeling that Black lacks full compensation. 15.Rf2

[If 15.dxe5!? then Rad8 with annoying threats. Nevertheless following 16.Rf2 Nxe3 17.Qc1 Bxe2 *(*or *17...Nd5 18.Ng3)* 18.Rxe2 Nc4 19.Bg5 White would be able to liberate his position and stay a pawn up. White would be able to liberate his position and stay a pawn up.]

15...Rab8 16.e4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'This advance enables White to activate his pieces; meanwhile, the dark squares around Black's king are weakened. GM Paco Vallejo converts his extra pawn without major problems. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: 'This advance enables White to activate his pieces; meanwhile, the dark squares around Black's king are weakened. GM Paco Vallejo converts his extra pawn without major problems.'"

[16.dxe5 again comes into consideration.]

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19.fxe5 fxe5 20.Bh6 Rfe8 21.Qd3 The dark-squared holes around Black's king are going to be tough to defend. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'The dark-squared holes around Black's king are going to be tough to defend.'' The dark-squared holes around Black's king are going to be tough to defend.

21...Be6 22.dxe5 Nd7

[22...Qxe5? 23.Bf4]

23.Raf1 Qxa4

[White wins material after Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'White wins material after'' White wins material after 23...Nxe5 24.Qd6 (the following long variation would actually be easy to find over the board as it flows along nicely:) Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '(the following long variation would actually be easy to find over the board as it flows along nicely:)'' (the following long variation would actually be easy to find over the board as it flows along nicely:) Nd7 *(24...Nf7 25.Rxf7! Bxf7 26.Qf6+-)* 25.Nd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' '+-' '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,M: '+-''' Qe5 26.Qxe5 Nxe5 27.Nxe6 Ng4 28.Rf8+ Rxf8 29.Bxf8 Re8 30.Be7! h6 31.Rf8+ Rxf8 32.Nxf8+-]

[23...Qc5 24.Qf3+-]

24.Nd4

[More precise is Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'More precise is'' 24.Nf4! as then Krasenkow,Michal: ' ▱' '▱' '▱' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then' Glenn Flear: 'as then Krasenkow,M: ' ▱ ''' Qc4 could be met by Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'could be met by'' *(24...Nxe5 25.Qd6 Nf7 26.Qxb8! Rxb8 27.Nxe6 Rb7 28.Ng5!+- ⧋Nxh6 29.Rf8+ Kg7 30.Ne6#)* 25.Qd6 with decisive threats. Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' '+-' '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'with decisive threats.' Glenn Flear: 'with decisive threats. Krasenkow,M: '+-''']

24...Qc4 25.Qf3 c5?! Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!''

[The a-pawn is a long way from touchdown, but pushing it may have worried those with less nerve than Vallejo: The a-pawn is a long way from touchdown, but pushing it may have worried those with less nerve than Vallejo: 25...a5 but a player of the Spaniard's class should be able to find the winning plan i.e. but a player of the Spaniard's class should be able to find the winning plan i.e. 26.h4! a4 27.h5 a3 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Qg3 Kh7 30.Nxe6 Qxe6 31.Rf7+ etc.]

[25...Kh8 was the last chance to continue resistance although White should win in the long term.]

26.Nc6! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'' 26...Ra8 27.Ne7+ Kh8

[The final position after 27...Rxe7 28.Qf8+ Nxf8 29.Rxf8+ Rxf8 30.Rxf8# is picturesque.]

28.Nd5

[28.Rd1!]

28...Rec8 29.h4 A practical move (avoiding any first rank problems, h4-h5 might be useful) before moving in for the kill. Krasenkow,

Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A practical move (avoiding any first rank problems, h4-h5 might be useful) before moving in for the kill.'' A practical move (avoiding any first rank problems, h4-h5 might be useful) before moving in for the kill.

29...Rab8 30.Qf4 Rd8 31.Nf6

[31.Qg5! Re8 32.Nf6 is also crushing.]

31...Nf8 32.Ne8! Mate is nigh. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Mate is nigh.'' 1-0 (32) Vallejo Pons, F (2706)-Timofeev,A (2564) Jerusalem ISR 2015 [Glenn Flear]

4...Qxd5 5.e4 Qa5+

[5...Qd7 6.Be3 c5 7.dxc5 Qxd1+ 8.Kxd1 Nc6 9.Bb5 Nd7 10.Ne2 Bg7 11.Nbc3 0-0 12.Kc2 a6 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Nd4 Bb7 15.Na4 Ne5 16.Nb6 Rab8 17.Rhd1 h6 18.h3 g5 19.Nf5 Rfe8 20.Bd4 f6 21.Bxe5 fxe5 22.Rd7 Kf8 23.Rad1 Bc8 24.Rc7 Bf6 25.Nxh6 Kg7 26.Ng4 Be6 27.Rd6 Bxg4 28.hxg4 Kf7 29.Rdxc6 Bg7 30.Nd5 a5 31.Kc3 Rbd8 32.Kc4 a4 33.Rb6 Rc8 34.Rxc8 Rxc8 35.Kb5 Bf6 36.c6 Re8 37.Rb7 Rh8 38.c7 a3 39.b4 Ke6 40.Rb8 Kd7 41.Kb6 Re8 42.Rxe8 Kxe8 43.c8Q+ Kf7 44.Nc7 Bh8 45.Qxh8 e6 46.Qe8+ Kg7 47.Qe7+ Kg8 48.Ne8 Kh8 49.Qg7# 1-0 (49) LegendofDragons (2696)-Boris-Trapsky (2354) Rapid 2022]

[5...Nxe4 6.fxe4 Qxe4+ 7.Ne2 Bg4 8.Nbc3 Qc6 9.h3 Bf5 10.Ng3 e6 11.Bb5 Bc2 1-0 (11) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-JakaRacman (2650) Blitz 2023]

[5...Qh5 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Rd8 9.0-0-0 c5 10.Qf2 cxd4 11.Rxd4 Rxd4 12.Bxd4 Nc6 13.Be3 Be6 14.Nge2 Qa5 15.Kb1 Nb4 16.Nc1 Rd8 17.a3 Nc6 18.Bd3 b5 19.Bxb5 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Bxc3 21.Bxc6 Rb8 22.Bd4 Qxa3 23.Bxc3 Qxc3 24.Qc2 Qe5 25.Bd5 a5 26.Bxe6 Qxe6 27.Rd1 Qb6 28.Na2 a4 29.Nc3 a3 30.b3 Qxb3+ 31.Qxb3 Rxb3+ 32.Kc2 Rb2+ 33.Kd3 Rxg2 34.Ra1 Rxh2 35.Rxa3 h5 36.Kd4 e6 37.Ra7 Kg7 38.e5 Rg2 39.Ne4 h4 40.Ke3 h3 41.Nd6 h2 42.Rxf7+ Kh6 43.Rf8 Kg7 44.Rf7+ Kg8 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-Sim_taan_gaaran (2596) Blitz 2021]

6.Nc3

[6.Bd2 Qb6 7.Bc3 Bg7 8.Nd2 0-0 9.Bd3 c5 10.Nc4 Qc7 11.d5 b5 12.Ne3 c4 13.Bc2 a5 14.Ne2 Ba6 15.a3 Nbd7 16.0-0 e6 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.Kh1 Rad8 19.Qe1 a4 20.Rd1 Nb6 21.Nd4 Rfe8 22.Qh4 e5 23.Ne2 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Rd8 25.Rf1 Qe7 26.f4 exf4 27.Qxf4 Nh5 28.Qg4 Bxc3 29.bxc3 Bc8 30.Qf3 Rf8 31.Qxf8+ Qxf8 32.Rxf8+ Kxf8 33.Nd4 Bd7 34.Bd1 Ng7 35.Kg1 Ke7 36.Kf2 Ne6 37.Nf3 Nc5 38.Bc2 Nc8 39.Ke2 Nd6 40.e5 Nde4 41.Bxe4 Nxe4 42.Nd5+ Ke6 43.Nf4+ Kf5 44.Ke3 Nxc3 45.g4+ Kxg4 46.e6 Be8 47.Nd4 Kg5 48.h4+ Kxh4 49.e7 Kg5 50.Kd2 Ne4+ 51.Ke3 Nd6 52.Nd5 Nf5+ 53.Nxf5 Kxf5 54.Nc7 Kf6 55.Nxe8+ Kxe7 56.Nc7 b4 57.Nd5+ Kd6 58.Nxb4 h5 59.Kf4 c3 60.Kg5 Kc5 61.Kxg6 h4 62.Kg5 h3 63.Nd3+ Kc4 64.Nf2 c2 65.Nxh3 c1Q+ 66.Kf5 Qxa3 67.Nf4 Qc5+ 68.Ke4 Qd4+ 69.Kf3 a3 70.Ne2 Qd3+ 71.Kf2 Qxe2+ 0-1 (71) topiatwins (2601)-Name554 (2539) Blitz 2025]

6...Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Rd8 9.Bd3 e6 10.Nge2 c6 11.0-0 Qc7 12.Rac1 Qd7 13.Rfd1 b6 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bxh6 Bb7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qg5 Nh7 18.Qe5+ f6 19.Qg3 g5 20.h4 Ba6 21.Bb1 Kh8 22.e5 gxh4 23.Qxh4 f5 24.Nf4 Re8 25.g4 fxg4 26.fxg4 Kg8 27.Kf2 Qf7 28.Kg3 Rf8 29.Qxh7+ Qxh7 30.Bxh7+ Kxh7 31.Rh1+ Kg8 32.Nxe6 Rf7 33.Rh6 Re7 34.Rch1 Bc4 35.Rh8+ Kf7 36.Ng5+ Kg6 37.R1h6+ Kg7 38.R8h7+ Kf8 39.Rh8+ Kg7 40.Nce4 Bd3 41.R6h7+ 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-Name554 (2561) Blitz 2024

37 **5...Nf6** 6.Nc3

[6.Bc4 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Be3 Nc6 *(8...c5 9.dxc5 Nbd7 10.Nge2 Qc7 11.Nb5 Qa5+ 12.Qd2 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Rd8 14.Kc2 Ne5 15.Bb3 Bd7 16.Nbc3 a5 17.a4 Rac8 18.Rad1 Nc6 19.Rd2 Nb4+ 20.Kb1 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rd1 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Nd7 25.Nf4 Kf7 26.h4 Ne5 27.Nh3 Nc4 28.Ng5+ Ke8 29.Nxe6* 1-0 (29) MrAble (2600)-the-beast-De_almeida (2483) Rapid 2023*)* 9.e5 Ne8 10.Ne4 Na5 11.Bd3 f5 12.Nc5 b6 13.Nb3 Be6 14.Nxa5 bxa5 15.Ne2 Bd5 16.Rc1 c6 17.Nf4 Nc7 18.Qa4 Bf7 19.0-0 Bh6 20.Bc4 Bxc4 21.Qxc4+ Nd5 22.Nxd5 cxd5 23.Qd3 Bxe3+ 24.Qxe3 Qb6 25.Rc2 Rac8 26.Rfc1 Rc4 27.Rxc4 dxc4 28.Rxc4 Qxb2 29.h4 Qxa2 30.Rc7 Qe6 31.Rxa7 Rd8 32.Kh2 Qb6 33.Rxe7 Qb4 34.Rc7 Qxd4 35.Qxd4 Rxd4 36.Ra7 Rxh4+ 37.Kg3 Ra4 38.e6 Kf8 39.Rxh7 Rd4 40.f4 Rd6 41.Rf7+ Ke8 42.Kh4 Rxe6 43.Ra7 Re2 44.g4 Rh2+ 45.Kg3 Ra2 46.gxf5 gxf5 47.Kh4 a4 48.Kg5 a3 49.Kxf5 Ra1 50.Ke6 Kd8 51.f5 a2 52.Kf7 Rf1 53.Ra8+ Kd7 54.Rxa2 Rxf5+ 55.Kg6 Rf1 56.Rg2 Ke6 57.Rg5 Kd6 58.Rf5 Rxf5 59.Kxf5 ½-½ (59) Dr_ChessAmir (2668)-qianqian529 (2662) Blitz 2021]

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[6...Nc6 7.d5 Ne5 8.f4 Ned7 9.e5 Nh5 10.Be2 Ng7 11.Nf3 e6 12.0-0 Bc5+ 13.Kh1 0-0 14.Ne4 exd5 15.Qxd5 c6 16.Qb3 Nf5 17.Rd1 Qb6 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.Rxd7 Bxd7 20.Nf6+ Kg7 21.Nxd7 Rfd8 22.Nxc5 bxc5 23.b3 Nd4 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Bd3 f6 26.exf6+ Kxf6 27.Bd2 b6 28.g4 h6 29.Kg2 c5 30.a4 Re8 31.Rf1 Kg7 32.f5 gxf5 33.gxf5 Rf8 34.Kh3 Kf6 35.Kg4 h5+ 36.Kf3 c4 37.Bxc4 Kxf5 38.Ke2+ Ke4 39.Bd3+ Ke5 40.Rg1 Rg8 41.Rf1 Raf8 42.Rxf8 Rxf8 43.h4 Rg8 44.b4 Rg2+ 45.Kd1 Rh2 46.a5 bxa5 47.bxa5 Rh3 48.Kc2 Rxh4 49.a6 Rh1 50.Bc1 Rh2+ 51.Bd2 Rh1

52.Kb2 Rh2 53.Kc2 Rg2 54.a7 Rg8 55.Be1 Kf4 56.Ba5 Ke3 57.Bc7 Rc8 58.Kb3 Kxd3 59.Bb8 Rc6 60.a8Q Rb6+ 61.Ka2 Ke3 62.Ba7 Re6 63.Qh1 Ra6+ 64.Kb3 Rxa7 65.Qxh5 Rb7+ 66.Kc4 Rc7+ 67.Kb3 Rc3+ 68.Kb2 Ke4 69.Qh1+ Rf3 70.Kc2 Ke3 71.Qe1+ Kf4 72.Qh4+ Ke5 73.Kd2 Re3 74.Qh2+ Kd5 75.Qh5+ Kc4 76.Qf7+ Kc5 77.Qf4 Re6 78.Qg5+ Kc6 79.Kd3 Rd6 80.Qg2+ Kc7 81.Qc2+ Rc6 82.Qg2 Rd6 83.Qg7+ Kc6 84.Qg2+ Kc5 85.Qg3 Re6 86.Qg1 Rd6 87.Qc1+ Kb6 88.Qh1 Kc7 89.Qc1+ Kd7 0-1 (89) lordplayer64 (2622)-YuaDewhirst (2641) Rapid 2022]

7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 c5

[8...e5 9.dxe5 Nfd7 10.e6 fxe6 11.Bc4 Qe7 12.0-0-0 Ne5 13.Bb3 Nbc6 14.Nge2 a5 15.Nd4 a4 16.Nxa4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 b6 18.Qc3 Qg5+ 19.Kb1 c5 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Qc2 Bg7 22.Nxb6 Rb8 23.Nxc8 Rfxc8 24.Bxe6+ Kf8 25.Bxc8 Rxb2+ 26.Qxb2 Bxb2 27.Kxb2 Qe5+ 28.Kc2 c4 29.Rd5 Qc7 30.Rhd1 Qxh2 31.R1d2 Qg1 32.Be6 Qa1 33.Rd8+ Ke7 34.Bxc4 h5 35.Bb3 Kf6 36.R8d5 h4 37.R5d4 Kg5 38.Rd1 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-SALVA-DALI-07 (2582) Blitz 2021]

[8...Nfd7 9.h4 e5 10.d5 h5 11.g4 Nf6 12.gxh5 Nxh5 13.Bd3 Ng3 14.Rh2 c6 15.Nge2 Nh5 16.0-0-0 cxd5 17.exd5 Nd7 18.Rg1 Nc5 19.Bc2 Nd7 20.Ng3 Ndf6 21.Nce4 Qxd5 22.Qf2 Qxa2 23.Nxf6+ Nxf6 24.h5 Qa1+ 25.Kd2 Rd8+ 26.Ke2 Qa6+ 27.Ke1 Qa1+ 28.Ke2 Qxb2 29.Rc1 Nd5 30.hxg6 Nc3+ 31.Kf1 fxg6 32.Kg2 Nd5 33.Bg5 Nf4+ 34.Bxf4 exf4 35.Ne4 Qxc1 36.Bb3+ Kf8 37.Qh4 Rd2+ 38.Nxd2 Qxd2+ 39.Kf1 Qc1+ 40.Kg2 Qb2+ 41.Kf1 Qxb3 42.Qd8+ Kf7 43.Qc7+ Kf6 44.Qd8+ Kf7 45.Qc7+ Kg8 46.Qd8+ Bf8 47.Qf6 Qd1+ 48.Kg2 Qd2+ 49.Kg1 Qe1+ 50.Kg2 Qe6 51.Kg1 Qxf6 0-1 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-ApexTheBest06 (2605) Blitz 2023]

[8...c6 9.0-0-0 Nbd7 *(9...Qa5 10.Kb1 Na6 11.h4 h5 12.Be2 Rd8 13.Nh3 b5 14.e5 Bf5+ 15.Ka1 Nb4 16.Rc1 Nfd5 17.a3 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Nc2+ 19.Rxc2 Bxc2 20.Rc1 Bf5 21.g4 hxg4 22.fxg4 Be6 23.Nf4 b4 24.Nb1 bxa3 25.Nxa3 Bd5 26.e6 Qb4 27.Nxd5 Rxd5 28.exf7+ Kf8 29.Rc4 Qd6 30.Bf3 Rxd4 31.Rxc6 Qxa3+ 32.Qxa3* 1-0 (32) MrAble (2601)-anil_ot (2428) Rapid 2022*)* 10.h4 Qa5 11.Kb1 b5 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nxf6+ Nxf6 14.g4 h5 15.e5 Nd5 16.gxh5 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Bf5+ 18.Bd3 Bxd3+ 19.Rxd3 gxh5 20.Ne2 Qd7 21.Rg1 Qf5 22.Ng3 Qg6 23.Ne4 Qf5 24.Rg5 Qh3 25.Qg1 Kh8 26.Rxg7 Rg8 27.Rg5 Rxg5 28.hxg5 Qf5 29.Qg3 Rd8 30.Rd1 c5 31.d5 c4 32.d6 b4 33.Rh1 Kg7 34.dxe7 Re8 35.Qh3 Qxh3 36.Rxh3 Rxe7 37.f4 Kg6 38.Nd6 Rc7 39.Kc2 Rc5 40.Rh1 a5 41.Rh3 a4 42.a3 bxa3 43.bxa3 Rd5 44.Kc3 Rd1 45.Kxc4 Rf1 46.Rh4 Ra1 47.Kb4 Rd1 48.Kxa4 Rd4+ 49.Kb5 Rd5+ 50.Kb4 Rd4+ 51.Kc3 Ra4 52.Kb3 Rd4 53.a4 Rd1 54.a5 Rc1 55.Kb4 Rb1+ 56.Kc5 Rc1+ 57.Kb6 Rb1+ 58.Nb5 Rd1 59.a6 Rd8 60.a7 Kf5 61.Rxh5 Ke6 62.Rh6+ Kd5 63.Rf6 Kc4 64.Nc7 Rd2 65.a8Q Rc2 66.Kc6 Kd3+ 67.Kd7 Kd2 68.Qd5+ Ke2

69.Rxf7 Rd2 70.Qxd2+ Kxd2 71.e6 Ke2 72.e7 Ke3 73.e8Q+ Kf3 74.f5 Kg4 75.g6 Kf3 76.f6 Kg3 77.g7 Kf4 78.Re7 Kf5 79.f7 Kg5 80.f8Q Kh6 81.g8Q# 1-0 (81) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-Cusillu (2579) Blitz 2023]

[8...Nbd7 9.Nh3 *(9.0-0-0 a6 10.h4 Nh5 11.Nge2 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.g4 f4 14.Nxf4 Nxf4 15.Bxf4 Nb6 16.Bh6 Qd6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bd3 Qf4 19.Qxf4 Rxf4 20.Be4 c6 21.d5 cxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxd5 Be6 24.Rg5+ Kf7 25.Kb1 h6 26.Re5 Rd8 27.g5 Rh8 28.Rg1 Rxh4 29.Bxb7 hxg5 30.Rexg5 Rh1 31.Bxa6 Rxg1+ 32.Rxg1 Ra8 33.Bd3 Bxa2+ 34.Kc2 Bd5 35.Be4 Rc8+ 36.Kd3 Bc4+ 37.Ke3 Ke6 38.b4 Kd6 39.Rb1 Bb5 40.Rd1+ Ke6 41.Rd5 Rc3+ 42.Kf4 Bc4 43.Rc5 Kd6 44.Bd5 e5+ 45.Kg5 e4 46.Rxc4 Rxf3 47.Bxe4 Rg3+ 48.Kf4 Rg8 49.Rd4+ Ke6 50.Ke3 Rf8 51.Bd3 Rh8 52.Re4+ Kd5 53.Rd4+ Ke5 54.Bc4 Rh3+ 55.Kd2 Kxd4 56.Be2 Rh2 57.b5 Kc5 58.Ke1 Rh5 59.Kf1 Re5 60.Ke1 Kb6 61.Kf2 Rc5 62.Kf3 Rc7 63.Kf2 Re7 64.Bf1 Rf7+ 65.Ke1 Re7+ 66.Be2 Rd7 67.Kf2 Rd6 68.Bf1 Rd5 69.Ke1 Kc5 70.Be2 Kd4 71.Bf1 Ke3 72.Be2 Rc5 73.b6 Rc1+ 74.Bd1 Rb1 75.b7 Rxb7 76.Kf1 Rb1 77.Kg2 Rxd1 78.Kg3 Rf1 79.Kg4 Rf8 80.Kg5 Ke4 81.Kg6 Ke5 82.Kg7 Rf1 83.Kg6 Rf2 84.Kg7 Ke6 85.Kg8 Rg2+ 86.Kh7 Kf6 87.Kh8 Kf7 88.Kh7 Rh2#* 0-1 (88) Consent_to_treatment (2607)-K_akbss (2606) Blitz 2021*)* 9...e5 10.d5 a6 11.Be2 Qe7 12.Nf2 Qd6 13.Rd1 Nb6 14.b3 Nfd7 15.0-0 f5 16.Nd3 f4 17.Bf2 Qf6 18.a4 Nb8 19.a5 N6d7 20.Na4 g5 21.Rc1 Qd8 22.Ndc5 Nxc5 23.Nxc5 Rf6 24.Bc4 Kh8 25.Nd3 Rg6 26.g4 h5 27.h3 hxg4 28.hxg4 Rh6 29.Rfd1 Kh7 30.Kg2 Kg6 31.Rh1 Nd7 32.d6 cxd6 33.Be6 Nf8 34.Bf5+ Bxf5 35.gxf5+ Kh7 36.Rxh6+ Bxh6 37.Bb6 Qf6 38.Nb4 g4 39.Rh1 Qg5 40.Qf2 gxf3+ 41.Kxf3 Nd7 42.Nd5 Rg8 43.Ke2 Qg4+ 44.Qf3 Qg2+ 45.Bf2 Qxf3+ 46.Kxf3 Rc8 47.Rg1 Rc2 48.Rg6 Rc6 49.Re6 Bg7 50.f6 Bf8 51.Re8 Kg6 52.Rd8 Nxf6 53.Nxf6 Kxf6 54.Rxf8+ Ke7 55.Rb8 Rc3+ 56.Kg4 Rxb3 57.Bb6 Kd7 58.Rxb7+ Kc6 59.Rc7+ Kb5 60.Rd7 1-0 (60) Tg_63 (2616)-AMI_EK_PAGOL (2431) Rapid 2021]

[8...b6 9.h4 h5 10.Bc4 Nc6 11.Nh3 e5 12.Ne2 Bxh3 13.Rxh3 exd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Qxd4 17.Qxd4 Bxd4 18.0-0-0 Rad8 19.Rf3 Bxb2+ 20.Kc2 Rxd1 21.Kxd1 Bd4 22.Kc2 Kg7 23.Kd3 Bf6 24.Bd5 Rc8 25.Bb7 Rd8+ 26.Kc4 Bxh4 27.Bd5 Bf6 28.Kb5 Rd6 29.Ka6 c6 30.Bb3 Rd4 31.e5 Bxe5 32.Rxf7+ Kh6 33.Kxa7 Rb4 34.Re7 Bd4 35.Re6 c5 36.Bc2 Kg5 37.Rxg6+ Kf4 38.Rh6 Rb2 39.Bb3 b5 40.Bd5 c4+ 41.Ka6 c3 42.Bb3 Ke3 43.Kxb5 c2 44.Rc6 Kd2 45.Rxc2+ Rxc2 46.Bxc2 Kxc2 47.Kc4 Bg1 48.Kd5 Kd3 49.Ke5 Ke3 50.Kf5 h4 51.Kg4 Bf2 52.Kh3 Kd4 53.Kg4 Bg3 54.Kh3 Kc4 55.Kg4 Kb4 56.Kf3 Ka3 57.Ke2 Kxa2 58.Kf1 Kb3 59.Kg1 Kb4 60.Kh1 Kc5 61.Kg1 Kd5 62.Kh1 Ke4 63.Kg1 Ke3 64.Kh1 Kf4 65.Kg1 Kg4 66.Kh1 Bf4 67.Kg1 Be3+ 68.Kh1 Kg3 ½-½ (68) cant_handle_h5 (2604)-

ApexTheBest06 (2483) Blitz 2024]
9.Nge2
[9.dxc5 Qa5 10.a3 Nc6 11.Rd1 Rd8 12.Nd5 Qxd2+ 13.Rxd2 Be6 14.Bc4 Rac8 15.Nxf6+ exf6 16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.Ne2 Na5 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Kf2 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.b4 Nc4 22.Nf4 Nxe3 23.Kxe3 Bh6 24.g4 e5 25.g5 exf4+ 26.Kxf4 Bg7 27.Kxf5 Rd4 28.h4 Rd3 29.f4 Rxa3 30.Rd1 Rb3 31.Rd8+ Bf8 32.Rd4 b6 33.c6 Rc3 34.b5 Rc5+ 35.Ke6 Rxb5 36.c7 Rc5 37.Kd7 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-jGabriel-Ledezma (2559) Blitz 2022]
9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.Nxc6 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 bxc6 13.Bc4 Nd7 14.Kc2 Nb6 15.Bb3 Ba6 16.Rad1 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.b3 Be6 19.Bd4 Bh6 20.g3 f5 21.e5 Rfd8 22.f4 g5 23.Be3 gxf4 24.Bxf4 Bxf4 25.gxf4 Kf7 26.Ne2 Bd5 27.Rhg1 Be4+ 28.Kc3 Bf3 29.Rd2 Rxd2 30.Kxd2 a5 31.Ke3 Bd5 32.Ng3 a4 33.Nxf5 axb3 34.axb3 Bxb3 35.Rg7+ Kf8 36.Rxh7 Ra3 37.Kd4 Bc2 38.Rh5 Rd3+ 39.Kc4 Rf3 40.Nd4 Rxf4 41.Kc3 Kf7 42.Nxc2 Kg6 43.Rh3 Kf5 44.Re3 c5 45.Ne1 Ke6 46.Nd3 Rh4 47.h3 Kd5 48.Ne1 Rc4+ 49.Kd3 Rf4 50.Ng2 Rf2 51.Re2 c4+ 52.Ke3 Rf1 53.Kd2 Kd4 54.h4 c3+ 55.Kc2 Ra1 56.Kb3 Rb1+ 57.Ka2 Rd1 58.Nf4 Rd2+ 59.Kb3 Rxe2 60.Nxe2+ Kxe5 61.Kxc3 Kf5 62.h5 1-0 (62) Selam560 (2706)-RFNUNEZ (2469) Rapid 2021

[38] **6.Be3** Bg7 7.Qd2
[7.Bb5+ c6 8.Be2 0-0 9.Nc3 a5 10.Qd2 a4 11.a3 f5 12.h4 fxe4 13.fxe4 Be6 14.Nf3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.h5 Nd7 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Bh6 Rxf3 19.gxf3 Qf8 20.Bxg7 Qxg7 21.0-0-0 b5 22.Rh3 b4 23.axb4 a3 24.Rdh1 axb2+ 25.Kxb2 Nf8 26.Qf4 Qxd4 27.Rh8+ Qxh8 28.Rxh8+ Kxh8 29.Qc7 Bf7 30.Qxe7 Kg8 31.f4 Re8 32.Qf6 Ne6 33.f5 Nf4 34.fxg6 Bxg6 35.Qxf4 1-0 (35) VariantsOnly (2709)-IMFAR (2629) Blitz 2020]
[7.a4 c5 8.dxc5 N6d7 9.Nc3 Qa5 10.Nge2 Nxc5 11.Kf2 Ne6 12.Nd5 Nc6 13.Rb1 Nb4 14.Qd2 Nc6 15.Qxa5 Nxa5 16.Nef4 Be5 17.b4 Nc6 18.b5 Ncd4 19.Bc4 Bd7 20.Rhc1 Rc8 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Nb4 0-0 23.h3 Bg7 24.Nd3 Rc7 25.e5 Rfc8 26.Ba2 Nf5 27.Rxc7 Rxc7 28.Rc1 Rxc1 29.Bxc1 a6 30.Bc4 axb5 31.Bxb5 Bxb5 32.axb5 Nd4 33.b6 Nc6 34.f4 Kf7 35.h4 Na5 36.g4 Nc4 37.Be3 Ke8 38.Nc5 Nxb6 39.Nxe6 Kf7 40.Nd8+ 1-0 (40) febloh (2699)-smoking_samra (2738) Blitz 2024]
[7.Na3 0-0 8.Rc1 *(8.Nc2 e5 9.d5 c6 10.dxc6 Nxc6 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Bxb6 axb6 13.Bc4 Na5 14.Bd5 Bd7 15.Ne2 Bc6 16.Nc3 b5 17.Nb4 Bf8 18.a3 Bxb4 19.axb4 Nc4 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.Bxc4 Ra1+ 22.Nd1 bxc4 23.Kd2 Ba4 24.Re1 Rb1 25.Ne3 Rxb2+ 26.Kc3 Rb3+ 27.Kxc4 Rb2 28.h4 h5 29.Kd5 Rxb4 30.Kxe5 Kg7 31.Re2 Bc6 32.Rd2 Rb3 33.Nc4 Rb1 34.Kd6 Kf8 35.e5 Rc1 36.Rd4 Bb5 37.Ne3 Rc6+ 38.Kd5 Re6 39.f4 Bc6+ 40.Kc5 f6 41.exf6 Rxe3* 0-1 (41) Aczgego (2639)-Uvall (2685) Blitz 2021*)* 8...Nc6 9.Ne2 f5 10.e5 Nd5 11.Bf2 Bh6 12.Rc5 f4 13.Nc3 Ne3 14.Bc4+ Kh8 15.Bxe3 fxe3 16.Ne2 Nb4 17.Nc2 b6 18.Rb5 Nxc2+ 19.Qxc2 c6 20.Rb3 c5 21.d5 Bf5 22.Qc3 e6

23.d6 Qh4+ 24.g3 Qh3 25.f4 Qg2 26.Rf1 Bh3 27.Ng1 Qxh2 28.Nxh3 Qxg3+ 29.Ke2 Qxh3 30.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 31.Rxe3 Bxf4 32.Re4 g5 33.Bxe6 Rae8 34.Bg4 Rxe5 35.Rxe5 Kg7 36.d7 h5 37.Bxh5 1-0 (37) gmluke (2684)-alexandar71 (2644) Blitz 2021]

[7.Bd3 0-0 8.Ne2 Nc6 9.Bb5 Qd6 10.Nbc3 a6 11.Bxc6 Qxc6 12.d5 Qd6 13.Bd4 c5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.0-0 e6 16.dxe6 Qxd1 17.Raxd1 Bxe6 18.Nf4 Rfd8 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.Kf2 Kf7 21.b3 Ke7 22.Ke2 a5 23.a4 c4 24.bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rd3 Rxd3 26.Kxd3 Ne5+ 27.Kc2 Nc4 28.Kd3 Ne5+ 29.Kd4 Nd7 30.Rb1 b6 31.f4 Rc8 32.e5 Rc6 33.Rb2 Nc5 34.g4 Na6 35.Ne4 Nb4 36.h4 Rc1 37.Nf6 Rd1+ 38.Ke3 Rh1 39.h5 Rh3+ 40.Ke4 gxh5 41.gxh5 Rh1 42.Rg2 Kf7 43.Rd2 Re1+ 44.Kf3 Rf1+ 45.Kg3 Rg1+ 46.Kf2 Rh1 47.Rd7+ Kf8 48.Nxh7+ Kg8 49.Nf6+ Kf8 50.f5 Nc6 51.fxe6 Ne7 52.Kg2 Re1 53.h6 Re2+ 54.Kf1 Rh2 55.Rd8# 1-0 (55) squat2depth (2666)-QaqamQuavo (2622) Blitz 2020]

7...0-0 8.h4

[8.f4 Nc6 *(8...c6 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.Ne5 Be6 11.Na3 N8d7 12.Nf3 Nf6 13.Bd3 Ng4 14.Bg1 Na4 15.h3 Nf6 16.Be3 Nh5 17.0-0 Rc8 18.b3 Nb6 19.Rac1 Ng3 20.Rfd1 f5 21.Ng5 Qd7 22.d5 cxd5 23.Bb5 Qd6 24.e5 Qxa3 25.Nxe6 Ne4 26.Qd3 Rxc1 27.Bxc1 Qxa2 28.Nxf8 Bxf8 29.Be3 e6 30.Rc1 Qb2 31.Rc7 Qa1+ 32.Kh2 Qe1 33.Bd4 Bh6 34.g3 g5 35.Qe3 Qb1 36.Rc1 Qa2+ 37.Qe2 Qxe2+ 38.Bxe2 gxf4 39.gxf4 Bxf4+ 40.Kh1 Bxc1 41.Bh5 Ng3+ 42.Kg2 Nxh5 43.h4 Nf4+ 44.Kf3 Nd3 45.Ke2 Nxe5 46.Kf1 Nf3 47.h5 Nxd4 48.h6 Nxb3 49.Kf2 Bxh6 50.Kf1 a5 51.Kg2 a4 52.Kh3 a3 53.Kh4 a2 54.Kh3 a1N 55.Kh4 Nc2 56.Kh5 Nb4 57.Kxh6 Nc4 58.Kh5 b5 59.Kh4 d4 60.Kh3 d3 61.Kh2 d2 62.Kh3 d1Q 63.Kh4 Qg4#* 0-1 (63) Berserkaren (2609)-Benbasat (2593) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.d5 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Nb8 12.h4 c6 13.h5 cxd5 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Qh2 h6 16.Rg1 d4 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.Bd3 g5 19.e5 Qe6 20.Rxg5 N8d7 21.Be4 Nc5 22.f5 Nxe4 23.Rxg7+ Kxg7 24.fxe6 Ng5 25.Qg2 1-0 (25) Postny, E (2641)-Tseitlin,M (2349) Beer-Sheva ISR 2014]

8...Nc6 9.d5 Ne5 10.Na3 c6 11.Rd1 cxd5 12.exd5 Bf5 13.h5 Rc8 14.hxg6 Bxg6 15.Nh3 Nbc4 16.Nxc4 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.0-0 Rc2 19.Qe1 Rxb2 20.Bd4 Bxd4+ 21.Rxd4 Qb6 22.Qe3 Rd8 23.Nf4 e6 24.dxe6 Re8 25.Nd5 Rxe6 26.Nxb6 Rxe3 27.Nc4 Ree2 28.Nxb2 Rxb2 29.Rf2 Rb1+ 30.Kh2 b6 31.Rfd2 a5 32.Rd8+ Kg7 33.Rb8 Rb4 34.Rd6 b5 35.Rd5 Ra4 36.Rbxb5 Rxa2 37.Rxa5 Rb2 38.Kg3 Re2 39.Re5 Rc2 40.f4 Rd2 41.f5 Bh5 42.f6+ 1-0 (42) gmluke (2745)-smihir6 (2656) Blitz 2024

6.a4 a5 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Qd2 Nxd4 10.Rd1 c5 11.h4 h5 12.Nh3 Be6 13.Nf4 Bb3 14.Rc1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Qf2 Qb6 17.Nfd5 Qd6 18.Bf4 Be5 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.f4 Qd6 21.e5 Qc6 22.Ne3 Ba6 23.Rh3 Rd8 24.Rg3 Nb3 25.Rd1 Rxd1+ 26.Kxd1 Qd7+ 27.Ke1 Qd4 28.e6 fxe6 29.Rxg6 Nc1 30.Qd2 Nd3+ 31.Kd1 Qxf4 32.Rxe6 Kf7 33.Rxe7+ Kf8 34.Ncd5 Qxa4+ 35.Ke2 Qxh4 36.Kd1

Rh6 37.Nf5 Qa4+ 38.Ke2 Nf4+ 39.Kf2 Nxd5 40.Qxh6+ 1-0 (40) littleplotkin (2729)-MightBeDecent (2703) Blitz 2024

[39] **7.Nge2** 0-0 8.h4 h5 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.d5 Ne5 11.Qc2 c6 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Rd1 Qc7 14.Bf4 e5 15.Bg5 Nd4 16.Qb1 Be6 17.Nc1 f5 18.Bd3 f4 19.0-0 Qf7 20.Nd5 Kh7 21.Nb3 Nxd5 22.exd5 Bxd5 23.Nc5 Rac8 24.b4 b6 25.Ne4 Nf5 26.Bxf4 Bxe4 27.fxe4 Nd4 28.Bxe5 Qe7 29.Bxg7 Qf7 30.Rxf7 1-0 (30) pzpzpzz (2783)-RanchoWangdu (2679) Blitz 2022

[40] **7...Nc6** 0.48/18 Stohl: '!?' Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey' Illingworth, Max: 'This is definitely Black's best line.' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'This early knight development asks White what he intends to do about his d-pawn.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A rare continuation, considered (perhaps undeservedly) second-rate. It was examined in annotations to Mamedyarov-Kamsky by GM Igor Stohl - see his survey in CBM 149. ' Glenn Flear: 'White can also release the pressure on d4 by advancing the pawn:' Glenn Flear: 'There has been a flurry of interest in the alternative' 8.d5 Kitty Kat: '⩲' Glenn Flear: 'when White hopes that his pawn-wedge will be an asset rather than a target:' [Glenn Flear: 'After'Stohl,Igor: 'For' 8.Bb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Stohl, Igor: '!?' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'the most notable recent game is the following:'Stohl,Igor: 'see Khismatullin-Yandemirov.'

A) Glenn Flear: 'Less committal is' Glenn Flear: 'Some lower-ranked players have played the passive' 8...Bd7 Glenn Flear: 'here, but as White isn't really threatening to capture on c6, there is no point.' 9.Nge2

A1) 9...Na5 10.Bxd7+ Qxd7 11.b3 Nc6 12.Qd2 Stohl,Igor: '⩲' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '⩲';

A2) Glenn Flear: 'For' 9...0-0 10.0-0

A2a) 10...Nb4 11.Bd3 Nxd3 12.Qxd3 c6 13.b3 a5 14.a4 Nc8 15.Qd2 Re8 16.Rfd1 Nd6 17.Rab1 Bc8 18.d5 f5 19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Bd4 e5 21.Bc5 Nf7 22.Qe3 Qf6 23.b4 axb4 24.Rxb4 Ba6 25.Rb6 Reb8 26.Nd5 Qe6 27.Nc7 Qc8 28.Nxa8 Rxa8 29.Nc3 Nd8 30.exf5 gxf5 31.f4 Ne6 32.fxe5 f4 33.Qf3 Nxc5 34.Rxc6 Qe8 35.Rxc5 Bxe5 36.Rxe5 1-0 (36) Duda, J (2684)-Tomaszewski,R (2297) Zgierz POL 2017;

A2b) 10...a6

A2b1) 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.d5 *(12.b3 Qd6 13.Qc2 Rfd8 14.Rfd1 Be8 15.Rac1 a5 16.a4 c6 17.Nf4 Nd7 18.e5 Qb8 19.Ne4 Nb6 20.h4 Nd5 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Nc5 b6 23.Nd3 Rc8 24.Qd2 Qb7 25.Bh6 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Rc8 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Re1 Qc6 29.Qe3 Bd7 30.Nf4 Be6 31.Ne2 Qc2 32.Rc1 Qb2 33.Rxc8 Bxc8 34.Nf4 Bb7 35.Kh2 Qc2 36.h5 g5 37.Nh3 h6 38.Nxg5 hxg5 39.Qxg5+*

Kf8 40.Qh6+ Ke8 41.Qxb6 Qf2 42.Qxb7 Qh4+ 43.Kg1 ½-½ (43) Martirosyan,H (2622)-Harutyunyan,T (2549) Yerevan ARM 2021*)* 12...Bd7 13.Bd4 c6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.a4 cxd5 16.Qd4+ Kg8 17.a5 Nc4 18.Nxd5 Bb5 19.Rfd1 e5 20.Qc5 Qg5 21.Nec3 Nxb2 22.Nxb5 Nxd1 23.Nbc7 Qd2 24.h3 Rad8 25.Rb1 Rd6 26.Qxd6 Qc2 27.Nf6+ Kg7 28.Nce8+ Kh6 29.Rxd1 Rh8 30.Qd2+ Qxd2 31.Rxd2 g5 32.Rd7 Kg6 33.Rxb7 h5 34.Rb6 g4 35.fxg4 hxg4 36.Nxg4+ Kg5 37.Nef6 Rc8 38.Kh2 Rc2 39.Rxa6 Kh4 40.Ra8 Kg5 41.a6 Ra2 42.a7 Kf4 43.Nd5+ Kxe4 44.Nc3+ Kf4 45.Nxa2 1-0 (45) WhiteBishop4761 (2640)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2790) Blitz 2021;

A2b2) 11.Bd3 Nb4 12.Bb1 Nc4 13.Bc1 c5 14.d5 a5 15.a3 Na6 16.b3 Nd6 17.Bb2 b5 18.Qd2 c4 19.bxc4 Nxc4 20.Qc1 Nxb2 21.Qxb2 b4 22.axb4 axb4 23.Rxa6 Rxa6 24.Qxb4 Rb6 25.Qc5 Rb2 26.Bd3 Qc8 27.Qa3 Rd2 28.Rd1 Rxd1+ 29.Nxd1 e6 30.dxe6 Bxe6 31.h3 Rd8 32.Nf2 h5 33.Qa6 Qc5 34.Kf1 Qe3 35.Qb5 Bf8 36.Qb1 Bc5 37.Qe1 Rxd3 38.Nxd3 Qxd3 39.g4 Bc4 40.Kg2 Qxe2+ 41.Qxe2 Bxe2 42.gxh5 gxh5 43.Kg3 Be7 44.Kf4 h4 45.e5 Bf1 46.Kg4 Kg7 47.f4 Be2+ 48.Kf5 Bd3+ 49.Kg4 Kg6 50.f5+ Bxf5+ 51.Kf4 Bxh3 52.e6 Bxe6 53.Ke5 h3 54.Ke4 h2 55.Kf3 h1Q+ 56.Kf4 Qh4+ 57.Ke5 Qg4 ½-½ (57) OnkelKonkel (2661)-Stas-2444 (2589) Blitz 2022;

A2c) 10...e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.a4 a6 13.Bd3 Nbc8 14.Qb3 Nd6 15.Bc5 Nec8 16.a5 h6 17.Nd1 Kh7 18.Ne3 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Ng3 Ne7 21.Bxd6 cxd6 22.Qxb7 Kh8 23.Nh5 Rg8 24.Rac1 e4 25.fxe4 Bd4 26.Rf3 Rb8 27.Qxa6 Rxb2 28.Bf1 fxe4 29.Qc4 Rd2 30.Rd1 Rxd1 31.Qe2 exf3 32.Qxd1 Bxe3+ 33.Kh1 fxg2+ 34.Bxg2 Nf5 35.Qd3 Qg5 36.Qe4 Qxh5 37.Bf3 Rg1# 0-1 (37) dunkedupon (2639)-MightBeDecent (2707) Blitz 2025;

A2d) 10...Na5

A2d1) Glenn Flear: 'Seventy years ago, the player of the white pieces decided to retain bishops:' 11.Bd3 Nac4 12.Bc1 e5 *(12...Rc8 13.b3 Nd6 14.Ba3 a6 15.Rc1* Bartosek, M-Sajtar, J Prague 1943, and as ...c5 is stymied White keeps a bind.*; 12...a6 13.Bc2 c6 14.b3 Nd6 15.Bb2)* 13.d5 Nd6;

A2d2) 11.b3 Glenn Flear: 'see Navara, D-Ftacnik, L Czech league 2013, in the

archives, where White kept an edge.';

A2d3) 11.Bxd7 Qxd7 12.b3 Rad8 13.Qd2 Black is unable to counter in the centre with his standard pawn breaks ...c5 or ...e5, so is unable to equalize. Nc6 14.Rad1 Qc8 15.Qc1 e6 Ftacnik wants to make the inevitable d4-d5 advance less attractive, but otherwise he has to temporize. 16.Bg5 f6 Yes, it's a concession (weakening of e6), but what else? 17.Bh6 Qd7 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.d5! This, followed by placing a knight on d4, is unpleasant to meet. exd5 20.exd5 Ne7 21.Nd4 Threatening a major-piece fork on e6. Black now has to give up the exchange, but doesn't obtain enough play. Nexd5 22.Ne6 Qe7 23.Nxf8

A2d31) Alternatively, Black can eliminate White's remaining knight with 23...Nxc3 24.Qxc3 *(24.Nxg6??* fails to *Qc5+ 25.Kh1 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 hxg6)* 24...Kxf8 25.Rxd8+ Qxd8 26.Re1 a6! when there would be technical difficulties to convert the advantage. However Black's somewhat exposed king would be a continual source of problems for the second player, so White should eventually be able to convert his advantage.;

A2d32) 23...Qxf8 24.Ne4! I like this manoeuvre... heading yet again for e6! c6 25.Nc5 Qf7 26.Rfe1 Nc8 27.Ne6 Rd7 *(* Instead *27...Re8* pushes back the knight, for now, but after *28.Nd4* White could regroup with the intention of invading again later. Another idea would be to trade knights with 29.Nf4, White almost being spoilt for choice.*)* 28.h3 a6 29.a4 Nce7 30.b4 A minority attack to soften-up the queenside. Very effective as Black is not in a position to create any form of counter-attack. h5 31.b5 axb5 32.axb5 cxb5 33.Qc5 The knight outpost on d5 has been effectively undermined. b4 34.Nf4 b3 35.Qb5 Creating too many problems. Rd6 36.Qxb7 Rb6 *(*Or *36...Kg7 37.Rxe7! Qxe7 38.Qxe7+ Nxe7 39.Rxd6)* 37.Qa8+ 1-0 (38) Navara,D (2710)-Ftacnik,L (2544) Czech Republic CZE 2013 [Glenn Flear]*(* After *37.Qa8+ Kg7 38.Nxd5 Nxd5 39.Qxd5* Black finds himself a rook

down. *)*;

A3) 9...a6 Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'

A3a) 10.Bd3 Glenn Flear: '!?' e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.0-0 Glenn Flear: 'maybe' 12...0-0 *(12...c6 13.f4* Glenn Flear: 'Zidek, V-Senkyr, M Czech league 2015, with a tense position which feels a shade easier for White (black king in the centre, knight being undermined).'*)* 13.Qd2 *(13.Rc1 c5 14.Nb1 Rc8 15.Nd2 Bb5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.f4 Qd6 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.g3 f5 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Bh6 Rxc1 22.Qxc1 Rc8 23.Qd1 fxe4 24.Nxe4 Qxd5 25.Qf3 Nd7 26.Qg4 Bg7 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Ng5 h5 29.Ne6+ Kh6 30.Qf4+ g5 31.Qf7* 1-0 (31) MothToTheFlame (2719)-KnightNobleman (2579) Blitz 2023*; 13.f4 c5* Glenn Flear: 'is better' *)* 13...c6 14.Bg5 Qb8;

A3b) 10.Bxc6 Bxc6 11.d5 Bd7 12.Bd4 0-0 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qd4+ Kg8 *(14...f6 15.Rd1)* 15.h4 *(15.0-0)* 15...Re8 16.0-0-0 e5 17.Qf2 *(17.dxe6 Bxe6 18.h5)* 17...Nc4 18.g3 b5 19.h5 b4 20.Nb1 Qe7 *(20...g5)* 21.Nd2;

B) Glenn Flear: 'Instead of castling, the immediate' 8...a6 Glenn Flear: 'is comparable to the game. Then' 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Nge2 *(10.b3 a5 11.Nge2 a4 12.Rc1 axb3 13.axb3 0-0 14.0-0 Qd6 15.e5 Qb4 16.Bd2 Qa3 17.Ne4 Nd5* Bocharov,D-Yandemirov,V Kazan rapid 2016, when despite the fact that Black sheds a pawn his position is fairly robust. The expression 'partial compensation' is perhaps clichéd, but here it involves some light-square action and a great outpost on d5.*)* 10...Nc4 11.Qc1 Glenn Flear: '!?' Nxe3 12.Qxe3 a5 13.e5 Glenn Flear: '(stopping ...e5 and annexing the e4-square for his knight)' a4 14.0-0-0 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: '(an original interpretation of this type of position. Is White's king really as safe as Matlakov seems to suggest?)' Be6 15.Kb1 Qb8 16.Ne4 Bd5 17.Nc5 Glenn Flear: 'Matlakov, M-Greenfeld, A Bilbao 2014, and in the game Black couldn't cope with the hopping knights.' Ra5 18.Rc1 a3 19.b3 f6 20.Nf4 Bh6 21.exf6 0-0 22.Nd7 Qb4 23.Nxd5 1-0 (23) Matlakov,M (2694)-Greenfeld,A (2551) Bilbao ESP 2014;

C) 8...0-0 9.Nge2 Krasenkow, Michal: 'A rare continuation in this classical position of the Alapin system. At first glance, White wants to remove his bishop to a2 at some point; in fact, however, he looks for a favorable moment to take on d5, and control of the b4 square will always be useful. Still, this strategy is quite harmless.' *(9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.Nge2 Nc4∞ 11.Bc1 c5 12.d5 c6 13.0-0 cxd5 14.Nxd5 e6 15.Ndc3 Qb6 16.Kh1 Rd8 17.Qc2 Ba6 18.b3 Na5 19.Bb2 c4 20.Na4 cxb3 21.Nxb6 bxc2 22.Bxg7 Bxe2 23.Nxa8 Bxf1* 0-1 (23) tornike_sanikidze (2736)-

Alexandr_KhleBovich (2745) Blitz 2020 *)*

C1) 9...Na5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 10.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'N' *(10.Qa4 a6 11.Qxa5 axb5 12.Qxb5 Bd7 13.Qd3 Na4 14.b3 Nxc3 15.Nxc3 c5 16.d5 c4 17.bxc4 b5 18.Bd4 bxc4 19.Qd2 f6 20.a4 Qa5 21.0-0 Rfb8 22.Rfb1 Rb3 23.Rxb3 cxb3 24.Qb2 Rb8 25.Kf2 Qb4 26.Ne2 Bxa4 27.Bc3 Qc4 28.Qd2 Rc8 29.Bb2 Bd7 30.Nd4 f5 31.Ra7 Be8 32.Ne6 Bxb2 33.Qxb2 Qc2+ 34.Qxc2 bxc2 35.Rxe7 c1Q 36.Kg3 fxe4 37.f4 Qe3+ 38.Kg4 Bf7 39.Kg5 Bxe6 40.dxe6 Rc5+ 41.Kg4 h5+ 42.Kh4 Qxf4+ 43.g4 Qxg4#* 0-1 (43) cubanito2002 (2694)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2651) Blitz 2020 *)*

C1a) 10...e5 Glenn Flear: '!'

C1a1) Glenn Flear: 'After' 11.d5 Glenn Flear: 'Black could try' c6! Glenn Flear: 'as' 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Bxc6 bxc6 Glenn Flear: 'doesn't look like much for White: The bishop pair compensating for the inferior structure.' 14.Qxd8 *(14.0-0 Ba6 15.Qc2 Qd3 16.Qc1 Qd7 17.Rd1 Qe6 18.Qa3 Bxe2 19.Nxe2 Rfc8 20.Rac1 Bf8 21.Qa6 Qe7 22.Rc2 Qa3 23.Qxa3 Bxa3 24.Nc1 f6 25.Kf2 Kf7 26.Nd3 Ke6 27.Rc3 Be7 28.Rdc1 Kd7 29.Ke2 Rab8 30.h4 Rb7 31.Bc5 Bd8 32.h5 g5 33.Nf2 Na8 34.Ng4 Ke6 35.Rd3 Rd7 36.Rxd7 Kxd7 37.Rd1+ Ke8 38.Rd6 Kf7 39.Rd7+ Ke6 40.Rxh7 Bb6 41.Re7#* 1-0 (41) Kuzubov,Y (2603)-Shuvalov,E (2079) chess.com INT 2023*)* 14...Rxd8 15.0-0 Ba6 16.Rfd1 f6 17.Kf2 Bf8 18.Rxd8 Rxd8 19.Rd1 Rxd1 20.Nxd1 Kf7 21.Nec3 Ke6 22.Nb2 c5 23.Nba4 Nd7 24.Nd5 Bb7 25.Nac3 f5 26.Ke2 f4 27.Bf2 g5 28.Nc7+ Kf7 29.N7d5 h5 30.h3 Ba6+ 31.Ke1 Bd3 32.a3 a6 33.b4 cxb4 34.axb4 Bc4 35.g4 h4 36.Ba7 Bd6 37.Kf2 Ke6 38.Kg2 Nf6 39.Nxf6 Kxf6 40.Bc5 Bxc5 41.bxc5 Ke6 42.Kf2 Kd7 43.Nd5 Kc6 44.Ne7+ Kxc5 45.Ng6 Kd4 46.Nf8 a5 47.Nh7 a4 48.Nxg5 a3 0-1 (48) Lakridstrollet (2609)-pulvettd (2701) Blitz 2022;

C1a2) 11.dxe5 Bxe5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black could also opt to sacrifice a pawn:' *11...Qh4+* Glenn Flear: '!?' *12.g3 Qe7 13.f4 Bh3 14.Qc2 Rfd8 15.Kf2 a6 16.Bd3 Nc6* Glenn Flear: 'with good practical compensation, Bakker, S-Gutman, L Dresden 2007.' *)*

C1a21) Glenn Flear: 'If' 12.f4 Glenn Flear: 'Black has a choice:'

C1a211) Glenn Flear: 'instead' 12...Bg7 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn

Flear: 'sacrifices the exchange:' 13.Bc5 Bg4 14.e5 *(14.Bxf8* Glenn Flear: '??' *Bxc3+)* 14...a6 15.Bxf8 *(15.Bd3 Re8 16.0-0 f6* Glenn Flear: 'yields counterplay'*)* 15...Qxf8 16.Bd3 Rd8 17.Qc2 Nc6 18.a3 f6 Glenn Flear: 'with compensation due to the bishops and dark-squared activity';

C1a212) 12...Bd6 13.e5 Ba3 14.0-0 Qe7 Glenn Flear: 'and it's not clear that the early e4-e5 advance has really helped White. In the game, Bocharov holds back with his pawns and instead opts for piece-play.';

C1a22) 12.0-0

C1a221) 12...Qe7 13.Qe1

C1a2211) 13...a6 Glenn Flear: 'Timofeev aims to redeploy his knight as it is now looking exposed on a5.' 14.Bd3 Nc6 15.Rd1 Bd6 16.Qf2 Glenn Flear: 'When he is good and ready, White will gain space with f3-f4, leaving Black lacking squares for his minor pieces.' Ne5 17.Bb1 Be6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Apart from being rather loosening,' *17...f5* Glenn Flear: 'fails tactically to' *18.Bxb6 cxb6 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Nxb6* Glenn Flear: 'winning a pawn under favourable circumstances.'*)* 18.h3 Bocharov, D-Timofeev, A Khanty-Mansiysk 2012, and White has a pull, as he will follow with the space-gaining f3-f4 f6 Glenn Flear: 'Creating a retreat square for a minor piece.' 19.f4 Ned7 20.Nd4 Bf7 21.Nce2 Glenn Flear: 'Black needs a plan that can offer counterplay.' c5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Or' *21...Rad8* Glenn Flear: 'followed by ...Rfe8 and a later ...c5.'*)* 22.Nf3 c4 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'White can't capture twice on b6 due to ...Bc5+, but this advance does give the d4-square away.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'A solid alternative is'

22...Rad8)

C1a22111)

Glenn Flear: 'After' 23.e5 fxe5 24.fxe5 Glenn Flear: 'Black can choose between' Bc5 *(Glenn Flear: 'and' 24...Bb4)*;

C1a22112)

23.Nfd4 Bc5 24.Ng3 Rfe8 25.Kh1 Nd5 Glenn Flear: '?!' *(Glenn Flear: 'Again bringing his last piece into play with' 25...Rad8* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'comes into consideration.' *)*

C1a221121)

Glenn Flear: 'White has a tantalizing tactical possibility here:' 26.Ngf5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'when' gxf5 27.Nxf5 Nxe3 *(Glenn Flear: 'bad is' 27...Qf8* Glenn Flear: '?' *28.Bxc5 Nxc5 29.exd5 cxb3 30.axb3* Glenn Flear: 'when White has an extra pawn, as' *Nxb3* Glenn Flear: '??' Glenn Flear: 'fails to' *31.Qg3+ Kh8 32.Qxb3)* 28.Qg3+ Bg6 29.Nxe7+ Rxe7 30.f5 Glenn Flear: 'must favour White to some extent.';

C1a221122)

26.Bd2 Nc7 27.Ngf5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Bocharov is finally tempted to take the plunge with this knight offer.'

C1a2211221)

Glenn Flear: 'The justification behind White's last move, and Black's reply, is that after' 27...gxf5 28.Qg3+ Kh8 *(Glenn Flear: 'or' 28...Bg6 29.Nxf5 Qf8* Glenn Flear: '(with several threats)' *30.Ba5 Bb6 31.Rxd7 Bxa5 32.Nh4 Re7 33.Rxe7 Qxe7 34.f5* Glenn Flear: 'regaining the piece with advantage'*)* 29.Nxf5 Qf8 30.Ba5 Glenn Flear: 'both knights are hanging.';

C1a2211222)

27...Qf8 28.Qg3

C1a22112221)

Glenn Flear: 'After' 28...Kh8

Glenn Flear: 'one logical-looking conclusion would be' 29.Bc3 gxf5 30.Nxf5 Be6 31.Qg5 Glenn Flear: '(the pressure on f6 is key)' Nb5 *(31...Ne5 32.Qh4* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and the pressure is strong' *)* 32.Rxd7 Nxc3 33.Rxh7+ Kxh7 34.Qh4+ Kg8 35.Qg4+ Kh8 36.Qh4+ Kg8 37.Qg4+ Glenn Flear: 'with a draw.';

C1a22112222)

28...Rad8 29.Ba5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'White is fishing in troubled waters, though for the moment Black is holding firm.' Bb6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'With' *29...b6 30.Bc3 Nb5* Glenn Flear: 'Black trades a pair of knights:' *31.Nxb5 axb5 32.bxc4 Bxc4 33.Rfe1 Kh8* Glenn Flear: 'when White is restricted to a modest edge (better structure).'*)* 30.Bc3 Nc5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After the temporizing' *30...Bc5* Glenn Flear: 'White could try' *31.e5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'when all hell breaks loose. For example' *fxe5 32.fxe5 Nxe5 33.Nh6+ Qxh6 34.Nf5* Glenn Flear: 'seems to be winning for White, as Black is facing terrible problems on the long dark diagonal.'*)* 31.e5 Glenn Flear: '?!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'The precise continuation' *31.Qh4* Glenn Flear: '!' *gxf5 32.Nxf5 Bg6 33.Nh6+ Kg7 34.e5* Glenn Flear: 'crashes through.' *)* 31...cxb3 32.axb3 Nxb3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'The only good move seems to be' *32...Nd5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '(hitting c3, defending f6) but following' *33.Ba1* Glenn Flear: 'White still has pressure.

') 33.Nxb3 Rxd1 (Glenn Flear: 'Or' *33...Bxb3 34.Rxd8 Rxd8 35.exf6* Glenn Flear: 'and White's kingside advantage is paramount.') 34.Rxd1 Bxb3 35.Rd6 Glenn Flear: 'A hammer-blow.' Bc5 36.Rxf6 Bf7 37.Qg5 1-0 (37) Chilingirova,P (2620)-Medvedev,O (2598) Czech Republic 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] (Glenn Flear: 'After' *37.Qg5* Glenn Flear: 'the natural move is' *Ne6* Glenn Flear: 'but then' *38.Nh6+ Kg7 39.Qh4 Re7 40.Nxf7 Rxf7 41.f5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'demolishes Black's defences.');

C1a2212)

13...Rd8!? 14.Rd1 Rxd1 15.Nxd1 a6 16.Bd3 Nc6 17.Nf2 Bg7 18.Qc1 Bocharov, D-Timofeev, A Khanty-Mansiysk 2012 and now Bd7 doesn't leave White with much. This could be Black's best method (at move nine) of getting close to equality. *(18...Be6 19.f4 Rd8 20.Bb1 Nd4 21.Nxd4 Bxd4 22.Bxd4 Rxd4 23.f5 Bd7 24.Qxc7 Qd6 25.Qd8+ Kg7 26.e5 Qc5 27.Qf6+ Kh6 28.e6 Bb5 29.h4* 1-0 (29) Bocharov,D (2620)-Timofeev,A (2598) Khanty-Mansiisk RUS 2012);

C1a222) Glenn Flear: 'Possible is' 12...a6 13.Bd3 Nc6 Glenn Flear: '(somehow this looks more awkward for White than the game with the bishop on d3 ahead of the queen on e1)'

C1a2221) 14.f4 Bg7 *(14...Bxc3 15.Nxc3 Bg4 16.Be2* Glenn Flear: 'leaves White with the small but persistent advantage of dark-squared bishop versus knight') 15.Bc5 Re8 16.Rc1 Bg4 17.h3 Bxe2 18.Nxe2 Bf8

19.Be3 Glenn Flear: 'which is given as equal by Rybka, but the bishop pair must give White at least a shade of an edge. ';

C1a2222) 14.Rc1 Re8 15.Bb1 Qxd1 16.Rfxd1 Be6 17.f4 Bg7 18.f5 gxf5 19.Bxb6 cxb6 20.exf5 Bc8 21.Nf4 Bd4+ 22.Kf1 Be3 23.Nfd5 Bxc1 24.Nf6+ Kf8 25.Nxe8 Bb2 26.Nd5 Bd7 27.Nd6 Rb8 28.Nxb6 Be8 29.Be4 Rd8 30.Nbc4 Bf6 31.Nxe8 Rxd1+ 32.Ke2 Kxe8 33.Bxc6+ Rd7 34.Bxd7+ Kxd7 35.Kf3 b5 36.Nd2 Be5 37.h4 h6 38.Kg4 Kd6 39.Nf3 Bg7 40.Kh5 a5 41.Nh2 Ke5 42.Ng4+ Kxf5 43.Nxh6+ Ke6 44.g4 a4 45.g5 Bb2 46.Kg4 1 - 0 (4 6) Shineshou90_BOT (2857)-ArasanX (2759) Rapid 2023;

C1b) 10...c6 11.Bd3 Nd7 12.b4 Normal 1-0 (12) MothToTheFlame (2661)-sad_avocado (2436) Blitz 2024;

C1c) Glenn Flear: 'better than' Glenn Flear: 'This looks stronger than' 10...a6 11.Bd3 Nc6 Glenn Flear: '(a bit laborious, all this, but in fact Black doesn't lose any time)'

C1c1) 12.d5 Ne5 13.Rc1 *(13.Bc2 e6 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.0-0 Qe7* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Longano, M-Anderson, G Cape Town 2015.' *)* 13...e6 14.Bb1 exd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 c6 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Bb6 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 Rxd3 20.Kf2 Be6 21.Rhd1 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 a5 23.Nf4 a4 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.b4 Bc3 26.a3 Bb2 27.Rd3 Rf8 28.Bc5 Rf7 29.Rd2 Bc3 30.Rd8+ Kg7 31.Bd4+ Bxd4+ 32.Rxd4 e5 33.Rd8 Rc7 34.Ra8 b5 35.Rb8 Kf6 36.Ke3 Ke6 37.g3 Kd6 38.f4 Re7 39.f5 Kc7 40.Rf8 Kb6 41.g4 Rc7 42.g5 c5 43.Rf6+ Kb7 44.bxc5 Rxc5 45.Rf7+ Kb6 46.Rxh7 gxf5 47.g6 f4+ 48.Kf3 Rc6 49.g7 Rg6 50.Rh6 Rxh6 51.g8Q Rh3+ 52.Kg2 Rxa3 53.Qe6+ Ka5 54.Qxe5 f3+ 55.Kf2 Rb3 56.h4 a3 57.h5 a2 58.h6 Rb1 59.h7 a1Q 60.Qxa1+ Rxa1 61.h8Q Ra2+ 62.Kxf3 Ra4 63.Kf4 Ra3 64.Qa8+ Kb4 65.Qxa3+ Kxa3 66.e5 b4 67.e6 b3 68.e7 b2 69.e8Q b1Q 70.Qa8+ Kb2 71.Qb8+ Ka1 72.Qxb1+ Kxb1 ½-½ (72) jposthuma

(2755)-ffl0 (2616) Blitz 2021;
C1c2) 12.Rc1;
C1c3) 12.Bc2
C1c31) 12...f5
C1c311) 13.e5 f4 *(13...Nb4)* 14.Nxf4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Rxf4 16.Bxb6 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 cxb6 18.Nd5 Rf8 19.Nxe7+ Kf7 20.Nd5 Bxe5 21.Nxb6;
C1c312) 13.0-0 fxe4 14.fxe4 Rxf1+ 15.Kxf1 Bg4 16.Qd2 Qd6 17.Kg1 Rd8 18.Rd1 e5 19.d5 Nd4 20.h3 Bxh3 21.Nxd4 exd4 22.Bxd4 Bg4 23.e5 Bxe5 24.Bxe5 Qxe5 25.Re1 Qg7 26.Be4 Bf5 27.Bxf5 gxf5 28.Rf1 Rf8 29.d6 cxd6 30.Qxd6 Qxc3 31.Qxb6 Qg7 32.Qd6 Kh8 33.Qd5 f4 34.Rf2 b5 35.a4 bxa4 36.bxa4 Qf6 37.Rf3 Rd8 38.Qh5 Rg8 39.Kh2 Rg6 40.Rh3 Qg7 41.Qe2 Rg3 42.Qe8+ Qg8 43.Qe5+ Qg7 44.Qb8+ Qg8 45.Qb2+ Qg7 46.Qxg7+ Kxg7 47.Rh4 Rg6 48.Rxf4 Rf6 49.Re4 Kf7 50.Kg1 Kg6 51.Rb4 h5 52.Rf4 Kg5 53.Re4 Kf5 54.Re8 Kg5 55.Rg8+ Kf5 56.g4+ 1-0 (56) tornike_sanikidze (2777) - Alexandr_KhleBovich (2761) Blitz 2020;
C1c32) 12...e6 Glenn Flear: '(White retains a small space pull)'
C1c321) 13.Qd2 Nd7 *(13...Qh4+ 14.Bf2 Qe7)* 14.h4 Nf6 15.0-0-0 Qe7 16.Kb1 Qb4 17.h5 Rd8± 0-1 (39) Friedel,M (2148)-Mokal,A (2056) Dresden 2014 18.hxg6 is usually played. hxg6 19.Bh6;
C1c322) 13.0-0 Qe7 14.Qc1
C1c3221) 14...Rd8 15.Rd1 *(15.e5)*;
C1c3222) 14...Nb4= 0-1 (59) Sunilduth Lyna,N (2590)-Leenhouts,K (2438) Chess.com INT 2017 15.Bb1!?;
C1c3223) 14...e5 Glenn Flear: '(hitting at the centre doesn't solve all the problems, but at least gets some grip on space)' A typical setup: the so-called fixed centre and a knight versus a "bad" bishop. It is a tiny advantage for White but he needs a

number of opponent's mistakes to get something more serious. 15.d5 Nd4 16.Rd1 Glenn Flear: 'Khismatullin, D-Yandemirov, V Voronezh 2006, is more comfortable for White who is better developed' c5 *(16...Nxc2 17.Qxc2; 16...Nxe2+ 17.Nxe2* Glenn Flear: 'leaves White with a good-looking King's Indian and a safe advantage'*)* 17.dxc6 Rd8 18.cxb7 Bxb7 19.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'Khismatullin, D-Yandemirov, V Voronezh 2005, and Black didn't have enough compensation.' Rd7 *(19...Rac8 20.Qb2)* 20.Bf2 Rc8 21.Qd2 f5 22.Rac1 Rcd8 23.Nxd4 *(23.exf5 Nxf3+⇄ 24.gxf3 Rxd3!? 25.Qxd3 Rxd3 26.Rxd3 Nd7)* 23...exd4 24.Nd5?! Nxd5 25.exd5 Qa3 *(25...Be5)* 26.Rc4 Qf8 27.Ra4 Bxd5 28.Bxa6?! And suddenly several nervous moves spoil White's position. Bf7 29.Bd3 Bh6 Black's passed pawn is blocked but that is just a defensive setup. 30.f4 Qd6 31.Rxd4 Qxd4 32.Bxd4 Rxd4 33.Qc2 Bxf4 34.Be2?! Rxd1+ 35.Bxd1 Be6 *(35...Rd2!? 36.Qc8+!? Kg7!? 37.Qc3+?! Kg8 38.Bc2 Bd5 39.g3* 1-0 (24) Kryvoruchko,Y (2628)-Pavlovic,M (2537) Kavala 2008*)* 36.Bf3? Rd2! 37.Qc6 Kf7! 38.a4 Be5 39.Kf1 g5 40.a5? g4 The d5 pawn is lost, and Black should win. 41.Be2 Rd6 42.Qc2 Kf6 Disgusted, White immediately resigns. 43.a6! , preventing ... Be4, was the right defence. Bd4 44.Qd2 Ke7 45.Qg5+ - White's rook can't get to the b-file, and Black gradually brings his king to the centre with a clear advantage. Bf6∓ 46.Qh6 Bxb3 47.Qxh7+ Kd8∓

⌓48.a7 Bd5 49.Qxf5 0-1 (49) Wang,H (2762)-Caruana,F (2842) Ekaterinburg 2021 CBM 202 [Krasenkow, Michal] is not too promising either but waiting strategy gradually gives the initiative to the opponent.;

C1c33) 12...Qd6 13.0-0 Rd8 14.d5 Nb4 15.Rc1 Nxc2 16.Rxc2 e6 17.Rd2 e5 18.Qc2 Bd7 19.Rc1 Rac8 20.Nd1 f5 21.Nf2 f4 22.Bc5 Qf6 23.Qb2 Na8 24.a4 b6 25.Bb4;

C1c34) 12...Nb4

C1c341) 13.Bb1 a5 14.a3;

C1c342) 13.Rc1 Nxc2+ 14.Qxc2 a5 15.0-0 a4 16.Nxa4 *(16.d5)* 16...Nxa4 17.bxa4 c6 18.Rfd1 Qa5 19.Nc3 Be6 20.d5 cxd5 21.Nxd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 Qxa4 23.Qxa4 Rxa4;

C1c343) 13.0-0 c6 14.Rc1 Nxc2 15.Rxc2 a5 16.Rd2 a4 17.d5 Qc7 18.Bf4 *(18.Nxa4 Nxa4 19.bxa4 Qa5)* 18...Be5 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.f4 Qd6 21.dxc6 Qc5+ 22.Rd4 bxc6 23.b4 Qh5 24.Qd2 *(24.Ng3 Qxd1 25.Rfxd1 a3 26.Nge2 Ba6; 24.Qc1 Ba6 25.Ng3 Qh4 26.Nce2)* 24...Ba6 25.Ng3 Qh4 26.Nce2 e5 27.fxe5 Nc4 28.Qc3 Nxe5 29.Rd6 Rfe8 30.Rf4 *(30.Rfd1 Ng4)* 30...Qe7 31.Rd4 *(31.Rdf6 Rad8 32.Nd4 Qa7; 31.Rd2 Rad8 32.Nd4 Qg5 33.Rdf2 Nd3 34.Rxf7 Qe5)* 31...Bxe2 32.Nxe2 Red8 33.Rf1 Rxd4;

C1c344) 13.a3 Nxc2+ 14.Qxc2 a5 15.a4 f5 16.e5 Be6 17.Rd1 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.Rd3 Qd7 20.Kf2 Bf7 21.Rc1 c6 22.Qd2 Rfd8 23.Rc5 b6 24.Rcc3 b5 25.Rc5 Rdb8 26.Qc1 bxa4 27.bxa4 Bd5 28.Nf4 Bf8 29.Rdc3 Rb4 30.Nxd5 cxd5 31.Rc8 Rxc8 32.Rxc8 Kf7 33.Rc6 Rb1 34.Rc7 Rxc1 35.Rxd7 Rc2+ 36.Kg3 Rc3 37.Bf4 Rc4 38.Rxd5 h6 39.h4 Rxa4 40.Rd7 Bg7 41.d5 g5 42.e6+ Kg6 43.h5+ Kxh5 44.Bd6 Ra2 45.Rxe7 Bf6 46.Re8 Rd2 47.e7 f4+ 48.Kh3 Rxd5 49.Ra8 Bxe7 50.Bxe7 Kg6 51.Kh2 h5 52.Rg8+ Kh6 53.Bf8+ Kh7 54.Rg7+

Kh8 55.Ra7 g4 56.Rf7 gxf3 57.gxf3 a4 58.Rxf4 Ra5 59.Ba3 Kg7 60.Kg3 Kg6 61.Rc4 Ra6 62.Rd4 Ra5 63.Rd6+ Kf7 64.Rc6 Rg5+ 65.Kf2 Rg8 66.Ra6 h4 67.Rxa4 Rh8 68.Bd6 h3 69.Bh2 1-0 (69) Buletten-Karl (3010)-ArasanX (2967) Blitz 2024;

C2) Glenn Flear: 'The forcing' 9...a6 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Kamsky calls his opponent's bluff: 'OK, go ahead and give me doubled pawns!' Other highly-rated players have preferred to avoid this 'threat', but in a variety of ways.' 10.Bxc6 bxc6 Glenn Flear: 'as in Goryachkina, A-Cherochkina, D Tbilisi 2011, can now simply be met by'

C2a) 11.0-0 Nc4 12.Bc1 a5 13.b3 Nd6 14.Be3 Nb5 15.Rc1 Qd7 16.Na4;

C2b) 11.Qc2

C2b1) Glenn Flear: 'Similar to the game is the immediate' 11...e5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' 12.Rd1 Nc4 13.Bf2 Qg5 14.g3 Glenn Flear: '?!' *(14.0-0 Ne3* Glenn Flear: 'should be fine for Black. Houdini prefers White slightly, due to White's lead in development, but one shouldn't underestimate the potential of the bishop pair. *')* 14...exd4 15.Nxd4 c5 16.Nb3 Ne5 17.Qe2 Qh5 Glenn Flear: 'Goryachkina, A-Charochkina, D Tbilisi 2011, with a treacherous position.';

C2b2) 11...Nc4 12.Bf2 e5 Glenn Flear: 'Kamsky has switched the last two moves (compared to Charochkina), and this gives White an interesting option.' 13.Na4 Glenn Flear: '!' Be6 14.Nc5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'The sharp' *14.b3* Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is critical and provokes complications:' *exd4 15.Rd1 Qg5 16.bxc4 Qxg2 17.Rf1 Bh3 18.Rg1 Qxf3* Glenn Flear: 'when Black has practical chances for the piece with White's king being chronically insecure.' *)* 14...Qb8

C2b21) 15.0-0 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'avoids the annoying check on b4. Then' Qxb2 Glenn Flear: '(otherwise Black is just worse, as his pieces and c-pawns are vulnerable)' 16.Qxb2 Nxb2 17.Rfb1 Rfb8 18.dxe5 *(18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.dxe5 Nd3* Glenn Flear: '=') 18...Bc4 Glenn Flear: 'is unclear. Black gets his bishops going, although after' 19.Nd4 Nd3 20.Rxb8+ Rxb8 21.Nxd3 Bxd3 22.Nxc6 Glenn Flear: 'he is probably a shade

worse being a pawn down.';

C2b22) 15.Rc1 exd4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'A better move order is the immediate' *15...Qb4+* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then if White continues with' *16.Qc3* Glenn Flear: 'it seems that' *Qxc3+ 17.Rxc3 Nxb2 18.Nxe6 fxe6* Glenn Flear: 'is fine for Black e.g.' *19.0-0 Rfd8 20.dxe5 Rd2* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'with good counterplay.'*)* 16.Nxd4 Qb4+ 17.Ke2 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The point. Now White has this surprising, but strong king move.' Bd5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Despite having difficulties, Kamsky finds a clever move to complicate life for his opponent.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Now' *17...Qxb2* Glenn Flear: 'is unwise:' *18.Qxb2 Nxb2 19.Ncxe6 fxe6 20.Nxe6* Glenn Flear: 'and Black loses material.' *)*

C2b221) Glenn Flear: 'After the precise' 18.Nd3 Glenn Flear: '!' Qe7 19.Kf1 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Black soon loses material e.g.' Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Be6 21.Bc5 Qh4 *(21...Qg5 22.h4 Qe3 23.Qe2* Glenn Flear: 'and the endgame will be miserable for Black'*)* 22.b3 Nd6 23.Be3 Glenn Flear: 'etc. (even if it is 'only' the front c-pawn).';

C2b222) 18.b3 Glenn Flear: '?!'

C2b2221) Glenn Flear: 'It would have been difficult to work out the consequences of' 18...Qxc5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'at the board, but as White can't win with' 19.Ne6 *(19.Nf5* Glenn Flear: '!?' *Qa5 20.Nxg7 Nb6* Glenn Flear: '!?' *21.Bd4 f6 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Rhd1 Kxg7* Glenn Flear: 'turns out to be playable for Black, even if the bishop will probably turn out to be the better minor piece'*)* 19...Qe7 20.Nxf8 Glenn Flear: '(because of' Nd6 Glenn Flear: ') then the capture is certainly tempting. Indeed Houdini gives it as best.';

C2b2222) 18...Na3

Glenn Flear: '?' 19.Qc3 Qxc3 20.Rxc3 Rfe8 Glenn Flear: 'Black's pieces have lost their dynamism and he is left with weaknesses. Sjigurov is thus much better, but needs to consolidate before this becomes evident.' 21.g4 Glenn Flear: '!?' *(21.Kd2* Glenn Flear: 'is perhaps simpler.'*)* 21...Nb5 22.Rd3 Bf8 23.Rc1 Nxd4+ *(* Glenn Flear: 'White also keeps some advantage after' *23...f5* Glenn Flear: '!?' *24.gxf5 Nxd4+ 25.Rxd4 gxf5 26.Kd3* Glenn Flear: '!' *)* 24.Rxd4 f5 25.Kd3 Glenn Flear: 'The Russian GM prefers to keep an extra pair of pawns on the board so doesn't capture on f5.' fxe4+ 26.fxe4 Be6 27.Nxe6 Rxe6 28.Bg3 Glenn Flear: 'Finally, after a bumpy ride, White can enjoy his opponent's discomfort due to the broken queenside.' c5 29.Rd5 Rae8 30.e5 Rc6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'The double-rook endgame after' *30...c6 31.Rd7 Bg7 32.Rxc5 Bxe5 33.Bxe5 Rxe5 34.Rxc6* Glenn Flear: 'offers White good winning chances (an extra pawn, better king, rook on the seventh). However this still represents a lesser evil than in the game.'*)* 31.Rd7 Be7 32.Ke4 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The advance of the king must have been alarming for the US star.' a5 33.Rc4 Kf7 34.Bh4 *(34.Kd5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'wins the c-pawn immediately because of the pin.'*)* 34...Ke6 35.Rxe7+ Rxe7 36.Bxe7 Kxe7 37.Kd5 Glenn Flear: 'Crushing. Black can't even activate his rook.' Ra6 38.Rxc5 Ra7 39.Rc6 Rb7 40.Kc5 Kd7 41.h3 Rb4 42.e6+ Kc8 43.Ra6 Kd8 44.Rxa5 Re4

45.Ra8+ Ke7 46.Rc8 1-0 (46) Pape,R (2669)-5.f4 00 6. ♘f3 ♘a6 (2683) Velika Gorica CRO 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight];

C2c) Glenn Flear: 'Instructive is' 11.b3 Glenn Flear: '⩲!'

C2c1) 11...a5 Glenn Flear: '!' 12.0-0 *(12.a4 Rb8 13.0-0 Be6 14.Rb1 Qd7 15.Qd2 Rb7 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Rfb8 18.Qg5 Ra8 19.Qc5 Nc8 20.b4 axb4 21.Rxb4 Rba7 22.Ra1 Ra5 23.Nb5 cxb5 24.d5 bxa4 25.dxe6 fxe6 26.Qc4 Nb6 27.Qa2 a3 28.Rd4 Qc8 29.Nf4 Kf7 30.Rc1 g5 31.Nd3 Qa6 32.Nc5 Rxc5 33.Rxc5 Na4 34.Rf5+ Kg6 35.Rxa4 Qb6+ 36.Kf1 Rxa4 37.Re5 Kf6 38.f4 gxf4 39.Rh5 Qb2 40.Rh6+ Kg5 41.Qxe6 Qc1+ 42.Kf2 Qe3+ 43.Kf1 Qd3+ 44.Ke1 Qc3+ 45.Ke2 Qc4+ 46.Kd2* 1-0 (46) rhungaski (2655)-Nguyen,D (2409) Blitz 2021 *)*

C2c11) 12...e5 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Qc2 Ba6 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Rfe1 Rfd8 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Bologan, V-Khmelniker, I Bilbao 2014, when the light-square pressure compensates for the damaged structure. Kamsky in his preparation would have no doubt been influenced by Black's successful opening here.' 17.f4 Rxd1 18.Nxd1 Bg7 19.Bc5 Bd3 20.Qc1 Qe8 21.Ng3 a4 22.Qe3 axb3 23.axb3 Bc2 24.b4 Ra1 25.Qe2 Bxd1 26.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qd7 28.Qc2 Qe6 29.Ne2 Nd7 30.f5 gxf5 31.exf5 Qd5 32.Bf2 Be5 33.h3 Nf6 34.Be3 Qe4 35.Qxe4 Nxe4 36.Nd4 c5 37.bxc5 Nxc5 38.Nc6 Bd6 39.Bxc5 Bxc5+ 40.Kf1 Kg7 41.Ke2 Kf6 42.g4 Bd6 43.Kf3 Kg5 44.Nd8 Be7 45.Nc6 Bd6 46.Ke4 Kh4 47.Nd8 f6 48.Nf7 Ba3 49.Kd5 Bb2 50.Kc6 Kxh3 51.g5 Kh4 52.g6 hxg6 53.fxg6 f5 54.Kxc7 f4 55.Nd6 Kh5 56.Kc6 Kxg6 57.Kd5 f3 58.Ne4 Bc1 59.Ke5 Kh5 60.Nf2 Kh4 61.Ke4 Kg3 62.Nd1 Bh6 63.Kd3 Kg2 64.Ke4 Bc1 65.Kd3 Bh6 66.Ke4 Bg5 67.Kd3 Kg3 68.Ke4 Bc1 69.Kd3 Kf4 70.Nf2 Ba3 71.Nh3+ Kg4 72.Nf2+ Kg3 73.Nd1 Bc5 74.Ke4 Kg2 75.Kf4 Bb6 76.Ke4 Kg3 77.Kf5 Bd4 78.Ke4 Bb6 79.Kf5 Ba5 80.Ke4 Bd2 81.Kd3 Bg5 82.Ke4 Kg2 83.Kf5 Bc1 84.Ke4 Bh6 85.Kd3 Bf8 86.Ke4 Bc5 87.Kf4 Bd6+ 88.Ke4

Kg3 89.Kf5 Bc5 90.Kg5 Bd6 91.Kf5 Bf4 92.Ke4 Bh6 93.Kd3 Kf4 94.Kd2 Bg7 95.Ke1 Bd4 96.Kf1 Kg3 97.Nf2 Bxf2 ½-½ (97) Bologan,V (2648)-Khmelniker,I (2495) Bilbao ESP 2014;

C2c12) 12...a4 13.Qc2 *(13.Nxa4 Nxa4 14.bxa4 c5 15.Rc1 cxd4 16.Nxd4 Bd7 17.Nc6 Qe8 18.Qc2 Ra6 19.Nb4 Rxa4 20.Nd5 Be5 21.f4 Bd6 22.e5 Ba3 23.Bc5 Bxc1 24.Bxe7 Be3+ 25.Kh1 Bf5 26.Nf6+ Kh8 27.Nxe8 Bxc2 28.Bxf8 Bxf4 29.Bg7+ Kg8 30.Bf6 Bd3 31.Rd1 Rxa2 32.h4 Be4 33.Bg5 Bxg2+ 34.Kg1 Bxg5 35.hxg5 Bc6 36.Nf6+ Kf8 37.Rd8+ Ke7 38.Rc8 Ke6 39.Rxc7 Bb5 40.Rc5 Bd3 41.Nxh7 Re2 42.Nf8+ Ke7 43.Rc8 Rxe5 44.Nh7 Rf5 45.Rc7+ Kd6 46.Rc8 Be4 47.Rd8+ Ke5 48.Rd4 Kf4 49.Nf6 Ke3 50.Rxe4+ Kf3 51.Rg4 Rxf6 52.Rg2* 1-0 (52) lukas_111111 (2605)-dschwarz (2607) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...Ba6 14.Rfd1 e6 15.b4 Nc4 16.Bf2 Bb5 17.e5 Qe7 18.Ne4 Qxb4 19.Qc1 Nb2 20.Rd2 a3 21.Bh4 Rfb8 22.Bf6 Bxe2 23.Rxe2 Qxd4+ 24.Kh1 Nd3 25.Qf1 Rb2 26.Rd1 Rxe2 27.Qxe2 Nf4 28.Rxd4 Nxe2 29.Rd7 Nc1 30.Ng5 Nxa2 31.Rxf7 Bh6 32.h4 Nc3 33.Rxh7 Bxg5 34.Rh8+ Kf7 35.Rxa8 Bxf6 36.exf6 a2 37.g4 Kxf6 38.Kg2 c5 39.Kf2 c4 40.Ke1 c5 41.Kd2 Nd5 42.Rxa2 Ke5 43.h5 gxh5 44.gxh5 Kf5 45.Ra5 Kg5 46.Rxc5 c3+ 47.Kc2 Kxh5 48.Rc4 Kg5 49.Re4 Kf5 50.Re1 e5 51.Kd3 Kf4 52.Re4+ Kf5 0-1 (52) unitedff (2639)-MightBeDecent (2715) Blitz 2024;

C2c13) 12...Ba6 13.Rc1 Qd7 14.Qc2 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.Rfe1 Rf6 17.Nf4 Rd6 18.Nce2;

C2c2) 11...Bb7 12.0-0 Qd7 13.Qc2 e6 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.Rac1 Qe7 16.Nf4 e5 17.dxe5 Bxe5 18.Nd3 Bg7 19.Nc5 Bc8 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Rd1 Qe7 22.Qd2 Be6 23.Ne2 Bf6 24.Nd4 Qxc5 25.Nxe6 Qe7 26.Nc5 Qf8 27.Qc2 Rd8 28.Nxa6 Rxd1+ 29.Qxd1 Qa8 30.Nxc7 Qb7 31.Ne8 Be7 32.Qd4 Kf8 33.Qh8# 1-0 (33) okriak (2879)-ALkHIN2021 (2435) Rapid 2023;

C3) 9...Bd7 10.Rc1 *(*Or *10.b3 e5* (trying to compete in the centre) *11.d5 Ne7 12.Bxd7*

Qxd7 13.0-0 f5 14.Rc1 f4 15.Bc5 Mohota, N-Ganesh, B Parsvnath 2010, with an edge to White, who has a good-looking King's Indian where his queenside play is the most important.*)* 10...a6 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.b3 Bd7 13.h4 h5 14.Qd2 Nc8 15.Bh6 Nd6 16.Nd5 c6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ndf4 Rh8 19.Kf2 f6 20.Ng3 Nf7 21.Rhd1 Rc8 22.e5 Nh6 23.e6 Be8 24.d5 Qb6+ 25.Qd4 Qxd4+ 26.Rxd4 Rd8 27.Ke3 g5 28.hxg5 fxg5 29.Nfxh5+ Bxh5 30.Nxh5+ Kg6 31.Ng3 cxd5 32.Rc7 Rhe8 33.Rxb7 Rd6 34.Kf2 Nf5 35.Nxf5 Kxf5 36.Ra7 Kxe6 37.Ra4 d4 38.R7xa6 Red8 39.Rxd4 Rxa6 40.Rxd8 Rxa2+ 41.Kg3 Rb2 42.Rb8 Kf6 43.b4 e6 44.b5 Rb4 45.b6 Kf7 46.b7 Kg7 47.Kf2 Kf7 48.Ke3 Rb2 49.Rh8 1-0 (49) defenceboy1 (2857)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2769) Blitz 2021;

C4) 9...Qd6

C4a) 10.0-0 Rd8 *(10...e5 11.d5 Na5 12.b3 c6 13.dxc6 Qxd1 14.Rfxd1 bxc6 15.Bd3 Be6 16.Rac1 Rfd8 17.Ba6 f5 18.Bg5 Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Bf8 20.Be3 Rb8 21.Nc1 Bb4 22.N3e2 c5 23.Nd3 Nd7 24.Nxb4 cxb4 25.exf5 gxf5 26.f4 Nb6 27.Rd6 Bxb3 28.axb3 Nxb3 29.Bxb6* 1-0 (29) lestri (2620)-BonkersForHonkers (2630) Blitz 2022*)* 11.d5 Ne5 12.b3 c6 13.Bd3 cxd5 14.Kh1 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 dxe4 16.Qxe4 Bf5 17.Qxb7 Rd7 18.Qa6 Bd3 19.Qa5 Bxe2 20.Nxe2 Bxa1 21.Rxa1 Qd3 22.Bxb6 Qxe2 23.Re1 Rd1 24.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 25.Bg1 Qd7 26.Qe5 a6 27.h3 f6 28.Qe4 Rc8 29.a4 Kg7 30.Be3 Rc6 31.Bf4 Qe6 32.Qd4 Qxb3 33.Qd7 Qe6 34.Qb7 Rc4 35.Bd2 Rxa4 36.Bc3 Ra2 37.f4 a5 38.Bd4 a4 39.Bc5 Re2 40.Ba3 Re1+ 41.Kh2 Re3 42.Bc5 Rb3 43.Qa7 Rd3 44.Qxa4 Rd7 45.Qb4 h5 46.h4 Kf7 47.Qb5 Rd5 48.Qb4 Qf5 49.Bxe7 Qg4 50.Bxf6 Kxf6 51.Qf8+ Ke6 52.Qc8+ Kd6 53.Qd8+ Kc5 54.Qc7+ Kd4 55.Qg7+ Ke4 56.Qe7+ Kxf4 57.Qf6+ Qf5 58.Qb6 Ke4 59.Qb4+ Rd4 60.Qb1+ Ke5 61.Qb5+ Rd5 62.Qb6 Qf4+ 63.Kg1 Rd1# 0-1 (63) superfm1 (2701)-Mischuk_D (2712) Blitz 2024;

C4b) 10.e5 Qd8 Glenn Flear: '(now if White captures on c6, he may lose control of the light-squares)' 11.h4 *(11.Bxc6* Glenn Flear: 'would be an automatic choice for many club players. However, after' *bxc6 12.0-0 Ba6 13.Qc2 Nd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5* Glenn Flear: 'Black patches up his pawn structure.'*)* 11...Nb4 12.Nf4 N6d5 13.Nfxd5 Nxd5 14.Qd2 Be6 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 f6 Glenn Flear: '(in order to meet h4-h5 with ...g6-g5)' 17.Bc4 Qd7 Glenn Flear: 'Nakamura, Hi-Aronian, L Saint Louis 2014, with an

acceptable position for Black, White's initiative not being that dangerous.' 18.Ne4 Nb4 19.Rc1 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Nd5 21.Rc5 b6 22.Rc4 Qb5 23.exf6 exf6 24.b3 Qa5+ 25.Qd2 Qxd2+ 26.Kxd2 Rad8 27.Rc6 f5 28.Nc3 Nb4 29.Rxc7 Rxd4+ 30.Kc1 Rf7 31.Rxf7 Kxf7 32.a3 Rd3 33.Nb5 a6 34.axb4 axb5 35.Kc2 Rd6 ½-½ (35) Nakamura,H (2767)-Aronian,L (2797) Saint Louis USA 2014;

C5) 9...f5 10.0-0 fxe4 11.fxe4 Bg4 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Qb3+ Kh8 14.Rxf8+ Qxf8 15.Rf1 Qg8 16.Qb4 Qc4 17.Qxe7 Bxe2 18.Rf7 Rg8 19.Bh6 Qxd4+ 20.Kh1 Bc4 21.Bxg7+ Rxg7 22.Rf8+ Bg8 23.Qe6 Qd7 24.Qe5 Qe7 0-1 (24) TCH_DangHoangSon (2727)-MightBeDecent (2688) Blitz 2023;

C6) 9...Kh8 10.0-0 f5 11.d5 Ne5 12.f4 Ng4 13.Bd4 e5 14.dxe6 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4+ Qxd4+ 16.Nxd4 c6 17.e7 Re8 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Bxc6 Bd7 20.Bxa8 Nxa8 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Rfe1 Nb6 23.Rad1 Nf6 24.a4 Kg7 25.a5 Nc4 26.Nd5 Ne4 27.Ne3 Ncd2 28.Re2 Rxe7 29.Rdxd2 Nxd2 30.Rxd2 Rxe3 31.Rxd7+ Kg6 32.Rxa7 Rb3 33.Ra6+ Kh5 34.Rb6 Rd3 35.h3 Kh4 36.Kh2 h5 37.Kg1 Kg3 38.Rg6+ Kxf4 39.a6 Rd1+ 40.Kh2 Rd2 41.b4 Rb2 42.a7 Ra2 43.Rg7 Ke5 44.b5 Kd6 45.b6 Kc6 46.b7 Rxa7 47.b8Q Rxg7 48.Qe5 Rc7 49.Qxf5 Kb6 50.Qxh5 Rc5 51.Qe2 Rd5 52.Qc4 Rb5 53.Qxb5+ Kxb5 54.h4 Kc6 55.h5 Kd6 56.g4 Ke7 57.Kh3 Kf7 58.Kh4 Kf6 59.g5+ Kg7 60.h6+ Kh7 61.Kg4 Kh8 62.Kh4 Kh7 63.Kh5 Kg8 64.g6 Kh8 65.Kg5 Kg8 66.Kf6 Kh8 67.g7+ Kh7 68.Kf7 Kxh6 69.g8Q Kh5 70.Kf6 Kh4 71.Kf5 Kh3 72.Kf4 Kh2 73.Kf3 Kh1 74.Kf2 Kh2 75.Qh8# 1-0 (75) MrAble (2628)-samichess6 (2466) Rapid 2023;

C7) 9...e5

C7a) 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.b3 Ba6

C7a1) 12.dxe5 Bxe5 *(12...Qe7* Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'with the bishop pair and handy activity.'*)* 13.Qxd8 Rfxd8 14.Rd1 Rxd1+ 15.Kxd1 Rd8+ 16.Kc2 Bd3+ 17.Kc1 Bxe2 18.Nxe2 a5 19.Rd1 Rxd1+ 20.Kxd1 Bxh2 21.g3 h5 22.Ke1 Nd7 23.Kf2 h4 24.gxh4 Bd6 25.Nd4 Ne5 26.Ke2 Be7 27.Bf4 Nd7 28.Nxc6 Bxh4 29.Bxc7 a4 30.b4 Kf8 31.b5 Ke8 32.Kd3 Bf2 33.Kc4 f5 34.exf5 gxf5 35.Kb4 a3 36.Kxa3 Bc5+ 37.Kb3 Kf7 38.a4 Ke6 39.a5 Kd5 40.Nb4+ Kd4 41.b6 Ke3 42.a6 1-0 (42) Xiong,J (2646)-Melaa,S (2315) chess.com INT 2024;

C7a2) 12.Qd2 Qe7 13.Bg5 Qb4 14.dxe5 Bxe5 15.Rc1 c5 16.Nb1 f5 17.Qxb4 cxb4 18.Nd2 fxe4 19.Nxe4

Nd5 20.Kf2 Rf5 21.Bd2 Re8 22.Rhd1 Bxh2 23.N2g3 Bxg3+ 24.Nxg3 Rfe5 25.Re1 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 Rxe1 27.Kxe1 Bd3 28.Ne4 Bb1 29.Nc5 Bxa2 30.Ke2 Bb1 31.Be1 Kf7 32.Bg3 g5 33.Be5 h5 34.Kd2 h4 35.Ke2 Bf5 36.Kf2 Kg6 37.g3 hxg3+ 38.Kxg3 Bc2 39.Kf2 Kf5 40.Bg3 a5 41.Ke2 Nc3+ 42.Kd2 Bd1 43.Bxc7 Bxf3 44.Bxa5 Nd5 45.Nd3 g4 46.Nxb4 g3 47.Nxd5 Bxd5 48.Bb6 g2 49.b4 Ke6 50.Bg1 Kd7 51.Kc3 Kc7 52.Kd2 Kc6 53.Bc5 Kb5 54.Ke1 Bc6 55.Kf2 Bd5 56.Kg1 Bc6 57.Kf2 Bd5 58.Kg1 Bc6 59.Kf2 ½-½ (59) NIndja64 (2837)-AlexTriapishko (2798) Blitz 2021;

C7b) 10.d5 Na5 *(10...Ne7 11.0-0 c6 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Nd5 Bf8 15.Be3 Bd7 16.Nec3 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Bg7 18.Rc1 Rc8 19.Qd2 a6 20.Ba4 b5 21.Bb3 Be6 22.Bg5 f6 23.Be3 Kh8 24.Rfd1; 10...a6 11.Bd3 Nd4 12.0-0 c5 13.b3 Bd7 14.a4 Nc8 15.a5 Nd6 16.Bd2 Bb5 17.Nc1 Bxd3 18.Nxd3 c4 19.Nb2 cxb3 20.Ne2 Nc2 21.Rb1 Rc8 22.Nd3 Nc4 23.Rxb3 N2e3 24.Bxe3 Nxe3 25.Qd2 Nxf1 26.Kxf1 Qc7 27.Qb4 f5 28.Ng3 fxe4 29.Nxe4 Qc4 30.Qxc4 Rxc4 31.Nec5 Rd8 32.Rxb7 Rxd5 33.Rc7 Rxd3 34.Rc8+ Bf8 35.Rxf8+ Kxf8 36.Nxd3 e4 37.fxe4 Rxe4 38.Nc5 Rf4+ 39.Ke2 Rf5 40.Nxa6 Rxa5 41.Nb4 Ra2+ 42.Nxa2* 1-0 (42) ChessTheory64 (2618)-M0therOfPearl (2647) Blitz 2022 *)* 11.Bxb6 axb6 12.b4 c6 13.Bd3 b5 *(13...cxd5 14.bxa5 d4 15.Nd5 bxa5 16.0-0 Be6 17.Bc4 b5 18.Bxb5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Qxd5 20.a4 f5 21.Rc1 Kh8 22.Bc6 Qd6 23.Bxa8 Rxa8 24.Qd3 Re8 25.Ng3 h5 26.Rfe1 h4 27.Nf1 Qd5 28.Nd2 Bh6 29.Rc7 Bf4 30.Nb3 e4 31.Qc4 Qxc4 32.Rxc4 d3 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.Rcxe4 Rxe4 35.Rxe4 d2 36.Re8+ Kg7 37.Rd8* 1-0 (37) Kraterrr (2612)-Hey_Shrimp (2607) Blitz 2021*)* 14.bxa5 b4 15.Nb1 cxd5 16.Nd2 Qxa5 17.0-0

C7b1) 17...Be6 18.Nb3 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Rfd8 20.Qe1 *(20.Qb1 dxe4 21.Bxe4 f5 22.Bc2 Rac8 23.Rd1 Qe3 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qe1 e4 26.Ng3 Qxe1+ 27.Rxe1 Rc8 28.Bb1 Bc3 29.Rd1 e3 30.Bd3 Rd8 31.Nc5 Bxa2 32.Bc4+ Bxc4 33.Rxd8+ Kf7 34.Rd7+ Kf6 35.Nd3 b3 36.Ne2 b5 37.Nxc3 Ke6 38.Nc5+ Kf6 39.Rd1 b2 40.Nd3 Bxd3 41.Rxd3 e2 42.Re3 b4 43.Nb1 f4 44.Rxe2 b3 45.Rxb2 Ke5 46.Rxb3 Kd5 47.Nd2 Ke5 48.Rb4 g5 49.Re4+ Kf5 50.h4 h6*

51.hxg5 hxg5 52.Kh2 g4 53.fxg4+ Kxg4 54.g3 Kf5 55.Rxf4+ Kg5 56.Nf3+ Kg6 57.Kh3 Kh5 58.Rf5+ Kg6 59.g4 Kg7 60.Kh4 Kg6 61.Nd4 Kg7 62.Kh5 Kh7 63.Rf7+ Kg8 64.Kg6 Kh8 65.Rf8# 1-0 (65) bja555 (2607)-pulvettd (2614) Blitz 2021 *)* 20...Qe3 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Bxe4 Rxd1 23.Qxd1 Rxa2 24.Nec1 Rb2 25.Bd5 Bf5 26.Bc4 b5 27.Qd8+ Bf8 28.Bd5 Bh3 29.f4 exf4 30.Nd3 Re2 31.Bf3 Bf5 32.Nbc1 Rd2 33.Bd5 Rxd3 34.Nxd3 Qxd3 35.Re1 Be4 36.Bxf7+ Kxf7 37.Qc7+ Be7 38.Qxf4+ Bf5 39.Qc7 Qd6 40.Qb7 Qc5 41.h3 b3 42.Qf3 Qb4 43.Rb1 b2 44.g4 Qe4 0-1 (44) alireza2003 (2816)-SVODMEVKO (2811) Blitz 2021;

C7b2) 17...Rd8 18.Nc1 Bh6 19.Rb1 dxe4 20.Nxe4 Qa3 21.Nb3 Qa7+ 22.Nf2 Bf5 23.Kh1 Bxd3 24.Nxd3 Qa6 25.Nbc5 Qxa2 26.Nxb7 Rd4 27.Rxb4 Rd5 28.Nbc5 Bf8 29.Qc1 Rc8 30.Ra4 Qe2 31.Re4 Qa2 32.Ra4 Qe2 33.Re4 Qa2 34.Nb4 Qa8 35.Nxd5 Qxd5 36.Rfe1 Rxc5 37.Qd1 Bd6 38.Qxd5 Rxd5 39.g3 Kg7 40.R4e2 Kf6 41.Rb1 Bc5 42.Rc2 Bd4 43.Rc6+ Kg7 44.Rc7 Rd6 45.Rbb7 Rf6 46.Kg2 h5 47.h4 Ba1 48.g4 hxg4 49.fxg4 Rf4 50.Kg3 Bd4 51.Rc2 Re4 52.g5 Re3+ 53.Kh2 Re4 54.Kh3 Re3+ 55.Kg2 Re4 56.Kh3 Re3+ 57.Kg2 Re4 58.Kg3 Re3+ 59.Kh2 Re4 ½-½ (59) CruelKen (3050)-RaspFish (3052) Rapid 2024]

[8.Nge2 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: '(can't be right, surely?)'

A) 8...0-0

A1) 9.d5 Ne5 *(9...Na5 10.b3 c6 11.Rc1 cxd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 b6 14.Ng3 Nb7 15.Bb5 Bd7 16.Bc6 Rb8 17.0-0 Nd6 18.b4 h5 19.b5 h4 20.Ne2 h3 21.g3 Nxb5 22.Qa4 Nd6 23.Bxd7 b5 24.Qxa7 Rb7 25.Qa6 Qxd7 26.Rfd1 Nc4 27.Bf2 Rfb8 28.Nc3 Qf5 29.f4 Nb2 30.d6 Nxd1 31.Nxd1 Qe4 32.Kf1 exd6 33.Ne3 Bd4 34.Re1 Re8 35.Qxd6 Qd3+ 36.Kg1 Bxe3 37.Qxd3 Bxf2+ 38.Kxf2 Ra8 39.Re2 Rab8 40.f5 Rb6 41.fxg6 Rxg6 42.Re4 Rf8 43.Qf3 f5 44.Re5 Rgf6 45.Qf4 R8f7 46.Qh4 Kf8 47.Qxh3 f4 48.g4 f3 49.Qh8#* 1-0 (49) OnkelKonkel (2659)-flo50 (2639) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Bd4 e6 11.f4 Nec4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.b3 Nd6 14.Qd4+ Kg8 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.0-0-0 a5 17.f5 gxf5 18.e5 Qg5+ 19.Kb2 Ne4 20.Nxe4 fxe4 21.Qxe4 a4 22.Nf4 axb3 23.axb3 Qe7 24.Bd3 Qa3+ 25.Kc3 f5 26.exf6 Qxb3+ 27.Kd2 Ra2+ 28.Ke3 Nc4+ 29.Kf3 Rxf6 30.Qxh7+ Kf8 31.Kg3 Nd6 32.Ng6+ Rxg6+ 33.Qxg6 Nf5+ 34.Kf4 Ra4+ 35.Be4 Qe3+ 36.Ke5

Rxe4+ 37.Kf6 Qc3+ 38.Kg5 Qg7 39.Rd8+ Ke7 40.Re8+ Kd7 41.Rd1+ Kc6 42.Rxe6+ Rxe6 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-Ocinitram (2669) Blitz 2022;

A2) 9.b3 f5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 10.e5 Nb4 11.Qd2 c5 Glenn Flear: '!' 12.dxc5 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Rd8+ 14.Kc1 Nd7 15.f4 Nxc5 Glenn Flear: 'Grover, S-Rajesh, VA Mumbai 2012, with a Black initiative.' 16.a3 Nxb3+ 17.Kb2 Nxa1 18.axb4 a5 19.b5 Be6 20.Kxa1 Rd3 21.Bc1 Rc8 Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲' Stohl,Igor: 'Grover, S (2506)-Rajesh,V (2364)/Mumbai/2012/';

B) 8...e5 9.d5 Ne7 10.b3 a5 11.Nc1 a4 12.bxa4 Bd7 13.Nb3 Nxa4 14.Nxa4 Bxa4 15.Bd3 0-0 16.0-0 f5 17.Qd2 b6 18.Rac1 Nc8 19.Qc3 Rf7 20.Nd2 Nd6 21.Nc4 Nb5 22.Qb2 Nd4 23.Nxe5 Bxe5 24.Bxd4 Bf4 25.Rce1 Bd7 26.g3 Bh6 27.Bc4 Bf8 28.e5 Re7 29.d6+ Re6 30.Qb3 Kf7 31.g4 b5 32.Bd5 c6 33.Bxe6+ Bxe6 34.Qe3 Bd5 35.gxf5 gxf5 36.e6+ Kg6 37.e7 Qxd6 38.e8Q+ Rxe8 39.Qxe8+ Bf7 40.Qe5 Qxe5 41.Bxe5 Bxa2 42.Rd1 Bd5 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.Rd1 b4 45.Rxd5 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-baguliches (2588) Blitz 2022;

C) 8...Nc4 9.Bc1 *(9.Bf2 Nxb2 10.Qc2 Nc4 11.Nb5 Nb6 12.Rd1 0-0 13.d5 Nb4 14.Qb3 a6 15.Nbd4 a5 16.Nc3 Bd7 17.a3 Na6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.0-0 Qb8 20.Rc1 Rc8 21.Rfd1 Be8 22.Bg3 Qa8 23.Ncb5 c5 24.dxc6 a4 25.Qa2 Ra5 26.Nc7 Qa7 27.Ndb5 Rxb5 28.Nxb5 Qa5 29.cxb7 Qxb5 30.Rxc8* 1-0 (30) AryaCross (2648)-estocastico (2691) Blitz 2024*)* 9...0-0 10.d5 N6e5 11.Nd4 Nb6 *(11...c5 12.Nb3 e6 13.f4 exd5 14.fxe5 Bxe5 15.g3 d4 16.Nd5 Nd6 17.Bg2 d3 18.0-0 c4 19.Nd2 b5 20.Nf3 Bg7 21.Kh1 Nxe4 22.Nd2 Nxd2 23.Bxd2 Bb7 24.Nf6+ Bxf6 25.Bxb7 Rb8 26.Bg2 Bxb2 27.Bh6 c3 28.Qf3 c2 29.Bxf8 Qd7 30.Bh6 Bxa1 31.Rxa1 d2 32.Bxd2 Qxd2 33.Qf1 Rd8 34.Rc1 Qxc1 35.Kg1 Rd1* 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-js20000 (2616) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Be2 c6 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.Nxc6 Qxd1+ 15.Nxd1 bxc6 16.Bd2 Be6 17.Bc3 Rfd8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nc3 a5 20.Rd1 a4 21.Kf2 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Bc4 23.Rd4 Bxe2 24.Kxe2 c5 25.Rd2 a3 26.b3 c4 27.b4 Na4 28.Rc2 Nb2 29.Nd5 e6 30.Nb6 Rb8 31.Nxc4 Rxb4 32.Nxa3 Na4 33.Nc4 Nc5 34.Nb2 Na4 35.Nxa4 Rxa4 36.Kd3 Ra3+ 37.Kc4 Ra8 38.Kb4 Rb8+ 39.Ka3 Ra8+ 40.Kb2 Rb8+ 41.Kc1 Ra8 42.Kb1 Rb8+ 43.Ka1 Ra8 44.Rc4 Ra3 45.Kb2 Re3 46.a4 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2726)-mux77 (2584) Blitz 2024]

[8.Qd2 Nxd4 *(8...e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Nge2 c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Rd1 c5 13.h4 Nc4 14.Qc1 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Qxd1 17.Nxd1 Nxe3 18.Nxe3 0-0 19.Nc3 Be6 20.b3 f5 21.Bc4 Bxc4 22.Nxc4 Rad8 23.Ke2 Rd4 24.Nb5 Rd7 25.Nc3 Rfd8 26.Nd5 Rxd5 27.exd5 Rxd5 28.Rc1 Kf7 29.Ne3 Rd4 30.Rxc5 Rxh4 31.Rc7+ Kg8*

32.Rxa7 e4 33.Ra8+ Kf7 34.Ra7+ Kg8 35.Ra8+ Kf7 36.Nc4 exf3+ 37.Kxf3 Bd4 38.a4 g5 39.a5 Rf4+ 40.Kg3 Bf2+ 0-1 (40) Hard-Training (2611)-JelenaZ (2619) Blitz 2023*)* 9.0-0-0 c5 *(9...Nc6 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nb5 0-0 12.Nxc7 Rb8 13.Kb1 Ne6 14.Nxe6 Bxe6 15.Nh3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Rd7 Rfd8 18.Rhd1 Rxd7 19.Rxd7 Bf6 20.Bxa7 Rc8 21.a3 b5 22.Nf4 Bb3 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Ra8 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Kf8 27.Rd5 Rb8 28.Kc2 e6 29.Rc5 Ke7 30.e5 Kd7 31.Kb3 Rb7 32.Kb4* 1-0 (32) Superfm1 (2625)-tk161 (2609) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Qd6 12.Nb5 Qc6 13.Qg7 Rf8 14.Nxd4 cxd4+ 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Qxd4 f6 17.Ne2 Kf7 18.Nf4 Rfd8 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Rxd8 Bc4 21.Bxc4+ Nxc4 22.Rhd1 Qb6 23.b3 g5 24.Ne2 Nd6 25.Rh8 Kg7 26.Ra8 Qf2 27.Nc3 Qxg2 28.Rxa7 Qxf3 29.Kc2 Qf2+ 0-1 (29) doreality (2685)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2621) Blitz 2020]

8...Ne5

[8...Na5 9.Bd4 *(9.Rc1 0-0 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.b4 e6 12.bxa5 Rxa5 13.dxe6 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qe7 15.Nge2 Bxe6 16.Bg2 Ra3 17.Qc2 Bc4 18.0-0 Bxc3 19.Nxc3 Bxf1 20.Nd5 Qd6 21.Kxf1 c6 22.Nc3 Rfa8 23.Kg1 b5 24.Qd1 Qc5+ 25.Kh1 Rxc3 26.Ra1 Rc2 27.Qb1 Qf2 28.Qf1 Qxf1+ 29.Rxf1 Raxa2 30.Rg1 b4 31.f4 b3 32.Rb1 Rxg2 33.Rxb3 Rgb2 34.Rxb2 Rxb2 35.e5 c5 36.e6 c4 37.e7 Re2 38.Kg1 Rxe7 39.Kf2 c3 40.f5 gxf5 41.h3 c2 42.Kf3 c1Q 43.h4 Qe3+ 44.Kg2 Qe4+ 45.Kh3 Qg4+ 46.Kg2 Re2+ 47.Kf1 Qf3+ 48.Kg1 Qg2#* 0-1 (48) mate-in-three (2680)-Nguyen, D (2415) Blitz 2021*; 9.Qc1 0-0 10.Bh6 c6 11.h4 cxd5 12.h5 Qd6 13.Bxg7 Qg3+ 14.Kd1 Kxg7 15.Nge2 Qd6 16.e5 Qxe5 17.hxg6 h5 18.gxf7 Rxf7 19.g4 Nac4 20.Rxh5 Ne3+ 21.Ke1 Rxf3 22.Rxe5 Rxf1+ 23.Kd2 Nec4+ 24.Kc2 Rxc1+ 25.Rxc1 Nxe5 26.Nd4 Nxg4 27.Ndb5 e5 28.Nc7 Bf5+ 29.Kb3 Rc8 30.N7b5 Rc6 31.Nxa7 Rc5 32.a4 d4 33.Ne2 Rxc1 34.Nxc1 d3 35.Kc3 e4 36.Nb5 Nd5+ 37.Kd2 e3+ 38.Kd1 d2 39.Ne2 Nb4 40.Nec3 Bc2+ 41.Ke2 Bb3 42.Nd4 Bc4+ 43.Kf3 Ne5+ 44.Kxe3 d1Q 45.Nxd1 Nec6 46.Nc3 Nxd4 47.Kxd4 Be6 48.a5 Nc6+ 49.Kc5 Nxa5 50.Kb6 Nc4+ 51.Kxb7 Nxb2 52.Kc7 Nd3 53.Ne4 Bf5 54.Nd6 Kf6 55.Kd8 Ne5 56.Ne8+ Kg5 57.Nd6 Kf4 58.Nf7 Ke3 59.Nxe5 Be4 60.Nc6 Bd3 61.Ne7 Kd2 62.Kc7 Kc3 63.Kd6 Kd2 64.Nd5 Bc2 65.Nc7 Bb3 66.Kc5 Kc1 67.Kd6 Kb2 68.Kc5 Bc2 69.Kb6 Kc1 70.Kc5 Kd2 71.Kb6 Ke1 72.Kc5 Bd1 73.Kb6 Be2 74.Kc5 Bd1 75.Kb6 Bc2 76.Kc5 Bd3 77.Kb6 Be4* 0-1 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-MightBeDecent (2658) Blitz 2023*; 9.Qc2 0-0 10.0-0-0 Nac4 11.Bxc4 Nxc4 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Qd3 Nd6 15.Nge2 b6 16.Be3 a5 17.h4 Ba6 18.Qc2 Nc4 19.Bf2 Bh6+ 20.Kb1 Ne3 21.Bxe3 Bxe3 22.h5 Qg5 23.g3 Kg7 24.f4 Qg4 25.fxe5 Rxe5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.h6+ Kg8 28.Rxd4 Qxg3 29.Rd2 Rae8 30.Ka1 f5 31.exf5 Rxf5 32.Rc1 Rfe5 33.d6 cxd6 34.Rxd6 Re1 35.Rdd1 Rxd1 36.Qxd1 Qd3 37.Qb3+ Bc4 38.Qxb6 Qe3 39.Qxe3*

Rxe3 40.b3 Bd3 41.Nd5 Rh3 42.Rc7 Rxh6 43.Nf6+ Kh8 44.Kb2 g5 45.Ng4 Rh4 46.Nf6 Bf5 47.Rc5 Rf4 48.Rxa5 Rf2+ 49.Kc3 g4 50.Nh5 Kg8 51.Ra7 Bg6 52.Ng3 Rf3+ 53.Kd4 Rxg3 0-1 (53) Bodoque55 (2635)-MightBeDecent (2716) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 9...e5

A1) 10.Bc5 Bf8 *(10...Nd7 11.Ba3 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Bc4 Bf8 14.Qd5 Qf6 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.0-0-0 Nb6 17.Qc5+ Kg7 18.Bb3 Nd4 19.Nge2 Nxb3+ 20.axb3 Be6 21.Rd6 Rac8 22.Qa3 Qg5+ 23.Kb1 Qxg2 24.Rhd1 Qxf3 25.Qxa7 Nd7 26.Rxd7 Bxd7 27.Rxd7 Rhd8 28.Qxb7 Rxd7 29.Qxd7 Rb8 30.Qd5 f6 31.Kc2 Qf2 32.Qd7+ Kh6 33.Qh3+ Kg7 34.Qd7+ Kh6 35.h3 Rb4 36.Qd2+ Kg7 37.Nd1 Qc5+ 38.Nec3 Rxe4 39.Qd7+ Kh6 40.Qd3 Rf4 41.Qd2 g5 42.h4 e4 43.Qd8 Qf5 44.hxg5+ Kxg5 45.Ne3 Rf2+ 46.Kb1 Qf3 47.Qg8+ Kh4 48.Qxh7+ Kg3 49.Qg6+ Kh2 50.Ng4+ Kh1 51.Nxf2+ Qxf2 52.Qh5+ Kg1 53.Qg6+ Kf1 54.Qxe4 Qe1+ 55.Qxe1+ Kxe1 56.Kc2 f5 57.Kd3 f4 58.Ke4 f3 59.Kxf3 Kd2 60.b4 Kc1 61.b5 Kc2 62.b6 Kb3 63.b7 Kc2 64.b8Q Kc1 65.Qc7 Kc2 66.b4 Kb3 67.b5 Kb4 68.b6* 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2627)-kimstevenyap (2603) Blitz 2022*)* 11.Be3 Bh6 12.Bc5 Bf8 13.Bf2 Bh6 14.h4 0-0 15.h5 Kg7 16.Bc5 Rh8 17.Bd3 Nac4 18.Qe2 Nd6 19.Be3 Bg5 20.0-0-0 h6 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Kb1 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Bd7 24.Nh3 Qf6 25.Nf2 h5 26.Rc1 Rac8 27.Qe2 a6 28.Nfd1 Qf4 29.Ne3 h4 30.Qf2 g5 31.Ne2 Qf6 32.Rc2 Na8 33.Nc4 Bb5 34.Rhc1 Bxc4 35.Bxc4 h3 36.g3 h2 37.Rh1 Qh6 38.Bd3 Rcf8 39.Nc3 Qh5 40.Be2 g4 41.f4 Qg6 42.f5 Qg5 43.Bd3 Nb6 44.Rxh2 Nbc4 45.Bxc4 Nxc4 46.a3 Ne3 47.Re2 Rxh2 48.Qxh2 Rh8 49.Qf2 Nc4 50.Ka2 Nd6 51.f6+ Qxf6 52.Qe3 Qf3 53.Qxf3 gxf3 54.Rf2 Rf8 55.Kb1 Nc4 56.Kc2 Ne3+ 57.Kd3 Ng4 58.Rf1 f2 59.Ke2 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-Shuvalov (2551) Blitz 2022;

A2) 10.Bxb6 cxb6 11.b4 Qc7 12.Nb5 Qe7 13.bxa5 a6 14.d6 1-0 (14) EnglishLongbow (2672)-Clown_laughing_at_u (2595) Blitz 2020;

B) 9...f6 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.b4 f5 12.Rc1 fxe4 13.Nxe4 0-0 14.bxa5 Rxa5 15.Bc4 Kh8 16.Ne2 c6 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Kf2 h6 20.Rhd1 Rf8 21.Bb3 c5 22.N2c3 Bd4+ 23.Ke1 Bf5 24.Ng3 Bc8 25.Nce2 Bf6 26.Ne4 Ba6 27.Nxf6 Rxf6 28.Rd8+ Kg7 29.Ng3 c4 30.Bxc4 Rc6 31.Rd4 Rac5 32.Rd7 Bxc4 33.Rxe7+ Bf7 34.Rxc5 Rxc5 35.Ne4 Rc6 36.a4 Kf8 37.Rb7 Bb3 38.a5 Bd5 39.Rxb6 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Ra1 41.a6 Bc4 42.Nc5 Kg7 43.Rb7+ Kf6 44.a7 Bd5 45.Rc7 Ke5 46.Rd7 g5 47.Nd3+ Ke6 48.Nc5+ Ke5 49.Rh7 Kf4 50.Nd3+ Kf5 51.Rxh6 Rxa7 52.g4# 1-0 (52) penguingim1

(2884)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2815) Blitz 2022]

[Stohl,Igor: 'By far the most usual retreat, but also' 8...Nb8

A) 9.Bd4 e5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'is plausible:' *(9...0-0 10.Bxg7 Kxg7 11.Qd4+ f6 12.0-0-0 c6 13.Nge2 e6 14.dxe6 Qxd4 15.Nxd4 Re8 16.g3 Bxe6 17.Nxe6+ Rxe6 18.Bh3 Re7 19.Rd6 Na6 20.Rhd1 Rae8 21.b3 Re5 22.Bf1 Nc7 23.Kc2 R5e6 24.R6d2 R6e7 25.b4* Stohl,Igor: '⩱' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikrut,D (2409)-Bolacky,J (2260)/Orlova/2006/' *)* 10.Be3

A1) 10...0-0 11.a4 c6 12.a5 N6d7 13.Bc4 cxd5 14.Bxd5 *(14.Nxd5 Nc6 15.Ne2 Nxa5 16.Ba2 Nb6 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Bxb6 Nb3 20.Bxd8 Nxa1 21.Bd5 Nc2+ 22.Kd2 Nb4 23.Bb3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Rxd8+ 25.Bd5 Nxd5 26.exd5 Rxd5+ 27.Kc2 f5 28.Nc3 Rc5 29.Rd1 Rc7 30.Rd8+ Kf7 31.Kd3 Bf6 32.Rb8 Rd7+ 33.Ke2 h5 34.h3 Be7 35.g4 Kf6 36.gxh5 gxh5 37.Rh8 Kg5 38.Rh7 Kg6 39.Rh8 Bf6 40.Rg8+ Rg7 41.Rb8 Kg5 42.Kf2 Rd7 43.Rf8 Be7 44.Rg8+ Kf6 45.Ke2 Bb4 46.Nb1 Rg7 47.Rh8 Kg5 48.Kf2 Rc7 49.Rg8+ Kf4 50.Ke2 Rc2+ 51.Kd3 Rxb2 52.Nc3 Bxc3 53.Kxc3 Rf2 54.Kd3 Rxf3+ 55.Ke2 Rxh3* 0-1 (53) EnergyVision (2602)-MR-sicilian (2575) Blitz 2023*)* 14...a6 15.Nge2 Nc6 16.Qa4 Qc7 17.0-0 Nf6 18.Rac1 Bd7 19.Bb6 Qd6 20.Qa3 Qxa3 21.bxa3 Rac8 22.Rfd1 Rfe8 23.Ba2 Bf8 24.Nd5 Nxd5 25.exd5 Nd4 26.Nxd4 exd4 27.Bxd4 Bxa3 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Bb3 Bb4 30.Bb6 h5 31.Kf2 Bd6 32.g3 Rc3 33.Rb1 Bc5+ 34.Bxc5 Rxc5 35.Re1 Kf8 36.d6 Rxa5 37.Re7 Be8 38.Rxb7 Rb5 39.Rxb5 axb5 40.Ke3 f6 41.Kd4 Bd7 42.Kc5 Ke8 43.Bc2 g5 44.Bd3 Kf7 45.Bxb5 Ke6 46.Bxd7+ Kxd7 47.Kd5 h4 48.gxh4 gxh4 49.h3 1-0 (47) superfm1 (2679)-nedloh_dleifluac (2328) Rapid 2024;

A2) 10...c6

A2a) 11.dxc6 Qxd1+ *(11...Nxc6* Stohl,Igor: '!?' '!?' *12.Qxd8+ Kxd8 13.Nb5 Nd4 14.Rd1 Be6 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Rxd4+ Ke7 18.b3 a5 19.Bb5 Rhd8 20.Ne2 a4* Stohl,Igor: '⩲' Stohl,Igor: 'Meessen,R (2306)-Holzke,F (2470)/Bundesliga/2001/' *)* 12.Rxd1 Nxc6 Stohl,Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: 'is analysed in more detail in the notes to Mamedyarov-Kamsky. Black should be able to hold the balance here.' *(12...bxc6 13.Nh3 Ba6 14.b3 Bxf1 15.Rxf1 N8d7 16.Nf2 Bf8 17.Nd3 Be7 18.Rf2 0-0-0 19.Rc2 Kb7 20.Ke2 f6 21.a4 Nf8 22.a5 Nbd7 23.a6+* Stohl,Igor: '!' *Ka8 24.Na4* Stohl,Igor: '±' Stohl,Igor: 'Partos,C (2410)-Pribyl,J (2455)/Bucharest/1975/') 13.Nb5 (13.Bb5 0-0 14.Nge2 Be6 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.b3 Rfd8 17.Kf2 Bf8 18.Rxd8*

Rxd8 19.Rc1 f6 20.Nb1 Rc8 21.Bc5 Stohl,Igor: 'Borges Mateos,J (2320)-Foguenne,M/WChJ Sharjah/1985/' *Bh6 22.Rc2 f5* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *)* 13...0-0 14.a3 *(14.Bc5 Rd8 15.Rxd8+ Nxd8 16.Nc7 Rb8 17.Ne2 Be6* Stohl,Igor: '=!?'*)* 14...Be6 15.Nc7 Rac8 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Bd3 Nd4 18.Ne2 Na4 19.Rd2 Nb3 20.Rc2 Nd4 21.Rd2 Nb3 22.Rc2 Stohl,Igor: '½,Varga,P (2515)-Flumbort,A (2375)/HUN-chT/2001/';

A2b) 11.h4

A2b1) 11...cxd5 12.exd5

A2b11) 12...h5 13.Qd2 N8d7 14.0-0-0 Nf6 15.Kb1 Bf5+ 16.Ka1 0-0 *(16...Rc8 17.d6 0-0 18.Nh3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.Ng5 Qa5 21.Nd5 Qxd5 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxd5 f6 24.Ne4 Be6 25.Rd2 b6 26.Nc3 Rd8 27.Rhd1 Rd7 28.Nb5 f5 29.Bg5 e4 30.fxe4 fxe4 31.Be7 Ra4 32.Nc3 Rb4 33.Re1 Bf5 34.Nd5 Rb5 35.Ne3 Kf7 36.Nxf5 gxf5 37.Rc2 Ke6 38.Rc8 Bxb2+ 39.Kb1 Bc3+ 40.Kc2 Bxe1 41.Rh8 Rc5+ 42.Kd1 Bg3 43.Rh6+ Kd5 44.Rxh5 Kc6 45.Ke2 Bxd6* 0-1 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-mboldysh (2484) Blitz 2024*)* 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 gxh5 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Be2 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Rc8 22.Qg2 Ng4 23.Bc1 f5 24.Rxh5 e4 25.Rxf5 Rxf5 26.Qxg4 Qf6 27.Nge2 Nxd5 28.Qxe4 Nxc3 29.Nxc3 Rfc5 30.Kb1 Qf5 31.Qxf5 Rxf5 32.Rd7 Rf7 33.Rd3 Rfc7 34.Bd2 Rf7 35.a3 Bf6 36.Nd5 Bg7 37.Rg3 Rd8 38.Rg5 Kh7 39.Bc3 Bxc3 40.Nxc3 Rg7 41.Rh5+ Kg6 42.Rb5 Rgd7 43.Ka2 a6 44.Rb6+ Kf7 45.Ne4 Ke7 46.Nc5 Rc7 47.Rxb7 Rxb7 48.Nxb7 Rd7 49.Nc5 Ra7 50.Kb3 Kd6 51.Kb4 Kc6 52.Nb3 Ra8 53.Kc3 Rb8 54.Nd4+ Kc5 55.Nc2 Kd5 56.b4 Rc8+ 57.Kb3 Ke4 58.a4 Kd3 59.b5 Rxc2 60.bxa6 Rc6 61.Kb4 Rxa6 62.Kb5 Ra8 63.a5 Rb8+ 64.Kc6 Rf8 65.a6 Rf6+ 66.Kb7 Kc4 67.Kb8 Rf7 68.a7 Rf8+ 69.Kb7 Rf7+ 70.Kb8 Rf6 71.Kb7 Rf5 72.a8Q Rb5+ 73.Kc8 Rc5+ 0-1 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-mboldysh (2530) Blitz 2024;

A2b12) 12...N8d7 13.h5 gxh5 14.Rxh5 a6 15.Qd2 Qc7 16.0-0-0 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Nh3 0-0 19.Ng5 Nf6 20.Rh2 Bf5 21.g4 Bg6 22.b3 Qb4 23.Kb2 e4 24.Ngxe4 Bxe4 25.fxe4

Nxe4 26.Qd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Nxc3 28.Bxc3 Qe4 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-chesszxj (2821) Blitz 2024;

A2b2) 11...h6 12.Qd2 cxd5 13.exd5 Na6 14.0-0-0 f5 15.Kb1 f4 16.Bf2 Nb4 17.Bb5+ Kf7 18.a3 Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Nc2+ 20.Ka2 Rc8 21.Ne4 Nd4 22.Nc3 Nxd5 23.Bxd4 exd4 24.Ne4 Ne3 25.Ba4 Be6+ 26.Kb1 Nxd1 27.Bxd1 d3 28.Nh3 Qd4 29.Nxf4 Rc2 30.Nd6+ Qxd6 31.Bxc2 dxc2+ 32.Qxc2 Bf5 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-leopslr (2599) Blitz 2023;

A2c) 11.Be2 cxd5 12.exd5 N8d7 13.Nh3 Nf6 14.d6 Bxh3 15.gxh3 0-0 16.0-0 Qd7 17.Kg2 Rad8 18.Nb5 Nbd5 19.Bg5 a6 20.Nc3 Qxd6 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Qb3 Nf4+ 23.Bxf4 exf4 24.Rad1 Qe5 25.Bc4 Qxb2+ 26.Qxb2 Bxb2 27.a4 Rd4 28.Rxd4 Bxd4 29.Rb1 Rc8 30.Bd5 Rc2+ 31.Kh1 b5 32.axb5 axb5 33.h4 b4 34.Rxb4 Be5 35.Rb7 Bc7 36.Be4 Rc1+ 37.Kg2 Kg7 38.h5 f5 39.Bd5 g5 40.Be6 Rc2+ 41.Kf1 Kf6 42.Bd7 Ke5 43.Rb5+ Kd4 44.Bxf5 Rxh2 45.Bg4 Ke3 46.Rb3+ Kd4 47.Ke1 Ba5+ 48.Kd1 Bc3 49.Rb7 Rh1+ 50.Kc2 Rh2+ 51.Kc1 Rh1+ 52.Kc2 Rh2+ 53.Kb1 Rh1+ 54.Kc2 ½-½ (52) Superfm1 (2652)-mboldysh (2555) Blitz 2024;

A2d) 11.Qd2 cxd5

A2d1) 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Bxb6 Qxb6

A2d11) 14.Nxd5 Qd6 15.Bxd7+ Nxd7 *(15...Qxd7 16.Rc1 Nc6 17.Ne2 Rd8 18.0-0 0-0 19.Rfd1 Qd6 20.b4 Rc8 21.a4 h5 22.b5 Nd4 23.Qb2* Bykhovsky,A (2428)-Kiran,M (2230)/ Chennai/2011/ *Bh6!? 24.Rxc8 Nxe2+ 25.Qxe2 Rxc8⇄)*;

A2d12) 14.Bxd7+ Nxd7 15.Nxd5 Qd6 Stohl,Igor: '-12.♗xd7+'

A2d121) 16.Rc1 Stohl,Igor: 'Shipov, Sergei: '?!' '?!' '?!'' 0-0 17.Rc7 Rfd8 18.Rxb7

A2d1211) 18...Nb6 19.Ne7+ Kf8 20.Qxd6 Rxd6 21.Ne2 Re8 *(21...Bf6 22.Nd5 Nxd5 23.exd5 Rxd5 24.Nc3 Rd4 25.Ke2 Rad8 26.Ne4 Be7 27.Rc1 R4d7 28.Rcc7↑* Postny,E (2482)-Flumbort,A (2414)/ Budapest/2002/) 22.Nd5 Nxd5 23.exd5 e4 24.0-0 exf3 25.Rxf3 Re7 26.Rxe7 Kxe7 27.Ra3 Bxb2 28.Rxa7+ Kf6

29.Ra5 Ke5 30.Rb5 Ba3 31.Nc3 Bc1 32.Kf2 Bd2 33.Nb1 Bc1= Haba,P (2526)-Flumbort,A (2518)/Winterthur/2006/;

A2d1212) 18...Nf6 Stohl,Igor: '⩱!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Shipov; this can lead to the same position Shipov,Sergei: '⩱!' '⩱!' ' ⩱!' Shipov,Sergei: '↑ ";

A2d122) 16.Ne2 h5

A2d1221) 17.Rc1 Bh6 Stohl,Igor: '!' 18.Nc7+ Ke7 19.Qxd6+ Kxd6 20.Nb5+ *(20.Rc3 Rac8 21.Kf2 Rhd8 22.Rd1+ Ke7 23.Nd5+ Kf8⇄)* 20...Ke7 21.Rc7 Rhc8 Stohl,Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: 'Δ ' 22.Rxb7?! Rab8;

A2d1222) 17.Qb4 Qxb4+ 18.Nxb4 Bh6 19.Nd5 0-0 20.Nec3 Nc5 21.Rd1 Kg7 ½-½ (19) Molaei,M (2656)-Logan,T (2725) corr BdF 2000 Telechess CBM 89 [Rogozenko,D] 22.h4 Ne6 23.Kf2 Rfd8 24.g4 f6 25.gxh5 gxh5 26.Ne7 Kf7 27.Nf5 Bf8 28.Nd5 Rac8 29.Ra5 Ke5 30.Rb5 Ba3 31.Nc3 Bc1 32.Kf2 Bd2 33.Nb1 Bc1= Haba,P (2526)-Flumbort,A (2518)/Winterthur/2006/;

A2d1212) 18...Nf6 Stohl,Igor: '⩱!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Shipov; this can lead to the same position Shipov,Sergei: '⩱!' '⩱!' ' ⩱!' Shipov,Sergei: '↑ ";

A2d122) 16.Ne2 h5

A2d1221) 17.Rc1 Bh6 Stohl,Igor: '!' 18.Nc7+ Ke7 19.Qxd6+ Kxd6 20.Nb5+ *(20.Rc3 Rac8 21.Kf2 Rhd8 22.Rd1+ Ke7 23.Nd5+ Kf8⇄)* 20...Ke7 21.Rc7 Rhc8 Stohl,Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: 'Δ ' 22.Rxb7?! Rab8;

A2d1222) 17.Qb4 Qxb4+ 18.Nxb4 Bh6 19.Nd5 0-0 20.Nec3 Nc5 21.Rd1 Kg7 ½-½ (19) Molaei,M (2656)-Logan,T (2725) corr BdF 2000 Telechess CBM 89 [Rogozenko,D] 22.h4 Ne6 23.Kf2 Rfd8 24.g4 f6 25.gxh5 gxh5 26.Ne7 Kf7 27.Nf5 Bf8 28.Nd5 Rac8 29.Rc1 Bc5+ 30.Ke2 Nd4+ 31.Nxd4 Bxd4= Here Black's bishop is no worse, than White's ♘d5. 32.Kd3 Rg8 33.Rxc8 Rxc8 34.f4 Rg8 35.f5 Rg3+ 36.Ke2 Rg2+ 37.Kf3 Rf2+ *(37...Rxb2 38.Rc1⩱ =)* 38.Kg3 Rxb2 39.Rc1 Bf2+ 40.Kh3 Bb6 41.Rc8 Re2 42.Rb8 Rxe4 43.Rxb7+ Kf8 44.Nxf6 Re3+

A2d12221) 45.Kg2 Re2+ 46.Kf3 *(46.Kf1 Rf2+=)* 46...Re3+ 47.Kf2 Bd4!=;

A2d12222) 45.Kg2 ½ - ½ (4 3) Khalifman,A (2628)-Leko,P (2701) Budapest 2000 CBM 149 [Stohl,Igor];

A2d2) 12.Bxb6 Qxb6 13.Nxd5 Qd6 14.Ne2 Nc6 15.Nec3 0-0 16.Rd1 Rd8 17.Bd3 Be6 18.0-0 Rac8 19.Kh1 Nd4= ½,Bykhovsky,A (2415)-Gustafsson,J (2506)/Herzliya/2000/;

A2d3) 12.exd5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 'transposes to 7...e5.' Stohl,Igor: 'Shipov,Sergei: 'RR!?' 'RR!?' 'RR!?"

A2d31) 12...0-0 transposes to the lines

with 7...0-0.;
A2d32) 12...N8d7 13.Nh3 Nf6 14.Bb5+ Bd7 *(14...Kf8 15.Bc5+ Kg8 16.d6 h6 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Nf2 Rc8 19.Be3 Nbd5 20.Kb1 Nxc3+ 21.bxc3 Nd5 22.Ne4 f5 23.Nc5 Bf7 24.Nxb7 Nxc3+ 25.Qxc3 Rxc3 26.Nxd8 Rxe3 27.d7 Bf6 28.Nc6 Kg7 29.d8Q Bxd8 30.Nxd8 Bg8 31.Rd7+ Kf6 32.Rhd1 Ra3 33.h4 Bxa2+ 34.Kb2* 1-0 (32) Superfm1 (2615)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2606) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Bxd7+ Qxd7 16.Rd1 Nc4 17.Qe2 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 0-0 19.0-0 Rfe8 20.Nf2 a6 21.Nfe4 Nh5 22.d6 Rac8 23.Nd5 f5 24.Nb6 Qe6 25.Ng5 Qf6 26.d7 1-0 (24) Superfm1 (2615)-tka3 (2340) Blitz 2024;
A2d33) 12...Nc4 Stohl,Igor: '- see Laznicka-Kalod.' 13.Bxc4 Qh4+ Stohl,Igor: '∞' Stohl, Igor: 'Rodriguez,Am';

B) 9.Qb3 c6 10.0-0-0 cxd5 11.exd5 0-0 12.Kb1 Na6 13.h4 h5 14.Nh3 Bf5+ 15.Bd3 Bxd3+ 16.Rxd3 Rc8 17.Ng5 Nc5 18.Bxc5 Rxc5 19.Rhd1 Qd7 20.d6 e6 21.Ka1 Rfc8 22.g4 Bxc3 23.Rxc3 Rxc3 24.bxc3 Na4 25.c4 hxg4 26.fxg4 Nc5 27.Qc3 e5 28.Qxe5 Qa4 29.Qe2 Re8 30.Qf3 Qxc4 31.d7 Rd8 32.Nxf7 Qxf7 33.Qxf7+ Kxf7 34.h5 gxh5 35.g5 Nxd7 36.Rf1+ Kg6 37.Rd1 Kxg5 38.Kb2 Kf6 39.Rf1+ Ke6 40.Re1+ Ne5 41.Rh1 Rd5 42.Kc3 Nd3 43.Rh2 Ne5 44.Rxh5 Rd3+ 45.Kc2 Rf3 46.Rh6+ Rf6 47.Rh8 b6 48.Re8+ Kd5 49.Rd8+ Rd6 50.Rc8 Nc6 51.Rh8 Kc5 52.Rh5+ Rd5 53.Rh6 a5 54.Rh7 Nb4+ 55.Kb3 Rd3+ 56.Ka4 b5+ 57.Kxa5 Ra3# 0-1 (57) superfm1 (2655)-BJJ_Nordic_champion (2552) Blitz 2024;
C) 9.Qd2 c6 10.0-0-0 cxd5 11.Bxb6 axb6 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Qxd5 Qc7 14.Nge2 Ra5 15.Kb1 Nc6 16.Nf4 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Rxb5+ 18.Qxb5 Qxf4 19.Qxb6 Bc8 20.h4 h5 21.Qf2 0-0 22.Qd2 Qe5 23.Qb2 Be6 24.Rd2 Na5 25.Rd4 Nc4 26.Qb4 b5 27.Rhd1 Ra8 28.Qxe7 Kg7 29.Rd8 Na3+ 30.Kb2 Nc4+ 31.Kc1 Qxc3+ 32.Kb1 Qb2# 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2643)-Jimmythedog (2568) Blitz 2021;
D) 9.Bb5+ c6 10.dxc6 Qxd1+ 11.Rxd1 bxc6 12.Bd3 Be6 13.Nge2 N8d7 14.Nf4 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Bxa2 16.Kf2 e5 17.Ne2 Ke7 18.Ra1 Be6 19.g3 f6 20.Rhb1 Kd6 21.f4 Kc7 22.Ra5 Rhb8 23.Rba1 Nc8 24.Ba6 Nd6 25.Bd3 Nc8 26.h4 Rb2 27.h5 Kd6 28.Bc1 Rb7 29.Ba3+ Kc7 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Rh1 Rb3 32.Rh7 Kb6 33.Ra6+ Kc7 34.Bc5 Rb2 35.Be3 Ncb6 36.Rg7 Kb7 37.Ra1 Rg8 38.Re7 Bc4 39.Bxc4 Nxc4 40.Rxd7+ Kc8 41.Raxa7 Rd8 42.Rac7+ Kb8 43.Rxd8+ Kxc7 44.Rf8 f5 45.exf5 e4 46.fxg6 Nb6 47.Bxb6+ Kxb6 48.g7 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2624)-

Nguyen,D (2354) Blitz 2023;
E) 9.a4!?]
Previously in ChessPublishing, I have examined Glenn Flear: 'or similarly'
9.f4 Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'and Black was entirely safe in 1/2-1/2 (90) Rakhmanov, A (2620) - Dominguez Perez, L (2736) Linares 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'and Black was entirely safe in 1/2-1/2 (90) Rakhmanov, A (2620) -Dominguez Perez, L (2736) Linares 2015' RR: 'Ü 43/(567) →43/(567)' Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Kitty Kat: 'The main line 9.f4 scores better than 9.Bd4. Die Hauptvariante 9.f4 punktet besser als 9.Ld4.'Kitty Kat: 'The main line 9.f4 scores better than 9.Bd4.' Kitty Kat: 'Die Hauptvariante 9.f4 punktet besser als 9.Ld4.'
[9.Bd4
A) 9...0-0 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'A nice pawn formation, leaving them on light-squares, as the g6-♗ is going down.
' 10.f4
A1) 10...Bg4 11.Be2 Bxe2 *(11...c5 12.Bxe5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Bxe5 14.fxe5 Qc7 15.Nf3 Nd7 16.e6* 1-0 (16) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Ocinitram (2628) Blitz 2022 *)*
A1a) 12.Qxe2 Nec4 *(12...Ned7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.0-0-0 Rc8 15.h4 h5 16.g4 Nf6 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.Qe3 Qd7 19.Nge2 e6 20.Ng3 Nxg3 21.Qxg3 exd5 22.f5 d4 23.fxg6 fxg6 24.h5 Qe6 25.Rxd4 Rf6 26.e5 Rf5 27.Rg4 g5 28.Rxg5+ Rxg5 29.Qxg5+ Kh7 30.Rg1 Qh6 31.Ne4 Nd5 32.Nf6+ Nxf6 33.exf6 Rf8 34.Qxh6+ Kxh6 35.Rg7 Rxf6 36.Rxc7 Rb6 37.Kc2 Kxh5 38.Rg7 Kh6 39.Rg1 Rc6+ 40.Kb3 Rb6+ 41.Kc3 Rc6+ 42.Kb3 Rb6+ 43.Kc3 a6 44.a3 Kh7 45.b4 Re6 46.Kb3 Re3+ 47.Ka4 b5+ 48.Ka5 Rxa3+ 49.Kb6 Ra4 50.Rg4 Kh6 51.Rd4 Kg5 52.Kc5 Kf5 53.Rd7 Ke4 54.Rd1 Ke3 55.Rd6 a5 56.Rd8 axb4 57.Kxb5 Ra2 58.Kxb4 Rb2+ 59.Kc5 Rb7 60.Kd6 Rb4 61.Ke6 Kf4 62.Kf7 Kg5 63.Re8 Rb7+* 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-ghazaryan333 (2695) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.0-0-0 *(14.Nf3 c6 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.0-0 Qc7 17.b3 Nd6 18.Rac1 Qb7 19.e5 Nf5 20.g4 Nh6 21.Ng5 Nd5 22.Nxd5 cxd5 23.f5 Rac8 24.Rce1 gxf5 25.gxf5 Kh8 26.Qh5 Rg8 27.Qxh6 Qb6+ 28.Kh1 Qxh6 29.Nxf7+ Kg7 30.Nxh6 Kxh6 31.f6 exf6 32.Rxf6+ Rg6 33.Rxg6+ hxg6 34.e6 Kg7 35.Kg2 Kf8 36.e7+ Ke8 37.Kf3 d4 38.Ke4 Rc2 39.Kxd4 Rxa2 40.h3 Ra5 41.Re3 Rh5 42.Kc4 a5 43.Kc3 Rf5 44.Kb2 Rf4 45.Ka3 Rh4 46.Re5 Rxh3 47.Ka4 Rg3 48.Kxa5 Rxb3 49.Rg5 Kf7 50.Rxg6 Kxe7 51.Rb6 Rxb6 52.Kxb6* ½-½ (52) Donatella1954 (2625)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2685) Blitz 2020*)* 14...Qd6 15.e5 Qb4 16.Nf3 Rad8 17.h4 c6

18.h5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Rxd5 20.Rxd5 cxd5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Ng5 d4 23.g4 Rg8 24.Rh7+ Kf8 25.Rxf7+ Ke8 26.b3 Qc3+ 27.Qc2 Qe1+ 28.Qd1 Qc3+ 29.Qc2 Qe1+ 30.Qd1 Qe3+ 31.Kb1 Nd2+ 32.Kc2 Qc3# 0-1 (32) cubanito2002 (2706)-Thunder-In-Paradise (2564) Blitz 2020;

A1b) 12.Ngxe2

A1b1) 12...Nec4 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.b3 Nd6 15.Qd4+ f6 *(15...Kg8 16.h4 c6 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.h5 Nb5 19.Qxd8 Rfxd8 20.Rc1 a5 21.a4 Nd4 22.Nxd4 Rxd4 23.Ke2 Rb4 24.Rb1 Nd7 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Ke3 Nc5 27.Rh3 Rxb3 28.Rxb3 Nxb3 29.Kd3 Rb8 30.g4 Rb4 31.Rh1 Nc5+ 32.Kc2* 0-1 (32) benkonian (2650)-BonkersForHonkers (2643) Blitz 2022*)* 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Ng3 c6 18.e5 Nf7 19.e6 Nd6 20.Rad1 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Qxd5 Qb6+ 23.Kh1 Rc2 24.Rd2 Rfc8 25.f5 Rxd2 26.Qxd2 Qc5 27.Qf4 Nxf5 28.Nxf5+ Qxf5 29.Qxf5 gxf5 30.h3 Kg6 31.Rd1 Rc6 32.Rd7 Rxe6 33.Rxb7 a6 34.a4 f4 35.Kg1 Re3 36.Kf2 e5 37.a5 h5 38.b4 Rb3 39.Ke2 Kf5 40.Kd2 e4 41.Kc2 Rg3 42.b5 Rxg2+ 43.Kb3 axb5 44.a6 Rg1 45.Rxb5+ Kg6 46.Ra5 Rb1+ 47.Kc4 Rb8 48.a7 Ra8 49.Kd4 f5 50.h4 f3 51.Ra6+ Kf7 52.Ke3 Ke7 53.Ra5 Ke6 54.Kf4 f2 55.Ra1 Rxa7 56.Ke3 Rxa1 0 - 1 (5 6) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2603) Blitz 2025;

A1b2) 12...Ng4 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qd4+ *(14.h3 Nf6 15.0-0 c6 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8 18.Rfd1 Nc4 19.b3 Ne3 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Kf2 Nc2 22.Rc1 Rd2 23.Nb1 Nxe4+ 24.Kf3 Rd3+ 25.Kg4 Ne3+ 26.Kf3 Nf5+* 0-1 (26) JoseAvelino2002 (2632)-QuCq (2698) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Nf6 Laurentius,L-Alexander,C/Warsaw olm/1935/ 15.Rd1↑ I.Stohl;

A2) 10...c5?! 11.Bxc5! *(11.Bxe5* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *f6 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.e5 Bg7 14.g3 g5 15.Bd3* Stohl,Igor: '↑!' *)* 11...Nec4 12.e5 f6 Nikcevic,N (2459)-Sarthou,G (2385)/Creteil/2002 13.Qb3 *(13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qe2 b5 15.b3 Qc7 16.Bb4 a5 17.Nxb5 Qb6 18.Bxe7 Re8 19.bxc4 Rxe7 20.Qf2 Qb8 21.Nf3 fxe5 22.0-0* Stohl,Igor: '±' Stohl,Igor: 'Nikcevic,N (2459)-Sarthou,G (2385)/Creteil/2002/'*)* 13...Na5 14.Qa3 Nxd5 15.Rd1±;

A3) 10...Nec4 11.Bxc4 1-0 (11) Consent_to_treatment (2719)-matamancos2 (2604) Blitz 2023

A3a) 11...e5 12.Bxb6 axb6 13.Nf3 *(13.fxe5 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qh6 15.Qd2 Qh5 16.Be2 Qxe5 17.Nf3 Qe7 18.0-0*

Bh3 19.Rf2 h6 20.Qf4 g5 21.Qd2 c5 22.Bb5 g4 23.Nh4 Bd4 24.Nf5 Bxf2+ 25.Qxf2 Qg5 26.Qf4 Qxf4 27.gxf4 Kh7 28.Kf2 g3+ 29.Nxg3 Rg8 30.e5 Rad8 31.Nce4 Kh8 32.Nf6 Rgf8 33.Rd1 Bc8 34.Nge4 Bf5 35.Nd6 Bc8 36.Nc4 Bf5 37.Nxb6 h5 38.h4 Kg7 39.Rg1+ Kh6 40.Rg5 Bg4 41.Nc4 Ra8 42.a4 b6 43.Ne3 c4 44.Nexg4+ hxg4 45.Rxg4 c3 46.bxc3 Rac8 47.c4 Rc5 48.Kf3 Rfc8 49.Rg5 Rxc4 50.Rh5+ Kg6 51.Bxc4 Rxc4 52.Kg4 Rxa4 53.Rh7 Rxf4+ 54.Kxf4 1-0 (54) jelmatos (2608)-IljaSir (2571) Blitz 2019*)* 13...exf4 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Bb3 Qe7 16.e5 Bxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Qf3 g5 19.Rae1 Qf5 20.Qe4 Rfe8 21.Qxf5 Bxf5 22.Kf2 Bd3 23.Rxe8+ Rxe8 24.Rd1 Bg6 25.d6 c6 26.Na4 b5 27.Nc5 Bh5 28.Rd2 Kf8 29.d7 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-SmokedGray (2618) Blitz 2022;

A3b) 11...Nxc4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qd4+ e5 14.Qxc4 exf4 15.0-0-0 Qg5 16.Qd4+ f6 17.Qd2 c6 18.Nf3 Qh5 19.Rhe1 cxd5 20.Qxd5 Bg4 21.Qxh5 Bxh5 22.Rd7+ Rf7 23.Red1 g5 24.Rxf7+ Kxf7 25.Rd7+ Ke6 26.Rxh7 Bxf3 27.gxf3 Rd8 28.Kc2 f5 29.Rxb7 g4 30.exf5+ Kxf5 31.fxg4+ Kxg4 32.Rxa7 f3 33.Rf7 Rh8 34.Ne4 Rxh2+ 35.Nd2 f2 36.a4 Rg2 37.a5 Kg3 38.Ne4+ 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-renjiehuang6 (2788) Blitz 2022;

A4) 10...Ned7 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Nf3 *(12.Qd4+ Kg8 13.0-0-0 c5 14.Qf2 Qc7 15.e5 a6 16.h4 h5 17.g4 Nxe5 18.fxe5 Bxg4 19.d6 exd6 20.exd6 Qd7 21.Be2 Na4 22.Nxa4 Qxa4 23.Bxg4 Qxg4 24.Nf3 Rad8 25.Ng5 Rd7 26.Rhg1 Qc4+ 27.Kb1 Rfd8 28.Qf6 Qxh4 29.Rh1 Qg4 30.Rdg1 Qd4 31.Qxd4 cxd4 32.Ne4 Kf8 33.Rd1 f5 34.Nc5 Rxd6 35.Nxb7 Kf7 36.Rh4 Kf6 37.Nxd8 Rxd8 38.Rhxd4 Re8 39.Rd6+ Kf7 40.Rg1 Rg8 41.Rxa6 h4 42.Kc2 g5 43.Rh6 Rc8+ 44.Kd2 Rd8+ 45.Ke2 Ra8 46.a3 Rb8 47.Rxg5 Rxb2+ 48.Kd1 Rb3 49.Rxf5+ Kg7 50.Rxh4 Rxa3 51.Rhf4 Kg6 52.Rf6+ Kg5 53.R6f5+ Kg6 54.Rb5 Rd3+ 55.Kc2 Rd6 56.Rfb4 Rc6+ 57.Kb3 Rc7 58.Ka4 Kf6 59.Ra5 Rc1 60.Rb6+ Ke7 61.Ra7+ Kd8 62.Rh7 Ra1+ 63.Kb5 Rb1+ 64.Ka6 Ra1+ 65.Kb7 Rg1 66.Rc7 Rg8 67.Rd6+ Ke8 68.Ra6* 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-cn_ua (2612) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Nf6 *(12...c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Qd4+ Kg8 15.0-0-0 c5 16.Qe3 Bb7 17.h4 h5 18.Ne5 Qc7 19.Nxd7 Nxd7 20.Bc4 Nb6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 a5 23.g4 hxg4 24.h5 g5 25.fxg5 a4 26.g6 Qe5 27.Qxb6 a3 28.Qd4 axb2+*

29.Kb1 Qa5 30.gxf7+ Rxf7 31.Rhf1 Rxf1 32.Rxf1 Rd8 33.Qxc4+ Kh8 34.e5 Qa6 35.Qxa6 Bxa6 36.Rg1 Rd4 37.Ne4 Be2 38.Kxb2 Kg7 39.Kc3 Rc4+ 40.Kb3 Rd4 41.Nc3 Bf3 42.a4 Kh6 43.a5 Kxh5 44.a6 Rd8 45.Bd1 Rb8+ 46.Kc4 Rc8+ 47.Kb4 Rb8+ 48.Ka5 Kh4 49.Bxf3 gxf3 50.Rg7 Rb3 51.Nb5 f2 52.Rf7 Kg3 53.a7 Rb1 54.Ka4 f1Q 55.Rxf1 Rxf1 56.a8Q Rf2 57.Qg8+ Kh2 58.Qe6 Kg2 59.Qxe7 Kg1 60.Qg5+ Kf1 61.Qc1+ Kg2 62.e6 Kh2 63.Qg5 Rf4+ 64.Qxf4+ Kg2 65.e7 Kh1 66.e8Q Kg2 67.Qg6+ Kh1 68.Qfh6# 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-DrFlagstein (2847) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.Qd4 Kg8 14.0-0-0 Bg4 15.Be2 c6 16.dxc6 Qc7 17.e5 Rfd8 18.Qc5 Nfd7 19.Qxe7 Qxc6 20.Nd4 Qxg2 21.Rhg1 Qf2 22.Bxg4 Nc4 23.Nde2 Ne3 24.Bxd7 Nxd1 25.Rxd1 Qe3+ 26.Kb1 b5 27.e6 Rf8 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-MightBeDecent (2661) Blitz 2024;

A5) 10...Ng4 Stohl,Igor: 'Stohl, Igor: '-9.♗d4''Krasenkow,Michal: 'This system was exami'Krasenkow,M: '-game''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow,M: '- game'" ' ned in annotations to Anand - Caruana (see CBM 151).

' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'White is fighting for a ♗-pair and space advantage, but Black is solidly placed and after some manoeuvres, Shak proves that his position is consistent.

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A5a) Glenn Flear: 'following' 11.Nf3 Nf6N I don't like this move. Black is constricted so he should not avoid exchanges. *(11...c5?! 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qd2 e6 14.d6±* 1-0 Benitah,Y (2421)-Lagarde,M (2200)/Aix les Bains 2007/CBM 120 ext (45)*; 11...Bxd4!? 12.Qxd4* - see 11.♗xg7 ♔xg7 12.♕d4+ ♔g8 13.♘f3*; 11...c6 12.dxc6 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Qxd4 14.Nxd4 Rd8 15.cxb7 Bxb7 16.Rd1 Ne3 17.Rd2 Rxd4 18.Rxd4 Nc2+ 19.Kd2 Nxd4 20.Bd3 Rd8 21.Ke3 Ne6 22.a4 Nc5 23.Bc2 Nc4+ 24.Kf3 Rd2 25.Bd1 Nxb2* 0-1 (25) IsraeliViper (2601)-Stas-2444 (2578) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Qd2 Probably not the best plan. *(12.a4!?; 12.Be2!? e6* Anand,Viswanathan: ' ⩲!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'I didn't see what to do here, and even the computer's sugggestion of b4 is not relly enough.' *13.dxe6* Anand,Viswanathan: '△' *Bxe6 14.0-0)* 12...e6 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.0-0-0 c5! A good equalising idea.

A5a1) 15.Bxc5 Qxd2+ 16.Nxd2 *(16.Rxd2 Rfc8 17.Bxb6 axb6; 16.Kxd2* Anand,Viswanathan: ' ⩲' *Rfc8 17.Bxb6 axb6 18.e5 Nd5 19.Nxd5* Anand,Viswanathan: '='

Bxd5 20.a3 Bxf3 21.gxf3 Anand,Viswanathan: '⩱' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Black seems to have enough compensation here thanks to the opposite colored bishops. ⧉' *Bh6↑)* 16...Rfc8 17.Bd4 Anand,Viswanathan: 'Here I saw the draw with 29.Qg5, but at home, Hiarcs pointed out 29.Rf8 ' Nh5 Anand,Viswanathan: '!!' 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.f5 Bxa2=;

A5a2) 15.Be5 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Rfd8 Glenn Flear: 'Anand, V-Caruana, F Bilbao 2012, Black had no problems' *(16...Ng4!?)* 17.Bd3 Anand,Viswanathan: 'All standard theory.' Ng4 *(17...Nh5! 18.g3 Bg4 19.Bxg7* Anand,Viswanathan: '!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Simpler and now 27.Re1 loses to... (Adams,Mi)' *Bxf3 20.Rf1* Anand,Viswanathan: '!' *Nxg7 21.Rxf3* Anand,Viswanathan: '-+' *Ne6=)* 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Re1 Bc4 Anand,Viswanathan: 'Thus far, our game in Dos Hermanas. Now I tried our idea.' 20.h3 Anand,Viswanathan: 'N!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Normally speaking, this usually results in a White loss and several diagrams in chess magazines, but here the big difference is the open a-file. Black has to always watch out for Ra6 . Anand: '!'' Nf6 21.Red1 Re8 22.Bc2 Nh5 Anand,Viswanathan: '!' 23.f5 gxf5

A5a21) ⌓24.b3 Anand,Viswanathan: '=' Ba6 Anand,Viswanathan: '?' *(24...fxe4?! 25.Nxe4* Anand,Viswanathan: '-+' *)* 25.exf5± White's pieces are placed better so he keeps some chances.;

A5a22) 24.exf5 Ng3 25.Rd6 *(25.b3* is too late due to *Ne2+=)* 25...f6 Anand,Viswanathan: '?!' 26.Nd2 Anand,Viswanathan: '!' Bf7 27.a4 Bh5 Anand,Viswanathan: '?!' 28.Rg1 Anand,Viswanathan: '!' Rad8 Anand,Viswanathan: '??' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Michael simply blundered Anand,V: '?'' 29.Nde4 Rxd6 30.Nxd6 Anand,Viswanathan: '+-' Anand,Viswanathan: 'He had simply missed this - otherwise White has to take the draw with 30. Qg6+' Re5 31.Nde4?! *(31.Nxb7* Anand,Viswanathan: '±' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Black has a lot of play,

but still I feel it is not sufficient for a pawn.' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Now White can meet...' *31...Nd5!* Anand,Viswanathan: 'with' *32.Bd3* Anand,Viswanathan: '+-' *Nxc3* Anand,Viswanathan: '!' *33.bxc3 Be2 34.Bc2 Bf1* Anand,Viswanathan: '!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'This move had me worried during the game.'; *31.Kb1 Nd5* Anand,Viswanathan: ' ⩲' *32.Nxd5 Rxd5* Anand,Viswanathan: 'Probably White has to take the draw.' *33.Nxb7* Anand,Viswanathan: '!' *c4⩱; 31.Bd1! Bxd1 32.Rxd1 Nxf5 33.Nxb7=*) 31...Nxe4 32.Nxe4 Be8 33.Nc3 Anand,Viswanathan: 'The rest is fairly easy.' Bc6∓ Black has taken over the initiative; now his pieces are more active. 34.g4?! *(⌓34.b3* Anand,Viswanathan: ' ±!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'White keeps a healthy extra pawn. Anand: '!'' *Re3* Anand,Viswanathan: '?' *35.Kd2 Rg3* Anand,Viswanathan: '??' *36.Ne2* Anand,Viswanathan: '-+' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Traps the queen.' *Rxg2 37.Rxg2+ Bxg2* Anand,Viswanathan: ' ∓' *38.Nf4)* 34...Nc4?! It was more essential to activate the rook rather than the knight: *(34...Re3! 35.h4 Rh3* , and White is in a big trouble. *)* 35.Bd3 Ne3 *(35...Na5!* was still very strong. *)* 36.Rg3 b6 37.Kd2 Nd5 The knight has to ungloriously retreat; meanwhile, White has consolidated his position. 38.Bb5 Anand,Viswanathan: 'I didn't want to allow b3 and maybe some Ba3 tricks.' Nxc3 39.Rxc3 Bxb5 40.axb5 c4 41.Rxc4 Rxb5 42.Rc7+ Kg8 43.Kc3 a5 44.Rc8+ Kf7 45.Rc7+ Anand,Viswanathan: 'However, even after' 45...Kg8 ½-½ (45) Anand, V (2780)-Caruana,F (2773) Sao Paulo/Bilbao 2012 CBM 151 [Krasenkow,Michal];

A5b) 11.h3?! e5! 12.Bxb6 *(12.fxe5 Qh4+ 13.Ke2 Nxe5 14.Bxe5 Bxe5 15.Nf3 Qh5 16.Kf2 Bg7 17.Be2 Bd7 18.g4 Qh6 19.Qc1 c6 20.Qxh6 Bxh6 21.Rad1 Rae8 22.Rhe1 Bf4 23.Kg2 f5 24.dxc6 Bxc6 25.Nd4 Bxe4+ 26.Nxe4 fxe4 27.Bb5 Re7 28.Ne2 Be5 29.Nc3 Bxc3 30.bxc3 a6 31.Bf1 e3*

32.Re2 Nc4 33.Rd3 Ref7 34.Rd1 Rf2+ 35.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 36.Kg3 Nd2 37.Bd3 g5 38.Re1 Rf3+ 39.Kg2 Kg7 40.Be2 Rf2+ 41.Kg1 b5 42.Bd1 Nf3+ 43.Bxf3 Rxf3 44.Re2 Rxh3 45.Kg2 Rh4 46.Kg3 Rh1 47.Rxe3 Rg1+ 48.Kh3 h5 49.gxh5 Kh6 50.Re6+ Kxh5 51.Rxa6 Rc1 52.Kg3 Rxc3+ 0-1 (52) unitedff (2666)-mux77 (2566) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Qh4+ 13.g3 Anand,Viswanathan: '+-!' Anand,Viswanathan: 'Anand: '!" *(13.Kd2 axb6* Stohl,Igor: '∓' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' ∓'*)* 13...Qxg3+ 14.Kd2 axb6 15.hxg4 exf4 Anand,Viswanathan: 'Ü 75/(317)' 16.Qf3 Bxg4 17.Qxg3 fxg3∓ A.Mikhalchishin Stohl, Igor: ' ⩲' Stohl,Igor: '/→ Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' ∞' '∞' '∞' '∞' '∞' Mikhalchishin,A: '∞";

A5c) 11.Be2 e5 12.Bxb6 axb6 13.Bxg4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxg4 15.Qxg4 Bxg4 16.h3 Bd7 17.Nf3 Rfe8 18.Kf2 exf4 19.gxf4 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Rxe4 21.Kg3 Ra3 22.Rhe1 Bf5 23.Rxe4 Bxe4 24.Re1 Bxf3 25.Kxf3 Rxc3+ 26.Kg4 Kf8 27.f5 Rc5 28.f6 Rxd5 29.Re7 Rf5 30.Rxc7 Rxf6 31.Rxb7 Re6 32.h4 Kg7 33.h5 Re4+ 34.Kf3 Ra4 35.hxg6 hxg6 36.Rxb6 Rxa2 37.Kf4 Ra4+ 38.Kg5 Ra5+ 39.Kf4 g5+ 40.Kg4 f6 41.Rc6 Ra4+ 42.Kg3 Kg6 43.Rb6 Rd4 44.Rc6 Rd3+ 45.Kg4 Rd4+ 46.Kg3 Ra4 47.Rb6 Kf5 48.Rb5+ Ke4 49.Rb6 f5 50.Re6+ Kd5 51.Rg6 g4 52.Rg8 Ra3+ 53.Kh4 Rh3+ 54.Kg5 Ke4 55.Re8+ Kf3 56.Kxf5 g3 57.Ra8 g2 58.Ra3+ Kf2 59.Rxh3 g1Q 60.Rh5 Qb1+ 61.Kg5 Qb5+ 62.Kh6 Qc6+ 63.Kg5 Qd7 64.Rh6 Kg3 65.Rf6 Qd5+ 66.Kg6 Qg8+ 67.Kf5 Qh7+ 68.Rg6+ Kf3 69.Kg5 Qe7+ 70.Rf6+ Qxf6+ 71.Kxf6 ½-½ (71) Matin_Shams (2611)-MihaiEdward (2615) Blitz 2021;

A5d) 11.Bxg7 Illingworth, Max: 'This position has arises in several super-GM games this year. It's obvious that only White can be better, however players such as Leko, Dominguez, Wei and others have been using this system to hold a draw with Black. Here we'll consider White's recent and best attempts to complicate Black's task.' Illingworth, Max: 'This position has arises in several super-GM games this year. It's obvious that only White can be better, however players such as Leko, Dominguez, Wei and others have been using this system to hold a draw with Black. Here we'll consider White's recent and best attempts to complicate Black's task.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is the most popular move but, surprisingly, White doesn't get too much:' 11...Kxg7

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'An important move, forcing the ♘-retreat and also disturbing the c1-♗ development.
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A5d1) 12.Nf3 Here the best approach by Black is to attack the centre immediately, but which way? Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' Illingworth, Max: 'Previously castling was considered almost automatic, but this new wrinkle by the Chinese seems to give White a more durable advantage as now the ...b6/... Bb7 plan (used so effectively after 12.0-0) is prevented.' Illingworth, Max: 'Previously castling was considered almost automatic, but this new wrinkle by the Chinese seems to give White a more durable advantage as now the ...b6/... Bb7 plan (used so effectively after 12.0-0) is prevented.' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 85/(395)' Mikhalchishin,A: '— 85/(395)' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Ü 85/(395)' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 85/(395) Mikhalchishin,A: '— 85/(395)'"

A5d11) I can't see any problems with Illingworth, Max: 'A couple of days before this game, the quieter' 12...c6! e.g. Illingworth, Max: 'was tried, but after' Illingworth, Max: 'was tried, but after' RR: 'N!?' 'N!?'

A5d111) 13.h3 transposes to Ponkratov, P - Artemiev, V Moscow rapid 2019, where White had no advantage Illingworth, Max: '=' '?!' '=' '?!' Illingworth, Max: '1/2-1/2 (29) Meins, G (2436)-Heimann, A (2557) Biel 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'is just a worse version of the 11...Bb4 line for White.' Illingworth, Max: '1/2-1/2 (29) Meins, G (2436)-Heimann, A (2557) Biel 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'is just a worse version of the 11...Bb4 line for White. The most direct approach is' Illingworth, Max: 'The most direct approach is' 13...Nf6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Qxd8 *(15.Qc2 Qc7 16.e5 Nfd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.g3 Rb8 19.Be2 Qa5+ 20.Nd2 Ne3 21.Qd3 Qc5 22.Nb3 Rxb3 23.axb3 Nc2+ 24.Kd2 Bf5 25.Qc3 Rd8+ 26.Kc1 Qf2 27.e6+ f6 28.Ra6 Qxe2 29.Rxa7 Nb4 30.Rxe7+ Kh6 31.Ra7 Rd3 32.Qc4 Qe3+ 33.Kb1 Rd1#* 0 - 1 (3 3)

hirnloserverlierer (2658)-VasiaVasia (2580) Blitz 2019*)* 15...Rxd8 Illingworth, Max: ', however Anand showed already that Black is fine by means of the standard' Illingworth, Max: ', however Anand showed already that Black is fine by means of the standard' 16.Kf2 Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' c5 Illingworth, Max: 'and in 0-1 (50) Van Wely, L (2647)-Anand, V (2792) Monte Carlo 2006 Black could have even refined his move order with' Illingworth, Max: 'and in 0-1 (50) Van Wely, L (2647)-Anand, V (2792) Monte Carlo 2006 Black could have even refined his move order with' 17.Be2 Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' Bb7 18.Ke3?? Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: ', preventing a full penetration down the c-file and just equalising on the spot.' Illingworth, Max: ', preventing a full penetration down the c-file and just equalising on the spot.' *(18.e5=)* 18...Bxe4! Ponkratov, P - Artemiev, V Moscow rapid 2019, and White has blundered his key e-pawn as Illingworth, Max: '1/2-1/2 (25) L'Ami, E (2614)-Hera, I (2599) Netherlands 2015' Illingworth, Max: '1/2-1/2 (25) L'Ami, E (2614)-Hera, I (2599) Netherlands 2015' 19.Nxe4 Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' *(19.Rhc1 Bb7 20.g3 Rd6 21.Ne5 Rad8 22.Rc2 Nbd5+ 23.Nxd5 Nxd5+ 24.Kf2 Nf6 25.Ke3 Rd4 26.Bf3 Ne4 27.Rc4 Ba6 28.Nc6 Rd3+ 29.Kxe4 f5+ 30.Ke5 Bxc4* 0-1 (30) Ponkratov,P (2632)-Artemiev,V (2731) Moscow RUS 2019 *)* 19...Nbd5+ would be too horrible to contemplate.;

A5d112) 13.Qd4+ Stohl,Igor: 'and' Stohl, Igor: 'Stohl, Igor: 'and'' 13...Nf6 Stohl,Igor: '⇄' Stohl,Igor: 'Stohl, Igor: '⇄'' 14.dxc6 *(14.0-0-0 Bg4 15.dxc6 Bxf3 16.gxf3 bxc6 17.Qxd8 Raxd8 18.Rxd8 Rxd8 19.Ba6 Nh5 20.Ne2 Kf6=* 1/2 Yang,D (2432)-Kudrin,S (2543)/ Philadelphia 2011/ CBM 143 Extra (48) *21.Rd1 Rxd1+ 22.Kxd1 e5 23.fxe5+ Kxe5* Stohl,Igor: '='

Stohl,Igor: 'Yang,D (2432)-Kudrin,S (2543)/ Philadelphia/2011/') 14...Qxd4 *(14...bxc6 15.0-0-0 Bg4 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Be2 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 e5 19.fxe5 Nfd7 20.e6 fxe6 21.Rd6 Ne5 22.Rxe6 Nbd7 23.Rd1 Kf7 24.Red6 Ke7 25.b3 Rf8 26.Kc2 Nc5 27.Ne2 a5 28.Kb1 Rfb8 29.R6d2 a4 30.Rc2 Ra5 31.b4 Rxb4+ 32.Kc1 Ne6 33.Nc3 Rc5 34.Ne2 Rcb5 35.Nc3 Rb8 36.Rcd2 Rc4 37.Rc2 Nd4 38.Rxd4 Rxd4 39.Ne2 Rc4 40.Nf4 Rxc2+ 41.Kxc2 Kd6 42.Kc3 a3 43.Bd1 Rb2 44.Bb3 Rf2 45.g3 Kc5 46.Ne6+ Kb6 47.Nd4 Rxh2 48.Nc2 Nd7 49.Nxa3 Nc5 50.Nc4+ Kc7 51.Ne5 Nxe4+ 52.Kd4 Nxg3 53.Nf7 Rh4+ 54.Ke3 Nf5+ 55.Kf3 Rb4 56.Ng5 Rxb3+ 57.axb3 Nd4+ 58.Ke4 Nxb3 59.Ne6+ Kb6 60.Nf4 Nc5+ 61.Kd4 Ne6+ 62.Ke5 Nxf4 63.Kxf4 c5 64.Ke4 Kb5 65.Kd3 c4+ 66.Kc3 Kc5 67.Kc2 Kd4 68.Kd2 c3+ 69.Kc2 Kc4 70.Kc1 Kd3 71.Kd1 c2+* 0 - 1 (7 1)

Consent_to_treatment (2724)-CK-king-2024 (2850) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Nxd4 bxc6 **A5d1121)** 16.Nxc6 Bb7 would be very comfortable for Black Illingworth, Max: 'it's hard to see what Black does other than ...Rb8.'; **A5d1122)** 16.e5 Nfd5 *(16...Nh5 17.g3 c5 18.Nb3 Bb7 19.Rg1 Rac8 20.0-0-0 f6 21.exf6+ exf6 22.Bg2 Bxg2 23.Rxg2 c4 24.Nd4 Rfe8 25.Ndb5 Re7 26.Rgd2 f5 27.a4 Nf6 28.a5 Na8 29.Nd5 Nxd5 30.Rxd5 a6 31.Rd7 Kf8 32.Rd8+ Re8 33.Rxc8 Rxc8 34.Nd6 Rc6 35.Nxf5 Nc7 36.Nd4 Rc5 37.Kc2 Nd5 38.Ne6+* 1 - 0 (3 8) Consent_to_treatment (2656)-fairchess03 (2794) Blitz 2023*)* 17.g3 Nxc3 18.bxc3 c5 19.Nb3 Bb7 20.Rg1 Rfd8 21.Bg2 Bxg2 22.Rxg2 Na4 23.Rc1 c4 24.Nd4 Rac8 25.Rd2 Nc5 26.Ke2 f6 27.exf6+ exf6 28.Rb1 Re8+

29.Kf3 Rb8 30.Rb4 Ne4 31.Re2 Rxb4 32.cxb4 f5 33.g4 Kf6 34.g5+ Kf7 35.Nc6 c3 36.Rc2 a6 37.a4 Ke6 38.Ke3 Kd5 39.b5 axb5 40.axb5 Kc4 41.b6 Kc5 42.Ne5 Kxb6 43.Kd4 Rd8+ 44.Kc4 Rd2 45.Kb3 Kc5 46.h4 Rxc2 47.Kxc2 Kd4 48.Nd7 Ke3 49.Nf6 Kxf4 50.Nxh7 Kg4 51.Nf8 Kh5 52.Ne6 Kxh4 53.Kd3 Nxg5 54.Nf4 Ne4 55.Nxg6+ Kg3 56.Ne7 f4 57.Kxe4 c2 58.Nf5+ Kh2 59.Kxf4 c1Q+ 60.Ke5 Qe1+ 61.Kf6 Qf2 62.Kg6 Qxf5+ 63.Kxf5 ½ - ½ (63) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-fairchess03 (2784) Blitz 2023;

A5d1123) 16.Be2 c5 17.Nb3 c4 18.Na5?! *(18.Nd2=* Illingworth, Max: 'the game was quickly drawn, 1/2-1/2 (24) Ni, H (2696)-Wei, Y (2737) Shenzhen 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'the game was quickly drawn, 1/2-1/2 (24) Ni, H (2696)-Wei, Y (2737) Shenzhen 2015'*)* 18...Be6 19.0-0-0 Rac8 =/=+ Dreev, A - Smirin, I Biel 2002, and White had to careful about his wayward knight. 20.Bf3 Nfd7 RR: '=' '=' 21.f5 1/2 Dreev,A (2676)-Smirin,I (2676)/Biel 2002/CBM 091 Stohl,Igor: '½,Dreev, A (2676)-Smirin,I (2676)/Biel/2002/' gxf5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Nc6 Rxc6 Stohl,Igor: '!' 24.Bxc6 Ne5 Stohl,Igor: '⩱';

A5d12) 12...e6 Illingworth, Max: 'Black should play this, as after' Stohl,Igor: '=!?' Stohl, Igor: 'Stohl, Igor: '=!?'' 13.Qd4+ Illingworth, Max: '!' '!'

A5d121) A couple of other moves have been tried here: 13...Qf6 14.e5 Qd8 15.d6?! *(* more challenging would be *15.h3 Nh6 16.g4 exd5* Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'and I don't see a way to break down Black's position or even attack his weaknesses.' Illingworth, Max: 'and I don't see a way to

break down Black's position or even attack his weaknesses.' *17.Bd3!* with 0-0-0 and an attack involving f5 etc*)* 15...Bd7 16.h3 Nh6 Illingworth, Max: 'and drawn, 1/2-1/2 (23) Ponomariov, R (2713)-Dominguez Perez, L (2729) Tsaghkadzor 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'and drawn, 1/2-1/2 (23) Ponomariov, R (2713)-Dominguez Perez, L (2729) Tsaghkadzor 2015' 17.g4 Illingworth, Max: 'also allows' Bc6 18.Be2 Nd5 19.0-0 cxd6 20.exd6+ f6 Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'and Black can hold easily with only one weakness, 1/2-1/2 (31) Deac, B (2460) - Parligras, M (2581) Albena 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'and Black can hold easily with only one weakness, 1/2-1/2 (31) Deac, B (2460) - Parligras, M (2581) Albena 2015' 21.Nxd5 Illingworth, Max: 'is the most obvious move but it hasn't been played yet.' Illingworth, Max: 'is the most obvious move but it hasn't been played yet.' Bxd5 22.Rad1 Illingworth, Max: '!?' '!?' Qxd6∓ Gomez Esteban, M - Gross, S Rome 1984, and Black had successfully rode the storm and had even eliminated the dangerous d-pawn.;

A5d122) 13...Kg8 14.h3 Nf6 15.0-0-0 exd5 16.exd5 c5!? Cebalo, M - Bentivegna, F Bratto 2009, looks daring enough, but if the queen just retreats then the presence of the passed d-pawn should yield an edge to White. Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'is pretty robust for the second player.';

A5d123) 13...Nf6 Illingworth, Max: 'This position has occurred in three 2015 games and is definitely the critical one for the whole variation.' Illingworth, Max: 'This position has occurred in three 2015 games and is definitely the critical one for the whole variation.' Stohl, Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: 'Stohl, Igor: '='' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is even simpler:' 14.0-0-0

Illingworth, Max: 'N!?' 'N!?' Illingworth, Max: 'The idea of this novelty is to prepare d5 before Black can complete his development.' Illingworth, Max: 'The idea of this novelty is to prepare d5 before Black can complete his development.' *(14.dxe6* Stohl,Igor: '⩲=' *Bxe6 15.0-0-0 Qxd4 16.Nxd4 Bg4 17.Rd2 c6 18.h3 Bc8 19.g4 Nfd7 20.b3 Nc5 21.Bg2 a5 22.Rhd1 a4 23.Kb2 axb3 24.axb3 Ne6 25.Nde2 g5 26.f5 Nc5 27.Ng3 Nbd7 28.Nh5+ Kh8 29.b4 Na6 30.Rxd7 Bxd7 31.Rxd7 Nxb4 32.Nf6 Rad8 33.e5 Nd3+ 34.Kc2 Nxe5 35.Rxb7 Nc4 36.Be4 Rd6 37.Nh5 Rd2+ 38.Kc1 Rh2 39.Rb6 Nxb6* 0-1 (39) supertactic91 (2667)-calm_and_ready (2690) Blitz 2021*)* 14...exd5

A5d1231)

It doesn't look like 15.exd5?! works very well: Qd6 16.Be2?! Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'is just fine for Black.' *(* maybe White can stay about equal after *16.g3* e.g. *Bg4 17.Bg2 Rad8 18.h3=)* 16...Rd8 17.Rd2 Nbxd5 18.Nxd5 Qc6+ 19.Qc3 Illingworth, Max: '↑!' '↑!' Illingworth, Max: 'is a very computerish idea to stop ...Rfc8, but it seems extremely effective.' Illingworth, Max: 'is a very computerish idea to stop ...Rfc8, but it seems extremely effective.' Rxd5 Illingworth, Max: 'is again too slow:' 20.Qxc6 bxc6 21.Rc2 Rd6 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 Postny, E (2563)-Boros,D (2401)/Budapest 2004/EXT 2005 (59)' Stohl,Igor: '∓' Stohl, Igor: 'Postny,E (2563)-Boros,D (2401)/Budapest/2004/' 22.Rd1 Illingworth, Max: '!?' '!?' Illingworth, Max: '(a very practical continuation, to trade the queenside pawns)' Nd5 Postny, E - Boros, D Budapest 2004, and Black was a clear pawn to the good.;

A5d1232) 15.e5 Illingworth, Max: 'Now at least Black's queenside structure is fixed, although it requires some inventive play to exploit that fact.' Illingworth, Max: 'Now at least Black's queenside structure is fixed, although it requires some inventive play to exploit that fact.'

A5d12321)

Going back with 15...Ng8!? 'feels' passive, but certainly isn't as bad as the following 'near-miniature' would suggest: 16.h4 Illingworth, Max: ' ±' '±' Illingworth, Max: 'and White retains some pressure, although the endgame can probably be held on Black's part if he is very accurate. ' Illingworth, Max: 'and White retains some pressure, although the endgame can probably be held on Black's part if he is very accurate. ' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 Jakab, A (2354)-Csaszar, G (2075)/Budapest 2000/EXT 2001 (22)' Be6?! *(* the prophylactic *16...h5!=* should keep White's attacking ambitions in check Krasenkow,Michal: '∞'*;* on the other hand *16...Bg4?!* might not be solid enough as *17.h5 gxh5* Illingworth, Max: 'and ...Bb5 will be a draw. Even in the worst case scenario of Black losing the a6-pawn, Black should still be able to draw the pawn down endgame of 4v3.' Illingworth, Max: 'and ...Bb5 will be a draw. Even in the worst case scenario of Black losing the a6-pawn, Black should still be able to draw the pawn down endgame of 4v3.' *18.Bd3* looks dangerous for Black's king*)* 17.Bd3 Nh6 18.h5 Qe7 19.hxg6 Illingworth, Max: '↑' '↑' Illingworth, Max: 'followed by f4, Kf2 and Rb1 also

favours White.' Illingworth, Max: 'followed by f4, Kf2 and Rb1 also favours White.' hxg6 20.Rxh6! Kxh6 21.f5 gxf5 22.Qf4+ 1-0 Jakab, A - Csaszar, G Budapest 2000.;

A5d12322)

15...Nh5 16.f5 Bxf5? Illingworth, Max: 'The most natural move, blocking the b-file.' (Although *16...gxf5* seems to be playable, it only holds together by a thread, for example Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' *17.Rg1! Qe7 18.g4 fxg4 19.e6+ Qf6 20.Qxg4+* being diffused by *Kh6!*) 17.g4 c5 Illingworth, Max: '?!' '?!' Illingworth, Max: 'Now Black faces quite real pressure, however it wasn't too late to stop White's main idea and equalise with' Illingworth, Max: 'Now Black faces quite real pressure, however it wasn't too late to stop White's main idea and equalise with' 18.Qg1 Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' Illingworth, Max: 'A very nice positional continuation, which cements White's advantage as now the b7-pawn will become weak.' Illingworth, Max: 'A very nice positional continuation, which cements White's advantage as now the b7-pawn will become weak.' Bxg4 19.Qxg4 d4 Svidler was probably relying on his safe king and three pawns to compensate for the piece. However, all of White's forces are able to remain in play whereas Black's rooks are rather dormant, so White should stay on top. 20.Rg1 Kh8 21.Ne4 Nd5 Illingworth, Max: '?!' '?!' 22.Qg5 The simplest way to retain the better chances. Illingworth, Max: '±' '±' Illingworth, Max: 'Now White's advantage is unquestionable, and he went on to

convert in the game.' Illingworth, Max: 'Now White's advantage is unquestionable, and he went on to convert in the game.' *(* More aggressive is *22.Nfg5!?* when a continuation such as *Qe7* Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'and White can't count on more than a symbolic plus here.' Illingworth, Max: 'and White can't count on more than a symbolic plus here.' *23.Re1* Illingworth, Max: 'is another try, to simplify the position down with' *h6 24.Bc4 Ne3 25.Rxe3 dxe3 26.Nf3* leaves White with all the trumps.*)*
22...Qxg5+
23.Nfxg5 Ne3
24.Rd2 Rae8
25.Nd6 Re7
26.Rf2 Kg7
If the knight on h5 were able to get into the game then he might be OK, but it's not to be.
27.Be2 f6!
(27...Rxe5? 28.Bxh5+-)
28.Ngf7
(Black wriggles out after *28.Bxh5?!* Illingworth, Max: '=!' '=!' *fxg5* Illingworth, Max: '!' '!' *29.Rxf8 Kxf8∞* Illingworth, Max: 'is the computer's recommendation, to prevent the Be4-d3 idea played in the game, and only then go ...Bb5. Indeed this completely neutralises White's edge, e.g.' Illingworth, Max: 'is the computer's recommendation, to prevent the Be4-d3 idea played in the game, and only then go ...Bb5. Indeed this completely neutralises White's edge, e.g.'*)*
28...fxe5!
The best chance is to sacrifice a second piece.
29.Bxh5 e4
30.Bd1 Rexf7?
This fails to work when Black has to trade off both of his rooks. *(* Better was *30...Rd7!*

(threatening to capture on d6) and then only after *31.Re2* to liquidate with *Rdxf7 32.Nxf7* Illingworth, Max: ' ±' '±' Illingworth, Max: 'retains a big edge for White, though again Black is probably within the drawing margin objectively.' Illingworth, Max: 'retains a big edge for White, though again Black is probably within the drawing margin objectively. or' Illingworth, Max: 'or' *32...Rxf7* when four pawns for the rook might offer enough compensation in a practical game. Recognizing that his pieces are gummed up I'd be tempted (if I had White) to opt for *33.Rxe3 dxe3 34.Re1 Rf2 35.Rxe3 Rxh2* Illingworth, Max: ', although this rook ending looks like a draw after' *36.Rxe4* but it's not clear that White would be able to win this endgame (as Black will push his kingside pawns). Illingworth, Max: ' ±' '±') 31.Nxf7 Rxf7 32.Rxf7+ Kxf7 33.Bc2 Nxc2 34.Kxc2 Kf6 The black king has great intentions, but can't compete with the marauding rook. 35.Rf1+ Ke6 36.Rf8 h5 37.a4 g5 38.a5 Ke5 Illingworth, Max: 'I really like this g3 Semi-Tarrasch for White as the first player takes no real risk yet obtains very real chances for an advantage. I think we'll see more tests of Ding's idea, however with correct play Black can neutralise White's pressure and achieve his goal of holding the draw from a slightly worse ending.' Illingworth, Max: 'I really like this g3 Semi-Tarrasch for White as the first player takes no real risk yet obtains very real chances for an advantage. I think we'll see more tests of

Ding's idea, however with correct play Black can neutralise White's pressure and achieve his goal of holding the draw from a slightly worse ending.' 39.Rf7 Illingworth, Max: 'is preferable, but it isn't everyone's first reaction to give up a pawn as such.' Illingworth, Max: 'is preferable, but it isn't everyone's first reaction to give up a pawn as such.' e3 40.Rxb7 Ke4 41.Rxa7
1-0 (41) Trevelyan, J (2799)-Woerdemann,M (2714) Moscow 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Frutstaert,Roger];

A5d2) 12.Be2 Probably the right way to play but still not very promising.

A5d21) 12...Nf6

A5d211) 13.Qd4 e6! 14.0-0-0 exd5 15.exd5 *(15.e5!? Ne8 16.g4 Qe7 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Qxd5 f6∞ V.Golod)* 15...Re8! 16.Bf3 Kg8 17.Nge2 Qe7 18.h3 Bd7 19.Rhe1 c5!⇄
0-1 Bykhovsky,A (2481)-Golod,V (2523)/ Modiin 2002/CBM 092/ [Golod,V] (25);

A5d212) 13.Bf3 e6 14.Nge2 exd5 15.exd5 Re8 16.Qd4 Qe7 17.0-0-0 Bf5 18.Ng3 Qe3+ 19.Qxe3 Rxe3 20.Nxf5+ gxf5 21.d6 c6 22.Rhe1 Rxe1 23.Rxe1 Rd8 24.Re5 Kg6 25.Re7 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Nfxd7 27.Kc2 Nc4 28.b3 Nxd6 29.Kd3 Kf6 30.Kd4 Nf8 31.Kc5 Ke7 32.g3 Ne6+ 33.Kb4 h6 34.Na4 Ne4 35.Bxe4 fxe4 36.Kc3 f5 37.b4 Kd6 38.Nb2 b5 39.Nd1 Nc7 40.Kd4 Ne6+ 41.Kc3 c5 42.Ne3 Nd4 43.a3 h5 44.Ng2 a6 45.Ne3 Kc6 46.Ng2 Ne2+ 47.Kd2 Ng1 48.Kc3 Nf3 49.Ne3 Nd4 50.Kd2 Kb6 51.Kc3 a5 52.Nd5+ Kc6 53.Ne7+ Kd6 54.Nxf5+ Nxf5 55.bxa5 Kc6 56.a6 Kb6 57.g4 hxg4 58.h4 gxh3
0-1 (58) Iestri (2725)-makim_tsaruk (2726) Blitz 2023;

A5d213) 13.Nf3! c6 *(13...e6!? 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.0-0)* 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.0-0± 1/2 Piazzini,L-Castillo Larenas,M/Buenos Aires 1935/HCL (48);

A5d22) 12...e5!? 13.Bxg4 *(13.fxe5 Ne3 14.Qd2 Nxg2+ 15.Kd1 f5 16.Kc2 fxe4 17.e6 e3 18.Qd4+ Qf6 19.Qxf6+ Rxf6 20.Nh3 c6 21.Rhg1 Nf4 22.Nxf4 Rxf4 23.dxc6 bxc6 24.Rg3 Bxe6 25.Rxe3 Bf5+ 26.Kb3 Nd5 27.Nxd5 cxd5 28.Rd1 Rb8+ 29.Ka3 Bd7 30.b3 Ra4+ 31.bxa4 d4 32.Rxd4* 1-0 (32) AgressiveMode (2674)-pulvettd (2646) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxg4 15.Qxg4 Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲' *(15.fxe5 Qxd1+ 16.Nxd1 Re8 17.Nf3 Bg4 18.0-0 Bxf3 19.Rxf3 Rxe5∓* 1/2 Bykhovsky,A (2481)-Tyomkin,D (2482)/Tel Aviv 2002/CBM 092/ [Tyomkin,D] (31) Stohl, Igor: 'Bykhovsky,A (2481)-Tyomkin,D (2482)/Tel Aviv/2002/'Stohl,Igor: 'For more details about this game see Tyomkin's notes in CBM 092.'*)* 15...Bxg4 16.h3 Bd7 17.Nf3 Stohl,Igor: ' ∞' exf4 18.gxf4 Rae8 19.0-0-0 f6∞ D.Tyomkin;

A5d3) 12.a4 a5 13.Qd4+ Nf6 14.Be2 e6 15.g4?! c5 16.Qxc5 exd5∓ 1/2 Hermesmann,H (2122)-Bruemmel,A (2287)/ Travemuende 2002/EXT 2004 (34) 17.0-0-0 Stohl,Igor: 'Hermesmann,H (2122)-Bruemmel,A (2287)/ Travemuende/2002/' Bxg4 Stohl,Igor: '∓';

A5d4) 12.h3 Nf6 13.Qd4 *(13.Nf3 e6 14.g4 exd5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Ng5 e3 19.Rh2 h6 20.Ne4 Be6 21.Nc3 Rd4 22.Ne2 Rb4 23.b3 a5 24.Bg2 c6* 0 - 1 (2 4) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-MightBeDecent (2708) Blitz 2024*)* 13...c6 *(13...e6 14.0-0-0 exd5 15.exd5 Re8 16.Nf3 Bf5 17.g4 Be4 18.Bg2 c5 19.dxc6 Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Bxc6 21.Nh4 Rac8 22.Bxc6 Rxc6 23.Rhd1 Nfd5 24.Rxd5 Nxd5 25.Rxd5 Re3 26.Ng2 Rxh3 27.Rd7 Rg3 28.Ne1 Rxg4 29.f5 gxf5 30.Nd3 Re6 31.Rxb7 h5 32.Nc5 Re5 33.Nd7 Re7 34.Kc2 h4 35.Nd5 Re6 36.Kd3 h3* 0 - 1 (3 6) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-youareagmharry (2863) Blitz 2021*)* 14.0-0-0 *(14.g4 Kg8 15.0-0-0 cxd5 16.e5 Nfd7 17.f5 Qc7 18.Nf3 Qc5 19.e6 fxe6 20.fxe6 Qxd4 21.Nxd4 Nc5 22.Bg2 Nxe6 23.Nxd5 Nxd4 24.Rxd4 Rf2 25.Nxb6 axb6 26.Rd8+ Kg7 27.Bd5 Ra5 28.b4 Rb5 29.Bc4 Rxb4 30.Rg8+ Kh6 31.Rxc8 b5 32.Bb3 Rd4 33.Rd1 Re4 34.Rd2*

Rf1+ 35.Kc2 Rh1 36.Rd3 Re2+ 37.Rd2 Re3 38.Rc7 Rhxh3 39.Rxb7 Rc3+ 40.Kb2 Kg5 41.Rxb5+ Kxg4 42.Re5 Kf4 43.Rxe7 h5 44.Rf7+ Kg5 45.Rg2+ Kh6 46.Rf6 Rcg3 47.Rxg3 Rxg3 48.a4 h4 49.a5 h3 50.a6 h2 51.Bd5 Rg5 52.Bb7 Rb5+ 53.Kc3 Ra5 54.Rf1 Ra3+ 55.Kb4 Ra2 56.Rh1 g5 57.Kb5 g4 58.Kb6 g3 59.a7 Rb2+ 60.Kc7 Ra2 61.Kb8 Rxa7 62.Kxa7 Kg5 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-MightBeDecent (2691) Blitz 2024 *)*

A5d41) 14...Qc7 15.Qe5 Qxe5 16.fxe5 Nfd7 *(16...Nh5 17.Nge2* Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲' *g5 18.d6 exd6 19.exd6 Bd7 20.g4* Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' ±'*)* 17.Nf3 Glenn Flear: '⩲' Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov-Kamsky, Nalchik 2009' a5 *(17...Nc5 18.d6 a5 19.Rd4 Re8 20.b3* Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲ ' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' ⩲'*)* 18.Be2 Nc5 19.g4 *(19.Rd4* Stohl,Igor: '!?' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!?' *)* 19...Bd7 20.Kd2 cxd5 21.exd5 e6 *(21...f5* Stohl,Igor: '⇄!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Mikhalchishin,A: '!?'' *22.exf6+ exf6 23.Nd4 Rae8* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '⇄' *)* 22.Ke3 *(22.d6* Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ⩲' '⩲' '⩲' '⩲' '⩲' Mikhalchishin,A: ' ⩲" *Bc6 23.Rhe1 Ncd7* Stohl,Igor: '=') 22...exd5 23.Nxd5

A5d411) 23...Nxd5+ 24.Rxd5 Rfc8 *(24...b6 25.Rd6* Stohl,Igor: '⩲' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '⩲' *)* 25.Rc1 Ne6 26.Rxc8 Bxc8 27.Nd2 Stohl,Igor: '⩲';

A5d412) 23...Nca4 Stohl,Igor: '!' 24.Nxb6 *(24.Nf6 Be6* Stohl,Igor: '=') 24...Nxb6 25.Rd6 Bc6 26.Rc1 *(26.Rhd1* Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Mikhalchishin,A: '!?'' *Rae8 27.Kf4 Nc8 28.Rf6 Ne7* Stohl,Igor: '=') 26...Nd5+ 27.Kd2 Nf4 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '∞ '' ∞ '' ∞ '' ∞ '' ∞ ' Mikhalchishin,A: ' ∞" 28.Nd4 Rfe8 Stohl,Igor: '=' *(28...Bd5 29.Bf3* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *)*

A5d4121) 29.Rc5 Bg2 Stohl,Igor: '=' *(29...Nxh3 30.Nxc6 Ng5* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *)*;

A5d4122) 29.Nxc6 bxc6 30.Rc5 Reb8 31.b3 Nxe2 32.Kxe2 a4 33.Rc3 axb3 34.axb3 Rb5 35.e6 Re8 *(35...fxe6 36.Rxe6 Ra3* Stohl,Igor: '=') 36.Rdxc6 Rxe6+ 37.Rxe6 fxe6 38.Kd3 Kf6 39.Kc4 Rb8 40.b4 e5 41.b5 e4 42.Kd4 *(42.Rb3 Ke5* Stohl,Igor: '⇄') 42...Rxb5 43.Kxe4 ½-½ (43) Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2725)-9. ♘ d2 a5/ 14. ♕ c2 ♘ gf6 1 (2720) Alushta 2009 CBM 136 [Nastasio, Davide];

A5d42) 14...cxd5 Stohl,Igor: '⩲!?'

A5d421) 15.g4 Qc7 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,A: '!"

A5d4211) 16.exd5 Nbxd5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' *(16...Kg8 17.Bg2 Rd8 18.Qe5 Rd6 19.Nge2 Nc4 20.Qd4 Bd7* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '⇄') 17.g5 Nxc3 18.gxf6+ exf6 19.bxc3 Bf5 Stohl,Igor: '↑';

A5d4212) 16.Nge2 e5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 17.fxe5 Nxe4 Stohl,Igor: '∓';

A5d422) 15.exd5 Qd6 16.g4 Kg8 17.Nge2 Rd8 18.Bg2 Bd7 19.Kb1 Rac8 20.Rhe1 Nc4 21.Nc1 Qb4 22.Nb3 a5 23.d6 a4 24.dxe7 Bf5+ 25.gxf5 Rxd4 26.Rxd4 axb3 27.Rd8+ Kg7 28.axb3 Qxb3 29.Re2 Na3+ 30.Kc1 Rxc3+ 31.bxc3 Qxc3+ 32.Kd1 Nc4 33.e8Q Nxe8 34.Rexe8 Ne3+ 35.Ke2 Nxg2 36.fxg6 Nxf4+ 37.Kf2 Nxh3+ 0-1 (37) Iestri (2677)-GBHeraklinosK (2678) Blitz 2024;

A5d423) 15.e5 Ne8 16.g4 Stohl,Igor: '⩱' *(16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Qxd5 Nxd5 18.Rxd5 Be6 19.Ra5 Nc7 20.Bd3 Nd5 21.Ne2 b6 22.Ra4 Rfd8 23.g3 Rac8+ 24.Kd2 a5 25.a3 Nc7 26.Rd4 h5 27.Rc1 Nd5 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.g4 hxg4 30.hxg4 Rd8 31.f5 gxf5 32.gxf5 Bc8 33.Nc3 e6 34.f6+ Kf8 35.Nxd5 exd5 36.b4 Be6 37.bxa5 bxa5 38.Ke3 Rc8 39.Ra4 Ra8 40.Kd4 Ke8 41.Kc5 Kd7 42.Bb5+ Kc7 43.Rh4 Rb8*

44.a4 Rd8 45.Rd4 Rc8 46.Bc6 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2683) - DeinSchachtrainer (2638) Blitz 2024*)* 16...f5 17.e6+ Kg8 18.gxf5 Rxf5 19.Bd3 Bxe6 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Nge2 e6 22.Ng3 Qf6 23.Nxf5 Qxf5 24.h4 Ng7 25.Rde1 Rf8 26.Rhf1 Qf6 27.Qxf6 Rxf6 28.Nb5 Nf5 29.h5 gxh5 30.Nxa7 h4 31.Nb5 Nc4 32.b3 Nce3 33.Rf3 Ng4 34.Kd2 Kf7 35.Kd3 h3 36.Nd4 h2 37.Nxf5 Rxf5 38.Rh1 h5 39.Ke2 Kg6 40.a4 e5 41.fxe5 Rxe5+ 42.Kf1 d4 43.Kg2 Re2+ 44.Kg3 Kg5 45.Ra1 Ne3 46.Rh1 Ng4 47.Rc1 h4+ 48.Kh3 Re3 49.Rc5+ Ne5 50.Rxe3 dxe3 51.Rd5 h1Q# 0-1 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2730) - Think_Fast_Move_Fast (2755) Blitz 2022;

A5d5) Edouard,Romain: 'A relatively new idea.' 12.Qd4+

A5d51) 12...f6

A5d511) 13.Nf3 e5

A5d5111) 14.Qd2 exf4 15.Qxf4 Qe7 Stohl,Igor: '?!' *(15...f5* Stohl,Igor: '↑!'*)* 16.h3 Ne5 17.0-0-0 Bd7 18.Kb1 Rae8 19.Nd4 a6 20.Be2 Qd6 21.a3 Nbc4 22.Qc1 Qb6 23.Ka2 Nd6 Stohl,Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: 'Savchenko,B (2568)-Yandemirov,V (2520)/Sochi/2006/';

A5d5112) 14.fxe5 fxe5 15.Qd2 Rxf3 16.gxf3 Qh4+ 17.Kd1 Nf2+ 18.Kc2 Nxh1 19.Qg2 Nf2 20.Qg3 Qxg3 21.hxg3 Nh3 22.a4 Ng5 23.a5 Nd7 24.Be2 a6 25.Rc1 c5 26.dxc6 bxc6 27.Na4 Ne6 28.Kd3 Nd4 29.f4 Rb8 30.Bd1 Rb4 31.Rc4 Rxc4 32.Kxc4 Ne6 33.Kd3 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2674) - Alexandr_KhleBovich (2807) Blitz 2022;

A5d5113) 14.dxe6 Qe7!? *(14...Bxe6 15.h3* Stohl,Igor: '±'*)* 15.f5 *(15.h3 Rd8⇄)* 15...Rd8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 gxf5 18.0-0-0 c6⇄

0-1 Goganov,A (2525)-Yandemirov,V (2398)/Kazan RUS 2012 (28);

A5d512) 13.h3 e5 14.Qd2 Nh6 15.fxe5 fxe5 16.Nf3 Nf7 17.Be2 Bd7 18.0-0 Qe7 19.Rf2 c6 20.Raf1± 1/2 Svetushkin,D (2514)-Ionescu,D (2377)/Bucharest 2005/CBM 108 ext (62);

A5d52) 12...Nf6 13.0-0-0

A5d521) 13...Bg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Ngxe2 c6 *(15...c5)* 16.g4 Stohl,Igor: '!' c5 17.Qg1 *(17.Qxc5* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *Nxg4 18.Kb1* Stohl,Igor: '↑' *)* 17...Nfd7 18.h4 Nc4 19.Ng3 h6 20.Qf2 b5 21.e5 Stohl,Igor: '±' Stohl,Igor: 'Varga,P (2490)-Varadi,V (2272)/Miskolc/2002/';

A5d522) 13...c5 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Mikhalchishin,A: '?!"

A5d5221) 14.Qxc5 Bg4 15.Be2 Rc8 *(15...Bxe2 16.Ngxe2 Nxe4 17.Qd4+ Nf6 18.g4* Stohl,Igor: '↑' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '↑' *)* 16.Qe3 Na4 Stohl,Igor: '⩲';

A5d5222) 14.Qe3 Stohl,Igor: '±';

A5d523) 13...e6 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Δ' 14.g4 c5 15.Qxc5 Nxg4 16.dxe6 Qf6 Stohl,Igor: '⇄';

A5d524) 13...c6 14.dxc6 Qxd4 15.Rxd4 bxc6 16.Nf3 c5 *(16...Bb7 17.Rd2 Rad8 18.Bd3* Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '±' *)* 17.Rd1 Bb7 18.Bd3 Rfd8 19.Rhe1 a5 20.Bc2 Nh5 21.g3 Nf6 22.Ne5 Rd6 23.Rxd6 exd6 24.Nd3 c4 25.Nf2 d5 26.e5 Nfd7 27.Rd1 Nc5 28.Ne2 Ne6 29.Nd4 Nxd4 30.Rxd4 Nd7 31.Ng4 Nc5 32.Ne3 Ne6 33.Rd1 Rd8 34.f5 gxf5 35.Nxf5+ Kf8 36.Nd6 Bc6 37.Rf1 Rd7 38.Bxh7 d4 39.Bf5 Ke7 40.h4 f6 41.Nc8+ Kf7 42.Nb6 Rd8 43.Bxe6+ Kxe6 44.exf6 d3 45.Nxc4 Rd4 46.Nd2 Kf7 47.Rf4 Rxf4 48.gxf4 Kxf6 49.Nb3 Bf3 50.Kd2 Bh5 51.Nxa5 Kf5 52.Kxd3 Kxf4 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2744)-fairchess03 (2840) Blitz 2023;

A5d53) 12...e5 13.fxe5

c5 14.Qxc5 Nxe5 15.0-0-0 Bg4 16.Be2 Rc8 17.Qd4 Qg5+ 18.Kb1 Bxe2 19.Ngxe2 Rc4 20.Qf2 Ng4 21.Qg3 h6 22.Rd3 Nd7 23.h3 Nge5 24.Qxg5 hxg5 25.Rd4 Rfc8 26.Rxc4 Nxc4 27.Nd4 Nc5 28.Re1 Nxb2 29.Re2 Nbd3 30.d6 Ne5 31.Nd5 Rd8 32.Rc2 b6 33.Nb5 a6 34.Nbc7 Kf8 35.Nxb6 Rxd6 36.Rxc5 Rxb6+ 37.Kc2 Nd7 38.Rc3 Rf6 39.Kb3 Rf2 40.Rc2 Rf1 41.Nxa6 Ke7 42.a4 Rb1+ 43.Ka2 Rb6 44.Nc7 Kd6 45.Nb5+ Ke5 46.Ka3 Nf6 47.Rc7 Nxe4 48.Rxf7 Rc6 49.Re7+ Kf4 50.Re8 Rc1 51.Kb4 Rb1+ 52.Ka5 Nc5 53.Rf8+ Kg3 54.Rc8 Nb7+ 55.Kb6 Nd6 56.Rc3+ Kxg2 57.Rc5 Kg3 58.Kc6 Nc4 59.Rxc4 Rc1 60.Rc3+ Rxc3+ 61.Nxc3 Kg2 62.a5 Kg3 63.a6 Kxh3 64.a7 g4 0 - 1 (6 4) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-bloodyEagle (2671) Blitz 2022;

A5d54) 12...Kg8 Edouard,Romain: 'N!' 'N!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Tyomkin'

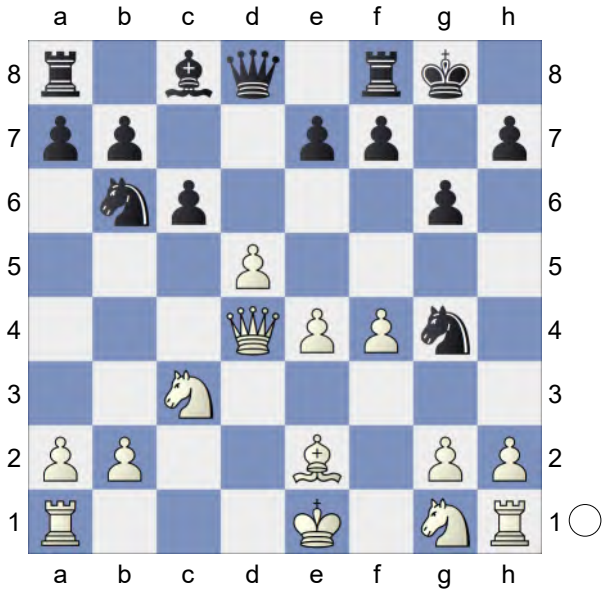
A5d541) Black had to stop the rook invasion with 13.Nf3 Edouard,Romain - although he remains much worse. Krasenkow,Michal: '-see 11.♗xg7 ♔xg7 12.♕d4+ ♔g8 13.♘f3' Perhaps 13...e6 Edouard,Romain avoiding a queen trade was even stronger, e.g. Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'was Black's last chance, but White is also safe after' *(13...c6 14.0-0-0 Qc7=* Svetushkin, D-Puntier, W Istanbul Olympiad 2012*)* 14.0-0-0 exd5 followed by ♗f2. White just seems winning. 15.exd5 Edouard,Romain Re8 and the black position is just a ruin. 16.Bb5? Edouard,Romain Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'the cleanest path for a draw in my opinion' Bd7+- Edouard,Romain: 'After' 17.Bxd7 Nxd7 Edouard,Romain: 'Speelman,Jon' 18.Rhe1 Qf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Varga,P (2478)-Isepy,J (2282)/ Sarospatak 2003/EXT 2005 (33)';

A5d542) 13.h3 Nf6 *(13...e5 14.fxe5 Qh4+*

15.Ke2 Re8 16.Nf3 Qh5 17.Kd2 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Rxe5 19.Kc2 Bd7 20.Bd3 Rae8 21.Rhf1 c6 22.dxc6 Bxc6 23.Rf4 Qg5 24.Raf1 R5e7 25.g4 Nd7 26.Kb1 Ne5 27.Bc2 Qh4 28.Bb3 Qxh3 29.Nd5 Bxd5 30.exd5 Qd3+ 31.Qxd3 Nxd3 32.Rf6 Ne5 33.g5 Rd8 34.d6 Red7 35.Re1 Nc6 36.a3 Kg7 37.Ref1 Rf8 38.Ka2 Nd4 39.Ba4 b5 40.Bb3 Nxb3 41.Kxb3 h6 42.gxh6+ Kxh6 43.Kb4 Kg7 44.Kxb5 Rb7+ 45.Kc6 Rxb2 46.d7 Rc2+ 47.Kb7 a5 48.a4 Rd2 49.Kc7 Rc2+ 50.Kb7 Rd2 51.Kc7 Rc2+ 52.Kb7 ½ - ½ (5 2) Consent_to_treatment (2 7 6 3) - Maldnus_Blundersen (2662) Blitz 2023*)* 14.Nf3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'followed by ♖d5' e6 Stohl,Igor: '=' *(14...c6 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.0-0-0 Be6 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8 18.Ba6 c5 19.g4 Bc4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.e5 Nd7 22.Rd3 Ndb6 23.Rhd1 Rxd3 24.Rxd3 Rc8 25.b3 Na5 26.Nd5 Kf8 27.Nxb6 axb6 28.Kb2 Ke8 29.Ng5 h6 30.Ne4 c4 31.Rc3 b5 32.bxc4 Nxc4+ 33.Kb3 Ra8 34.Kb4 Rxa2 35.Kxb5 Nd2 36.Nc5 Rb2+ 37.Kc6 Kf8 38.e6 fxe6 39.Nxe6+ Kf7 40.Nc5 Nf1 41.Rf3 Nd2 42.Rd3 Nc4 43.Kd5 Nb6+ 44.Ke4 Rb4+ 45.Kf3 g5 46.fxg5 hxg5 47.Ne4 Kg6 48.Rd8 Rb3+ 49.Kg2 Nc4 50.Rg8+ Kf7 51.Rxg5 Ne3+ 52.Kf3 e6 53.Kf2 Nd5 54.Rh5 Rb2+ 55.Kf3 Rb3+ 56.Kg2 Rb2+ 57.Kg3 Rb3+ 58.Kh4 Nf4 59.Ng5+ Kg6 60.Rh8 e5 61.Rg8+ Kf6 62.Rf8+* 1 - 0 (6 2) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-mux77 (2575) Blitz 2024*)* 15.0-0-0 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '=' exd5 16.exd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 Cebalo,M (2476)-Bentivegna,F (2324)/Bratto 2009/ CBM 132 Extra (99)' Qd6 Krasenkow, Michal: '=' '=' 17.Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '△' '△' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '='Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '♘d5, ♔e4, etc' Qe7;

A5d543) 13.Be2

Krasenkow,Michal: 'N' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A harmless novelty.' 13...c6? Diagram



Edouard,Romain: 'Speelman,Jon: 'Diagram [#]'' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mamedyarov releases the central tension, to avoid 14. exd5 once and for all. As already discussed, this small positional concession is sound now, because of the c7-♘, that could now come to b5-d6.' 14.Bxg4!N Edouard,Romain: '!' '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Speelman,Jon: 'N!'' Edouard,Romain: 'This beautiful blow refutes Black's idea.' Bxg4 Edouard,Romain: 'Perhaps the least damage.' 15.h3 Edouard,Romain: '!' '!' Bd7 Edouard,Romain: '□''□' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Correctly improving the ♘ to d6. ' 16.Nf3 cxd5 17.exd5 e6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Caruana, F-Svidler, P Tashkent 2012. So at a high level, Black hasn't been suffering after 8. d5.' 18.d6 Krasenkow, Michal: 'This pawn will be rather weak but' *(18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.0-0 Qxd4+!+- 20.Nxd4 Bc4 21.Rfd1 Rad8+-* Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to a pleasant endgame for Black, who will have ♗ vs ♘ in an open position.') 18...Bc6 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Caruana, F-Svidler, P Tashkent 2012' 19.0-0 Nd5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'I'm always a little bit afraid of these endgames, when Black has this light-squared-pawn structure without that ♗. First of all, White's only break would be with h4-h5, but after ...gxh5 and ...g6 afterwards, it wouldn't be much anyway. Things should

again be balanced.
' 20.Nxd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' *(20.Ne4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *f5*+- The crazy engine suggests paralysing Black in the following way: *21.Neg5* Edouard,Romain *Qxd6 22.Ne5* Krasenkow, Michal: ' ♕') 20...Bxd5 21.Ne5 Edouard,Romain: 'Black is paralyzed, under-developed, and White has a monster-pawn on e6. Despite an extra pawn, Black is close to lost.' f6 Edouard,Romain: '?!' '?!' 22.Ng4 Kg7 23.Ne3 Qxd6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Keeping an eye on the h5-break, when the ♔ is clearly better on f8.
' 24.Rad1 Rfd8 25.Nxd5 Edouard,Romain: 'With the d6-pawn falling, there's no real hope for Black anymore.' exd5 26.Rf3+- Edouard,Romain: 'Speelman,Jon: '+-'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black has won a pawn but fails to improve his position.' b6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(26...Rd7* Krasenkow, Michal: ' ♘' *27.Rfd3 Rad8* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'keeping some winning chances. Perhaps GM Peter Svidler overlooked that' *28.Qxa7 Qxf4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *29.Rxd5!* Krasenkow,Michal: '??' Krasenkow,Michal: 'didn't work due to' *Rxd5 30.Rxd5* White wins.or *30...Qc1*+ Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' *31.Kh2 Qc7*+ Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '='Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Now Black has to exchange his minor piece, and the ♖ endgame is a clear draw, despite the pawn down.' *32.Kg1* Edouard,Romain *Rxd5)* 27.Rfd3 Rac8 28.Qxd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Qxd5 *(28...Qxf4 29.Qxd8 Rxd8* would give Black time for ... ♖h3+ and ... ♖g3, although after *30.Rxd8!!* Krasenkow, Michal: 'is not dangerous for White.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Seems to allow sort of a forced draw already:') 29.Rxd5 Rxd5

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'These kind of moves are always sort of unexpected, because it is unlikely that Black would want to destroy his own perfect structure, but sometimes piece activity speaks louder!
' 30.Rxd5 Edouard,Romain: '!' '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Giving Black no counterchances.' Rc2 31.Rd7+ Kg8 32.Rxa7 Rxb2 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '29...e5 was a good decision, but also a brave one, because the a6-♙ could be dangerous in some positions (connected with ♗xb6 ideas). But, as an old Russian proverb says: "He who doesn't take risks never gets to drink champagne". In the other hand the g5-♙ is also a weakness and with a 34th move mistake, Leko turns into a worse position.
' 33.Rb7 Rxa2 34.Rxb6 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '?!' f5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' 35.Rb8+ Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Kg7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∓'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Maybe missed by Leko in time trouble.
' 36.Rb7+ Kg8 37.Rb8+ Kg7 Edouard,Romain 38.Rb7++- Kg8 Edouard,Romain 1-0 (38) Caruana,F (2823)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2784) Wijk aan Zee 2021 Chess Informant 148 [Jon Speelman] Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Black is a pawn up, but there's still a lot to be done to convert it into a full point. Leko plays tenaciously:
';

B) The experimental Glenn Flear: 'interesting is' 9...g5!? is one of those moves that in your heart you just know 'can't be good', but still the 'refutation' isn't obvious... 10.h4 h6 11.hxg5 hxg5 12.Bb5+ *(12.Rxh8+ Bxh8 13.f4 Bg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 gxf4 16.0-0-0 Qd6* Gozzoli, Y-Kantas, T Vaujany 2012, when Black had no problems *)* 12...Kf8 13.Rxh8+ Bxh8 14.f4 Bg4 *(14...gxf4? 15.Qh5)* 15.Be2?! *(15.Qd2! Nbc4* Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'is also fine for Black.' Illingworth, Max: 'is also fine for Black. or 'Illingworth, Max: 'or' *16.Qc2!* leaves Black tangled, after which *gxf4 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Bxh8 Ne3 19.Qf2 f6*

is still highly messy, but White should be on top following *20.Kd2!)* 15...Bxe2 16.Ngxe2 gxf4 17.Nxf4 Qd6 18.Qh5 Dokhoian, Y -Maliskauskas, V Tallinn 1986, and now Nd3+! Illingworth, Max: '=' '=' Illingworth, Max: 'with a drawn endgame, 1/2-1/2 (35) Wang, Y (2724) -Radjabov, T (2738) Skopje 2015' Illingworth, Max: 'with a drawn endgame, 1/2-1/2 (35) Wang, Y (2724) -Radjabov, T (2738) Skopje 2015' 19.Nxd3 Bxd4= is best.;

C) 9...f6 Stohl,Igor: '?!' 10.f4 *(10.a4* Stohl,Igor: '↑!' *)* 10...Nf7 11.a4 e5 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.a5 Nd7 14.a6 b6 15.Bb5 Qe7 16.Nge2 c5 *(16...0-0-0 17.Bc6)* 17.Bf2

C1) 17...0-0 18.Nd5 Qd6 *(18...Bxd5 19.Qxd5 Rfd8 20.0-0-0 Nf8 21.Qb7)* 19.Nec3 Rfd8 20.0-0;

C2) 17...0-0-0 18.Qa4 f5

C2a) 19.Bc4 Nb8 20.Bxe6+ Qxe6 21.Nb5 Nc6 *(21...Rd7)*;

C2b) 19.e5 g5 20.Bc4 *(20.g3 gxf4 21.gxf4 Ndxe5)* 20...Ndxe5 *(20...Nb8 21.Bxe6+ Qxe6 22.0-0 Nc6 23.b4)* 21.Bxe6+ Qxe6 22.fxe5 Nxe5 23.0-0 Qc4 24.b4 *(24.Qxc4 Nxc4 25.Nb5 Kb8; 24.Qc2 Qd3)*

C2b1) 24...cxb4 25.Nb5 Qxe2 *(25...Nf3+ 26.gxf3 Bxa1 27.Rc1 Bc3 28.Rxc3; 25...Kb8 26.Ned4 Nd3 27.Nxa7 Kxa7 28.Nc6+ Ka8 29.Nxd8 Bxa1 30.Qd7→* 1-0 Averbakh,Y-Alatortsev, V/Moscow 1946/MCD (39) *Qxa6* and *31.Qc6+* are the usual choices. *Kb8 32.Bxb6 Be5 33.Bc7+ Ka7 34.Bxe5 Nxe5 35.Qc5+)* 26.Nxa7+∓ 0-1 Apicella,M-Bellia,F/Vinkovci 1989/CBM 16 (90) *(26.Rfe1 Qd2 27.Nxa7+ Kb8 28.Nc6+)* 26...Kb8 The second option connected to 11.a3. 27.Nc6+;

C2b2) 24...Qxb4 25.Qc2 Nd3 26.Rfb1 Qc4 27.Ra4

C2b21) 27...Qf7 28.Bd4 cxd4 *(28...Bxd4+ 29.Nxd4 Rxd4 30.Rxd4±* 1-0 Matanovic,A-Watzka, H/Vrnjacka Banja 1967/EXT 98 (38) *cxd4?* this does not mix well with a3. *31.Qxd3 dxc3 32.Qxc3+!)* 29.Nd5+↑ Nc5 *(29...Kb8 30.Nxb6)* 30.Nxb6+ axb6 31.Rxb6 Qc7 32.Qxf5+;

C2b22) 27...Qe6 28.Nb5 Stohl,Igor: '→' Stohl,Igor: 'Alekhine,A-Bogoljubow,E/WCh/1929/'

C2b221) 28...Nxf2= 29.Kxf2 *(29.Nxa7+ Kb8 30.Qxc5 Rd1+±)* 29...Kb8∓ 30.Ng3 Rhf8→ 31.Ra3 Qd5;

C2b222) 28...Kb8? 29.Ned4

C2b2221) 29...Bxd4 30.Bxd4 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 Qe3+ 32.Kf1 cxd4 *(32...Qxd4 33.Nxd4*

cxd4 34.Qxd3) 33.Qc7+ Ka8 34.Qb7#;

C2b2222) 29...Qe4 30.Nc3 Qe8 31.Qxd3 cxd4 32.Bxd4?! Qe6 33.Qf3 Qf7

C2b22221) 34.Bxb6?! axb6!± 35.Rxb6+ Kc8

C2b222211) 36.a7 Kd7 37.a8Q Bf6 *(37...Rxa8 38.Qb7+ Kd8!= 39.Rxa8#)* 38.Ra7+± ⌓Ke8 39.Qfc6+!

Judit is not known to scorn this type of attack. Perhaps she missed the follow-up. Kf8 40.Rxf7+!!+- Kg8 *(40...Kxf7 41.Qxf6+ Kg8= 42.Qaxd8#)* 41.Qe8+ Rxe8 42.Qxe8#;

C2b222212) 36.Qc6+ Qc7 37.Rb8+ *(37.Qe6+)* 37...Kxb8 38.a7+ Kc8 *(38...Qxa7++- 39.Rxa7 Bd4+ 40.Kf1 Bxa7 41.Nb5)* 39.a8Q#;

C2b22222) 34.Bxb6

1-0 (34) Polgar,J (2658)-Piket,J (2633) Wijk aan Zee 2000 CBM 075 [Wedberg,Tom];

D) 9...c5 10.Bxc5 0-0 11.Qb3 Nbd7 12.Bd4 Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 Bxd4 14.Nge2 Be3 15.Nd1 Nc5 16.Qc3 Nxd3+ 17.Qxd3 Bc5 18.Ndc3 Qa5 19.0-0-0 Bd7 20.Kb1 b5 21.Nc1 Qb6 22.Nb3 Bd6 23.Qd4 Qb8 24.h4 b4 25.Ne2 a5 26.Nc5 Bb5 27.Nc1 Rc8 28.N5d3 f6 29.h5 g5 30.h6 a4 31.Rhe1 Rc4 32.Qe3 Be5 33.Nxe5 Qxe5 34.Nd3 Qc7 35.e5 b3 36.d6 bxa2+ 37.Ka1 exd6 38.exf6 a3 39.Qxg5+ Kh8 40.Re7 axb2+ 41.Nxb2 Rg8 42.Rxc7 Rxg5 43.Rxc4 Bxc4 44.Nxc4 Rxg2 45.Rxd6 Kg8 46.Rd7 Rf2 47.Rg7+ Kh8 48.Re7 Kg8 49.Ne5 Kf8 50.Rf7+ Kg8 51.Rg7+ Kf8 52.Nd7+ Ke8 53.f7+ Kxd7 54.f8Q+ Ke6 55.Re7+ Kd5 56.Qd8+ Kc6 57.Rc7+ Kb6 58.Qb8+ 1-0 (58) Donatella1954 (2837)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2810) Blitz 2021]

[9.Bb5+ c6 10.dxc6 Qxd1+ 11.Rxd1 bxc6 12.Be2 Nec4 13.Bd4 e5 14.Bc5 Nxb2 15.Rc1 N2a4 16.Ba3 Nxc3 17.Rxc3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Rxf8 19.Rxc6 Bd7 20.Rc5 f6 21.Bd1 Ke7 22.Ne2 Rfc8 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Bb3 Be6 25.Kd2 Nc4+ 26.Bxc4 Rxc4 27.Nc3 f5 28.Rb1 Rd4+ 29.Kc2 fxe4 30.fxe4 h5 31.Rb7+ Rd7 32.Rb5 Kf6 33.h4 Rd6 34.Ra5 a6 35.g3 Rc6 36.Kd2 Bc4 37.Kc2 g5 38.hxg5+ Kxg5 39.Rxe5+ Kg4 40.a4 Bf7 41.Kd2 Kxg3 42.Nd5 h4 43.Ke3 h3 44.Rg5+ Kh4 45.Rg7 Bh5 46.Kf4 h2 47.Ne3 h1Q 48.Nf5+ Kh3 49.Rg3+ Kh2 50.Rg5 Qf3+ 51.Ke5 Rc5+ 52.Kf6 Rxf5+ 53.exf5 Qf4 54.Rg7 1-0 (54) cubanito2002

(2684)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2661) Blitz 2020]
[9.Qb3 0-0
A) 10.0-0-0 c6 *(10...a5 11.h3 a4 12.Qb4 a3 13.b3 f5 14.f4 Nf7 15.e5 Re8 16.Nf3 Bf8 17.e6 Nd6 18.Ne5 Bg7 19.Be2 Bf6 20.g4 Bg7 21.g5 Rf8 22.h4 Qe8 23.h5 Bh8 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Rh6 Bxe5 26.fxe5 Ne4 27.Nxe4 fxe4 28.Rdh1 Nxd5 29.Rh8+ Kg7 30.R1h7# 1-0 (30) Superfm1 (2619)-ALkHIN2021 (2464) Rapid 2023)* 11.dxc6 Qc7 12.cxb7 Bxb7 13.Kb1 Nbc4 14.Bf4 Rfc8 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Qxc4 Nxc4 17.Nge2 Ba6 18.Rc1 Nxb2 19.Kxb2 Bxe2 20.Rhe1 Bc4 21.Rc2 Rc6 22.Kc1 Bd3 0-1 (22) Bodoque55 (2632)-Mischuk_D (2665) Blitz 2025;
B) 10.Be2 e6 11.0-0-0 exd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.Ne4 Ng4 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Nh3 h6 16.Bd2 Qxd5 17.Qxd5 Nxd5 18.Kb1 Nge3 19.Rc1 f5 20.Nc5 b6 21.Nb3 g5 22.Nf2 Nxg2 23.Bc4 Be6 24.Rhg1 Ngf4 25.Nd3 Ne2 26.Rge1 Nxc1 27.Kxc1 Bf7 28.Rg1 Ne3 29.Bxf7+ Kxf7 30.f4 g4 31.Bxe3 Rxe3 32.Nb4 Rd8 33.Nc6 Rd5 34.Nb4 Rd7 35.Nc6 Re2 36.Nxa7 Bxb2+ 37.Kb1 Bf6 38.Nc6 Rd3 39.Nb4 Rb2+ 40.Kc1 Rf3 41.Re1 c5 42.Nc6 Rff2 43.Ne5+ Bxe5 44.fxe5 Rxa2 45.Kb1 Rab2+ 46.Kc1 Rxb3 47.e6+ Ke7 48.Rd1 Ra3 49.Kb1 Rb3+ 50.Kc1 Rfb2 51.Rd7+ Kxe6 52.Rh7 Rg2 53.Rxh6+ Ke5 54.Rh8 Rf3 55.Re8+ Kd4 56.Rd8+ Kc3 57.Rd1 Ra2 58.Kb1 Rff2 59.Rc1+ Kb3 60.Re1 Rfb2+ 61.Kc1 Ra1# 0-1 (61) Superfm1 (2674)-peshka2 (2337) Blitz 2024]
[9.Qc2 0-0 10.Rd1 f5 11.Nge2 fxe4 12.Nxe4 Bf5 13.N2c3 Qc8 14.Be2 e6 15.d6 cxd6 16.Bxb6 axb6 17.Rxd6 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Qb3 Qc7 20.Rxb6 Bd4 21.Rb4 Qe5 22.Rb5 Qf4 23.Ke2 Qe3+ 24.Kd1 Rfd8 25.Kc2 Rac8 26.Rxf5 gxf5 27.Qxe6+ Kh8 28.Qxf5 Bxc3 29.bxc3 Qe2+ 30.Kb3 Rc6 31.Qe5+ Kg8 32.Qg5+ Kf7 33.Qxd8 Qc4+ 34.Kb2 Qe2+ 35.Ka1 Ra6 36.Qd5+ Kf8 1-0 (36) Iestri (2612)-SajMor3000 (2497) Blitz 2024]
9...Ng4
[9...Nec4? 10.Bxc4
A) 10...Nxc4 11.Qa4+ c6 *(11...Bd7 12.Qxc4 0-0 13.Nf3 c6 14.Rd1 cxd5 15.Nxd5 1-0 (15) SouthAfricanWolf (2695)-Emporio_Armani (2643) Blitz 2022)* 12.Qxc4 0-0 13.Nge2 *(13.Nf3 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qc7 15.Qc5 Qb8 16.Qxe7 Re8 17.Qb4 a5 18.Qc4 b5 19.Qd3 b4 20.Nd5 Ba6 21.Qc2 Qd6 22.Qc7 Qe6 23.Ng5 Qg4 24.Qxf7+ Kh8 25.Kf2 Rf8 26.Qe6 Qxg5 27.Qe7 Qg4 28.Rae1 Rae8 29.Qa7 Bd3 30.Bd4 Rg8 31.Bxg7+ Rxg7 32.Qd4 Ba6 33.g3 Rf8 34.h3 Qe6 35.Rc1 Kg8 36.Rc7 Rgf7 37.Rhc1 Qxh3 38.Rxf7 Rxf7 39.Nf6+ Kf8 40.Qd6+ Kg7 41.Qxa6 Rxf6 42.Rc7+ Rf7 43.Rxf7+ Kxf7 44.Qxa5 Qh2+ 45.Kf3 Qxb2 46.Qd5+ Kg7 47.Qe5+ Qxe5 48.fxe5 Kf7 49.Ke3 Ke6 50.Kd4 h5 51.Kc4 g5 52.Kxb4 h4 53.gxh4 gxh4 54.a4 h3 55.a5 h2 56.a6 h1Q 57.Kc5 Qxe4 58.Kb6 Qa8 59.a7*

Kxe5 0-1 (59) casuallychess (2642)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2854) Blitz 2021*)* 13...cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qc7 15.Qc5 Qb8 16.Qxe7 b5 17.0-0 b4 18.Nd5 Bb7 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Nd7 Qe8 21.Qxe8 Rfxe8 22.Ne5 Bxe4 23.Nxf7+ Kg8 24.Nd6 Re7 25.Nxe4 Rxe4 26.Rf3 Rae8 27.Kf2 Bxb2 28.Rb1 Bf6 29.Rc1 a5 30.Ng3 R4e6 31.f5 gxf5 32.Nxf5 a4 33.Rc4 b3 34.Rxa4 b2 35.Rb4 Rc6 36.Nh6+ Kh8 37.Rb7 Rc2+ 38.Kg3 Bg7 39.Nf7+ Kg8 40.Nh6+ Kh8 41.Nf5 Be5+ 42.Kh3 Rf8 43.Bd4 Re2 44.Bxe5+ Rxe5 45.Ng3 Rxf3 46.gxf3 Re3 47.Rb8+ Kg7 48.Nf5+ Kf6 49.Nxe3 Ke5 50.Rxb2 Kd4 51.a4 Kc3 52.Rb8 1-0 (52) supertactic91 (2717)-kbll (2648) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...Bxc3+ 11.bxc3+-]

10.Bd2

[10.Bb5+! White is slightly better.

A) 10...Bd7 0.22/21 and then Kitty Kat: '=' '=' Kitty Kat: 'is more appropriate.' Kitty Kat: ' is more appropriate.'

A1) and 11.Bxd7+ Qxd7 12.Bd4 Sethuraman, S - Kovchan, A Biel 2016;

A2) 11.Bd4 Bxd4 *(11...0-0 12.h3 Bxb5 13.Nxb5 e5 14.Bxb6 Qh4+ 15.Kf1 Nh2+ 16.Rxh2 Qxf4+ 17.Nf3 cxb6 18.Nc3 b5 19.Qd2 b4 20.Qxf4 exf4 21.Ne2 Rfe8 22.Nxf4 Rxe4 23.Nd3 Rd8 24.Re1 f5 25.Ng5 Rxe1+ 26.Kxe1 Rxd5 27.Nxb4 Rb5 28.Nd3 Bxb2 29.g4 Bc3+ 30.Kd1 fxg4 31.Ne4 Rb1+ 32.Kc2 g3 33.Nxg3 Rg1 34.Ne2 Ra1 35.Nxc3 g5 36.Nc1 b5 37.Kb2 Rxc1 38.Kxc1* 1-0 (38) Lucky1357924680 (2702)-TaktikFux123 (2533) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Qxd4 0-0

A2a) 13.Nf3 Bxb5 14.Nxb5 c6 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Nbd4 c5= Flear, G-Ni Hua, Calvi 2007;

A2b) 13.Bxd7 Qxd7 Glenn Flear: 'transposes back to the game.' 14.h3 *(14.Nge2 Rad8 15.a4 a5 16.h3 Nh6 17.g4 f5 18.gxf5 Rf6 19.Rg1 Nxf5 20.exf5 Qxf5 21.Qe5 Qxh3 22.Qxe7 Qh4+ 23.Kd1 Rdd6 24.Kc2 Nxd5 25.Nxd5 Rxd5 26.Qe8+ Kg7 27.Nc3 Qh2+ 28.Qe2 Qxe2+ 29.Nxe2 Rc5+ 30.Kd3 Rd6+ 31.Ke3 Rc2 32.Nd4 Rxb2 33.Rgb1 Rxb1 34.Rxb1 b6 35.Nb5 Re6+ 36.Kd4 c6 37.Nc3 c5+ 38.Kd5 Rf6 39.Ke5 Rf5+ 40.Ke4 Rf6 41.Nd5 Re6+ 42.Kf3 Rd6 43.Nxb6 Rd4 44.Rb5 c4 45.Rxa5 c3 46.Rc5 Rb4 47.a5 Rb3 48.Ke4 Ra3 49.Kd3 h5 50.Nc4 Ra4 51.Kxc3 h4 52.Rb5 Ra1 53.Kb2 Rf1 54.a6 Rf2+ 55.Kb3 Rf3+ 56.Kb4 Rxf4 57.a7 Rf8 58.Rb7+ Kh6 59.Rb8* 1-0 (59) Lucky1357924680 (2663)-AkibaRubinstein0 (2687) Blitz 2024 *)* 14...Nf6 15.Nge2 *(15.Nf3 c6 16.Ne5 Qd6 17.Nxc6 Nfxd5 18.exd5 bxc6 19.Rd1 cxd5 20.0-0 Rac8 21.Kh1 Rc4 22.Qd2 e6 23.b3 Rc6 24.Nb5 Qd7*

25.Nd4 Rd6 26.Rf3 Rc8 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Qxc1 Qe7 29.Rc3 Qf6 30.Qe3 Rd8 31.Rc7 Rd7 32.Rc6 Rd8 33.Rc7 Rd7 34.Rc6 Rd8 35.Rc7 ½-½ (35) Ma Qun (2630)-Xu,X (2576) China CHN 2019 *)* 15...c6 16.a4 Rad8

A2b1) 17.a5 Nc8 18.Rd1 Qc7 Keeping the tension in the centre and hitting the a5-pawn. 19.b4 b6 20.a6 c5!? A surprising move, but a good one. Black first harasses the white queen away from its dominating post on d4. 21.bxc5 bxc5 22.Qa4 Nb6 23.Qa2 e6! Kovchan decides that he has to undermine the central phalanx before White has finished development. 24.d6 The principled line. If Black captures he has to allow a fork with e4-e5. *(* Otherwise, there are certainly enough practical chances for Black after *24.dxe6 Rxd1+ 25.Kxd1 Qc6* to offset the pawn deficit. *)* 24...Rxd6! Neither side wants to back down. 25.Rxd6 Qxd6 26.e5 Qc6 27.exf6 Qxg2 28.Rg1 Qxh3 The position that both sides had in mind after Black's 23...e6. White's extra piece is compensated for by Black's three pawns. Both sides have chances in the following unusual middlegame, but White's exposed king is certainly a big issue. 29.Ng3?! *(* There is a case for leaving the knight on e2 (near the king!) where it is and instead trying to fight back with *29.Qa5* e.g. if *Rc8* then the ambitious *30.Nb5* when Black will have some problems to solve in his own camp. *)* 29...Qh4 30.Nce4 Rd8 Bringing up the next wave rather than snatching a pawn. 31.Qf2 Rd4 32.Qf3

A2b11) 32...Nd5!? 33.Rh1 Qxf4 *(33...Rxe4+* is cheekily met by *34.Kf2!)* 34.Qxf4 Nxf4 when Black is objectively doing fine, but the back rank weakness gives White some dangerous counterplay after 35.Kf2!;

A2b12) 32...Qh2 33.Rg2 Qh4 34.Rg1 Qh2 35.Rg2 Qh4 36.Rd2!? Nd5 37.Rxd4 cxd4 38.Kd2

A2b121) Many would have been tempted by 38...Nxf6 (getting rid of the thorn) 39.Nxf6+ Qxf6 40.Qa8+ *(* or *40.Ne2 Qd8)* 40...Kg7 when it looks very much as if perpetual check would be the likely outcome e.g. 41.Ne2 Qe7 42.Qb7

Qc5 43.Kd3 Qh5 44.Nxd4 Qd1+ etc.;
A2b122) 38...d3?! Risky! 39.Kxd3 Nxf4+ 40.Kd4 Nd5 41.Ke5?! A wild king advance that leaves it exposed from more than one direction after Black's reply. *(* White could obtain the advantage with *41.Qb3! Qf4 42.Ne2 Qc7 43.Qb7* and now the presence of an extra pair of knights means that there is more cover and White can readily wriggle away from checks and threats e. g. *Qd8! 44.Kc4! Nb6+ 45.Kb4 Nd5+ 46.Kb3* etc. *)* 41...Qh6! 42.Ne2 Qf8 43.Qb3 Qd8 44.Qb7 g5! This restricts White's king. 45.Qc6?! *(45.Qxa7?? Ne7!* with some deadly threats.*;* There is perhaps a thin line to safety and even an edge (according to Houdini) with *45.Nd4 Nf4 46.Nc5 Ng6+ 47.Ke4 Qxf6 48.Nd3)* 45...h6! Now it's White's king who is the most likely to get mated! 46.N2c3 *(* Not so easy for humans, but White could induce a beautiful perpetual: *46.Qd6 Qa5 47.Qb8+ Kh7 48.Nxg5+! hxg5 49.Qb1+ Kg8 50.Qb8+)* 46...Ne3 With nasty threats! 47.Nf2? Nf5 48.Nb5 Qb8+ 49.Ke4 Qxb5! A hammer blow for Sethuraman. 50.Qxb5 Nd6+ 51.Ke5 Nxb5 52.Nd3 Nc7 53.Nb4 g4 54.Nc6 g3 0-1 (54) Sethuraman,S (2656)-Kovchan,A (2576) Biel SUI 2016 [Glenn Flear];

A2b2) Glenn Flear: 'Here' 17.Rd1 Glenn Flear: 'induced the top French GM to play one of his mysterious pawn sacrifices:'

A2b21) 17...c5!? 18.Qxc5 Rc8 19.Qb5 Qxb5 20.axb5 Rc4 21.e5 *(21.Rd4!?* is perhaps a better way to aim to diffuse Black's activity *)* 21...Ne4 Gupta,Ab-Vachier Lagrave,M Qatar 2014, and Black had decent play for his pawn. 22.0-0 Rd8 23.Nxe4 Rxe4 24.Nc3 Rb4 25.Rf2 Na4 26.Nxa4 Rxa4 27.Rc2 Rb4 28.Rc7 Rxb5 29.Rxe7 Rbxd5 30.Rxd5 Rxd5 31.Rxb7 Rd4 32.Rxa7 Rb4 33.Ra2 Rxf4 34.b3 Rb4 35.Rb2 Kf8 36.Kf2 Ke7 37.Ke3

Ke6 38.Kd3 Kxe5 39.Kc3 Rb7 40.b4 Kd5 41.Rd2+ Kc6 42.Kc4 Re7 43.b5+ Kc7 44.Ra2 Kb7 45.Rd2 Kc7 ½-½ (45) Gupta,A (2632)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2751) Doha QAT 2014;

A2b22) Glenn Flear: 'instead' 17...cxd5 18.a5 Nc8 19.e5 Nh5 20.g4 Ng7 21.Nxd5 Kh8 22.Qc4 b5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Laznicka, V-Molner Arlington 2014 is perhaps a shade better for White after' 23.Qe4 *(23.Qc7)* 23...f5 24.exf6 exf6 25.0-0 Nd6 26.Qb4 Ne6 27.Nec3 Nc7 28.Rfe1 Nxd5 29.Nxd5 Rf7 30.Qc3 Qc8 31.Qxc8 Rxc8 32.Ne7 Re8 33.Rxd6 Rexe7 34.Rxe7 Rxe7 35.Rxf6 Re1+ 36.Kf2 Rb1 37.Rf8+ Kg7 38.Ra8 Rxb2+ 39.Kg3 Rb3+ 40.Kh4 h6 41.Rxa7+ Kf6 42.g5+ hxg5+ 43.fxg5+ Ke5 44.Re7+ Kf5 45.Rf7+ Ke5 46.Rf6 Rb4+ 47.Kg3 Rb3+ 48.Kg2 Ra3 49.h4 Rxa5 50.Rxg6 Kf5 51.Rf6+ Kg4 52.Rh6 b4 ½-½ (52) Laznicka,V (2679)-Molner,M (2504) Arlington USA 2014;

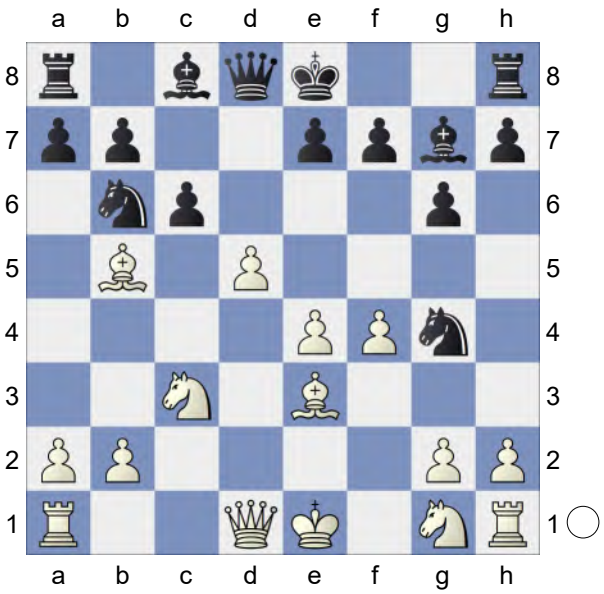
A2c) 13.Be2 Nf6!? *(13...c6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Nf3 Qc7 16.h3 Nf6 17.Qe3 Nc8 18.g4 Qb6 19.Qxb6 Nxb6 20.0-0-0 Rfd8 21.Rd2 Be6 22.Ne5 Rxd2 23.Kxd2 Rc8 24.Ke3* Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' Stohl,Igor: '→ Speelman,J (2535)-Lputian,S (2520)/Hastings/1986/*')* 14.a4 a5 15.Bf3 c6 16.Nge2 cxd5 17.e5 Ne4 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Qxd5 *(19.Bxe4 Bc6 20.0-0 Nb4* Stohl,Igor: '=*')* 19...Bc6⇄ 1/2 Khismatullin,D (2584)-Yandemirov,V (2520)/Sochi 2006/CBM 111 ext (51) 20.Qd4 Ra6 21.Rc1 f5 22.0-0 Qb6 23.Qxb6 Rxb6 Stohl,Igor: '↑' Stohl,Igor: 'Khismatullin,D (2584)-Yandemirov,V (2520)/Sochi/2006/';

A3) Glenn Flear: 'Instead, it seems that' 11.Qxg4 Illingworth, Max: 'followed by advancing the queenside pawns holds pretty comfortably.' Illingworth, Max: 'followed by advancing the queenside pawns holds pretty comfortably.' Glenn Flear: 'has been abandoned as not dangerous:'Illingworth, Max: 'It's also fine to play' Illingworth, Max: 'It's also fine to play' 11...Bxc3+ *(11...c6 12.Qd1 cxb5 13.Bd4 Bg4 14.Qd3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 0-0 16.h3 Bd7 17.Nf3 Qc7 18.Ne2 f5 19.e5 Rad8 20.d6 exd6 21.exd6 Qc4 22.Rc1 Qxd4 23.Nexd4 Nc4 24.0-0 Rf6 25.a4 Nxd6 26.Rc7 bxa4 27.Re1 Nb5 28.Nxb5 Bxb5 29.Ree7 Rc6 30.Rg7+ Kf8 31.Rcf7+ Ke8 32.Ne5* 1-0 (32) Zherebukh,Y (2618)-Cori T,D (2414) Montcada i Reixac

ESP 2014) 12.bxc3 Bxb5 in Gunina, V - Muzychuk, M Baku Olympiad 2016. White didn't achieve anything in the opening from either of these games. 13.Bd4 Rf8 Glenn Flear: '!?' '=' Glenn Flear: '(curious-looking, but most importantly it's not clear which side has the most vulnerable king)' 14.a4 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' *(14.Qh4* Stohl,Igor: 'Martic,Z (2264)-Berebora,F (2388)/Rabac/ 2003/' *Bd3* Stohl,Igor: ' ∓!*)* 14...Nxa4 15.Qd1 Nb6 Glenn Flear: 'Gupta,Ab-Zhu Chen, Gibraltar 2012, was fine for Black.' 16.Nf3 Qd6 17.Be5 Qd7∞ Gupta,A (2652)-Zhu,C (2472)/Caleta/2012/ (23) Glenn Flear: 'Gupta, Ab-Zhu Chen, Gibraltar 2012, with a murky position.' 18.Kf2 c6 19.Bg7 Rg8 20.Bd4 Nc4 21.Rxa7 Rxa7 22.Bxa7 b6 23.Bb8 f6 Stohl,Igor: '∓' Stohl,Igor: '→Gupta, A (2652)-Zhu,C (2472)/Caleta/ 2012/' 24.dxc6 Bxc6 25.Qe2 b5 26.Ra1 Qb7 27.Ba7 Bxe4 28.Bc5 Qc7 29.Qxe4 Qxc5+ 30.Nd4 Kf7 31.Qe6+ Kg7 32.Re1 Re8 33.Qd7 Kf7 34.Qe6+ Kg7 35.Qd7 Kf7 36.Qh3 h5 37.f5 Ne5 38.fxg6+ Nxg6 39.Qe6+ Kg7 40.Re3 Rd8 41.Qe4 Kf7 42.Rg3 Nf8 43.Kf1 Rd5 44.Qe3 b4 45.Qh6 bxc3 46.Rg7+ Ke8 47.Rg8 Qc4+ 0-1 (47) Gupta,A (2652)-Zhu Chen (2472) Caleta ENG 2012;

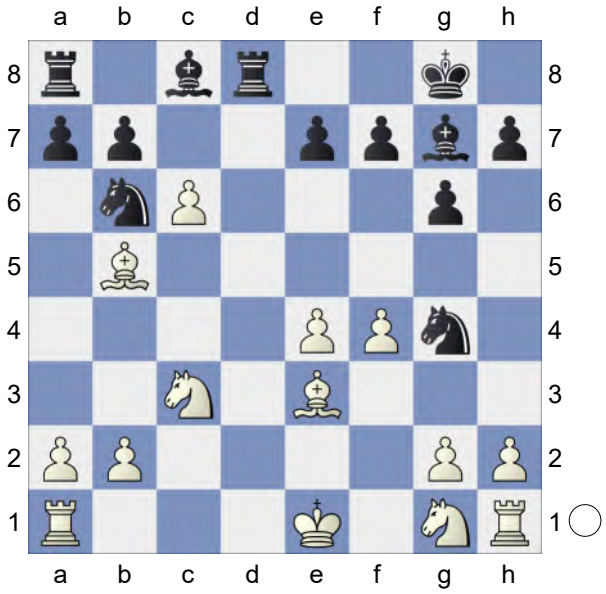
B) 10...Kf8 11.Bd4 e5 12.fxe5 *(12.Bc5+ Kg8 13.h3 Qh4+ 14.Kf1 exf4 15.Nf3 Qh5 16.Kg1 Ne5 17.Be2 Nbd7 18.Bf2 Nxf3+ 19.Bxf3 Qf5* 1-0 (19) Hard-Training (2645)-QuCq (2681) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Nxe5 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.0-0 c6 15.Be2 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 cxd5 17.exd5 Nbc4 18.Bc5+ Kg8 19.Qe2 b6 20.Bf2 h5 21.Be4 Nd6 22.Bc2 Qg5 23.Be3 Qg4 24.Qf2 Kh7 25.h3 Qd7 26.Qh4 f5 27.Rae1 Rae8 28.Bf4 Nec4 29.Qg3 Rxe1 30.Rxe1 Re8 31.Rxe8 Nxe8 32.b3 Ncd6 33.Ne2 Qb5 34.Bxd6 Nxd6 35.Qxd6 Qxe2 36.Qc6 Qe1+ 37.Kh2 Be5+ 38.g3 Qxg3+ 0-1 (38) Defence1234 (2662)-WHAFLC-Aca (2660) Blitz 2022;

C) 10...c6 0.53/20



11.dxc6! Kitty Kat: ' ±!' ' ±!' 0-0 *(11...Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 0-0 13.Bc5 bxc6 14.Bxc6 Rb8 15.h3 Nc4 16.hxg4 Nxb2 17.Nd5 Nxd1 18.Kxd1 Bxg4+ 19.Kc1 Rfc8 20.Nxe7+ Kh8 21.Nf3 Bxf3 22.gxf3 Rxc6 23.Nxc6 Rc8 24.Bxa7 Rxc6+ 25.Kb1 Rc7 26.Rd1 Rb7+ 27.Kc1 Rxa7*

28.Rd8+ Bf8 29.Rxf8+ Kg7 30.Rb8 Rxa2 31.Kd1 Rf2 32.Rb3 h5 33.Ke1 Rh2 34.Kf1 Rh4 35.f5 gxf5 36.exf5 Rf4 37.Kg2 Rxf5 38.Kg3 Kg6 39.Rb6+ f6 40.Rb8 Rg5+ 41.Kh4 Rf5 42.Rg8+ Kf7 43.Rg3 Ke6 44.Kh3 Ke5 45.Kh4 Kf4 46.Rh3 Rg5 47.Rh1 Kxf3 48.Rf1+ Ke4 49.Rxf6 Rf5 50.Ra6 Rf4+ 51.Kxh5 Rf5+ 52.Kg4 Rf4+ 53.Kg3 Rf3+ 54.Kg2 Rf8 55.Ra4+ Kd5 56.Ra5+ Kc4 57.Rg5 Rf5 58.Rxf5 Kd4 59.Kf3 1-0 (59) Lucky1357924680 (2702)-mux77 (2567) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.Qxd8 Rxd8



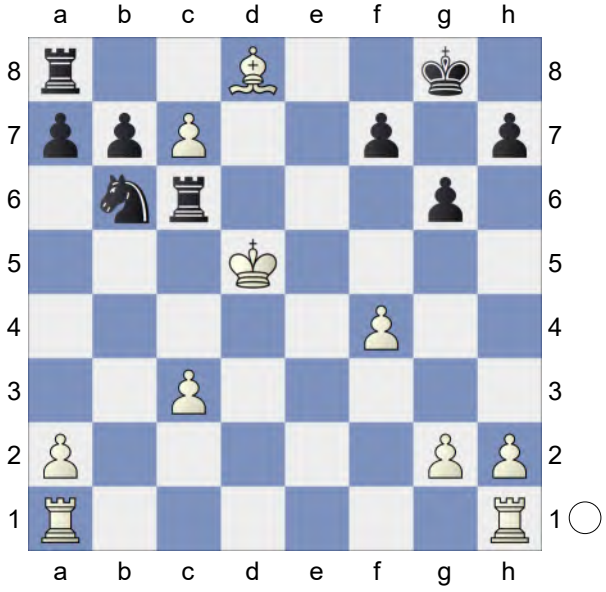
13.c7! 0.35/20 Rf8

C1) 14.Bc5 0.23/20 Bxc3+= 15.bxc3 Bd7! 16.Bxd7 Nxd7 17.Bxe7 Rfe8 18.Bd8 Rxe4+ 19.Ne2 With the idea 0-0-0! Kitty Kat: ' With the idea 0-0-0!'

C1a) Vorgänger: 19...Nc5 20.h3! Nh6 0.60/20 *(20...Ne3!=* 0.20/22 deserves consideration. Kitty Kat: ' deserves consideration. ' *)* 21.Rb1 0.24/21 *(21.Kf2±* 0.60/20 *)* 21...Rc8 0.78/21 *(21...Nf5=* 0.24/21 *22.g4 Ng3)* 22.Kf2± f5 23.Rb5! b6 24.Rxc5! bxc5 25.Rb1! Threatens to win with Rb8. Kitty Kat: ' Threatens to win with Rb8.' Nf7 ½-½ (38) Polishchuk,A (2317)-Poulos,G (2245) ICCF email 2022;

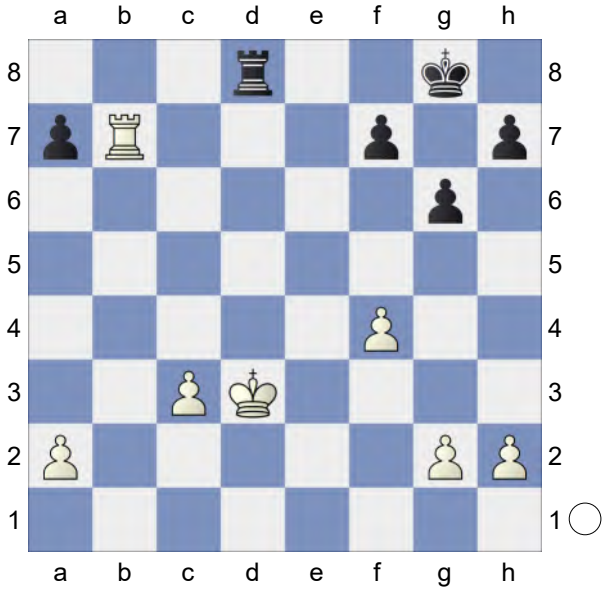
C1b) 19...Re8= 0.13/21 remains equal. Kitty Kat: ' remains equal.';

C1c) 19...Ne3N 0.71/19 20.Kd2 -0.01/20 *(20.Kf2±* 0.71/19 *)* 20...Nc4+= Pair of Knights! Kitty Kat: ' Pair of Knights!' 21.Kc2 Rxe2+ 0.82/20 *(21...Ne3+=* -0.01/19 keeps the balance. Kitty Kat: ' keeps the balance.' *22.Kd2 Nc5)* 22.Kd3± Re6 White must now prevent ...Ne3. Kitty Kat: ' White must now prevent ...Ne3.' 23.Kxc4 Rc6+ 24.Kd5 Nb6+



25.Kd4! Active counter play! Kitty Kat: ' Active counter play!' Rc8 26.Rab1 0.42/20 (Better is Kitty Kat: ' Better is'

26.Rhb1± 0.76/22) 26...Rd6+!± 27.Ke4 Black is now going downhill. Kitty Kat: ' Black is now going downhill.' Na4 1.85/19 *(27...f5+± 1.06/18 28.Kf3 Rd3+ 29.Kf2 Rxc3)* 28.Kf3+- Nc5 29.Rhe1 aiming for Re8+. Kitty Kat: ' aiming for Re8+.' Re6 Against Re8+ Kitty Kat: ' Against Re8+' 30.Rxe6 Nxe6 31.Rxb7 Rb8 is the strong threat. Kitty Kat: ' Rb8 is the strong threat.' Nxd8 32.cxd8Q+ *(But not* Kitty Kat: ' But not' *32.cxd8R+ Rxd8 33.Rxa7 Rd3+ 34.Ke2 Rxc3)* 32...Rxd8 Endgame KR-KR Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KR-KR' 33.Ke2 Prevents Rd3. Kitty Kat: ' Prevents Rd3.' Rc8 34.Kd3 Rd8+



35.Kc2! Re8 36.c4 *(Don't take* Kitty Kat: ' Don't take' *36.Rxa7?! Re2+ 37.Kb3 Rxg2±)*

C1c1) 36...Kg7 2.48/21 37.Kd3 *(37.Rxa7 Re2+ 38.Kb3 Rxg2±)* 37...Rd8+ 38.Kc3 a6;

C1c2) 36...Kf8? 4.63/23 37.Rxa7 Re2+ 38.Kb3 Rxg2 39.a4 Rxh2 40.a5 Rh1 41.a6 Kg7 5.05/25 *(41...Rb1+* 3.24/22 was worth a try. Kitty Kat: ' was worth a try.' *42.Kc2 Ra1 43.Ra8+ Kg7)* 42.Rd7 White is clearly winning. Rb1+ 8.23/24 *(⌓42...Ra1* 4.82/23 *43.a7 Kf6)* 43.Ka2 Rb8 44.a7 Ra8 45.Kb3 h5 46.Kb4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.29 (precise) 1-0 (46) Xu,X (2623)-Dubov,D (2708) Shenzhen 2024 Mega2024 Update 19 [Kitty Kat] Kitty Kat: '
Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.29 (precise) ';

C2) 14.Bxb6 0.65/20 &Bianco is more active. Kitty Kat: ' ±''±'' &Bianco is more active.' 14...Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 axb6 16.Nf3 Nf6 17.a4 Nxe4 18.Ne5 Nxc3 19.Kf2 Nxb5 *(19...Be6!?)* 20.axb5 Be6! aiming for ...Rxa1. Kitty Kat: ' aiming for ...Rxa1.' 21.Rac1 next Rhd1 is good for White. Kitty Kat: ' next Rhd1 is good for White.' f6! 22.Nc4! Bxc4 23.Rxc4= Endgame KRR-KRR. The position is equal. Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KRR-KRR. The position is equal.' Kf7 24.Rd1 White has compensation. Kitty Kat: ' White has compensation.' Rfc8! 25.Rd7 Ke6 26.Rd2

Inhibits Ra2. Hoping for Re4+. Kitty Kat: ' Inhibits Ra2. Hoping for Re4+.' Kf7! 27.Rd7 And now Re4 would win. Kitty Kat: ' And now Re4 would win.' Ke6 28.Rd2 Against Ra2. Re4+ is the strong threat. Kitty Kat: ' Against Ra2. Re4+ is the strong threat.' Kf7! 29.g4 Ke8! 30.h4 Ra1 31.Rd5 Ra2+ 32.Ke3 Ra3+ 33.Ke2 Rh3 34.h5 Rg3 35.hxg6 hxg6 36.f5 g5 37.Kf2 Rh3 38.Rd1 Rb3 39.Rd5 Rb2+ 40.Kg3 Rb3+ 41.Kf2 Rb2+ 42.Kf3 Ra2 43.Rc1 Ra3+ 44.Ke2 Ra2+ 45.Ke3 Ra3+ 46.Kf2 Ra4 47.Kg3 Rb4 48.Rc2 Rb3+ 49.Kg2 Rb4 50.Kf3 Rb3+ 51.Kf2 Rb4 52.Kg3 Rb3+ 53.Kh2 Rb4 54.Kh3 Rb1 55.Rc4 Rb3+ 56.Kg2 Re3 57.Rc1 Re4 58.Kf3 Rf4+ 59.Kg3 Ra4 60.Kf3 Rf4+ 61.Kg3 Ra4 62.Kf3 Rf4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) / Black=0.02 (flawless) ½-½ (62) PetersBot (3013)-RaspFish (3043) Rapid 2024 [Kitty Kat] Kitty Kat: '
Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless) ']

[10.Bd4

A) 10...0-0 - game;

B) 10...Bxd4!? 11.Qxd4 0-0;

C) 10...e5!? 11.fxe5 *(11.Bb5+ c6 12.dxc6 0-0 13.cxb7 Bxb7 14.Bxb6 Qxb6 15.Qxg4 exf4 16.Nge2 a6 17.Bd7 Rfd8 18.0-0-0 Bxe4 19.Qxf4 Rab8 20.Rd2 Rxd7 21.Rxd7 Qxb2+ 22.Kd1 Qc2+ 23.Ke1 Bxc3+ 24.Kf2 Rf8 25.Rc1 Qa4 26.Rxc3 Qxd7 27.Qxe4 Qa7+ 28.Qe3 Qd7 29.Rc5 Qd6 30.g3 h5 31.a4 h4 32.a5 hxg3+ 33.hxg3 Rb8 34.Re5 Rb2 35.Re8+ Kh7 36.Qe5 Qxe5 37.Rxe5 Ra2 38.Rc5 Kg7 39.Kf3 Ra3+ 40.Ke4 f5+ 41.Kf4 Ra4+ 42.Kf3 Ra3+ 43.Kf2 Kf6 44.Nf4 g5 45.Nd5+* 1-0 (45) cubanito2002 (2692)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2694) Blitz 2020*)* 11...Nxe5 12.Nf3 *(12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 14.Nf3 Nxf3+ 15.gxf3 Qh4+ 16.Bf2 Qf4 17.Qd2 Qxf3 18.0-0 0-0 19.Bg3 Qg4 20.Kh1 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qxe4+ 22.Kg1 Nb6 23.Rae1 Qxd5 24.Qh6 Rae8 25.Qf4 Qc5+ 26.Bf2 Qf5 27.Qxc7 Nd5 28.Qg3 Nf4 29.Rxe8 Rxe8 30.Kh1 Qe4+ 31.Kg1 Ne2#* 0-1 (31) JoseAvelino2002 (2614)-QuCq (2664) Blitz 2023*)* 12...Nxf3+ *(12...Qe7 13.Be2 0-0 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Rc1 c6 16.Kh1 cxd5 17.exd5 Ng4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qd4+ Qf6 20.Qxf6+ Nxf6 21.d6 Rad8 22.Rfd1 Bc6 23.Ne5 Rfe8 24.Nxc6 bxc6 25.Bf3 Re6 26.Bxc6 Rexd6 27.Kg1 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 29.Nxd1 Kf8 30.Kf2 Ke7 31.Ne3 Kd6 32.Bf3 Nfd7 33.Ke2 Ne5 34.Bb7 f5 35.g3 h6 36.h4 Nbc4 37.b3 Nxe3 38.Kxe3 g5 39.Bc8 Ng4+ 40.Kd4 f4 41.Bxg4 fxg3 42.Bh3 gxh4 43.Ke3 Kc7 44.Kf3 Kb6 45.Kg4 Kc5 46.Kxh4 Kb4 47.Kxg3 Ka3 48.Bd7 Kxa2 49.Ba4 Ka3 50.Kh4 Kb4 51.Kh5 a6 52.Kxh6* 1-0 (52) lestri (2637)-Scofield777 (2479) Blitz 2024*; 12...Bg4 13.Be2 Bxf3 14.gxf3 0-0 15.0-0 Qg5+ 16.Kh1 Qf4 17.Qc1 Qxc1*

18.Raxc1 c6 19.f4 Nec4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.b3 Nb6 23.dxc6 bxc6 24.Ne2 Rad8 25.Rfd1 c5 26.Kg2 c4 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.bxc4 Rd2 29.Kf3 Rxa2 30.c5 Nc8 31.c6 Kf6 32.Nd4 Ke7 33.e5 Rxh2 34.Ke4 h5 35.Rb1 Nb6 36.Ra1 Nc8 37.f5 gxf5+ 38.Nxf5+ Ke6 39.Nd4+ Ke7 40.Rg1 h4 41.Rg8 Nb6 42.Nf5+ Ke6 43.Re8# 1-0 (43) superfm1 (2605)-Holyheinz (2441) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.gxf3 Bxd4 *(13...Qh4+ 14.Bf2 Qf4 15.Bg3 Qe3+ 16.Be2 0-0 17.Qd2 Qc5 18.Rc1 Nc4 19.Nd1 b5 20.b3 Nxd2 21.Rxc5 Nb1 22.Bxc7 b4 23.Rc1 Nc3 24.Bd6 Re8 25.Nxc3 Bxc3+ 26.Kf2 f5 27.Bd3 fxe4 28.Bxe4 Bd7 29.a3 a5 30.h4 Kg7 31.h5 Rad8 32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Rhg1 Bd4+ 34.Ke2 Bxg1 35.Rxg1 Bb5+ 36.Ke3 Rxd6 37.axb4 axb4 38.Kd4 Red8 39.Kc5 Be2 40.Kxb4 Ba6 41.Kc5 Bb7 42.Rd1 Bxd5 43.Bxd5 Rf6 44.b4 Rc8+ 45.Kd4 Rb8 46.Rb1 Rfb6 47.Kc4 Rf6 48.b5 Kf8 49.Kc5 Ke7 50.b6 Kd7 51.b7 Kc7 52.Be4 g5 53.Rh1 Rg8 54.Rh7+ Kb8 55.Bd5 g4 56.Bxg8 gxf3 57.Bd5 Rf8 58.Rh1 f2 59.Rf1 Rf5 60.Kd4 Rf4+ 61.Be4 Rf8 62.Ke3 Re8 63.Rxf2 Rd8 64.Rf5 Re8 65.Rb5 Rd8 66.Rc5 Re8 67.Kd4 Rd8+ 68.Bd5 Re8 69.Kc4 Rd8 70.Be6 Re8 71.Rc8+ Kxb7 72.Rxe8* 1-0 (72) casuallychess (2634)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Qxd4 Qh4+ 15.Kd2 *(15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Bd7 17.a4 a5 18.Bb5 0-0-0 19.Bxd7+ Rxd7 20.Rhc1 Re8 21.Nb5 Kb8 22.b3 f5 23.Re1 fxe4 24.fxe4 c6 25.dxc6 bxc6 26.Nc3 Rd3 27.Re3 Rxe3 28.Kxe3 Nd5+ 29.Nxd5 cxd5 30.Rd1 Rxe4+ 31.Kf2 Re5 32.Kf3 Kb7 33.Rc1 d4 34.Kf4 Re3 35.Rc5 Rxb3 36.Rxa5 Kb6 37.Ra8 Rh3 38.Rd8 d3 39.Kg4 Rxh2 40.Rxd3 Ka5 41.Rd4 Rh5 42.Rf4 Kb6 43.Rf7 Ka5 44.Ra7+ Kb4 45.Kf4 h6 46.Ra6 g5+ 47.Kg3 Rh4 48.a5 Kb5 49.Ra8 Rf4 50.a6 Rf6 51.a7 Ka6 52.Kg4 Kb7 53.Re8 Kxa7 54.Re5 Kb7 55.Kh5 Kc6 56.Re8 Kd6 57.Re1 Re6 58.Ra1 Ke7 59.Ra7+ Kd6 60.Ra5 Rf6 61.Rb5 Ke6 62.Ra5 Kd6 63.Rb5 Kc6 64.Ra5 Rd6 65.Rf5 Kd7 66.Re5 Re6 67.Ra5 Ke7 68.Ra7+ Kf6 69.Kxh6 Kf5+ 70.Kh5 g4 71.Rf7+ Rf6 72.Rg7 Ke6 73.Kxg4 Rf5 74.Rg6+ Rf6 75.Rg5 Rf7 76.Rh5 Ke7 77.Kh4 Rf6 78.Rh7+ Rf7 79.Rh5 Rf6 80.Rg5 Re6 81.Rg4 Rf6 82.Kg3 Rf7 83.Rf4 Rf6 84.Kf3 Rxf4+ 85.Kxf4* ½-½ (85) supertactic91 (2698)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2822) Blitz 2021*)* 15...0-0 16.Kc2 f5 17.Rd1 fxe4 18.fxe4 Bg4 19.Rd2 Rae8 20.Bg2 Bf3 21.Bxf3 Rxf3 22.Rhd1 Nd7 23.d6 c6 24.Qxa7 Rxc3+ 25.bxc3 Qxe4+ 26.Kb2 Ne5 27.Ka1 Nc4 28.Rd4 Qc2 29.Rxc4 Qxd1+ 30.Kb2 Re2+ 31.Ka3 Qc1+ 32.Kb4 Rb2+ 33.Kc5 Qe3+ 34.Rd4 Qxc3+ 35.Rc4 Qe5# 0-1 (35) supertactic91 (2735)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2850) Blitz 2021;

D) 10...Nf6?! Glenn Flear: '(passive? Black could castle or even investigate 10...e5)' 11.Bb5+

Bd7 12.Bxd7+ Qxd7 13.Nf3 *(13.Bxb6 axb6 14.e5 Ng4 15.Nf3 Nh6 16.0-0 0-0 17.Qe2 c6 18.Rad1 Qg4 19.Qd2 Rfd8 20.h3 Qc8 21.Qf2 b5 22.a3 Bf8 23.Rd2 f6 24.Rfd1 Nf7 25.Qh4 Bg7 26.d6 exd6 27.exf6 Bf8 28.Ne4 Qc7 29.Nfg5 h6 30.Ne6 Qb6+ 31.Kh1 d5 32.Qg4 Nh8 33.f5 Kf7 34.fxg6+ Nxg6 35.Nxf8 Nxf8 36.Qg7+ Ke6 37.Qe7+ Kf5 38.Rf1+ Kg6 39.Qg7+ Kh5 40.Qg4#* 1-0 (40) Gupta,A (2613)-Velten,P (2449) Cappelle la Grande FRA 2016 *)* 13...0-0 14.0-0 c6 *(14...e6 15.dxe6 Qxe6 16.f5 Qc6 17.Ne5 Qe8 18.fxg6 hxg6 19.Nf3 Rd8 20.e5 Nh5 21.Ne4 Qc6 22.Qe2 Nd5 23.g3 b6 24.Rad1 Qb7 25.e6 Rde8 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qc4 Rxe6 28.Rxd5 Rfe8 29.Qd4+ Kg8 30.Nfg5 R6e7 31.Rd7 c5 32.Rxb7 cxd4 33.Rxe7 Rxe7 34.Rd1 f6 35.Rxd4 fxg5 36.Nxg5 Kg7 37.Kf2 Nf6 38.Nf3 Nh7 39.Ra4 Nf6 40.h3 a5 41.g4 Nd5 42.Kg3 Nb4 43.a3 Nd3 44.b4 axb4 45.axb4 b5 46.Ra5 Nxb4 47.Rxb5 Nd5 48.Rxd5 Rf7 49.Re5 Re7 50.Rxe7+ Kf6 51.Re3* 1-0 (51) chessisinmyblood (2744)-Stale_Bread0 (2774) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.dxc6 Qxc6 16.Qe1 Glenn Flear: 'Gelfand, B-Timofeev, A Eilat 2012, with a pull for White due to his central control' Rfd8 17.Rc1± 1-0 Gelfand,B (2736)-Timofeev,A (2631)/Eilat ISR 2012/ The Week in Chess 937 (33) Rac8 18.e5 Glenn Flear: 'Gelfand, B-Timofeev, A Eilat 2012, with extra space, but Black is solid' Nfd7 19.Qh4 Nf8 20.Rce1 Ne6 21.Be3 Nc4 22.Qf2 b6 23.Bc1 Nc5 24.Qe2 Nd3 25.Rd1 Nxc1 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8 27.Rxc1 Bh6 28.Ne4 b5 29.g3 f5 30.exf6 exf6 31.b3 f5 32.Nf2 Re8 33.Qd3 1-0 (33) Gelfand,B (2736)-Timofeev, A (2631) Eilat ISR 2012]

10...0-0 11.Nf3 e6 12.h3 Nf6 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Qc2 Nc4 15.0-0-0 Nxd2 16.Rxd2 Qe7 17.g4 Rfd8 18.Bd3 b5 19.Bxb5 Rxd2 20.Nxd2 Rb8 21.f5 Bd7 22.Bc4 gxf5 23.gxf5 a5 24.Qd3 Kh8 25.Rh2 Bc6 26.a3 Nd7 27.Rg2 Ne5 28.Qe3 Bf6 29.Be2 a4 30.Kc2 Nd7 31.Bc4 Ne5 32.Be2 Nd7 33.Bc4 Ne5 34.Bf1 Nd7 35.Be2 Qd6 36.Nc4 Qd4 37.Qxd4 Bxd4 38.Bf3 Ne5 39.Nxe5 Bxe5 40.Kd3 f6 41.Ke3 Be8 42.h4 c5 43.Bd1 Rd8 44.Nd5 Rb8 45.Nc3 Rd8 46.Be2 Bd4+ 47.Kd2 Be5+ 48.Kc1 Rd4 49.h5 h6 50.Rg1 Bf4+ 51.Kb1 Be5 52.Rd1 Rxd1+ 53.Nxd1 Bc6 54.Bf3 Kg7 55.Kc2 Kf7 56.Ne3 Bb5 57.Bd1 Ke7 58.Bf3 Kf7 59.b3 Ke7 60.Nd5+ Kd6 61.Nb6 c4 62.Nxc4+ Bxc4 63.bxc4 Bd4 64.Bd1 Ke5 65.Kd3 ½-½ (65) CruelKen (3065)-RaspFish (3069) Rapid 2024

7...N8d7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.h4 [9.0-0-0 Nf6 10.h4 h5 11.Nh3 Bxh3 12.Rxh3 Qd7 13.Be2 Rac8 14.Kb1 Rfd8 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.g4 hxg4 17.fxg4 Nxg4 18.Rg3 Nxh6 19.Qxh6 Bg7 20.Qe3 Bxd4 21.Qg5 Qc6 22.Rxd4 Rxd4 23.h5 Qf6 24.Qg4 Qe6 25.Qg5 Qf6 26.Qh6 Qg7 27.Qe3 Rcd8 28.hxg6 f6 29.Rh3 Nc4 30.Bxc4+ Rxc4 31.Nd5 Rxd5 32.exd5 Qxg6+ 33.Ka1 Qd3 34.Qxd3 1-0 (34) Superfm1 (2643)-plansugus (2596) Blitz 2024]

9...h5 10.g4 Nf6 11.g5 Ne8 12.0-0-0 Nd6 13.Qc2 Ndc4 14.Bf4 Bxd4

15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qd3 Bxc3 17.Qxc3 Nd6 18.e5 Nb5 19.Rxd8 1-0 (19) JamesG478 (2716)-killerm3000 (2651) Blitz 2022

7...c5 8.Bb5+

[8.dxc5 Qxd1+ 9.Rxd1 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3

A) 10...N6d7 11.Nh3 *(11.Bb5 Nc6 12.Ne2 0-0 13.Kf2 Nde5 14.h3 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Nd4 Bd7 17.Kg3 Nxd4 18.cxd4 Bxb5 19.dxe5 Rf5 20.f4 g5 21.fxg5 Rxe5 22.Rhe1 Rf8 23.h4 Bc6 24.Bf4 Rxc5 25.Rxe7 Rc2 26.Rd2 Rc3+ 27.Re3 Rc4 28.Be5 Re8 29.Rde2 Bd7 30.Bf4 Rf8 31.Re4 Rc3+ 32.Kh2 Bc6 33.Rd4 Bb5 34.Red2 Bc6 35.Be5 Rf5 36.Bf6 Kf7 37.Re2 Kg6 38.g4 Rf1 39.h5+ Kf7 40.Re7+ Kf8 41.Rd8+ 1-0 (41) OnkelKonkel (2662)-JuneInLima (2590) Blitz 2022)* 11...Na6 12.Nf4 e6 13.Bb5 Ke7 14.c6 bxc6 15.Bxc6 Rb8 16.0-0 Nac5 17.Nd3 Nxd3 18.Rxd3 Ne5 19.Bc5+ Kf6 20.Bd4 Ba6 21.f4 Bxd3 22.Bxe5+ Ke7 23.Rd1 Rhc8 24.Bxb8 Bc4 25.Bd6+ Kf6 26.e5+ Kf5 27.Bf3 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Egor_Kharitonov (2567) Blitz 2023;

B) 10...Na4 11.Bb5+ Bd7 12.Rxd7 1-0 (12) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-lion_suny (2572) Blitz 2023]

8...Bd7 9.Bxd7+ Qxd7 10.dxc5 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 Na4 13.Ne2 Nc6 14.0-0 Rd8 15.Rxd8+ Kxd8 16.Rd1+ Kc8 17.Nd4 Nxc3 18.Rd2 Rd8 19.Nxc6 bxc6 20.Rxd8+ Kxd8 21.Bd2 Nb5 22.Kf2 Kd7 23.Ke3 Nc7 24.Kd4 Kc8 25.h4 Kb7 26.g4 Ne6+ 27.Kc4 Ka6 28.f4 Ng7 29.Bc3 Ne6 30.f5 Nf4 31.Be1 h5 32.fxg6 fxg6 33.gxh5 gxh5 34.Kd4 Kb5 35.Bd2 Ng6 36.Bg5 e6 37.Bf6 a6 38.Bg5 e5+ 39.Kc3 Kxc5 40.a4 Kb6 41.Kb4 Nf8 42.Bd8+ Kb7 43.Be7 Nd7 44.a5 Kc7 45.Kc4 Kc8 46.Bd6 Kd8 47.Ba3 Ke8 48.Bd6 Kf7 49.Bc7 Ke6 50.Kb4 Nf6 51.Kc5 Nxe4+ 52.Kxc6 Nd2 53.Kb7 e4 54.Kxa6 e3 55.Bf4 Nc4 56.Kb5 e2 57.Bg3 Nd6+ 58.Kb4 Nc8 59.Be1 Kf5 60.Kb5 Kf4 61.Kc6 Kf3 62.Kc7 Na7 63.Kb7 Nb5 64.Kb6 Nd6 65.a6 Nc8+ 66.Kc7 Na7 67.Kb7 Nb5 68.Kb6 Nd6 69.Bb4 Nc8+ 70.Kc7 Na7 71.Kb7 Nb5 72.Kb6 Nd6 73.Kc6 Nc8 74.Kd5 Kf2 75.Ke6 e1Q+ 76.Bxe1+ Kxe1 77.Kf5 Na7 78.Kg5 Kf2 79.Kxh5 Ke3 80.Kg5 1-0 (80) Superfm1 (2704)-Name554 (2582) Blitz 2025

7...c6 8.Qd2 e5

[8...Be6 9.h4 *(9.0-0-0 Nc4 10.Bxc4 Bxc4 11.b3 Ba6 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Qa5 14.Kb2 Nd7 15.Nh3 b5 16.Ng5 Nb6 17.Qg7 0-0-0 18.Nxf7 Nc4+ 19.bxc4 b4 20.Nb1 Bxc4 21.Nxd8 Rxd8 22.Qxe7 Qxa2+ 23.Kc1 Qb3 24.Qxa7 Bd3 25.Rxd3 Qxd3 26.Rd1 Qc4+ 27.Kb2 c5 28.d5 Rd6 29.Qa8+ Kc7 30.Qa7+ Kc8 31.Qa2 b3 32.Qa8+ Kc7 33.Nc3 Ra6 34.d6+ Rxd6 35.Qa7+ Kc6 36.Qa4+ Qxa4 37.Rxd6+ Kxd6 38.Nxa4* 1-0 (38) Korotylev,A (2604)-Yandemirov,V (2515) Kazan RUS 2005 *)* 9...Nc4 10.Bxc4 Bxc4 11.h5 Ba6 12.Nh3 Nd7 13.Kf2 e5 14.d5 cxd5 15.Nxd5 0-0 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Ng5 Nf6 18.Nxf6+ Rxf6 19.Nxh7 Rd6 20.Qb4 Rc8 21.Ng5 Rc4 22.Qb3 Rd2+ 23.Kg3 Re2 24.Rad1 Qe7 25.Rhe1 Rxe3 26.Qxe3 Bh6 27.Kh4 Rc7 28.Rd5 Bc4 29.Rd2 Qf6 30.Red1 Bxg5+ 31.Qxg5 Rh7+

32.Kg3 Qxg5+ 33.Kf2 Rh2 34.Rg1 Qxd2+ 35.Kg3 Qf4+ 36.Kf2 Qd2+ 37.Kg3 Qf4+ 38.Kf2 g5 39.b3 g4 40.bxc4 Qxf3+ 41.Ke1 Rxg2 42.Rxg2 Qxg2 43.c5 Qxa2 44.c6 bxc6 45.Kf1 c5 46.Ke1 c4 47.Kf1 c3 48.Ke1 Qd2+ 49.Kf1 c2 50.Kg1 c1Q# 0-1 (50) tactinhos2900 (2617)-Benbasat (2573) Blitz 2022]

9.Nge2

[9.0-0-0 exd4 10.Qxd4 Bxd4 0-1 (10) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-Bentovic (2628) Blitz 2021]

9...exd4 10.Nxd4 0-0 11.0-0-0 N8d7 12.h4 Nf6 13.Bh6 c5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nb3 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 c4 17.Na5 Be6 18.Nxb7 Rac8 19.Be2 Nh5 20.Rhd1 Ng3 21.Bf1 Rc7 22.Nd6 Rb8 23.Ndb5 Re7 24.Nd4 Kh6 25.Nc6 Rbb7 26.Nxe7 Rxe7 27.Ne2 Nxf1 28.Rxf1 Rc7 29.Nc3 Kh5 30.g3 Kh6 31.Rfd1 Kg7 32.Kb1 h5 33.Nd5 Nxd5 34.exd5 Bf5+ 35.Kc1 Bd3 36.d6 Rd7 37.Rxd3 cxd3 38.Rxd3 Kf6 39.Kd2 Ke5 40.b4 f6 41.Ke3 g5 42.a4 gxh4 43.gxh4 f5 44.f4+ Ke6 45.b5 Kf6 46.Rd5 Ke6 47.Kd4 Rxd6 48.Rxd6+ Kxd6 49.a5 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2634) Blitz 2023

7...e5 8.dxe5 Qxd1+ 9.Rxd1 Bxe5 10.f4

[10.Nb5 Nc6 11.f4 a6 12.Nf3 axb5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.fxe5 Stohl,Igor: '∞']

10...Bxc3+

[10...Bg7 11.Nf3 0-0 12.e5 *(12.Be2 Be6 13.Nd4 Bc4 14.Bf3 N8d7 15.b3 Ba6 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Kxe2 Rfe8 18.Kf3 c6 19.Rhe1 Rad8 20.e5 f6 21.e6 Nf8 22.f5 gxf5 23.Nxf5 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Nxe6 25.Ne4 Nd5 26.Bc1 Rd8 27.g4 Rd7 28.h4 Kf7 29.Ba3 Bf8 30.Bb2 Be7 31.Re1 Nb6 32.Re2 Rd3+ 33.Re3 Rxe3+ 34.Nxe3 Nd5 35.Nf5 Bf8 36.Ned6+ Bxd6 37.Nxd6+ Ke7 38.Nxb7 Kd7 39.Na5 Nb6 40.Bxf6 Kd6 41.g5 Kd5 42.h5 Nd7 43.Be7 Ne5+ 44.Kg3 Ke4 45.Nc4 Nxc4 46.bxc4 Kf5 47.Kh4 Nf4 48.g6 hxg6 49.h6 g5+ 50.Bxg5 Ng6+ 51.Kh5 Nh8 52.h7 Ng6 53.Bh6 a6 54.Bg7 a5 55.a4 c5 56.Kh6* 1-0 (56) bodoque50 (2605)-mboldysh (2427) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Be6 13.Ng5 Bc4 14.Bxb6 Bxf1 15.Rxf1 axb6 16.Ke2 Nc6 17.Rd7 h6 18.Nge4 Rfc8 19.Rfd1 Nb4 20.a3 Na6 21.Nd5 Kf8 22.b4 b5 23.Rd3 Ke8 24.Ndf6+ Bxf6 25.Nxf6+ Kf8 26.g4 c5 27.Rxb7 cxb4 28.Rdd7 Rc7 29.Rdxc7 Nxc7 30.axb4 Ne6 31.Ke3 h5 32.f5 gxf5 33.gxf5 Ng7 34.Ke4 Ne8 35.Nxh5 Ra2 36.Rb8 Ke7 37.Rb7+ Kf8 38.e6 fxe6 39.fxe6 Nd6+ 40.Kd5 Nxb7 41.Kc6 Rxh2 42.Nf4 Ke7 43.Kxb7 Rh4 44.Ng6+ Kxe6 45.Nxh4 Kd5 46.Kb6 Kc4 47.Ka5 Kd5 48.Kxb5 1-0 (48) unitedff (2648)-mboldysh (2528) Blitz 2024]

11.bxc3 Bg4 12.Nf3 N8d7 13.Kf2 0-0 14.Be2 Rfe8 15.h3 Be6 16.Rd2 Nf6 17.Ng5 h6 18.e5 Nfd5 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Bf3 Bxe4 21.Bxe4 Nxc3 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Bc6 Red8 24.Rhd1 Nxd1+ 0-1 (24) Aczgego (2680)-EmperorBundaloy (2699) Blitz 2021

7...a5 8.Qd2 a4 9.0-0-0

[9.h4 h5 10.Nh3 Nc6 11.0-0-0 a3 12.b3 Nb4 13.Kb1 c5 14.dxc5 Qxd2 15.Bxd2 Nd7 16.Bb5 0-0 17.Na4 Nc6 18.Bc1 Ra5 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Bxa3 Ne5 21.Nf4 f5 22.Nd3 fxe4 23.fxe4 Bg4 24.Nxe5 Bxe5 25.Rd2 Rb8 26.Bb2 Bf4 27.Rc2 Rb4

28.Nc3 Rxc5 29.Ba3 Rxc3 30.Bxb4 Rd3 31.Bxe7 Kf7 32.Bg5 Be5 33.Bc1 Ke6 34.Bb2 Rd6 35.Bxe5 Kxe5 36.Re1 Re6 37.Kb2 Kf4 38.a4 Kg3 39.a5 c5 40.Rxc5 Kxh4 41.Ra1 Ra6 42.Rb5 Bc8 43.Rb6 Ra7 44.Rxg6 Re7 45.a6 Rxe4 46.a7 Re2+ 47.Kc3 Re3+ 48.Kd4 Re7 49.a8Q Bg4 50.g3+ 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2644)-Gilggamesh (2637) Blitz 2022]

9...a3 10.b3 Nc6 11.h4 h5 12.Bb5 [12.Nge2 Qd6 13.f4 Qb4 14.e5 Bg4 15.d5 Na5 16.Nd4 Bxd1 17.Kxd1 0-0 18.Nc2 Nxb3 19.Nxb4 Nxd2 20.Kxd2 Rfd8 21.Bxb6 cxb6 22.Bd3 f6 23.Re1 fxe5 24.fxe5 Kh7 25.g4 hxg4 26.h5 Bh6+ 27.Kc2 Rdc8 28.Bxg6+ Kg7 29.d6 e6 30.Rf1 Be3 31.Rf7+ Kh6 32.Kd3 Rxc3+ 33.Kxc3 g3 34.Be4 Rg8 35.Bg2 Kxh5 36.Re7 Rf8 37.d7 Rd8 38.Nd3 Kg5 39.Kc4 Kf5 40.Kc3 Kg5 41.Kc2 Kf5 42.Kd1 Bd4 43.Ke2 Bxe5 44.Bh3+ Kf6 45.Rxe6+ Kg5 46.Rxe5+ Kh4 47.Bg2 Rxd7 48.Re4+ Kg5 49.Rb4 Rd6 50.Rb3 Rf6 51.Rxa3 Rf7 52.Rb3 Rc7 53.Rb5+ Kg4 54.Rb4+ Kg5 55.Kd2 Rf7 56.Rb5+ Kg4 57.Rxb6 Kg5 58.Rxb7 Kg4 59.Rxf7 Kg5 60.Rf3 Kg4 61.a4 1-0 (61) OnkelKonkel (2630)-xberli (2613) Blitz 2022]

12...Bd7 13.Nge2 Nb4 14.Kb1 f5 15.Bxd7+ Qxd7 16.Nf4 fxe4 17.fxe4 Qg4 18.Nb5 Na6 19.d5 0-0 20.Rhf1 Rad8 21.Nxc7 Nxc7 22.Bxb6 Nb5 23.Bxd8 Nc3+ 24.Kc2 Rxd8 25.Ne6 Rc8 26.Kd3 Qxe4# 0-1 (26) WhiteBishop4761 (2644)-Gilgaplus (2615) Blitz 2023

Glenn Flear: 'Just over a week earlier against Irina Krush the Polish GM had tried' **7...f5** Glenn Flear: 'but didn't fancy repeating such a risky move when the opponent had 'I've done some serious preparation' written all over his face.'

[41] Glenn Flear: 'For'The short burst of popularity 3.f3 enjoyed in the middle of the eighties was connected with **8.f4** Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Glenn Flear: '!?''The second most popular move in this position which has now transposed to a real Grünfeld! Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'The second most popular move in this position which has now transposed to a real Grünfeld!'' The second most popular move in this position which has now transposed to a real Gr→nfeld!' ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!?' '!?' '!?' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'The Austrian Attack versus the Grünfeld!? As usual, Korchnoi avoids the main lines and goes for an offshoot.

QUESTION: Can White get away with this, since he moved his f-pawn twice?

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[8...Na6 9.h4 *(9.Nf3 Bg4 10.Be2 Bxf3 11.gxf3 e6 12.0-0 Rc8 13.Bxa6 bxa6 14.Qe2 Qh4 15.b3 c5 16.dxc5 Bxc3 17.Rac1 Ba5 18.cxb6 Bxb6 19.Kg2 a5 20.Qf2 Qxf2+ 21.Kxf2 f6 22.Rfd1 Rfd8 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Bxb6 axb6 25.Rd6 Rc2+ 26.Kg3 Rxa2 27.Rxe6 Rb2 28.Rxb6 a4 29.b4 a3 30.Ra6 a2 31.b5 Kf7 32.b6 h5 33.h4 Kg7 34.b7 Rxb7 35.Rxa2 Re7 36.Ra6 Rd7 37.e5 Rf7 38.e6 Re7 39.f5 gxf5 40.Kf4 Kg6 41.Rc6 Re8 42.Ke3 Rd8 43.Kf4 Re8 44.Rd6 Re7 45.Ke3 Re8 46.Kd4 Re7 47.f4 Ra7 48.Rd7 Ra4+ 49.Kd5 Ra5+ 50.Kd6 Ra4 51.e7 Kf7 52.e8Q+ Kxe8 53.Rh7 Rxf4 54.Ke6 Re4+ 55.Kxf5 Rxh4 56.Ke6 Kf8 57.Kxf6 Kg8 58.Rg7+ Kh8 59.Ra7 Rg4 60.Kf5 Rg7 61.Ra8+ Kh7 62.Ra3 Kh6 63.Kf6 Rh7 64.Ra4 Rh8 65.Kf7 Rh7+ 66.Kg8 Rh8+ 67.Kxh8 Kg5 68.Kg7 h4 69.Ra3 h3 70.Rxh3 Kg4 71.Ra3 Kf4 72.Ra4+ Ke5 73.Ra3 Kd5 74.Ra2 Kc6 75.Ra1 Kc5 76.Rd1 Kc4 77.Kg6 Kb3 78.Rd2 Kc3 79.Rd7 Kb4 80.Rc7 Kb5 81.Rd7 Kb6 82.Rd8 Kc6 83.Rd6+ Kc5* ½-½ (83) Konstrictor (2613)-Khem (2667) Blitz 2024*)* 9...h5 10.Be2 Nb4 11.g4 Bxd4 12.Bxd4 Qxd4 13.Qxd4 Nc2+ 14.Kf2 Nxd4 15.gxh5 gxh5 16.Bxh5 c5 17.Nf3 Be6 18.Rhg1+ Kh8 19.Rg5 Rac8 20.Rag1 f6 21.Rg7 Nc6 22.R7g6 Rf7 23.Rh6+ Rh7 24.Rxh7+ Kxh7 25.Bg6+ Kh8 26.h5 Nd4 27.Rd1 Bg4 28.Nxd4 Bxd1 29.Nf5 Bg4 30.Nxe7 Rd8 31.Ned5 Nxd5 32.Nxd5 f5 33.Ne3 Rd2+ 34.Kg3 Rd3 35.Kf2 Rd2+ 36.Kg3 Rd3 37.Kf2 Rd2+ Normal ½-½ (37) gogotaniye (2776)-EagleFurios (2751) Blitz 2024]

[8...f5 9.Qb3+ Kh8 10.e5 c6 11.Nf3 Nd5 12.Nxd5 cxd5 13.Be2 Nc6 14.Kf2 e6 15.Rhc1 Rf7 16.Bd2 Rc7 17.Bb5 Bd7 18.Bxc6 Rxc6 19.Qxb7 Rb8 20.Qxa7 Ra8 21.Qb7 Rb8 22.Qxc6 Bxc6 23.Rxc6 Rxb2 24.Rac1 Bf8 25.Rc8 Qe7 26.R1c7 Rxd2+ 27.Kg3 Qxc7 28.Rxc7 Rxa2 29.Ng5 h6 30.Nxe6 Bb4 31.Rd7 Ra6 32.Nc7 Ra3+ 33.Kf2 Ra2+ 34.Kf1 Ra1+ 35.Ke2 Ra2+ 36.Kd3 Ra3+ 37.Kc2 Rc3+ 38.Kb2 Rc4 39.Rd8+ Kg7 40.Rd7+ Kh8 41.Ne8 Kg8 42.Nf6+ Kf8 43.e6 Rxd4 44.Rf7# 1-0 (44) Didnt-play-badly-br0 (2740)-Mr_Chess_Berserk (2563) Classical 2024]

[8...c6 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!?' '!?' '!?' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Spassky meets the

offshoot with an offshoot of his own. His move strikes me as strangely placid in a situation where Black should be feverishly chipping away at White's centre.
QUESTION: What would you suggest?' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Spassky meets the offshoot with an offshoot of his own. His move strikes me as strangely placid in a situation where Black should be feverishly chipping away at White's centre. --- QUESTION: What would you suggest?'' 9.Nf3 Be6 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Spassky targets the weak c4-square.'' *(* ChessCalisthenics: 'The alternative is' *9...Bg4* ChessCalisthenics: ', which follows the principle: 'The cramped side benefits from exchanges.''*)* 10.Qc2 ChessCalisthenics: 'N' *(10.Qd2 Nc4 11.Bxc4 Bxc4 12.h4 Nd7 13.h5 Nf6 14.Ne5 Be6 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.0-0-0 Ng4 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 18.Rdf1 Qd7 19.Qf2 Rad8 20.Qh4 h5 21.Qg5 Qe6 22.f5 gxf5 23.e5 b5 24.Kb1 Kh7* ChessCalisthenics: 'Pinzon Solis,F-Evans,L/ Dubrovnik 1950/MCD/0-1 (36)'*)* 10...N8d7 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!' '!' '!' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Black waits for Be2 before following up with ...Bc4 so as to gain a tempo.' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Black waits for Be2 before following up with ...Bc4 so as to gain a tempo.'' *(* ChessCalisthenics: 'After the immediate' *10...Bc4 11.Bxc4 Nxc4 12.Bf2 Na6 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Qe2* ChessCalisthenics: ', White appeared to extract a slight edge due to his extra space, D.Biro-J.Siroky, Hungarian Team Championship 2008. Cyrus Lakdawala: ', White appeared to extract a slight edge due to his extra space, D.Biro-J.Siroky, Hungarian Team Championship 2008.''*)* 11.Be2 Bc4 12.g4 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!?' '!?' '!?' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Korchnoi is clearly not a believer in the doctrine that a country is safer when it has fewer borders to defend. When selecting just 60 or so from a lifetime of nearly 5,000 of Korchnoi's games, this one caught my eye, mainly due to his almost irrational last move. Korchnoi mentioned in an interview in 2011 that, even at the ripe old age of 80, he still from time to time found himself unable to resist strategically questionable moves. Once again, he sheds all pretence of impartiality when it comes to adoration of his g-pawns more than all his other pawns combined. Everyone else in the world would have castled kingside here. Korchnoi plans to go for it on the kingside with h2-h4-h5.
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ANSWER: Korchnoi doesn't bother with the advice: If you feel lucky one day and decide to play a game of Russian Roulette, make certain to inquire just how many bullets the gun's chamber holds.
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B) 15...Rfc8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.dxc5 Nxc5 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: 'This may be inaccurate.'' *(* ChessCalisthenics: 'Black should go for' *17...Nd5* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *18.Bd4 Bxe2 19.Nxd5* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *exd5 20.Qxe2 Nxc5 21.Ng5 Ne6* ChessCalisthenics: '!' ChessCalisthenics: ', when his position looks okay.'*)* 18.Bd4 *(* ChessCalisthenics: 'Both sides miss' *18.f5* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *exf5 19.Bxc4* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *Nxc4 20.Nd5* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *Qd8 21.Qxc4 Ne6 22.Qb3* ChessCalisthenics: ', when Black doesn't get full compensation; e.g.' *fxg4 23.Nh4 Nc5 24.Bxc5 Rxc5 25.Nxg6* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *Rxd5 26.Qxd5 Qg5 27.0-0* ChessCalisthenics: '!' *Qxg6 28.Rae1* ChessCalisthenics: 'and White should be winning. Then again, who but computers can work out such insanely tricky lines? Cyrus Lakdawala: 'and White should be winning. Then again, who but computers can work out such insanely tricky lines?''*)* 18...Bd5 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Spassky has done everything right and opened the game. Yet the computers say the position remains equal. Despite initial misgivings, it seems that Korchnoi's loony 12 g4!? wasn't as bad as it looked.
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B1) ChessCalisthenics: 'ANSWER: The move is an exception to the principle.' 21.f5 ChessCalisthenics: '!' ChessCalisthenics: 'was very strong: Cyrus Lakdawala: 'was very strong:'' exf5 *(21...Ncd7 22.f6* ChessCalisthenics: 'is hopeless for Black'*)* 22.gxf5 gxf5 23.Qxf5 ChessCalisthenics: 'gives White a winning attack, similar to what occurs in the game.';

B2) 21.Kf2 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '?' '?' '?'' 21...Rc8 22.Qb1 Rcd8 23.b3 Na6 24.Qe4 Nb4 25.f5 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!' '!' '!'' exf5 26.gxf5 gxf5 ChessCalisthenics: '??' ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '?' '?' '?' Cyrus

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B2b) 27...Rxd4 ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Black finally receives delivery, but gets damaged goods. EXERCISE (combination alert): White to play and win. ANSWER: No need to recapture on d4. Simply add another attacker and Black's position falls apart. ' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'Black finally receives delivery, but gets damaged goods. --- EXERCISE (combination alert): White to play and win. --- ANSWER: No need to recapture on d4. Simply add another attacker and Black's position falls apart.'' 28.Rdg1 1-0 (28) Djuric,S (2673)-Den Hamer,A (2549) Bucuresti 81/ (327) 1999 200 Traps In The Opening [lainMackintosh] ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!' '!' '!' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'It isn't necessary to be an expert marksman if you own a 12 gauge, double-barrelled shotgun. Black's king receives a staggering blow from the darkness, as he feels bones shattering in his body.' Cyrus Lakdawala: 'It isn't necessary to be an expert marksman if you own a 12 gauge, double-barrelled shotgun. Black's king receives a staggering blow from the darkness, as he feels bones shattering in his body.'' *(ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: 'After'' 28.Rdg1* ChessCalisthenics: 'Cyrus Lakdawala: '!' '!' '!' Cyrus Lakdawala: '(if you apply for a job and your interviewer abruptly stands up in what you believe to be the middle of the interview, then my guess is you didn't get the job)' Cyrus Lakdawala: '(if you apply for a job and your interviewer abruptly stands up in what you believe to be the middle of the

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9.d5

[9.Nf3 Bg4

A) 10.e5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'N' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'A new concept since lines after 10.d5 were proven equal for black. Unfortunatelly for white Ivanchuk reacts simply and strongly.' Bxf3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' 11.Qxf3 *(11.gxf3 e6 12.Rg1 Qh4+* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∓'*)* 11...Nxd4 12.Qe4 *(12.Bxd4 Qxd4 13.Rd1 Qb4 14.Rd2 Rfd8* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∓'*; 12.Qf2 c5 13.Rd1 f6* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∓'*)* 12...c5 13.Rd1 Qc7 14.g3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Graf has missed his chance to play the sensible move 14.♘b5!? with good compensation for the missing pawn. ' *(14.Bxd4 cxd4 15.Nb5 Qc5 16.Nxd4 Qb4+ 17.Rd2 Rfc8* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∓'*; 14.Nb5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' *Nxb5 15.Bxb5 Rad8 16.0-0* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '='*)* 14...f5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' 15.Qg2 *(15.exf6 exf6 16.Nb5 Qf7 17.Nxd4 Rfe8* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∓'*)*

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A1) 26.Bxd4 Rxd4 27.Rxd4 Rxd4 28.Bf3 *(28.Qf3 c2 29.Qc6 Qc4 30.Qxc4 Rxc4 31.Rc1 Ba3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '-+') 28...c2 29.Rc1 Rd1+ Ftacnik,Lubomir: '-+';

A2) 26.Rd3 Qc4 27.Rxd4 *(27.Rc1 Qxd3 28.Bf1 Qe4+ 29.Bg2 Nf3 30.Bxf3 Qc4* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '-+') 27...Rxd4 28.Bxd4 Rxd4 29.Rc1 *(29.Qg1 c2 30.Rc1 Bc5 31.Qe1 Ba3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '-+') 29...Ba3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Graf clearly has no compensation for his suffering.' 30.Bf1 *(30.Rc2 Rd1+* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '-+') 30...Qd5+ 31.Bg2 Rd1+ 0-1 (31) Habgood,K (2646)-Kavakul,M (2705) Israel 2004 CBM 055 [Dressel];

B) 10.d5 Na5

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B2) 11.h3 Bxf3 12.Qxf3 Nac4 *(12...c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Rd1 Qc7 15.Be2 Nac4 16.Bc1 Rad8 17.0-0 Rxd1 18.Rxd1 Rd8 19.e5 Rxd1+ 20.Nxd1 Na5 21.Bd2 Nb7 22.Qa3 Nd8 23.Be3 Ne6 24.Nf2 Nd5 25.Qxa7 Qxa7 26.Bxa7 Nexf4 27.Ba6 Bxe5 28.b3 Nb4 29.Bb7 Nxa2 30.Bxc6 e6*

31.Bc5 Bd4 32.Bxd4 Ne2+ 33.Kf1 Nxd4 34.Ba4 Nc3 35.Nd3 Kf8 36.Kf2 Ke7 37.Ke3 Nf5+ 38.Kd2 Ne4+ 39.Kc2 Kd6 40.Kb2 Ne3 41.g4 e5 42.b4 f5 43.gxf5 gxf5 44.Be8 f4 45.Bh5 Nf6 46.Be2 Ned5 0-1 (46) Ivanisevic,I (2653)-Fedoseev,V (2659) Berlin GER 2015*)* 13.Bc5 Nxb2 14.e5 N2a4 15.Nxa4 Nxa4 16.Ba3 c6 17.d6 exd6 18.Bxd6 Re8 19.Kf2 Qb6+ 20.Kg3 Rad8 21.Rd1 Bf8 22.Bxf8 Rxf8 23.Bc4 Qb4 24.Bb3 Nc5 25.h4 Rd4 26.Rxd4 Qxd4 27.Rd1 Qb4 28.h5 Nxb3 29.axb3 Qe7 30.Rd6 Rd8 31.Qd3 Rxd6 32.exd6 Qd7 33.h6 f6 34.Kf3 Kf7 35.g4 f5 36.g5 c5 37.Qd5+ Kf8 38.Qe5 Qc6+ 39.Ke3 Qe4+ 40.Qxe4 fxe4 41.f5 gxf5 42.g6 hxg6 43.h7 Kg7 44.d7 1-0 (44) ikica77 (2775)-danylo03 (2625) Blitz 2022]

9...Na5

[Glenn Flear: 'Black could also consider' 9...Nb8!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,I' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'Glenn Flear: 'after' 10.a4 *(10.Bd4 e5 11.fxe5 Qe7 12.Nf3 Bg4 13.Qd2 N8d7 14.0-0-0 Nxe5* Glenn Flear: 'Li Roufan-Harika, D Beijing 2008, looks reasonable for Black. Van Delft/Ris: 'Li Roufan-Harika, D Beijing 2008, looks reasonable for Black." *)*

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B) 10...e5 11.a5 *(11.f5!?)* 11...exf4 12.Bxf4 *(12.axb6?! fxe3 13.Rxa7 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxe4→)* 12...N6d7 13.Nf3 Re8⇄]

10.Bd4 e5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' ChessCalisthenics: '!'

[Glenn Flear: 'Black could also develop his bishop with a gain of time, but after' 10...Bg4 11.Be2 Bxe2 *(11...e5 12.fxe5 Bxe2 13.Ngxe2 Nac4 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qd4+ e5 17.Qc5 Qg5 18.Rd1 Nxb2 19.Rd2 N6c4 20.Rxb2 Nxb2 21.Qb5 Qxg2 22.Rg1 Qf2+ 23.Kd2 Qb6 24.Rb1 Qxb5 25.Nxb5 Nc4+ 26.Kd3 Nd6 27.Nxc7 Rf3+ 28.Kd2 Nxe4+ 29.Ke1 Rc8 30.Rxb7 Kh6 31.Ne6 Rc2 32.Rxa7 Re3* 0-1 (32) david_gomez (2673)-JonahB94 (2700) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Ngxe2 c6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qd4+ *(14.b3±)* 14...Kg8 15.b3 cxd5 16.exd5 Qd6 17.0-0 Rfd8 18.Rad1 Rac8 19.Kh1 Glenn Flear: 'Black hadn't yet quite equalized in Dziuba, M-Bobras, P Karpacz 2008. Van Delft/ Ris: 'Black hadn't yet quite equalized in Dziuba, M-Bobras, P Karpacz 2008. "]

[10...c5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Nf3 Bg4 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 Nbc4 15.0-0-0 b5 16.e5 Qb6 17.Ne4 Rad8 18.h4 Qb7 19.Ng5 h6 20.e6 hxg5 21.hxg5 Rh8 22.Qc3+ f6 23.gxf6+ exf6 24.Rxh8 Rxh8 25.d6 b4 26.Qd3 b3

27.a3 Nb6 28.d7 Nc6 29.Qxb3 Nd4 30.Qc3 Na4 31.Rxd4 Nxc3 32.d8Q cxd4 33.Qd7+ Qxd7 34.exd7 Nd5 35.Bc4 Nxf4 36.Be6 Nxe6 0-1 (36) mancillador (2638)-MikeGScarn (2842) Blitz 2022]

11.Bxe5

[11.fxe5 c6]

11...Bxe5 12.fxe5 Qh4+

[12...Re8 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.Qd4 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Nc6 16.Qe3 Nxe5 17.0-0-0 Qf6 18.Be2 Nbc4 19.Qd4 Qf4+ 20.Kb1 Nd6 21.Qd2 Qf6 22.f4 Nec4 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.Qd4 Qxd4 25.Rxd4 Nd6 26.e5 Nf5 27.Rc4 Re7 28.Ne4 Ne3 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Rc3 Ng2 31.Rf1 Rd8 32.Rf2 Nh4 33.Rh3 Nf5 34.Rxh7+ 1-0 (34) Konstrictor (2617)-Chessmatus (2548) Blitz 2024]

[12...Qe7 13.Qd4 c5 14.Qf2 Nac4 15.Nf3 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Qxc5 f5 18.0-0-0 fxe4 19.Qd4 Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Bf5 21.Bb5 a6 22.Be2 Rac8 23.d6 Rfd8 24.Rhd1 e3 25.g4 Be6 26.Re4 Bxa2 27.Rxe3 Nd5 28.Red3 Nf4 29.R3d2 Bb3 30.Re1 Rc6 31.Bd1 Bxd1 32.Rexd1 Ne6 33.Kb1 Nc5 34.Nd5 Kf7 35.Rf1+ Ke6 36.Nc7+ Kd7 37.Rf7+ Kc8 38.Rxh7 Rcxd6 39.Rxd6 Rxd6 40.h4 Rd7 41.Rxd7 Nxd7 42.Ne6 Ne5 43.h5 gxh5 44.gxh5 Nf7 45.Ng7 Kd7 46.Nf5 Ke6 47.Nd4+ Kf6 48.Nb3 Nd6 49.Kc2 Kg5 50.Kc3 Kxh5 51.Kd4 Kg5 52.Kd5 Nf5 53.Nc5 b5 54.Nxa6 Ne3+ 55.Kc5 Nd1 56.b3 Kf6 57.Nc7 Ke7 58.Nxb5 Kd7 59.Kb6 Ne3 60.Nd4 Kd6 61.b4 Nd5+ 62.Ka6 Nxb4+ 63.Kb5 Nc6 64.Nxc6 ½-½ (64) Outrunner (2600)-JFDRR (2677) Blitz 2022]

13.g3 Qe7 14.Qd4 Rd8 'The most popular move here. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'The most popular move here.'" ChessCalisthenics: '(intending ...Nc6)'

[Glenn Flear: 'Less than a week later'

14...Re8 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'was played for the first time. It worked like a dream as after Van Delft/Ris: 'was played for the first time. It worked like a dream as after'' 15.b4 *(15.0-0-0 Bg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Ngxe2 Qxe5 18.Qxe5 Rxe5 19.b3±)* 15...Nac4 16.Bxc4 Qxb4 17.Nf3 *(17.Rc1 c5 18.dxc6 Qxc4 19.Qxc4 Nxc4 20.Nd5 Nxe5 21.Nf6+ Kf8 22.Nxe8 Kxe8 23.Kd2 Nxc6 24.Nf3 Be6 25.a3 Rd8+ 26.Ke3 Bg4 27.Rc3 Rd6 28.Rb1 Bxf3 29.Kxf3 b6 30.Kf4 h6 31.Rbc1 Rf6+ 32.Ke3 Kd7 33.Rd3+ Ke7 34.Rd5 Re6 35.Rcd1 Ne5 36.Rd8 Nc4+ 37.Kf3 Nxa3 38.R8d7+ Kf6 39.Kg2 a5 40.Rf1+ Ke5 41.Rfxf7 Kxe4 42.Rf4+ Ke5 43.Kf3 Rc6 44.Re4+ Kf6 45.Rf4+ Ke5 46.Re4+ Kf6 47.Rd1 Nc4 48.Rf4+ Ke6 49.Re4+ Ne5+ 50.Ke3 Rc3+ 51.Kf2 b5 52.Rd8 Rc5 53.Re8+ Kd6 54.Rd4+ Kc7 55.Re7+ Kb6 56.Re6+ Nc6 57.Ke1 b4 58.Kd2 b3 59.Rd3 Rc2+ 60.Kd1 a4 61.Rxg6 Kb5 62.Rxh6 Rg2 63.Rd7 Rg1+ 64.Kd2 Rg2+ 65.Kd1 Rg1+ 66.Kd2 Rg2+* ½-½ (66) Postny,E (2635)-Rodshtein, M (2639) Acre ISR 2013*)* 17...Qxc4 18.Qe3 Nd7 Glenn Flear: 'White was losing control of the centre, Manolache, M-Shishkin, Va Baia Sprie 2009. Van Delft/Ris: 'White was losing control of the centre, Manolache, M-Shishkin, Va Baia Sprie 2009.'']

['There is a third way: Van Delft/Ris:

'Glenn Flear: 'There is a third way:'" 14...c5 15.d6 cxd4 16.dxe7 Re8 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Bf5 19.d6 Be4 Glenn Flear: 'with sharp play in Gleizerov, E-Yandemirov, V Cappelle la Grande 2004. Van Delft/Ris: 'with sharp play in Gleizerov, E-Yandemirov, V Cappelle la Grande 2004."]

15.b4 Nac4!

[ChessCalisthenics: 'or still' 15...Nc6 16.Qc5 Qg5 17.Nf3 Qh5 18.Be2 Nxe5 19.0-0 Bh3 ChessCalisthenics: ', A.Botez-T.Gara, Mexico City rapid 2012 Cyrus Lakdawala: ', A.Botez-T. Gara, Mexico City rapid 2012"]

16.Nf3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 43/569'

[16.Bxc4 Qxb4 17.Nf3 *(17.Rb1 Qxc4 18.Qxc4 Nxc4 19.Nb5 Nxe5 20.Nxc7 Rb8 21.Na6 Bf5!∓; 17.Nge2 Qxc4 18.Rf1 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 c6 20.a4 cxd5 21.a5 Nc4 22.Nxd5 Nxe5∓)* 17...Qxc4 18.Qe3 'So, as in Manolache-Shishkin (see the previous note) , but here the e5-pawn isn't under the same pressure. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'So, as in Manolache-Shishkin (see the previous note), but here the e5-pawn isn't under the same pressure.'" *(18.Qxc4 Nxc4 19.h3 c6 20.Kf2 Re8 21.Rab1 Nxe5 22.Nxe5 Rxe5 23.Rhd1 cxd5 24.Nxd5 Rb8∓)* 18...c6 ChessCalisthenics: 'with a completely unbalanced situation, G.Kaidanov-Peng Xiaomin, US-China match, Seattle 2001. Cyrus Lakdawala: 'with a completely unbalanced situation, G. Kaidanov-Peng Xiaomin, US-China match, Seattle 2001.'' Glenn Flear: 'This mostly ends in a perpetual check with Qf6-f7-f6. See Mamedyarov-Shirov, Baku rapid 2009 in CVO 19. Van Delft/Ris: 'This mostly ends in a perpetual check with Qf6-f7-f6. See Mamedyarov-Shirov, Baku rapid 2009 in CVO 19."

A) 19.e6 fxe6 20.Ne5 Qb4 21.0-0 Nc4 22.Qg5 Qb6+ 23.Kh1 Nxe5 24.Qxe5 exd5 25.Rab1 Qa6 26.Qe7 Bh3 27.Qf7+ *(27.Rf7 Rd7 28.Rg7+ Kh8 29.Rxh7+ Kg8 30.Rg7+=)* 27...Kh8 28.Qf6+ Kg8 29.Qf7+ Kh8 30.Qf6+ Kg8 1/2-1/2 Kaidanov-Peng Xiaomin Seattle 2001;

B) 19.Nd2 Qb4 20.Rb1 Qe7 21.Qd4 c5 22.d6 cxd4 23.dxe7 Re8 24.Nd5 Nxd5 25.exd5 Rxe7 26.Nc4 Bf5∓;

C) 19.Rc1 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'N' Glenn Flear: '!''A novelty and, in my opinion, a good one. Van Delft/ Ris: 'Diagram # Of course it was just a rapid game, but Mamedyarov showed once more his confidence in the sharp 3.f3 Grünfeld. This time it was the Azeri himself who deviated from his well known game against Kurnosov and in a long theoretical line he introduced the new 19. Rc1. Shirov had to spend a lot of time to overcome his opponents home analysis. Shirov's 21...cxd5? is a serious mistake, vacating the e4 square for the N and so Black had to give the exchange. In the game Shirov fought hard, but couldn't turn the events and after a long struggle he lost anyway. 21... Rc8! is our suggestion, being ready to take on d5 at any moment, while after 22.d6 Nd7! it's not clear to us how White should launch a kingside attack, since Black controls the centre. Most likely Shakh drew the same

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C1) 'Perhaps Van Delft/Ris: 'Initially Rybka suggests' Van Delft/Ris: 'Initially Rybka suggests Glenn Flear: 'Perhaps'" 20...Qa6 Glenn Flear: '!?"to stop White castling, would be a more complicated move for the first player to punish. Van Delft/Ris: 'but it turns out White has a devastating attack after' Van Delft/Ris: 'but it turns out White has a devastating attack after Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'to stop White castling, would be a more complicated move for the first player to punish.'" 21.Qf4 Bd7 *(21...Bh3 22.Qh6 Bg4 23.h3 Bd7 24.Nf3 Qa3 25.d6)* 22.Nf3 Re8 23.Qh6↑;

C2) 20...Qb4 Glenn Flear: '?!"Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: '?!'" 21.0-0 'The second player must now react quickly as his kingside is vulnerable. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'The second player must now react quickly as his kingside is vulnerable.'"

C2a) 21...Rac8 Glenn Flear: '!'

C2a1) 22.Rf4 cxd5 23.exd5 Nxd5;

C2a2) 22.d6 Nd7 23.Rb1 Qa3 24.Rxb7 Nxe5 25.Nc4 Nxc4 26.Rfxf7 Nxe3 *(26...Rd7 27.Rbxd7 Bxd7 28.Qh6 Kxf7 29.Qxh7+ Kf8 30.Qh8+=)* 27.Rg7+=;

C2a3) 22.Rb1 Qe7 23.Qf4 Qc5+;

C2a4) 22.Qf4 cxd5 23.Qxf7+ Glenn Flear: 'Van Delft/Ris: 'zie 22.Qf4'' *(23.Qxg4 Rxc3)* 23...Kh8 24.Qf6+ *(24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.exd5 Qxd2 27.Qf6+=)* 24...Kg8 25.Qf7+= *(25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.exd5 Qd4+ 27.Qf2 Qxd5 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Ne4 Qxe4 30.Qf7+ Kh8 31.Qf6+=)*;

C2b) 21...cxd5 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Van Delft/Ris: '?' '?' '?'' 22.exd5

C2b1) 22...Bh3 23.Rf4 Qb2 24.Rb1 Qc2 25.Rd4 Bf5 26.Rf1±;

C2b2) 22...Bf5 23.d6 *(*After *23.Rxf5 gxf5 24.Qg5+ Kh8* we can't find anything but a draw.*)* 23...Rac8 24.Nde4 is better for White.;

C2b3) 22...Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 24.Ne4 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ±' Qd4 'Black loses the exchange whatever now. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black loses the exchange whatever now.''' *(24...Be6 25.Nf6+ Kg7 26.Nxd5 Bxd5 27.Rf2±)* 25.Nf6+ Kg7 26.Nxd5 Qxd5 27.Rc7 Be6 28.a3 b5 *(28...Rd8 29.Qxa7 Qxe5 30.Rxb7 Rd4 31.Rbxf7+ Bxf7 32.Qxf7+ Kh6 33.Qf6±)* 29.h4 h5 'Shirov aims to batten down the hatches. His position is solid enough and he has a pawn, so perhaps all is not lost. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Shirov aims to batten down the hatches. His position is solid enough and he has a pawn, so perhaps all is not lost.''' 30.Rf2 'Intending R-d2 to dominate the centre. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Intending R-d2 to dominate the centre.''' *(30.Qc3 Kh7 31.Qc6 Rd8 32.Qxd5 Rxd5 33.Rxa7 Rxe5 34.Kf2±)* 30...Rd8 Glenn Flear: '!?''Activity at the cost of a pawn. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Activity at the cost of a pawn.''' *(30...Qd1+ 31.Kh2 Bd5 32.Rc1 Qg4 33.Qf4±)* 31.Rxa7 Qd1+ *(⌓31...Qc4 32.Kh2 Rd1 33.Qf4 Qd5 34.Qf6+ Kg8 35.Rg2 Rd3 36.Re7±)* 32.Rf1 Qc2 *(32...Rd3 33.Rxd1 Rxe3 34.Kf2 Rxe5 35.Re1! Rf5+ 36.Ke3 Re5+ 37.Kd2 Rd5+ 38.Kc3±)* 33.Qf2 Qxf2+ 34.Rxf2 Rd3 35.Kh2 *(35.Rf6! Bc4 36.Kf2 Rd2+ 37.Ke3 Rd3+ 38.Ke4 Rxg3 39.Rf4 Be6 40.Kd4±)* 35...Re3 'At first sight this looks as if this simply regains the e-pawn when Black will be really solid, but unfortunately for Shirov his b5-pawn now comes into the equation. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'At first sight this looks as if this simply regains the e-pawn

when Black will be really solid, but unfortunately for Shirov his b5-pawn now comes into the equation.''' *(35...Rd1!?)* 36.Rb2 Bc4 37.Ra5 g5 *(* 'After Van Delft/ Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'After''' *37...Rxe5* 'White uses the pin along the fifth rank with Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'White uses the pin along the fifth rank with''' *38.a4* 'and the further Van Delft/ Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'and the further''' *Re1 39.axb5 Bd5* Glenn Flear: 'isn't really that good following' *40.g4* Glenn Flear: 'as White's b-pawn will be too strong. Van Delft/Ris: 'as White's b-pawn will be too strong.'' *Rh1+ 41.Kg3 Rg1+ 42.Kf4 Rxg4+ 43.Ke5±; 37...Re1 38.Kg2 Rxe5 39.a4 Bd5+ 40.Kf2 bxa4 41.Rbb5)* 38.hxg5 Kg6 39.Rf2

C2b31) Glenn Flear: 'If' 39...Kxg5 Glenn Flear: 'then' 40.a4 Glenn Flear: 'again is interesting e.g.' Rxe5 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ⌓ ' 41.Rb2 *(41.axb5 Rxb5 42.Rxb5+ Bxb5 43.Rf4 Bd3 44.Rd4 Bf5=)* 41...Re1 42.Kg2 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '(side-stepping any mating net that could be nasty following ...Bd5) Van Delft/Ris: '(side-stepping any mating net that could be nasty following ...Bd5)'' Ra1 43.Raxb5+ Bxb5 44.axb5 Ra7 45.b6 Rb7 46.Kf3 Glenn Flear: 'with a clear advantage that could be winning.';

C2b32) 39...Rxe5 40.a4 Rxg5 41.Ra6+ Kg7 42.a5 'Creating a passed pawn. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Creating a passed pawn.''' b4 43.Ra7 Be6 44.Re2 Kg6 *(44...Kf6!?)* 45.Ra8 Kg7 *(⌓45...Rb5 46.a6 Ra5 47.a7 Kg7 48.Rd2 b3=)* 46.Ra7 Kg6 47.Re4 Rb5 48.a6 b3 *(48...Rb6!=)* 49.Rb7 'Always keeping winning chances alive, but the passed b-pawn gives Black some hope. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Always keeping winning chances alive, but the passed b-pawn gives Black some hope.''' Ra5 50.a7 Bd5 'White is skewered but is still able to keep everything intact... Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'White is skewered but is still able to keep everything intact...''' 51.Rb6+ Kg7 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' *(51...Be6=)* 52.Re5 Ra2+ 53.Kg1 Be6 54.Rb7 Kg6 55.Reb5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '+-!' Bc4 56.Rc5 Be6 57.Rcc7 Bd5 *(57...b2*

Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'loses lamely to' *58.Rxb2)* 58.Rb6+ Kg7 59.Rc5 Be6 60.Rb7 Kg6 61.Re5 Ra1+ 62.Kf2 Ra2+ 63.Ke3 'Time to bring the king over. Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: 'Time to bring the king over.'" Ra4 64.Kd3 Ra1 65.Kc3 Rc1+ 66.Kb2 Rc2+ 67.Kb1 Ra2 68.Kc1 Rc2+ 69.Kb1 Ra2 70.Re2 Glenn Flear: '!''Van Delft/Ris: 'Glenn Flear: '!''' Ra4 71.Rd2 Kg5 72.Rd8 Ra2 73.Rb5+ 1-0 (73) Trice,E (2725)-Taroma Corpus,R (2745) Hastings 2009 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/ Knight] *(73.Rb5+ Bf5+ 74.Rxf5+ Kxf5 75.a8Q Rxa8 76.Rxa8 Kg4 77.Rg8+* Glenn Flear: 'and White wins. Excellent technique, particularly for a rapid game. Van Delft/Ris: 'and White wins. Excellent technique, particularly for a rapid game." *)*]

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22...Kh8 23.Qe5+ Kg8 ½,Shishkin,V-Dvoirys,S/Moscow Alekhine memop/1996/

8.Rc1 JvR 8...Nc6

[8...e5 9.dxe5 Bxe5 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.h4 h5 12.Nh3 Bg3+ 13.Bf2 Bxf2+ 14.Nxf2 c6 15.Bd3 Be6 16.Ke2 N8d7 17.Rhd1 Ne5 18.b3 a5 19.Rb1 Kf8 20.Ke3 Ke7 21.Be2 f6 22.f4 Ned7 23.Nd3 Bf7 24.Rd2 a4 25.Rdb2 axb3 26.axb3 Ra3 27.Kd2 Nc5 28.Kc2 Nxd3 29.Bxd3 Nd7 30.Bc4 Nc5 31.Bxf7 Kxf7 32.b4 Ne6 33.f5 Nd4+ 34.Kd3 Nb5+ 0-1 (34) Aczgego (2600)-DrawDenied_Twitch (2672) Blitz 2021]

9.d5 Ne5 10.Bd4 c6 11.f4 Ng4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Be2 e5!⇄ △14.Bxg4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxg4 16.Qxg4 Bxg4 17.h3 Bd7 18.fxe5 Rfe8 19.Nf3 Nc4 20.e6 fxe6 21.b3 Nd6 22.Kf2 exd5 23.exd5 cxd5 24.Nxd5 Bc6 25.Nb4 Ne4+ 26.Kg2 Nd2 0-1 (26) Elmarmalade (2659)-Apple1600 (2594) Blitz 2021

8.Qd3 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Qd6 10.h4 Rd8 11.h5 Bxd4 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Nge2 e5 14.f4 Bg4 15.Rh4 Nb4 16.Qd2 Nc4 0-1 (16) Itinerant69 (2724)-MikeGScarn (2800) Blitz 2023

8.h4 e5

[8...h5 9.g4 *(9.Qd2 Nc6 10.0-0-0 Na5 11.b3 Qe8 12.Bb5 c6 13.Be2 Be6 14.Nb1 Nxb3+ 15.axb3 Bxb3 16.Re1 c5 17.d5 Qa4 18.Nh3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4+ 20.Nc3 Bxc3 21.Qe2 Bd2+* 0-1 (21) licg (2641)-dr_xStranger (2651) Blitz 2023*)* 9...hxg4 10.h5 c5 11.dxc5 Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 N6d7 13.hxg6 Ne5 14.gxf7+ Kxf7 15.f4 Nf3+ 16.Nxf3 gxf3 17.f5 Nc6 18.Bc4+ e6 19.fxe6+ Kg6 20.Kf2 Ne5 21.Rdg1+ Kf6 22.Bg5+ 1-0 (22) titanshahmat2003 (2675)-casuallychess (2617) Blitz 2025]

9.d5 c6 10.h5 cxd5 11.exd5 N8d7

12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Qd2 Re8 14.Nh3 Nf6 15.0-0-0 Bxh3 16.Rxh3 Rc8 17.Kb1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Bh6 Bh8 20.Rdh1 Rd4 21.Bf8 Kxf8 22.Rxh8+ Ke7 23.Rxe8+ Nxe8 24.Qg5+ Kd7 25.Qxe5 Qf6 26.Qe3 Nd6 27.Re1 a6 28.a3 Rc4 29.Ne4 Nxe4 30.fxe4 Qe5 31.Qb3 b5 32.Qf3 f5 33.g4 Rxe4 34.Rc1 Re1 35.gxf5 Rxc1+ 36.Kxc1 Qxf5 37.Qg2 Kd6 38.Qg3+ Kxd5 39.Qb8 g5 40.Qb7+ Kc4 41.Qxa6 g4 42.Qc6+ Kd4 43.Qc3+ Ke4 44.Qc2+ Kf4 45.Qd2+ Ke5 46.Qe3+ Kf6 47.Qh6+ Ke5 48.Qh8+ Qf6 49.Qb8+ Kf5 50.Qxb5+ 1-0 (50) tryhard122 (2697)-Resha1988 (2779) Blitz 2022

8.a4 a5 9.h4

[9.Qd2 Nc6 10.Rd1 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Bd3 c5 13.Qf2 f5 14.Nge2 fxe4 15.Bxe4 Bf5 16.Bxf5 gxf5 17.0-0 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.Nc3 Qb3 20.f4 Rae8 21.fxe5 Bxe5 22.Kh1 b6 23.Rd2 f4 24.Bxd4 cxd4 25.Ne4 Qxa4 26.Qh4 Qd7 27.Qg5+ Qg7 28.Qxg7+ Kxg7 29.Rd3 a4 30.h4 b5 31.Rff3 h5 32.Kh2 Kg6 33.Kh3 b4 34.Nc5 Ra8 35.Nd7 Kf5 36.Nxf8 Rxf8 37.g3 Ke4 38.gxf4 Rxf4 39.Kg2 Rxf3 40.Rxf3 d3 0-1 (40) rdm89 (2651)-cn_ua (2663) Blitz 2023]

9...Nc6 10.d5 Ne5 11.Bd4 e6 12.f4 Ned7 13.dxe6 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 fxe6 15.h5 Qf6 16.Qxf6 Rxf6 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.g3 e5 19.Nh3 c6 20.0-0-0 Nc5 21.fxe5 Rf8 22.Nf4 Bg4 23.Rd6 g5 24.Rg6+ Kf7 25.Rxg5 Bf3 26.Rh7+ Ke8 27.Rgg7 1-0 (27) SouthAfricanWolf (2681)-AVS2000 (2798) Blitz 2022

8.Nge2 c6 9.Ng3 Be6 10.Be2 Bc4 11.0-0 N8d7 12.b3 Bxe2 13.Ncxe2 e5 14.Rc1 exd4 15.Nxd4 Ne5 16.Qc2 Ng4 17.Ndf5 Nxe3 18.Nxe3 Bd4 19.Rfe1 Qg5 20.Ngf1 Rad8 21.Kh1 Rd7 22.Rcd1 Rfd8 23.Nc4 h5 24.Nxb6 axb6 25.g3 b5 26.Kg2 h4 27.Rd3 hxg3 28.hxg3 c5 29.Red1 b4 30.Qe2 Kg7 31.f4 Qf6 32.Nd2 Qc6 33.Nf3 Bc3 34.Rxd7 Rxd7 35.Rxd7 Qxd7 36.e5 Qd5 37.Kf2 Bd4+ 38.Kg2 g5 39.Kh3 Qe6+ 40.Kh2 gxf4 41.gxf4 Qg4 42.Qe4 Bf2 43.Kh1 b5 44.Qe2 Qg3 45.e6 fxe6 46.Qe5+ Kf7 47.Qh5+ Ke7 48.Qg5+ Qxg5 49.Nxg5 c4 50.bxc4 bxc4 51.Ne4 Be3 52.f5 c3 53.f6+ Kf7 54.Nd6+ Kxf6 55.Nc4 c2 56.Nxe3 c1Q+ 57.Kg2 Qxe3 58.a3 Qxa3 59.Kf2 Qa2+ 60.Ke3 Qc4 61.Kd2 b3 62.Kd1 b2 63.Kd2 b1Q 64.Ke3 Qbb3+ 0-1 (64) OnkelKonkel (2669)-AlexKous2000 (2707) Blitz 2022

8.Bb5 e5 9.dxe5 Bxe5 10.Nge2 a6 11.Bd3 Nc6 12.0-0 Qe7 13.Qe1 Nb4 14.Rd1 Nxd3 15.Rxd3 Nc4 16.Bd4 Nxb2 17.Rd2 Nc4 18.Rd1 Rd8 19.Nd5 Qd6 20.Qc3 Bxd4+ 21.Rxd4 b5 22.Rxc4 bxc4 23.Nf6+ Kf8 24.Nd5 f6 25.Nxf6 Qe7 26.Nd5 Rxd5 27.Qh8+ Kf7 28.Qxh7+ Ke8 29.Qxe7+ Kxe7 30.exd5 Kd6 31.Nc3 Kc5 32.Kf2 Bf5 33.Ke3 Re8+ 34.Kd2 Bd3 35.Re1 Rb8 36.Kc1 Kd4 37.Ne2+ Ke3 38.Nc3+ Kf2 39.Re7 Kxg2 40.Rxc7 Kxf3 41.d6 Rd8 42.Rc6 Ke3 43.Rxa6 Kd4 44.Nb5+ Kc5 45.a4 Rf8 46.d7 Rd8 47.Ra7 Bf5 48.Nc3 Bxd7 49.Ne4+ Kd4 50.Ng3 Bg4 0-1 (50) Kuzubov,Y (2609)-KoroshAlizadegan (2626) Blitz 2024

[42] **8...e5** 3 Stohl,Ig"Stohl: '!?' Stohl: 'JvR: 'Not a novelty, but the main move is'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!?' Kramnik,V;

Dolmatov,S: '!?' '!?'' ' or: '(Anish Giri) was Anand-Gelfand game 3.' Chess Evolution: '!?' Chess Evolution: '!? This move is not the main option.' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'is one of the most principled continuations here. Of course it is all still theory. is one of the most principled continuations here. Of course it is all still theory.' John Watson: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Anand has fresh experience with this move, since in the 3rd game of the World Championship match against Gelfand, he played like this. However, in that game Anand was playing with the White pieces! We have analyzed that game in the 12th CEWN. Anand has fresh experience with this move, since in the 3rd game of the World Championship match against Gelfand, he played like this. However, in that game Anand was playing with the White pieces! We have analyzed that game in the 12th CEWN. Anand has fresh experience with this move, since in the 3rd game of the World Championship match against Gelfand, he played like this. However, in that game Anand was playing with the White pieces! We have analyzed that game in the 12th CEWN. Balogh Csaba: 'Anand has fresh experience with this move, since in the 3rd game of the World Championship match against Gelfand, he played like this. However, in that game Anand was playing with the White pieces! We have analyzed that game in the 12th CEWN.''Moradiab"Stohl: 'Not a novelty, but the main move is Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Not a novelty, but the main move is"" ' adi,Elshan: 'used to be the main line but not nowadays!' Postny,Evgeny: 'This is the old main line, which is consistently employed by Dominguez. This is the old main line, which is consistently employed by Dominguez. Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'This is the old main line, which is consistently employed by Dominguez.''' Krasenkow: 'This move became popular after the famous game Kramnik-Shirov (1998).' 9.d5 15 "Stohl: '□' Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: ' □" JvR: " □' Stohl,Igor: '□"" '

[9.dxe5 Qxd2+ 10.Bxd2 *(10.Kxd2 Bxe5 11.f4 Bg7 12.Nf3 Nc6 13.Rd1 Be6 14.Kc1 Rfd8 15.Bb5 Nb4 16.a3 a6 17.Be2 Na2+ 18.Nxa2 Bxa2 19.e5 Bb3 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.g3 f6 22.exf6 Bxf6 23.Re1 Na4 24.Ne5 Rd5 25.Bf3 Rb5 26.Re2 Bd5 27.Bg4 Nc5 28.Bg1 Nb3+ 29.Kb1 h5 30.Bc8 Bxe5 31.Rxe5 Nd2+ 32.Kc1 Nf3 33.Rxd5 Rxd5 34.Be6+ Kg7 35.Bxd5 Nxg1 36.Bxb7 a5 37.Kd2 Nh3 38.Ke3 g5 39.Bc8 g4 40.Bb7 Kf6 41.Bg2 Ng1 42.Kf2 Nh3+ 43.Bxh3 gxh3 44.Kf3 c5 45.Ke4 Ke6 46.b3 Kf6 47.f5 Kg5 48.Ke5 a4 49.bxa4 c4 50.Kd4 c3 51.Kxc3 Kxf5 52.a5 Kg4 53.a6 Kf3 54.a7 Kg2 55.a8Q+ Kxh2 56.Qh8 Kxg3 57.Qxh5 h2 58.Qe5+ Kg2 59.Qe4+ Kg1 60.Qg4+ Kf1 61.Qf3+ Kg1 62.Qg3+ Kh1 63.Qh3 Kg1 64.a4 h1Q 65.Qxh1+ Kxh1 66.a5 Kg2 67.a6 Kh3 68.a7 Kg3 69.a8Q*

1-0 (69) BestBefore (2703)-rearadmiralthawn (2575) Blitz 2022*)* 10...Bxe5 11.0-0-0 *(11.f4 Bg7 12.0-0-0 Nc6 13.Nb5 Bg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Nxe2 a6 16.Nbc3 Nc4 17.Nd5 Bxb2+ 18.Kc2 Bg7 19.Bc3 Bxc3 20.Kxc3 Nd6 21.Ng3 Rac8 22.a4 b5 23.e5 Nc4 24.Ne4 Kg7 25.Nc5 Nb6 26.Nxa6 Nxa4+ 27.Kb3 Nb6 28.Naxc7 Nxd5 29.Nxd5 Rfd8 30.Nb6 Nd4+ 31.Rxd4 Rxd4 32.Nxc8 Rxf4 33.Re1 Rf2 34.g4 Rxh2 35.Nd6 Rf2 36.g5 h5 37.Kb4 h4 38.Rh1 Rg2 39.Ne8+ Kf8 40.Nf6 Ke7 41.Rxh4 Rxg5 42.Rh8 Rxe5 43.Ng8+ Kf8* 0-1 (43) Iestri (2657)-Fastchess2345 (2713) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nc6 12.Nge2 Be6 13.Nf4 Bc4 14.Nfd5 Bxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Ne7 17.Bb4 Rfe8 18.Kb1 Nf5 19.Bc5 Bd6 20.Bf2 Ne3 21.Re1 Nxd5 22.Bc4 Nf4 23.g3 Nh3 24.Bd4 Ng5 25.Bc3 Nxf3 26.Ref1 Re3 27.Bd5 Rxc3 28.bxc3 Nd2+ 29.Kc2 Nxf1 30.Rxf1 Rf8 31.Bxb7 f5 32.Kd3 Re8 33.Bc6 Re5 34.Rb1 Bc5 35.Rb8+ Kg7 36.Rd8 Re3+ 37.Kd2 Bb6 38.Rd7+ Kh6 39.a4 Re5 40.Bd5 Kg5 41.c4 Bg1 42.Rxh7 Kg4 43.Rxc7 Bxh2 44.Rxa7 Bxg3 45.a5 g5 46.a6 Bf2 47.Rg7 Kf4 48.a7 Bxa7 49.Rxa7 g4 50.Rg7 g3 51.Kd3 Re3+ 52.Kd4 Re1 53.c5 Rd1+ 54.Kc4 Ke5 55.Re7+ Kf6 56.Re6+ Kg5 57.c6 f4 58.Re5+ Kg4 59.Re8 Rc1+ 60.Kd4 Rd1+ 61.Kc5 Rc1+ 62.Bc4 f3 63.c7 g2 64.c8Q+ Kg3 65.Rg8+ Kf2 66.Qd7 1-0 (66) EnglishLongbow (2734)-swimmerchess (2708) Blitz 2020]

[9.0-0-0 exd4 10.Bxd4 Bxd4 11.Qxd4 Qxd4 12.Rxd4 Nc6 *(12...c6 13.Rd1 Be6 14.Nge2 N8d7 15.Nf4 Nc5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.b4 Nca4 18.Nxa4 Nxa4 19.Bc4 Rae8 20.Bb3 Nb6 21.a4 Re7 22.Rd6 Kf7 23.Rhd1 Rc8 24.a5 Na8 25.Rd8 Rxd8 26.Rxd8 Nc7 27.Bc4 b5 28.axb6 axb6 29.Kc2 b5 30.Bb3 Na6 31.Rd6 Nxb4+ 32.Kc3 c5 33.Rb6 Rd7 34.Bxe6+* 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2611)-Carobee (2800) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Rd1 *(13.Rd2 a6 14.Bd3 Be6 15.Nge2 Ne5 16.Rhd1 Nbc4 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Rd4 c5 19.R4d3 Ne5 20.Rd6 Nc4 21.R6d3 b5 22.Nf4 Ne5 23.R3d2 Nc4 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Rd7 Ne5 26.Re7 Rfe8 27.Rc7 c4 28.Rd6 Rad8 29.Rxa6 b4 30.Nb5 Nd3+ 31.Kb1 Nxb2 32.Kxb2 Rd2+ 33.Kc1 c3 34.a3 Rxg2 35.axb4* 1-0 (35) Superfm1 (2636)-balaverde (2633) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Be6

A) 14.Bb5 Ne5 *(14...Na5 15.Nge2 a6 16.Bd3 Rfd8 17.Nf4 Rd7 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.b3 Rad8 20.Be2 Nc6 21.Rxd7 Rxd7 22.Rd1 Rxd1+ 23.Bxd1 Kf7 24.Kd2 g5 25.Ke3 h6 26.g3 e5 27.f4 gxf4+ 28.gxf4 exf4+ 29.Kxf4 Kf6 30.Bg4 Ne5 31.Bf5 c6 32.h3 a5 33.Ke3 Nbd7 34.Nd1 b5 35.Nf2 c5 36.Nd3 Nxd3 37.Bxd7 Nc1 38.Bxb5 Nxa2 39.Kf4 Nc3 40.e5+ Ke7 41.Bc6 Ne2+ 42.Ke4 Nd4 43.Bd5 Nb5 44.Bg8 Nc7 45.Bc4 Kf8 46.h4 Ke7 47.Kf5 Ne8 48.Kg6 Nc7 49.Kxh6 Na8 50.Kg7 Nb6 51.Bg8 c4 52.bxc4 Nd7 53.h5 Nc5 54.h6 a4 55.h7 a3 56.h8Q a2 57.Qh4+* 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2620)-doberman_33 (2581) Blitz 2022 *)* 15.Nge2 c6 16.Bd3 Nxd3+ 17.Rxd3 Nc4 18.Rhd1 Ne5

19.R3d2 Nc4 20.Rd3 Ne5 21.Rd4 g5 22.b3 Rac8 23.Kb2 Rfe8 24.Ng3 h6 25.R1d2 Kg7 26.Nd1 c5 27.Rd6 c4 28.b4 c3+ 29.Nxc3 Nc4+ 30.Kc2 Na3+ 31.Kb2 Nc4+ 32.Kc2 Nxd6 33.Rxd6 Rc4 34.a3 Rec8 35.Nge2 R4c6 36.Rxc6 Rxc6 37.Nd4 Rc8 38.Kd3 a6 39.g3 Kf6 40.f4 gxf4 41.gxf4 Ke7 42.e5 f6 43.Ne4 fxe5 44.fxe5 Rg8 45.Nd6 Bd5 46.N6f5+ Kd7 47.Nxh6 Rh8 48.Ng4 Rh3+ 49.Kd2 Rh4 50.Nf6+ Kd8 51.Ke3 Bc6 52.Nf5 Rxh2 53.e6 Rh3+ 54.Kd4 Rxa3 55.e7+ Kc7 56.Nd5+ Kd7 57.Ng7 Kd6 58.e8Q Bxe8 59.Nxe8+ Kc6 60.Nc3 Ra1 61.Nf6 a5 62.bxa5 Rxa5 63.Nfd5 Rxd5+ 64.Nxd5 b5 65.Nb4+ Kb6 ½-½ (65) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-JohnWarosa (2680) Blitz 2021;

B) 14.Nge2 Rfd8 15.Rxd8+ Rxd8 16.Nf4 Nd4 17.b3 Kf8 18.h4 Ke7 19.h5 g5 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Nb5 Nxb5 22.Bxb5 h6 23.Kc2 Kf6 24.g3 Ke5 25.Bd3 Rf8 26.Rf1 Nd7 27.Kd2 Kd4 28.f4 gxf4 29.gxf4 Nc5 30.Rf3 Nxe4+ 31.Bxe4 Kxe4 32.Re3+ Kd5 33.Re5+ Kd6 34.Ke3 Rf5 35.Re4 Rxh5 36.Rd4+ Rd5 37.Rc4 h5 38.Rc2 h4 39.Rh2 Rh5 40.Ke4 h3 41.Kf3 c5 0-1 (41) Lucky1357924680 (2654)-CK-king-2024 (2767) Blitz 2024]

[9.Nge2 exd4 10.Nxd4 N8d7 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Qf2 Qe7 13.h4 Nbc4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Bg5 Qb4 16.Nd5 Qxb2+ 17.Qxb2 Nxb2 18.Kxb2 c5 19.Nf6+ Bxf6 20.Bxf6 cxd4 21.Rxd4 Be6 22.h5 Rac8 23.Rd6 Rc6 24.e5 Rfc8 25.Rhd1 Rxd6 26.exd6 Bd7 27.h6 Re8 28.Be7 Rc8 29.Rd4 f5 30.g4 fxg4 31.fxg4 Kf7 32.g5 Ke6 33.Rf4 Rc5 34.Rf6+ Kd5 35.Rf7 Kc4 36.Rxh7 Bf5 37.a4 Rd5 38.Rf7 Rd2+ 39.Kc1 Kd3 40.Rxf5 gxf5 41.d7 Rc2+ 42.Kb1 1-0 (42) AM0R_FATI (2605)-tumaridodiegoni (2615) Blitz 2024]

9...c6 6 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Black needs to start his play in the center immediatly. In case White manages to castle long and play h4-h5, Black's position will be very bad. Black needs to start his play in the center immediatly. In case White manages to castle long and play h4-h5, Black's position will be very bad.' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'As promised, Black is starting an immediate attack on the centre... As promised, Black is starting an immediate attack on the centre...' John Watson: '!?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Perfectly in the spirit of the opening. Black has developed his pieces and allowed his opponent to occupy the center and then he seeks for counterplay by undermining it.''Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This system gained popularity after the famous game Kramnik-Shirov (Cazorla 1998)." Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Dieses System wurde nach der berühmten Partie Kramnik-Schirow (Cazorla 1998) populär."

[9...f5 10.0-0-0 fxe4 *(10...N8d7 11.exf5 gxf5 12.g4 fxg4 13.fxg4 Nf6 14.g5 Ng4 15.Bc5 Rf4 16.h3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Ba3 b5 19.hxg4 b4 20.Qd3 Rxc3+ 21.bxc3 Qxg5+ 22.Kc2 bxa3 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.Rf1+ Ke7 25.Qh5 Qxh5 26.Rxh5 Ba6*

27.Rf3 e4 28.Re3 Bd3+ 29.Rxd3 exd3+ 30.Kxd3 Rb8 31.Rh2 Rb2 32.Rc2 Kd6 33.c4 Kc5 34.Re2 Bd4 35.Nf3 Bc3 36.Rh2 Kb4 37.g5 Be5 38.Rc2 Bg7 39.Nd2 Kc5 40.Nb3+ Kd6 41.Nd2 Ke5 42.Nb3 Kf5 43.c5 Kxg5 44.d6 cxd6 45.c6 Rb1 46.c7 Rd1+ 47.Nd2 Rg1 48.Nf3+ Kf4 49.Nxg1 Be5 50.c8Q a5 51.Rf2+ Kg5 52.Qf5+ Kh6 53.Rg2 1-0 (53) supertactic91 (2719)-vorobey057 (2510) Rapid 2023*)* 11.fxe4 Bg4 12.Be2 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 N8d7 14.Nf3 Qe7 15.Ng5 Nc5 16.Kb1 Nbd7 17.h4 h6 18.h5 hxg5 19.hxg6 Rf4 20.d6 cxd6 21.Nd5 Qd8 22.Qh5 Nf8 23.g3 Rxe4 24.Bxg5 Qe8 25.Bf6 Rh4 26.Qxh4 Qxg6+ 27.Ka1 Bxf6 28.Nxf6+ Kf7 29.Nd5 Nfe6 30.Qe7+ 1-0 (30) Against_A_A (2914)-MightBeDecent (2738) Blitz 2025]

[9...N8d7 10.h4 f5 11.h5 f4 *(11...Nf6 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.0-0-0 fxe4 14.fxe4 Ng4 15.Nf3 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qf6 17.Kb1 Bg4 18.Be2 c6 19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Nd2 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Rad8 22.Nc4 Qe6 23.Ne3 Rd4 24.Qg4 Qxg4 25.Nxg4 Nc4 26.b3 Rf4 27.Nh6+ Bxh6 28.Rxh6 Rxd1+ 29.Nxd1 Kg7 30.Rh3 Nd2+ 31.Kc1 Nxe4 32.Rd3 Rf1 33.Rd7+ Kh6 34.Rxa7 Nc3 35.Rd7 Nxa2+ 36.Kd2 Rg1 37.Ne3 Nb4 38.Ng4+ Kg5 39.Nxe5 Rxg2+ 40.Kc3 Nd5+ 41.Kd4 Nf6 42.Rg7 Kf5 43.Nxg6 Ne8 44.Ne7+ Ke6 45.Rxg2 Kxe7 46.Re2+ Kd7 47.Kc5 Ng7 48.Rd2+ Kc7 49.Rd6 Nf5 50.Rxc6+ Kb7 51.Rf6 Ng3 52.Rf4 Ne2 53.Rf3 Ng1 54.Rf7+ Kb8 55.b4 Ne2 56.Kb6 Kc8 57.b5 Nd4 58.Rc7+ Kd8 59.Rc4 Ne6 60.Ka7 Ke7 61.b6 Nd8 62.b7 Nxb7 63.Kxb7 Kd6 64.Rc6+ Kd5 65.Kc7 Ke5 66.Rd6 Kf5 67.Kd7 Ke5 68.Re6+ Kf5 69.Ke7 Kf4 70.Kf7 Kf5 71.Rf6+ Ke5 72.Kg7 Kd5 73.Kg6 Ke5 74.Rf5+ Ke4 75.Kg5 Kd4 76.Kf4 Kd3 77.Re5 Kd4 78.Re4+ Kd5 79.Kf3 Kc5 80.Ke3 Kd5 81.Kd3 Kc5 82.Rd4 Kc6 83.Ke4 Kc5 84.Rd5+ Kc4 85.Ke5 Kb4 86.Kd6 Kc4 87.Rc5+ Kd4 88.Kc6 Ke4 89.Kb5 Kd4 90.Rc4+ Kd5 91.Kb4 Ke5 92.Kc3 Kd5 93.Rd4+ Ke5 94.Kc4 Kf5 95.Rd5+ Ke4 96.Rd4+ Ke5 97.Kc5 Ke6 98.Rd5 Kf6 99.Kd4 Ke6 100.Re5+ Kd6 101.Ke4 Kc6 102.Rd5 Kc7 103.Kd4 Kc6 104.Kc4 Kb6 105.Rc5 Kb7 106.Kd5 Kb6 107.Rc6+ Kb5 108.Kd6 Kb4 109.Kc7 Kb3 110.Kb7 Kb4 111.Rc7 Kb5 112.Rc6 Kb4 113.Kb6* ½-½ (113) supertactic91 (2674)-Kanan_Qarayev02 (2704) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Bf2 c6 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.0-0-0 Qe7 16.Qd6 Qf7 17.Nh3 Bf6 18.Qxc6 Rb8 19.Bd3 Bb7 20.Qd6 Rfc8 21.Bc2 Rxc3 22.bxc3 Qxa2 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Qxd7 Qa3+ 25.Kb1 1-0 (25) MothToTheFlame (2738)-EmperorBundaloy (2626) Blitz 2023]

[9...Bd7 10.0-0-0 Nc8 11.h4 Nd6 12.h5 b5 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bh6 Qe7 15.Bxg7 Qxg7 16.Nh3 h6 17.Nf2 g5 18.Nd3 Na6 19.Kb1 Rab8 20.Rc1 Nc4 21.Qf2 c6 22.Nc5 Nxc5 23.Qxc5 Rfc8 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.Qxc4 cxd5 26.Qxd5+ Kh7 27.Rhd1 Be8 28.Qd2 Bg6 29.Nd5 Qf7 30.Ne3 Qf4 31.Ng4 Rxc1+ 32.Qxc1 Rb7 33.Qxf4 exf4 34.Ne5 h5 35.Rd6 Be8 36.Kc2 Bb5 37.Nd3 Rc7+ 38.Kd2 Bc4 39.b3 Ba6 1-0 (39) Consent_to_treatment

(2690)-Maksonos2004 (2648) Blitz 2021]

Glenn Flear: 'I've covered' 10.h4 42 '(Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M'' Chess Evolution: 'Let the actions begin!' 'Glenn Flear: 'The most popular choice.''The most popular choice. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'The most popular choice.'"' Arkadij Naiditsch: '...and White on the kingside.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Despite experiments with other moves, this direct push is still White's favourite try. The next few moves constitute the main line. '' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Despite experiments with other moves, this direct push is still White's favourite try. The next few moves constitute the main line.' Glenn Flear: 'Despite experiments with other moves, this direct push is still White's favourite try. The next few moves constitute the main line." Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'This is all well-known with lots of games and theory behind it...'' Glenn Flear: 'before. Remember, it was seen last year at World Championship level!' Glenn Flear: 'The most direct and popular move at this point.'Arsovic,Goran: 'is the main theoretical move but the text continuation looks quite promising.'

[Glenn Flear: 'Castling long is occasionally tried:'Stohl: 'Interesting is' 10.0-0-0 Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'' Krasenkow: 'and' cxd5 11.exd5 *(11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.Qxd5 Qxd5 13.exd5 Nd7 14.Ne2 Nf6 15.Nc3 Bd7 16.Kb1 a6 17.a3 Rac8 18.Be2 Rfe8 19.Rd2 e4 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.Na4 Bd7 23.Nc5 Bb5 24.Nxb7 Bd3+ 25.Ka2 Rb8 26.Nc5 Red8 27.Nxd3 exd3 28.Rhd1 Rxd5 29.b4 Rbd8 30.Kb3 R5d7 31.Kc4 Rc8+ 32.Bc5 Rd4+ 33.Kb3 Rxf4 34.Rxd3 h5 35.Rd8+ Rxd8 36.Rxd8+ Kh7 37.a4 h4 38.b5 axb5 39.axb5 Rg4 40.Rd2 Be5 41.h3 Rg3+ 42.Kc4 Kg7 43.b6 Kf6 44.b7 Rc3+ 45.Kb5 Ke6 46.Re2 Rb3+ 47.Bb4* 1-0 (47) erva20 (2618)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2818) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 11...Na6 12.h4 *(12.g4 Bd7 13.Kb1 Rc8 14.Ne4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Ne2 Bxg4 17.Qd3 Rxe4 18.fxe4 Qh4 19.Rdf1 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Qxe4+ 21.Ka1 Nb4 22.Rc1 Nxd5 23.Rce1 Nxe3 24.Qxe3 Qxe3 25.Rxe3 f5* 0-1 (25) doreality (2646)-swimmerchess (2686) Blitz 2020*; 12.Kb1 Bf5+ 13.Ka1 Nb4 14.Rc1 N6xd5 15.Bc5 Qa5 16.Bxf8 Nxa2 17.Ba3 Naxc3 18.Rxc3 e4 19.fxe4 Bxc3* 0-1 (19) HundimBuero (2627)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2630) Blitz 2022 *)*

A1) 12...h5 13.g4 *(13.Be2* (this proves to be too slow) Glenn Flear: '(this proves to be too slow)' *Bd7 14.g4 Rc8 15.gxh5 Nb4! 16.Kb1 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bf5+ 18.Ne4 Rxc4* Pascua, H-Laylo, D Quezon City 2014, and Black's attack was already winning. Glenn Flear: 'Pascua, H-Laylo, D Quezon City 2014, and Black's attack was already winning.'*; 13.Nh3 Bd7 14.Ng5 Rc8 15.Kb1* is critical with complex play, Urkedal, F-Ostenstad, B Sandefjord 2012

Glenn Flear: 'is critical with complex play, Urkedal, F-Ostenstad, B Sandefjord 2012' *Nb4 16.a3 Na6 17.d6* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Urkedal, F-Ostenstad, B Sandefjord 2012. Urkedal, F-Ostenstad, B Sandefjord 2012.'*)* 13...hxg4 *(13...Nb4 14.d6 a5 15.a3 hxg4 16.h5 Bf5 17.hxg6 Bxg6 18.fxg4 Na4 19.Re1 Nxc3 20.bxc3 Rc8 21.Kb2 e4 22.Bd4 Qxd6 23.Qh2 Bxd4 24.Qxd6* 1-0 (24) OnkelKonkel (2639)-bonn86 (2558) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.h5 Bf5

A1a) 15.Bh6 Nb4 *(15...Rc8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.hxg6 Rh8 18.Rxh8 Qxh8 19.gxf7 Bg6 20.fxg4 Nb4 21.Qg5 Nxa2+ 22.Kd2 Qh2+ 23.Nge2 Nc4+ 24.Ke1 Nxb2 25.Ne4 Nxd1 26.Qf6+ Kh6 27.g5+ Kh7 28.Qe7 Qh4+ 29.N2g3 Rf8 30.Qxf8* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2607)-yankitaspinar (2585) Blitz 2022 *)* 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.hxg6 Rh8 18.Rxh8 Qxh8 19.gxf7 Kxf7 20.fxg4 Bg6 21.a3 Nc2 22.Nf3 Rc8 23.Bd3 Nd4 24.Nxd4 exd4 25.Qf4+ Kg7 26.Qxd4+ 1-0 (26) gg-gm-gmg (2657)-Khusenkhojaev (2614) Blitz 2020;

A1b) 15.fxg4 Bxg4 16.Be2 Bf5 17.Nf3 Rc8 18.Nh4 Be4 19.hxg6 Nb4 20.gxf7+ Rxf7 21.Rdg1 N6xd5 22.Kd1 Nxe3+ 0-1 (22) rhungaski (2651)-skabiliaris (2554) Blitz 2021;

A1c) 15.hxg6 Bxg6 16.Bd3 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 f5 18.fxg4 e4 19.Qc2 Nb4 20.Qb3 Nd3+ 21.Kb1 Rc8 22.gxf5 Nc4 23.Bh6 Rxf5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Nge2 b6 26.Rhg1+ Rg5 27.Nxe4 Nd2+ 28.Nxd2 Nf2 29.Qe3 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-Noob_Ako2125 (2585) Blitz 2022;

A2) 12...Bd7 13.h5 *(13.Bh6 Na4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nxa4 Bxa4 16.b3 Bd7 17.Bxa6 bxa6 18.Ne2 Rc8+ 19.Kb2* Glenn Flear: 'Sharma, A-Troff, K Los Angeles 2012, and now' *h5* Glenn Flear: '=!?' Glenn Flear: 'avoids any problems.' *)* 13...Rc8

A2a) 14.Kb1 Nb4 *(14...e4 15.Bh6 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Qf6 17.Qd4 Qxd4 18.Rxd4 exf3 19.Bxf8 fxg2 20.Bxg2 Kxf8 21.hxg6 Bf5+ 22.Be4 Bxe4+ 23.Rxe4 hxg6 24.Rh8+ Kg7 25.Rxc8 Nxc8 26.c4 Kf6 27.Nf3 Nd6 28.Rf4+ Ke7 29.Kc2 Nc5 30.Kc3 b6 31.Ne5 g5 32.Nc6+ Kd7 33.Rf1 f5 34.Kd4 g4 35.Ne5+ Kc7 36.Ng6 g3 37.Nh4 Nde4 38.Nxf5 g2 39.Rg1 Ng3 40.Nxg3* 1-0 (40) QuakeLatam (2611)-The_Cloth (2614) Blitz 2023*)* 15.hxg6 *(15.g4 e4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh2 h5 18.gxh5 exf3 19.hxg6 Bf5+ 20.Bd3 Rf6 21.Qh7+ Kf8 22.Bxf5 Rxf5 23.Bh6 Qf6 24.Qh8+ Ke7 25.Qxg7+ Qxg7 26.Bxg7 Rg8 27.Bd4 Rxg6 28.Bc5+ Kd7 29.Bxb4 f2 30.Nge2 Nc4 31.Nd4 Rf4 32.Rh7+ Ke8*

33.Re7+ Kd8 34.Ne6+ Rxe6 35.dxe6+ Kc8 36.Re8+ Kc7 37.Nd5+ Kc6 38.Nxf4 1-0 (38) MothToTheFlame (2662)-Cbum-indio (2610) Blitz 2023 *)* 15...Bf5+ 16.Ne4 N6xd5 17.gxh7+ Kh8 18.Bd3 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Nxe3 0-1 (19) Knightindiandefence (2668)-swimmerchess (2848) Blitz 2021;

A2b) 14.hxg6

A2b1) 14...hxg6 15.Bh6 Qf6 16.Kb1 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Nb4 18.a3 Nc2+ 19.Ka2 Nd4 20.g4 Bc2 21.Bd3 Bxd1 22.Ne4 Bb3+ 23.Kb1 Rfd8 24.Nxf6+ Bxf6 25.Bg5 Bc2+ 26.Bxc2 Rxc2 27.Bxf6 Rxd2 28.Rh8# 1-0 (28) Peacefully (2676)-BMWHero (2676) Blitz 2019;

A2b2) 14...Nb4 15.gxf7+ Rxf7 16.Kb1 N6xd5 *(16...Bf5+ 17.Ne4 N4xd5 18.Bg5 Qe8 19.Nh3 Rd7 20.Bd3 Rcd8 21.Bxd8 Qxd8 22.g4 Bg6 23.Nhg5 Nf4 24.Bc4+ Kh8 25.Rxh7+ Bxh7 26.Nf7+ Kg8 27.Nxd8+ Kf8 28.Ne6+ Nxe6 29.Qb4+ Ke8 30.Rxd7 Kxd7 31.Qd6+* 1-0 (31) Itinerant69 (2627)-Cbum-indio (2622) Blitz 2023*)* 17.g4 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Nxa2 19.Bc4 Naxc3+ 20.Kc1 Qa5 21.Bxd5 Qa1+ 22.Kc2 Ba4+ 23.Kd3 Bb5+ 24.Kc2 Ba4+ 25.Kd3 Bb5+ 26.Kc2 Ba4+ ½-½ (26) Itinerant69 (2638)-Cbum-indio (2611) Blitz 2023;

A2b3) 14...fxg6 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qe7 17.Bxa6 bxa6 18.Nge2 e4 Glenn Flear: 'Akobian, V-Khachiyan, M Los Angeles rapid 2005, and Black obtained enough counterplay' 19.d6 Qg7 20.Qxg7+ Kxg7 21.fxe4 Rf2 22.Kb1 Rxg2 23.Nf4 Rf2 24.Nd3 Rg2 25.Nf4 Rf2 26.Nd3 Rg2;

B) 11...f5!? 12.Kb1 f4 13.Bf2 Bf5+ 14.Bd3 Nc4 15.Qe2 Nd6 16.Bxf5 Nxf5 17.Qd3 Nd7 18.d6 b5 19.Nge2 b4 20.Ne4 a5 21.g4 fxg3 22.hxg3 Nf6 23.Qc4+ Kh8 24.g4 Nxe4 25.Qxe4 Nxd6 26.Qxg6 h6 27.Rxh6+ Bxh6 28.Qxh6+ Kg8 29.Qg6+ 1-0 (29) pedromari99 (2641)-markljubarov (2570) Blitz 2021;

C) 11...Bf5 12.g4 Bd7 13.Kb1 Na6 14.Nge2 Nc4 15.Qd3 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Rc8 17.Ng3 Nc5 18.Bb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Qb6 20.Nc3 Rfe8 21.Rc1 e4 22.fxe4 Qb4 23.a3 Qb3 24.d6 Na4 25.Nxa4 Qxe3 26.d7 Qd3+ 0-1 (26) Saaker (2662)-Arekouaza (2772) Blitz 2020;

D) 11...Bd7 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Na4 14.Nxa4 Bxa4 15.b3 Qa5 16.Kb2 Nd7 17.Qd2 Qb6 18.Ne2 Nc5 Glenn Flear: 'Mirzoev, A-Llaneza Vega, M Madrid 2007, when Black has good play. Mirzoev, A-Llaneza Vega, M Madrid 2007, when Black has good play.';

E) 11...N8d7 Stohl: '⩲?!'

E1) 12.g4!→ Varga,Zo-Ivacic/

Ljubljana op/1994/;
E2) 12.Bh6 Nf6 13.h4 Bd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Kb1 Rc8 16.Nh3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nf2 h5 19.Qe2 Qc7 20.Rc1 b5 21.Nfe4 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Bf5 23.b3 Rxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Qd7 25.Qd3 Rc8 26.Rxc8 Qxc8 27.Kb2 Bxe4 28.fxe4 Qd7 29.d6 Kf6 30.Qd5 b4 31.Kc2 a5 32.Kd3 Qd8 33.d7 Ke7 34.Qxe5+ Kxd7 35.Qd5+ Ke8 36.Qxd8+ Kxd8 37.Kc4 Ke7 38.Kb5 Ke6 39.Kxa5 Ke5 40.Kxb4 Kxe4 41.a4 Kf4 42.a5 Kg3 43.a6 Kxg2 44.a7 f5 45.a8Q+ Kg3 46.Qc6 f4 1-0 (46) Iestri (2695)-AnonymouseGM (2564) Blitz 2023;
E3) 12.Nh3 Nf6 13.Nf2 Bd7
E3a) 14.Nfe4 Rc8 *(14...Nxe4 15.fxe4 Rc8 16.Kb1 f5 17.Be2 Nc4 18.Qc1 fxe4 19.Rhf1 Nd6 20.Qd2 b6 21.Rxf8+ Bxf8 22.Rf1 Qc7 23.Bg5 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Qxc4 25.Re1 Qd3+ 26.Qxd3 exd3 27.Rxe5 Bd6 28.Re1 Bxh2 29.Kc1 b5 30.a3 a5 31.Kd2 b4 32.axb4 axb4 33.Ne4 Bf5 34.Nf6+ Kf7 35.g4 Rc2+ 36.Kd1 Bc8 37.d6 Bxd6 38.Re3 h6 39.Rxd3 Rc6 40.Ne4 Bxg4+ 41.Kd2 Bf8 42.Bf4 Bf5 43.Rd4 g5 44.Be3 Bxe4 45.Rxe4 b3 46.Ra4 Rc2+ 47.Kd3 Rxb2 48.Ra7+ Kg8 49.Ra8 Rc2 50.Rb8 Rc7 51.Rxb3 Rd7+ 52.Ke4 Kf7 53.Bd4 Bg7 54.Be3 Re7+ 55.Kf3 Bf6 56.Rb6 Kg6 57.Bd4 Rf7 58.Kg4 h5+ 59.Kg3 Kg7 60.Be3 Be5+ 61.Kg2 Bf4 62.Bd4+ Kh7 63.Rb5 h4 64.Kh3 Kg6 65.Kg4 Re7 66.Rb6+ Kf7 67.Rf6+ Ke8 68.Rh6 Re4 69.Bf6 Re1 70.Kf5 Rf1 71.Ke6 Be3 72.Rh8#* 1-0 (72) Superfm1 (2622)-bomba_228 (2620) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Kb1 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bg5 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Qb6 19.Rhf1 Rfc8 20.Rc1 f6 21.Be3 Qb4 22.d6 Be6 23.Nd5 Rxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Qxe4+ 25.Rc2 Rxc2 26.Qxc2 Qxd5 27.Qc7 Qd3+ 28.Ka1 Bf8 29.Bc1 Bf5 0-1 (29) superfm1 (2649)-korosh86 (2610) Blitz 2024;
E3b) 14.Kb1 Rc8 15.Be2 Bf5+ 16.Nfe4 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Bxe4+ 19.Ka1 Nxd5 20.Qb3 Qa5 21.Bd2 Qc7 22.Bf3 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Nb6 24.Rc1 Qd7 25.Rhd1 Qh3 26.Bb4 Re8 27.Rc7 Qf5 28.Rxb7 h5 29.Rxa7 Re6 30.a4 e4 31.fxe4 Qxe4 32.Rd8+ Kh7 33.Rxf7 Nd5 34.Rxd5 1-0 (34) pedromari99 (2668)-reallyAnonym (2556) Blitz 2021;
E4) 12.Kb1 Nf6 13.g4 Re8 14.h4 h5 15.Bb5 hxg4 16.Bxe8 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Qxe8 18.Bg5 Rc8 19.fxg4 Nxg4 20.h5 Nc4 21.Qe2 e4 22.h6 Be5 23.h7+ Kh8 24.Rc1 b5 25.Rc2 Na3 26.bxa3 Rxc3 27.Rxc3 Bxc3+ 28.Kb1 e3+ 29.Kc1 Qe4 0-1 (29) ezlyfe (2665)-Ocheret (2691) Blitz 2021;
E5) 12.h4

E5a) 12...Nf6
E5a1) 13.h5
E5a11) 13...Nxh5
E5a111) 14.Bh6 Qf6 *(14...f5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nge2 Bd7 17.Kb1 Rc8 18.d6 Nc4 19.Qd3 Qb6 20.b3 Na3+ 21.Ka1 Nb5 22.Nxb5 Qxb5 23.Qd2 Qc5 24.Rxh5 gxh5 25.Qg5+ Kh8 26.Ng3 e4 27.f4 Qc3+* 0-1 (27) SilentAndCalm (2610)-HallucinatingIQ (2576) Blitz 2022*)* 15.Rxh5 gxh5 16.Bg5 Qg6 17.Nh3 f6 18.Be3 Bf5 19.Nf2 Rac8 20.g4 hxg4 21.fxg4 Bd7 22.Bd3 f5 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Nfe4 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.Rg1 Bxe4 27.Rxg6 hxg6 28.b3 Rcc8 29.Kb2 Bf5 30.Bh6 Rxc3 31.Kxc3 Rc8+ 32.Kb4 Bf6 33.Bg5 Bg7 34.d6 a6 35.Be7 Bd7 36.Qd5+ Kh7 37.Qxb7 1-0 (37) masterofpuppets2 (2614)-joflo (2565) Blitz 2021;
E5a112) 14.Nge2 Nc4 15.Qd3 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qa5 17.g4 Nf4 18.Kb1 f5 19.d6 Nxe2 20.Bxe2 Be6 21.gxf5 Bxf5+ 22.Bd3 Be6 23.Be4 Rac8 24.Bd5 Rf6 25.Bxb7 Rxc3 26.Qxc3 Qxa2+ 27.Kc2 Rf4 28.Be4 Qa4+ 29.Kc1 Bf6 30.d7 Bxd7 31.Qc7 Bg5 32.Kb1 Rf7 33.Bd5 Bf5+ 34.Be4 Bxe4+ 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-MightBeDecent (2694) Blitz 2024;
E5a12) 13...Bd7 14.Bh6 Nxh5 *(14...Rc8 15.Kb1 Bf5+ 16.Ka1 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.g4 Bd7 19.Nge2 Qa5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.g5 Nh5 24.Rxh5 gxh5 25.g6 hxg6 26.Qxg6+ Kh8 27.Qxh5+ Kg7 28.Rg1+ Kf6 29.Ne4+ Rxe4 30.fxe4 Ke7 31.Qxe5+ Kd8 32.Nc3 Qc5 33.a3 Qxg1+* 0-1 (33) Firebullet (2604)-MallerlySierra99 (2616) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 Nf4 17.Qh2 h5 18.gxh5 Qg5 19.h6+ Kh7 20.Ne4 Qd8 21.Qg3 Rc8+ 22.Kb1 Qc7 23.Rh2 f6 24.Nh3 Bf5 25.Nxf4 exf4 26.Qf2 Na4 27.Qd4 Nc5 28.Rc2 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Qe5 30.Qxe5 fxe5 31.Rdc1 Nxe4 32.Rxc8 Rxc8 33.Rxc8 Nd2+ 34.Kc2 Nxf1 35.d6 f3 36.Kd3 Ng3 37.d7 f2 38.Rh8+ Kxh8 39.d8Q+ Kh7 40.Qe7+ Kxh6 41.Qh4+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kg8

43.Qe8+ Kg7 44.Qe7+ Kg8 45.Qe8+ Kg7 46.Qe7+ ½-½ (46) OnkelKonkel (2670)-JohnWarosa (2583) Blitz 2022;

E5a13) 13...gxh5 14.Nge2 Bf5 15.Ng3 Bg6 16.Nge4 Rc8 17.Bg5 Bxe4 18.fxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxd8 Nxd2 20.Be7 Rfe8 21.d6 Nxf1 22.Rhxf1 Nd7 23.Kb1 Bf8 24.Nd5 Rc5 25.Rf5 h6 26.Rxh5 Kg7 27.Ne3 Kg6 28.Rdh1 Nf6 29.Bxf6 Kxf6 30.Rf5+ Ke6 31.Rhf1 Kxd6 32.Rxf7 Be7 33.Nf5+ Ke6 34.Nxh6 Rh8 35.Ng4 Rhc8 36.Ne3 Bg5 37.R7f3 e4 38.Rg3 Bf4 39.Rg4 Bxe3 40.Rxe4+ Re5 41.Rxe5+ Kxe5 42.Re1 Ke4 43.Rd1 Rg8 44.a3 Rxg2 45.Rd7 b5 46.Rb7 Bb6 47.Rd7 Bd4 48.Kc1 Kd3 49.b3 Ra2 50.Kb1 Ra1# 0-1 (50) grandmatt (2667)-AstanehChess (2566) Blitz 2016;

E5a14) 13...Bf5 14.g4 Bd7 15.Bh6 Rc8 16.Kb1 Rxc3 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qxc3 Nbxd5 19.Qc1 Qb6 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Bc4 Ne3 0-1 (21) Kittinaa (2759)-FourPlayingCards (2600) Blitz 2023;

E5a2) 13.g4

E5a21) 13...h5 14.gxh5 *(14.d6 Be6 15.Nh3 hxg4 16.Ng5 Bf5 17.Bd3 Rc8 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Qd3 Nc4 20.Kb1 Qd7 21.fxg4 Nxg4 22.Bc1 e4 23.Qe2 Na3+ 24.Ka1 Rfe8 25.Nd5 Rc2 26.Ne7+ Qxe7 27.dxe7 Rxe2 28.Rd8 Nf6 29.Rg1 Nc2+ 30.Kb1 Nb4 31.Nh3 Kh7 32.Ng5+ Kg8 33.Nh3 Kh8 34.Bg5 Nc6 35.Bxf6 Nxd8 36.Rxg7 Ne6 37.Rg2+ Kh7 38.Rxe2 Kg6 39.Be5 f6 40.Rg2+ Kf7 41.Bd6 Nd4 42.Nf4 Nb5 43.Bb4 e3 44.Re2 a5 45.Bc5 b6 46.Bxb6 Rxe7 47.Rxe3 Rb7 48.Bxa5 Nd6 49.Nd5 Nc4 50.Rf3 Nxa5 51.Rxf5 Ke6 52.Rxf6+ Kxd5 53.Rf5+ Kd4 54.Rxa5 Rg7 55.a3 Rg1+ 56.Ka2 Kd3 57.Ra4 Kc2 58.Rb4 Kd3 59.a4 Kc2 60.a5 Kd3 61.a6 Rg6 62.Ra4 Rg8 63.a7 Ra8 64.h5 Kc2 65.h6 Kd3 66.h7 1-0 (66) Lucky1357924680 (2672)-chesszxj (2812) Blitz 2024)* 14...Nxh5 15.Bd3 *(15.Rh2 Bf5 16.Bh6 Rc8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bd3 Qf6 19.Kb1 Nc4 20.Qe1 Bxd3+ 21.Rxd3 Nd6 22.Ne4 Nxe4 23.fxe4 Rc4 24.Rc2 Rfc8 25.Rxc4 Rxc4*

26.b3 Rc8 27.Ne2 Qa6 28.Qd2 Nf6 29.Ng3 Qb6 30.Kb2 Rh8 31.h5 Nxh5 32.Nxh5+ Rxh5 33.d6 Rh8 34.d7 Rd8 35.Rd6 Qc5 36.Rd5 Qe7 37.Rd6 Qh4 38.Qd5 Qf2+ 39.Ka3 Qd4 40.Qxd4 exd4 41.Rxd4 Kf6 42.Kb4 Ke6 43.Kc5 Rxd7 44.Ra4 b6+ 45.Kc6 Re7 46.Kb5 f5 47.Ka6 f4 48.e5 0 - 1 (4 8) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 9 4) - Maldnus_Blundersen (2 6 5 1) Blitz 2 0 2 2*)* 15...Bd7 16.Nge2 Rc8 17.Kb1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Ka1 Bxe4 21.fxe4 Rxe4 22.Nc3 Rxh4 23.Rxh4 Qxh4 24.d6 b6 25.Bg5 Qa4 26.Nxa4 1 - 0 (2 6) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-IamNeneu (2568) Blitz 2022;

E5a22) 13...Bd7 14.h5 *(14.Kb1 Rc8 15.d6 Na4 16.Nxa4 Bxa4 17.b3 Bc6 18.h5 Nxg4 19.hxg6 Nxe3 20.gxh7+ Kh8 21.Qxe3 e4 22.fxe4 Qf6 23.e5 Qe6 24.Bc4 Qg4 25.Ne2 Bxh1 26.Rxh1 Rfe8 27.e6 Qf5+ 28.Qd3 Qe5 29.Qd4 Rxe6 30.d7 Rd8 31.Rg1 Qxd4 32.Nxd4 Rg6 33.Rxg6 fxg6 34.Nb5 a6 35.Nd6 Rxd7 36.Nf7+ Kxh7 37.Ng5+ Kh6 38.Ne6 Rd6 39.Nc5 b5 40.Ne4 Rd4* 0-1 (40) rhungaski (2674)-TaylorSwiftFans (2683) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Rc8 15.Kb1 Nc4 *(15...Na4 16.Nge2 e4 17.h6 Bh8 18.fxe4 Nxg4 19.Bd4 Ne5 20.Nxa4 Bxa4 21.b3 Nf3 22.Qf4 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Qb6 24.e5 Rfe8 25.e6 fxe6 26.dxe6 Rf8 27.Qe3 Rfd8 28.Rh4 Bxd4 29.Rhxd4 Rxd4 30.Qxd4 Qc7 31.Bc4 b5 32.e7+ bxc4 33.Qg7#* 1 - 0 (3 3) Mallorca10Barcelona (2681)-imsk (2550) Blitz 2021*; 15...e4 16.Bh6 exf3 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.Bd3 Qe7 21.Nxf3 Nxg4 22.Qg5 Qxg5 23.Nxg5 Nf2 24.Nxh7 Nxh1 25.Nxf8 Rxf8 26.Rxh1 Kg7 27.Rg1 Bf5 28.Bxf5 Rxf5 29.Rd1 Kf7 30.Nb5 Rxd5 31.Rxd5 Nxd5 32.Nxa7 g5 33.Kc1 g4 34.Kd2 g3 35.Ke2 Nb4 36.Kf3 Nxa2 37.Kxg3 Ke7 38.Kf2 Kd6 39.Nb5+ Kc5 40.Na3 Kb4 41.Ke2 Kb3 42.Kd2 Kxb2 43.Nc4+ Kb1 44.Na5 b6 45.Nc4 b5 46.Na3+ Kb2 47.Nxb5 Kb3 48.Nd4+ Kc4 49.Nc2 Kd5 50.Ne3+*

Ke4 51.Ke1 Nc3 52.Kd2 Nb5 53.Nc2 Nc7 54.Kc1 Nd5 55.Kb2 Nf4 56.Na3 Nd3+ 57.Kb3 Ne5 58.Ka4 Kd5 59.Nb5 Kc5 60.Ka5 Nc4+ 61.Ka4 Nb6+ 62.Kb3 Nd5 63.Nc3 Nf4 64.Kc2 Kd4 65.Ne2+ Nxe2 ½-½ (65) ChessTheory64 (2609)-Uvall (2626) Blitz 2022 *)* 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bh6 *(17.Nge2 Qa5 18.Bh6 Rfc8 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.g5 Bf5+ 23.Ka1 Nh5 24.Ng3 Bc2 25.Nxh5 gxh5 26.Qe6+ Kf8 27.Rc1 Bb3 28.Qf6+ Kg8 29.Qe6+ Kf8 30.Qd6+ Kg8 31.Qa3 Qxa3 32.bxa3 Rxc3 33.Rxc3 Rxc3 34.axb3 Rxb3 35.Rxh5 Rxa3+ 36.Kb2 Rxf3 37.g6 hxg6 38.Rxe5 Rd3 39.Re6 Kf7 40.Rd6 Rd2+ 41.Kc3 Rg2 42.Kc4 Rg3 43.Kc5 Rg4 44.Rd7+ Kf6 45.Rxb7 Rg3 46.Kc6 Kf5 47.Rb6 Rg2 48.Ra6 Rc2+ 49.Kd6 Rd2 50.Kd7 Re2 51.Kd6 Rd2 52.Kd7 Rxd5+ 53.Kc6 g5 54.Kc7 Re5 55.Kc6 g4* 0-1 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-Bentovic (2554) Blitz 2021*)* 17...Rd4 *(17...Qb6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh6+ Kf7 21.g5 Rxc3 22.gxf6 Bf5+ 23.Ka1 Kxf6 24.Qxf8+* 1-0 (24) MaLeKkoNihli (2643)-Swampfox000 (2611) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Qe3 Rxd1+ 19.Nxd1 Nxd5 20.Qd2 Nf4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qe3 Bc6 23.Qxe5+ f6 24.Qxf4 Qxd1+ 25.Qc1 Qd3+ 26.Ka1 Rd8 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Nh3 Bxf3 29.Nf4 Qd1 30.Ne6+ Kg8 31.Nxd8 Qxh1 32.Qxh1 Bxh1 33.g5 fxg5 34.Ne6 g4 35.Nf4 g3 36.Kb1 g2 37.Ne2 Kf7 38.Kc1 Ke6 39.Kd2 g1Q 40.Nxg1 Bd5 41.Ke3 Bxa2 42.b4 Bd5 43.Ne2 g5 44.Nd4+ Kd6 45.Nb5+ Ke5 46.Nc3 b6 47.Ne2 a5 48.Nd4 a4 49.Nc2 Bb3 50.Na3 g4 51.Nb1 g3 52.Nc3 g2 53.Ne4 g1Q+ 0 - 1 (5 3) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-crazy_but_lazyy (2591) Blitz 2021;

E5a3) 13.Kb1 h5 *(13...Bf5+ 14.Ka1 Rc8 15.g4 Nxg4 16.fxg4 Bxg4 17.Be2 Nc4 18.Qc1 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Bxe2 20.Ngxe2 h5 21.d6 e4 22.d7 Rc7 23.Qd2 a6 24.Qd5 e3 25.Rd3 b5 26.a3 Bf6 27.Rhd1 Bxh4 28.Rxe3 Bf6 29.Qd6 Bg7 30.Re8 Rxe8 31.dxe8Q+ Qxe8 32.Qxc7* 1-0 (32) benkonian (2 6 6 9) -

Maldnus_Blundersen (2715) Blitz 2023*)* 14.Ka1 Bd7 15.Bg5 Rc8 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Re8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bd3 Bf5 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.fxg4 f4 22.d6 Qd7 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Ne4 Bg7 25.Qh2 Qxg4 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.Nf3 Rh8 28.Nfg5+ Kf8 29.Qg6 1-0 (29) Nyzhnyk,I (2679)-Sarkar,J (2360) Dulles USA 2021;

E5a4) 13.d6 Be6 *(13...Bd7 14.Kb1 Rc8 15.h5 Nxh5 16.g4 Ng3 17.Rh3 Nxf1 18.Rxf1 Nc4 19.Qc1 h5 20.Bh6 Qf6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nge2 hxg4 23.fxg4 Qxf1 24.Nd1 Na3+* 0-1 (24) brianthegreat (2627)-Carobee (2708) Blitz 2021 *)* 14.Kb1 e4 15.fxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5 17.Bd3 Re8 18.Bg5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Bxf6 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.Nf3 Re4 22.Qa5 Re2 23.Rd2 Rxd2 24.Qxd2 h6 25.Bxh6 Qe8 26.Re1 Qb5 27.Qe2 Qxe2 28.Rxe2 Nc4 29.Bf4 Rd8 30.Re6 Kf7 31.Rxf6+ 1-0 (31) MikeGScarn (2829) - FYLXUFPIB096DYXQAPL (2641) Blitz 2024;

E5b) 12...e4 13.fxe4 Ne5 14.Bg5 Qd6 15.Bf4 Qb4 16.Bxe5 Bxe5 17.Nf3 Bg7 18.Kb1 Bg4 19.Bd3 Rac8 20.Nb5 Qe7 21.Rc1 Na4 22.d6 Qd7 23.b3 Nc5 24.Rhd1 a6 25.Na7 Nxd3 26.Rxc8 Nc5 27.Rxc5 Qd8 28.d7 Qf6 29.e5 Qf5+ 30.Qc2 Qf4 31.d8Q Rxd8 32.Rxd8+ Bf8 33.Rcc8 Bf5 34.Rxf8+ Kg7 35.Rg8+ Kh6 36.Rgd8 Bxc2+ 37.Rxc2 Qe3 38.Nc8 a5 39.Nd6 a4 40.Nxf7+ Kh5 41.bxa4 Qf4 42.N7g5 Qxa4 43.Kc1 Qa3+ 44.Kd1 Qa6 45.Rd4 Qf1+ 46.Kd2 Qxg2+ 47.Kc3 Qf1 48.e6 Qb5 49.Re4 Qc5+ 50.Kd2 Qe7 51.Ke2 h6 52.Nh3 Qe8 53.a4 g5 54.hxg5 Qg6 55.Nf4+ Kg4 56.Nxg6+ Kg3 57.e7 1-0 (57) ARM-777777 (2931)-JHCP88 (2569) Blitz 2022]

[10.d6 Chess Evolution: '?' Chess Evolution: '? doesn't work now because of' Stohl: ' ⩱ ?!' Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'' Glenn Flear: '(a big passed pawn, but it's unlikely to ever get the chance to advance any further)'

A) 10...Re8 11.0-0-0 *(11.Rd1 N8d7 12.h4 Nf8 13.Bg5 Bf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.h5 Be6 16.g4 g5* Glenn Flear: '!?' *17.Qe3 Rad8* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Melkumyan, H-Firat, B Goldens Sands 2012.' *18.Rh2 h6 19.b3 Bc8 20.Rhd2 Ne6 21.Nge2 c5 22.Ng3 Nd4 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.exf5 Qxd6 25.Kf2 Nd5 26.Nxd5 Qxd5 27.Bb5 Re7 28.f6 Rc7 29.Re1 Rd6 30.Bc4 Qc6 31.f4 gxf4 32.Qxe5 Qf3+ 33.Kg1 Qg3+ 34.Kf1 Qh3+ 35.Rg2 Qh1+ 36.Kf2 Qh4+ 37.Kf1 Qh1+ 38.Kf2 Qh4+ 39.Kf1* ½-½ (39) Melkumyan,H (2642)-Firat,B (2428) Golden Sands BUL 2012 *)* 11...Re6

A1) 12.h4 Bf8 13.Qf2 Rxd6

14.Rxd6 Qxd6 15.h5 Bg7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Qh4 Be6 18.Bg5 Qc5 19.Bf6 Qe3+ 20.Kb1 Bxf6 21.Qxf6 Qe1+ 22.Kc2 1-0 (22) Knightindiandefence (2712)-Khusenkhojaev_M (2601) Blitz 2021;

A2) 12.a4 Bf8 13.Bc5 Na6 14.Ba3 c5 15.Nb5 Bd7 16.Nc7 Rxd6 17.Qxd6 Bxd6 18.Nxa8 Bxa4 19.Nxb6 Bxd1 20.Nc4 Bb3 21.Nh3 Nb4 22.Be2 b5 23.Nd2 c4 24.Nxb3 cxb3 25.Kb1 Nc2 26.Bxd6 Qxd6 27.Rd1 Qa6 28.Kc1 Qa1+ 29.Kd2 Qxb2 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2646) Blitz 2021;

A3) 12.f4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Rxe4 15.Bh6 f6 16.Nf3 Nd5 17.Bc4 *(17.Qc2 Bf5 18.Bd3 Nb4 19.Qb3+ Be6 20.Qa3 Nxd3+ 21.Qxd3 Rc4+ 22.Kd2 Nd7 23.Rhe1 Nc5 24.Qe3 Bf5 25.Qe7 Qa5+ 26.Ke3 Re4+ 27.Kf2 Rxe7 28.Rxe7 Ne4+ 29.Kg1 Qb6+ 30.Nd4 Nxd6 31.Rg7+ Kh8* 0-1 (31) doreality (2635)-swimmerchess (2699) Blitz 2020 *)* 17...Be6 18.Qb3 b5 19.Bxd5 cxd5 20.Nd4 Qxd6 21.Nxe6 Qxe6 22.Rxd5 Rc4+ 23.Qxc4 bxc4 24.Rd8+ Kf7 25.Rhd1 g5 26.h3 Qe3+ 27.Kb1 Qe4+ 28.Ka1 Na6 29.Rxa8 Qxa8 0-1 (29) doreality (2636)-swimmerchess (2697) Blitz 2020;

A4) 12.Bg5 Black wanted to play Bf8 and the pawn on d6 would be lost Black wanted to play Bf8 and the pawn on d6 would be lost 12...f6 13.Be3 Bf8! ! a great sacrifice! 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Bc4 b5! ! 16.Bxe6+ Bxe6 White is an exchange up, but he's doing clearly worse! There is no decent defence against Black's b4 move. Besides, all of Black pieces are perfectly in the game and the knight from b8 will take a very good square on d7. White is an exchange up, but he's doing clearly worse! There is no decent defence against Black's b4 move. Besides, all of Black pieces are perfectly in the game and the knight from b8 will take a very good square on d7.;

B) 10...Be6

B1) 11.b3 N8d7 ✕d6 *(11...a5 12.h4 a4 13.Rb1 axb3 14.axb3 Nc8 15.Nh3 Qxd6 16.Ng5 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Bd7 18.Bc5 Rd8 19.Bc4 Be8+ 20.Kc2 h6 21.Nh3 b6 22.Be3 b5 23.Be2 Na6 24.Na2 Bf8 25.h5 g5 26.Nf2 Nc5 27.Ra1 Bd7 28.Nc3 Rxa1 29.Rxa1 Be6 30.Rb1 Nb6 31.Nd3 Nbd7 32.Nxc5 Nxc5 33.Nd1 f5 34.Nf2 f4 35.Bd2 Bf7 36.Bc3 Bg7 37.b4 Ne6 38.Nd3 Nd4+ 39.Bxd4 Rxd4 40.Ra1 Rc4+ 41.Kd2 Bxh5 42.Ra8+ Kh7 43.Rc8 Bf7 44.Nxe5 Rd4+ 45.Nd3 Bc4 46.Kc2 h5 47.Rxc6 g4 48.Rc5 Kg6 49.Nxf4+ Kf7 50.Bxc4+ bxc4 51.Nxh5 gxf3 52.gxf3 Bf8 53.Rf5+ Ke8 54.Nf4 Bxb4 55.Ne6 Rd2+ 56.Kc1 c3 57.Rd5 Ba3+ 58.Kb1 c2+ 59.Ka2 c1Q+* 0-1 (59) Consent_to_treatment

(2652)-Nakhala (2712) Blitz 2021 *)* 12.g4 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Bg5 Qe8 15.Bh3 Qh5 16.0-0-0 Kh8 17.Be7 Rf7 18.Nce2 Bh6 19.f4 exf4 20.Nxf4 Bxf4 21.Qxf4 fxe4 22.Qxe4 Bxh3 23.Nxh3 Qxh3 24.Qd4+ Rg7 25.Rhg1 Rag8 26.Rxg7 Rxg7 27.Rg1 Qh6+ 28.Kb1 Kg8 29.Rf1 Nd5 30.Qxa7 Qg6+ 31.Ka1 h5 32.Qa8+ Kh7 33.Qxb7 Nc5 34.Qxc6 Qc2 35.Bf6 Nxf6 36.Qf3 Rg2 0-1 (36) ChessTheory64 (2617)-anand68 (2651) Blitz 2022;

B2) 11.Rd1 N8d7 12.h4 f5 13.Bh6 f4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qf2 Nf6 16.a4 Nh5 17.a5 Ng3 18.Rh2 Nxf1 19.Kxf1 Nc4 20.a6 Ne3+ 21.Ke1 Nxd1 22.axb7 Rb8 23.Nxd1 Qxd6 24.Qxa7 Qb4+ 25.Kf2 Rxb7 26.Qa1 Qd2+ 27.Ne2 Bc4 28.Ndc3 Bxe2 29.Nxe2 Rxb2 0-1 (29) Iestri (2667)-ruhebitte (2577) Blitz 2024;

B3) 11.h4 Nc4 *(11...N8d7 12.h5 Nf6 13.g4 Qd7 14.0-0-0 Rfd8 15.Nh3 Nc8 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bc5 b6 18.Ba3 c5 19.Nb5 Ne8 20.Ng5 Ncxd6 21.Qh2 h6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.b3 Nxb5 24.Bxb5 Nd6 25.Bc6 Qf6 26.Bd5+ Kh7 27.Bb2 Rac8 28.Kb1 Nb5 29.g5 Qxg5 30.Bc1 Qf6 31.Bxh6 Nc3+ 32.Ka1* Normal 1-0 (32) Koalanaattor (2629)-KikiKiller (2476) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Bxc4 Bxc4 13.h5 Qa5 14.Bh6 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Qh6+ Kf6 18.Qh4+ Kg7 19.Qh6+ Kf6 20.0-0-0 Rh8 21.Qxh8+ Rxh8 22.Rxh8 Bxa2 23.Nge2 Bb3 24.Rf1 Qa1+ 25.Nb1 Nc5 26.Nec3 Nd3+ 27.Kd2 Nc5 28.Kc1 Qa6 29.Nd2 Qd3 30.Nxb3 Nxb3# 0-1 (30) VanuatuLover (2636)-FYLXUFPIB096DYXQAPL (2633) Blitz 2024;

B4) 11.0-0-0 N8d7 12.h4

B4a) 12...Nf6 13.h5 Nxh5 14.Qf2 Bf6 15.b3 Bg5 16.Nge2 h6 17.Kb2 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Qg5 19.Qf2 Kg7 20.g3 Nf6 21.f4 exf4 22.gxf4 Qa5 23.f5 gxf5 24.Bh3 Ng4 25.Bxg4 fxg4 26.Rxh6 Qg5 27.Rdh1 Rh8 28.Qd4+ f6 29.Rxh8 Rxh8 30.Rxh8 Qd2+ 31.Qxd2 Nc4+ 32.bxc4 Kxh8 33.Qd4 Kg7 34.c5 Bf7 35.Qxf6+ Kxf6 36.e5+ Ke6 37.Ne4 Bg6 38.N2g3 Kxe5 0-1 (38) JamesG478 (2742)-Biranidun (2769) Blitz 2022;

B4b) 12...h5 13.g4 *(13.Nh3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.b3 Be6 16.Ng5 Re8 17.g4 Nf6 18.gxh5 Nxh5 19.Rhg1 a5 20.Na4 Nf4 21.Kb1 b5 22.Nc5 a4 23.b4 Bc4 24.d7 Rf8 25.Nb7 Qc7 26.Nc5 Rad8 27.h5 Nxh5 28.Qh2 a3 29.Rd2 Rb8 30.Rg4 Qd8 31.Rh4 Qf6 32.Rg2 Rfd8 33.Rxh5 gxh5 34.Qxh5 Qg6 35.Qh2 Bf1 36.Rg1 Bc4 37.Nge6 Qxg1+ 38.Qxg1 fxe6 39.Bh6* 1-0 (39) Indjic,A (2610)-Mukhutdinov,T (2266) chess.com INT 2021*)* 13...Nf6 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.gxh5 Rad8 17.Nh3 Bxh4

18.Qh6 1-0 (18) SiroglanTalibov (2733)-Atakishiyev04 (2686) Blitz 2024;

B4c) 12...f5 13.Bg5 *(13.Bh6 Qf6 14.h5 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qg7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Qe3 Rae8 19.Nge2 e4* 0-1 (19) doreality (2747)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2656) Blitz 2022 *)* 13...Qe8 14.Nh3 f4 15.Be7 Bxh3 16.Rxh3 Rf7 17.h5 Bf6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bxf6 Nxf6 20.Bd3 Rh7 21.Rxh7 Kxh7 22.g3 Nh5 23.Rh1 Kg7 24.Rxh5 gxh5 25.gxf4 exf4 26.Qxf4 Qg6 27.Kc2 Rf8 28.Qe5+ Kh6 29.Qd4 Nd7 30.e5 Qg2+ 31.Kb3 Rxf3 32.e6 Qg8 33.Bc4 b5 34.Qd2+ Qg5 35.Qxg5+ Kxg5 36.Be2 Nc5+ 37.Kb4 Rxc3 38.e7 Re3 39.Kxc5 Kf6 40.Bxh5 1-0 (40) Henri_V (2853)-sopueyz (2756) Blitz 2021]

[Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Instead there are two alternatives worthy of note: Glenn Flear: 'Instead there are two alternatives worthy of note:'' 10.Rd1 Stohl: 'Sakaev Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl, Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'" Glenn Flear: 'A rare try, perhaps to avoid Cheparinov's famous preparation.'Krasenkow: 'are the other popular options.' cxd5 *(10...Re8* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' *11.dxc6 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 Nxc6 13.Bb5 Be6 14.Nd5 Rad8 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Nc7 Rxd2 17.Bxd2 Re7 18.Nxe6 Rxe6 19.Nh3±* 1/2 (41) Krassowizkij,J (2438)-Vocaturo,D (2600) Griesheim GER 2017*;* Glenn Flear: 'I somehow don't trust' *10...f5* Glenn Flear: 'for example' *11.dxc6 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 bxc6 13.Bd3 Be6 14.Nge2 N8d7 15.0-0 Rfd8 16.Rfd1* Glenn Flear: 'Serov, M-Khakimov, T Peterhof 2007, and Black has to be careful about his shaky pawn structure.' *)*

A) Glenn Flear: 'Varying from' 11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.Qxd5 *(12.exd5 f5 13.Ne2 b5 14.Nc3 a6 15.a3 Qd6 16.Bd3 Nd7* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Bali, J-Vereb, G Hungarian league 2005.'*; 12.Bc4* Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Barbary, M-Gfoerer, S Wiesbaden 2000, and now' *Nxe3* Glenn Flear: '!' *13.Qxd8 Nxc4* Glenn Flear: 'should favour Black with three pieces and a solid king for the queen' *)* 12...Qc7 13.Qc5 Nc6 14.Ne2 Be6 15.Nc3 b6 16.Qd6 Qb7 17.Bb5 Rac8 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.Qxd5 a6 20.Bxc6 Rxc6 21.0-0 Qc7 22.Rc1 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Qe7 24.Bxb6 Qb4 25.Bf2 Qxb2 26.Rd1 Rc8 27.h4 h5 28.Qb3 Qxb3 29.axb3 Rc3 30.Rd8+ Kh7 31.Rd7 Kg8 32.Rd8+ Kh7 33.Ra8 Rxb3 34.Rxa6 Rb1+ 35.Kh2 Bh6 36.Ra7 Kg7 37.Bg3 Bf4 38.Bxf4 exf4 39.Rc7 Re1 40.Rb7 Kf6 41.Rb6+ Ke5 42.Rb5+ Ke6 43.Ra5 Rd1 44.Ra6+ Ke5 45.Ra8 Ke6 46.Re8+ Kf6 47.Ra8 Re1 48.Ra2 Ke5 49.Ra6 Rd1 50.Rb6 Re1 51.Rc6 Rd1 52.Rc7 Kf6 53.Rc5 Ke6 54.g3 Rd2+ 55.Kh3 fxg3 56.Kxg3 Kf6 57.Rc6+ Kg7 58.Rc7 Rd1 59.Rb7 Rg1+ 60.Kf4 Rd1 61.Rc7 Rh1 62.Kg3 Rg1+ 63.Kf2 Rd1 64.e5 Rh1 65.e6 Kf8

66.Rxf7+ Ke8 67.Rg7 Rxh4 68.Rxg6 Ke7 69.Rh6 Rh2+ 70.Kg3 Rh1 71.f4 h4+ 72.Rxh4 Rg1+ 73.Kf2 Rg6 74.f5 Rf6 75.Rh7+ Kd6 76.Rh5 Rf8 77.Ke3 Ke5 78.e7 Re8 79.Kf3 Kf6 80.Rh6+ Kxf5 81.Rh2 Kf6 82.Kf4 Kxe7 83.Re2+ Kd7 84.Rd2+ Ke7 85.Rc2 Kf8 86.Kf5 Re7 87.Kf6 Rf7+ 88.Ke6 Re7+ 89.Kd6 Re8 90.Rf2+ 1-0 (90) Ponfish (2744)-Neurachess (2690) Blitz 2022;

B) 11.exd5

B1) 11...Nc4 (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M'exchanging White's undeveloped bishop, is hardly appropriate: 12.Bxc4 Qh4+ 13.Qf2 Qxc4 14.Nge2 Na6 15.b3 Qb4 16.0-0 Bd7 17.d6± 1-0 (50) Polivanov,A (2383)-Zaksaite,S (2278) Katowice POL 2017;

B2) 11...Re8 (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' 12.Ne4 N8d7 13.Nh3 Nf6 14.Nhf2 Nxe4 15.fxe4 f5 16.Be2 f4 17.Bc5 Nd7 18.Ba3± 1/2 (41) Postny,E (2620)-Sarkar,J (2415) Sitges 2016 Nf6 19.0-0 g5 20.d6 Bd7 21.Qb4 Qb6 22.Qxb6 axb6 23.Rc1 Bf8 24.Rc7 Bc6 25.Ng4 Nxg4 26.Bxg4 Red8 27.Be6+ Kh8 28.d7 Bxa3 29.bxa3 Kg7 30.Rd1 Kf6 31.Bf5 Ke7 32.Bxh7 Rxa3 33.Bf5 Rxa2 34.Rc8 Ra4 35.Rd6 Rxd7 36.Rxd7+ Bxd7 37.Rc7 Rd4 38.Rxb7 Kd8 39.Bxd7 Rxd7 40.Rxb6 Rd4 41.Rg6 ½-½ (41) Postny,E (2620)-Sarkar, J (2415) Sitges ESP 2016;

B3) 11...Bf5 (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' 12.h4 h5 13.Nh3 *(13.Be2 Qc8 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Nge2 f6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ng3 Bd7 19.b3 Qb4 20.Nce4 Na6=* 0-1 Hillarp Persson,T-Akesson,R/Stockholm 2004/CBM 097 ext (60)*)* 13...N8d7 *(13...Qxh4+? 14.Nf2 Qd8 15.g4)* 14.Nf2 Nf6 15.Bg5 Qd6 16.Be2 Rfe8 17.0-0 Rac8 18.Nce4± *(18.g4 e4 19.Bf4 Qc5 20.gxf5 e3∞* 1/2 (44) Martinovic,S (2532)-Burnoiu,N (2400) Arad 2015 *)*;

B4) 11...Qh4+!? (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' 12.Bf2 *(12.Qf2!?)* 12...Qb4 13.h4 N8d7 14.h5 Nf6 15.Rh4 e4 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.fxe4 Re8≅ 0-1 (46) Wojtaszek,R (2744)-Dominguez Perez,L (2726) Beijing 2014 Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Wojtaszek, R-Dominguez Perez, L 2014, with double-edged play. Glenn Flear: 'Wojtaszek, R-Dominguez Perez, L 2014, with double-edged play.'' 18.Be2 Qd6 19.Kf1 Bd7 20.Nf3 Ng4 21.Bd4 f6 22.Kg1 Rac8 23.Nh2 Nxh2 24.Rxh2 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.Rf1 b5 27.Bxf6 Bxf6 28.Qh6 Bd4+ 29.Kh1 Qe7 30.Ne2 Be5 31.Nf4 Qg7 32.Qg5 Bxf4 33.Qxf4 Rcxe4 34.Qg3 Re3 35.Qf2 Rf8 36.Qxf8+ Qxf8 37.Rh8+ Kxh8 38.Rxf8+ Kg7 39.Ra8 Kf6 40.Rxa7 Ke7 41.b3 Rd3 42.Ra6 g5 43.a4 Rxb3 44.d6+ Ke6 45.axb5 Rxb5

46.Kh2 Rd5 0-1 (46) Wojtaszek, R (2744)-Dominguez Perez,L (2726) Beijing CHN 2014;

B5) Glenn Flear: 'The advantage of' 11...Na6 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'is that it dissuades White from placing his knight on h3. Then following' 12.b3 *(12.h4 h5 13.Nh3 Bxh3 14.Rxh3 Rc8 15.Rh1 f5 16.Kf2 e4 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Kg3 Nb4 20.Kh3 Nd3 21.g3 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qxd5 23.Bd4 a6 24.Qe3 Rxd4 25.cxd4 Qxa2 26.Rd2 Qd5 27.Rb1 Rf7 28.Rb6 Kh7 29.Rc2 Qa5 30.Rb1 b5 31.Rc6 b4 32.Qd2 Qa3 33.Qc2 Nxf4+ 34.Kh2 Nd3 35.d5 Ne5 36.Rc7 Kh6 37.d6 f4 38.Qg2 Ng4+ 39.Kh1 f3 40.Qd2+ e3 41.Qd4 Rxc7 42.dxc7 Nf2+ 43.Kg1 Nh3+ 44.Kh2 Qa2+ 45.Rb2 Qg8 46.Qxe3+* 1-0 (46) WhiteBishop4761 (2647)-fastestmanalive (2665) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Qh4+ *(12...f5* Glenn Flear: '!?'*)* 13.Bf2 Qb4 14.Bxa6 bxa6 15.Nge2 Bb7 Glenn Flear: 'Black's position looks acceptable.';

B6) Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'for' 11...N8d7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'This move allows the most comfortable development of White's knight; however, other continuations are not quite sufficient for equality, either, according to recent practice: Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'This move allows the most comfortable development of White's knight; however, other continuations are not quite sufficient for equality, either, according to recent practice:''' 12.Nh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '!'' John Watson: '!?' John Watson: 'A nice pawn sac that mixes things up, since' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'see the archives' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A typical manoeuvre when there is a white pawn on f3. By placing the knight on f2, the steed doesn't step on the light-squared bishop's toes.' *(12.h4* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' *Nf6 13.h5?! Nxh5 14.Bh6 f5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.d6 Be6∓* 0-1 (37) Geirnaert,S (2451)-Hovhannisyan,M (2509) Schelle 2015 *)*

B6a) 12...Nc4?! (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' 13.Bxc4 Qh4+ 14.Nf2 Qxc4 15.b3 Qa6 16.Nd3 Nb6 1-0 (29) Lenaerts, L (2204)-Guido,F (2367) Vienna 2015 17.0-0**±**;

B6b) 12...Nf6 (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' 13.Nf2

B6b1) 13...Bf5 14.Be2 Rc8

B6b11) 15.0-0 Nc4 *(15...a6!?* is slow, but at least avoids any problems with the a-pawn *)* 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bxa7 b6 18.Qe3 and now possibly Rb4!? as the advance 19.g4!? is double-edged: Bc8

20.Nd3 Rd4 21.Nxe5 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Re8 with counterplay due to White's weakened kingside.;

B6b12) 15.b3 Qc7 16.Rc1 Rfd8 17.g4 Bd7 18.0-0 Be8 19.Nb5 Qd7 20.Nxa7 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Nbxd5 22.Bb5 Qe6 23.Bxe8 Qxe8 24.Bg5 Nf4 25.Qxd8 Qxd8 26.Rc8 Qxc8 27.Nxc8 N6d5 28.Ne7+ Nxe7 29.Bxe7 f5 30.Kf1 Kf7 31.Bb4 Ke6 32.Bd2 Nd5 33.Ke2 Kd6 34.b4 b5 35.Kd3 Nb6 36.Kc2 Kd5 37.Kb3 e4 38.fxe4+ fxe4 39.Nd1 Nc4 40.Bc1 Kd4 41.Nc3 Kd3 42.Nxb5 Nd2+ 43.Bxd2 Kxd2 44.Nd6 Kd3 45.Nxe4 Kxe4 46.Kc4 Kf4 47.a4 Ke5 48.Kb5 Kd6 49.Kb6 Bd4+ 50.Kb5 h5 51.gxh5 gxh5 52.a5 h4 53.h3 Ke5 54.Kc6 Kf4 55.b5 Kg3 56.b6 Kxh3 57.a6 Kg2 58.a7 h3 59.a8Q h2 60.Qg8+ Kh1 61.Qd5+ Kg1 62.Qxd4+ Kg2 63.Qh4 h1Q 64.Qxh1+ Kxh1 65.b7 Kg2 66.b8Q Kf3 67.Qe8 *(67.Qb1 Kg4 68.Qe4+ Kg3 69.Kd5 Kf2 70.Kd4 Kg3 71.Ke3 Kh2 72.Kf3 Kg1 73.Qg6+ Kf1 74.Qb1#* 1-0 (90) expositor (2613)-Casanchess-NNUE (2327) Rapid 2022*)* 67...Kf2 68.Kd6 Kf3 69.Kd5 Kg3 70.Kd4 Kg2 71.Ke3 Kg3 72.Qg8+ Kh4 73.Kf4 Kh5 74.Qg5# 1-0 (74) Superfm1 (2659)-TheVarangianGuard (2416) Blitz 2024;

B6b2) 13...Bd7 14.Be2 Rc8 15.0-0 *(15.b3 Qe7 16.Nfe4 Nxe4 17.fxe4 f5 18.0-0 Qb4 19.Rc1 fxe4 20.Rfd1 Rfd8 21.Kh1 Bf8 22.d6 Be6 23.Bxb6 Rxd6 24.Qe3 Qxb6 25.Qxb6 Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1 axb6 27.Nxe4 Rc2 28.Bf3 Rxa2 29.h3 Bxb3 30.Rd8 Kf7 31.Rb8 Bd5 32.Ng5+ Kf6 33.Nxh7+ Kg7 34.Nxf8 Bxf3 35.gxf3 Kf6 36.Nd7+ Kf5 37.Rf8+ Kg5 38.Nxe5 Kh4 39.Kg1 Kg3 40.Kf1 Kxh3 41.Nxg6 Kg3 42.Ne5 Ra5 43.f4 Ra2 44.Ke1 Ra4 45.f5 Kf4 46.Ng6+ Kg5 47.Ne7* 1-0 (47) Superfm1 (2648)-NewNr1 (2528) Blitz 2024*)* 15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bxa7 *(* Another way would be with *17.Qe2* and then (only after a reasonable reply such as) *Rc8* to go for *18.Bxa7)* 17...b6 18.Qe3 Rc5 *(18...Rb4?* here fails to *19.Nd3)* 19.d6± 1/2 (57) Van Kampen,R (2636)-Bok,B (2586) Amsterdam 2014 Rc6 20.Nd3 It's difficult for Black to attack the bishop on a7 as he also has to keep up his defences to the

b6-pawn. Rxd6 21.Nxe5 Be6 22.Nc6! Another precise move from Van Kampen.

B6b21) Plausible is the queen offer: 22...Rxc6!? 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Bxb6 Nd5 but after the precise 25.Rd1! *(25.Nxd5 Rxd5 26.Kh1 Rc2* gives Black useful counterplay*)* 25...Rxb6 26.Qxb6 Nxb6 27.Rxd8+ Bf8 28.a4 the passed pawns give White an edge.;

B6b22) 22...Qc7 23.Rxd6 Qxd6 24.Qxb6 Nd5!? This doesn't stop White from consolidating. *(* Black can regain one of the pawns if he follows the following sequence: *24...Rc8 25.Nb4 Qxb6+ 26.Bxb6 Rc4 27.a3 Nd7 28.Bf2 Bxc3 29.bxc3 Rxc3* but still after *30.Ra1* (despite the opposite bishops) White keeps an advantage.*)* 25.Qc5 Qxc5+ 26.Bxc5 The following simplifying sequence is virtually forced: Nxc3 27.Bxf8 Ne2+ 28.Kf2 Kxf8 29.Kxe2 Bc4+ 30.Kf2 Bxf1 31.Kxf1 Bxb2 The smoke clears and it's time to take stock. An extra outside passed pawn in a 'knight versus bishop' endgame looks promising for White. 32.Ke2 Ke8 Both sides naturally centralize their kings. 33.Kd3 Kd7 34.Nb4 Be5 35.h3 Bc7 36.a4 Kd6 In order to win, one needs to make a threat of the a-pawn and then (assuming Black can stop it) be able to switch over to winning pawns on the kingside. However there is a drawing plan for Black that needs to be considered: giving the bishop for the a-pawn whilst winning enough time to invade White's kingside with his king. 37.Kd4 h5 38.Nd3 Here the knight covers the Black king's route into his camp. Bb6+ 39.Kc4 Bc7 40.Kd4 Bb6+ 41.Kc4 Bc7 42.Nc1 *(* The straightforward *42.Kb5* can be well met by *Kd5! 43.a5 Bxa5! 44.Kxa5 Kd4* which your analysis engine will give as equal. Black will be able to eliminate all three pawns. *)* 42...Bd8 43.Ne2 Bc7 44.Kb5 White now has an extra tempo (on the previous note), as his knight on e2 isn't so exposed. Kd5 45.h4!? I am not a great fan of fixing one's pawns on dark squares, however this may still win. *(* Here the a-pawn push

again comes into consideration: *45.a5 Bxa5 46.Kxa5 Kc4 47.g4 hxg4 48.fxg4* but this doesn't quite work: *Kd3 49.Ng3 Ke3 50.Kb4 Kf4 51.Ne2+ Kf3 52.Ng1+ Kf2 53.h4 Kxg1 54.h5 gxh5 55.gxh5 f5 56.h6 f4 57.h7 f3 58.h8Q f2* as Black draws by a whisker!*;* Possible is *45.g4 hxg4 46.hxg4* (to reduce future counterplay, and then proceed as in the game...)*)* 45...Bb8 46.Kb6 Kd6 47.Kb7 Bc7 48.Nd4 Bd8 49.g3 Ba5 50.Nc6 Be1 51.a5 Bxg3 It's a good idea to grab the pawn while one can. 52.a6? *(* I think that White missed a clever win here: *52.Na7!* in order to play N-c8-b6 in order to shelter the advance a6-a7 *Bf2 53.Nc8+ Kc5 54.a6 Kb5* If Black could give his bishop for the pawn he would have drawing chances, but now White switches flanks: *55.Nd6+ Kb4 56.Nxf7 Kc3 57.Ne5* and Black cannot defend the kingside.*)* 52...Bf2 53.f4 f6 54.Na5 Kd5 55.Nc6 Kd6 56.Na5 Kd5 57.Nc6 ½-½ (57) Van Kampen,R (2636)-Bok,B (2586) Amsterdam NED 2014 [Glenn Flear];

B6c) 12...f5 13.Bb5 Nf6 14.Nf2 a6 15.Be2 Bd7 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Nh3 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Ng5 h6 20.Ne6 Bxe6 21.dxe6 Qxd2 22.Rxd2 Re8 23.Rd6 Rc6 24.Rfd1 Bf8 25.Rxc6 bxc6 26.e7 Bxe7 27.Bxh6 Rb8 28.b3 Kf7 29.Be3 Ke6 30.Na4 Nd5 31.Kf2 Rb5 32.Bc1 Rb8 33.Re1 Rh8 34.Kg1 Rc8 35.Bb2 Bf6 36.Nc5+ Kd6 37.Nd3 Re8 38.Ba3+ Kc7 39.Nc5 a5 40.Rc1 e4 41.fxe4 fxe4 42.Na6+ Kb6 43.Nc5 Bd4+ 44.Kh1 e3 45.Nd3 e2 46.h3 Re3 47.Ne1 Bc3 48.Bf8 g5 49.Kh2 Nf4 50.Nc2 e1Q 51.Nxe1 Bxe1 52.Bc5+ Kb5 53.Bxe3 Nd3 54.Rd1 Bf2 55.Rxd3 Be1 56.Bd2 Bf2 57.Bxg5 Bc5 58.Rf3 Bb4 59.Rf5+ c5 60.Be3 Kc6 61.h4 Kd6 62.h5 Kc6 63.h6 Kb5 64.h7 a4 65.h8Q axb3 66.Qb8+ Kc4 67.axb3+ Kxb3 68.Bxc5 Kc3 69.Qxb4+ Kd3 70.Qd4+ Ke2 71.Rf2+ Ke1 72.Qd2# 1-0 (72) Superfm1 (2675)-RadosCal (2506) Blitz 2024;

B6d) Glenn Flear: 'For example the pawn sacrifice' 12...e4! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A thematic choice. Black sacs a pawn to obtain access to the e5-square, and thus ensures good piece play.' 13.fxe4 *(13.f4?!* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M'

Nf6 14.Nf2 Ng4 15.Nxg4 Bxg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rc8 18.0-0 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Nxd5∓ 1/2 (24) Delchev,A (2604)-Ghosh,D (2531) Kavala 2015 *20.Bd4 f5 21.Qb5 Rf7 22.Bxa7 Rd7 23.c4 Nf6 24.Bb6 ½-½* (24) Delchev,A (2604)-Ghosh,D (2531) Kavala GRE 2015 *)* 13...Ne5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Theoretically, Black's compensation for the pawn is not fully sufficient but in practice this blockade is not easy to lift, and the position remains double-edged. Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'Theoretically, Black's compensation for the pawn is not fully sufficient but in practice this blockade is not easy to lift, and the position remains double-edged.''' 14.Nf2

B6d1) The series of exchanges after 14...Nbc4 (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' Glenn Flear: 'Hunting for bishops.' 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qe2 Nxe3 17.Qxe3

B6d11) Glenn Flear: 'I suspect that some of the Bulgarian's collegues would have preferred to open further lines e.g. with' 17...f5 Glenn Flear: '!?' 18.0-0 Qd6 Glenn Flear: 'but White seems to have enough control as' 19.Rfe1 *(19.Nd3* Glenn Flear: '?!' *Re8)* 19...Be5 20.Kh1 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'doesn't look comfortable for Black.';

B6d12) 17...Qb6 Glenn Flear: 'Cheparinov probably judged that with two bishops against two knights in such an open position he would be fine. ' 18.Qxb6 axb6 is rather favourable for White, e.g. 19.0-0 Bd7 20.h3 h5 21.Nd3 Rfe8 22.Nb4 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'An interesting choice, offering to give back the pawn for a superior endgame.'

B6d121) Glenn Flear: 'If' 22...Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rxe4 Glenn Flear: 'White has more than one promising continuation:' 24.Rf6 *(24.Rde1 Bf5 25.Rxe4 Bxe4 26.Rf6* Glenn Flear: 'is best met by' *Rc8* Glenn Flear: '!' *27.Rxb6 Rxc3 28.Rxb7 Rg3 29.Kf2 Rxg2+ 30.Ke3 Bf5 31.d6 Bxh3 32.d7 Bxd7 33.Rxd7* Glenn Flear: 'when I think that Black should be able to draw'*)* 24...b5 25.Rd6 Be8 26.Rb6 Glenn Flear: 'with pressure.';

B6d122) 22...Be5

23.Rf3 Kg7 24.Nc2 Bxc3 Glenn Flear: 'Changing his mind.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black could also wait patiently with' *24...Rac8 25.Nd4 Rc4* Glenn Flear: 'when it won't be easy for White to release the blockade.'*)* 25.Rxc3 Rxa2 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *25...Rxe4 26.Rc7* Glenn Flear: 'White's pressure will almost certainly enable him to regain a material advantage of some sort.'*)* 26.Rc7 Ba4 27.Rf1± 1-0 (75) Bologan,V (2672)-Cheparinov,I (2678) Poikovsky 2013 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Such a tempting continuation: Bologan wants to put both rooks on the seventh.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'White is also better after' *27.Rd4* Glenn Flear: 'as Black's doubled b-pawns are badly devalued, for example' *Bxc2 28.Rxc2 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Rb4* Glenn Flear: '!'*)* 27...Bxc2 28.Rfxf7+?? Kg8 Now White is going to lose the vital b2 pawn as well. 29.Rg7+ Kh8 30.Rh7+ Kg8 31.Rcg7+ Glenn Flear: 'Bologan can play for a win without risk, as he always has a draw in hand.' Kf8 32.Rxb7 Glenn Flear: 'Threatening mate.' Kg8 33.Rbg7+ Kf8 34.Rc7 Kg8 35.Rhg7+ Kh8 36.d6 Glenn Flear: '!?' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Also possible is' *36.e5* Glenn Flear: 'but the more forward passed pawn is the most dangerous.'*)* 36...Raa8 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black loses his piece following' *36...Bxe4 37.d7 Rd8 38.Re7)* 37.Rh7+ Kg8 38.Rcg7+ Kf8 39.d7 Red8 40.Rf7+ Kg8 41.e5 Glenn Flear: 'This must have been unpleasant to defend against! The threat is some combination of e6, Rfg7+ and e7 leading to mate, so Black must give back something.' Bf5 42.Rfg7+ Kf8 43.Re7 Kg8 44.Rhg7+ Kh8 45.Rgf7 Rxd7 Glenn Flear: 'Hoping to hold a pawn-down rook endgame.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Although' *45...Kg8* Glenn Flear: 'meets the primary threat,

White has the intriguing possibility of' *46.Rxf5* Glenn Flear: '!?' *gxf5 47.e6* Glenn Flear: 'followed by bringing up the king. I'm not sure that it wins, but I can't suggest a water-tight defence either!' *)* After an exciting fight Bologan makes a horrible blunder. The game should be a draw after 46.Rxd7! Bxd7 47.Rxd7! Ra5!? Glenn Flear: '!' Black would be worse after 48.e6?! Re5 Not 49.e7 as after Kg8 the black knight has the b3 square. The critical line is 50.Rb7 Kf7 51.Rxb6 Rxe7 Glenn Flear: 'One extra pawn requires good technique to be able to win.' 52.Kf2 to stop 21.Ba4 Re4 53.Rb3 with a bizarre position- White is still the exchange down and can't easily capture the knight, but Black can't rescue the knight either.Thus if 53...Kf6? 54.Re3 Glenn Flear: 'Placing the rook 'on the side' enables it to defend both wings at once.' Rb4 55.b3 and White wins due to the double threat of 24. Rxa1 and 24.Na7+. Not 55...Kf5? 56.Ke2! or g5? *(* Glenn Flear: 'Instead' *56...h4* Glenn Flear: 'fixes the g-pawn, but White will be able to ensure that f3 (or even g4!) will be a solid post for his rook if need be e.g.' *57.Kd2* and draw agreed Leko, P - Ivanchuk, V / Mukachevo UKR 2009. Grafl himself has tried *57...Rb8!?* here in Novkovic, J-Grafl, F/Austria AUT 2009. For *58.Kc3* see the relevant note to the game Morozevich- Rogers in the archives. In the archives you can also find *58...Rc8+* which incidentally is the move I recommend for White in 'Starting Out with 1. e4'. One good point about delaying c2-c4 is that after Black's next move his queen can't go to f5 or h5. However, as we shall see, the queen check on a5 contains a lot of energy. Of course *59.Kb2* is the main move here. *Rb8 60.Rc3 g5 61.Rc4 Re8 62.Rg4*

Glenn Flear: 'and Black can't do very much whilst White will make progress on the queenside.') 57.Kd2 Rb8 58.Kc3 Rc8+ 59.Kb2 Rb8 Glenn Flear: 'Black needs to keep his rook a long distance away from White's king in order to give effective disruptive checks and slow down the pawn advance.' 60.Rc3 and White can't win the imprisoned knight and meanwhile b4 is a target: Kf4 61.g3+ Ke4 62.Rc5 and Black is winning. Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A nuisance for the defender.' If instead 62...Rg8 the pawn grab 63.b4 Kf3 64.Rc3+ Kg2 65.g4 looks better for Black, notwithstanding the fact that White has certain attacking chances. The natural move is 65...h4 in order to secure the c4 pawn. But then Ivanchuk achieved active play in the following high profile game: 66.Kb3 Rb8 67.Rd3 Kh2 68.Re3 Kg2 Glenn Flear: 'Now the conditions are right for the king to advance up the field.' 69.Kc4 Glenn Flear: '!' Rc8+ 70.Kd5 Rd8+ 71.Kc5 Rc8+ 72.Kd6

B6d1221)

Glenn Flear: 'Or similarly' 72...Rb8 73.Rb3 Rb5 *(73...Rxb4 74.Rxb4 Kxh3 75.Ke5 Kg2 76.Kf5 h3 77.Kxg5 h2 78.Rb2+* Glenn Flear: 'etc') 74.Kc6 Rxb4 *(74...Rb8 75.b5* Glenn Flear: 'is trivial') 75.Rxb4 Kxh3 76.Kd5 Kg3 77.Ke5 h3 78.Kf5 h2 79.Rb1 Glenn Flear: 'and it's all over.';

B6d1222) 72...Rd8+ 73.Ke7 Rb8 74.Rb3 Rb5 75.Kd6 0-1 (75) Bologan,V (2692)-Grafl,F (2428) Warsaw POL 2009 [Neil];

B6d2) 14...f5 John Watson: '?' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Georgescu, T-Gupta, Ab Cappelle-la-Grande 2014, should be fine for Black, see the April 2014 update. This would be my recommended method for Black.'

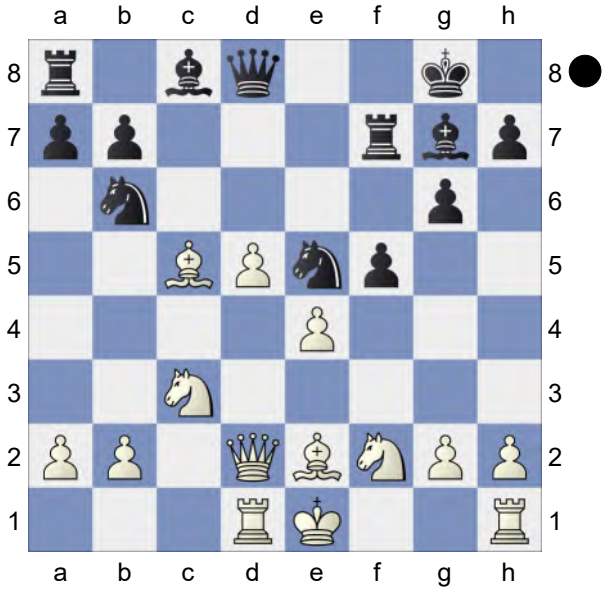
B6d21) 15.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '!?'''

Krasenkow,Michal: ', preventing ...♘b6-c4, looks the most appropriate: Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: ', preventing ...♘b6-c4, looks the most appropriate:''' fxe4 *(15...Bd7 16.Be2 Rc8 17.Bd4* John Watson: '!' *f4 18.Bf3 Qh4 19.Ne2* John Watson: '!' *Bb5 20.Bxe5* (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' *Bxe5 21.0-0 h5 22.Rfe1* John Watson: '=' *Nd7 23.Nd4 Ba6* John Watson: ' ⩲' *24.Rc1⩲* 1/2 (36) Heimann,A (2548)-Mikhalevski,V (2536) Lingen 2015 John Watson: 'is the main line, seen in Vachiere Lagrave - Meier in this month's column.' *)* 16.Ncxe4 *(16.Nfxe4* Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Bg4 17.Be2 Rc8⩱* John Watson: '=') 16...Bg4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' John Watson: '!' 17.Be2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nxd5 John Watson: 'this is nominally better for White but it isn't much to brag about.' 19.0-0 Qd7 20.Bc5 Rfd8∞;

B6d22) 15.Bg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '!?''' Qe8 16.Bb5 Bd7 *(16...Nec4* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' *17.Bxe8 Nxd2 18.Bxg6 Ndc4 19.Bh5 Nxb2 20.Rc1 fxe4 21.0-0)* 17.Bxd7 Qxd7 18.0-0 Nec4! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!'' *(18...f4?* Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?' '?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '?!''' *19.Bxf4 Nec4 20.Qc1±* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ±''±" *Nxb2* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' *21.Qxb2 Rxf4 22.Qb3 Raf8 23.Ne2 R4f7 24.g3 Na4 25.Nf4 Nc3 26.Ne6±* 1/2 (75) Georgescu,T (2468)-Gupta,A (2630) Cappelle-la-Grande 2014 *)* 19.Qc1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' Rac8 20.d6 *(20.exf5 Rxf5⩱)* 20...Nxb2 21.Qxb2 Rxc3∞;

B6d23) 15.Bc5N Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N' Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '?!''' Krasenkow,Michal: 'It was probably better to leave the bishop on e3,

preventing ...f5-f4. Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'It was probably better to leave the bishop on e3, preventing ...f5-f4.''' 15...Rf7 16.Be2 Diagram



Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram ♘'' f4!⩱ Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '⩱!' '⩱!'' John Watson: '?' John Watson: 'Losing.'

B6d231) Krasenkow,Michal: 'or Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'or''' 17.b3?! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!'' John Watson: 'is only lightly better for White.' f3 18.gxf3 Rxf3! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(* John Watson: 'White should try' *18...Qh4* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' John Watson: '!'*)* 19.Qc1 John Watson: '!' Qf6 20.h4 *(20.Bxf3?!* John Watson: 'doesn't achieve much.' *Nxf3+ 21.Kf1 Nd7 22.Be3 Nde5 23.h4 Bd7∓* John Watson: ' ±'*)* 20...Rg3 21.h5 Bd7↑;

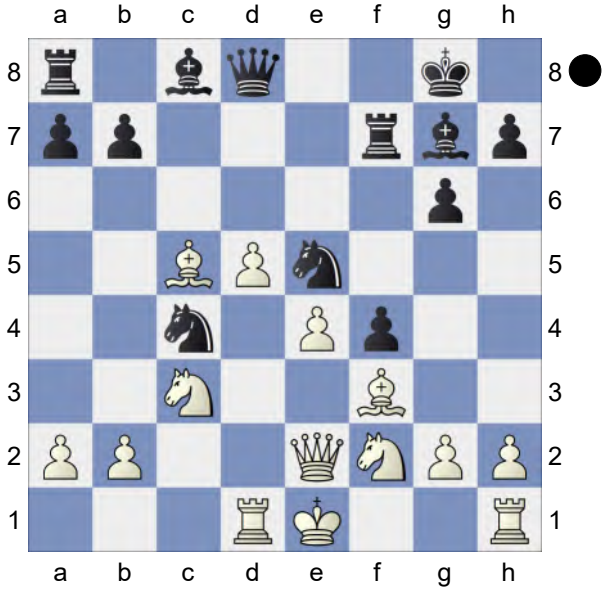
B6d232) 17.0-0 Nbc4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(17...f3!?* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' John Watson: '!'*)*

B6d2321) 18.Qc1 f3 19.gxf3 *(19.Bxc4 fxg2 20.Kxg2 Nxc4 21.Nd3* John Watson: 'Eliseev,A (2421)-Maslak,K (2548) Peterhof 2007' *Rxf1* John Watson: ' ±' *22.Rxf1* John Watson: ' ±' John Watson: 'A legitimate alternative would be' *22...b6 23.Bf2 Qe7⩱)* 19...Nxf3+ John Watson: ' ±' 20.Bxf3 Rxf3 21.Kg2 Rf7⩱;

B6d2322) 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Qe2 Ne5⩱ John Watson: '±';

B6d233) 17.Bf3?! John Watson: ' ±!'

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Not a good antidote to ...f4-f3 but White's position is quite dangerous in other cases, too, e.g. Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'Not a good antidote to ...f4-f3 but White's position is quite dangerous in other cases, too, e.g.''' 17...Nbc4 18.Qe2 Diagram



Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram ♘'' **B6d2331)** 18...Qh4! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was even more dangerous Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow, M: 'was even more dangerous''' 19.Bd4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(⩤19.0-0* (Krasenkow,Michal) Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M' *g5→)* 19...Ne3! 20.Rd2 *(20.Bxe3?! fxe3 21.Qxe3 Bh6 22.Qe2* John Watson: ' ±' John Watson: 'is still difficult to defend.' *Bh3!-+* John Watson: '!'; *20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Rd2 Bd7∓* John Watson: '!') 20...Nxg2+! *(20...Bd7∓)* 21.Kd1 Ne3+∓ John Watson: '+-'; **B6d2332)** 18...b6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '?!''' John Watson: '?' 19.Bd4 Diagram

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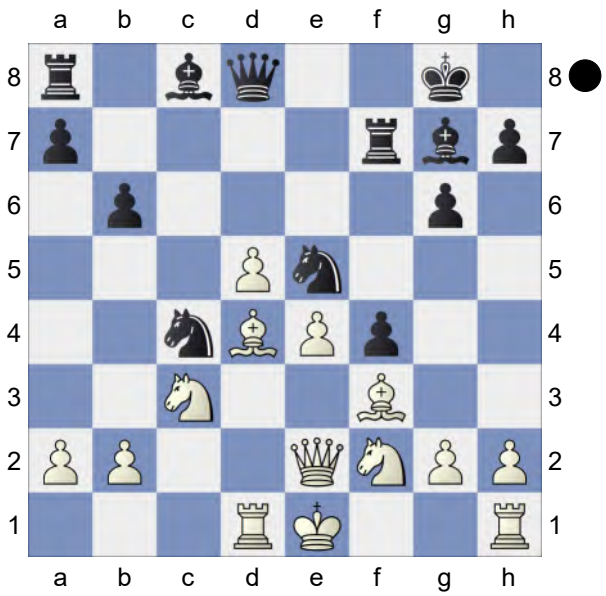

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram {#}'' John Watson: '+-!' Ne3! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'' John Watson: '?' 20.Bxe3 fxe3 21.Qxe3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Black has excellent compensation for two pawns: a pair of bishops, blockade, active pieces. Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: 'Black has excellent compensation for two pawns: a pair of bishops, blockade, active pieces.'"

B6d23321)

21...Nxf3+!? John Watson: 'obviously favors White.' 22.gxf3 John Watson: '?' Qh4♕ Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arsovic, Goran' John Watson: '+-' John Watson: ', e.g.,' *(22...Ba6* (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow, M' *)*;

B6d23322)

21...Qf8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'This move practically forces a draw. Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow, M: 'This move practically forces a draw.'" 22.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Krasenkow,M: '!'" *(22.0-0?!* (Krasenkow, Michal) Arsovic, Goran: 'Krasenkow, M' *Nxf3+ 23.gxf3* John Watson: '+-' *Rxf3* John Watson: '±' John Watson: ', but' *24.Qe2 Be5→)* 22...Bh6 23.Qd4 Bg7= Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arsovic,Goran: '=' '=" 24.Qe3 Bh6 25.Qd4 Bg7

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[10.g4?! Sakaev Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl,Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' cxd5 11.exd5 e4!]

[10.a4 cxd5 11.exd5 a5 12.Bb5 N8d7 13.Nge2 Nf6 14.Rd1 Bd7 15.Bxd7 Nfxd7 16.b3 Rc8 17.0-0 Nc5 18.Qb2 f5 19.Qa3 Na6 20.d6 Nb4 21.Rd2 e4 22.Nb5 N6d5 23.Bd4 Bxd4+ 24.Nexd4 e3 25.Re2 f4 26.Ne6 Qf6 27.Nxf8 Rxf8 28.Rc1 Nc3 29.Ree1 Nd3 30.Qa1 Nxb5 31.axb5 Qxd6 32.Rcd1 Rd8 33.Qc3 Qb4 34.Qxb4 axb4 35.Re2 Rd7 36.Ra2 Nc5 37.Rxd7 Nxd7 38.Ra8+ Kf7 39.Rc8 Nc5 40.Rxc5 Ke6 41.Rc4 Ke5 42.Kf1 1-0 (42) Rollatsport (2652)-terrortoast (2557) Blitz 2022]

10...cxd5 5

[Shirov playedShirov spielte 10...h5 "Stohl: 'N!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'N!?' 'N!?' 'N!?'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'N!'' JvR: '!?' '!?'' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: 'N!?' 'N!?' Stohl: 'N!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'N!?' 'N!?'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'N!'' JvR: '!?' '!?''' ' Kasimdzhanov,Rustam: 'Ü 72/401 Kasimdzhanov,R: '— 72/401'' ; however, it is now considered risky due to : dies wird jedoch inzwischen als riskant angesehen wegen

A) 11.Be2 "Stohl: 'JvR: 'Prevents a possible ♗f5 by preparing g4.''' ' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '(Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A) Ü 72/401 Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '— 72/401'"Stohl: 'Prevents a possible ♗f5 by preparing g4. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Prevents a possible ♗f5 by preparing g4."" ' cxd5 12.exd5

A1) 12...Qd6 Sakaev Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl,Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev" 13.0-0-0!;

A2) 12...Na6 Sakaev Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl,Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev"

A2a) 13.Rd1 Bd7 *(13...Re8 14.g4 e4 15.gxh5 exf3 16.Nxf3 gxh5 17.Kf2 Bg4 18.Bd4±* 0-1 Psakhis,L-Shipov,S/playchess.com INT 2004/CBM 099 ext (45)*)* 14.g4 Rc8 15.gxh5 gxh5 16.Nh3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Ng5 Bf5 19.Nge4 Rd4! 20.Bxd4 exd4 21.Ne2 Bxe4 22.fxe4 Nc5⩱ ½-½ Dreev,A-Shipov,S/Internet ICC 2002/EXT 2003 (71);

A2b) 13.g4 Krasenkow: '!?' 13...Bd7 *(13...hxg4 14.h5)* 14.gxh5 Rc8 *(14...gxh5 15.Bh6)*;

A3) 12...f5!? Sakaev Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev";

A4) 12...Bf5? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 13.g4**±**;

A5) 12...N8d7 13.d6 *(13.g4? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' hxg4 14.fxg4 Nf6∓; 13.Rd1!?* JvR *Nf6 14.Nh3∞)* 13...Nf6 *(13...Re8?!*

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey *14.Nb5±)* 14.Bg5 *(14.Rd1 Be6 15.Bg5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow: '-14.♖d1'' *Rc8 16.Nh3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Qe3 Qa5 19.0-0 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Nd7 21.Rd5 Qb6∞* 1-0 Golubovic,B-Ivacic,V/Skofja Loka 1998/EXT 2001 (40) *)*

A5a) Safer was Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'A safer move was Stohl,I: 'Safer was" 14...Bd7!?⇄ Δ♗c6,♕d7 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '(Sto'Δ♗ c6, ♕d 7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Δ♗c6,♕d7 Krasenkow: 'Δ♗c6, ♕d7''' hl, Igor) Δ♗c6,♕d7';

A5b) JvR: 'An alternative gives' Even Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Even" 14...Be6∞ immediately was better. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!?' '!?' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: ' ∞' Stohl, Igor: 'immediately was better.'' JvR: " ∞!?' immediately was better.An alternative gives: Stohl,Igor: ' ∞' Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov, S: '!?' '!?' immediately was better. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!?' Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: ' ∞' Stohl,Igor: 'immediately was better.'' JvR: ''∞!?' immediately was better. An alternative gives: Stohl, Igor: '∞' Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev''

A5b1) 15.g4

A5b11) 15...hxg4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl, Igor' 16.fxg4 Qd7 17.h5 *(17.Bb5 Qc8)* 17...Nh7 *(17...Qc6 18.Bf3 e4 19.h6 exf3 20.hxg7 Ne4 21.Bf6!+-; 17...Bxg4 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Ne4 Bd8 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qh6 Bxe2 22.Qxg6+ Qg7 23.Qxg7+ Kxg7 24.Nxe2 Rc8 25.N2c3±)*;

A5b12) 15...Qd7 Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: ' ⇄ '' ⇄ '' ⇄ '' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '⇄ ''⇄' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: ' ⇄' '⇄'' Krasenkow: '!'

A5b121) 16.Bb5 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Qc8

A5b1211) 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.Be7 *(18.Rc1 f6∓)* 18...Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.Nge2 Rfe8∓;

A5b1212) 17.Rc1 hxg4 18.Ne4 Qd8 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.h5∞;

A5b122) 16.Bxf6 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 16...Bxf6 17.Ne4 *(17.gxh5 Bf5∞)* 17...Qd8 Krasenkow: '∞ !''Kramnik,V,

Dolmatov, S Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kramnik,V,Dolmatov,S Krasenkow: 'Kramnik,V, Dolmatov,S''' 18.gxh5 Bxh4+ 19.Kf1 g5 *(19...Nd5!?)* 20.Rxh4 gxh4 21.Qh6 f6 *(21...Nd5!?)* 22.Nh3 Bxh3+ 23.Kf2 f5 24.Rg1+ Bg4 25.Qg6+ Kh8 26.Qh6+=;

A5b2) 15.Nh3 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey 15...Nc4 *(15...Rc8* JvR Krasenkow: '!?' *16.Nf2 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nfe4 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 f6 20.Be3 b6* Krasenkow: '∓' Krasenkow: '1-0 Ward,C-Knott,S/Torquay 1998/CBM 066 ext (61)' *21.0-0±* Wared-Knott, Torquay GB ch 1998 *)* 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 JvR: '(Kramnik).';

A5c) 14...Re8 "Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'JvR: '!?' '!?' JvR: 'This logical move will give White tactical chances connected with a later d7 advance with tempo. Stohl,Igor: '?!'" Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '?!' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '?!' ''?!'' ' Krasenkow: '?!' "Stohl: 'This logical move will give White tactical chances connected with a later d7 advance with tempo. Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'This logical move will give White tactical chances connected with a later d7 advance with tempo.'"' Krasenkow: 'is less useful:' 15.Rd1 "Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '!?' '!?' '!?'" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '!?' '!?' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!?' '!?'"' ' *(15.g4?!* Sakaev Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl,Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' *e4!; 15.Nh3?!* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey *Bxh3 16.Rxh3 Rc8 17.Rd1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4=; 15.Nb5* JvR *Bf5!? 16.Nc7 Rc8 17.Nxe8 Qxe8)*

A5c1) 15...Bd7 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 16.Nb5!↑ **Δ** *(16.Nh3 Rc8)* 16...Nbd5? 17.Nc7+-;

A5c2) 15...Bf5! (JvR) **Δ** Rc8, **Δ** e4;

A5c3) 15...Be6 "Stohl: 'JvR: ''?!'''' ' 16.Nh3 *(16.Nb5?!* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl, Igor' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: '?!'' *Nbd5 17.Bc4 a6!* leads nowhere, so Kramnik decides to finish his development. Shirov probably remembered his loss with Kramnik last year, where he didn't find any suitable weapon against an advanced passed pawn. (on e6) This time he decides to act fast. JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'leads nowhere, so Kramnik decides to finish his development. Shirov

probably remembered his loss with Kramnik last year, where he didn't find any suitable weapon against an advanced passed pawn. (on e6) This time he decides to act fast.'' 'JvR: 'leads nowhere, so Kramnik decides to finish his development. Shirov probably remembered his loss with Kramnik last year, where he didn't find any suitable weapon against an advanced passed pawn. (on e6) This time he decides to act fast.'1-0 Kramnik,V (2770)-Shirov,A (2700) Fontys Tilburg 1997 (2))

A5c31) 16...Bxh3 Sakaev Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl, Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Sakaev'' 17.Rxh3 a6;

A5c32) 16...Rc8!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey Krasenkow: 'V.Stohl' 17.Nf2 *(17.b3!?)* 17...Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4;

A5c33) 16...Qc8!? JvR;

A5c34) 16...Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4

A5c341) 18.d7 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Re7 19.Bxf6 *(19.b3? Be6)* 19...Bxf6 20.Ne4 *(20.Nd5? Bxh4+)* 20...Bg7 is inconclusive, as JvR: ''ist nicht überzeugend, weil'' *(20...Bxh4+!? 21.g3 Be6 22.Qh6!? Bxg3+ 23.Nxg3 Rxd7∞)* 21.Nc5? e4! 22.fxe4 b6∓ doesn't work for White.;

A5c342) 18.b3

A5c3421) JvR: 'Correct is' After the objectively maybe better Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'After the objectively maybe better" 18...Be6 Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: ' □''□''□" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' □''□' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '□' '□"

A5c34211) 19.Nf2 Sakaev Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '↑' Stohl,Igor: '→d6' Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' JvR: '↑ →d6 Stohl,Igor: ' ↑' Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'the passed pawn is a powerhouse." Qd7

A5c342111) 20.Bxf6

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Bxf6 21.Nfe4 Bd8! *(21...Bg7 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5±)* 22.Nd5 Kg7; **A5c342112)** 20.0-0 Rac8 *(20...Nh7* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *21.Nfe4 f6 22.Be3 b6±)* 21.Nfe4± Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *(21.Rfe1±* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey *)*; **A5c34212)** 19.Nf2↑ ðd6 the passed pawn is a powerhouse. 19...Qb6! JvR; **A5c3422)** 18...Ba6 ''Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '?' '?' '?'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?!'' JvR: '?' '?' JvR: 'Kramnik gets a scoring chance. Kramnik gets a scoring chance.Now there is no turning back. Stohl,Igor: '?!''' Kramnik, V ; Dolmatov,S: '?' '?' Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '?' '?'' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?!'' JvR: '?' '?' JvR: 'Kramnik gets a scoring chance. Kramnik gets a scoring chance.Now there is no turning back. Stohl,Igor: '?!''' ' Krasenkow: '?!' ''Stohl: 'Now there is no turning back. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Now there is no turning back.'''' '

A5c34221) JvR: 'He misses' ↂ19.d7! Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!' '!' '!'' Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'ↂ!'' JvR: '!' '!' JvR: ''ↂ!' Stohl,Igor: ' ↂ!'' Kramnik, V ; Dolmatov,S: '!' '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!' '!'' Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'ↂ!'' JvR: '!' '!' JvR: ''ↂ!' Stohl,Igor: ' ↂ!'' '!' Krasenkow: ' ↂ±!'

Krasenkow: 'Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S.'
A5c342211)
19...e4
Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 20.dxe8Q+ Qxe8 21.Kf2+-;
A5c342212)
19...Rf8
Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '□' '□' '□" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' □' '□ ' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '□ '' □ " 20.Nd5 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *(20.Nf2 b6)*
A5c3422121)
20...Bb5 21.Qb4!? *(21.Nf2* (JvR) and Black suffocates *)*;
A5c3422122)
20...b6 21.Nxf6+ *(21.Nf2* Sakaev JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' *Bb7 22.Nxf6+ Bxf6 23.0-0*+-
Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '±' '±" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' ±' '±' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '±" *)* 21...Bxf6 22.Qd6+-;
A5c342213)
19...Re7
Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 20.Nd5!;
A5c342214)
Best is Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Best is'' 19...Re6 20.Nd5±
Δ♗f6,♘g5,♘c7!
Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '(Stohl,Igor) Δ♗f6, ♘g5, ♘c7! Stohl,I: 'Δ♗f6,♘g5,♘c7!'' *(20.Nf2±* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey; *20.Ne4±* JvR *)* 20...e4?! *(20...Bb5 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Ng5 Rd6 23.Ne4)* 21.Nhf4 e3 22.Nxe3 Re7 23.Nfd5 Nxd5 24.Qxd5 Bf6 25.Bxf6 Rxe3+ 26.Kf2+-;
A5c342215)
That leaves the speculative Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'That leaves the speculative''

19...Qxd7!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!?" JvR: "!?' That leaves the speculative Stohl, Igor: '!?'' 20.Qxd7 Nxd7 21.Rxd7 e4

A5c3422151) 22.Nd5!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!?" JvR: '!' '!' exf3+ 23.Ne7+ Kh7 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *(23...Kf8 24.Kf2* Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '+-' '+-' '+-" JvR: '!' '!' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '+-' '+-' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '+-' '+-" JvR: '!' '!'*)* 24.gxf3 f6 25.Be3 JvR: '!' '!' JvR: 'and White wins (Kramnik and Dolmatov). and White wins.' Rad8± If White wants to avoid such complications, he has the simpler;

A5c3422152) 22.Nxe4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 22...f5 23.Nhf2 fxe4 24.Nxe4 Bb5 25.Rxb7 Bc6 26.Rc7 Bxe4 27.fxe4 Rxe4+ 28.Kd1± with a clear extra pawn.;

A5c34222) 19.Nf2± Sakaev Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '± ' Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev" Qd7 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Nd5 Bd8 22.Ne4 Kg7∞;

A5c34223) 19.Nd5 "Stohl: '?' Stohl: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp complications turn in Black's favour. Stohl,Igor: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp complications turn in Black's favour. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '□' '□' '□" Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?' Stohl,Igor: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp

complications turn in Black's favour.'" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' □' '□' Stohl: '?' Stohl: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp complications turn in Black's favour. Stohl,Igor: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp complications turn in Black's favour. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '□' '□" Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?' Stohl,Igor: 'A serious tactical mistake, after which the sharp complications turn in Black's favour.'"' ' Krasenkow: '?' 19...e4 "Stohl: '!' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '!' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '!' '!" ' Krasenkow: '!'

A5c342231) 20.d7 exf3+! Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!'' 21.dxe8Q+ Qxe8+ 22.Qe3 *(22.Ne3?* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Ne4)* 22...Nxd5 23.Rxd5

A5c3422311) 23...Qc6 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey 24.Rd8+ *(24.Rc5 Qd7∓)* 24...Rxd8 25.Bxd8 Qc2∓;

A5c3422312) 23...fxg2 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 24.Rg1 Qc6!?→ 25.Rd8+ JvR *(25.Qf3* JvR *Qc2-+)* 25...Rxd8 26.Bxd8 Qd7!;

A5c342232) JvR: 'White survives in' 20.Ne7+ Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' JvR: '!' '!' Rxe7 JvR: "!" *(20...Kh7!?)* 21.dxe7 Qxe7 22.Qd6 *(22.Kf2!* JvR *)* 22...Qe8!∓ →≅ 23.Bxf6 exf3+;

A5c342233) 20.f4? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' e3! 21.Nxe3 Qb6-+;

A5c342234) 20.Nxf6+ 'Stohl: 'Logical. Other solutions are also insufficient, e. g. Kramnik,Vladimir;

Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Logical. Other solutions are also insufficient, e.g.'' JvR: '?' '?''' 20...Bxf6 21.d7

A5c3422341)

Nonsense was, of course, Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: ' Stohl,I: 'Nonsense was, of course," 21...Rf8? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'was, of course, nonsensical:' 22.fxe4+-;

A5c3422342)

A weaker, but playable possibility is 21...Re6!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'

A5c34223421)

22.Nf4?! e3! 23.Qb4 Qb6! *(23...Bxg5 JvR 24.hxg5 Qxg5! 25.d8Q+ Rxd8 26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.Nxe6 fxe6 28.Qc3 e2 29.Kf2∞)* 24.d8Q+ *(24.Qxb6? Bc3+)* 24...Rxd8 25.Rxd8+ Bxd8 26.Qxb6 Bxb6 27.Nxe6 Ba5+ 28.Kd1 e2+ 29.Kc2 e1Q 30.Rxe1 Bxe1 31.Nc5 Bf1∓ ↑⊥⊡;

A5c34223422)

22.Bxf6 exf3+ 23.Kf2 Re2+! *(23...Rxf6?! 24.gxf3 ♁d7)* 24.Qxe2 fxe2 25.Bxd8 exd1Q 26.Rxd1 Rxd8 mu neslubuje viac, ako delbu bodu po JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'mu neslubuje viac, ako delbu bodu po'' 27.a4 Kf8 28.Ng5 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,I: '=' '=" JvR: '=' Ke7 29.Re1+ Kf8 30.Rd1=;

A5c3422343)

21...e3∞ Sakaev Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: '(Stohl, Igor) Sakaev' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev";

A5c3422344)

21...Qb6 'Stohl: '!!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '∓!' '∓!' '∓!" Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!!'' JvR: '!' '!' JvR: 'Black's sacrifice of the exchange leads

to a better endgame.' ∓!!' Stohl,Igor: '!!''' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' ∓!' '∓!' Stohl: '!!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '∓!' '∓!" Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!!'' JvR: '!' '!' JvR: 'Black's sacrifice of the exchange leads to a better endgame.' ∓!!' Stohl,Igor: '!!'''' Krasenkow: '!!' 22.dxe8Q+ *(22.Bxf6* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *exf3+ 23.dxe8Q+ Rxe8+-+)* 22...Rxe8 'Stohl: 'Black has fantastic piece play. White can barely save himself from mate, but a dreary endgame awaits him. Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Black has fantastic piece play. White can barely save himself from mate, but a dreary endgame awaits him.

'''' 'Stohl: 'JvR: '''Schwarz hat fantastisches Figurenspiel. Weiß kann zwar gerade so verhindern, dass er Matt wird, doch es erwartet ihn ein schlechtes Endspiel.''''

A5c34223441)

23.f4

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' e3-+ **Δ**♕ a5,♕ b4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '**Δ**♕a5, ♕b4 Stohl,I: '**Δ**♕a5,♕b4";

A5c34223442)

23.Be3

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Bxh4+! 24.Nf2 exf3-+;

A5c34223443)

23.Qd7

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Bc3+ *(23...Bb5!?→)* 24.Rd2 Bb5 25.Qd5 e3 **Δ** 26.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 27.Kd1 Be2+ 28.Kc2 Bxd2-+ **→**;

A5c34223444)

23.Qe3 'Stohl: '□' Stohl: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,

Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '□" JvR: " □' Stohl, Igor: ' □"" 23...Bxg5 24.Qxb6 Bxh4+ **A5c342234441)** 25.Nf2 exf3+ 26.Kd2 **A5c3422344411)** 26...Bg5+-+ Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey 27.Kc3 JvR axb6 28.gxf3 Be2 *(28...Re3+)*; **A5c3422344412)** 26...Re2+ Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 27.Kc3 axb6 28.Rxh4 Rxf2-+; **A5c342234442)** JvR: 'No good is' 25.Qf2 exf3+ 26.Kd2 Bxf2 27.gxf3 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *(27.Nxf2* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey *Re2+-+ 28.Kc3 fxg2)* 27...Be3+ 28.Kc2 Be2-+ In both cases three pawns are too much for the exchange.; **A5c342234443)** 25.Kd2 axb6 26.fxe4 'Stohl: '□' Stohl: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '□" JvR: " □' Stohl, Igor: ' □ "" Rxe4 'Stohl: 'JvR: " ∓"" 27.Kc2 Rg4 'Stohl: ' ∓' Stohl: '⊥⧉,✕g2 Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '∓' Stohl,Igor: '→→, ✕g2" JvR: '⊥⧉,✕g2 Stohl,Igor: ' ∓"" Krasenkow: ' ∓' Krasenkow: '0-1 Kramnik,V-Shirov, A/WCC cand Cazorla(9)/1998/ CBM 065/[Stohl,I] (48)' 'Stohl: 'Black has a huge advantage and is close to winning. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Black has a huge advantage and is close to winning. "" 28.Rd2 *(28.Rhg1* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Bb5* Δ♗c6 *)* 28...Be7 'Stohl: '!' Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '!" JvR: ''!' Stohl,Igor: '!'''' *(≤28...Bb5?* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey:

'Stohl,Igor' *29.Nf2 Rf4 30.Nd3∞* enables either repetition, or advantageous exchanges.*)* 29.Rg1 Kg7 *(29...Bb5!?∓* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'*)* 30.Nf2 *(30.a4* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *b5* also doesn't keep the ♙a6 out of play for long. *)* 30...Rf4 *(≤30...Rg3* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *31.Ne4 Re3 32.Nd6∓)* 31.Nd3 Re4 'Stohl: 'JvR: 'Black has an enormous positional advantage.'"

A5c3422344431)

32.Nf2

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' Re6∓ *(32...Re3!?∓)*;

A5c3422344432)

JvR: 'Useful exchanges are made after' A better chance to offer resistance was Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'A better chance to offer resistance was" 32.a4!? JvR: "!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?"

A5c34223444321)

32...Bg5

Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 33.Rf2 Be3 *(33...f5)* 34.Re1 *(34.Re2* Sakaev JvR: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Sakaev'' *f5 35.Rd1 f4 36.Ree1)*;

A5c34223444322)

32...b5 33.Re1 *(33.a5* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *b4)* 33...Rxe1 34.Nxe1 bxa4 35.bxa4 Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '∓' '∓' '∓" Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: ' ∓' '∓' Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '∓ '' ∓ " Bb4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 36.Rd1∓;

A5c3422344433)

32.Rgd1

'Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'JvR: '?' '?' JvR: "?!' Stohl,Igor: '?!''' Kramnik,Vladimir;

Dolmatov,Sergey: '?!' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '?!' '?!" 32...Bb5 33.a4 Bc6 34.Re1 'Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '?' '?' '?'' Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?!''' Kramnik,V; Dolmatov,S: '?' '?' Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: '?' '?'' Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: '?!"" 'Stohl: 'The last mistake, after which White is dead lost. But even after Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'The last mistake, after which White is dead lost. But even after"" *(34.Nf2* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Re3* Δ♖g3 or*; 34.Rf1* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Bg5 35.Rdf2 f5-+* he could hardly save the game in the long run.*)* 34...Rxe1 35.Nxe1 Bb4 36.Re2 Bxe1 37.Rxe1 Bxg2 'Stohl: 'JvR: 'Now the exchanges have cost an important pawn. '-+"" 38.Kd2 *(38.Rg1* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Be4+ 39.Kd2 f5 40.Ke3 h4 41.Kf4 Kf6 42.b4 Bd5⊙)* 38...h4 39.Ke3 Bd5 *(39...h3* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey *40.Kf2 f5 41.Re6 Bd5-+)* **A5c34223444331)** 40.Kf4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' **A5c342234443311)** 40...Bxb3 41.Rb1 Bxa4 42.Kg4 *(42.Rxb6 Bc6 43.Kg4 f5+ 44.Kxh4 Kf6)* 42...Bd7+ 43.Kxh4 b5-+; **A5c342234443312)** Even simpler is Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'An even simpler way is Stohl,I: 'Even simpler is'' 40...Kf6! 41.Kg4 g5-+;

A5c34223444332) 40.b4 h3 41.Re2 f5 *(41...g5-+* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'*)* 42.Rd2 Be4 *(42...Bg2!?* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *43.Kf2 g5 44.Rd7+ Kf6 45.Rd6+ Ke5 46.Rxb6 f4-+)* 43.Kf4 Bg2

A5c342234443321) 44.Kg3 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' g5 *(44...f4+ 45.Kh2 g5)*;

A5c342234443322) 44.Rd7+ Kf6 45.Rh7 *(45.Rd6+* Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' *Ke7 46.Rxg6 h2)* 45...g5+ 46.Kg3 f4+ 47.Kg4 Ke5 Stohl: '[%draw arrow,e5,d4,green] [%draw arrow,d4,e3,green]' 48.b5 'Stohl: 'JvR: 'Shirov won the match with 5 1/2 - 3 1/2 (+2, =7). The loser got $75,000. The winner got nothing! No sponsors were found for the championship match and Shirov received no compensation. Anand was invited to play a match against Kasparov in 1999. When the event did not occur, the smart Vishy cashed $200,000 without making a move!''' 'Stohl: 'White has had enough. Black's ♔ will annihilate the remaining pawns and then help the advance of his own infantry. Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor: 'White has had enough. Black's ♔ will annihilate the remaining pawns and then help the advance of his own infantry.'''' Kd4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey 49.Rh6 Ke3 50.Rh7 Kf2-+ 0-1 (50) Kramnik,V (2790)-Shirov,A (2710) Cazorla 1998 CBM 065 [Stohl,Igor] JvR: '0-1 (50) Kramnik,V-Shirov,A Linares 1998';

B) But maybe 11.Rd1!? Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,

Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor'would have saved a tempo.;

C) 11.d6!? JvR;

D) 11.0-0-0!? JvR cxd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.g4 N8d7 14.gxh5 Nf6 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Bg5 Bf5 17.h5 Qd6 18.hxg6 Bxg6 19.Bd3 e4 20.fxe4 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Rh4 Rac8 23.Bh6 Bxc3 24.Qg5+ Qg6 25.bxc3 Rxc3+ 26.Kb2 Rc2+ 27.Ka1 Qxg5 28.Bxg5 Bxd5 29.Bf6 Rxa2+ 30.Kb1 Rg2 31.Bd4 Be4+ 32.Ka1 Nc4 33.Re1 Nd6 34.Bc5 Re5 35.Rc1 b6 36.Nh3 bxc5 37.Nf4 Rd2 38.Rg1+ Kf7 39.Nh5 Ke6 40.Ng7+ Kd5 0-1 (40) alexkaspi (2608)-Neymar2004 (2591) Blitz 2023;

E) 11.g4!

E1) 11...hxg4 JvR 12.h5 would be in the style of Shirov. gxh5 13.Rxh5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: ' →' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: ' →" cxd5 14.exd5

E1a) 14...f5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' 15.Bh6 Qf6 *(15...f4 16.Bd3 g3 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Rh7+ Kg8 19.0-0-0 N8d7 20.Nge2 Nf6 21.Rh6 Bd7 22.Rdh1 Qc7 23.Rg6+ Kf7 24.Rhh6 Ke7 25.Nxf4 exf4 26.Rxf6 Rxf6 27.Qe2+ Be6 28.Rh7+ Kd8 29.Rxc7 Kxc7 30.Qe5+ Kd7 31.Qxf6 Nxd5 32.Nxd5 Bxd5 33.Bf5+ Kc7 34.Qe7+ Kc6 35.Qd7+ Kc5 36.b4+ Kc4 37.Qc7+ Kxb4 38.Qxf4+ Kc5 39.Qc7+ Kd4 40.Qf4+ Kc5 41.Qxg3 Re8 42.Qc7+ Kd4 43.Kd2 Re5 44.Qc3# 1-0 (44) Koalanaattor (2714)-ferank5555 (2489) Blitz 2024)* 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.0-0-0 N8d7 *(17...gxf3 18.Nxf3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-'*; 17...Bd7 18.Re1 Na6 19.fxg4 fxg4 20.Bd3 Qf4 21.Rg5+ Kf6 22.Qxf4+ exf4 23.Ne4+ Ke7 24.Nc5+ Kf7 25.Nxd7* 1-0,Noack,M-Hentze,H/corr/2005/ *Nxd7 26.Rxg4→)* 18.fxg4 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '→';

E1b) 14...gxf3 15.Bh6 *(15.Bd3 f5 16.Bh6 Qe8 17.Qh2 f2+ 18.Kxf2 Qe7 19.Bxg7 Qxg7 20.Nf3 Rf6 21.Rg1 Rg6 22.Rxg6 Qxg6 23.Rg5 Qg7 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 25.Qxe5+ Kf8 26.Qh8+ Ke7 27.d6+ Kf7 28.Ng5+ Kg6 29.Qg8+ Kf6 30.Qf7+ Ke5 31.Qe7+ Kf4 32.Qe3+ Kg4 33.Be2+ Kh4 34.Qg3#* 1-0 (34) mate-in-three (2700)-BestMinecraftsmurf (2533) Rapid 2021*)* 15...f2+ 16.Qxf2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±' Bxh6 17.Rxh6 Qg5 18.Rh2 Qf4 19.Qg2+ Qg4 20.Qh1 Qg3+ 21.Kd2 *(21.Rf2 Bg4 22.Nge2 Qe3 23.Rh2 Bf5 24.Qg2+ Bg6 25.Rh3 Qc5 26.Qg5 Qd6 27.Ne4 Qb4+ 28.N2c3* 1-0 Shahtahtinsky,A (2273)-Dounis,A (2152)/Athens 2006/EXT 2007*)* 21...Qf4+ 22.Kc2 Bf5+ 23.Bd3+- →,Def,P (1511)-Blair,M (1733)/corr/2009/;

E2) 11...cxd5]

[10...Bf6 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey JvR: '!?']

[10...f5?! 11.h5 fxe4 12.hxg6 exf3

13.Nxf3 Bf5 14.gxh7+ Kh8 15.Nh4! cxd5 16.g4 Bxh7 17.Ng6+ Kg8 18.Bxb6 Rxf1+ 19.Rxf1 axb6 20.Qxd5+ Qxd5 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Nexd5+- 1-0 Brustkern,J-Gerard,N/ Budapest 2004/EXT 2005 (50)]

11.exd5 6 RR: '*' Wagner,Dennis: 'Glenn Flear: 'Normal is'' 11...N8d7 4 Szuhanek,Ranko: 'Roiz, M: '!' Roiz, M: 'Black has to play energetically in order not to suffer from a l'Glenn Flear: 'with which many regular readers will be familiar, see the archives.' MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: '!' Wagner,Dennis: 'is the normal move.'" ack of space.'' Wagner, Dennis: '!' Stohl: '?!' Stohl: 'Kramnik, Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl, Igor'' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'The black knight is going from b8 to f6, where it will protect the king and attack d5. The black knight is going from b8 to f6, where it will protect the king and attack d5.' Anand: 'This position arose several times in the 1985 match between Kasparov and Karpov. Needless to say, I had made a thorough study of these games for this match.' Kasimdzhanov,Rustam: ' ⌓' Wagner,Dennis: 'is the normal move.'

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A) 12.a4 Bf5 *(12...a5 13.Bb5 Na6 14.Nge2 Nb4 15.Rd1 Bf5 16.0-0 Bc2 17.Rc1 Bb3 18.d6 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Nb5 Bxb5*

21.axb5 Qd7 22.Nc3 Rfd8 23.Rcd1 Qe6 24.Ne4 Rac8 25.Bb6 Qc4 26.Bxa5 Nc2 27.d7 Ra8 28.Bxd8 Rxd8 29.Rc1 1-0 (29) OnkelKonkel (2625)-MV_Maple (2388) Rapid 2022*)* 13.a5 Nc8 14.Nh3 *(14.Nge2 Nd6 15.Ng3 Re8 16.Nge4 Bxe4 17.fxe4 Nd7 18.Be2 Rc8* Shen,V-So,W Blitz 2014, looks reasonable enough (especially at Blitz!). Here, the engines quite like the idea of capturing on a7 Glenn Flear: 'Shen,V-So,W Blitz 2014, looks reasonable enough (especially at Blitz!). Here, the engines quite like the idea of capturing on a7' *19.Bxa7!?* but after *Ra8* Black has no serious problems. *)* 14...Nd7 *(* maybe *14...Nd6!? 15.Ng5 Na6;* but not *14...Qxh4+?* which is too risky due to *15.Nf2 Qd8 16.g4!)* 15.Nf2 Nf6 16.Bg5 Nd6 17.g4 is given as advantageous for White by Kaufman Glenn Flear: 'is given as advantageous for White by Kaufman';

B) 12.Nh3 N8d7 13.Nf2 Nf6 14.0-0-0 Bf5 15.g4 hxg4 16.h5 gxh5 17.fxg4 Nxg4 18.Nxg4 Bxg4 19.Be2 f5 20.Bxg4 Nc4 21.Qh2 Nxe3 22.Bxh5 Qg5 23.Rdg1 Ng4+ 24.Kb1 e4 25.Bxg4 fxg4 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.Nxe4 Qe5 28.Qh5+ Ke7 29.Qxe5+ Bxe5 30.Rh7+ Rf7 31.d6+ Kf8 32.Rh5 Bd4 33.Rxg4 Re8 34.Kc2 Bg7 35.b4 Rc8+ 36.Kd3 Rc1 37.Nc5 Rd1+ 38.Kc4 Rxd6 39.Rd5 b5+ 40.Kxb5 Rxd5 41.Kc6 Rd1 42.a4 Bc3 43.a5 Rb1 44.Kb5 Rf5 45.Rc4 Be1 46.Ka4 Rxb4+ 47.Rxb4 Rxc5 48.Rb8+ Ke7 49.Rb7+ Kd6 50.Rxa7 Rc4+ 51.Kb5 Rb4+ 52.Ka6 Kc6 53.Rh7 Bd2 54.Rf7 Bg5 55.Rf5 Be7 56.Re5 Bd6 57.Re8 Bc7 58.Re6+ Bd6 59.Re8 Rb1 60.Rh8 Ra1 61.Rg8 Bc7 62.Rg6+ Bd6 63.Rg8 Bc7 64.Rg6+ Bd6 65.Rg8 ½-½ (65) BestBrazilian (2775)-Nesty_Javi_Chess (2605) Blitz 2020;

C) Glenn Flear: 'more dangerous is' 12.g4 Wagner,Dennis: '!?' Stohl: '-see Moiseenko-Timofeev' Postny, Evgeny: '!' Krasenkow: 'Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' '!'' Glenn Flear: '!' Krasenkow: 'The most energetic move.'

C1) 12...hxg4 Krasenkow: '?!' Krasenkow: 'Probably too bold.' 13.h5 Postny,Evgeny: '↑' Postny, Evgeny: '1-0 (51) Moiseenko,A (2664)-Timofeev,A (2661) Saint Vincent 2005' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'when Black failed to solve his problems in Moiseenko, A-Timofeev, A St. Vincent 2005 when Black failed to solve his problems in Moiseenko, A-Timofeev, A St. Vincent 2005'

C1a) 13...gxh5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A';

C1b) 13...gxf3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A' 14.hxg6 *(14.h6 Bf6 15.Nxf3 Bg4 16.Ng5 N8d7 17.Nce4 Bh5 18.d6* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '↑' *)* 14...fxg6

C1b1) 15.0-0-0 Bg4 *(15...Bf5 16.Nxf3 Bg4*

17.Ng5 Bxd1 18.Ne6 Qf6 19.Qxd1 N8d7 20.Bh3 Qf3 21.Qe1 Nc4 22.Bg5 Rf5 23.Bxf5 Qxf5 24.Qh4 Nf8 25.Nxg7 Kxg7 26.Qh8+ Kf7 27.Rh7+ Nxh7 28.Qxh7+ Kf8 29.Qe7+ Kg8 30.Bf6 Qf4+ 31.Kb1 Qf1+ 32.Kc2 Qf2+ 33.Kd3 Nxb2+ 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-MightBeDecent (2696) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Bh6 Qd7 17.Qg5 Qf5 18.Qe3 N8d7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qh6+ Kf7 21.Qh7+ Ke8 22.Bb5 Rc8 23.d6 Qg5+ 24.Kb1 Rxc3 25.bxc3 e4 26.Ka1 Qf6 27.Rd4 Bf5 28.Nxf3 exf3 29.Re1+ Be6 30.Qh3 Kd8 31.Rxe6 Qg5 32.Re1 f2 33.Rf1 Qxb5 34.Qh4+ g5 35.Qh3 Na4 36.Rd2 Nxc3 37.Rc1 f1Q 38.Qxc3 Qxc1+ 39.Qxc1 Qc6 40.Qxc6 bxc6 41.Rg2 Rg8 42.Rc2 c5 43.Rd2 g4 44.Rf2 g3 45.Rg2 Ne5 46.Kb2 Kd7 47.Kb3 Kxd6 48.Kc3 Rg4 49.Rd2+ Ke6 50.Rb2 Kf5 51.Kc2 Rf4 52.Kd2 Rf3 53.Ke2 Kg4 54.Rb5 Rf4 55.Rxc5 g2 56.Ke3 Rf5 57.Rxe5 Rxe5+ 58.Kd4 Rf5 0-1 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-HardDrive54 (2617) Blitz 2021;

C1b2) 15.Nh3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qh4+ 17.Qf2 Qxc4 18.Ng5 Na6 19.Qh2 f2+ 20.Bxf2 Rxf2 21.Qxf2 Bf5 22.Rh7 Nb4 23.Rd1 e4 24.Qh2 Bxc3+ 25.bxc3 Qxc3+ 26.Kf1 ½-½ Chatalbashev,B-Di Caro,C/Reggio Emilia 2005/CBM 104 ext;

C1b3) 15.Qh2

C1b31) 15...f2+!? Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow' 16.Bxf2 Bf5 17.Qh7+ Kf7 18.Nf3 N8d7 19.Bh4 Rh8 20.Ng5+ Qxg5 21.Bxg5 Rxh7 22.Rxh7 Kg8 23.Rh4 e4± Kochemasov,A (2314)-Glembek,B (2069)/corr/2005/;

C1b32) 15...Bg4 16.Qh7+ Kf7 17.Bd3 f2+ 18.Bxf2 e4 19.Bxe4 Qf6 20.Bh4 g5

C1b321) 21.Nh3!! Rh8 *(21...Bxh3 22.Qh5+)* 22.Nxg5++-;

C1b322) 21.Nge2?? Rh8 22.Qxh8 Bxh8 23.Rf1 Qxf1+ 24.Kxf1 gxh4-+ 0-1 Lahtela,S-Sakalauskas,V/playchess.com 2004/EXT 2005 (33);

C1b33) 15...e4 16.Qh7+ Kf7 17.Nxe4 f2+ 18.Kxf2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' Ke7+ *(18...Qxd5 19.Ng5+ Ke8+ 20.N1f3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-'*)* 19.Kg2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-';

C1c) 13...N8d7 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 g5 16.Ne4 Nxd5 17.0-0-0 Qb6 18.Qxg5+ Kh8 19.Rxd5 Qc6+ 20.Nc3 Nb6

21.Qxe5+ f6 22.Qe7 Re8 23.Rd8 Bf5 24.Qxe8+ Qxe8 25.Rxe8+ Rxe8 26.fxg4 Re1+ 27.Kd2 Rxf1 28.gxf5 Nc4+ 29.Ke2 Ra1 30.b3 Ne5 31.h6 Kh7 32.Ne4 Ng4 33.Kf3 Ne5+ 34.Kg2 Rxa2+ 35.Kg3 Nd7 36.Nf3 Rb2 37.Rd1 Nb6 38.Nxf6+ Kxh6 39.Nd7 Rxb3 40.Nxb6 Rxb6 41.Kf4 a5 42.Ke5 a4 43.f6 Kg6 44.Rg1+ Kf7 45.Rg7+ Kf8 46.Nd4 a3 47.Ne6+ Rxe6+ 48.Kxe6 a2 49.Rg1 b5 50.Ra1 b4 51.Rxa2 b3 52.Rb2 Kg8 53.Rxb3 Kh7 54.Rg3 Kh6 55.f7 Kh7 56.Rg1 Kh6 57.f8Q+ Kh7 58.Qf2 Kh8 59.Rg3 Kh7 60.Qg2 Kh6 61.Kf5 Kh7 62.Kf4 Kh8 63.Kf3 Kh7 64.Kf2 Kh6 65.Kg1 Kh5 66.Rh3# 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-HardDrive54 (2559) Blitz 2022;

C1d) 13...f5 14.hxg6 f4 15.Bxb6 Qxb6 16.Bc4 Qxg6 17.d6+ Be6 18.Nd5 Nc6 19.Ne2 Rad8 20.Bd3 Bf5 21.Nexf4 exf4 22.Nxf4 Rfe8+ 23.Kf2 Qxd6 24.Bc4+ Kf8 25.Qxd6+ Rxd6 26.fxg4 Rd4 0-1 (26) nastroyani (2607)-HeavySword (2587) Blitz 2024;

C1e) 13...Bf5 Krasenkow: 'Moiseenko,Alexander: 'N' 'N"

C1e1) 14.Bh6 g3 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qh6+ Kf7 18.Qh7+ Ke8 19.Bb5+ N8d7 20.0-0-0 Qg5+ 21.Rd2 Rc8 22.Nge2 g2 23.Rg1 a6 24.Bxd7+ Nxd7 25.d6 Rf7 26.Qg8+ Rf8 27.Qd5 b5 28.f4 Qf6 29.Kd1 b4 30.Ne4 Qe6 31.Qxe6+ Bxe6 32.Ng5 Bxa2 33.Rxg2 Bb3+ 34.Ke1 exf4 35.Nd4 Rf5 36.Nxf5 gxf5 37.Rge2+ Kf8 38.Re7 Nf6 39.Ne6+ Bxe6 40.Rxe6 Ne4 41.Rd4 Kf7 42.Re7+ Kf6 43.d7 Rd8 44.Re8 Rxd7 45.Rxd7 f3 46.Rxe4 fxe4 47.Kf2 Kf5 48.Ke3 1-0 (48) Poirot_Hercule (2717)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2643) Blitz 2023;

C1e2) 14.Rd1 Krasenkow: '!?' gxh5 15.Rxh5 Bg6 16.Rg5 gxf3 17.Nxf3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '**±**';

C1e3) 14.hxg6 fxg6? *(14...Bxg6 was more solid: 15.fxg4 N8d7 16.Bh6!?±)* 15.d6! The black king is now dangerously exposed to various attacks. *(15.Qh2!? was another possibility.)* 15...N8d7 *(15...Qd7 16.0-0-0)* 16.Nd5! Rf7 *(16...Bf6 17.Nxf6+ Qxf6 18.Bg5± Qe6* Moiseenko,Alexander *19.Qh2→)* 17.Bg5 Nf6 18.Nxb6 Qxb6 19.Bc4 Glenn Flear: 'and White won the exchange and eventually the game.' Qd4 *(19...Raf8* Moiseenko, Alexander *20.Be3 Qc6 21.Rc1 Qe8 22.Bxf7+ Qxf7 23.Bh6 Ne4!? 24.fxe4*

Bxe4 25.Qe2 Bxh1 26.Rc7+-)

C1e31) 20.Rc1!± Moiseenko,Alexander: '!' '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow: ' ± !" Krasenkow,M: '!' was stronger, to invade c7. gxf3 Moiseenko, Alexander *(20...Rd8* Moiseenko,Alexander *21.Qxd4 exd4 22.Bxf7+ Kxf7 23.Rc7+±)* 21.Bxf7+ Kxf7 22.Qxd4 exd4 23.Rc7+±;

C1e32) 20.Qxd4?! exd4

C1e321) 21.Rc1? Moiseenko,Alexander: ' ? ! ' was now impossible due to Re8+ 22.Kd2 Be6 Moiseenko, Alexander: '=' but 23.Bd3 Moiseenko, Alexander Bf5;

C1e322) 21.Bxf7+!? Kxf7 22.Rc1 deserved attention *(22.fxg4* Moiseenko, Alexander *Re8+ 23.Kf1 Nxg4 24.Nf3±; 22.Rd1!?* Moiseenko, Alexander *)*;

C1e323) 21.Kd2

C1e3231)

21...Rd8 22.fxg4 *(22.Re1 Rxd6 23.Bxf6 Rdxf6; 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Re1 Bg5+ 24.Kd1 Rxd6)* 22...Ne4+= Krasenkow,Michal: '=' '=' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Krasenkow: '=" *(22...Bxg4!?)* 23.Ke1 *(23.Kd3 Nf2+ 24.Kd2 Ne4+=)* 23...Nxg5∞;

C1e3232) 21...gxf3? Why develop the white knight? 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Nxf3

C1e32321) 23...Rd8 is now a bit too late: 24.Rae1 *(24.Bxf7+* Moiseenko, Alexander *Kxf7 25.Rh7+ Ke6 26.Rxb7 Rd7 27.Rxd7 Kxd7±)* 24...Rxd6 25.Re8+ Kg7 26.Rhh8 *(26.Reh8?* Moiseenko, Alexander *g5 27.Bxf7 Kxf7∓)* 26...Be7 Moiseenko, Alexander: ' □''□' 27.Bxf7 Kxf7 28.Ne5+ Kf6 29.Rh7! Kxe5 30.Rexe7+ Kf4 31.Rxb7± Still, it was a better chance for Black than the game move, after which the dangerous d6 pawn remains alive. a6

Moiseenko, Alexander 32.Rh1±;
C1e32322)
23...Kg7
Moiseenko, Alexander: '?!' '?!'
24.Bxf7 Kxf7
C1e323221)
≤25.Rac1 Ke6;
C1e323222)
25.Rh7+ Ke6
(The most difficult for white was the following line: 25...Kg8
Korchnoi Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kortschnoj Krasenkow: 'Korchnoi'' *26.Rxb7 Be4 27.Rb3 Bd5 28.Ra3 Rb8 29.Rf1 Rxb2+ 30.Kd3*
where White, having overcome serious problems, now gets a clear edge. Krasenkow, Michal: 'where white, having overcome serious problems gets now a clear edge. Krasenkow: 'where White, having overcome serious problems, now gets a clear edge.''; *25...Bg7*
Korchnoi Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kortschnoj Krasenkow: 'Korchnoi'' *26.Nxd4 Kg8 27.Rh4 Bf6 28.Nxf5)* 26.d7
Korchnoi Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kortschnoj Krasenkow: 'Korchnoi'' Kd6 *(26...Rd8? 27.Re1+ Kd6 28.Rf7 Bh8 29.Re8+-)* 27.Rg1 threatening with ♘h4 and ♘g5 white stood better.;
C1e323223)
25.Rae1!
Cutting the black king off from the d6 pawn.
Korchnoi: 'The resulting position is not easy to access. White has a very small material plus, but he does not exploit the activity of his rook to the 7th rank.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Cutting the black king off the d6 pawn.
Kortschnoj: 'The arising position is not easy to access. White has a very small material plus, but the activity of his rook to the 7th

rank he does not exploit.' Krasenkow: 'Cutting the black king off from the d6 pawn. Korchnoi: 'The resulting position is not easy to access. White has a very small material plus, but he does not exploit the activity of his rook to the 7th rank.'" 25...Kg7 *(25...Rd8 26.Rh7+ ;* Much better was *25...Kg8!* (Korchnoi) Krasenkow,Michal: '(Kortschnoj) Krasenkow: '(Korchnoi)'' with chances for Black to take over the initiative. Krasenkow,Michal: 'with chances for black to take over the initiative. Krasenkow: 'with chances for Black to take over the initiative. '' *26.Rc1!* Again *26...Rd8!* was the best. Krasenkow,Michal: ' as the best. Krasenkow: ' was the best.'') 26.Rc1 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' '!' This invasion (at last!) decides the game. Be4 *(26...Rd8 27.Rc7+ Kg8 28.Re1* etc.*; 26...Kf7 27.Rhe1!)* 27.Rc7+ Kg8 28.Rg1! *(28.Rf1* Moiseenko, Alexander *Rd8 29.d7 Kg7⇄)* 28...Bd8 Moiseenko, Alexander: '?!' '?!' *(28...Rd8* Moiseenko, Alexander *29.Ng5 Bxg5+ 30.Rxg5 Rxd6 31.Re5 Bc6 32.Ree7±)* 29.Nxd4 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' '!' White gives up the exchange but his passed pawn becomes very strong. Bxc7 30.dxc7 Rc8 31.Re1 *(31.Rc1* Moiseenko, Alexander *Kf8)* **C1e3232231)** The best 31...Bg2 (Korchnoi) Krasenkow,Michal: '(Kortschnoj) Krasenkow: '(Korchnoi)'' would also fail to save the game: 32.Re7 Kf8 33.Rd7 Bh3 34.Rh7 Bg4

35.Nb5 Kg8 36.Rh4 Bd7 *(36...Be6 37.Re4 Bf5 38.Rc4+-)* 37.Rd4;

C1e3232232) 31...Bf5 Moiseenko, Alexander 32.Nxf5 gxf5 33.Re7 Kf8 34.Rh7+-;

C1e3232233) 31...Bd5? 32.Re7 Moiseenko, Alexander: '+-' '+-' Bg2 33.Nb5 Bh3 34.Nd6 Rf8 35.Re8 Moiseenko, Alexander: '!' '!' Rxe8 36.Nxe8 Kf8 37.Nd6 a6 38.c8Q+ Bxc8 39.Nxc8 b5 40.Ke3 Korchnoi: 'A grandmaster of the XIXth century would resign here already.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kortschnoj: 'Grandmaster of the XIXth century would resign here already.' Krasenkow: 'Korchnoi: 'A grandmaster of the XIXth century would resign here already.'''Ke8 41.Nd6+ Kd7 42.Ne4 Kc6 43.Kd4 a5 44.b3 b4 45.Kc4 Kb6 46.Kd5 Kb5 47.Nd6+ Kb6 48.Nc4+ Kb5 49.Ne5 g5 50.Kd4 Kb6 51.Nc4+ 1-0 (51) Moiseenko, A (2664)-Timofeev, A (2661) Saint Vincent 2005 CBM 149 [Krasenkow];

C1e4) 14.fxg4 Krasenkow: '!?' Krasenkow: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Krasenkow'' 14...Bxg4 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Qg2 *(16.Qh2 Rxf1+ 17.Kxf1 Nxd5 18.Qh7+ Kf7 19.Nxd5 Qxd5 20.Bh6 Qb5+ 21.Kg2 Qxb2+ 22.Kg3 Qxa1 23.Qxg7+ Ke6 24.Qxb7 Qc3+ 25.Kxg4 Nd7 26.Qxa8 Nf6+ 27.Kh4 g5+ 28.Bxg5 Qd4+ 29.Kh3 Qg4+ 30.Kh2 Qxg5 31.Nh3 Qd2+ 32.Qg2 Ng4+ 33.Kg3 Qxg2+* 1-0 (33) Le, Q (2676)-Laylo,D (2499) Ho Chi Minh City VIE 2015*)* 16...Bh5 17.Bd3 Qd6 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Qe4 Rf6 20.Qh7+ Kf8 21.Ne4 Qb4+ 22.Bd2 Qxb2 23.Rb1 Qd4 24.Ne2 Qxd5 25.Bb4+ Kf7 26.Nxf6 1-0,Bjelobrk,I (2399)-Smerdon,D (2421)/ Queenstown/2006/;

C2) 12...N8d7 13.gxh5

C2a) 13...gxh5

C2a1) 14.0-0-0 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A'

C2a11) 14...f5 15.Nh3

Nf6 16.Rg1 Rf7 *(16...Kh8 17.Bh6 Rg8 18.Qe3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '→' *)* 17.Bh6 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '→';

C2a12) 14...Nf6 15.Bd3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' Qe7 *(15...Nfxd5 16.Be4 Nxe3 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Rxd8+* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ± ' *)* 16.Bh6 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '→';

C2a2) 14.Rd1 Nf6 15.Bh6 Bf5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qg5+ Bg6 18.Nh3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⩲';

C2b) 13...Nf6 14.hxg6 fxg6

C2b1) 15.Rd1 Bf5 16.Bd3 Nh5 17.Nge2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ± ' Krasenkow: ' ± ' Krasenkow: ' L . F t a c n i k ' *(17.Bxf5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A' *Rxf5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⇄' *)*;

C2b2) 15.Bc5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A' Nbxd5 *(15...Rf7 16.Nh3 Nbxd5 17.Bc4 Rd7 18.0-0-0* F t a c n i k , L u b o m i r : ' + - ' *)* 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Bxf8 Bxf8 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Rd1 Qb6 20.Bxd5 Bb4 21.Bxe6+ Kg7 22.Qxb4 Qxb4+ 23.Kf1 Qxb2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⩱';

C2b3) 15.Bg5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A' Qd6 16.Bd3 Bf5 17.Bxf5 gxf5 18.h5 Nc4 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⇄';

C2b4) 15.Nh3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: '!' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '!' Ftacnik: 'White is playing with nonchalance and courageously sacrifices an important central pawn. Akesson will be suffering by any continuation, so he can as well try to grab some material.'' Krasenkow: '!?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'White is playing with nonchalance and courageously sacrifices an important central pawn. Akesson will be suffering by any continuation, so he can as well try to grab some m a t e r i a l . ' 15...Nfxd5 *(15...Bf5 16.Ng5 Rc8 17.Rd1* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 16.Nxd5 *(16.Bc5 Nxc3 17.Bxf8 Qxd2+ 18.Kxd2 Kxf8 19.bxc3 Bf5 20.Bd3 Rd8 21.Nf2* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '⩲' *)*

C2b41) 16...Nxd5 17.Bc5 Rf7 18.Rd1 Rd7 19.Ng5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' *(19.Bc4* F t a c n i k , L u b o m i r : ' ? ' *Qxh4+ 20.Nf2 Qxc4* F t a c n i k , L u b o m i r : ' - + ' *)* 19...Nb6 20.Bd3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-';

C2b42) 16...Qxd5 17.Qxd5+ Nxd5 18.Bc4

C2b421) 18...Rd8 19.Rd1 *(19.Ng5* F t a c n i k , L u b o m i r : ' ! '

Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *b6 20.Rd1 Bb7 21.Rh2 Rac8 22.Bb3 Bf8 23.a3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-'; *19.0-0-0* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *Be6 20.Ng5 Nxe3 21.Bxe6+ Kf8* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '=') 19...Be6 20.Bxa7 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±';

C2b422) 18...Be6 19.Ng5 Nxe3 *(19...Rfe8 20.Nxe6 Nxe3 21.Bb3 Bh6 22.Kf2* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ±') 20.Bxe6+ Kh8 21.Kf2 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ftacnik: 'Black has managed to simplify the position, but his king will not feel safe in the corner.'' Krasenkow: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Black has managed to simplify the position, but his king will not feel safe in the corner. '

C2b4221) 21...Nc2 22.Rac1 Nd4 23.Bf7 *(23.Rc7* Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *Rae8 24.Bd5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 23...Rad8 24.Bxg6 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±';

C2b4222) 21...Nf5 22.h5 Krasenkow: '±' Krasenkow: '1-0 Ivanchuk,V-Akesson, R/Antalya 2004/CBM 101/[Ftacnik] (36)' Bh6 *(22...gxh5 23.Rxh5+ Nh6 24.Rah1 Rf6 25.Nf7+ Kh7 26.Bf5+ Rxf5 27.Rxf5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-'; *22...Bf6* Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *23.hxg6+ Kg7 24.Nh7 Bh4+ 25.Kg1* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *!*) 23.hxg6 *(23.Rag1 Kg7 24.Bxf5 Rxf5 25.Ne6+ Kf7 26.hxg6+ Kxe6 27.Rxh6* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 23...Kg7 24.Nf7 *(24.Rag1* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' *Nd4 25.Bd5* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 24...Be3+ 25.Ke2

C2b42221) 25...Kxg6 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '□"

C2b422211)

26.Bxf5+ Kxf5
C2b4222111)
27.Nd6+
Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' Ke6 28.Nxb7 Bd4 29.Rac1 Rab8 30.Rh6+ *(30.Rc7* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' *Rh8)* 30...Kf5 31.Rc7
Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ±' Bxb2
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '△?' 32.Rcc6
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!!' Rxb7 33.Rh5+ Kf4 34.Rg6
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!'
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '**Δ** ♖g4#';
C2b4222112)
27.Nxe5 Bd4 28.Rh5+ Ke6 29.Nc4
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±';
C2b422212)
26.Nxe5+
Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: '!?' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '!?" 26...Kg5 *(26...Kf6*
Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *27.Bxf5 Kxe5 28.Kxe3 Kxf5 29.Rh5+ Kf6 30.f4 Rae8+ 31.Kf3)* 27.Nf7+ Kf6 28.Bxf5 Rxf7 29.Be4
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±';
C2b42222)
25...Ng3+
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk, Vassily; Sulypa,A: '?' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '?' Ftacnik: 'Even the best players are falling apart under pressure, black will eliminate the danger for the king at a high cost of too much material."
Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Even the best players are falling apart under pressure, black will eliminate the danger for the king at a high cost of too much material.'
26.Kxe3 Nxh1 27.Rxh1
Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: '+-' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa,A: '+-" Kxg6 28.Nd6 Rf6 *(28...Rad8 29.Nxb7*
Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 29.Rg1+
C2b422221)
29...Kh6 30.Ke4

Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: '!' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa, A: '!" *(30.Nf5+* Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *Kh7 31.Rg7+ Kh8 32.Re7)* 30...Rxe6 31.Nf7+ Kh5 *(31...Kh7* Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A' *32.Ng5+)* 32.Kf5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Ivanchuk,Vassily; Sulypa,A: '!' Ivanchuk,V; Sulypa, A: '!";

C2b422222) 29...Kh7 30.Ne4 Rh6 *(30...Rxe6 31.Ng5+* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' *)* 31.Rg4 Rh2 32.b4 Rf8 33.Bb3 Kh6 34.Nd6 Kh5 35.Re4 b6 36.Rxe5+ Kh4 37.Re7 1-0 (37) Kavakul,M (2716)-Taylor (2476) Herning 2004 CBM 211 [Dressel];

C3) 12...Na6

C3a) 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Nb4 15.Rd1 N6xd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.gxh5 Qa5+ 18.Rd2 Nf4 Ding Liren-Gupta,Ab Doha 2014, with a murky position which 'feels' slightly better for White. Note the strange defensive resource Rh1-h2 that White has available (if need be). Glenn Flear: 'Ding Liren-Gupta,Ab Doha 2014, with a murky position which 'feels' slightly better for White. Note the strange defensive resource Rh1-h2 that White has available (if need be).' 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Bc4+ Be6 21.Bxe6+ Nxe6 22.Qxg6+ Ng7 23.Ne2 Rad8 24.Nc3 Rxd2 25.Kxd2 Rxf3 26.Rg1 Qd8+ 27.Ke2 Rf7 28.Rg4 Qd7 29.Qe4 Kf8 30.Qb4+ Kg8 31.Qe4 Kf8 32.Rg5 Ne6 33.Qb4+ Re7 34.Rg3 ½-½ (34) Ding,L (2730)-Gupta, A (2632) Doha QAT 2014;

C3b) 13.gxh5

C3b1) 13...Bf5 14.hxg6 Nb4 15.Rc1 Rc8 16.h5 *(16.d6 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Kf1 Nd3 19.Rd1 fxg6 20.Kg2 e4 21.f4 Qxd6 22.Rh2 Qc6 23.Kh1 Bg4 24.Rf1 b5 25.Qg2 Qe6 26.Nxb5 Rb8 27.b3 Rc6 28.Nd4 Bxd4 29.Bxd4 Qf5 30.Qg3 Rbc8 31.Rg2 Bh5 32.Qg5 Qxg5 33.Rxg5 Rc1 34.Rxc1 Rxc1 35.Be3 Re1 36.Bd2 Rd1 37.Be3 Re1 38.Bd2 Rd1 39.Be3* ½-½ (39) Basso,P (2600)-Barbosa,E (2501) Caleta ENG 2020 *)* 16...N6xd5 17.h6 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Bf6 19.g7 Re8 20.Nh3 e4 21.Kf2 Bd4 22.Bb5 Bxe3+ 23.Kxe3 exf3+ 24.Bxe8

Qd3+ 25.Kf2 Rxe8 26.Rhd1 Qc4 27.Kg3 Qg4+ 28.Kf2 Qg2# 0-1 (28) Paravyan,D (2601)-Barbosa,E (2491) chess.com INT 2023;

C3b2) 13...gxh5 14.Bd3?! *(14.Bg5 Qd6 15.Rd1 Bf5 16.Ne4 Qg6 17.Ng3 e4 18.Nxf5 Qxf5 19.Bh3 Qe5⇄* 0-1 Esen,B-Atakisi,U/Antalya 2004/CBM 101 (49)*; 14.Bh6!?)* 14...Nb4 15.0-0-0 Bd7 16.Nge2 Qc8 *(16...Bf5!)* 17.Bxb6 *(⌓17.Kb1)* 17...Nxd3+ 18.Kb1 Nxb2!→ 0-1 Dobrov,V-Slizhevsky,A/St Petersburg RUS 2005/The Week in Chess 572 (63);

C3c) 13.d6 hxg4 14.h5 Bf5 15.fxg4 Bxg4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bxb6 Rxf1+ 18.Kxf1 Qxb6 19.Qd5+ Kf8 20.Rh4 Bf5 21.Ne4 Nb4 22.Qb3 Nc6 23.Qxb6 axb6 24.Nf3 Nd4 25.Nfg5 Bd7 26.Rh2 Bc6 27.Rc1 Kg8 28.b4 Nf5 29.Ke1 b5 30.Rc3 Rb8 31.a4 bxa4 32.b5 Bxe4 33.Nxe4 Rd8 34.Rhc2 Nd4 35.Rc1 Bf8 36.Rc7 Bxd6 37.Nxd6 Rxd6 38.Rxb7 Rd8 39.b6 Nb5 40.Rcc7 a3 41.Rg7+ Kh8 42.Rh7+ Kg8 43.Rbg7+ Kf8 44.Rh8+ Kxg7 45.Rxd8 a2 46.Ra8 Nd6 47.Rxa2 Kf6 48.Ra7 Ke6 49.b7 Nxb7 50.Rxb7 Kf5 51.Ke2 g5 52.Kd3 Kf6 53.Ke4 Ke6 54.Rb6+ Kd7 55.Rg6 g4 56.Kxe5 g3 57.Rxg3 Kc6 58.Rg4 Kc5 59.Ke6 Kc6 60.Rg5 Kc7 61.Rc5+ Kb7 62.Kd7 Kb6 63.Rg5 Kb7 64.Rg6 Ka8 65.Kc8 Ka7 66.Kc7 Ka8 67.Ra6# 1-0 (67) zlatana75 (3005)-AKS-Mantissa (2690) Blitz 2024]

[11...Bf5 12.g4 Bd7 13.h5 Na6 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Qh2 h6 16.Bxh6 Qf6 17.Be3 Nb4 18.Ne4 Qe7 19.d6 Qd8 20.Qh7+ Kf7 21.Rh6 Nc2+ 22.Kf2 Nxe3 23.Qxg6+ Kg8 24.Kxe3 Nd5+ 25.Kd2 Qa5+ 26.Nc3 Nxc3 27.bxc3 Qd5+ 28.Ke1 Rxf3 29.Nxf3 Qxf3 30.Bc4+ Kf8 31.Rh8+ Bxh8 32.Qg8# 1-0 (32) CaliforniaBeaST (2833)-FourPlayingCards (2610) Blitz 2023]

[11...f5 Chess Evolution: 'Of course it would be very nice for Black to get the pawn to f5, but it seems like White is just too fast Of course it would be very nice for Black to get the pawn to f5, but it seems like White is just too fast'

A) 12.0-0-0?! Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: ' ∞!?" JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'with a position, which is very difficult to evaluate.'' Na6 13.h5 *(13.Nh3 Bd7 14.Ng5 Rc8)* 13...gxh5 14.Nh3 *(14.Rxh5 Bd7 15.g4?! Rc8 16.gxf5 Bxf5 17.Bd3 Nc4)* 14...Bd7 15.Ng5 Rc8 16.d6 *(16.Rxh5 Na4 17.d6 Nxc3 18.bxc3 Qa5)* 16...f4 17.Bxb6 Qxg5 18.Bxa7 e4→;

B) 12.a4 e4 13.fxe4 fxe4 14.0-0-0 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 Nxd5 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Qb3 Qc8 18.Kb1 Nf4 19.Rd4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Qe6 21.Bxf4 Nc6 22.Qa2 Rxf4 23.Nh3 Rf6 24.Ng5 Qd5 25.Nxe4 Rf7

26.Ng5 Rd7 27.Nf3 Rad8 28.Rhc1 Kh8 29.Qb3 Qd3+ 30.Qxd3 Rxd3 31.Ng5 Kg7 32.Ne6+ Kf7 33.Nxd8+ Rxd8 1-0 (33) OnkelKonkel (2607)-A-X-L (2490) Rapid 2021;

C) 12.h5

C1) 12...N8d7 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bh6 White's threats over the Black King are very dangerous already. White's threats over the Black King are very dangerous already.;

C2) 12...gxh5

C2a) 13.Nh3 N8d7 14.Ng5 *(14.g4 hxg4 15.fxg4 Nf6)* 14...Nf6;

C2b) 13.Rxh5 N8d7 14.Bh6 Nf6 15.Rg5 Ne8 16.f4 e4 17.0-0-0 Qf6 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.Nge2⩲;

C3) Glenn Flear: 'White was also on top following' 12...f4 13.Bc5

C3a) 13...Re8 14.hxg6 hxg6 *(14...Bf5 15.gxh7+ Kh8 16.Bd3 e4 17.fxe4 Nxd5 18.Nge2 Ne3 19.Bxe3 fxe3 20.Qxe3 Nc6 21.0-0-0 Rc8 22.Qg3 Nb4 23.exf5 Nxa2+ 24.Kb1 Nxc3+ 25.Nxc3 Bxc3 26.Qg8+ Rxg8 27.hxg8Q+ Kxg8 28.Bc4+ Kg7 29.Rxd8* Normal 1-0 (29) MothToTheFlame (2612)-Round_of_Applause (2603) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'Bensdorp, M-Van Weersel, A Dutch ch. 2005' *(15.0-0-0 Bf5 16.Bd3 N8d7 17.Ba3 Rc8 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.d6 e4 20.fxe4 Rxe4 21.Kb1 Rd4 22.Qe2 Nf8 23.Nf3 Rxd1+ 24.Qxd1 Nc4 25.Qd5+* 1-0 (25) MrAble (2619)-MadsBocaJunior (2501) Rapid 2021 *)*;

C3b) 13...Bf5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bxf8 Bxf8 16.Bd3 Bc5 17.Bxf5 gxf5 18.g4 fxg3 19.Qh6 Bf2+ 20.Ke2 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Punisher00 (2618) Blitz 2023;

C4) 12...e4 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.0-0-0 *(14.Bd4 exf3 15.Nxf3 Re8+ 16.Kf2 Qe7 17.Re1 Qd7 18.Rxe8+ Qxe8 19.Rh8+ Bxh8 20.Bxh8 Nc4 21.Bxc4* 1-0 (21) MrAble (2612)-shabashabdullatef (2487) Rapid 2023 *)* 14...N8d7 15.Nh3 Ne5 16.d6 Be6 17.Ng5 Bc4 18.Bxc4+ Nexc4 19.Bxb6 Nxb6 20.Ne6 Qf6 21.Nxf8 Rxf8 22.Kb1 Rd8 23.fxe4 fxe4 24.Nxe4 Qf5 25.Rhe1 Re8 26.Ka1 Rxe4 27.Rxe4 Qxe4 28.d7 Nxd7 29.Qxd7 Qxg2 30.Qd8+ Kh7 31.Qh4+ Kg8 32.Rd8+ Kf7 33.Qc4+ Ke7 34.Qc7+ Kf6 35.Rd6+ Kg5 36.Qe7+ Kh5 37.Rd5+ Qxd5 38.Qe2+ Kh6 39.Qe3+ Kh7 40.Qh3+ Qh5 41.Qf1 Qh2 42.Qc1 Qxb2+ 43.Qxb2 Bxb2+ 44.Kxb2 g5 45.Kc3 Kg6 46.Kd4 Kf5 47.Kd5 g4 48.Kd6 g3 49.Kc7 g2 50.Kxb7 g1Q 51.a3 Qb6+ 52.Ka8 Ke6 53.a4 Kd7 54.a5 Qxa5 55.Kb7 Qb5+ 56.Ka8 a5 57.Ka7 a4 58.Ka8 a3 59.Ka7 a2 60.Ka8 a1Q# 0-1 (60) Lucky1357924680 (2646)-Rumbitttos (2609) Blitz 2024;

C5) 12...Na6 RR: 'N' 13.Bh6 f4 Glenn Flear: 'Cutting White's queen off from the kingside but ceding access to the important e4-square.' 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.g4 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A positional move keeping Black from f5.' Bxh6 16.Rxh6 Kg7 17.Qh2 Rh8 18.Rxh8 Qxh8 19.Qxh8+ Kxh8 20.0-0-0 RR: ' ±' Glenn Flear: 'Attacking the kingside is not on the agenda in this simplified position, so White concentrates on his remaining trumps: a passed d-pawn and an outpost square on e4.' Bd7 21.Bxa6 bxa6 22.b3 Glenn Flear: 'Again Delchev wants to keep Black's pieces restrained: The knight can no longer aim to come to c4 and then e3.' Rc8 23.Kb2 Kg7 24.Nh3 Be8 25.Ng5 Bf7 26.d6 Bg8 27.Nce4 Nd7 *(*Glenn Flear: 'After' *27...Nd5* Glenn Flear: 'White has' *28.Rc1 Rd8 29.Rc6)* 28.Rd2 Kf8 29.Ka3 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Bringing his remaining piece into the fray. Black is so tied up with threats elsewhere that the king has a free run.' Ke8 30.Kb4 Rc6 31.Ka5 Kf8 32.Rd3 Rc2 33.Rc3 Rxc3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *33...Rxa2+ 34.Kb4 a5+ 35.Kb5 Nb6* Glenn Flear: 'White wins a piece with' *36.d7* Glenn Flear: '!' *Nxd7 37.Rc8+ Kg7 38.Rc7)* 34.Nxc3 Nb8 35.Nce4 Bd5 36.Nc5 Ke8 37.a3 Glenn Flear: 'A useful waiting move that covers b4.'

C5a) Glenn Flear: 'After' 37...Kd8 Glenn Flear: 'White has several ways to proceed. An interesting one being the straightforward' 38.Nxa6 Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' Nc6+ 39.Kb5 Nd4+ 40.Kc5 Nxf3 *(40...Bg8 41.b4 Nb3+ 42.Kc6 Nd4+ 43.Kb7 Bd5+ 44.Kxa7 Nxf3 45.Nxf3 Bxf3 46.b5 e4 47.Nc5 e3 48.Ne6+ Kd7 49.Nxf4 g5 50.Nd3* Glenn Flear: 'and White wins the race.'*)* 41.Kxd5 Nxg5 42.Nc5 f3 *(42...e4 43.Kc6* Glenn Flear: '!'*)* 43.Kc6 Ke8 *(43...Nf7 44.Ne4; 43...f2 44.Nb7+ Ke8 45.d7+)* 44.Kc7 Nf7 45.Ne4 Nd8 46.b4 Ne6+ 47.Kc8 Glenn Flear: 'and the queenside pawns will make White's advantage tell.';

C5b) 37...Nc6+ 38.Kxa6 Nd4 39.Nd3 Nxf3 40.Nxf3 Bxf3 41.Nxe5 Be4 42.g5 Glenn Flear: 'Moving the pawn to a dark square in readiness for the following piece sacrifice. ' f3 43.Nxf3 Bxf3 44.Kxa7 Kd7 45.b4 Bc6 46.Kb6 Ba4 47.Kc5 Bc2 48.b5 Kc8 49.Kb6 Ba4 50.Ka6 Kb8 51.d7 1-0 (51) 8.♘d4 ♘g4 9. e3 d6_65989 (2640)-Gonzalez, I (2578) Russia 2006 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight]]

[11...e4 Kasimdzhanov,Rustam: 'N' Krasenkow: 'Moiseenko,Alexander: 'Ü 85/(395)" 12.fxe4

A) 12...f5 13.h5 fxe4 14.hxg6 h5? *(14...Qf6!⩱ V.Golod)* 15.d6! Qf6 16.Nge2! Be6 17.Nf4 Nc4?

(17...Nc6) 18.Ncd5 Nxd2 19.Ne7+! Qxe7 20.dxe7+- 1-0 Golod,V-Vydeslaver,A/Beer Sheva 2002/CBM 091/[Golod,V] (26);

B) 12...Bg4 13.Nh3 *(13.Nf3!? Krasenkow: 'V.Golod' ⩲N8d7?! 14.Bd4 f5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Be2! fxe4 17.Ng5; 13.Be2 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 N8d7 15.Nf3 Ne5 16.Rd1 Re8 17.0-0 Nbc4 18.Bd4 Nd6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.Bxe5 Rxe5 21.Qf2 Qe7 22.Rd3 a6 23.a3 Rc8 24.h5 Rxh5 25.Qf6 Qxf6 26.Rxf6 Rd8 27.b3 Re5 28.Rd4 Kg7 29.Rf3 Rde8 30.Rf4 g5 31.Rf3 Nxe4 32.Nxe4 Rxe4 33.Rdd3 Rd8 34.Rf5 f6 35.d6 Rd7 36.Rfd5 Kg6 37.a4 f5 38.Rc3 Re6 39.Rcd3 Kf6 40.Kf2 Re5 41.R5d4 Ke6 42.Rd2 h5 43.R4d3 h4 44.Kf3 Re4 45.Rd5 g4+ 46.Kf2 Re5 47.R5d4 a5 48.R4d3 b5 49.axb5 Rxb5 50.Re3+ Re5 51.Red3 f4 52.Rd4 Kf5 53.R4d3 Rb5 54.Re2 Re5 55.Red2 Ke6 56.Rd4 Kf5 57.R4d3 ½-½ (57) penguingim1 (2647)-Crest64 (2631) Blitz 2020)* 13...N8d7 *(13...f5 14.Nf4 fxe4 15.Be2 Qc8 16.0-0 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.h5 Nd7 19.hxg6 h5 20.Rac1± 1-0 Malaniuk,V-Nedilko,V/ Odessa UKR 2005/The Week in Chess 568 (66))* 14.Nf2 Ne5 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 f5! 17.Nxg4 Nxg4 18.Qf4 Nf6 19.h5! Nxe4 *(19...Nxh5 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.e5 Rc8 22.Rd1⩱)* 20.hxg6 Nxc3 21.gxh7+ Kh8 22.Qd4+ Qf6 23.Qxf6+ Rxf6 24.bxc3 Nxd5 25.Rh3± Kasimdzhanov,R (2704)-Nijboer,F (2551) Vlissingen 2001 CI1-130 [Kasimdzhanov,Rustam] Krasenkow: '½-½ Kasimdzhanov,R-Nijboer,F/Vlissingen 2001/CBM 083 ext (44)']

[11...Na6!? Glenn'MVL: '!?' MVL: 'A completely different and exciting approach from Fabiano. The objective value of his idea might not be so high but it only makes what I\'ll call his gamble in a critical game of the Candidates\' even more courageous." Flear: 'Not exactly new, but it was certainly largely forgotten before this game.' MVL: 'A completely different and exciting approach from Fabiano. The objective value of his idea might not be so high but it only makes what I\'ll call his gamble in a critical game of the Candidates\' even more courageous. Wagner,Dennis: 'Caruana's team decided to spring a surprise with this concrete approach. Though probably Black won't gain full equality if confronted with the best possible play he hopes for the practical value of the innovation and the complicated character of the resulting position." Glenn Flear: 'Not exactly new, but it was certainly largely forgotten before this game.' Caruana's team decided to spring a surprise with this concrete approach. Though probably Black won't gain full equality if confronted with the best possible play he hopes for the practical value of the innovation and the complicated character of the resulting position. 12.h5 Nb4 *(* Black was unable to equalize with the following idea: *12...Bd7 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Nh3 Nc4* (creative) due to... *15.Bxc4 Qh4+ 16.Nf2 Qxc4 17.Nfe4 Nb4 18.Rd1* Golod,V-Herrera,I Ubeda

2001, and White had a good control of events. Glenn Flear: 'Golod,V-Herrera,I Ubeda 2001, and White had a good control of events.' *Rf4 19.b3 Qc8 20.a3 Na6 21.d6 Be6 22.Nd5* 1-0 Golod,V-Herrera,I/Ubeda 2001/CBM 080 ext *)*

A) 13.Bc5?! MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: '?!'' N4xd5 14.Bxf8 *(14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Bc4 Be6 16.Rd1 Qf6 17.Bxf8 Rxf8 18.h6 Bh8 19.Bxd5 Rd8 20.Qa5 b6 21.Qb5 Bd7 22.Qc4 e4 23.fxe4 Qxb2 24.Ne2 Be5 25.Bxf7+ Kh8 26.Rxd7* 1-0 (26) VanuatuLover (2697)-Mavi_Alpha (2574) Blitz 2025*)* 14...Bxf8= MVL: 'would clearly not be the best idea for White as he loses any chance to attack the black king, while the pair of bishops, the excellent knight on d5 and White\'s own weak king will be a major cause for concern. Wagner, Dennis: '=';

B) 13.Bh6 Nc2+ 14.Qxc2 Bxh6 15.hxg6 Be3 16.g7 Kxg7 17.Qxh7+ Kf6 18.Qh4+ Kg7 19.Qh7+ Kf6 20.Ne4+ Ke7 21.d6+ Ke8 22.Bb5+ Bd7 23.Bxd7+ Nxd7 24.Qf5 Qb6 25.Ne2 Rd8 26.Rd1 Bc5 27.Rh6 Rg8 28.g4 Kf8 29.Rh7 Rg7 30.Rh8+ Rg8 31.Ng5 f6 32.Ne6+ Kf7 33.Rh7+ Ke8 34.Qh5+ 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-estrelladelnorte2024 (2546) Blitz 2024;

C) 13.h6 Bh8 14.0-0-0 Bf5 15.g4 Bc2 16.Bc5 Bxd1 17.Bxb4 Ba4 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.Bd3 Rc8 20.Kb1 e4 21.Bxe4 Qb4 22.Nge2 Nc4 23.Qc1 b5 24.Ka1 Nxb2 25.Qxb2 Qxb2+ 26.Kxb2 b4 27.Bc2 bxc3+ 28.Kc1 Bb5 29.Nf4 Be5 30.Nd3 Bxd3 31.Bxd3 Bf4+ 32.Kc2 Bd2 33.Rb1 f6 34.d6 Rd8 35.Bc4+ Kf8 36.Rb7 Rxd6 37.Rxh7 f5 38.Rh8+ Ke7 39.h7 fxg4 40.Re8+ Kxe8 41.h8Q+ Kd7 42.fxg4 Kc6 43.Qc8+ Kb6 44.Qb8+ Kc6 45.Bb5+ Kc5 46.Qc7+ Kd5 47.Bc4+ Ke5 48.Qe7+ 1-0 (48) transientaccount (2627)-durakitodemedellin (2580) Blitz 2021;

D) 13.hxg6

D1) Glenn Flear: 'An older game continued with' 13...fxg6 MVL: '(once played in an amateur game) doesn\'t work as this time White wins the exchange and also gets to simplify the position to his advantage:' Glenn Flear: 'The engines cry out in unison for' 14.Bc5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'but I'm not sure how much one can trust their conclusions here. Anyway,' Glenn Flear: 'but I'm not sure how much one can trust their conclusions here. Anyway,' *(14.Nh3 Bf5 15.Rc1 Rc8 16.g4 Bd7 17.Ng5 h6 18.Nge4 Rxf3 19.Bxh6* Clemens,A-Potze,R Essent 2004, when White was on top. Glenn Flear: 'Clemens,A-Potze,R Essent 2004, when White was on top.' Krasenkow: '↑' Krasenkow: '1-0 Clemens,A-Potze,R/Hoogeveen 2004/CBM 102 ext (27)' *)* 14...N4xd5 15.Nxd5 *(15.Rd1 Be6 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Qxd5 Nxd5 18.Bxf8 Bxf8* gives Black a pawn and some dark squares for the exchange.

It might be 'playable', but doubtlessly favours White. Glenn Flear: 'gives Black a pawn and some dark squares for the exchange. It might be 'playable', but doubtlessly favours White.') 15...Nxd5 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Rd1± MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: ' ±" Nf4 18.Bxe6+ Nxe6 19.Bxf8;

D2) 13...hxg6 MVL: 'is horribly dangerous after' 14.g4+- *(14.Bh6 N4xd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qh6+ Kf6 17.Rd1)*;

D3) 13...Bf5! Glenn'MVL: '!' MVL: 'The first new move.'' Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: '!?' 'A remarkable choice which smacks of computer-aided preparation.' MVL: 'The first new move. Wagner,Dennis: 'The strong and consistent follow-up. Black gives up all his kingside pawns, but is able to initiate his own counterplay afterwards.'' Glenn Flear: 'A remarkable choice which smacks of computer-aided preparation.'The strong and consistent follow-up. Black gives up all his kingside pawns, but is able to initiate his own counterplay afterwards. 14.gxh7+ Kh8 Glenn Flear: 'The computer doesn't believe in Black's position, but I don't think it is capable of grasping (certainly at first) the practical difficulties for White. Note that the pawn on h7 is not really an asset for White in the middlegame. It actually gets in the way and can be thought of a handy shield, so Black actually has the safer king for now.' MVL: 'White is two pawns up but is now the one on the defensive, as Black\'s king is safe, for now at least.' Glenn Flear: 'The computer doesn't believe in Black's position, but I don't think it is capable of grasping (certainly at first) the practical difficulties for White. Note that the pawn on h7 is not really an asset for White in the middlegame. It actually gets in the way and can be thought of a handy shield, so Black actually has the safer king for now.'

D3a) 15.g4 Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Bg6 17.Rd1 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Rc8 19.d6 f5⇄;

D3b) 15.Ne4? N6xd5! *(15...N4xd5 16.Bc5±)* 16.Bc5 Qa5! 17.Bxf8 Bxf8-+;

D3c) 15.Rc1?! N6xd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Bh6 Nf4 would be completely fine for Black.;

D3d) 15.Rd1! MVL: 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'Anish is forced to call the gamble.'' 'Anish is forced to call the gamble. Wagner, Dennis: 'Not surprisingly Giri was already out of book, but nevertheless he finds all the critical moves.'' Not surprisingly Giri was already out of book, but nevertheless he finds all the critical moves.

D3d1) 15...Rc8!? MVL: 'it the other approach. Things are probably going to look similar to the game anyway, but there might be a few differences. Anyway I think I like more the idea to

get the rook to d4, as even if White secures an outpost on e4 it makes the attack look more threatening : Wagner,Dennis: 'can be considered.'' can be considered. 16.Nh3 *(16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Bg6! 18.Rh4 Nc2+ 19.Kf2 Nd7!* looks completely unclear as the knight gets the juicy d4 square while White\'s king has to run. *20.Kg3 Nd4 21.Rhxd4 exd4 22.Rxd4 Nf6)* 16...Nc2+ 17.Kf2 Nxe3 *(17...Na4 18.Nxa4 Nxe3)* 18.Qxe3

D3d11) 18...Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.g4 Bg6 21.Ng5 Rd4 and in fact White can just claim Black is bluffing: 22.Nge4 *(22.Kg2 b5 23.Nxb5 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 Qxd5 25.Nc3 Qb7)* 22...f5 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Rdg1! and he gets his own threats on Black\'s king. Rf7 *(24...Bxe4 25.Nxe4 Qxd5 26.Rxg7 Rxe4 27.Rg8+)* 25.d6;

D3d12) 18...Na4 MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: 'transposition.'' transposition.;

D3d2) 15...Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Nxe3 *(16...Rc8 17.Bh6!)* 17.Qxe3

D3d21) 17...Rc8!?

D3d211) 18.Be2!? Bc2 *(18...Bd7 19.Nh3 f5 20.Kg1±)* 19.Rd2 Bg6 20.Nh3 f5 21.f4**±**;

D3d212) 18.Nh3 Na4 19.Nxa4 Qh4+ 20.Kg1 Qxa4 21.Rd2! *(21.Nf2 Qxa2 22.g4 Bc2 23.Rd2 Qb3 24.Qxb3 Bxb3 25.Ne4)* 21...Qxa2 22.g4 Bd7 *(22...Bg6 23.Bd3 f5 24.Ng5±)* 23.Ng5 Qb1 *(23...f5 24.gxf5 Bxf5 25.Bd3 Rc1+ 26.Kh2 Rxh1+ 27.Kxh1±)* 24.Ne4 f5 25.gxf5 Bxf5 26.Nc3 Qa1 27.Kg2**±**;

D3d22) 17...Bd7 Glenn'MVL: '!?' '!?' MVL: 'Fabiano decided to take the least direct approach and to claim compensation for his two pawns by just rolling his pawns. But White is in time to counter this idea properly.'' Flear: 'Making way for the f-pawn.' MVL: '!?' '!?' MVL: 'Fabiano decided to take the least direct approach and to claim compensation for his two pawns by just rolling his pawns. But White is in time to counter this idea properly.' Glenn Flear: 'Making way for the f-pawn.' 18.Nh3

D3d221) MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: 'In the interview after the game Caruana

mentioned'' In the interview after the game Caruana mentioned 18...Rc8 MVL: 'to avoid the game\'s continuation. It doesn\'t change too many things though after Wagner,Dennis: 'as the right move and explained that he had mixed up his analysis. But there too White stays on top.'' as the right move and explained that he had mixed up his analysis. But there too White stays on top. 19.Kg1 f5 20.Nf2 *(20.f4* MVL: 'but it\'s still better than the game.' *Qc7!)* 20...Qf6 *(20...e4 21.fxe4 f4 22.Qf3+-)* 21.Bd3 Qd6 22.Rh5 Qg6 23.Qg5⩲; **D3d222)** 18...f5 MVL: 'This instant move was criticized by Fabiano after the game. He preferred an immediate' 19.f4! MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: '!' Wagner,Dennis: 'a good response. The black pawns are blocked and White intends to consolidate his pieces.'' a good response. The black pawns are blocked and White intends to consolidate his pieces. Rc8 Glenn Flear: 'Continuing to activate. The engine gives this as heavily in White's favour (OK, he's probably right at correspondence chess), but it feels far from simple for the first player to handle. There is definitely a skill in playing lines that give practical chances that the computer just dismisses as rubbish.' Glenn Flear: 'Continuing to activate. The engine gives this as heavily in White's favour (OK, he's probably right at correspondence chess), but it feels far from simple for the first player to handle. There is definitely a skill in playing lines that give practical chances that the computer just dismisses as rubbish.' *(19...e4 20.Ng5±* MVL: 'is strategically bad for Black.' is strategically bad for Black. *)* 20.g3 Glenn'MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'The pawns are stabilized, and even though the Bg7 is extremely active, two pawns are two pawns and more importantly

as the knight gets to g5, a few of Black\'s pieces will be committed to protect the f7 and e6 squares. " Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' 'The most solid. White needs king security, not another pawn.' MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'The pawns are stabilized, and even though the Bg7 is extremely active, two pawns are two pawns and more importantly as the knight gets to g5, a few of Black\'s pieces will be committed to protect the f7 and e6 squares.' Glenn Flear: 'The most solid. White needs king security, not another pawn.' *(* Instead *20.fxe5 f4 21.Nxf4 Qg5 22.g3 Bxe5* would be fraught with danger. *)*

D3d2221)

Glenn Flear: 'White consolidates an advantage after' Glenn Flear: 'White consolidates an advantage after' 20...e4 21.Ng5 MVL: 'would have been a long day at the office. Wagner, Dennis: 'is no fun for Black, of course, but the text move should lose the game." is no fun for Black, of course, but the text move should lose the game. Bf6 *(21...Qc7 22.Bb5 Nc4 23.Bxc4 Qxc4 24.Kg2* when the h-pawn might be quite useful after all (especially if Black decides to capture on c3)! Glenn Flear: 'when the h-pawn might be quite useful after all (especially if Black decides to capture on c3)!' *)* 22.d6 Qe8 23.Rd2 Qg6 24.Kg2±;

D3d2222) 20...Nc4? MVL: 'MVL: 'Going in full berserk mode. It\'s obviously too much, but at the same time I understand it\'s hard to publicly admit that your experiment has not worked out the way you wanted it to. '' 'Going in full berserk mode. It\'s obviously too much, but at the same time I understand it\'s hard to publicly admit that your experiment has not worked out the way you wanted it to.

Wagner,Dennis: '?'' 21.Bxc4 Rxc4

D3d22221) 22.b3!?

D3d222211) 22...exf4 23.Nxf4! Rxf4+ *(23...Rxc3 24.Ng6#)* 24.gxf4 Re8 25.Qd2! Qb6+ 26.Kf3;

D3d222212) 22...Rxc3 23.Qxc3 exf4 24.Qf3 fxg3+ 25.Kg2 and White remains an exchange up and the light-squared bishop is hindered, making Black\'s counterplay look very random at best.;

D3d222213) 22...Rb4 23.fxe5 f4 24.Nxf4 Qg5 and anyway here White should find 25.Ke1! Rbxf4 26.gxf4 Rxf4 27.Ne2;

D3d22222) 22.fxe5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 22...f4 23.Nxf4 *(*After *23.gxf4 Bxh3 24.Rxh3 Rcxf4+ 25.Ke2 Qg5* the computer says that White is OK (and even a shade better) but who has the more exposed king? Unclear, would be my (mere human) judgement. Glenn Flear: 'the computer says that White is OK (and even a shade better) but who has the more exposed king? Unclear, would be my (mere human) judgement. '*)* 23...Qg5 MVL: 'Here someone joked with me that it would take "the Artist" (Anish\'s new nickname apparently) a lot of imagination to make another draw with four pawns up!'

D3d222221) Glenn Flear: 'The odd-looking' 24.Ke1! Glenn Flear: 'is however best e.g.' MVL: 'was the only way to cut short any of Black\'s attempt as recovering pawns would lead to mass simplifications:'

D3d2222211) 24...Rf5 25.Rh5 Qxh5 26.Nxh5 Rxe5 27.Rd3! and Black can\'t keep his two bishops.;

D3d2222212)

24...Bg4
was Fabiano\'s intended try but it falls short:
D3d22222121)
25.d6
is the computer\'s first choice ignoring Black completely!
Bxd1 *(25...Rcxf4 26.gxf4 Rxf4 27.d7 Rf1+ 28.Kxf1)*
26.Kxd1 Qf5
27.Kc1! followed by Rh5.;
D3d22222122)
25.Ne4 Rxe4
26.Qxe4 Rf5
27.Ne6 Qg6
28.Rc1! and White just wins after Rf1+
29.Kxf1 Qxe4
30.Rc8+;
D3d2222213)
24...Rcxf4 25.gxf4 Rxf4 26.Ne2 Rf1+
27.Kd2;
D3d2222214)
24...Bxe5 25.Ng6+ Qxg6 26.Qxe5+
Glenn Flear: 'and once the queens are exchanged White's advantage is obvious and even decisive.' Glenn Flear: 'and once the queens are exchanged White's advantage is obvious and even decisive.' Qf6
27.Qxf6+ Rxf6
28.Rd2+-
MVL: 'is technically much easier.' is technically much easier.;
D3d222222)
24.Rd4?
Glenn'MVL: 'I can\'t argue that this move looks tempting but giving back the e5 pawn so easily is of course a pity as at least Black has now a fighting chance with his pair of bishops.'' Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: '?!' 'Giri (also being human!), tries to trade a pair of pieces to reduce Black's activity.' MVL: 'I can\'t argue that this move looks tempting but giving back the e5 pawn so easily is of course a pity as at least Black has now a fighting chance with his pair of bishops. Wagner,Dennis: '?' Wagner,Dennis: 'Unfortunately for Giri, who had already spent a huge amount of time, he couldn´t come up with the most convincing

solution.'' Glenn Flear: 'Giri (also being human!), tries to trade a pair of pieces to reduce Black's activity.' Unfortunately for Giri, who had already spent a huge amount of time, he couldn´t come up with the most convincing solution. 24...Rxd4 25.Qxd4 Bxe5 Glenn Flear: 'Now the knight is pinned.' 26.Qb4 Rf7 27.Nce2 MVL: 'Black has no threats anymore and White is effectively two pawns up (the h7 pawn can fall anytime now). Also, White can threaten Black\'s king anytime now with the knight almost ready to jump to g6. But the pair of bishops is a wonderful thing, and it will help Fabiano to put up a real fight!' Bg4 Glenn Flear: 'Giving no respite, Caruana keeps up the tricks.' 28.Qe4± MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '±' Wagner, Dennis: 'Here too White is pretty close to winning with three extra pawns! But Black still has the pair of bishops and the "safer king" for the moment, so White's task is still not trivial.'' Here too White is pretty close to winning with three extra pawns! But Black still has the pair of bishops and the "safer king" for the moment, so White's task is still not trivial. Qf6 29.Rh4 Bf5 30.Qe3 b6 Glenn Flear: 'White's three(!) extra pawns constitute a significant advantage, but he will need to trade more pieces before he can start to think about using any of them.' MVL: 'I was actually sure that Anish would win from this position. But after having analysed - or more accurately, tried to analyse - this game, there are so many

obscure lines and positions that I can\'t really blame him for not winning in the end, as anyway it wasn\'t for lack of trying.' Glenn Flear: 'White's three(!) extra pawns constitute a significant advantage, but he will need to trade more pieces before he can start to think about using any of them.' *(30...Bxb2 31.Qxa7)*

D3d2222221)

31.Rh5!?

was a direct attempt, the points of which are rather difficult to consider though : Bxb2 *(31...Re7 32.d6! Bxd6 33.Rxf5 Qxf5 34.Qd4+ Be5 35.Qd8+)* 32.Qe8+ Rf8 33.Qc6

D3d22222211)

33...a5 34.Rh6 Qxc6 35.dxc6

is what we call improving the position. The passed pawn will decide the game.;

D3d22222212)

33...Qg7 34.Rxf5! Rxf5 35.Kg2!!

A sick move but now Black can\'t protect all his pieces as his rook lacks squares, and the d pawn could also be a strong asset : Rf7 *(35...Kxh7 36.Qc2; 35...Ba3 36.d6)* 36.Ne6 Qf6 37.Qe8+ Kxh7 38.Qxf7+ Qxf7 39.Ng5+ Kg6 40.Nxf7 Kxf7 41.Kf3

with a winning endgame.;

D3d22222213)

33...Qf7 34.Kg1!;

D3d22222214)

33...Rf7 34.Qxf6+ Rxf6 35.Ke3 Bxh7 36.g4 Kg8 37.Rh1

and this endgame looks very difficult as the light squared bishop is restricted by the knights and pawns.;

D3d2222222)

31.b3 Re7

MVL: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Black just keeps the tension. The game goes on...'

D3d22222221)

32.Rh5!

MVL: 'was still the way to go.'was still the way to go. MVL: '!' MVL: 'was

definitely the way to proceed. It included seeing that Black\'s attempt at perpetual check didn\'t work:'' ' MVL: 'was definitely the way to proceed. It included seeing that Black\'s attempt at perpetual check didn\'t work:' Bxh7 *(32...Bxf4!? other moves are hopeless: 33.Qxf4 Rxe2+ 34.Kxe2 Qb2+ 35.Kf1 Qb1+ 36.Kg2 Qc2+ 37.Qf2 Be4+ 38.Kg1 Qd1+ 39.Qf1 Qxh5 40.Qf6+ Kxh7 41.Qe7+* and White remains a solid two pawns up.*;* *32...Bg4 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 34.Qxe5 Qxe5 35.Ng6+;* *32...Bd6 33.Qc3 Be5 34.Qc6)* 33.Kg1+- MVL: 'Now the Black king is pretty jeopardised and White should eventually break through.' Now the Black king is pretty jeopardised and White should eventually break through. *(33.Qf3)*;

D3d22222222)

32.Nh5!? Qf8
33.Qf3 Rxh7
34.Re4! Qc5+
35.Re3+-;

D3d22222223)

32.Qd2?!

MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '?!' Wagner, Dennis: 'This retreat is a bit modest and doesn't exploit the concrete circumstances of the position well enough.'' This retreat is a bit modest and doesn't exploit the concrete circumstances of the position well enough. 32...Rc7 MVL: '!' 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'By now Fabiano was keeping his hopes up, probably a little too much to his own admission.'' '!' '!' MVL: 'By now Fabiano was keeping his hopes up, probably a little too much to his own admission.'

D3d222222231)

33.Kf3!?

MVL: 'is the

computer\'s first choice but it is coldblooded. Wagner,Dennis: '!?" Bxh7 *(33...Rc2 34.Qe3 Rc7 35.g4+-; 33...Rxh7 34.Rxh7+ Kxh7 35.g4 Bb1 36.Qc1+-)* 34.Qe3 Kg8 35.Nd4+-; **D3d222222232)** 33.Qe3! is the best 'move', but after; **D3d222222233)** 33.d6?! Glenn'MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'The good move sign is not judging the objective value of this move, which is just bad, but because it matched my prediction from a few moves earlier as I said Anish would try to force a queen exchange even if it cost him two pawns. It\'s a very logical thing to do though, but here it doesn\'t work well as the d pawn really was a potential asset.'' Flear: 'Panic? This pawn sacrifice reduces White's advantage but doesn't give him that much relief.' MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'The good move sign is not judging the objective value of this move, which is just bad, but because it matched my prediction from a few moves earlier as I said Anish would try to force a queen exchange even if it cost him two pawns. It\'s a very logical thing to do though, but here it doesn\'t work well as the d pawn really was a potential asset. Wagner,Dennis: '?!' Wagner,Dennis: 'Understandably Giri wants to activate his queen, but there was no need to give up the pawn.'' Glenn Flear: 'Panic? This pawn sacrifice reduces White's advantage but doesn't give him that much relief.' Understandably Giri wants to activate his queen, but there was no need to give up the pawn. **D3d2222222331)**

33...Qxd6!?
MVL: '!' '!' '!' '!' MVL: 'Wagner,Dennis: '!?" 34.Qxd6 Bxd6 35.g4 Be4 MVL: 'will also be a difficult technical job against the two bishops.' will also be a difficult technical job against the two bishops. *(35...Bb1! 36.Rh1 Be4 37.Rh6 Bc5+ 38.Kg3 Rxh7 39.Re6 Re7* with very decent chances to draw as White\'s queenside will be subject to relentless attacking by the bishops. We should also not forget that with only two knight remaining, anytime Black can decide to just give up all his bishops if he gets rid of all the pawns on the board (generally including his own) *; 35...Bxh7?! 36.g5 Bxf4 37.Nxf4 Rc2+ 38.Ke3 Kg7* would be dangerous, Black should keep the pair of bishops.*; 35...Rxh7?? 36.gxf5)* 36.Ne6 Rf7+ 37.Ke3 Bb7 38.g5 Re7 39.N2d4 Rxh7 40.Rxh7+ Kxh7 41.Nf4±;

D3d2222222332)
33...Bxd6 34.Qd5

D3d22222223321)
34...Rc8!
was preferable practically speaking as the rook can aim for the e8 square, attack and defence!

D3d222222233211)
35.Nd4 Bc5 36.Nh5 Bxd4+ 37.Rxd4 Rc2+ 38.Rd2 Rxd2+ 39.Qxd2 Qe5! 40.Qe3 Qxe3+ 41.Kxe3 Bb1 in general Black draws with a light-squared bishop as White loses tempi to protect his pawns on the queenside. Also, has he moves them, they get more prone to being exchanged, and he needs two pawns remaining to win the game. If Black keeps the dark squared bishop, it\'s the opposite that happens and Black

is not in time against the White king running on the queenside, as we shall see. 42.a3 Kxh7 43.Nf4 Kh6 44.Ne6 *(44.Kd4 Kg5 45.Ke5 Kg4 46.Kd6 Kxg3 47.Ne6 Ba2 48.b4 Bc4 49.Nd4 Kf4)* 44...Kg6 45.Kf4 Kf6 46.Nd4 a5 47.g4 Bd3 48.g5+ Kg6 and it should end in a draw as White can\'t prevent pawn exchanges if he wants to make progress. 49.Ke5 *(49.Nc6 Bc2)* 49...Kxg5 50.Kd6 Kf4 51.Kc6 Ke5 52.Nb5 Bc2;

D3d222222233212)

35.Kg2 Re8 36.Nc3! Bc7 37.Rh5 Rf8! and 38.Ne4 *(38.Nce2!?)* 38...Bxe4+ *(38...Qb2+ 39.Kf3)* 39.Qxe4 Bxf4 40.gxf4 Qxf4 41.Qxf4 Rxf4 should be drawish even if White keeps chances. 42.Kg3 Rf6 43.Rh4 b5! 44.Rh5 Ra6;

D3d22222223322)

34...Rf7 35.Kg2

D3d222222233221)

35...Rg7!

MVL: '!!' '!!' '!!' '!!' MVL: 'was the right move to create counterchances, but it\'s a bit awkward looking. Wagner,Dennis: '!' Wagner,Dennis: 'is more precise, allowing the defence of the back rank with ♕f8. " is more precise, allowing the defence of the back rank with ♕f8.

D3d2222222332211)

36.Nd4 Qxh4 *(36...Bc8!? 37.Kh2 Rxh7 38.Rxh7+ Kxh7)* 37.Nxf5 Qxf4 38.Qg8+ Rxg8 39.hxg8Q+ Kxg8 40.gxf4 Bxf4 41.Kf3 This looks very dangerous but maybe Black is in time : Bh2 42.Ke4 Kf7 43.Kd5 Ke8 44.Kc6 Kd8 45.Kb7 Kd7 46.Nd4 Kd6! 47.Kxa7 Kc5 with a draw.;

D3d2222222332212)

36.Qa8+ Qf8 37.Qxf8+ Bxf8 38.Nd4 Be4+ 39.Kh3 Be7 40.Rh5 Bf6⩲;

D3d222222233222)
35...Bc5?!
MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '?!'' 36.Rh5
MVL: '!' '!' '!'
D3d2222222332221)
36...Rf8 37.b4! Be3 *(37...Bxb4 38.Nd4! Bb1 39.Nde6* and White breaks through. *)* 38.Kh2!;
D3d2222222332222)
36...Bg4
D3d22222223322221)
37.Rg5!
MVL: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'
MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '!''
D3d2222222333222211)
37...Bf5
D3d22222223322222111)
38.Rg8+! Kxh7 39.Rg5 now Black\'s king is not protected anymore! Qxg5 40.Qxf7+ Kh8 41.Ne6! Bxe6 *(41...Be4+ 42.Kf1 Qf5+ 43.Qxf5 Bxf5 44.Nxc5 bxc5 45.Nc3 Kg7 46.Ke2 Kf6 47.Na4 Ke5 48.Nxc5 Kd4 49.Na4 Bb1 50.Kd2)* 42.Qxe6 Qd2 43.a4 would give White real winning chances, but Black is active and as long as he avoids any unfavourable queen exchange, or a sudden White attack with his queen and knight duo, he should be fine. It\'s not clear he can avoid both though :);
D3d2222222332222112)
38.Nc3 Bf8 39.Rg8+ Kxh7 40.Rg5 Kh8 41.Rh5+ Kg8 42.Ne4 Bxe4+ 43.Qxe4+-;
D3d2222222333222212)
37...Bxe2 38.Qa8+
MVL: '!' '!' '!' '!' Rf8 *(38...Bf8 39.Ng6+ Kxh7 40.Nxf8+ Rxf8 41.Qe4+ Kh8 42.Qh4+)* 39.Rg8+ Kxh7 40.Rxf8 Bxf8 41.Nxe2±
MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '±' Wagner, Dennis: 'should be nearly winning with his queen and strong knight.'' should be nearly winning with his queen and strong knight.;
D3d22222223322222)
37.Rh6
Glenn Flear: 'At the time, every piece exchange must have felt like a major achievement.' MVL: 'Wagner,

Dennis: 'Exchanging the rooks should make the task easier for White, but he could have created more practical problems. " Exchanging the rooks should make the task easier for White, but he could have created more practical problems. 37...Qxh6 38.Qxf7 Qc6+ MVL: '!' '!' '!' *(38...Qg7 39.Qe8+ Kxh7 40.Qe4+ Kg8 41.Ne6* would give White serious winning chances again.*)* 39.Nd5 Be6 40.Qf6+ Kxh7 Glenn Flear: 'The time control has been reached and White has retained an extra pawn. Black's activity has been reduced but not totally snuffed out, there is for example the problem of what to do with the pinned knight on d5...' Glenn Flear: 'The time control has been reached and White has retained an extra pawn. Black's activity has been reduced but not totally snuffed out, there is for example the problem of what to do with the pinned knight on d5...' 41.Qh4+ Kg7 42.Qg5+ Kf8 MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: 'Even without rooks it's difficult to make progress against the two bishops.'' Even without rooks it's difficult to make progress against the two bishops. 43.Qf6+ *(43.Nef4!?)* 43...Kg8 *(43...Ke8 44.Qxe6+ Qxe6 45.Nc7+ Kd7 46.Nxe6 Kxe6 47.Nf4+ Kf5 48.Kf3 Bd6 49.g4+ Ke5 50.Ng6+ Kf6 51.Nh4 Kg5 52.Nf5 Bc5 53.Ng3 Kg6 54.Ne4+-)* 44.Qg6+ Kf8 45.Qh6+ Kg8 46.Qg5+ Kf8 47.Nef4!? Glenn Flear: 'Everything holds together and now it's Black who has the most vulnerable king.' MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '!?'' Glenn Flear: 'Everything

holds together and now it's Black who has the most vulnerable king.' Bf7 MVL: 'The dust has settled, and Anish\'s knights are looking great at they also restrict the light-squared bishop seriously. I was thus still predicting his win as I felt the defensive task would be too difficult, even for a tough guy like Fabiano. White can create a lot of threats on the king even if at the moment there is nothing decisive, and at almost any point Black has to evaluate the consequences of possible exchanges, even if as a rule if he has to keep one of his bishops, it should be the light squared one to get counterplay on the pawns a2 and b3 (via a5-a4 or Bb1).' 48.Qe5 MVL: '!' '!' '!' *(48.Kf3 Qd6! 49.g4 Bd4* would allow Fabiano to implement his ideal defensive setup as he covers a lot of important squares. *)* 48...Kg8 **D3d222222233222221)** 49.g4! at some point I feel the g pawn is needed to create more threats on the king. I just assume Anish thought it would increase risks of perpetual check. Qd6 *(49...Bd6 50.Qg5+ Kh7 51.Qf5+ Kg7 52.Qf6+ Kg8 53.Kh3! Bxd5 54.Qg5+ Kh8 55.Nxd5)* 50.Qxd6 *(50.Qe4!* maybe this is the way! *Qh6 51.Qf5)* 50...Bxd6 51.Kf3 Kg7 52.g5 Bg8 53.Ke4 Bh7+ 54.g6 now the king is too far from the action and White is supposed to win, although not everything is simple as he needs to make sure Black\'s counterplay falls short. I thought at first it\'d be enough, but amazingly maybe not : Bxg6+ 55.Nxg6 Kxg6 56.Nc3

D3d22222233222211) 56...Bg3 57.Kd5 Kf5 58.Nb5! a6 59.Nd4+! Kf4 is impossible, which is why 56... Bh2! *(59.Nd6+ Kf4! 60.Kc6 Bf2 61.Nc8 Ke4! 62.Nxb6 Kd3)* 59...Kf6 60.Nc2 Kf5 61.Nb4 a5 62.Nd3 b5 otherwise a4 seals the deal 63.Kc6 a4 64.b4 Ke4 65.Nc5+ Kd4 66.Kxb5;

D3d22222233222212) 56...Bh2! 57.Kd5 Kf5 58.Nb5 a6 59.Nd6+ Kf4 60.Kc6 Ke3 *(60...Bg1 61.a4! Ke5 62.Nc4+ Kd4 63.Kxb6 Kc3+ 64.Kxa6 Kxb3 65.Kb5)* 61.Nc4+ Kd4 62.Kxb6 Kc3 63.Kxa6 Kb4 with a very likely fortress!;

D3d22222233222222) 49.Kh3 Qd6 Glenn Flear: 'Caruana is happy to trade queens. The simplified endgame is drawish despite the pawn deficit, whereas with queens and knights near his king there is still some danger.' MVL: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Caruana is happy to trade queens. The simplified endgame is drawish despite the pawn deficit, whereas with queens and knights near his king there is still some danger.' 50.Nf6+ *(50.Qxd6 Bxd6 51.g4 a5! 52.g5 a4* with an obvious draw now. *)* 50...Kf8 51.Qf5 Ke7 MVL: '!' 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'Another great defensive move.'' '!' '!' MVL: 'Another great defensive move.' *(* The immediate and tempting *51...Bd4* could run into *52.Nh7+! Ke7 53.Ng5 Bg8 54.Ng6+ Kd8 55.Nf7+ Bxf7 56.Qxf7* and this endgame is still very difficult - or impossible - to hold. *)* 52.N6d5+ Kf8

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from the pawn! 53.g4! Bd4 54.g5 Kg7 55.Qe4! Bb2 *(55...Qe5 56.Qxe5+ Bxe5 57.Kg4* and Kf5 and Ne6+ will follow with decisive effect.*)* 56.Ne3 Qe5 57.Nf5+ Kg8 *(57...Kf8 58.Qa8+ Qe8 59.Qxa7)* 58.Qxe5 Bxe5 59.Nh6+ Kg7 60.Nxf7 Bxf4 61.Kg4 with an easy win now.;

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53.Kg4!

Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' MVL: '?!' '?!' '?!' MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '!' Wagner, Dennis: 'activating the king!'' activating the king! 53...Bd4 MVL: '?!' 'MVL: '?!' MVL: 'It\'s easy to go harsh on the players after the game, but I have to point out the very few moments where Fabiano gave Anish more chances to win, as otherwise his defence was immaculate and simply extremely impressive given the dangerousness of the position.'' '?!' '?!' MVL: 'It\'s easy to go harsh on the players after the game, but I have to point out the very few moments where Fabiano gave Anish more chances to win, as otherwise his defence was immaculate and simply extremely impressive given the dangerousness of the position.' *(53...Kg7!)*

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54.Qc8+ Kg7 55.Qb7 MVL: '!' '!' '!' '!' MVL: 'was the last serious attempt at winning as Black\'s setup is disrupted (or he loses a pawn)' a5 56.Ne7! MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '!' Wagner, Dennis: 'maximizing the coordination of the knights!'' maximizing the coordination of the knights! Be6+ *(56...Kf8 57.Nf5 Qd8 58.Nh6)* 57.Kf3 Kf8 58.Neg6+ Kg8

59.Nxe6 MVL: 'It´s better to exchange the light-coloured bishop, because the weakness of the light squares on the kingside is more easily felt.' It´s better to exchange the light-coloured bishop, because the weakness of the light squares on the kingside is more easily felt. Qxe6 60.Nf4!+-;

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54.Nc7 MVL: '?!' '?!' '?!' 54...Be5 *(It wouldn't have taken Caruana long to reject 54...Qxc7?? due to 55.Ne6+)* 55.Ncd5 a5 56.Qc8+ Kg7 57.Ne3 Kh7 MVL: 'I don\'t know if this position is still winnable but at least Black improved his situation a lot, and even his potential counterplay on the queenside is ready to be launched.'

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58.Nf5! Qd1+ *(58...Qf6 59.Qd7 Kg8 60.Kf3 Bxf4 61.Kxf4±)* 59.Kg5+-;

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58.Qb7 Kg8 59.Qa8+

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59...Kh7?! 60.Qh1+ Kg8 61.Nf5 Qd7 62.Qa8+ Be8 *(62...Kh7 63.Qf8 Be8 64.Qh6+ Kg8 65.Qxb6)* 63.Qe4 and he would have to give up the pair of bishops. Bb2 64.Kh3 and White can start improving his position again.;

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59...Qb8 MVL: '!' '!' '!'

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60.Qc6 Qd6 61.Qc8+ Qf8 62.Qxf8+ Kxf8 63.Kf5 Bxf4 64.gxf4 a4 65.Nc4 *(65.bxa4 Bxa2 66.Nd1 Bb3 67.Nc3 Kf7)* 65...axb3 66.axb3 b5 67.Na5 b4! and in both cases White doesn\'t have enough pawns. As soon as the king runs to the queenside, Black\'s king comes and grab the pawn f4.;

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60.Qe4 Qd6 61.Nf5 Qd1+ 62.Ne2 *(62.Qf3*

Qxf3+ 63.Kxf3 Kh7 MVL: 'should be drawn.' should be drawn.*; 62.Kh3! Qf1+ 63.Kh2 Qf2+ 64.Ng2* MVL: 'For the moment White needs to retreat with his pieces in order to activate them with even more force after consolidation. Of course it´s difficult to decide on such a way of play during a practical game.' For the moment White needs to retreat with his pieces in order to activate them with even more force after consolidation. Of course it´s difficult to decide on such a way of play during a practical game. *Bf6 65.Kh3 Kh7 66.Ngh4 Qf1+ 67.Kg4; 62.Kg5 Qd8+!)* 62...Bg7 Glenn'MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'By this point, but probably from the start, Fabiano had clearly understood which bishop he needed to keep.'' Flear: 'Giri was probably pleased to see the back of one of Black's bishops, but even now Black is not without resources.' MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'By this point, but probably from the start, Fabiano had clearly understood which bishop he needed to keep.' Glenn Flear: 'Giri was probably pleased to see the back of one of Black's bishops, but even now Black is not without resources.' 63.Nxg7? MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '?' Wagner, Dennis: 'I don't like this exchange at this specific moment. In general it's good to halve the opponent's pair of bishops, but the problem is that the remaining White knight is currently pinned and it's difficult to restore coordination in the white camp.'' I don't like this exchange at this specific moment. In general it's good to halve the

opponent's pair of bishops, but the problem is that the remaining White knight is currently pinned and it's difficult to restore coordination in the white camp. *(63.Kh3! Qf1+ 64.Kh4±* MVL: 'should be preferred.' should be preferred.*)* 63...Kxg7 64.Qe5+ *(64.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 65.Nxd4 Kf6 66.Kf4 a4)* 64...Kg6 65.Kf3 *(65.Qe7 Kg7 66.Kf3 Qd3+ 67.Qe3 Qf5+ 68.Kg2 Qc2 69.Qc3+ Qxc3 70.Nxc3 Kf6 71.Kf2 Ke5 72.Ke3 Be6* MVL: 'with enough activity for a draw.' with enough activity for a draw.*)* 65...Qd3+ 66.Kf2 Qc2 Glenn'MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'Obvious maybe, but really the ideal setup!'' Flear: 'Yet another pin!' MVL: '!' '!' MVL: 'Obvious maybe, but really the ideal setup!' *(66...Qd2* is also good enough but probably Fabiano didn\'t want to be forced to evaluate every endgame even if he judged them to be very likely draws.*)* 67.Qd6+ Kg7 68.Qd4+ Kg8 69.Qg4+ Kf8 70.Qa4 Be8 *(70...Qd2* MVL: '!' *71.g4 Kg8=* MVL: '!' MVL: 'would have forced instant draw as White can\'t move his pieces at all. Wagner,Dennis: '='' *72.Kf3 Qd3+ 73.Kf2)* 71.Qa3+ Kg8 72.Qe7 Bf7 73.Qd8+ Kg7 74.Qd4+ Kg8 75.Qa4 Qd2 *(75...Kg7=* MVL: 'is easier.' is easier.*; 75...Bh5! 76.Qb5 Bf7* would have been more precise as now Anish can try one last attempt.*)* 76.Qg4+ Kf8 77.Qc8+! MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: '!''Ke7 *(77...Be8!? 78.a3 Qb2 79.Qe6 Qxa3 80.Qxb6 Qb2=)* 78.Qc7+ Kf8

79.a3! MVL: 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'At least he keeps the pawn a3 and not the pawn b3, keeping at least some life in the position.'' 'At least he keeps the pawn a3 and not the pawn b3, keeping at least some life in the position.' *(* Winning chances are close to zero after Glenn Flear: 'Winning chances are close to zero after' *79.Qxb6 Qxa2)* 79...Bxb3 80.Qb8+ Kf7 81.Qb7+ Kg8 82.Qxb6 Qa2 *(* Even the loose-looking *82...Bc4* is playable: *83.Qb8+ Kg7 84.Qc7+ Bf7* and White can't easily make any progress.*; 82...Bd1 83.Qe3 Qc2* was also enough.*)* 83.Qd8+ *(83.Qxa5 Bc4 84.Qd8+ Kf7 85.Qd7+ Kf8 86.Qf5+ Kg7 87.Qf3 Bxe2 88.Qxe2 Qxa3)* 83...Kf7 84.Qd7+ Kg8 85.Qe8+ Kg7 86.Qe7+ Bf7 87.g4 Qd2 MVL: '!' 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'A great move to make in time trouble.'' '!' '!' MVL: 'A great move to make in time trouble. Wagner,Dennis: 'White still cannot make real progress. '' White still cannot make real progress. *(* *87...Qe6* reaching a drawn endgame was also possible but maybe Fabiano wasn\'t 100% sure that nothing bad could happen. *88.Qxe6 Bxe6 89.g5 Bb3 90.Nf4 a4* But White can\'t make progress here. *)* 88.Qc5 *(88.Qe3 Qxe3+ 89.Kxe3 Kf6* MVL: 'the main problem is that the ending is drawn without queens.' the main problem is that the ending is drawn without queens. *90.Nd4 a4 91.Kf4 Bb3 92.g5+ Kg6 93.Nf3 Bc2 94.Ne5+ Kg7)* 88...Be6 MVL: '!' '!' '!' 89.Qe5+ Kf7 90.g5 Glenn Flear: 'The pawn

advances and offers White use of the f6-square.' Qa2 MVL: '!' 'MVL: '!' MVL: 'I couldn\'t believe Fabiano was avoiding all queen exchanges, especially with such a weird looking move, but he had it all under control, as now Anish can\'t prevent Bc4 or Qxa3." '!' '!' MVL: 'I couldn\'t believe Fabiano was avoiding all queen exchanges, especially with such a weird looking move, but he had it all under control, as now Anish can\'t prevent Bc4 or Qxa3.' *(90...Bg4 91.Qf4+ Qxf4+ 92.Nxf4 Bf5 93.Ke3 a4 94.Kd4 Bc2 95.Kc3 Bb3)* 91.Qf6+ Ke8 MVL: 'Wagner, Dennis: 'White suffers from his weak king and lacks activity. He has no chance of converting his extra p a w n . ' ' White suffers from his weak king and lacks activity. He has no chance of converting his extra pawn.

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Glenn Flear: 'The 'obvious' advance' 92.g6 Glenn Flear: 'leads to a draw e.g. ' Bc4 93.Qf3 a4 94.g7 Bxe2! 95.Qxe2+ *(95.Qf8+ Kd7 96.g8Q??* even gives Black all the chances after Glenn Flear: 'even gives Black all the chances after' *Bc4+)* 95...Qxe2+ 96.Kxe2 Kf7 97.Kd3 Kxg7 98.Kc3 Kf6 99.Kb4 Ke6 100.Kxa4 Kd6 101.Kb5 Kc7=;

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92.Ke3 Qxa3+ 93.Kf4 Qd6+;

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92.Qc3 Bc4;

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92.Qh8+ Ke7 93.Qh7+ Kf8

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94.g6 Qb2! not even allowing the symbolic advantage of the Q + N v s Q endgame. White just doesn\'t have a move available to

threaten anything. *(94...Qxa3 95.g7+ Ke8 96.Qg6+ Kd7 97.Qxe6+ Kxe6 98.g8Q+ Kd7)* 95.Qh6+ Kg8 96.g7 Qb6+; **D3d22222233222222222242)** 94.Qh8+ Ke7 95.Qg7+ Ke8 96.Qh8+ MVL: 'MVL: 'Even if you\'d be tempted to laugh a bit at Anish managing to make a draw with 4 pawns up - and rightfully so, in a way - the technical options he chose were very tempting to my eyes as well as it is always welcome to keep control over the game, all the more when we have great winning chances. Also, Fabiano\'s amazing defence was not obvious to expect as his king looked in a gloomy situation against the queen and the two knights. From a more pragmatic point of view, a missed chance for Anish who will not have too many more available to fight for the tournament win, while Fabiano remains fully in contention!'' 'Even if you\'d be tempted to laugh a bit at Anish managing to make a draw with 4 pawns up - and rightfully so, in a way - the technical options he chose were very tempting to my eyes as well as it is always welcome to keep control over the game, all the more when we have great winning chances. Also, Fabiano\'s amazing defence was not obvious to expect as his king looked in a gloomy situation against the queen and the two knights. From a more pragmatic point of view, a missed chance for Anish who will not have too many more available to fight for the tournament win, while Fabiano remains fully in contention! Wagner, Dennis: 'Giri reacted pretty well

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[11...Re8 12.h5 e4 *(12...N8d7 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Rd1 Nf8 15.Bg5 Bf6 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.Ne4±* 1-0 Lobo,R-Zugic,I/San Francisco 1999/CBM 068 ext (35)*)* 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.0-0-0 exf3 15.Nxf3 N8d7 16.d6 Nf6 17.Ng5 h6 18.Bxb6 Qxb6 19.Bc4+ Kf8 20.d7 Bxd7 21.Nh7+ Nxh7 22.Qxd7 Qe3+ 23.Kb1 Re7 24.Qd5 Nf6 25.Rhf1 1-0 Khismatullin,D-Gasanov,E/Serpukhov 2004/CBM 103 ext]

12.h5 2:09 Szuhanek,Ranko: 'Roiz, M: '!?' Roiz, M: 'A very rare, and quite interesting move - the knight definitely had no really useful functions on b3.'' 12...Nf6 6 Szuhanek,Ranko: 'Roiz, M: '!' Roiz, M: 'The most principled reply - it forces White to exchange the dark-squared bishop. This position was seen only once before."

[12...e4 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Nxe4 *(14.Bh6 e3 15.Bxe3 Ne5 16.b3 Bf5 17.Kf2 Rc8 18.Rc1 Re8 19.Bb5 Nbd7 20.Bd4 Nd3+ 21.Bxd3 Bxd4+ 22.Kf1 Be3 23.Qd1 Bxd3+ 24.Qxd3 Bxc1 25.Nge2 Bg5 26.d6 Re3 27.Qd4 Qf6 28.Qxa7 Rexc3 29.Nxc3 Qxc3 30.Qxb7 Qc1+ 31.Kf2 Rc2+ 32.Kg3 Qf4+* 0-1 (32) lordplayer64 (2605)-lagloriaesdedios (2707) Rapid 2022*)* 14...Re8 15.Ne2 Ne5 16.Bd4 Qxd5 17.Rd1 Bf5 18.N2c3 Qe6 19.Qf2 Rad8 20.Bb5 Bxe4 21.Nxe4 Rxd4 22.Rxd4 Nc6 23.Bxc6 bxc6 24.Kf1 Qxa2 25.Rd1 Qxb2 26.Qh4 Qb5+ 27.Kg1 Qe5 28.Rd8 Qa1+ 29.Kh2 Qe5+ 30.Kh3 Qe6+ 31.g4 Nd5 32.Rxe8+ Qxe8 33.Re1 Nf4+ 34.Kh2 Qe5 35.Kh1 Ne6 36.Qh2 Qd4 37.Qf2 Qe5 38.Qh2 Qd4 39.Qf2 Qe5 40.Qxa7 Qf4 41.Qf2 f5 42.gxf5 Qxf5 43.Ng3 Qf6 44.Kg1 Nf4 45.Kh1 Kh7 46.Qh2+ Kg8 47.Ne4 Qf5 48.Ng3 Qf6 49.Rg1 Bh6 50.Ne4 Qf5 51.Qxh6 Kf7 52.Qh2 Ke6 53.Ng3 Nh3 54.Nxf5 1-0 (54) masterofpuppets2 (2609)-doberman_33 (2611) Blitz 2021]

13.hxg6 1:28 Szuhanek,Ranko: 'Roiz, M: 'This innovation is a clear improvement over 1 preceding game." 13...fxg6 5 Chess Evolution: 'Both players have played their moves very fast until this point. It's a bit strange that

almost all the engines give White quite a big advantage - which is not obvious at all with "human eyes"! This makes the position very tricky and hard to analyze. Both players have played their moves very fast until this point. It's a bit strange that almost all the engines give White quite a big advantage - which is not obvious at all with "human eyes"! This makes the position very tricky and hard to analyze.' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: '! This move is of course killing the pawn structure, but the rook on f8 is immediately getting into the game. It is clear that in the current position the dynamics are much more important than positional things. This move is of course killing the pawn structure, but the rook on f8 is immediately getting into the game. It is clear that in the current position the dynamics are much more important than positional things.' Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Positionally this is a wrong decision, but the h-file could not be opened because Black gets mated after Bh6. Of course, positional factors are irrelevant in such sharp positions." Glenn Flear: 'Diagram# Until here, we were following the theory, and now Jones deviates with a novelty. I'm not sure if it was a prepared one, it's possible that he was just caught by surprise when Anand played the Gruenfeld defense! Diagram# Until here, we were following the theory, and now Jones deviates with a novelty. I'm not sure if it was a prepared one, it's possible that he was just caught by surprise when Anand played the Gruenfeld defense! Diagram# Until here, we were following the theory, and now Jones deviates with a novelty. I'm not sure if it was a prepared one, it's possible that he was just caught by surprise when Anand played the Gruenfeld defense! Balogh Csaba: 'Diagram# Until here, we were following the theory, and now Jones deviates with a novelty. I'm not sure if it was a prepared one, it's possible that he was just caught by surprise when Anand played the Gruenfeld defense! Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

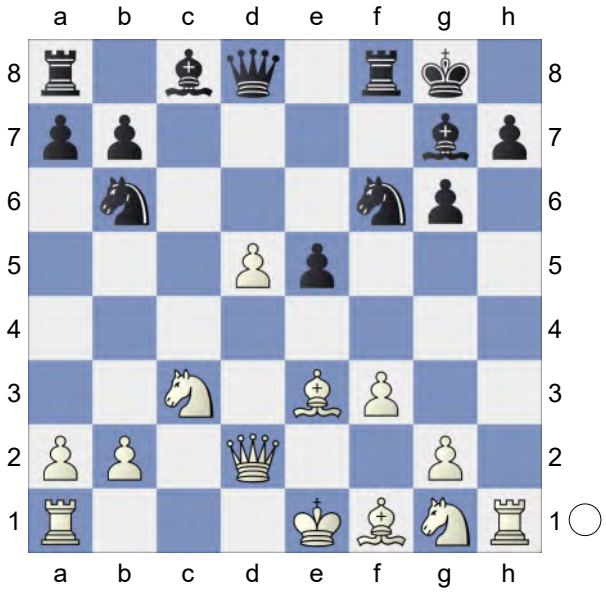
[Of course, not Natürlich nicht 13...hxg6? 14.Bh6 Chess Evolution: 'with a mating attack.'with a strong attack, e.g.mit einem starken Angriff, z.B. *(14.0-0-0)*

A) 14...Nh5? 15.g4 Nf4 16.Qh2 *(16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nge2 Nbxd5 18.0-0-0 Be6 19.Nxf4 Nxf4 20.Qh2 Rh8 21.Qxh8+ Qxh8 22.Rxh8 Rxh8 23.Ne2 Nd5 24.Nc3 Ne3 25.Re1 Nxf1 26.Rxf1 Rh2 27.Re1 Kf6 28.Ne4+ Kg7 29.Nc5 Bd5 30.Re3 f6 31.g5 Rh3 32.gxf6+ Kxf6 33.Nd7+ Ke6 34.Nxe5 Kf5 35.Kd2 Rh2+ 36.Kc3 Kf4 37.Kd4 Rd2+ 38.Nd3+ Kf5 39.Kxd5 g5 40.Kd4 b6 41.Re5+ Kf6 42.Re3 Rd1 43.a4 a6 44.b3 b5 45.axb5 axb5 46.Kc5 Rb1 47.b4 Rb3 48.Kxb5 Kf5 49.Kc4 Rb1 50.b5 Ra1 51.Kc5 Ra8 52.Nb4 Ra1 53.Nc6 Rc1+ 54.Kd6 Rb1 55.Re5+ Kf4 56.Rc5 Kxf3 57.Rxg5 Kf4 58.Rc5 Rb2 59.Nd4 Rd2 60.Kd5 Rb2 61.Kc4 Rb1 62.Nb3 Ke3 63.Kb4 Rb2 64.Rc3+*

Ke2 65.Rc4 Rb1 66.Re4+ Kd3 67.Rc4 Rb2 68.Rc3+ Ke4 69.Rc1 Rb1 70.Rxb1 Kd5 71.Rc1 Ke4 72.Rc4+ Kf3 73.b6 Ke2 74.b7 Ke3 75.b8Q Kf2 76.Qd8 Ke1 77.Rc7 Kf1 78.Re7 Kg2 79.Qf8 Kg1 80.Rg7+ Kh2 81.Qh8# 1-0 (81) Consent_to_treatment (2754)-ChuckPhil (2594) Blitz 2022 *)*;

B) 14...Nbxd5 15.Bxg7 1-0 (15) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2685) Blitz 2022;

C) 14...Nfxd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qh6+ Kf6 17.Rd1 *(17.Ne4+ Ke7 18.Qg5+ Ke6 19.Qg4+ Ke7 20.Qg3 Qc7 21.Qg5+ f6 22.Qxg6 Be6)* 17...Be6 18.Ne4+ Ke7 19.Qg5+ f6 20.Rh7+ Rf7 21.Nxf6!± Rxh7 22.Nxh7+ Kf7 23.Qh6 Qh8 24.Bd3 Nf4 25.Ne2 Nbd5 26.Nxf4 Nxf4 27.Kf2]



As Black, Anand plays the line which was used by Gelfand against him in one of the most interesting games of their match.'" Glenn Flear: 'The main line continues with The main line continues with The main line continues with The main line continues with Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The 3rd game Anand-Gelfand of the Moscow Wch 2012 had continued'" 14.0-0-0 16 Stohl,Igor: 'with very unclear play. Anand,V - Gelfand,B WCC Moscow 2012.' Wagner,Dennis: 'was Black\'s favourite choice. Here he has a choice between' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram [Glenn Flear: 'After' 14.d6 Postny,Evgeny: '(Arsovic,Goran) - 99/(313)'

A) 14...Be6 15.Nh3 Glenn Flear: 'Black captured on h3 in the following, losing a tempo in the process: Black captured on h3 in the following, losing a tempo in the process:' Bxh3 *(15...Rc8 16.Ng5 Qd7 17.Bb5 Rc6 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Nxe6 Qxe6 20.Bxb6 axb6 21.0-0 Rd8 22.Rad1 Bf8 23.Qe3 b5 24.f4 Ng4 25.Qf3 Bxd6 26.Ne4 Be7 27.Rxd8+ Bxd8 28.fxe5 Be7 29.Ng5 Qc4 30.b3 Qc5+ 31.Kh1 Nxe5 32.Qh3 Bxg5 33.Qc8+ Kg7 34.Qc7+ Kh6 35.Qc8 Qe3 36.Qf8+ Kh5 37.Qe8 Qg3 38.Qg8 Qh4+* 0-1 (38) Lucky1357924680 (2755)-QuarterPawn (2731) Blitz 2025*; 15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Ng5 Qd7 18.0-0-0 Rac8 19.Kb1 b5 20.Nce4 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Qe6 22.Qa5 Bd5 23.Nc5 Qxd6 24.Qd2 Rfd8 25.Qb4 Qe7 26.Ka1 a5 27.Qxb5 Rb8 28.Qa4 e4 29.Bd4 Rb4 30.Qxa5 Rxd4 31.fxe4 Bf7 32.Rxd4 Bxd4 33.Rd1 Bxb2+*

34.Kxb2 Rxd1 0-1 (34) Lucky1357924680 (2702)-Carobee (2717) Blitz 2024*; 15...Nbd5 16.Ng5 Nxe3 17.Nxe6 Nxf1 18.Rxf1 Qd7 19.Nxf8 Rxf8 20.0-0-0 Kh8 21.Kb1 Ne8 22.Ne4 Nf6 23.Rc1 Nxe4 24.fxe4 Rd8 25.Rc7 Qxd6* 1-0 (25) unitedff (2602)-MightBeDecent (2611) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Rxh3 Rc8 17.Bg5 Qd7 18.Rh4 Qe6 19.Rd1 Rf7 20.a4 Glenn Flear: 'Laznicka, V-Areshchenko, A Moscow 2007, and White retained the initiative. Laznicka, V-Areshchenko, A Moscow 2007, and White retained the initiative.' Qb3 21.a5 Nbd7 22.Bd3 e4 23.Bb1 *(23.Nxe4)*;

B) 14...Nh5 15.Bg5 Bf6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.0-0-0;

C) 14...e4 15.0-0-0 *(15.fxe4 Re8)* 15...Be6 *(15...exf3 16.Nxf3 Bf5 17.Bh6 Rc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Bd3 Qd7 20.Ne5 Qxd6 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.Bxf5 Rxc3+ 23.bxc3 Qxe5 24.Bc2 Qxc3 25.Kb1 Nc4 26.Qc1 Na3+* 0-1 (26) Poirot_Hercule (2674)-MagdalenaBay (2584) Blitz 2023*)* 16.Kb1 *(16.fxe4 Ng4 17.Bd4 Qxd6 18.Nf3 Rad8 19.Qg5 Qf4+ 20.Qxf4 Rxf4 21.Bxg7 Rxd1+ 22.Nxd1 Kxg7 23.Ng5 Bg8 24.g3 Rf6 25.Be2 Ne5 26.Nh3 Bxa2 27.Nf4 Bf7 28.Nc3 Rd6 29.Kc2 Nbc4 30.Nfd5 a6 31.b3 Nb6 32.Ne3 Nbd7 33.Kb2 Rb6 34.Ncd5 Rd6 35.Rc1 Rc6 36.Rd1 Nc5 37.Nf4 Nxb3 38.Rd8 Rb6 39.Kc3 Nc5 40.Ned5 Rb3+ 41.Kc2 Nc6 42.Rc8 Nd4+ 43.Kd2 Nxe4+ 44.Ke1 Rxg3 45.Rc7 Rg1+ 46.Bf1 Ng3 47.Kf2 Rxf1+ 48.Kxg3 g5 49.Nh5+ Kg6 50.Kg2 Bxd5+ 51.Kxf1 Kxh5 52.Rxh7+ Kg6 53.Rd7 Bc4+ 54.Ke1 Ne6 55.Rxb7 Kf5 56.Rb6 Bb5 57.Kd2 g4 58.Rb8 Ng5 59.Rg8 Kf4 60.Ke1 Nf3+ 61.Kf2 Nd4 62.Rf8+ Nf5 63.Rd8 g3+ 64.Kg1 Nh4 65.Rf8+ Kg4 66.Rg8+ Kh3 67.Rf8 Bc6 68.Rf7 Bd5 69.Kf1 Bxf7 70.Ke2 Bh5+ 71.Ke3 g2 72.Kf4 g1N 73.Ke5 Be2 74.Kd6 Bf1 75.Kc7 a5 76.Kb6 a4 77.Ka5 a3 78.Kb4 a2 79.Kc5 a1B 80.Kc6 Bf6 81.Kd6 Bg5 82.Kd7 Bf4 83.Ke6 Bg3 84.Kd5 Bg2+ 85.Kc4 Ngf3 86.Kb3 Kg4 87.Kc2 Nf5 88.Kb2 N5d4 89.Ka2 Bf1 90.Ka1 Bc4 91.Kb1 Be5 92.Kb2 Nb3+ 93.Ka3 Nfd4 94.Kb4 Nc5 95.Ka5 Bd3* 0-1 (95) Lucky1357924680 (2755)-QuarterPawn (2732) Blitz 2025 *)* 16...Rc8 17.Nh3 *(17.fxe4 Rxc3 18.Qxc3 Nxe4; 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Rxc3 19.bxc3 Na4)*]

[14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rf7]

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A) Balogh Csaba: 'The greedy Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Risky for Black is'' 14...Nfxd5 was not advisable because of was not advisable because of was not advisable because of Balogh Csaba: 'was not advisable because of Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ', which opens the a2-g8 diagonal.'' 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Ng5 !!! Balogh Csaba: '!' *(* Balogh Csaba: 'The tempting Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'not'' *16.Bc4* ? doesn't work. ? doesn't work. ? doesn't work. Balogh Csaba: '?' Balogh Csaba: 'doesn't work. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '??'' *Qh4+* !!! Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+'*)* 16...Nxe3 17.Qxe3 and White has more than enough compensation for the pawn. Suddenly, the king on g8 is much more vulnerable than the one on e1. White threatens Bc4, for example. and White has more than enough compensation for the pawn. Suddenly, the king on g8 is much more vulnerable than the one on e1. White threatens Bc4, for example. and White has more than enough compensation for the pawn. Suddenly, the king on g8 is much more vulnerable than the one on e1. White threatens Bc4, for example. Balogh Csaba: 'and White has more than enough compensation for the pawn. Suddenly, the king on g8 is much more vulnerable than the one on e1. White threatens Bc4, for example. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'and if'' Qa5+ is simply met with 18.Kf2 White needs the queens on the board to lead an effective attack. White needs the queens on the board to lead an effective attack. White needs the queens on the board to lead an effective attack. Balogh Csaba: 'White needs the queens on the board to lead an effective attack.';

B) 14...e4!? Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The usual antidote in this variation. Open lines and active pieceplay are more important than counting pawns. ! A great reaction and also the most principled move to open the position against the king on e1; it can only look for safety by castling queenside, where it moves into the diagonal of the g7 bishop. The usual antidote in this variation. Open lines and active pieceplay are more important than counting pawns. ! A great reaction and also the most principled move to open the position against the king on e1; it can only look for safety by castling queenside, where it moves into the diagonal of the g7 bishop. The usual antidote in this variation. Open lines and active pieceplay are more important than counting pawns. The usual antidote in this variation. Open lines and active pieceplay are more

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B1) Glenn Flear: 'After After After After Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'If'" 16.Bc5! is a better attempt at creating problems for Black, when Arsovic,Goran: 'is a better attempt at creating problems for Black, when Glenn Flear: 'is a better attempt at creating problems for Black, when'' Glenn Flear: 'Black should 'flick in' was the right move according to the machine, but to give up the c1-h6 diagonal is really unhuman, as it deprives White from castling queenside because of Bh6. Black should 'flick in' was the right move according to the machine, but to give up the c1-h6 diagonal is really unhuman, as it deprives White from castling queenside because of Bh6. Black should 'flick in' Black should 'flick in' was the right move according to the machine, but to give up the c1-h6 diagonal is really unhuman, as it deprives White from castling queenside because of Bh6. Balogh Csaba: 'was the right move according to the machine, but to give up the c1-h6 diagonal is really unhuman, as it deprives White from castling queenside because of Bh6. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'a serious option is''' Bh6 is given as slightly better for White by the computer. Even so, White's king, stranded in the centre, will be a source of counter chances for Black Arsovic,Goran: 'is given as slightly better for White by the computer. Even so, White's king, stranded in the centre, will be a source of counter chances for Black Glenn Flear: 'is given as slightly better for White by the computer. Even so, White's king, stranded in the centre, will be a source of counter chances for Black'' Glenn Flear: 'before moving his rook, as then White would have to live with a draughty king.' *(16...Rf7* ? is bad. ? is bad. ? is bad. Balogh Csaba: '?' *17.Ng5; 16...Bd7* is also possible with an exchange sacrifice. *17.Bxf8 Qxf8* Black has total domination on the dark squares and the haunt of the king can begin... The computer is not impressed by this at all, but it looks very dangerous to me. Black has total domination on the dark squares and the haunt of the king can begin... The computer is not impressed by this at all, but it looks very dangerous to me. Black has total domination on the dark squares and the haunt of the king can begin... The computer is not impressed by this at all, but it looks very dangerous to me. Balogh Csaba: 'Black has total domination on the dark squares and the haunt of the king can begin... The computer is not impressed by this at all, but it looks very dangerous to me.'*; 16...Rxf1+!?* (making the c4 square available for the knight). After other moves by White, including the text,

Black's compensation is more obvious. *)* 17.Qd3 Rf7 looks terrible for White, but according to the machine, the game is far from clear after, for instance looks terrible for White, but according to the machine, the game is far from clear after, for instance looks terrible for White, but according to the machine, the game is far from clear after, for instance Balogh Csaba: 'looks terrible for White, but according to the machine, the game is far from clear after, for instance' 18.Be2 Anyway, I don't suggest anyone to try this in a practical game. Anyway, I don't suggest anyone to try this in a practical game. Anyway, I don't suggest anyone to try this in a practical game. Balogh Csaba: 'Anyway, I don't suggest anyone to try this in a practical game.';

B2) Glenn Flear: 'Worthy of consideration is the alternative continuation' 16.Bg5 Glenn Flear: '!' Qe8 *(16...Qd6 17.0-0-0 Ne5* is similar to the game. Black has a huge attack. One of the threats is Bg4 followed by Rc8 and Nbc4. is similar to the game. Black has a huge attack. One of the threats is Bg4 followed by Rc8 and Nbc4. is similar to the game. Black has a huge attack. One of the threats is Bg4 followed by Rc8 and Nbc4. Balogh Csaba: 'is similar to the game. Black has a huge attack. One of the threats is Bg4 followed by Rc8 and Nbc4.') 17.0-0-0 Glenn Flear: 'which is hard to judge. This idea could justify 14.Nh3.';

B3) 16.Bf4 Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'A poor move as the bishop isn't stable here. This is probably a mistake, but in my opinion, it's almost impossible to play this position well as a human. Black's attack is rolling, while White can stay in the game by finding the only moves, which are not obvious at all. It was not a wise decision by Jones to go for this line without proper preparation. A poor move as the bishop isn't stable here. This is probably a mistake, but in my opinion, it's almost impossible to play this position well as a human. Black's attack is rolling, while White can stay in the game by finding the only moves, which are not obvious at all. It was not a wise decision by Jones to go for this line without proper preparation. A poor move as the bishop isn't stable here. A poor move as the bishop isn't stable here. This is probably a mistake, but in my opinion, it's almost impossible to play this position well as a human. Black's attack is rolling, while White can stay in the game by finding the only moves, which are not obvious at all. It was not a wise decision by Jones to go for this line without proper preparation. Balogh Csaba: 'This is probably a mistake, but in my opinion, it's almost impossible to play this position well as a human. Black's

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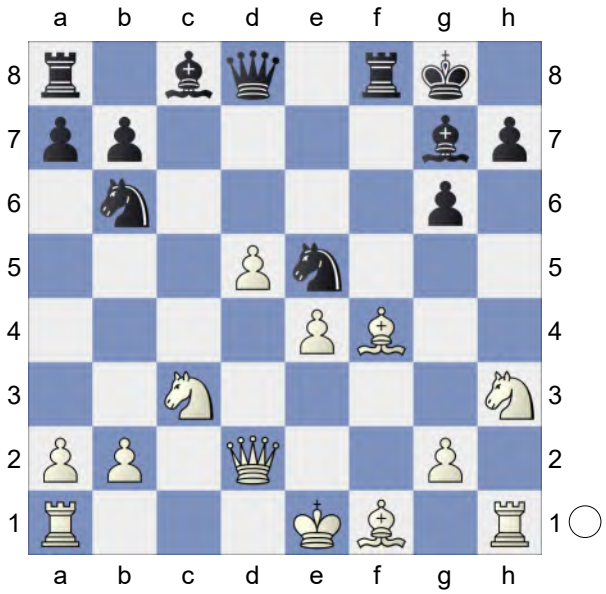

Already here, Black's chances can be preferred.'"

B3a) Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After''' 17.0-0-0 Glenn Flear: 'is not better. is not better. is not better. Balogh Csaba: 'is not better. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black would have had a good choice:'" Bg4 Glenn Flear: 'Black's pieces are coming with tempo. Black's pieces are coming with tempo. Black's pieces are coming with tempo. Balogh Csaba: 'Black's pieces are coming with tempo.'' *(or 17...Nec4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4)* 18.Re1 *(18.Be2* loses to *Nec4 19.Qc2 Bxh3* ! and f4 falls. ! and f4 falls. ! and f4 falls. Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'and f4 falls.'*)* 18...Nec4 leaves White with serious problems on both wings 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Qd3 Rc8 21.e5 Qb6

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B3b) Glenn Flear: 'The logical continuation' 17.Ng5 Glenn Flear: 'fails to' Nbc4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Qf2 Nxb2 Glenn Flear: '!';

B3c) Glenn Flear: 'Even the 'solid" 17.Be2 Nbc4 18.Qc1 Bxh3 19.Rxh3 Qb6 Glenn Flear: 'favours Black.';

B3d) 17.Bg5 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '"Preparing" the final mistake on the next move.'" 17...Qd6 Glenn Flear: 'Black has some useful-looking squares for his pawn, and White has already run out of good ideas. It's very nice to see how Anand only plays on the dark squares. All these ideas are the fruits of the 14... e4 move! Black has some useful-looking squares for his pawn, and White has already run out of good ideas. It's very nice to see how Anand only plays on the dark squares. All these ideas are the fruits of the 14...e4 move! Black has some useful-looking squares for his pawn, and White has already run out of good ideas. Black has some useful-looking squares for his pawn, and White has already run out of good ideas. It's very nice to see how Anand only plays on the dark squares. All these ideas are the fruits of the 14... e4 move! Balogh Csaba: 'It's very nice to see how Anand only plays on the dark squares. All these ideas are the fruits of the 14...e4 move! Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!" Black has some useful-looking squares for his pawn, and White has already run out of good ideas.' 18.Nb5?! Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?''' *(*Glenn Flear: 'After' *18.0-0-0 Bg4* Glenn Flear: 'is as bad as the 17.0-0-0 line. is as bad as the 17.0-0-0 line. is as bad as the 17.0-0-0 line. Balogh Csaba: 'is as bad as the 17.0-0-0 line.'' *19.Be2 Nec4* Glenn Flear: 'Black's attack is already decisive e.g.' *20.Qc2 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qa3+ 23.Kb1 Na4; 18.b3* to prevent Nc4 doesn't really reach its aim. *Nec4* ! wins because the c3 knight lost its stability. ! wins because the c3 knight lost its stability. ! wins because the c3 knight lost its stability. Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'wins because the c3 knight lost its stability.' *19.bxc4 Qg3+* ! wins. ! wins. ! wins. Balogh Csaba: '!*)* 18...Qc5 was favourable for Black in Jones, G-Anand, V London 2012, noting that Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.

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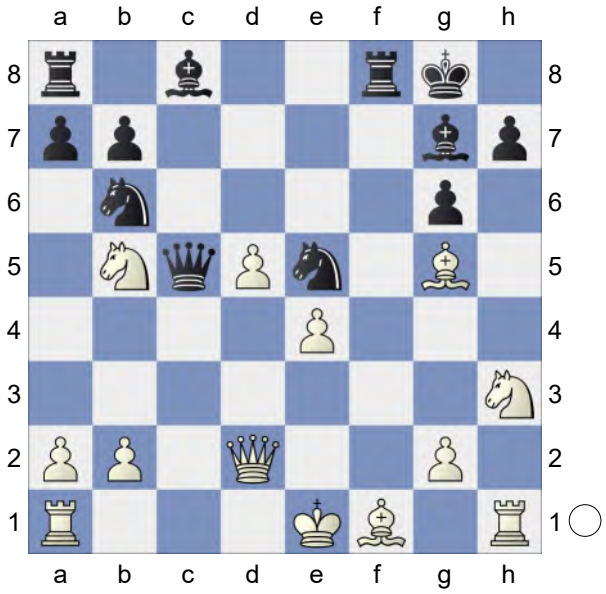
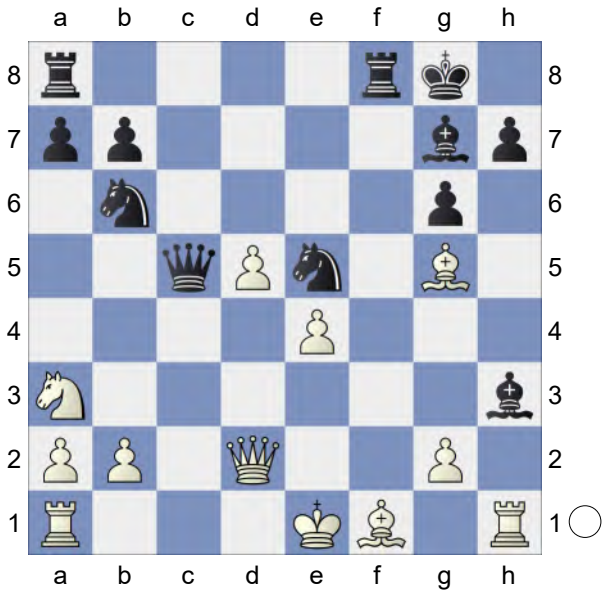


Black is threatening ...♖xf1+, winning two pieces for a rook. Because of this, White does not have time to attack the black queen.'"

B3d1) 19.Na3 Glenn Flear: 'An admission of defeat. Diagram An admission of defeat. Diagram An admission of defeat. An admission of defeat. Diagram Balogh Csaba: 'Diagram Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Now White is behind in development, and Black wins by force.'''Bxh3 Glenn Flear: '! Black wins by force after this move. Anand has precisely calculated everything. White doesn't have a good way to recapture, as the f3 square must be protected and Rxh3 leaves the f1 bishop alone. ! Black wins by force after this move. Anand has precisely calculated everything. White doesn't have a good way to recapture, as the f3 square must be protected and Rxh3 leaves the f1 bishop alone. ! Black wins by force after this move. Anand has precisely calculated everything. White doesn't have a good way to recapture, as the f3 square must be protected and Rxh3 leaves the f1 bishop alone. Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Black wins by force after this move. Anand has precisely calculated everything. White doesn't have a good way to recapture, as the f3 square must be protected and Rxh3 leaves the f1 bishop alone. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



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B3d11) Glenn Flear:

'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After''' 20.Rxh3 Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'good enough is''' Nbc4 Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+'" *(* Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'which is even more precise than'' *20...Qg1 21.Qe2 Ng4* is also winning. Black has numerous threats, for example Rf2, Nh2 or Bxb2. is also winning. Black has numerous threats, for example Rf2, Nh2 or Bxb2. is also winning. Black has numerous threats, for example Rf2, Nh2 or Bxb2. Balogh Csaba: 'is also winning. Black has numerous threats, for example Rf2, Nh2 or Bxb2.' *)*

B3d111) 21.Nxc4 Nxc4 White can't hold the attack 22.Qc2 *(22.Bxc4 Qg1+ 23.Ke2 Rf2+ 24.Ke3 Rf1+ 25.Kd3 Qd4+* All the pieces start to fall. *)* 22...Rxf1+ 23.Kxf1 Ne3+;

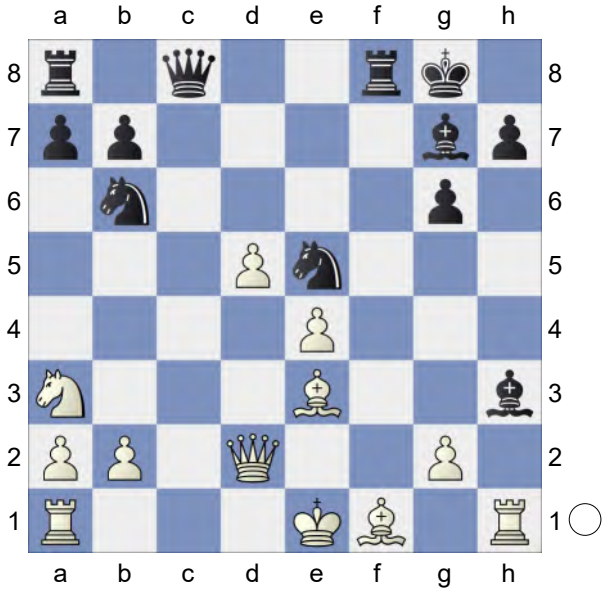
B3d112) 21.Qc2 Qb4+ Glenn Flear: 'and the attack plays itself.';

B3d12) 20.gxh3 Nf3+;

B3d13) 20.Rc1 [%t Shrt] is Rxf1+ ! 21.Rxf1 *(21.Kxf1 Rf8+ 22.Ke1 Nd3+* !!! Balogh Csaba: '!' *23.Qxd3 Qf2+ 24.Kd1 Bg4+)* 21...Qxc1+ ! 22.Qxc1 Nd3+ 23.Kd2 Nxc1 and Black ends up with an extra piece in any case. 24.gxh3 Bxb2 *(* or *24...Nxa2)*;

B3d14) 20.Be3 Glenn Flear: 'White sends the queen away from the diagonal in order to be able to take back with Rxh3 and prevent the Qg1 ideas, but this loses as well. White sends the queen away from the diagonal in order to be able to take back with Rxh3 and prevent the Qg1 ideas, but this loses as well. White sends the queen away from the diagonal in order to be able to take back with Rxh3 and prevent the Qg1 ideas, but this loses as well. Balogh Csaba: 'White sends the queen away from the diagonal in order to be able to take back with Rxh3 and prevent the Qg1 ideas, but this loses as well.'' 20...Qc8 Glenn Flear: '! The first visual mistake, as Anand

puts one of his pieces on a light square. The only reason is that Black could win on the spot with a tactical motif. ! The first vi sual mistake, as Anand puts one of his pieces on a light square. The only reason is that Black could win on the spot with a tactical motif. ! The first vi sual mistake, as Anand puts one of his pieces on a light square. The only reason is that Black could win on the spot with a tactical motif. Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'The first vi sual mistake, as Anand puts one of his pieces on a light square. The only reason is that Black could win on the spot with a tactical motif. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



A very important retreat.'"

21.Rc1 *(21.Rxh3* Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'loses to" *Qxh3* ! is the point! ! is the point! ! is the point! Balogh Csaba: '!' *22.gxh3 Nf3+* Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+'' *23.Ke2 Nxd2* and the problem is that b2 also falls in the next move, which leads to the loss of another piece. and the problem is that b2 also falls in the next move, which leads to the loss of another piece. and the problem is that b2 also falls in the next move, which leads to the loss of another piece. Balogh Csaba: 'and the problem is that b2 also falls in the next move, which leads to the loss of another piece.'*)* 21...Qg4 22.Rxh3 Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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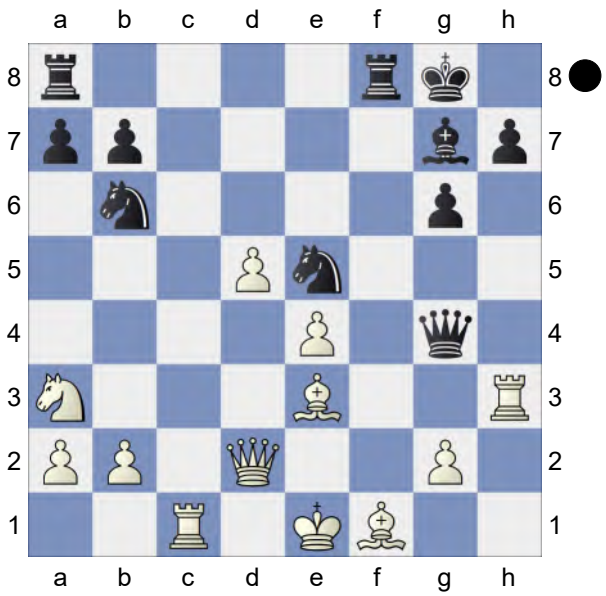

"" Qxh3 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The game is effectively over already. ! The game is effectively over already. ! The game is effectively over already. The game is effectively over already. !' *(22...Qxe4!?* should be good enough for a win as well. *)* 23.gxh3 Nf3+ 24.Ke2 Nxd2 25.Bxd2 Bxb2 Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for White, the intermediate move 21.Rc1 didn't change anything, since he loses material in this case again. Unfortunately for White, the intermediate move 21.Rc1 didn't change anything, since he loses material in this case again. Unfortunately for White, the intermediate move 21.Rc1 didn't change anything, since he loses material in this case again. Balogh Csaba: 'Unfortunately for White, the intermediate move 21.Rc1 didn't change anything, since he loses material in this case again." 26.Nb5 Bxc1 27.Bxc1 Glenn Flear: 'Obviously, everything is winning now, but Anand decided to finish this great tactical game in the same fashion... Obviously, everything is winning now, but Anand decided to finish this great tactical game in the same fashion... Obviously, everything is winning now, but Anand decided to finish this great tactical game in the same fashion... Balogh Csaba: 'Obviously, everything is winning now, but Anand decided to finish this great tactical game in the same fashion... Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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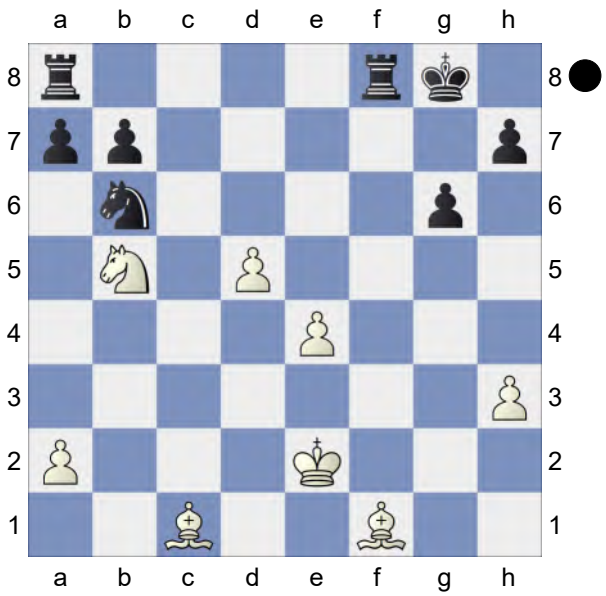
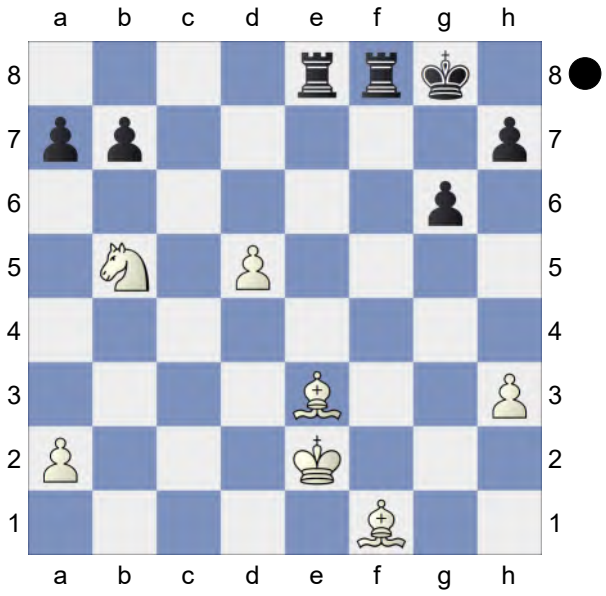


"" Nxd5 Glenn Flear: '! ! ! Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'An energetic way of converting the advantage. "" 28.exd5 Rae8+ 29.Be3 Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



"" Rxf1 0-1 (29) Luehrig, W (2644)-Peglau,M (2775) Las Palmas 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/ Knight];

B3d2) 19.Rc1? is already losing to Glenn Flear: 'Black has two ways to win: Black has two ways to win: Black has two ways to win: Balogh Csaba: 'Black has two ways to win:'' 19...Rxf1+! Glenn Flear: 'is the easiest and Qxb5 next. ' *(19...Nec4* is even stronger. is even stronger. is even stronger. Balogh Csaba: 'is even stronger.' *20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Qe2 Qb4+ 22.Nc3 Nxb2* White collapses. *)*]

[14.Rd1 e4 15.Nxe4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Bg4 17.Be2 Qd6 18.Nf3 Rae8 19.Bd4 Rxe4 20.Bxg7 Qg3+ 21.Kf1 Bxf3 22.Bxf3 Rxf3+ 23.Kg1 Nc4 24.Qc2 Rfe3 0-1 (24) penguingim1 (2616)-Harrison_Wells (2632) Blitz 2018]

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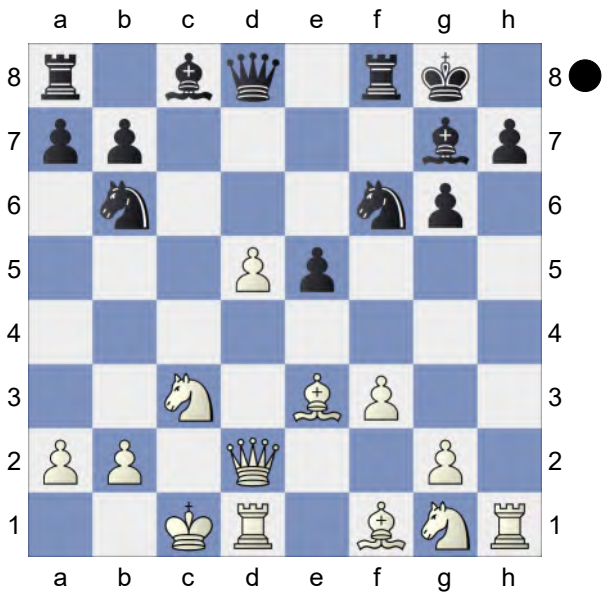


' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram [#]' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram [#]" Anand: '!' Anand: 'This move is much stronger than 14.♕f3. The ♕ can still go to g3 in two moves if necessary, but Black must now deal with ♗b6.' Harikrishna,Penteala: '*' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: 'The most popular way of handling this position is'' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Instead' 14...Bd7 4 Szuhanek,Ranko: 'N!' Szuhanek, Ranko: 'Roiz, M: 'This move is connected with an interesting concept: Black is going to set-up a solid blockade with ...Ne8-d6, while the dark-squared bishop might be useful on g5.'' Chess Evolution: 'After this move Anand had his first thought. Let us take a look at the position from the logical point of view: 1) It is clear that positionally White is doing better. A strong pawn on d5 gives White a clear advantage in the center. Also, in case White manages to develop his pieces by playing, for example, Nh3-g5, he will be better as well. 2) It is clear that Black's chances lie in creating dynamic play. After this move Anand had his first thought. Let us take a look at the position from the logical point of view: 1) It is clear that positionally White is doing better. A strong pawn on d5 gives White a clear advantage in the center. Also, in case White manages to develop his pieces by playing, for example, Nh3-g5, he will be better as well. 2) It is clear that Black's chances lie in creating dynamic play.' Harikrishna, Penteala: '(Sokolov,Ivan) is mainstream theory. RR Ding,Liren 2749 - Gelfand,Boris 2751, Wenzhou (m/2) 2015 - 125/(144) (Sokolov,Ivan) is mainstream theory. RR Ding,Liren 2749 - Gelfand,Boris 2751, Wenzhou (m/2) 2015 - 125/(144) Sokolov,Ivan: 'is mainstream theory. RR Ding,Liren 2749 - Gelfand,Boris 2751, Wenzhou (m/2) 2015 - 125/(144)" Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Black is taking his time to bring the last piece into the game, the rook from a8. Black is taking his time to bring the last piece into the game, the rook from a8.' Anand: '?!' Anand: 'Later, Kasparov played the correct 14...♖ac8.' Kasimdzhanov, Rustam: ' Δ Na4$ Golod,V Kasimdzhanov,R: 'Δ ♘a4∞ Golod, V'' Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '(the database has a few more recent examples on this topic)'"

[The rarer move Wagner,Dennis: 'and' 14...Qd6 featured in Nakamura, H - Gupta, A Gibraltar 2016 (see the archives). Flear,Glenn: 'featured in

Nakamura, H 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Rarely played. ''Rarely played. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Rarely played.'''' - Gupta, A Gibraltar 2016 (see the archives).' Wagner,Dennis: 'but in these lines the state of theory is a bit more developed than that :)' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'In my database there are only two games with this seldom played move, both of which featured Wei Yi as Black.' Sokolov,Ivan: 'In my database there are only two games with this seldom played move, both of which featured Wei Yi as Black.' Sokolov,Ivan: 'In my database there are only two games with this seldom played move, both of which featured Wei Yi as Black."

A) Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Developing the knight with' 15.Nh3 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'comes into consideration:' Bxh3 16.Rxh3 Rac8 Harikrishna,Penteala: '∞' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'was played in Gretarsson,Hjorvar Steinn 2509 - Wei,Yi 2501, Reykjavik 2013. was played in Gretarsson,Hjorvar Steinn 2509 - Wei,Yi 2501, Reykjavik 2013. Sokolov,Ivan: 'was played in Gretarsson,Hjorvar Steinn 2509 - Wei,Yi 2501, Reykjavik 2013.'' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '(Black has rapid development, always handy) Glenn Flear: '(Black has rapid development, always handy)"

A1) 17.Rh4 is given by Kaufman when Qxd5 *(or perhaps 17...Rfd8!?)* 18.Kb1 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Rfe8 20.Bb5 Red8 look like a reasonable line for Black Glenn Flear: 'look like a reasonable line for Black';

A2) 17.Kb1

A2a) 17...e4?! 18.Bh6 *(18.fxe4 Ng4 19.Bg1* is given by the computer as better for White. So we can take it that it doesn't believe in Black's initiative then! Glenn Flear: 'is given by the computer as better for White. So we can take it that it doesn't believe in Black's initiative then!*)* 18...Bxh6 19.Rxh6 Qe5 20.Rh4 e3 Gretarsson, Hj-Wei Yi, Reykjavik rapid 2013, with sharp play. Glenn Flear: 'Gretarsson, Hj-Wei Yi, Reykjavik rapid 2013, with sharp play.';

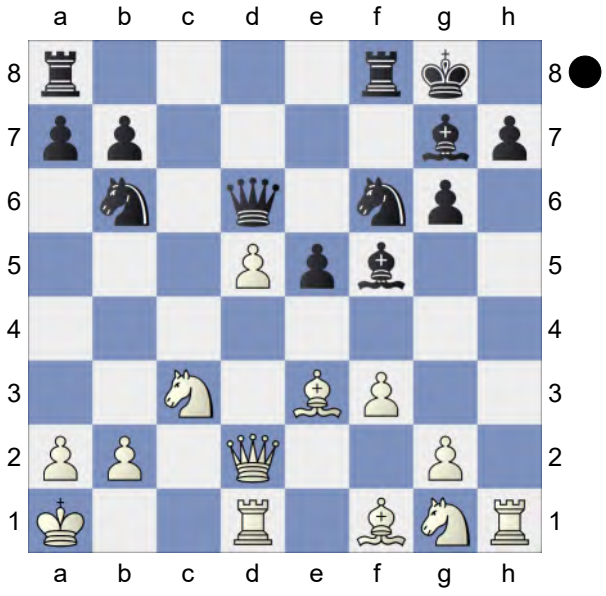
A2b) 17...Rfd8 Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '=' '=' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'is a more solid alternative Glenn Flear: 'is a more solid alternative'' 18.Bg5 *(18.Bd3 Nfxd5 19.Nxd5 Qxd5 20.Qe2 e4 21.fxe4 Qe6 22.Bc1 a6 23.g4* time forfeit 1-0 (23) Semrl,M (2605)-Sevian,S ICCF 2019 *)* 18...Nbxd5 19.Ne4 Qb6 20.Nxf6+ Nxf6 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Rxh7+ Kxh7 23.Rh1+ Nh5 24.Qc2 e4 25.b3 Qd4 0-1 (25) Leon_Livaic (2764)-Rexecutioner (2637) Blitz 2019;

B) 15.Kb1

B1) Alternatively 15...Rd8 16.Ka1 Nbxd5 17.Nxd5 Qxd5 18.Bc4 Qxc4 19.Qxd8+ Bf8

20.Qd3 *(20.Qxf6?? fails to Be6)* 20...Qxd3 21.Rxd3 Bf5 22.Rd1 h5 23.a3 is analyzed by Kaufman as being marginally better for White. Glenn Flear: 'is analyzed by Kaufman as being marginally better for White.';

B2) 15...Bf5+ 16.Ka1 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: 'Diagram



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B2a) Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'Wei Yi also played' Glenn Flear: 'Instead'' 16...h5 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'is a recent game and emerged victorious, but this was not due to his gaining any superiority in the opening:' Glenn Flear: 'aims to put a stop to any g2-g4 ideas:' Sokolov,Ivan: 'is a recent game and emerged victorious, but this was not due to his gaining any superiority in the opening:' Sokolov,Ivan: 'is a recent game and emerged victorious, but this was not due to his gaining any superiority in the opening:' Glenn Flear: 'aims to put a stop to any g2-g4 ideas:'' 17.Nh3 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'N' Sokolov, Ivan: 'N' 'N'' *(17.Bb5* Harikrishna,Penteala: '(Sokolov,Ivan) Szczepanski, Zbigniew - Nataflgor Alexandre, corr. 2014' *)*

B2a1) opening up the long diagonal has little point if the dark-squared bishops are going to be exchanged, so Black should prefer Glenn Flear: 'opening up the long diagonal has little point if the dark-squared bishops are going to be exchanged, so Black should prefer' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'After' 17...Rac8

B2a11) 18.Nf2 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 (this looks at first sight to be fine for Black, but Kaufman goes on to analyze a couple of ideas which he judges to be preferable for White...) Glenn Flear: '(this looks at first sight to be fine for Black, but Kaufman goes on to analyze a couple of ideas which he judges to be preferable for White...)' 20.Bh6 *(or 20.Rc1 Rfc8 21.Bh6 Rd4 22.Qg5!?)* 20...Rd4 21.Qg5 when White is (slightly) for preference e. g. Glenn Flear: 'when

White is (slightly) for preference e.g.' Nxd5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rxd4 exd4 24.Nfe4 Qd8 25.Nxd5 Qxd5 26.Rxh5 Kg8 27.Rh6!;

B2a12) 18.Ng5 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 with an acceptable game;

B2a2) 17...e4 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?'"Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'As one can see in his game against Gretarsson (see above) Wei Yi likes this advance. Black wants, in principle, to open up the long dark-squared diagonal, but what can White do in reply?''As one can see in his game against Gretarsson (see above) Wei Yi likes this advance. Black wants, in principle, to open up the long dark-squared diagonal, but what can White do in reply? Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'As one can see in his game against Gretarsson (see above) Wei Yi likes this advance. Black wants, in principle, to open up the long dark-squared diagonal, but what can White do in reply?'''' 18.Bh6 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '!'" *(18.Ng5* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan'*; 18.Bd4 exf3 19.gxf3 Rac8* looks fine for Black, so Sasikiran decides to eliminate Black's 'Indian' bishop. Glenn Flear: 'looks fine for Black, so Sasikiran decides to eliminate Black's 'Indian' bishop.'*)* 18...Rad8 *(18...Rae8!?)* 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nf4 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!"Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '!"" *(*After *20.fxe4 Bxe4! 21.Nxe4 Nxe4 22.Qd4+ Nf6* White hasn't achieved a great deal and d5 is weak, whereas g6 is less so. Glenn Flear: 'White hasn't achieved a great deal and d5 is weak, whereas g6 is less so.' *)*

B2a21) If 20...exf3?! 21.gxf3 Rfe8 then White would be happy to exploit the g-file with Glenn Flear: 'then White would be happy to exploit the g-file with' 22.Rg1 etc. *(* or *22.Bb5 Re5 23.Rhg1)*;

B2a22) 20...Rfe8 21.Bb5 e3 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?''Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '!?'''' 22.Qd4 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: 'and White was on top, see Sasikiran, K-Wei Yi Hyderabad 2015, in the PGN Archive.' Glenn Flear: 'and White was on top, see Sasikiran,K-Wei Yi

Hyderabad 2015, in the PGN Archive.'' Re5 *(After 22...Re7* White has *23.g4! hxg4 24.fxg4 Bxg4 25.Nxg6! Kxg6 26.Rdf1* and Black's king is too exposed. Glenn Flear: 'and Black's king is too exposed.' *)* 23.Bd3 *(23.g4* Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan' *hxg4 24.fxg4 Bxg4 25.Rdg1 Rg5 26.Be2;* Best is *23.Be2!* threatening both Nb5 and g4, and proves to be strong e.g. Glenn Flear: 'threatening both Nb5 and g4, and proves to be strong e.g.' *a6 24.g4!* with a dangerous attack. *)* 23...Nbxd5 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: '0 : 1 (40) Sasikiran,Krishnan 2682 - Wei,Yi 2706, Hyderabad 2015' Sokolov,Ivan: '0 : 1 (40) Sasikiran,Krishnan 2682 - Wei,Yi 2706, Hyderabad 2015' Sokolov, Ivan: '0 : 1 (40) Sasikiran,Krishnan 2682 - Wei,Yi 2706, Hyderabad 2015"

B2a221) 24.Nfxd5 Harikrishna,Penteala: '?!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?''Glenn Flear: 'Losing his way in this complicated struggle.''Losing his way in this complicated struggle. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Losing his way in this complicated struggle.''' Sasikiran underestimates his opponent's chances. Glenn Flear: 'Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Sasikiran underestimates his opponent's chances.''' Bxd3 25.Rxd3 Nxd5 26.f4 Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage. ''Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro'Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage. ''Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage."" : 'Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin

(surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage.''' Glenn Flear: 'Unfortunately for Sasikiran this pin (surprisingly) doesn't yield an advantage.' Nxc3 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Ramirez Alvarez,Alejand'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '!''' ro: 'Glenn Flear: '!''' 27.Qxd6 Rxd6 28.Rxd6 Rd5! Glenn Flear: 'Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn.''Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejand'Glenn Flear: 'Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn.''Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn.''' A beautiful sequence. Sasikirian has no choice but to take the rook, and although he is up the exchange, the powerful knight on d5, the passed pawn on e3 and the quickness with which the king can approach the center is enough to render his position hopeless. Glenn Flear: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'A beautiful sequence. Sasikirian has no choice but to take the rook, and although he is up the exchange, the powerful knight on d5, the passed pawn on e3 and the quickness with which the king can approach the center is enough to render his position hopeless.''' ro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won the exchange, but Black has held onto his big e-pawn.''' Glenn Flear: 'Saving himself from further material loss. White may have won

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Not bad, but White should now be able to wriggle out. Instead the flashy Glenn Flear: 'Not bad, but White should now be able to wriggle out. Instead the flashy' 31...h4! works for Black: 32.Rxd5 *(32.gxh4 e2 33.Re1 Nxf4* is winning for Black, rather like in the game Glenn Flear: 'is winning for Black, rather like in the game' *)* 32...hxg3 33.Rd1 Kf5 34.Kb1 Kxf4 and White is struggling: Glenn Flear: 'and White is struggling:' 35.Re1 Kf3 36.Kc2 g2 37.Kd1 a5 38.a3 e2+ 39.Kd2 a4 40.Rg1 Kf2-+;

B2a2212) 31...Ke6 Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!''Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '?!'''' dro: 'Glenn Flear: '?!''' 32.Kb1 h4 33.gxh4 Glenn Flear: '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' Glenn Flear: 'Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game.''Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejand'Glenn Flear: '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' Glenn Flear: 'Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game. ''Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game. '''' ro: 'Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Losing a key tempo and ultimately the game.'" *(Instead 33.Kc2!* (in endgames, 'when in doubt, bring up the king') should hold e.g. Glenn Flear: '(in endgames, 'when in doubt, bring up the king') should hold e.g.' *hxg3 34.Rg1 e2 35.Kd2*

Nxf4 36.Rxg3 Kf5 and Black can't make progress. Glenn Flear: 'and Black can't make progress.'*)* 33...e2 34.Re1 Nxf4 35.Kc2 Kf5 36.Kd2 Ke4 Glenn Flear: 'Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost.''Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro'Glenn Flear: 'Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost.''Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost."" : 'Glenn Flear: 'Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost.''' Glenn Flear: 'Black's king glides into White's backyard and rules the roost.' 37.b4 Kf3 38.a4 Kf2 39.b5 b6 Glenn Flear: 'Zugzwang. The rook is obliged to move.''Zugzwang. The rook is obliged to move. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'Zugzwang. The rook is obliged to move.'" 40.Rh1 Ng2 0-1 (40) Sasikiran,K (2682)-Wei,Y (2706) Hyderabad 2015 CBM 166 [Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro];

B2a222) 'Glenn Flear: 'White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary''White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandr'Glenn Flear: 'White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary''White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Glenn Flear: 'White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary"" o: 'Glenn Flear: 'White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary'" Glenn Flear: 'White keeps the advantage by including the preliminary'' 24.Bxf5 Harikrishna, Penteala: ' ±!' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '!' '!''Glenn Flear: 'as the

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B2b) 16...Rac8 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'N''Glenn Flear: 'Harikrishna,Penteala: 'N''' 17.g4 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' '!'' Rxc3 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Trying to mix it." *(* Gupta obviously didn't fancy *17...Bd7 18.g5 Nh5 19.Ne4* when White has a nice bind. *)*

B2b1) 18.gxf5 Rc7 *(18...Rxe3* Harikrishna, Penteala: '!?' *19.Qxe3 gxf5)* 19.fxg6 *(19.Bd3)* 19...hxg6 20.Bh6 Nh5 *(20...Nfxd5 21.Bxg7 Rxg7 22.Nh3* Harikrishna, Penteala: ' ±') 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 Harikrishna,Penteala: '±';

B2b2) 18.Qxc3 Rc8 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram

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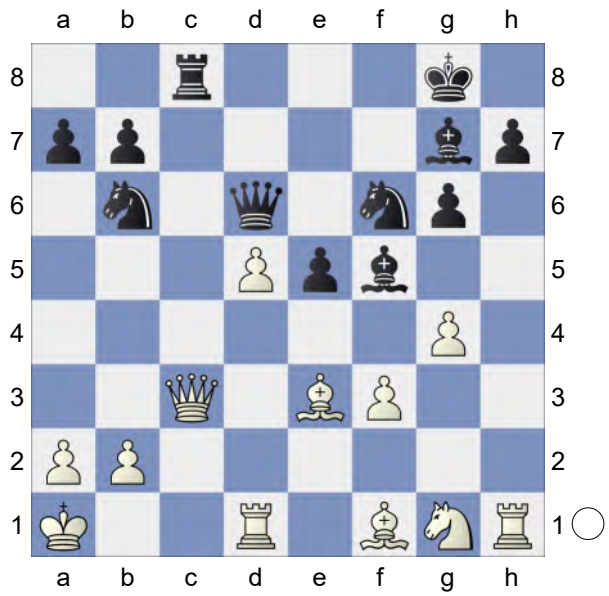

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B2b21) 19.Qa5 Bc2 20.Rc1 Nfxd5 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Rxh6 Nb4 Harikrishna,Penteala: '∓'; **B2b22)** Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'The number one choice of the computer engines is" 19.Qd2 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'and this was probably what Gupta's preparation was based on. Initially the engines are quite happy with White's position, but the longer they are kept running the more they appreciate the strength of Black's queenside attack, as the white king is very vulnerable. However the position looks quite messy and diligent computer analysis will likely prove that Black is doing okay (or more than just okay), for example in a line such as' Sokolov, Ivan: 'and this was probably what Gupta's preparation was based on. Initially the engines are quite happy with White's position, but the longer they are kept running the more they appreciate the strength of Black's queenside attack, as the white king is very vulnerable. However the position looks quite messy and diligent computer analysis will likely prove that Black is doing okay (or more than just okay), for example in a line such as' Sokolov, Ivan: 'and this was probably what Gupta's preparation was based on. Initially the engines are quite happy with White's position, but the longer they are kept running the more they appreciate the strength of Black's queenside attack, as the white king is very vulnerable. However the position looks quite messy and diligent computer analysis will likely prove that Black is doing okay (or more than just okay), for example in a line such as''Rc2 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: '∞' Sokolov, Ivan: '∞''∞" 20.Qe1 Bd7 *(20...Rxb2* Harikrishna,

Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan' *21.Kxb2 Na4+ 22.Ka1 Bc2)* 21.Bd3 Rxb2 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'etc.'' 22.Kxb2 Ba4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '⩲'; **B2b23)** 19.Qe1 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov, Ivan: 'In a higher sense this move will prove crucial(!). The position seems highly unclear, but from now on Naka plays much better than Gupta.' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' '!' Sokolov,Ivan: 'In a higher sense this move will prove crucial(!). The position seems highly unclear, but from now on Naka plays much better than Gupta.' Sokolov, Ivan: 'In a higher sense this move will prove crucial(!). The position seems highly unclear, but from now on Naka plays much better than Gupta.'' 19...Bc2 20.Rc1 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram

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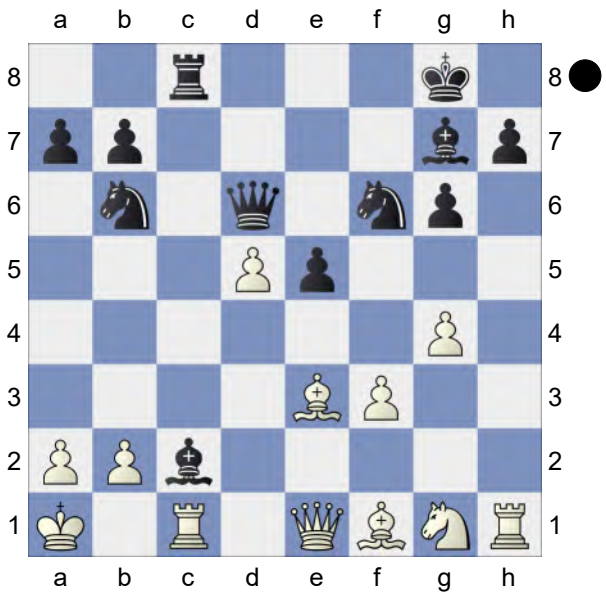

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challenge of a bar room brawl and Naka, who ever since his youth has been accustomed to street fighting chess in American Opens, quickly clinches the full point."

B2b231) Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: 'Or" 20...Nfxd5 Harikrishna,Penteala: '!''Sokolov,Ivan: 'was another option for Black. Actually in an over-the-board fight it is not clear who is the favourite. Play might then continue' Sokolov, Ivan: 'was another option for Black. Actually in an over-the-board fight it is not clear who is the favourite. Play might then continue' Sokolov, Ivan: 'was another option for Black. Actually in an over-the-board fight it is not clear who is the favourite. Play might then continue' Glenn Flear: 'Harikrishna, Penteala: '!'"

B2b2311) 21.Bh6

B2b23111) 21...Bh8 Harikrishna, Penteala: '!?' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: ' ∞' Sokolov, Ivan: ' ∞' '∞" 22.Rh2 *(22.Qd2 Qc5 23.Rh2 Nb4 24.a3 N6d5* Harikrishna, Penteala: ' ∞ ') 22...Nb4 23.a3 e4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '∞';

B2b23112) 21...Bf6 22.Qd2 and Black can't avoid more exchanges which will confirm White's 'exchange up' advantage. Glenn Flear: 'and Black can't avoid more exchanges which will confirm White's 'exchange up' advantage.';

B2b23113) 21...Bxh6 Harikrishna, Penteala: '!?' 22.Rxh6 Nb4 23.a3 a5 Harikrishna, Penteala: '!' 24.Rh2 Qd5 25.axb4 axb4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '-+';

B2b2312) 21.Qd2 e4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '!';

B2b2313) 21.Rh2 Nb4 22.a3 e4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '!' 23.Qxb4 Qxh2 Harikrishna, Penteala: '⇄';

B2b232) 20...e4 Harikrishna,Penteala:

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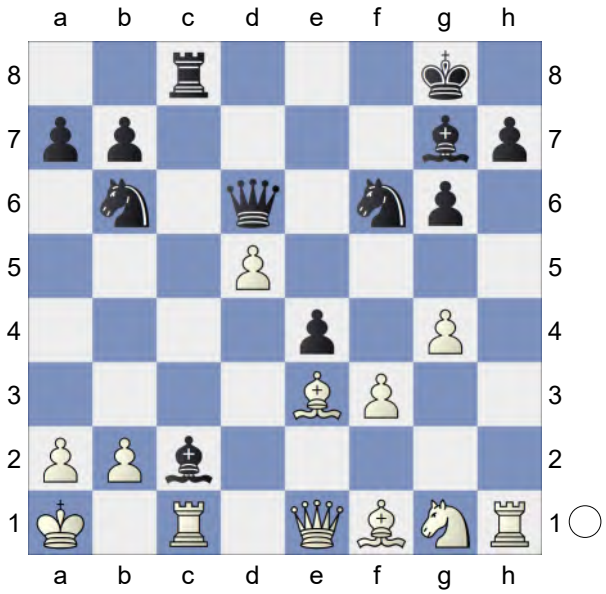

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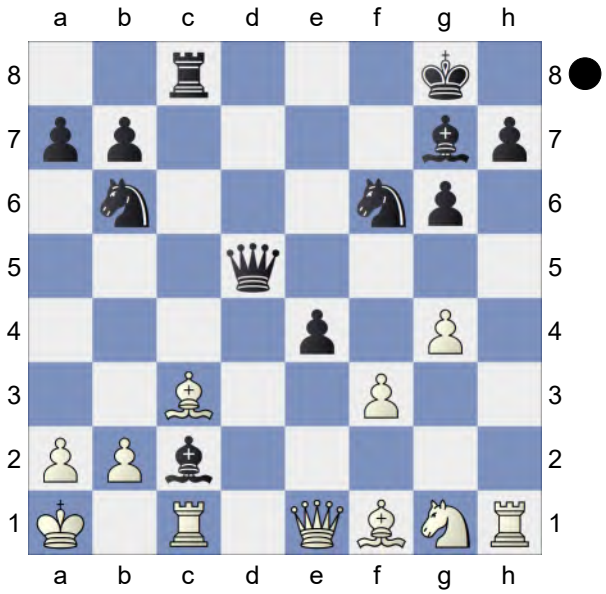

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Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: ', but not the rather crazy' Sokolov,Ivan: ', but not the rather crazy' Sokolov,Ivan: ', but not the rather crazy" 22...exf3 23.Nxf3 Be4 *(23...Qxf3 24.Rxc2* Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-'; *23...Re8* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan' *24.Qh4 Re4 25.Bb5* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'which is probably good for White.' *)* 24.Rd1 Qc6 25.Nd4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-';

B2b2322)

Harikrishna, Penteala: 'After' 22...Na4 Harikrishna,

Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan' 23.Rxc2 Nxc3 24.bxc3 exf3 25.Rh3 Ne4 26.Rxf3 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Black does not seem to have enough attacking potential and must struggle for a draw, e.g. Black does not seem to have enough attacking potential and must struggle for a draw, e.g. Sokolov,Ivan: 'Black does not seem to have enough attacking potential and must struggle for a draw, e.g." Nxc3 27.Rfxc3 Bxc3+ 28.Rxc3 Rxc3 29.Qxc3 Qd1+ 30.Kb2 Qxf1 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'etc.';

B2b2323)

Harikrishna, Penteala: 'However Glenn Flear: 'If'' 22...Ba4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '(Sokolov, Ivan) is worth exploring further Glenn Flear: 'then'' 23.Bg2 tidies up.;

B2b2324) 22...Bd3 23.Nh3 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The US GM finally moves one of his kingside pieces!' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' '!'' *(23.Rd1* (aligning a fifth piece!) is perhaps even stronger. *)*

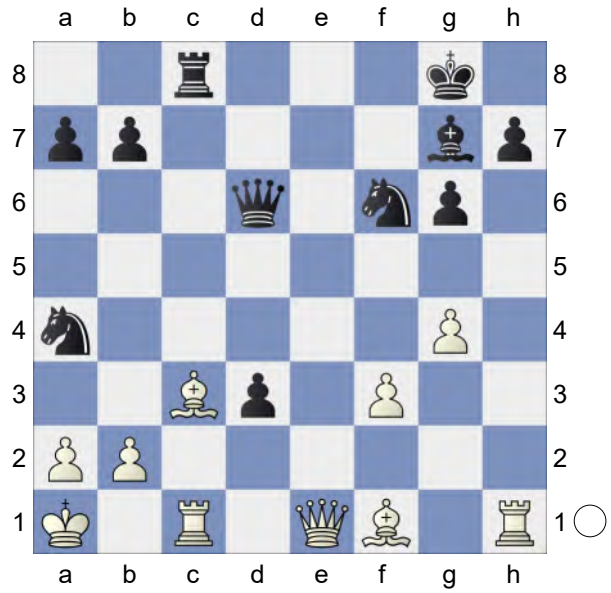
B2b23241)

23...Bxf1 24.Rxf1 exf3 25.Nf4 Qc6 when any White superiority wouldn't be so significant: 26.Ne6!? *(26.Qe6+ Qxe6 27.Nxe6 Bh8 28.g5 Ne4 29.Rxf3 Nxc3 30.bxc3* and maybe Black can hold Glenn Flear: 'and maybe Black can hold'*)* 26...Bh8 27.Nd4 Qd7 28.Nxf3 Qxg4 29.Ne5 with a White advantage, but there are definitely chances to put up a stubborn defence. Glenn Flear: 'with a White advantage, but there are definitely chances to put up a stubborn defence. ';

B2b23242)

23...Na4 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: '?' '?' '?' Glenn Flear: 'A

tactical oversight.'' 24.Nf4 Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-''Glenn Flear: 'Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-''' Qd6 25.Nxd3 exd3 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: 'Diagram



'' 26.Bxd3 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'A strong debut move for the bishop!' Sokolov, Ivan: '!' '!'' Qb6 *(26...Qxd3* Harikrishna, Penteala: '(Sokolov, Ivan) loses to Glenn Flear: '?' '?' '?'' *27.Qe6+* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'and 28. Qc8.' *)* 27.Bc2 1-0 (27) Osnos,V (2787)-Hebel,E (2613) Cappelle la Grande 2016 Telechess CBM 89 [The Chess Correspondent, July 1960] Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Sokolov, Ivan: '* * * * It was great to see Magnus competing in an Open event and also worth mentioning that he was putting his reputation on the line - and his crown effectively up for grabs! - more than any other World Champion in the history of chess!' Sokolov,Ivan: '* * * * It was great to see Magnus competing in an Open event and also worth mentioning that he was putting his reputation on the line - and his crown effectively up for grabs! - more than any other World Champion in the history of chess!' Sokolov,Ivan: '* * * * It was great to see Magnus competing in an Open event

and also worth mentioning that he was putting his reputation on the line - and his crown effectively up for grabs! - more than any other World Champion in the history of chess!'' *(* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: 'Following'' *27.Bc2 Nxc3 28.Bb3+ Kh8 29.Rxc3* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: 'White snuffs out any meaningful resistance.' Glenn Flear: 'White snuffs out any meaningful resistance.'' *Rxc3 30.Qxc3* Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Glenn Flear: '1-0 (30) Nakamura,H (2787)-Gupta,A (2613) Caleta ENG 2016 [Harikrishna, Penteala]" *)*]

[14...e4 15.fxe4 *(15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 exf3 17.Nxf3 Bf5 18.Bd3 Bxd3 19.Rxd3 Rc8 20.Kb1 Nc4 21.Ne4 Rc7 22.Neg5 Qd6 23.Ne6 Rff7 24.Rhd1 Rcd7 25.Nfg5 Qe5 26.Rd4 Rxd5 27.Nxf7 Qxe6 28.Rxd5 Nxd5 29.Qxh7+ Kf8 30.Ng5 Qf5+ 31.Ka1 Qf2 32.Qf7+ Qxf7 33.Nxf7 Nce3 34.Rxd5 Nxd5 35.Ne5 g5 36.Kb1 Ke7 37.g3 Ke6 38.Nf3 Kf5 39.Nh2 Ne3 40.Kc1 Ke4 41.Kd2 Nf5 42.g4 Ne3 43.Ke2 Kf4 44.Nf3 Nxg4 45.Nd4 Ne5 46.Ne6+ Kf5 47.a4* 0-1 (47) Lucky1357924680 (2680)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2652) Blitz 2024 *)* 15...Ng4 *(15...Bg4 16.Nf3 Rc8 17.Kb1 Rxc3 18.Qxc3 Nxe4 19.Qb3 Ng3 20.d6+ Kh8 21.Rh2 Nxf1 22.Rxf1 Qd7 23.Rfh1 h5 24.Bd4 Qf5+ 25.Ka1 Bxd4 26.a4 Bf6 27.a5 Qxa5+* 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2653) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Bg5 Qd6 *(16...Qe8 17.Nf3 Bd7 18.Bd3 Rc8 19.Kb1 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Na4 21.Rc1 Bb5 22.Rc2 Nf2 23.c4 Rxf3 24.gxf3 Qe5 25.Rb2 Nxb2 26.Bf4 Qd4 27.Be3 Qxd3+ 28.Qxd3 Nbxd3 29.Bxf2 Nxf2 30.Rf1 Bxc4 31.Rxf2 b5 32.Kc2 Bd4 33.Rh2 Bxa2 34.Kd3* 1-0 (34) gg-gm-gmg (2676)-alumno (2553) Blitz 2020*)* 17.Nf3 Bd7 18.Kb1 Rac8 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.Bxb5 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Rhe1 Rfc8 23.Bf4 Qb6 24.e5 Qc5 25.Rc1 b5 26.b3 Rxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 28.Qxc1 Rxc1+ 29.Kxc1 g5 30.d6 Kf8 31.Bxg5 Ke8 32.e6 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-DragonMaster3000 (2546) Blitz 2024]

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15.Kb1 2:16 Chess Evolution: 'A standard prophylactic move. The White king will have to move away from the c-file eventually. A standard prophylactic move. The White king will have to move away from the c-file eventually.'

[15.g4 JvR: ''→ '' Rc8 16.Kb1 *(16.Bh6 Nfxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qh6+ Kf6 19.g5+ Ke6 20.Bh3+ Kd6 21.Kb1 Rxc3 22.bxc3 Nc4 23.Ka1 Bxh3 24.Qxh3 Qa5 25.Ne2 Nce3 26.Rd2 Nc4 27.Rd3 Qa3 28.Rxd5+ Kxd5 29.Qd7+ Nd6 30.Rd1+ Kc4 31.Rxd6 Qa5 32.Qe6+ Kb5 33.Rd5+ Ka4 34.Rxa5+ Kxa5 35.Qxe5+ Ka6 36.Qd6+ b6 37.Qxf8 h5 38.Nd4 h4 39.Qc8+ Ka5 40.Qc6 a6 41.Qc4 b5 42.Qc7+ Ka4 43.Nc6 Ka3 44.Qa5# 1-0 (44) BlossomsSimp (2626)-GUNNE_USER (2596) Blitz 2022)* 16...Nc4 *(16...Na4 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.b3 Bd7 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Qxh6 Qc7 21.Bd3 e4 22.d6 Qa5 23.fxe4 Bxg4 24.Ne2 Qe5 25.d7 Bxd7 26.Rdf1 Bb5 27.Rf5 Bxd3# 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-JuliusP_09 (2744) Blitz 2023)* 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nge2 e4?! 19.g5 *(19.Bh6 exf3 20.Nd4 Nxg4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd3 Rxd4 23.Qxd4+ Qf6 24.Qxa7 f2 25.Qxb7 Rf7 26.Ka1 Ba4 27.Ne4 Rxb7 28.Nxf6 Kxf6 29.Rd4 Bd7 30.Rf1 Ke5* 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Emporio_Armani (2566) Blitz 2021*)* 19...exf3 20.gxf6 Qxf6 21.Nd4 h5 22.Rhf1 Bg4 23.Qd3 Rcc8 24.Ka1± Karasev,V-Zdrojevskij,W/Leningrad/1990/ Krasenkow: '1-0 Karasev,V-Zdrojewski,W/Leningrad 1990/EXT 97 (43)']

[15.Bh6 Rc8 *(15...Rf7 16.Bxg7 Rxg7 17.Nh3 Rc8 18.Kb1 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 Bxh3 20.Rxh3 Nfxd5 21.Nxd5 Qxd5 22.Be4 Qxd2 23.Rxd2 Rgc7 24.Rh1 Kg7 25.Rhd1 Re7 26.b3 Rcc7 27.Rd8 Nd7 28.Kb2 Nf6 29.Bd3 Rcd7 30.Rxd7 Rxd7 31.Kc2 Nd5 32.Rd2 Nb4+ 33.Kc3 Nxd3 34.Rxd3 Rxd3+ 35.Kxd3 h5 36.Kc4 g5 37.Kd5 Kf6 38.b4 h4 39.b5 Kf5 40.a4 g4 41.fxg4+ Kxg4 42.Kxe5 Kg3 43.Kd6 Kxg2 44.b6 h3 45.bxa7 h2 46.a8Q h1Q 47.Qxb7+ Kg1 48.Qxh1+ Kxh1 49.a5 Kg2 50.a6 Kf3 51.a7 Kf4 52.a8Q* 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2729)-bloodyEagle (2623) Blitz 2022*)* 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qh6+ *(17.Kb1 Na4 18.Nge2 Qb6 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.N2g3 Bxe4+ 21.Nxe4 Nxe4 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.Qxh7+ Ke8 24.Bb5+ Qxb5 25.Qxg6+ Kd8 26.fxe4 Qxb2#* 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-JuliusP_09 (2710) Blitz 2022)* 17...Kg8

A) 18.--;

B) 18.d6 Na4 19.Nge2 Qb6;

C) 18.Bd3 Ba4 19.Rd2 *(19.Bxg6 Qd7)* 19...Rc7 20.Kb1;

D) 18.Kb1 Rxc3 *(18...Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Rf7 20.g4 Bxg4 21.fxg4 Nxg4)* 19.bxc3 Na4 20.Qd2 Qa5 21.c4 Nc3+ 22.Ka1 Qa3 23.Re1

Nxa2 24.Qb2 Qa5 25.Qxe5 Re8 26.Qxf6 Rxe1+ 27.Kb2 Qb4+ 28.Kxa2 Qb1+ 29.Ka3 Re3+ 0-1 (29) supertactic91 (2753)-Showofff (2769) Blitz 2021]

15...Rc8 7 Chess Evolution: 'I think we are at the first critical position. White has a huge range of moves that need to be considered, Anand took around 25 minutes of thinking before playing his next move. I think we are at the first critical position. White has a huge range of moves that need to be considered, Anand took around 25 minutes of thinking before playing his next move.' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'when White has several tries:' Anand: '!?' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'has been tested at the highest level (check out the archives for games with both Glenn Flear: 'has been tested at the highest level (check out the archives for games with both'' Glenn Flear: 'happened in the mentioned Anand-Gelfand game. happened in the mentioned Anand-Gelfand game. happened in the mentioned Anand-Gelfand game. Balogh Csaba: 'happened in the mentioned Anand-Gelfand game." Postny,Evgeny: 'All theory so far. Here White has a choice: either to make one more prophylactic move, or to push forward the d-pawn.

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Chess Evolution: 'One of the options should definitely be' Glenn Flear: 'after' 16.d6 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'As we can see, the position is very unbalanced. White has a lot of positional advantages like the d6 pawn, but Black is clearly better developed and should search his chances in a "fast" play. As we can see, the position is very unbalanced. White has a lot of positional advantages like the d6 pawn, but Black is clearly better developed and should search his chances in a "fast" play.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn

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[Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'and' 16.Ka1 came to many people's attention as a result of Anand, V - Gelfand, B Moscow World Championship Match 2012 (see the archives). Here's a more recent example: Flear,Glenn: 'came to many people's attention as a result of Anand, V - Gelfand, B Moscow World Championship Match 2012 (see the archives). Here's a more recent example:' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E' Balogh Csaba: 'is the other main line. In a previous issue, we have commented another fascinating game from the Anand-Gelfand World Championship match, which continued with''Krasenkow,Michal: 'is a quieter alternative.' Postny,Evgeny: 'appeared in a world championship match.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'ist eine ruhigere Alternative.'

A) 16...Na4 17.Nge2 Qa5 *(17...e4)* 18.Rh4 Nc5 19.Nc1 e4 20.fxe4?! *(20.d6!? Be6 21.Nxe4 Qxd2 22.Nxd2 Rfd8* seems OK for Black Glenn Flear: 'seems OK for Black' *)* 20...Ng4 Tabatabaei,M-Ghosh,D Dubai 2016, with murky play where Black is doing quite well. Glenn Flear: 'Tabatabaei,M-Ghosh,D Dubai 2016, with murky play where Black is doing quite well. ';

B) 16...e4 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! An excellent move by Black! And it was very quickly played by Gelfand. Great preparation by the Gelfand team. An excellent move by Black! And it was very quickly played by Gelfand. Great preparation by the Gelfand team.' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'can be found in several games in the archives, in particular Anand,V-Gelfand,B Moscow match 2012 Glenn Flear: 'can be found in several games in the archives, in particular Anand,V-Gelfand,B Moscow match 2012"

B1) Van Delft & Ris: 'Feller introduces a novelty which we recommended in CVO 176. The only earlier game played in this line went '17.Bd4 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! After another long thought, Anand finds what is probably the best reaction! After another long thought, Anand finds what is probably the best reaction!' Glenn Flear: 'Balogh Csaba: '- there GM Sutovsky at chess-news.ru had proposed an

interesting idea of'' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'A logical move to press on the queenside, delaying any decision as to which pawns to attack. Here at first I couldn't see a suitable plan to get activity as an immediate ...f5 would be too hasty, but as usual in these positions there is an unexpected concrete option.'

B1a) 17...Nc4 Chess Evolution: 'This move gives White the chance to develop completely This move gives White the chance to develop completely' 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Nge2 Chess Evolution: 'and White should be doing a bit better, he managed to keep his strong d pawn, and will have dagerous attacking chances in the future with his king in a very safe position. and White should be doing a bit better, he managed to keep his strong d pawn, and will have dagerous attacking chances in the future with his king in a very safe position.' exf3 20.gxf3 Qa5 16 led White to an inferior position in Le Goff, D - Bijaoui, M / FRA-chT Top 2010 *(The somewhat slow 20...b5?!* Vachier Lagrave,M intending to play 13... Nc5 on the next move, can be strongly met by:*; 20...Bf5!* and suddenly Black is lacking a freeing move. *)*;

B1b) 17...exf3 18.Nxf3 *(18.gxf3* with a stable positional advantage. *Bf5)* 18...Bf5 *(18...Bg4)*;

B1c) In case of 17...Re8 Vachier Lagrave,M Chess Evolution: '!?' Chess Evolution: '!? Personally, I like this move a lot, now Black wants to play e3' 18.fxe4 Chess Evolution: 'and the sacrifice on c3 is a constant threat and the sacrifice on c3 is a constant threat' Rxc3 Chess Evolution: '!' 19.Qxc3 Nxe4 Chess Evolution: 'We are in a totally unclear position. A very deep analysis would be necessary to know who is doing better here. Computers probably don't give a correct evaluation in many lines, which makes it even harder to find the truth, but again, we should just believe in Gelfand's team and conclude that 17...Na4 is the better choice. We are in a totally unclear position. A very deep analysis would be necessary to know who is doing better here. Computers probably don't give a correct evaluation in many lines, which makes it even harder to find the truth, but again, we should just believe in Gelfand's team and conclude that 17...Na4 is the better choice.' 20.Qe1! Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Qf6 22.Nf3 Black has excellent compensation for a pawn, as was proved in a couple of games. gives Black adequate compensation with a lot of activity on the queenside as

well as on the dark squares, say as soon as the dark-squared bishop reaches b6. Roiz, M: 'The main' 22...Ng5 - 111/110 - 111/110 Roiz, M: 'also took place in Anand's practice. The latest game in our PGN Archive saw' 23.Qh4 Nxf3 24.Qxh7+!? this position seems perfectly playable for Black and in was covered in Carlsen, M (2853) - Grischuk, A (2771) / 3rd Sinquefield Cup 2015 [Roiz, M]In some cases White may benefit from keeping his king in the centre. For instance, 24...Kf8 25.Qh8+ Qxh8 26.Rxh8+ Kg7 27.Rxe8 Nxd4 28.Rb8 Kf6 29.Rxb7 Bf5 30.Rxa7 Nxd5 31.b3 did offer White a promising initiative in Khalifman, A (2628) - Gelfand, B (2713) / FIDE WCh KO Las Vegas 1999 [Fed]Deviating from our game in Saint-Louis which went 31...Ne3 Vachier Lagrave,M took place in the previous encounter between these players. allowing;

B1d) 17...e3!? 18.Bxe3 Nh5;

B1e) 17...Na4 Chess Evolution: 'This move was also quickly played by Black, and it seems like it leads to a forced draw - amazingpreparation! This move was also quickly played by Black, and it seems like it leads to a forced draw - amazingpreparation!' Anand: '!?' Anand: 'Very ambitious. Black is forcing White to take a shot at him on the kingside since normal moves leave White a bit worse.'

B1e1) Chess Evolution: 'An interesting move would be' Arsovic,Goran: 'Kaufman gives' 18.Nxe4 Chess Evolution: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: 'an exclamation mark, when he continues'

B1e11) 18...Bf5

B1e111) 19.Qb4 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Qc7 21.Ne2 Qc2 22.Qd2 Bxe4 23.Qxc2 Bxc2;

B1e112) 19.Bd3 Qxd5 20.Ne2

B1e1121) 20...Nxe4 21.fxe4 Bxe4 22.Bxe4 Qxe4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qh6+;

B1e1122) 20...Be6 21.b3 Nc5 22.Nxc5 Rxc5 23.Qb2 *(23.--)*;

B1e1123) 20...--;

B1e113) 19.--;

B1e12) 18...Nxe4 Chess Evolution: 'starting a long forced line, it's possible that instead of 18... Nxe4 Gelfand planned to do something else!? but it's not easy to understand what's the plan actually... starting a long forced line, it's possible that instead of 18... Nxe4 Gelfand planned to do something else!? but it's not easy to

understand what's the plan actually...' 19.fxe4 and Black gets his counterplay in time. Bxd4 Vachier Lagrave,M 20.Qxd4 Qg5 Chess Evolution: 'Of course Black's chance lies in his the development! Of course Black's chance lies in his the development!' 21.Kb1 Chess Evolution: 'The white King plays a role in the game, protecting c1! The white King plays a role in the game, protecting c1!' *(21.Ne2 Rc2 22.Rb1⇄* and Black should be fine due to his control over the dark squares. *Rfc8?!)* 21...Rxf1 Chess Evolution: 'What else?!' 22.Rxf1 Qxg2 Arsovic,Goran: 'when Black has adequate counterplay. This position is unclear, but Kaufman carries on his computer-generated analysis right into a drawn endgame.' Arsovic,Goran: 'when Black has adequate counterplay. This position is unclear, but Kaufman carries on his computer-generated analysis right into a drawn endgame. Glenn Flear: 'when Black has adequate counterplay. This position is unclear, but Kaufman carries on his computer-generated analysis right into a drawn endgame.'' 23.Ne2 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Maybe Anand blundered this nice protective move?! Maybe Anand blundered this nice protective move?!' *(23.Nf3±* leaves Black under some pressure. Possibly, *23...Rc2!?* is a better choice here. The immediate *24.Ka1* can be met with: *Rxb2!? 25.Nd2 Rxd2 26.Rf8+ Kxf8 27.Qf6+ Ke8 28.Qe5+)* 23...Qxe2 24.Ka1= Chess Evolution: 'We are in a very crazy position. From the material point of view, Black is doing better, but probably in a practical game, Black's position can be very dangerous. White has good attacking chances plus 2 central pawns that can start advancing very soon. I think White's position is even objectively better. We are in a very crazy position. From the material point of view, Black is doing better, but probably in a practical game, Black's position can be very dangerous. White has good attacking chances plus 2 central pawns that

can start advancing very soon. I think White's position is even objectively better.' Rc4 25.Qf6 Qxb2+? Vachier Lagrave,M 26.Qxb2 is obviously wrong for White. Nxb2 27.Kxb2 Vachier Lagrave, M Rxe4 is also playable and maybe the best option available to Black. But getting my knight to d6 was too appealing to me. 28.Re1 Rxe1 29.Rxe1! Black's position looks OK, but it's not easy to develop significant counter-play on the k-side, while White has a clear target on the q-side, so a2-a4 is coming. and now if 29...Kf7 then 30.d6 Be6;

B1e2) 18.Nge2 Roiz, M: 'The knight is not perfectly placed here, but it is the only way to fight for an advantage.'

B1e21) 18...exf3 19.gxf3∓ Correctly rejecting 19...Qa5 *(19...Nc5 20.Nf4)* 20.Nxa4 Qxa4 *(20...Qxd2= 21.Rxd2* Vachier Lagrave,M *Bxa4! 22.Bh3)* 21.Nc3

B1e211) 21...Qb4 22.Qh2! Nh5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qe5+± White gets a definite edge. Letting Black exchange the knight was quite toothless: 24...Kg8 *(24...Kh6)* 25.Rxh5 gxh5 26.Bb5 Bf5 27.Rh1 Bg6 28.Bd7;

B1e212) 21...Qa5 Black's position is quite good from a strategic viewpoint, but the pawns are quite vulnerable, so after 22.Qh2;

B1e22) 18...Qa5 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Roiz, M: '!' Vachier Lagrave,Maxime: '!' Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! A very good move by Black, practically forcing White to go into a drawn endgame. A very good move by Black, practically forcing White to go into a drawn endgame.' Glenn Flear: 'Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow Wch 2012, when Black has sacrificed a pawn, but for adequate counterplay. Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow Wch 2012, when Black has sacrificed a pawn, but for adequate counterplay.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'You wouldn't expect this bishop to be stable on this square. Or in the words of Levon : "a very impressive move as it looks so awful".
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B1e221) 19.fxe4 Chess Evolution: '?' Chess Evolution: '? doesn't work again doesn't work again' Nxc3= 20.Bxc3! Vachier Lagrave,M and now *(20.Nxc3 Nxe4* Anand: '!' *21.Nxe4 Qxd2 22.Nxd2 Bxd4* Anand: ' ±')* 20...Qa4 is well met with Chess Evolution: 'and White can not protect the pawn on e4 - so Black should be doing great. and White can not protect the pawn on e4 - so Black should be doing great.' 21.Ng3 *(21.Qd4!⇄ Rfe8!)* 21...Rxc3 22.bxc3 Nxe4 *(22...Nh5* Anand: ' ±')* 23.Nxe4 Anand: ' ± ' Qxe4 is fine for Black, but not more. I was already inclining towards pushing my luck.;

B1e222) 19.Rh4 exf3± 20.gxf3 Vachier Lagrave,M b5;

B1e223) 19.a3 exf3 20.gxf3 b5! 21.Nxa4 Qxd2 looks good for Black. 22.Rxd2?! bxa4;

B1e224) 19.Nxa4!? Qxd2 *(better than 19...Qxa4?! 20.Nc3 Qa5 21.Be2* when White is well-coordinated, the passed d-pawn giving him a pull Arsovic, Goran: 'when White is well-coordinated, the passed d-pawn giving him a pull Glenn Flear: 'when White is well-coordinated, the passed d-pawn giving him a pull'')* 20.Rxd2 Bxa4 21.Nc3 Nh5!? (White is less well-organized than in the previous note) Arsovic, Goran: '(White is less well-organized than in the previous note) Glenn Flear: '(White is less well-organized than in the previous note)" 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Be2 Ng3 24.Re1 Rfe8= Dragun, K-Shishkin, V Koszalin 2014, and Black's activity maintains the balance. Arsovic, Goran: 'Dragun, K-Shishkin, V Koszalin 2014, and Black's activity maintains the balance. Glenn Flear: 'Dragun, K-Shishkin, V Koszalin 2014, and Black's activity maintains the balance. ";

B1e225) 19.Nxe4 Diagram

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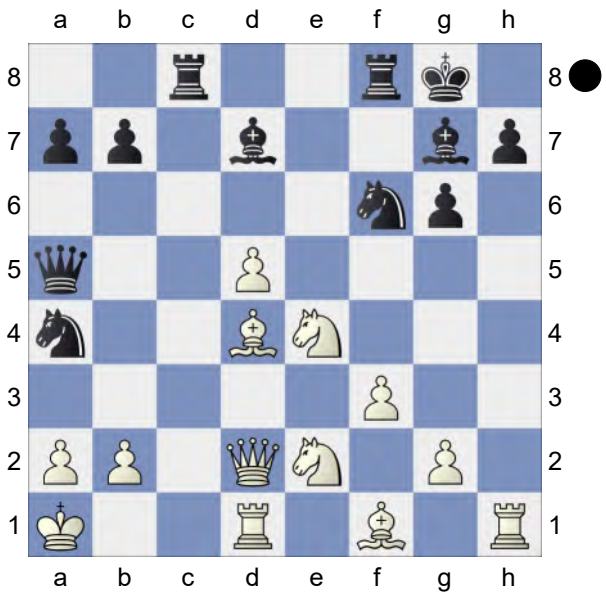

Diagram [#] Chess Evolution: 'It is difficult to find something better for White.' Arsovic,Goran: 'as played in Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow 2012, has been analyzed to death... and basically equality, see the archives' Arsovic,Goran: 'as played in Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow 2012, has been analyzed to death... and basically equality, see the archives Glenn Flear: 'as played in Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow 2012, has been analyzed to death... and basically equality, see the archives'' Anand: '!' Anand: 'This gives White an almost decisive advantage. This move cost me 23 minutes and I spent almost all of it on 19... dxe5.' 19...Qxd2! Roiz, M: 'Maxime is on top form.' Anand: 'During my 25-minute think before e5, he must have realised that 18...dxe5 loses.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'Why not?' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'Till now we have repeated the 3rd game of Anand-Gelfand W-Ch match 2012.
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B1e2251) 20.Rxd2⇄ Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A novel idea, that creates new problems. White has to be somewhat careful with his first rank, but Bocharov had obviously carefully prepared this novelty in advance.' Nxe4 21.fxe4

B1e22511) 21...Bxd4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'Played almost without hesitation, whereas' 22.Rxd4 Rc2 23.e5 Zakhartsov,

Viacheslav V: 'The strong pair of passers outweighs Black's activity.' Bb5 *(23...Rxf1+* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' *24.Rxf1 Rxe2 25.e6 Be8 26.d6* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'winning.' *)* 24.e6

B1e225111)

24...Rfc8

Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'would be a bit stronger, although by means of' 25.a3 Nc5 26.Rdh4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!' Bxe2 *(26...h5 27.Ng3)* 27.Bxe2 Rxe2 28.Rxh7 Nb3+ 29.Ka2 Nc1+ 30.Kb1 Rcc2 31.Rxb7 Nd3 32.d6 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'White retains good winning chances:' Rxb2+ 33.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 34.Ka1 Rb8 35.d7 Nc5 36.Re1 Nxd7 37.exd7 Kf7 38.Rc1 Rd8 39.Rc7 a6 40.Ra7 g5 41.Kb2 Ke7 42.Kc3 Rxd7 43.Rxa6;

B1e225112)

24...Nb6

Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?'

B1e2251121)

Glenn Flear: 'or even' 25.e7 Glenn Flear: '!?' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'was strong:' Rfc8 *(25...Rf2 26.d6 Bd7 27.g4 Rfxe2 28.Bxe2 Rxe2 29.b3 Nc8 30.Rc1 Nxe7* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '(forced)' *31.dxe7 Bc6 32.Rd8+ Kf7 33.e8Q+ Bxe8 34.Rc7+ Re7 35.Rxe7+ Kxe7 36.Rb8 Bc6 37.g5* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'with a winning endgame because Black cannot manage to create an outside passer.' *)* 26.Kb1 Na4 *(26...Bxe2* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' *27.e8Q+ Rxe8 28.Kxc2)* 27.Nc3 Glenn Flear: '!';

B1e2251122)

25.Kb1 Rxf1+

B1e22511221)

26.Kxc2

Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!'

Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'was stronger:' Rxh1 27.d6 Re1 28.d7 Nxd7 29.exd7 Bxd7 30.Kd2 Rxe2+ *(30...Rb1 31.Rxd7 Rxb2+ 32.Ke3 Rxa2 33.Rxb7)* 31.Kxe2 Bc6 32.g4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'with a similar ending.';

B1e22511222)

26.Rxf1 Rxe2 27.Rc1

B1e225112221)

27...Kg7

Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'would be more precise:' 28.b3 *(28.Rc7+ Kf6 29.Rxb7 Ba4* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!' *30.b3 Nxd5* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!' *31.bxa4 Nc3+ 32.Kc1 Nxa2+* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=')* 28...Kf6 29.a4 Be8 30.a5 Nxd5 31.Rxd5 Bc6 32.Rd6 a6 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'with good drawing chances.';

B1e225112222)

27...Re5 28.Rc5 Be8 Glenn Flear: 'Bocharov, D-Zakhartsov, V Tomsk 2013, and Black was under pressure.' 29.b3 Kf8 30.a4 Ke7 31.a5 Nxd5 *(31...Re1+* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!?' *32.Kb2 Nxd5 33.Rdxd5 Bc6 34.Rd2 Rxe6)* 32.Rdxd5 Rxd5 33.Rxd5 Bc6 34.Rd2 Kxe6 35.g3 *(35.g4 h5 36.gxh5 gxh5 37.Rf2 Ke5)* 35...Ke5 36.Kc2 Ke4 37.Rf2 Ke3 38.Rf6 *(38.Rf7* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'would give good winning chances:' *h5 39.Rg7 Be4+ 40.Kc3 a6 41.b4 Kf2 42.Kd4 Bf3 43.Rxg6 Bg4 44.b5 axb5 45.Rb6 Kxg3 46.Rxb7 h4 47.a6 h3 48.a7 h2 49.a8Q h1Q 50.Qb8+ Kg2 51.Rxb5)* 38...h5 39.Kc3 Be4 40.a6 g5 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' *(40...bxa6*

41.Rxa6 Kf2 42.Kd4 Bf3 43.Rxg6 Bg4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'led to a draw:' *44.b4 Kxg3 45.Rg7 h4 46.Rxa7 h3* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=') 41.axb7 *(41.Rh6* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'should be winning:' *bxa6 42.Rxh5 g4 43.Re5 Kf3 44.Kd4 Bc2 45.Re3+ Kf2 46.b4* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '+-') 41...Bxb7 42.Rf5 g4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' *(42...Bf3 43.Rxg5 Kf2 44.b4 Bg4 45.Ra5 Kxg3 46.Rxa7 h4 47.b5 h3 48.b6 Bf3* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=') 43.Rxh5 Kf2 44.Rh7 Bg2 45.Rxa7 Kxg3

B1e2251122221)

46.b4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'was winning:' Kf3 *(46...Bf1 47.Kd2 Kg2 48.Ke3 g3 49.Rg7)* 47.Kd3 Bf1+ 48.Kd2 g3 49.Rf7+ Kg2 50.Ke3 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '+-';

B1e2251122222)

46.Kd4 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '?' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'I had expected this move, but this one is not the strongest. ' 46...Kf3 47.b4 Bf1 *(47...g3* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'was simpler:' *48.b5 Bh3 49.Rf7+ Ke2 50.b6 Bc8* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: ' ' *)*

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48.Ra3+ Kf4 49.Ra1 Bb5 50.Ra7 Kf3 51.Rf7+ Ke2 52.Rf5 Ba4 53.Ra5 Bc6 54.Rg5 Kf3 55.Rg6 *(55.b5 Bxb5 56.Rxb5 g3* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=') 55...Bb5 56.Rf6+ Ke2 57.Rb6 Bd7 58.Rb7 Bc6 Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: ', and White doesn't make any progress';

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48.Rf7+ Ke2 49.b5

g3 50.b6 Bg2 51.Ra7 Bc6 52.b7 Bxb7 53.Rxb7 g2 54.Rg7 Kf2 55.Rxg2+ Kxg2 ½-½ (55) Chemin, V (2617)-Hookham, H (2536) Winterberg 2013 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Zakhartsov, Vladimir];

B1e22512)

21...Rfe8

Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'is necessary when Black can win the e-pawn:' 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 Anand: '**Δ** 25. f5**±**' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'simply regained the e-pawn:'

B1e225121)

23.Rd4 Nc5 24.Nc3 *(24.Rh4 g5)* 24...Nxe4 Glenn Flear: '(again a first rank trick)' 25.Bb5 Nf6 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'as the d-pawn will be safely blockaded on d7' *(25...Bxb5 26.Nxe4 Rcd8* Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '=' *)*;

B1e225122) 23.b3 Anand: '?' 23...Nc5 24.Ng3 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Rxe4 26.Be2 Glenn Flear: '=';

B1e2252) 20.Nxf6+ Anand: '?' Anand: 'What a pity! Having spent so much time on 19...dxe5, I hadn't considered thiis move.'

B1e22521)

Chess Evolution: 'In case of' 20...Bxf6 21.Rxd2 Anand: '⇄' Bxd4 22.Rxd4 Rc2= 23.b3 Chess Evolution: 'Black would still have to fight for a draw. Black would still have to fight for a draw.' Bb5**∞** *(23...Nb6 24.Ng3)* 24.bxa4 *(24.Rxa4; 24.d6)* 24...Bxe2 25.Kb1 Rfc8 was good enough: 26.Bxe2 Rxe2 27.Rc1;

B1e22522)

20...Rxf6?! Vachier Lagrave,M: '?' Roiz, M: '?' Roiz, M: 'This over-aggressive move could have invited big troubles.' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '?' Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! A very precise move by

Gelfand.' Anand: 'Kasparov later explained that he was so relieved after 22.♗xc5 that he didn't want to speculate any more.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'After pondering my decision for a while, I couldn't evaluate the resulting position so I took the gamble. My mind was probably influenced by the fact Vishy had missed the earlier idea with ♗f4 and clearly wasn't feeling comfortable, but I wouldn't have taken the gamble had I been strong enough to realise I was going one step too far!' 21.Rxd2? Roiz, M: 'Returning the favour.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'A very strange attempt to keep things under control in the centre, as it gives away the a-file.'

B1e225221)

21...Rd6 22.Bxg7 Vachier Lagrave,M: '=' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '=' Kxg7

B1e2252211)

23.--;

B1e2252212)

23.Rh4 Nb6 24.Rhd4 *(24.Nc3 Rxd5+-)* 24...Bb5 25.g3 Rcd8;

B1e2252213)

23.b3 Anand: '?' 23...Nb6 Anand: ' ∓!' 24.Nf4 Rc1+ Anand: '!' *(24...Be8 25.Bd3 Bf7 26.Be4 Nd7 27.g4 Re8 28.Rdh2 Nf6 29.g5 Nh5 30.Nxh5+ gxh5 31.Kb2 Re5 32.Rxh5 Bxh5 33.Rxh5 Rg6 34.Kc3 Rgxg5 35.Rxh7+ Kf6 36.Rxb7 Re7 37.Rb8 Ke5 38.Kd3 Rg1 39.Rh8 Rd1+ 40.Kc2 Ra1 41.Rh5+ Kd6 42.Kb2 Rd1 43.Rh6+ Ke5 44.Ra6 Rg7 45.Kc2 Ra1 46.Kd3 Rd1+ 47.Kc4 Rc1+ 48.Kb4 Kd4 49.Ra5 Ke5 50.Rb5 Kd6 51.Rb8 Rg2 52.a4 Rh2 53.Rd8+ Ke7 54.Rg8 Rc7 55.Rg6 Rd2 56.Ka5 Rd4 57.Ka6 Rc3 58.Kxa7 Rxb3*

59.a5 Rdb4 60.d6+ 1-0 (60) Vitiugov,N (2712)-Timofeev,A (2616) Loo RUS 2013*)* 25.Kb2 Re1;

B1e225222)

21...Rf5

Roiz, M: 'Obviously, Maxime's previous move is fully justified now - Black has full control over the a-file now.' Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Black's target is the lonely d5 pawn, and it is very difficult for White to find anything to protect it. Black's target is the lonely d5 pawn, and it is very difficult for White to find anything to protect it.' Anand: '!' Anand: 'Simple' Glenn Flear: '!' 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Roiz, M: '!?' Roiz, M: 'An ambitious attempt to complicate matters. ' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' Anand: ' □ ' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'After a while, I found this excellent reaction allowing me to keep the fight going.'

B1e2252221)

23.b3 Nb6 24.d6 *(24.Nd4 Rxd5 25.Be2)* 24...Rd5 25.Nd4∞ Rc1+ 26.Kb2 Re1;

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23.Rh4 Nb6 24.Rhd4= Nc4 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' Anand: '+-' Anand: '→' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'A nice move which had escaped my mind. Now Black is absolutely fine.' *(24...Bb5 25.b3)* 25.R2d3 Re5;

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23.d6 Diagram

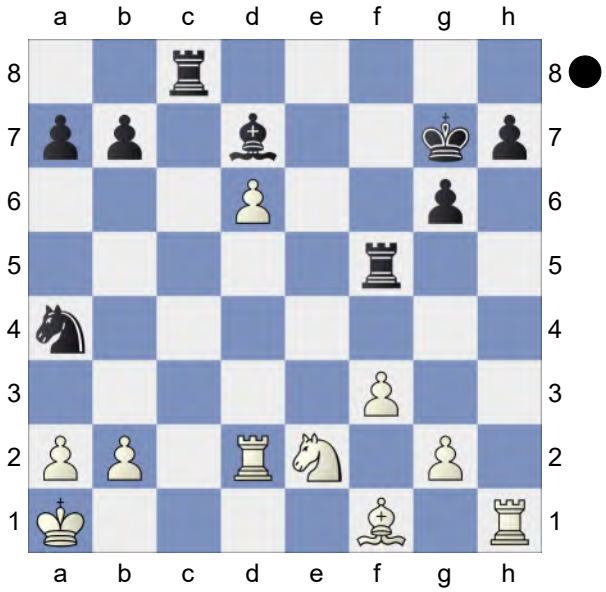

Diagram [#] Roiz, M: 'White needs to exchange the strong Nd6 and let

the Pd5 move.' Chess Evolution: 'Black simply wanted to win the pawn back by playing Nb6 and, if Nc3 Nxd5 comes. Black simply wanted to win the pawn back by playing Nb6 and, if Nc3 Nxd5 comes.' Glenn Flear: 'Anand, V-Gelfand, B Moscow Wch 2012 and now Black equalizes with' Van Delft & Ris: 'which was seen in the 3rd game of the recent WC match, and now Gelfand could have equalized with' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '(Anand-Gelfand, W-Ch 2012),' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'and now'

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Chess Evolution: 'The not very difficult' 23...Nb6 Van Delft & Ris: '!' 24.Nc3 Rd5 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! = leads immediately to a draw = leads immediately to a draw' Postny, Evgeny: '=!' Glenn Flear: '=!' Glenn Flear: 'You'll find all this already in the archives.' Van Delft & Ris: '=!' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: '!' Zakhartsov, Viacheslav V: 'led to equality, as pointed out in Stohl's Survey (CBM 149):' *(24...Nd5 25.Bb5)* 25.Rd3 *(25.Rxd5 Nxd5+-* Chess Evolution: 'and White has nothing better than allowing Black to take twice on c3. and White has nothing better than allowing Black to take twice on c3.' Roiz, M: 'Instead, the simple' *RR26.Bb5!* Anand: '?' *Nxc3 27.Bxd7 Rd8)* 25...Bf5 Anand: '!' 26.Rxd5 Nxd5 27.Bd3 Nxc3+- Hardly better is 28.Bxf5 gxf5 Anand: 'mate in 5' 29.bxc3 Anand: '?' *(29.Rc1 Rc6)* 29...Rxc3 30.Rd1 Rc8;

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23...Rfc5!∓ Chess Evolution: '?!' Chess Evolution: '?! The first inaccuracy by Gelfand after a great sequence of moves. The first inaccuracy by Gelfand after a great sequence of moves.' Postny, Evgeny: '?!' 24.Rd1? Vachier Lagrave,M: '??' Roiz, M: 'Alas, Vishy wasn't at his best in this game, and this move is a sort of blunder.' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '??' Chess Evolution: '+= The beginning of what looks like the end for Black... += The beginning of what looks like the end for Black...' Postny, Evgeny: ' ±' Postny, Evgeny: '½-½ (37) Anand,V (2791)-Gelfand,B (2727) Moscow 2012' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'The pressure pays off, with Vishy clearly having overlooked something. He probably wasn't too sure about his other options and missed my obvious reply.'

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24...Rc2

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25.--!;

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25.Rh4

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25...a5;

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25...Nxb2 26.Rb1 Na4+- 27.Rxb7 Rxe2 28.Bxe2 Rc1++- 29.Rb1 Rxb1++- 30.Kxb1!? Nc3+ 31.Kc2 Nxe2 32.Re4 Bf5 33.Kd2 Ng3!!+- *(33...Bxe4 34.d7)* 34.Re7+ Kf8 35.Rxh7 Ke8 36.Rxa7;

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25...Rxb2 26.Rxa4 Bxa4 27.Kxb2 Bxd1 28.Nc3 Rc6 29.Nxd1 Rxd6;

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25...--□;

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25.b3

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25...Nc3 26.Nxc3 R8xc3 27.Bd3 Rxg2+- 28.Rhe1 Kf6!+- 29.Re7 Bf5 30.Rxh7 Bxd3! 31.d7;

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25...--+-;

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25...Nb2! 26.Rb1

Nd3 27.Nd4!+- Rd2 28.Bxd3 Rxd3 29.Rbd1 Rxd1+ 30.Rxd1 Kf6 31.f4 Rd8 32.Rd2! Bc6 33.Nxc6 bxc6 34.Kb2 Ke6 35.Kc3 Rxd6 36.Rxd6+ Kxd6 37.Kb4 h5 38.Ka5 Kc7 *(38...--)*;
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25...Nb6 26.Rh4;
B1e225222322)
24...h5;
B1e225222323)
Chess Evolution: 'Still' 24...Nb6 25.Nc3 Nd5 Chess Evolution: 'probably would have been the best option for Black. probably would have been the best option for Black.';
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24...a5-+
Roiz, M: 'White cannot avoid a heavy loss of material.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'It is quite hard to understand what Vishy actually missed.
' 25.Rh4 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Finally, the White rook from h1 joins the game. White wants to play Re4-Re7. Finally, the White rook from h1 joins the game. White wants to play Re4-Re7.' *(25.b3 Nb6 26.Kb2 Rc2+ 27.Ka3)* 25...Rc2 Chess Evolution: 'Probably the last chance for Black to start some action. Probably the last chance for Black to start some action.' *(25...Re5 26.b3* Anand: '+-!' *Nc5 27.Nd4)* 26.b3 Roiz, M: 'A desperate queen sac.'
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26...Nc3 27.Nxc3 R8xc3 28.Bd3 Rxg2 Anand: '!' 29.Re4;
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26...Nc5 27.Kb1+- Anand: '!' Anand: 'This I had calculated before playing e4-e5. Anything else leaves White much worse, of course.' Bf5 *(27...Ne6)* 28.Nd4;
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Chess Evolution: 'In case of the silent' 26...Nb6 27.Rhd4 *(27.Re4 a4 28.Re7+ Kf6*

29.Ng3! ! White seem s to be close to winning. The knight on e4 is going to become a beast! White seem s to be close to winning. The knight on e4 is going to become a beast! *)*;

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26...Nb2

Chess Evolution: '!?' Chess Evolution: '!? A very risky move by Black, but probably the best chance to fight. A very risky move by Black, but probably the best chance to fight.'

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Chess Evolution: 'The tempting' 27.Rdd4

Chess Evolution: 'leaves the Black knight without moves, but' a4 28.bxa4

Chess Evolution: 'Black wanted to play a3' Nxa4

Anand: '+-' *(28...b5!* ! leads to quite a complicated position. Especially in a practical game, it is very hard to evaluate! leads to quite a complicated position. Especially in a practical game, it is very hard to evaluate!*; 28...Nc4 29.Rhe4 Kf6! 30.Rf4+ Kg7 31.Rde4 Bxa4 32.Re7+ Kh6!± 33.Rc7 Bb3 34.Rfxc4 Rxc4 35.axb3 R4xc7+- 36.dxc7 Rxc7+- 37.Kb2)* 29.Rxa4+- Bxa4 30.Rxa4 Rd2 31.Rb4;

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27.Rd5+-;

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27.Rb1

Chess Evolution: '!' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'Here I should still be careful not to allow exchanges which would give White drawing chances. But my passed pawn combined with attacking possibilities on White's king gave me enough confidence to think I would win this game.' 27...Nd3 28.Nd4

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28...Nb4

Vachier Lagrave,M 29.Nxc2 Rxc2 30.Re1 Rxa2+

(30...Bf5 Vachier Lagrave,M *31.Rxb4 axb4 32.g4)* 31.Kb1 Bf5+ Anand: '⇄' 32.Kc1+- Anand: '!?' and Black is helpless against ♘e6.;

B1e225222324432) 28...Rd2 29.Bxd3 Rxd3 Vachier Lagrave,M: '...e3 and ...♗c1 are two of the tempting options now on Black's agenda.' 30.Re1 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! So, White is a pawn up, and Re7 is a very dangerous threat. Black's only hope seems to be the White King. So, White is a pawn up, and Re7 is a very dangerous threat. Black's only hope seems to be the White King.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'An interesting try which I missed. But I had enough time on the clock to make sure everything worked out for me.'

(30.Re4 Re8 31.Rxe8 Bxe8+-)

B1e2252223244321) 30...Kf6 31.Re7 *(31.Rxh7* Anand: '→!' *Rxd4* Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '+-' *32.Rxd7 Rc2)* 31...Bf5 32.Nxf5 *(32.Rxb7 Rd2 33.Rc7 Re8 34.Rc1 h5 35.Nxf5 Ree2 36.Ra4 gxf5* Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!') 32...Kxf5+-;

B1e2252223244322) 30...g5 31.Re7++- Kg6 32.Rhe4 Rd2 33.Kb1+-;

B1e2252223244323) 30...Rd2 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Black tries to use all the tricks in the fight for survival. To have both rooks on the 2nd rank is the best chance. Black tries to use all the tricks in the fight for survival. To have both rooks on the 2nd rank is the best chance.' Anand: '!'

B1e22522232443231) 31.Re7+

is just fine for White. Black deviates from the equal endgame after 31...Kf6 32.Kb1 *(32.Rxd7 Rc1#)* 32...Bf5+ 33.Nxf5 Rd1+ Anand: '+-' 34.Kb2 Rd2+ 35.Ka3 Rcc2 36.Ka4= Rxa2+! Vachier Lagrave,M: 'was the obvious reaction. I thought it would give double-edged play after' 37.Kb5 gxf5 38.Rxb7 Vachier Lagrave,M: 'but my knight getting to d4 is no help after' *(38.f4 Rxd6 39.Rxb7 Ke6)* 38...Rxd6 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' 39.Rh6+ Ke5 40.Re7+ Kd5 41.Rh1 *(41.Rxd6+ Kxd6 42.Rxh7 Rxg2 43.Rh5 Ke6 44.Kxa5 Rg3)* 41...Rd2 42.Kxa5;

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31.Kb1 Bf5+ Chess Evolution: 'The only move' 32.Nxf5+ gxf5 33.Re7+ Anand: '!' Anand: '∆ 34.♗f3'

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33...Kf6 34.f4 Rxd6-+ *(34...Rd1+* Anand: '!' is just a draw. *35.Kb2* Vachier Lagrave,M *Rxd6 36.Rxb7 Rg8 37.Rhxh7 Rxg2+* Anand: '=' *38.Ka3; 34...Kg6 35.Rexh7)* 35.Rxb7 Rg8 36.Ra7 Rxg2 37.Rh6+ Rg6 38.Rhxh7;

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33...Kg6! Roiz, M: 'Not the only, but the most effective way.' Chess Evolution: 'And we are in a position where Anand made a terrible miscalculation. Having only 5 minutes for 6 moves, Anand makes a very strange decision - practically agrees to a draw. And we are in a position where Anand made a terrible miscalculation. Having only 5 minutes for 6 moves, Anand makes a very strange decision - practically agrees

to a draw.' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'Not the only winning move, but definitely the most pretty. All Black's pieces are hanging, but White is in the same situation and the b-pawn might decide the game in several cases.
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34.d7 Rcc2 Anand: '-+!' *(34...Rd8* Anand: '!' *35.Rhxh7 f4 36.Kc1 Rd6 37.a4; 34...--; 34...Rd1+ 35.Kb2 Rd2+ 36.Ka3 Rcc2!± 37.Ka4)* 35.Rc4-+ Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! It is clear that Anand saw this move' Anand: '?'

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35...Rb2+ 36.Kc1 Rxa2 37.Rc8 Rf2 38.Re6+!! Kh5 *(38...Kf7-+* Anand: ' □' *39.Rf6+ Kg7 40.Rg8+?)* 39.g4+ Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! and this is the key move! Not an easy move to foresee, especially with so little time on the clock. White promotes the queen with check and this is the key move! Not an easy move to foresee, especially with so little time on the clock. White promotes the queen with check' fxg4 40.Rc5+ *(40.fxg4+ Kxg4 41.Re4+ Kg3 42.Rg8+ Kh3* and Black definitely has the upper hand. *43.Rh4+)* 40...Kh4 Anand: '?' 41.d8Q+! Kg3 42.Kd1;

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35...--;

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35...Rxc4 Vachier Lagrave,M Chess Evolution: 'is not saving the game either' 36.bxc4 Anand: '+-' h5 37.Kc1 Rd4

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38.Kc2 Kf6 39.Rh7 Ke6 *(39...Kg6 40.Kc3!-+ Rd1!* is the only defence but after *41.d8Q Rxd8 42.Rxb7* (not the only move here) the attack keeps on going. A

beautiful line is *)*;
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38.Kb2 Anand: '∓' 38...Kf6
Anand: '!?' 39.Rh7 Ke6 *(39...Kg6? 40.Kc3* Szuhanek, Ranko: '-+!' *Rd1* Szuhanek,Ranko: '!' Szuhanek, Ranko: 'is the only defence but after' *41.d8Q! Rxd8 42.Rxb7!* Szuhanek,Ranko: '(not the only move here) the attack keeps on going. A beautiful line is' *)*
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40.Kc3 Anand: '±!' Rxd7 41.Rxd7 *(41.Rxh5 Rg7!)* 41...Kxd7
Anand: '?' 42.Kd4
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42...Kd6! 43.c5+ Kc6 *(43...Ke6 44.f4∞)* 44.f4 h4 45.Ke5;
B1e22522232443232213 212)
42...Ke6 43.c5
Anand: '!' *(43.Kc5* Anand: '=' *Ke5; 43.f4 b6 44.c5!* the strong passed Pd6 offers White full compensation for a piece. and White is hanging on by a thread. *b5* Vachier Lagrave,M *45.c6!? Kd6*
Anand: '??' *46.c7!* Anand: '!!' was an idea I had in mind. It seems to work better than I would have expected after *Kxc7 47.Kc5! b4 48.Kb5 Kd6 49.Kxa5 Kc5)* 43...f4-+ 44.Ke4
Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' a4 45.a3 h4 *(45...Kd7!= 46.Kxf4!? Kc6 47.g4*
In comparison to 24.Qc2, Black is able to grab the Pb3, but still after *hxg4 48.fxg4 Kxc5! 49.Ke4)* 46.Kd4 Anand: '!' Kd7 47.Kc3
Anand: '!'
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47...Kc7 48.Kb4 Kc6 49.Kc4 b6 *(49...Kd7⇄*
Anand: ' ∞' *50.Kb5*
Anand: '?'*; 49...Kc7*
Anand: ' ∓' *50.Kb5)* 50.cxb6
is likely to end in a draw. Kxb6! 51.Kd4 Kc6 52.Ke4 Kc5 53.Kxf4;
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47...Ke6 48.Kc4 Ke5 49.c6 bxc6

50.Kc5 Anand: '±' Ke6∓ 51.Kxc6! Vachier Lagrave,M Ke5 52.Kc5 *(52.Kb5=* Anand: ' □ ' It was necessary to put the queen on the safe square: *52...Kd4!* Vachier Lagrave,M Most probably Vishy has rejected it in view of: looks dangerous but might be ok as well: The following alternative leads to a very sharp, unclear position: *53.Kxa4* Anand: ' □ ' *Ke3* Anand: '+-!' *54.Kb4 Kf2* Anand: '□' *55.a4 Kxg2!* Anand: ' □ ' *56.a5 h3* Anand: ' □ ')* 52...Ke6! 53.Kd4 Kd6 54.Ke4! Anand: ' ± ' Kc5 55.Kxf4 Kc4 56.Ke4 Anand: '⩱' Kb3 Anand: '!' 57.f4 Kxa3 58.f5 Anand: ' ± ' Kb3 59.f6 Anand: '!' a3 60.f7 Anand: 'Amazingly, I had seen this in my calculations. Unfortunately, I didn't linger long enough to realize how strong White's attack is. The variations are quite pretty.' and the game peters out to a likely draw. a2 61.f8Q Anand: '!' makes White's life too easy; his ♕e4 is just what the doctor ordered to get enough counterplay and control of the position. a1Q Vachier Lagrave,M 62.Qf7+ Kc2 63.Qf2+ Kb3 64.Qb6+ Anand: '+-' Kc4 65.Qe6+ Kb4 66.Qd6+ Anand: '→' Kb3 67.Qd5+ Anand: '!' Kb4 68.Qd4+;

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40.Kb3

Chess Evolution: '!' Anand: '△'

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40...Rd2 41.c5 Anand: 'Black shouldn't be worse here.' *(41.Ka4 Rxa2+ 42.Kb5 Rd2* is just over. *43.Kxa5 Rxd7 44.Rxd7 Kxd7 45.Kb6 Kc8-+ 46.f4 h4 47.c5-+* After *47...Kb8 48.c6)* 41...Rxd7

Black's position is winning, but the technical task is not that easy. Good enough was also Vishy mentioned to me this option after the game: 42.Rxd7! Vachier Lagrave,M Anand: ' ± ' Kxd7 43.Kc4!-+ Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' Anand: '!' and White's knight cannot get back into play. Kc6 44.f4 Anand: '!';

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40...f4 the most convincing is: Anand: '⇄' 41.Ka4!;

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40...Rxd7 Chess Evolution: 'If Black doesnt take on d7, the White king will anyway go to b5. If Black doesnt take on d7, the White king will anyway go to b5.' is also enough to win, especially as White can't get his knight out in time: 41.Rxd7 Anand: '??' Kxd7! Anand: '+-' 42.Ka4 Kc6 *(42...b6 43.Kb5* followed by c5 with a totally winning pawn endgame. followed by c5 with a totally winning pawn endgame. *)* 43.Kxa5 Kc5-+ The most stubborn was: 44.f4 Vachier Lagrave,M h4 Anand: '!' 45.a3 b6+ 46.Ka6 Anand: ' ∞' Anand: 'This position didn't seem so clear to me at the time, but perhaps it was worth a try anyway, since White doesn't really run a lot of risk.' Kc6-+ Anand: '!' 47.Ka7 Kc7 Anand: '⩲' 48.a4 Kc6 Anand: '!' 49.Kb8;

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34.Rc7 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!?' Vachier Lagrave,Maxime: '!?' Chess Evolution: '?' 34...Re8 Vachier Lagrave,M: '!' Vachier Lagrave, Maxime: '!' Vachier Lagrave,M: 'The threat of ... ♕h6 forces White to throw in the towel.'

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35.Re7

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35...Rc8! 36.d7;
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35...Rxe7 36.dxe7 Kf7 *(36...Re2 37.Re4 Rxe4-+ 38.fxe4?? Kf7* Hopeless is also *39.exf5 Kxe7 40.g4)* 37.Rxh7+ Ke8 38.Rh5;
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35...Rd8;
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35.-- Re1+ 36.Rc1 Ree2??
Not very bright.;
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35.Rh1
Vachier Lagrave,M Chess Evolution: '?' Chess Evolution: '? It was not too late to play 35.Re7, and probably Black has nothing better than to come back with 35...Rc8 and pray for a repetition. It was not too late to play 35.Re7, and probably Black has nothing better than to come back with 35...Rc8 and pray for a repetition.' Anand: 'The difference with the immediate ♕ exchange is that White's ♔ is closer to the « and so the queen side won't disintegrate.'
35...Ree2
Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! Now the game is just a draw!' 36.d7 Rb2+ and the b-pawn is unstoppable.
37.Kc1
Vachier Lagrave,M
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37...Rxa2 38.Kd1-+ *(38.Kb1 Rab2+)*
38...Rad2+
Vachier Lagrave,M
39.Kc1! Anand: '='
Ra2;
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37...Rxa2
0-1 (37) Anand,V (2796)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2773) London 2015 CI1-130 [Szuhanek, Ranko] Chess Evolution: 'A very interesting game. Black was clearly better prepared, but strangely enough, missed a very easy draw and found himself in a very difficult endgame. It still looks like Anand is not in his top shape. 1) Today, he got into a little bit of time trouble and 2) He missed quite an easy win with 34.

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B2) Chess Evolution: 'A mistake would be' 17.fxe4 Chess Evolution: '?' Van Delft & Ris: '?' Van Delft & Ris: 'is strongly met by' Rxc3 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! this time works:' Van Delft & Ris: '!' 18.Qxc3 which is a different story. Nxe4

B2a) 19.Qe1 Na4 and the Black pieces are going for the White king Van Delft & Ris: '-+' 20.Bd4

B2a1) 20...Nf2

B2a11) 21.Bxf2 Bxb2+ 22.Kb1 Rxf2 23.Qxf2 Nc3+ 24.Kxb2 Nxd1+;

B2a12) 21.Bc4 Nxh1 22.d6+ Kh8 23.Bxg7+ Kxg7 24.Nf3 Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Qf6+ 26.Qe5 Ng3 *(26...--)*;

B2a13) 21.--;

B2a2) 20...Nxb2! ! and this is the finishing move. The White King is going to be mated soon. and this is the finishing move. The White King is going to be mated soon.;

B2b) 19.Qb4 Ng3;

B3) Chess Evolution: 'Would also be a mistake' 17.Nxe4 Chess Evolution: '?' Van Delft & Ris: '?' Van Delft & Ris: 'loses to' Nxe4 18.fxe4 Rxf1 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: '! a pretty move that Anand can see immediately a pretty move that Anand can see immediately' Van Delft & Ris: '!' 19.Rxf1 Nc4 Chess Evolution: 'and again the b2 pawn is the troublemaker, Black is winning. and again the b2 pawn is the troublemaker, Black is winning.' Van Delft & Ris: '-+';

B4) 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Rf7 Van Delft & Ris: '=' 19.Nge2 *(19.d6 Na4)* 19...Qe8 20.Rd4 e3 21.g3;

B5) 17.Bg5 exf3 18.gxf3;

B6) 17.d6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'This is the novelty and the deviation from the previous Dominguez game. Radjabov was definitely very well prepared as he could expect all the previous moves from his opponent."

B6a) 17...Na4!

Postny,Evgeny: 'is the real test. It would curious to see what Radjabov has prepared here.'

B6a1) 18.Nxa4 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'N' Bxa4 19.Rc1 Rxc1+ 20.Qxc1 b5! Van Delft & Ris: '⇄' 21.Ne2 Re8 *(21...Ne8* Harikrishna, Penteala: '- 127/(159)' *22.Nc3 Nxd6 23.fxe4 Qa5 24.Nxa4 Qxa4 25.Bd3 Nc4 26.Bxc4+ Qxc4=* Postny,E (2653)-Antal,G (2554) Rhodes 127/(159) 2015 CI1-130 [Harikrishna, Penteala] *)* 22.Bc5 Qa5 23.Kb1 exf3 24.gxf3 Nd7 25.Bd4 Rxe2 26.Bxe2 Bxd4 27.Qc8+ Nf8 28.Bc4+ bxc4 29.Qxc4+ Kh8 30.Qxd4+ Kg8= 1/2 (34) Naroditsky,D (2628)-Fedoseev,V (2664) Doha 2015;

B6a2) 18.Nge2 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E"

B6a21) 18...Re8 19.Rc1 *(19.Bd4)* 19...Qa5 *(19...exf3 20.gxf3 Nxb2 21.Kxb2 Rxe3 22.Qxe3 Nd5 23.Qxa7 Qf6 24.Qa5 Qxf3)* 20.Nxa4 Rxc1+ 21.Qxc1 Qxa4 22.Nc3 Qb4 *(22...Qc6)* 23.Nxe4 Nxe4 *(23...Rc8 24.Bc5 Be6 25.Bd3 Qa4 26.Nc3 Qa5⩱* 0-1 Hillarp Persson,T-Aberg,A/ Stockholm 2002/CBM 085 ext (38)*)* 24.Bc4+ Kh8 25.Rxh7+ Kxh7 26.Qh1+;

B6a22) 18...Qa5

B6a221) 19.Nxa4 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 *(20.Bxd2 Bxa4 21.Re1 exf3 22.gxf3 Rfe8↑)* 20...Bxa4 21.Bxa7 *(21.Nc3 Nh5)* 21...Nd7;

B6a222) 19.Bd4 Glenn Flear: 'Feller, S-Salgado Lopez, I French league 2012, and now I suggest'

B6a2221) 19...Nc5 Postny,Evgeny: '?!' 20.Nc1

B6a22211) 20...exf3 21.gxf3 a6 22.Qh2;

B6a22212) 20...Be6

B6a222121) 21.Nxe4?! Qxd2 22.Nxd2 *(22.Nxf6+? Bxf6 23.Rxd2 Ne4 24.Rd1 Bxd4 25.fxe4 Rfd8∓)* 22...Rfd8=;

B6a222122) 21.Nd5!

B6a2221221) 21...Qxd2 22.Ne7+ Kf7 *(22...Kh8 23.Nxg6+)* 23.Rxd2±;

B6a2221222) 21...Nb3+ 22.Nxb3 Qxd5 23.fxe4 Qc6 *(23...Nxe4 24.Qe1 Bg4 25.Be2 Bxe2 26.Qxe2 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 Ng3*

28.Rxd5 Nxe2 29.d7±) 24.Qg5↑;
B6a22213)
20...Ne6 21.Nb3 Qb4 *(21...Qf5)* 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Nxe4 *(23.Qh6 Bg7 24.Qxh7+ Kf7 25.Qh4 Rxc3 26.Qe7+ Kg8 27.Qxd7 Nc5 28.Qb5)* 23...Qxd2 24.Nxf6+ Rxf6 25.Nxd2**±**
1/2 (65) Feller,S (2640)-Salgado Lopez,I (2623) Belfort 2012 Postny,Evgeny: '½-½ (65) Feller,S (2640)-Salgado Lopez,I (2623) Belfort 2012' Ng5 26.Bc4+ Kg7 27.Bd5 Rxd6 28.Nc4 Rf6 29.Bxb7
B6a222131)
29...Rxc4 30.Rxd7+ Rf7 31.Rxf7+ Nxf7 32.Bd5
B6a2221311)
32...Rc2 33.Bxf7 Kxf7 34.Rxh7+ Kf6 *(34...Kg8 35.Kb1+-)* 35.b4+-;
B6a2221312)
32...Rc7 33.Kb1**±**;
B6a222132)
29...Rc7 30.Bd5 h5 31.b3 Bc8 32.Kb2 Re7 33.Rhe1 Kf8 34.Rxe7 *(34.Ne5!?)* 34...Kxe7 35.Re1+ Kd8 36.Re5 Ne6 37.Bxe6 *(37.Ne3)* 37...Bxe6 38.Ra5 Bxc4! 39.bxc4 Re6! The R ending seems to be drawn. 40.Kc3 Re2 41.Rg5 Rxa2 42.Rxg6 h4 43.Kd4 a5 44.f4 a4 45.Rg4 a3 46.Rxh4 Rxg2 47.Rh8+ Kc7 48.Ra8 a2 49.f5 Rf2 50.Ke5 Kc6 51.f6 Kc5 52.Ra4 Re2+ 53.Kf5 Rf2+ 54.Ke6 Re2+ 55.Kd7 Rf2 56.Ke7 Re2+ 57.Kf8 Rf2 58.f7 Re2 59.Kg8 Rg2+ 60.Kh7 Rf2 61.Kg6 Rg2+ 62.Kf6 Rf2+ 63.Ke6 Re2+ 64.Kd7 Rf2 65.Ke8 Re2+ ½-½ (65) Feller,S (2640)-Salgado Lopez,I (2623) Belfort FRA 2012 [Van Delft & Ris];
B6a2222)
19...Nxc3!? Van Delft & Ris: '!' 20.Bxc3 *(20.Nxc3 Be6* Postny,Evgeny: '⇄' Glenn Flear: '⇄'

21.a3 Rfd8 Van Delft & Ris: '↑' *22.Qf4 exf3 23.Bxf6 Rxc3)* 20...Qc5∞ *(20...Qa4 21.b3 Qc6 22.Bb2 Qc5⇄)*;

B6b) 17...Bc6 18.Be2;

B6c) 17...Re8 Postny,Evgeny: 'N?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E: 'N?!'' Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'N?!'' Balogh Csaba: 'Dominguez even knew about this 17.Ka1 move as his answer arrived without much thought and Radjabov also blitzes out his next move...'' Harikrishna,Penteala: '- 125/157' Postny,Evgeny: 'Perhaps too slow for such a sharp position. Perhaps too slow for such a sharp position. Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E: 'Perhaps too slow for such a sharp position. ''

B6c1) 18.Bh6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Goran' Bh8 19.Bg5 Na4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 20.Nxa4 *(20.Nge2 Qa5* Postny,Evgeny: '→' *)* 20...Bxa4 21.Rc1 e3 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 22.Bxe3 Rxc1+ 23.Qxc1 Qxd6 24.Bc4+ Nd5 25.Ne2 b5 26.Bxd5+ Qxd5 Postny,Evgeny: '=';

B6c2) 18.Nh3 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Well, it is time to develop the kingside. White intends to go to g5, bringing another piece to the attack."

B6c21) 18...Na4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E'' 19.Nxa4 Bxa4

B6c211) 20.Be2! (Balogh Csaba) with the idea to connect the rooks and play Rc1 next! If Black does not do something directly, the middlegame might turn to be very bad for him because of the d6 passed pawn. Rc2 *(*On *20...Bxd1 21.Bxd1!* and Bb3 Kh8 Ng5 is coming with decisive threats. Black's attack is over and the upcoming White one is going to be extremely dangerous.*)* 21.Qd4 Rxe2 22.Qc4+ Kh8 23.Ng5 looks very dangerous...;

B6c212) 20.Rc1 Rxc1+ 21.Qxc1 b5 22.Bc4+ Postny,Evgeny: '!' bxc4 23.Qxc4+ Kh8 24.Nf4 Nh5 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 25.Nxh5 gxh5 26.Qxa4 exf3 27.Bd4 fxg2 28.Rg1 Rf8 29.Bxg7+ Kxg7 30.Rxg2+ Kh8 31.Rd2 Rf1+ 32.Rd1 Rxd1+ 33.Qxd1 Qd7 Postny,Evgeny: 'Soon the h-pawns will be

exchanged for the d-pawn, so Black should hold.';

B6c22) 18...exf3 19.gxf3 Re5 20.Nf4 Bf5 21.Bd4 Qxd6 22.Bxe5 Qxe5 23.Bd3 Nc4 24.Bxc4+ Rxc4 25.Rhe1 Qxf4 26.Qd8+ Bf8 27.Qxf6 Rc6 28.Qd8 Be6 29.Ne4 Ra6 30.Nf6+ Kg7 31.Rxe6 Rxe6 32.Rd7+ 1-0 (32) Naroditsky,D (2628)-Seyb,A (2425) Doha QAT 2015;

B6c23) 18...Nc4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'After a long think, Dominguez decided to grab the pair of bishops and opens the way for his queen to develop to it's most dangerous attacking place to a5! This was new also for Radjabov, since after the necessary take on c4, he was also thinking for an hour in the very complex position.'' 19.Bxc4+ Rxc4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Diagram Both players were out of their preparation and it was time tocalculate the variations on their own. Of course it is very difficult task as both sides have numerous resources and nothing is forced, but one mistake could be decisive. Things were happening very fast so far, but soon due to the complex position, both players found themselves in timet rouble. White now needs to decide, as he must choose between Bh6 and Ng5. Both moves have their plusses and minuses.''

B6c231) 20.Bh6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E' Balogh Csaba: 'was the most logical continuation (at least to me), trying to trade the strong bishop. '' Postny,Evgeny: 'was the main alternative to consider.'

B6c2311) 20...exf3 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'is the computer's suggestion. It gives a line which ends in equality after'' 21.gxf3 *(On 21.Bxg7* Balogh Csaba *fxg2! 22.Qxg2 Kxg7* looks very dangerous for Black, his king is seemingly much more vulnerable, but the machine is happy and enjoys his extra pawn. *)* 21...Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Bxh3 23.Qxh3 *(On*

23.Rxh3 Balogh Csaba *Re6 24.Ne4 Qd7* Black seems to protect everything.*)* 23...Qd7 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: ' ∞" 24.Nd5 Qxh3 25.Nxf6+ Kf7 26.Rxh3 Rd4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 27.Rxh7+ Kxf6 28.Rc1 Postny,Evgeny: 'I believe, Black can defend it with accurate play, but it's definitely an unpleasant task.';

B6c2312) 20...Bh8 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'was what Radjabov was afraid of. Of course, it is very difficult to deal with such complications over the board.'' 21.Ng5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Diagram The inclusion of the Bh6 Bh8 pair of moves is good White since a check on d5 could lead to mate right away. The drawback is that it closes the h-file, so the sacrifices on h7 are much harder to execute and White no longer has the option to neutralize the long diagonal with Bd4 like it happened in the game... However the machine likes White after'' exf3 22.Rhe1 Postny,Evgeny: '!' fxg2 23.Rxe8+ *(23.Nd5!* (Balogh Csaba) Indeed, it looks very dangerous.*)* 23...Qxe8 24.Nd5 Bg7 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 25.Nxf6+ Bxf6 26.Qd5+ Be6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 27.Nxe6 Qc6 28.Nf4+ Qxd5 29.Nxd5 Rd4 30.Nxf6+ Kf7 31.Rg1 Kxf6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Black might survive here. The passed pawns shouldn't be underestimated.';

B6c232) 20.Ng5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Activating the knight. A check on d5 could be fatal for Black!'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Radjabov dedicated one hour to this move! Radjabov dedicated one hour to this move! Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny, E: 'Radjabov dedicated one hour to this

move!'" 20...exf3 21.Nxf3 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'A clever, cold-blood ed decision. White intends to put his bishop on d4 and the knight serves perfectly protects it.'' *(21.gxf3* Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny, E' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E' Balogh Csaba: 'was more in the spirit of the position at first sight. Keeping the strong attacker on g5, but somehow Black's attack develops faster with'' Postny,Evgeny: 'is worse. After' *Qa5* Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Black has Rxc3 in mind and the a1-h8 diagonal could cause real problems to White.'' Postny,Evgeny: 'The knight on g5 might be hanging in some lines. For example: White can't play' *22.Bd4* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'does not work now in view of'' Postny,Evgeny: 'now in view of' *22...Rxd4* Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!'' *23.Qxd4 Qxg5)*

B6c2321)

Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'On'' 21...Qa5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E'' Postny,Evgeny: 'was another tempting option, but it was impossible to calculate everything. Objectively, White is better. Here are few sample lines:' 22.Rhe1 *(22.Bd4* (Balogh Csaba) is good for White. He continues with Rde1 and invading e7. The minor pieces are covering everything now.*)* 22...b5 23.Bd4 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 b4 25.Nb1 Rc6 26.Re7 Ra6 27.a3 Rxd6 *(27...bxa3* Postny,Evgeny: '?' *28.b4* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *Qd5 29.Rxg7+* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *Kxg7 30.Bxf6+ Kxf6 31.Qxd5* Postny,Evgeny: '+-'*)* 28.Qe3 *(28.Bxf6 Rxd2 29.Rxg7+ Kf8 30.Nbxd2 bxa3*

31.b3 Qf5 32.Bd4 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±')
28...Qd8 29.Qb3+ Kh8 30.Qf7 Qg8 31.Be5 Rb6 32.Rxd7 Nxd7 33.Qxd7 Bxe5 34.Nxe5 bxa3 35.Nxa3 Postny,Evgeny: '±';

B6c2322) 21...Bc6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran'

B6c23221) 22.Bh6 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Rg4 24.d7 Re7 25.Rd6 *(25.Qh2 Nxd7 26.Ne5 Rg5 27.Nxc6 bxc6 28.Qd6 Qe8 29.Qxc6 Nb6* Postny,Evgeny: '∞' *)* 25...Nxd7 26.Ne5 Rxg2 27.Qh4 *(27.Nxd7 Rxd7 28.Ne4 Rg1+* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *29.Rxg1 Rxd6 30.Nxd6 Qxd6* Postny,Evgeny: '∞' *)* 27...Qe8 Postny,Evgeny: '∞';

B6c23222) 22.Bxa7 Qd7 23.Rhe1 Ne4 24.Nxe4 Rexe4 25.Ng5 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 b5 Postny,Evgeny: '⩲';

B6c2323) 21...Ng4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Arsovic, Goran: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Black also finds the right solution in the complex position. He now gets a nice possibility to meet the Bd4 move."

B6c23231) 22.Bxa7 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: '!'' Arsovic,Goran: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: '!''' Postny,Evgeny: 'would have been very greedy and unnatural for a human player to grab a seemingly irrelevant pawn. However, concrete lines do prove an advantage for White: would have been very greedy and unnatural for a human player to grab a seemingly irrelevant pawn. However, concrete

lines do prove an advantage for White: Arsovic, Goran: 'Postny,E: 'would have been very greedy and unnatural for a human player to grab a seemingly irrelevant pawn. However, concrete lines do prove an advantage for White:'" Qa5 *(22...Bxc3* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E'' *23.bxc3 Qa5 24.Rhe1* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *Ra8 25.Bb6 Qxc3+ 26.Qxc3 Rxc3 27.Bd4 Rc2 28.Bb2* Postny,Evgeny: '±' *)* 23.Qd5+ *(23.Bd4* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Bxd4 24.Nxd4 Ne3 25.Rc1 Qb6 26.Nc2 Rc6 27.Nxe3 Qxe3 28.Rcd1 Qxd2 29.Rxd2 Re6 30.Rhd1* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±'*)* 23...Qxd5 24.Nxd5 Re2 25.Bd4 Nf2 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 *(26...Nxd1* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *27.Bh6* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Rxc1 Re6 29.Rc7 Rxd6 30.Nc3 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: ' ±'" Kf6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' 31.Rxb7 g5 Postny,Evgeny: '⇄';

B6c23232) On 22.Bd4 (Balogh Csaba) Black was intending to play Bxd4 23.Nxd4 Ne3! implenting an annoying knight to e3, which cannot be disturbed by Rde1 in view of Rxd4 and check on c2! 24.Rc1 Qf6 Black has full control over the position and the dark squares. The pawn on d6 might also become a weakness now as the rook does not support it anymore from behind. Black could win it with Rc6.;

B6c23233) 22.Nd5 Postny,Evgeny: '?'

Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: '?'' Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: '?'' Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Excellent calculation also by White! Radjabov had to foresee the final position...'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Teimour shouldn't give up his bishop. Teimour shouldn't give up his bishop. Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'Teimour shouldn't give up his bishop.''' 22...Nxe3 23.Nxe3 Ra4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Creating the decisive threat of Be6! White has only one way to deal with it!'' 24.Nd5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!'' Be6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Diagram''

Postny,Evgeny: 'The bishops are now exceptionally powerful. The bishops are now exceptionally powerful. Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'The bishops are now exceptionally powerful. '''

B6c232331)

25.Ng5

(Balogh Csaba) was tempting, but it loses to Qxd6! A very nice queen sacrifice, which cannot be accepted... 26.Nf6+ Bxf6 27.Qxd6 Rxa2+ 28.Kb1 Rxb2+ 29.Ka1 *(29.Kc1 Rc8+-+)* 29...Rb4+ 30.Rd4 Bxd4+-+ wins.;

B6c232332)

25.Ne7+

Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Perfect play by both players and it leads to a draw at the end!''

B6c2323321)

25...Kf8

(Balogh Csaba) is possible, but better avoided. 26.Ne5!

Rxa2+ *(26...Bxe5 27.Rdf1+! Bf5 28.Nxf5+-)* 27.Kb1 Rxe7 28.dxe7+ Qxe7 29.Rxh7 and the black king is more vulnerable.;

B6c2323322)

25...Kh8??

(Balogh Csaba) leads to a quick mate after 26.Rxh7+! Kxh7 27.Rh1+;

B6c2323323)

25...Rxe7

Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!'' 26.dxe7

B6c23233231)

Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'It was possible to continue the fight with ' ' Postny,Evgeny: 'After' 26...Qxe7 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Black could try for more than a draw.' 27.Qd8+ Qf8 *(27...Bf8* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *28.Qxe7 Rxa2+)* 28.Qxf8+ Kxf8 *(28...Bxf8* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *29.a3* Postny,Evgeny: '±' *)* 29.Rxh7 Kg8 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' Postny,E' ' *(29...Rxa2+* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *30.Kb1 Rxb2+ 31.Kc1* Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'but the game should end with a draw anyway." *Rxg2 32.Rd8+ Ke7 33.Rb8 Kf6 34.Rxb7* Postny,Evgeny: '=' *)* 30.Ng5 *(30.Rxg7+ Kxg7 31.a3 Kf6* Postny,Evgeny: ' ∓' *)* 30...Bf6 31.Nxe6 Kxh7 Postny,Evgeny: '∓';

B6c23233232)

26...Rxa2+ 27.Kb1

B6c232332321)

27...Qxe7 28.Qd8+ Qf8 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' Postny,E' ' *(28...Bf8* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran' *29.Qxe7* Postny,Evgeny: '- 26...♕e7 Arsovic, Goran: '- 26... ♕e7" *Bxe7* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran'

30.Nd4 Bf7 Postny,Evgeny: '=' *)* 29.Qxf8+ Kxf8 30.Nd4 Postny,Evgeny: 'That's the difference between 27...♕xe7 and 26...♕xe6. The rook on a4 was covering the d4-square.';

B6c232332322) 27...Rxb2+ Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Now we are heading to a forced draw, calculated by both grandmasters. Now we are heading to a forced draw, calculated by both grandmasters. Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'Now we are heading to a forced draw, calculated by both grandmasters.''' 28.Qxb2 Bf5+ Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Arsovic, Goran: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Balogh Csaba: '!'' 29.Ka2 Be6+ *(29...Qa5+* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E'' *30.Qa3* Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '='' *Be6+ 31.Kb1 Bf5+* Postny,Evgeny: 'was another version of perpetual check.' *32.Rd3* Postny,Evgeny: '?' *Qxa3 33.e8Q+ Bf8* Postny,Evgeny: '∓' *)* 30.Kb1 Bf5+ 31.Ka2 Be6+ 32.Kb1 ½-½ (32) ♘d7 10.d4 (2726)-Marosi,G (2751) corr ICCF 2014 Anti-Sicilians MBM [Michalczak] Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'A very nice game! Both players would have deserved to gain more than half a point.'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Spectacular game! Spectacular game! Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E: 'Spectacular game!'";

B6d) 17...Nc4 18.Bxc4+ Rxc4 19.Nxe4 Ra4 20.Nc5 Rc4 21.Ne2 b6 22.Nxd7 Qxd7 23.Nc3 Rfc8 24.Bh6 Rxc3 25.bxc3 Bh8 26.Rhe1 Time forfeit 1-0 (26) MothToTheFlame (2657)-swampfox000 (2496) Blitz 2024;

B6e) 17...Be6N (a natural move that keeps a careful eye on some key light squares)

18.Bh6 Van Delft & Ris: '!?' Bxh6 19.Rxh6 Qd7 20.Rh4 e3 21.Qxe3 Nfd5∞ Shimanov, A - Coralles Jimenez, F Las Vegas 2018, and Black had achieved good piece play for the pawn deficit. Komodo really likes White at this point, but I don't agree. Flear,Glenn: 'Shimanov, A - Coralles Jimenez, F Las Vegas 2018, and Black had achieved good piece play for the pawn deficit. Komodo really likes White at this point, but I don't agree.' 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Qh6 Rc5 24.Bd3 Nf6 25.Bb1 Rd5 26.Rxd5 Bxd5 27.Nh3 Qg7 28.Qg5 Bf7 29.Rf4 Nd5 30.Rc4 Qf6 31.Qxf6 Nxf6 32.Rc7 Rd8 33.Rxb7 Rxd6 34.Ng5 Rd7 35.Rxd7 Nxd7 36.b4 Bc4 37.Kb2 h6 38.Ne4 Bf1 39.g3 g5 40.Nd2 Be2 41.g4 Nf6 42.a4 Kf7 43.Ba2+ Ke7 44.Kc3 h5 45.gxh5 Nxh5 46.Bc4 Bd1 47.Bb3 Be2 48.Kd4 g4 49.fxg4 Bxg4 50.Bd5 Nf6 51.Nc4 Kd7 52.b5 Kc7 53.a5 Bd7 54.Na3 Bc8 55.Bf3 Bb7 56.Be2 Bg2 57.Nc4 Nd5 58.Bg4 Nf6 59.Bf5 Bf1 60.Na3 Kd6 61.Bg6 Nd7 62.Be4 Nc5 63.Bd5 Be2 64.Bc4 Bf3 65.Nc2 Nb7 66.a6 Nc5 67.Ne3 Nd7 68.Bd5 Be2 69.Bc4 Bf3 70.Nf5+ Kc7 71.Ne7 Nb6 72.Bd5 Nxd5 73.Nxd5+ Bxd5 74.Kxd5 Kb8 75.Kd6 Ka8 76.Kd7 Kb8 77.Kd8 Ka8 78.Kc8 ½-½ (78) Shimanov,A (2629)-Corrales Jimenez,F (2536) Las Vegas USA 2018]

[White's third option is Flear,Glenn: 'White's third option is' Chess Evolution: 'Another interesting move is' 16.Nh3 1:47 e.g. Van Delft & Ris: '!?' Van Delft & Ris: 'deserves attention.' e4 22:47 *(A typical sacrifice doesn't work now 16...Rxc3?! ?! 17.Qxc3 Nfxd5 18.Bc4! ! and some of Black's pieces will be lost on the d-file. and some of Black's pieces will be lost on the d-file.; 16...Na4 17.Ne4 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Bg4 19.Rc1 Rxc1+ 20.Qxc1 Qa5 21.Bd3 Rc8 22.Qd2 Qxd2 23.Bxd2 Nc5 24.Bc2 Bxh3 25.Rxh3 Rf8 26.Rf3 Rxf3 27.gxf3 Bf8 28.b4 Nd7 29.Kc1 h5 30.Kd1 Kh7 31.Ke1 Bh6 32.Bc3 Bf4 33.Ba4 Nb6 34.Bb3 Kg7 35.a4 a6 36.Kf2 Kf7 37.b5 axb5 38.axb5 Nd7 39.Bb4 b6 40.Bc4 Nc5 41.Bf1 Ke7 42.Ke2 Kd6 43.Bh3 Kc7 44.Be1 Nb3 45.Bf2 Nd4+ 46.Bxd4 exd4 47.Be6 g5 48.Bf7 g4 49.fxg4 hxg4 50.Bh5 g3 51.Bf3 Kd6 52.Kd3 Be5 53.Bg2 Kc5 54.Ke2 Kxb5 55.Kf3 Kc5 56.Ke2 b5 57.Kd3 b4 58.Bf3 b3 59.Bg2 Kb4 60.d6 Bxd6 61.Kxd4 b2 0-1 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-Carobee (2645) Blitz 2022)*

A) Arsovic,Goran: 'instead' 17.Ng5 exf3

A1) 18.gxf3

A1a) 18...Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.Ka1 *(20.d6 Qa5 21.Nge4 Nxe4 22.fxe4 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Qxc3 24.Qxc3 Rxc3 25.Bxa7 Re8 26.Rhe1 Rc4 27.e5 Kf7 28.Bd4 Bf5+ 29.Kb2 Ke6 30.Bc3 Rd8 31.a3 h5*

32.Rh1 h4 33.Rd4 Rxd4 34.Bxd4 h3 35.Kc3 Rc8+ 36.Kd2 g5 37.Ke3 Rc2 38.Kf3 g4+ 39.Kg3 Rg2+ 40.Kh4 h2 41.Be3 g3 42.Kg5 Re2 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-Fraysinator (2797) Blitz 2022*)*

20...Qa5 21.Ne6 Bxe6 22.dxe6 Re8 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Rxh6 Rxe6 25.Rdh1 Rc8 26.Qd3 Qf5 27.Qxf5 gxf5 28.Nd5 Rcc6 29.Nxf6+ Rxf6 30.Rxh7 Rc1+ 31.Rxc1 Kxh7 32.Rc7+ Kg6 33.Rxb7 a6 34.a4 Kg5 35.Ka2 Kf4 36.Rb3 Re6 37.Rc3 Re3 38.Rxe3 Kxe3 39.b4 Kxf3 40.b5 axb5 41.axb5 Kg2 42.b6 f4 43.b7 f3 44.b8Q f2 45.Qg8+ Kh1 46.Qg7 f1Q 47.Qh6+ Kg1 48.Qg5+ Qg2+ 49.Qxg2+ Kxg2 ½-½ (49) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-Fraysinator (2765) Blitz 2022;

A1b) 18...Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Nfxd5 20.Nxd5 *(20.Rxh7 Nxc3 21.Rxg7+ Kxg7 22.Bd4+ Kg8 23.Qh2 Qxg5 24.Qh8+ Kf7 25.Qg7+ Ke6 26.Qe5+ Kf7 27.Qg7+ Ke6 28.Qe5+ Kf7 29.Qg7+* ½-½ (29) AgressiveMode (2696)-Atakishiyev04 (2657) Blitz 2021 *)* 20...Rc2 is analyzed by Kaufman as probably leading to a draw;

A2) 18.d6 Morchiashvili, B - Maghsoodloo, P Rasht Khazar 2017, shouldn't be particularly dangerous, for example Flear, Glenn: 'Morchiashvili, B - Maghsoodloo, P Rasht Khazar 2017, shouldn't be particularly dangerous, for example' 18...f2!? 19.Bxf2 h6 20.Nf3 Ng4∞;

B) otherwise 17.Nf4 Chess Evolution: 'and we are again in a totally messy position, but I feel that White might be better here. The knight on f4 is in a very powerful position. and we are again in a totally messy position, but I feel that White might be better here. The knight on f4 is in a very powerful position.' exf3 18.gxf3 occurred in Almeida Quintana, O - Espinosa Veloz, E Santa Clara 2013, and now I suggest Flear, Glenn: 'occurred in Almeida Quintana, O - Espinosa Veloz, E Santa Clara 2013, and now I suggest'

B1) 18...Bf5+ 19.Ka1 *(19.Bd3 Nc4 20.Qe2 Nxe3 21.Qxe3=* Koneru, H-Karthikeyan,P Al-Ain 2015 Glenn Flear: 'Koneru, H-Karthikeyan,P Al-Ain 2015'*)* 19...Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Nfe2 b5 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Gofshtein, L-Roiz,M Israeli league 1999, with counterplay. Glenn Flear: 'Gofshtein, L-Roiz,M Israeli league 1999, with counterplay.'' 22.Ng3 b4 23.Nce4 Bxe4 24.Nxe4 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Rxe4 26.Bc5 Rf5 27.Qc2 ½-½ Gofshtein,L-Roiz,M/ Israel 1999/EXT 2000;

B2) 18...Nc4!∞;

C) 17.fxe4 Qe8 *(17...Na4 18.Bd3 Nxc3+ 19.bxc3 Ng4 20.Bd4 Ne5 21.Nf4 Nxd3 22.Nxd3 Ba4 23.Rc1 Qe7 24.e5 Bb5 25.Rhe1 Bc4 26.d6 Qe6 27.Nf4 Qf5+ 28.Kb2 Qxf4 29.Qxf4 Rxf4 30.e6 Rxd4*

31.cxd4 Bxd4+ 32.Ka3 Bc5+ 33.Ka4 Bxd6 34.e7 b5+ 35.Ka5 Kf7 36.e8Q+ Rxe8 37.Rxe8 Kxe8 38.Ka6 Bc7 39.Re1+ Kd7 40.Kxa7 Bd6 41.Rd1 Kc6 42.Ka6 b4+ 43.Ka5 Bc5 44.Rc1 Bb5 45.Rxc5+ Kxc5 46.g4 g5 47.a3 bxa3 ½-½ (47) Consent_to_treatment (2635)-SanFrancisco49ers (2591) Blitz 2023 *)* 18.Nf2 Na4= Simantsev, M-Lokander, M Pardubice 2014.;

D) 17.Nxe4 27:28 17...Bf5 32:38 18.Nhf2 3:14 Na4 9:41 ChessBase II: 'N' *(18...Qxd5= 19.Bxb6 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 axb6 21.Bd3 Be6 22.Nxf6+ Bxf6 23.Be4 Rfd8 24.Rhd1 Rxd2 25.Rxd2 Bg5 26.Rd1 Rc7 27.Nd3 Kg7 28.Nb4 Kf6 29.g3 Be3 30.f4 Bf2 31.Nd5+ Bxd5 32.Rxd5 Re7 33.Rd6+ Kg7 34.Bf3 b5 35.g4 Bc5 36.Rd5 b6 37.f5 Re1+ 38.Kc2 gxf5 39.Rxf5* ChessBase II: '½-½ (39) Carow,J (2407)-Antal,G (2524) Vienna 2015' *)* 19.Bd4 31:06 *(* at first the engines like *19.Qb4!?* but following *Nxb2 20.Rd4 Nxd5 21.Qxb2 Nc3+∓* they change their mind and switch sides! This can be a problem when preparing such complicated lines, as we need to rely to a certain degree on a silicon friend. So don't forget to also follow your instinct and go deeper into the positions, especially when you sense that the machine 'assessments are unconvincing'. Flear,Glenn: 'they change their mind and switch sides! This can be a problem when preparing such complicated lines, as we need to rely to a certain degree on a silicon friend. So don't forget to also follow your instinct and go deeper into the positions, especially when you sense that the machine 'assessments are unconvincing'.'*; 19.d6* ChessBase II: '!?'*)* 19...Qxd5 1:30 20.Bxf6 15 Qxd2 13 21.Rxd2 3 Rxf6= 4:43 22.Bd3 3:08 Rb6 5:37 ChessBase II: '↑' 23.b3 18 Be6 6:56 Ma Qun - Xu Xiangyu, Vandoeuvre 2019. I don't see any particular problems for either side, the bishop pair being balanced by the fine outpost on e4. Flear, Glenn: 'Ma Qun - Xu Xiangyu, Vandoeuvre 2019. I don't see any particular problems for either side, the bishop pair being balanced by the fine outpost on e4.' 24.Rhd1 6:14 Nc3+ 2:57 25.Nxc3 8 Rxc3 6 26.Bc2 1:34 Rc8 5:54 27.Ne4 22 Be5 51 28.g3 6:38 Bf5 32 29.g4 8 Be6 30 30.Ng5 3:36 Bf6 25 31.Ne4 2:43 Be5 5 32.Ng5 36 Bf6 5 33.Ne4 3 Be5 11 34.Ng5 5 ½-½ (34) Van Habberney,G (2625)-Efim Kogan (2567) Bled 2019 CCYB 11 [Dragan Solak]]

[16.Bh6

A) 16...Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 *(18.Bxg7 Nxc3 19.Bxf8 Nxd1)* 18...Rc2 *(18...Qxd5 19.Qxd5+ Nxd5 20.Bd2 Rfd8 21.Ne2 Ne3* 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-JonahB94 (2675) Blitz 2021*)* 19.Qe1 Bxh6 20.Rxh6 Nxd5;

B) 16...e4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.fxe4 h5 19.Nf3 Qe7 20.Bd3 1-0 (20) XThepunisherX (2635)-Fraysinator (2651) Blitz 2022;

C) 16...Nbxd5 17.Nxd5 Bf5+ 18.Bd3 Bxh6 19.Nxf6+ Rxf6

20.Rxh6 Rd6]
16...e4 Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!'' Harikrishna,Penteala: '(the thematic sacrifice to open up Black's pieces)' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!?' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!? Exactly like this! I guess both players still knew this position very well, but this doesn't matter to us. What is important here is to know how to handle such positions. Black doesn't wait any longer and tries to open White's position to the maximum! A very typical play in case of development advantage! Exactly like this! I guess both players still knew this position very well, but this doesn't matter to us. What is important here is to know how to handle such positions. Black doesn't wait any longer and tries to open White's position to the maximum! A very typical play in case of development advantage!' Arsovic,Goran: '* Glenn Flear: '!' 'Opening the long dark-squared diagonal is the acknowledged recipe.'' Glenn Flear: 'has now been tested:'
[16...Bf5+ Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E'' 17.Ka1 e4
A) 18.g4 Be6 19.g5 Nh5 20.Nxe4 Rf5 *(20...Qd7)*;
B) 18.Bh6 Postny,Evgeny: '⩲'
B1) 18...e3 Postny,Evgeny: '?!' 19.Bxe3 Nfd5 20.Nxd5 Rc2 21.Ne7+ Krasenkow: '!' Qxe7 *(21...Kh8 22.Qd4! h5 23.g4 Bxd4 24.Bxd4+ Kh7 25.gxf5 Qxd6 26.fxg6+ Kh6 27.Be3+* V.Korchnoi Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow: 'V.Korchnoi'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'V.Kortschnoj'*)* 22.Qxc2 Qxe3 23.Qb3+ Qxb3 24.axb3 Postny,Evgeny: '+-' Postny,Evgeny: '1-0 (43) Postny,E (2432)-Greenfeld,A (2570) Tel Aviv 2001' Krasenkow: '+-''1-0 Postny,E-Greenfeld,A/Tel Aviv 2001/CBM 082/Korchnoi] (42) Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Postny,E-Greenfeld,A/Tel Aviv 2001/CBM 082/[Kortschnoj] (42) Krasenkow: '1-0 Postny,E-Greenfeld,A/Tel Aviv 2001/CBM 082/Korchnoi] (42)'';
B2) 18...Bh8!? V.Korchnoi Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow: 'V.Korchnoi''Krasenkow,Michal: 'V.Kortschnoj';
B3) 18...Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rf7 20.Nh3 exf3 21.gxf3 *(21.Ng5 Rd7 22.gxf3 Rxd6 23.Rxd6 Qxd6 24.Nxh7 Rc7)* 21...Qf8 *(21...Rd7)* 22.Ng5 *(22.Qd2)* 22...Qxh6 *(22...Rd7 23.Qh2 Rcd8 24.Bh3 Bxh3 25.Qxh3 Re8 26.Nce4+-* 1-0 Postny,E-Serebro,A/Israel 2002/EXT 2003 (43) *)* 23.Rxh6 Rd7]
[16...Nc4 Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E'' 17.Bxc4+ Rxc4 18.Nge2 *(18.Nd5 Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Qxd6 20.Nxf6+ Qxf6 21.Qd5+ Be6 22.Qxb7 e4 23.Ne2 Rc2 24.Bd4 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ Rxf7 26.Bxg7 Rxe2 27.Bh6 Rd7 28.Rxd7 Bxd7 29.fxe4 Rxg2 30.Rd1 Bg4 31.Rd8+ Kf7 32.b3 Rh2 33.Bf4 Re2 34.Ra8 Rxe4 35.Rxa7+ Ke6 36.Bh6 Re1+ 37.Kb2 Re2+ 38.Ka3 Rh2 39.Rxh7 Bf5 40.Rh8 Bb1 41.Bg7 Rxa2+ 42.Kb4 g5 43.Bd4 g4 44.Rg8 Kf5 45.Kc5 Rc2+ 46.Kd6*

Rd2 47.Kc5 Kf4 48.b4 g3 49.b5 Be4 50.b6 g2 51.Rg7 Rc2+ 52.Kb4 Rc1 53.Rf7+ Kg3 54.Rg7+ Kf3 55.Rf7+ Ke2 56.Re7 Kd3 57.Bf2 Rc2 58.Bg1 Rc1 59.Bf2 g1Q 60.Bxg1 Rxg1 61.b7 Rb1+ 62.Kc5 Bxb7 63.Rd7+ Kc3 64.Rc7 Be4 65.Kd6+ Kd3 66.Ke7 Rb5 67.Kd6 Kd4 68.Ke7 Bd5 69.Kd8 Rb8+ 70.Ke7 Rb6 71.Kd8 Rh6 72.Ke7 Rh7+ 73.Kd8 Rh8+ 74.Ke7 Ke5 75.Rd7 Rh7+ 76.Kd8 Rh8+ 77.Ke7 Be6 78.Rc7 Rh7+ 79.Kd8 Rh8+ 80.Ke7 Ra8 81.Rc5+ Bd5 82.Rc7 Ra6 83.Kd8 Rd6+ 84.Ke7 Bb3 85.Rd7 Re6+ 86.Kd8 Bd5 87.Re7 Kd6 88.Rc7 Rf6 89.Rd7+ Kc6 90.Re7 Rf8+ 91.Re8 Rf5 92.Re7 Re5 93.Rd7 Be6 94.Rc7+ Kb6 95.Rd7 Rb5 96.Re7 Kc5 97.Rc7+ Kd6 98.Re7 Rb8# 0-1 (98) Consent_to_treatment (2721)-Gahan M G (2247) Blitz 2023*)* 18...Be6 *(18...Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Be6 20.Bg5 Qd7 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Ne4 Bd8 23.N2c3 Rf7 24.Qe3 Qc6 25.Rc1 Qa6 26.b3 Rc8 27.Na4 b6 28.Ng5 Bxg5 29.Qxg5 b5 30.Qxe5 bxa4 31.Qxe6 Rxc1+ 32.Rxc1 Qb6 33.Rc7* 1-0 (33) Nielsen,P (2680)-Tazbir,M (2500) Helsingor DEN 2009 *)*

A) 19.Bh6 Postny,Evgeny: ' ± ' Bxh6 *(19...Qd7* Postny,Evgeny: '?' *20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qe3* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' Postny,Evgeny: '1-0 (29) Postny,E (2434)-Mikhalevski,V (2532) Givataim 2000' *b5 22.b3 Rcc8 23.Qxe5 Rce8 24.Qd4 Kg8 25.Ka1 a5 26.Nf4 b4 27.Na4 Bf5 28.g4 Bc2 29.Qc4+)* 20.Qxh6 Rc6 21.Ne4 Qd7 22.N2g3 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 Bf5;

B) 19.g4 Qd7 20.Bh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 b5 22.Ng3 b4 23.Nce4 Rcc8]

[16...Be6 Chess Evolution: 'This is why d6 might not be the best, the bishop on e6 is standing perfectly, even if it looks like a lost tempo, just 2 moves ago Bc8-d7 was played. This is why d6 might not be the best, the bishop on e6 is standing perfectly, even if it looks like a lost tempo, just 2 moves ago Bc8-d7 was played.' 17.Nh3 *(17.Bg5* Black wanted to play Nfd5. *Qd7* The Black queen is going to f7 and, at the same time, Black keeps his desire to play Nfd5. Once again, White had a lot moves to consider. As we can see, the position is super complicated and it is really hard to say who is doing better. The Black queen is going to f7 and, at the same time, Black keeps his desire to play Nfd5. Once again, White had a lot moves to consider. As we can see, the position is super complicated and it is really hard to say who is doing better. *)* 17...Nbd5 *(17...Nfd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Ng5 Bf5+ 20.Bd3 Qd7 21.Nxh7 Rfd8 22.Bg5 Nf4 23.Be4 Bxe4+ 24.fxe4 Qc6 25.d7 Qxe4+ 26.Ka1 Ra8 27.Nf6+ Bxf6 28.Bxf6* 1-0 (28) Nabaty,T (2631)-Cawdery,D (2417) Chennai IND 2022 *)* 18.Nxd5 Bxd5 19.Bg5 Be6 20.Nf2 e4 *(20...Qd7 21.Qb4 a6 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Ne4* Krasenkow: '±' Krasenkow: '1-0 Hillarp Persson,T-Wojciechowski,P/Jersey 2004/EXT 2005 (30)' *Bf5 24.Bd3)* 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Nxe4 Qe5]

[16...Na4

A) 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.b3 Bd7 19.Bc4+ Rxc4 *(19...Kh8 20.Bh6 Qb6 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.Qh6+*

Kh8 23.Ne2 Rxc4 24.Qxf8+ Ng8 25.Qf7 h5 26.Qxc4 Bb5 27.Qe4 Kg7 28.Nc3 Nf6 29.Qxe5 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-QuarterPawn (2803) Blitz 2024 *)* 20.bxc4 Bf5+ 21.Ka1 e4;

B) 17.Ne4]

Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'A year ago Grischuk played'' 17.fxe4 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White doesn't have a choice, he has to take.' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Postny,E"

[17.Bh6 Na4 *(17...Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Rxc3 19.bxc3 Be6 20.Bb5 a6 21.Nh3 Bxh3 22.Qxh3 axb5 23.Qe6+ Kg7 24.d7 Na4 25.Qe5 Qa5 26.d8Q Nxc3+ 27.Qxc3 Qxc3 28.Qd4 Qxd4 29.Rxd4 exf3 30.gxf3 Nh5 31.Rd7+ Kh6 32.Rxb7 Rxf3 33.Rxb5 Kg7 34.a4 Rf4 35.a5 Ra4 36.Kb2 Ng3 37.Ra1 Re4 38.a6 Re2+ 39.Kb3 Re8 40.a7 Ra8 41.Rb8 Rxa7 42.Rxa7+ Kf6 43.Rxh7 Nf5 44.Kc3 Kg5 45.Kd3 Kf6 46.Rf8+ Kg5 47.Rxf5+ Kxf5 48.Ke3 Kg5 49.Kf3 Kf5 50.Kg3 g5 51.Ra7 Kg6 52.Ra5 Kh5 53.Rb5 Kg6 54.Kg4 Kf6 55.Rxg5 Ke6 56.Rf5* 1-0 (56) MothToTheFlame (2665)-Cbum-indio (2600) Blitz 2023 *)*

A) 18.Nd5 Nxd5 *(18...Bxh6!? 19.Qxh6 Rf7 20.Ne7+ Rxe7 21.dxe7 Qxe7* is one of those exchange sacrifices that are difficult to assess. Which king is more vulnerable? Does Black's activity make up for his material deficit? Anyway, the engines prefer White slightly, but I'll personally sit on the fence on this one! Flear,Glenn: 'is one of those exchange sacrifices that are difficult to assess. Which king is more vulnerable? Does Black's activity make up for his material deficit? Anyway, the engines prefer White slightly, but I'll personally sit on the fence on this one!'*)* 19.Qxd5+ *(19.Bxg7?!* (a new move but, frankly, it isn't great) *e3 20.Qxd5+ Kxg7 21.Bb5* Sanikidze,T-Wagner,De French league 2016, and now Black can get an advantage with the amazing Glenn Flear: 'Sanikidze,T-Wagner, De French league 2016, and now Black can get an advantage with the amazing' *Nxb2!)* 19...Kh8 20.Bxg7+ Kxg7 21.fxe4 *(21.Qd2 h5 22.fxe4 Qb6 23.Ne2 Rf2 24.Ka1 Qc5 25.Qd4+ Qxd4 26.Nxd4 Rc5 27.Be2 Re5 28.Bf3 Rxb2 29.Rc1 Rd2 30.Rc7 Nb6 31.Nb3 Rxd6 32.Rxb7 Kf6 33.Rxa7 Nc4 34.Rc1 Be6 35.Rc7 Nd2 36.Nxd2 Rxd2 37.R7c2 Rxc2 38.Rxc2 Ra5 39.Be2 Ke5 40.Bc4 Rc5 41.Bb3 Rxc2 42.Bxc2 g5 43.a4 g4 44.a5 Bc4 45.Bd1 Kxe4 46.Kb2 Bd5 47.g3 Ke3 48.Bb3 Bb7 49.a6 Bxa6 50.Bf7 h4 51.gxh4 g3 52.Bd5 Be2* 0-1 (52) Khismatullin,D (2651)-Areshchenko,A (2661) Baku AZE 2015 *)* 21...Qb6 and now White took the perpetual check option starting with Flear,Glenn: 'and now White took the perpetual check option starting with' 22.Qe5+ Kg8 23.Qd5+ in Ding Liren - Gelfand, B Wenzhou match 2015.;

B) 18.Nge2 exf3 19.gxf3 Bf5+ 20.Ka1 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Rxc3 23.bxc3 Qa5 24.Bc4+ Kh8 25.Qxf8+ 1-0 (25) Ricky_Zhou (2859)-Gryzlo (2718)

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[17.Nh3 Harikrishna,Penteala: '!' Harikrishna,Penteala: '(the crunch move)' exf3 18.gxf3
A) 18...Na4?! 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.Ng5! *(or 20.Re1 Rc2* with dangerous counterplay*)* 20...Bxd1 *(20...Qe8 21.Bd3 h6 22.Ne4 Bxd1 23.Qxd1 Nxe4 24.Bxe4 Qe5 25.Qb3+ Kh7 26.Qxb7 Rf7 27.Rxh6+ Kg8 28.Qxc8+* 1-0 (28) brianthegreat (2694)-JohnWarosa (2644) Blitz 2022 *)* 21.Qxd1 Qa5 22.Qb3+ Kh8 23.Bd3 was already winning for White in Adhiban,B-Mikhalevski,V Stockholm 2016. Glenn Flear: 'was already winning for White in Adhiban,B-Mikhalevski,V Stockholm 2016.' Nh5 24.Nxh7 Rxf3 25.Ng5 Rf5 26.Qe6 Qd5 27.Rxh5+ gxh5 28.Nf7+ Kg8 29.Qxc8+ Kxf7 30.Qxf5+ 1-0 (30) Adhiban,B (2663)-Mikhalevski,V (2516) Stockholm SWE 2016;
B) the ambitious 18...Rxc3!? isn't quite good enough: 19.Qxc3 keeps the structure intact and should be preferable for White. After the virtually forced sequence Glenn Flear: 'keeps the structure intact and should be preferable for White. After the virtually forced sequence' Nfd5 20.Qb3 Ba4 21.Bxb6 Bxb3 22.Bxd8 Bxd1 23.Be7 Bxf3 24.Bxf8 Kxf8 White retains a small edge as he holds onto the exchange and rounding up the d-pawn will cost Black time. Glenn Flear: 'White retains a small edge as he holds onto the exchange and rounding up the d-pawn will cost Black time.';
C) 18...Nc4!? Harikrishna, Penteala: '!' 19.Bxc4+ Rxc4∞ Harikrishna,Penteala: 'trading White's light-squared bishop looks the most natural']
17...Ng4 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Of course Black wants to play Nxe3 and at the same time Bxc3 is dangerous, which forces White to act quickly. Of course Black wants to play Nxe3 and at the same time Bxc3 is dangerous, which forces White to act quickly.'
[17...Qe8 18.Bd3 Ng4 19.Bxb6 axb6 20.Nf3 Be6 21.Bc2 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qb5+ 23.Bb3 Bxb3 24.axb3 Qxb3+ 25.Qb2 Qxb2+ 26.Kxb2 Nf2 27.e5 Nxh1 28.Rxh1 Rce8 29.Rd1 Rf7 30.Ng5 Rf2+ 31.Kb3 Rxg2 32.d7 Rd8 33.Ne6 Rxd7 34.Rxd7 Re2 35.Rg7+ Kh8 36.Rxb7 h5 37.Nf4 Re4 38.e6 Rxf4 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.e7 Re4 41.e8Q Rxe8 42.Rxe8 h4 43.Kc4 g5 44.Kd4 h3 45.Re1 Kg6 46.Ke4 Kh5 47.Kf3 Kh4 48.Re8 g4+ 49.Kf4 Kh5 50.Rh8+ Kg6 51.Kxg4 Kf6 52.Rh6+ Ke5 53.Rxb6 Kd5 54.Rb2 Kc4 55.Rh2 Kxc3 56.Rxh3+ Kd4 57.Rf3 Ke4 58.Rf4+ Ke3 59.Rf3+ Ke4 60.Rf4+ Ke5 61.Kg3 Kd5 62.Rf2 Ke5 63.Kf3 Kd4 64.Re2 Kd3 65.Re3+ Kd4 66.Re4+ Kd5 67.Kf4 Kc5 68.Re5+ Kd6 69.Kf5 Kc6 70.Re6+ Kd5 71.Re5+ Kd4 72.Re4+ Kd3 73.Kf4 Kc3 74.Re3+ Kd2 75.Ke4 Kc2 76.Rd3 Kb2 77.Rd4 Kc2 78.Rd5 Kc3 79.Rd4 Kb3 80.Rd7 Kc2 81.Rc7+ Kb2 82.Rb7+ Kc3 83.Rc7+ Kd2 84.Rd7+ Ke2 85.Rd5 Kf2 86.Re5 Kg3 87.Rg5+ Kh4 88.Rf5 1-0 (88)

Consent_to_treatment (2756)-CaliforniaBeaST (2895) Blitz 2023] [17...Rxc3 18.Qxc3 Nxe4 19.Qb3+ Kh8 20.Nf3 Ba4 21.Bxb6 Bxb3 22.Bxd8 Bxd1 23.Be7 Rc8 *(23...Rg8 24.Bc4 Bxf3 25.gxf3 Nd2+ 26.Kc2 Nxc4 27.d7 Nxb2 28.Rb1 h5 29.Rxb2 Bxb2 30.Kxb2 Kg7 31.Kc3 Kf7 32.d8Q Rxd8 33.Bxd8 Ke6 34.Kd4 Kf5 35.Ke3 g5 36.Bc7 g4 37.f4 h4 38.Kf2 b6 39.Kg2 Ke4 40.Bd8 b5 41.Bxh4 Kxf4 42.Kf2 a5 43.Bg3+ Ke4 44.Ke2 a4 45.Kd2 Kf3 46.Bd6 g3 47.Kc3 Ke4 48.Kb4 Kd5 49.Bxg3 Kc6 50.Bf2 Kb7 51.Ka5 Ka8 52.a3 Kb8 53.Ka6 Ka8 54.Bg3 b4 55.axb4 a3 56.Kb5 a2 57.Be5 Kb7 58.Ba1 Kc7 59.Ka4 Kb7 60.Kb3 Kb6 61.Kxa2 Kb5 62.Kb3 Kb6 63.Kc4 Kc6 64.b5+ Kb6 65.Kb4 Kb7 66.Kc5 Kc7 67.b6+ Kb7 68.Kb5 Kb8 69.Kc6 Kc8 70.b7+ Kb8 71.Be5+ Ka7 72.b8Q+ Ka6 73.Qb4 Ka7 74.Qb7#* 1-0 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-Emporio_Armani (2581) Blitz 2023*)* 24.Bd3 Bxf3 25.d7 Nd2+ 26.Ka1 Bg4 27.dxc8Q+ Bxc8 28.Bxg6 Kg8 29.Bxh7+ Kf7 30.Bb4 Nc4 31.Bc3 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-swampfox000 (2555) Blitz 2023] [17...Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Bd3 Kh8 20.g4 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxe4+ 22.Bd3 Bxh1 23.Qh2 Qf6 24.a3 Rcd8 25.Bc1 Bc6 26.Bc2 Qe5 27.Qd2 Rd7 28.Re1 Qxd6 29.Qxd6 Rxd6 30.Nh3 Rd7 31.Ng5 h6 32.Ne6 Re8 33.Bxg6 Ree7 34.Bf5 Rd6 35.Bf4 Rd8 36.Rc1 Rde8 37.Nc5 Re2 38.Rc2 Rxc2 39.Bxc2 Re2 40.Nd3 Be4 41.Kc1 Bxd3 42.Bxd3 Rxb2 43.Bd2 Ra2 44.Bb4 Ra1+ 45.Kc2 Ra2+ 46.Kb3 Rg2 47.Kc4 Rxg4+ 48.Kb3 Rg5 49.Bd2 Rg6 50.Bxg6 Kg8 51.Be3 Kf8 52.Bxa7 Ke7 53.Be4 Kd7 54.Bxb7 Bf8 55.Bf3 h5 56.Bxh5 Bxa3 57.Kxa3 Ke6 58.Be3 Kf6 59.Bf3 Ke5 60.Kb4 Ke6 61.Kc4 Kd6 62.Kd4 Kd7 63.Be4 Ke7 64.Bd5 Kd6 65.Bf4+ Kd7 66.Be5 Ke8 67.Kc5 Kd8 68.Bd6 Ke8 69.Be6 Kd8 70.Kc6 Ke8 71.Bd7+ Kd8 72.Bc7+ Ke7 73.Bc8 Kf6 74.Bd6 Kg6 75.Bd7 Kg7 76.Kd5 Kh7 77.Be6 Kh6 78.Be5 Kh7 79.Ke4 Kh6 80.Bf5 Kh5 81.Bf6 Kh6 82.Kf4 Kh5 83.Bg4+ Kh6 84.Bg5+ Kh7 85.Bh5 Kg7 86.Ke5 Kf8 87.Bg6 Kg8 88.Bf6 Kf8 89.Ke6 Kg8 90.Bf5 Kf8 91.Bh7 1-0 (91) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-KoroshAlizadegan (2574) Blitz 2023]

18.Bg5 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Again White had nothing better. Again White had nothing better.'

[18.Nf3 Bxc3 *(18...Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Na4 21.e5 Qa5 22.Bc4+ Rf7 23.Bxf7+ Kxf7 24.e6+ Kg8 25.exd7 Qb5+ 26.Kc2 Qb2+ 27.Kd3 Qxc3+ 28.Ke2 Qc2+ 29.Rd2 Nc3+ 30.Qxc3* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2742)-MR-sicilian (2554) Blitz 2023*)* 19.bxc3 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Na4⇄ 21.c4 Qa5 22.Rc1 Rc6 23.c5 Qb4+ 24.Qb3+ Qxb3+ 25.axb3 Nxc5 26.Ne5 Nxb3 27.Rxc6 Nd2+ 28.Kc1 Nxf1 29.Nxd7 bxc6 30.Nxf8 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-makim_tsaruk (2710) Blitz 2023]

18...Qe8 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White is using the mini tempo won with Bg5 to develop a piece. White is using the mini tempo won with Bg5 to

develop a piece.' 19.Nf3 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Vocaturo,D-Wagner,D Griesheim 2016, and here Black should capture on c3 e.g. Glenn Flear: 'Vocaturo,D-Wagner, D Griesheim 2016, and here Black should capture on c3 e.g.'' Postny, Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'and here Dominguez improved the Rodshtein-Navara game with'' Glenn Flear: 'as seen in Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012, with complications which continued with as seen in Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012, with complications which continued with' 19...Rf7 Arkadij Naiditsch: '!?' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!? Black is preparing a tricky move!' Lalic, Bogdan: '- 122/(157)' Arsovic, Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Dominguez keeps faith with a move that he had already employed, but there are other ways for Black.'' Arsovic, Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Dominguez keeps faith with a move that he had already employed, but there are other ways for Black.' Glenn Flear: 'Dominguez keeps faith with a move that he had already employed, but there are other ways for Black.'' Postny,Evgeny: '!'Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A solid prophylactical move.''Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Ein solider prophylaktischer Zug."

[The exchange offer on c3 is tempting, as White's king's defences are seriously weakened: Flear,Glenn: 'The exchange offer on c3 is tempting, as White's king's defences are seriously weakened:' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'It is also too early for' Arsovic,Goran: 'Navara's exchange sacrifice is the other move that has been played at this point:' Arsovic, Goran: 'Navara's exchange sacrifice is the other move that has been played at this point: Glenn Flear: 'Navara's exchange sacrifice is the other move that has been played at this point:'' 19...Rxc3!? Harikrishna,Penteala: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'with good practical chances, as in Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was played in several games; here is the most important one:'Krasenkow,Michal: 'wurde in mehreren Partien gespielt; hier ist die wichtigste davon:' 20.bxc3

A) 20...Na4? Arkadij Naiditsch: 'because of because of' 21.Bc4+ Arkadij Naiditsch: 'and Black is not in time.' Kh8 *(21...Be6 22.d7 Qf7 23.Bxe6 Qxe6 24.d8Q Rxd8 25.Qxd8+ Bf8 26.Rd3 Nf2 27.Bh6 Qf7 28.Qxf8+ Qxf8 29.Bxf8 Kxf8 30.Ne1 Nxh1 31.Rh3 h5 32.Rxh1 Nxc3+ 33.Kc2 Nxe4 34.Nf3 Ng3 35.Rb1 b6 36.Rb3 Nf5 37.Ra3 a5 38.Rb3 g5 39.Rb5 Ne3+ 40.Kd2 Nxg2 41.Rxg5 Nf4 42.Rf5+* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-first-move (2606) Blitz 2023 *)* 22.Rxh7+!;

B) 20...Qxe4+ 21.Bd3 Qc6 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'with good practical chances for the exchange. Black's minor pieces are quite dynamic and he has the safer king. Glenn Flear: 'with good practical chances for the exchange. Black's minor pieces are quite dynamic and he has the safer king.''

B1) Krasenkow,Michal: 'and' 22.Bc2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'with a complex

struggle which panned out in White's favour, Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012.' Arsovic, Goran: 'with a complex struggle which panned out in White's favour, Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012. Glenn Flear: 'with a complex struggle which panned out in White's favour, Rodshtein, M-Navara, D Eilat 2012.'' Glenn Flear: 'and now Navara should have played'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This move remains the main alternative to' 22...Bf5 Lalic,Bogdan: '?' *(22...Nc4 23.Qd5+ Qxd5 24.Rxd5 Na3+ 25.Kb2 Nxc2 26.Kxc2 h6 27.Bc1 Bf5+ 28.Rxf5! Rxf5 29.c4±; 22...Bxc3* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'with excellent compensation with excellent compensation' *23.Qe2 Rf7* Lalic,Bogdan: ' ⩲' *)* 23.Bxf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(23.Nd4!±* Lalic,Bogdan: '!' *Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Qb5+ 25.Ka1* Lalic,Bogdan: '!' *Bxc2 26.Rxh7* Lalic,Bogdan: '!' *Qe5* Lalic,Bogdan: ' □' *27.Rdh1 Qxd4 28.cxd4* '±' *Rf5 29.Bd8 Nf6 30.Bxf6 Rxf6 31.d7 Nxd7 32.Rxd7* Lalic,Bogdan: '+-'*)* 23...Rxf5 24.Nd4?! Bxd4 25.Qxd4 Rxg5 Krasenkow, Michal: '-+' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (41) Rodshtein,M (2616)-Navara,D (2722) Eilat 2012' 26.Rhe1 Rb5+ 27.Kc2 Rodshtein, M - Navara, D Eilat 2012, and Black would be winning if he had played Flear, Glenn: 'Rodshtein, M - Navara, D Eilat 2012, and Black would be winning if he had played' Nf6!!;

B2) 22.Nd4!? Qc5 23.Rhf1 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Gretarsson, H-Yu Yangyi/ Reykjavik 2013.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'for'' 23...Rc8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'see the notes to Belov, V-Khalifman, A/Khanty-Mansiysk 2007'' *(23...Rxf1* Krasenkow,Michal: '!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'is quite dangerous for Black so he now usually prefers to sacrifice an exchange himself, obtaining a pawn and the bishop pair.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Previously we've also considered' *24.Rxf1 Nd5∞* despite my use of the unclear sign, it would certainly justify 19... Rxc3 in my opinion Flear,Glenn: 'despite my use of the unclear sign, it would certainly justify 19... Rxc3 in my opinion'*)* 24.Bc2 Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (35) Belov,V (2587)-Khalifman,A (2643) Khanty-Mansiysk 2007' Nc4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is good for Black, too' 25.Bb3 Krasenkow, Michal: '- game'Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'The other option for Black here is'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The exchange sacrifice' 25...Nge5 Simantsev, M - Slizhevsky, A Chelyabinsk 2019. The engines prefer White, but Black went on to win. Flear,Glenn: 'Simantsev, M - Slizhevsky, A Chelyabinsk 2019. The engines prefer White, but Black went on to win.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '- see the archives for analysis.

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[Arkadij Naiditsch: 'The straightforward' Arsovic,Goran: 'Although Houdini seems quite happy with' Arsovic,Goran: 'Although Houdini seems quite happy with Glenn Flear: 'Although Houdini seems quite happy with'' Glenn Flear: 'otherwise' 19...Bxc3 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' '!?' 20.bxc3 Qxe4+ *(20...Na4* wouldn't lead to anything because of *21.Rc1 Qxe4+ 22.Ka1* and White is probably doing better here.*)* 21.Bd3 Qd5 *(21...Qc6 22.Bc2↑* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'seems to leave White with an edge'*)* 22.Bxg6 Qxd2 *(22...hxg6 23.Qxd5+ Nxd5 24.Rxd5 Rxc3* (with near equality), many Grünfeld folk would be allergic to giving up their proud dark-squared bishop in such an open position! Arsovic,Goran: '(with near equality), many Grünfeld folk would be allergic to giving up their proud dark-squared bishop in such an open position! Glenn Flear: '(with near equality), many Gr→nfeld folk would be allergic to giving up their proud dark-squared bishop in such an open position!''*)* 23.Bxh7+ Kg7 24.Bxd2 Nf2 25.Bh6+ Kxh7 26.Bxf8+ Kg8 27.Be7 Nxd1 28.Rxd1±]
[19...Na4 20.Qd5+ Kh8 21.Nxa4 Bxa4 22.Rd2 Bc6 23.Qb3 Bxe4+ 24.Bd3 Bxd3+ 25.Qxd3 Ne5 26.d7 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-korosh86 (2631) Blitz 2024]
Arsovic,Goran: 'Svetushkin and Kaufman examine' 20.Qe1 Pikula,Dejan: 'Flear,Glenn: '!' '!' '!' Flear,Glenn: 'White's results have been promising with this move.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!?' Flear, Glenn: 'White's results have been promising with this move.'' Arsovic, Goran: '(noting that the latter gives it a '!'. I now suggest the following for Black ...)' Arsovic,Goran: '(noting that the latter gives it a '!'. I now suggest the following for Black ...) Glenn Flear: '(noting that the latter gives it a '!'. I now suggest the following for Black ...)''
[20.Re1 - 122/(157) Flear,Glenn: 'was the choice in Wojtaszek, R - Dominguez Perez, L Tromso Olympiad 2014, see the archives.' Flear,Glenn: 'was the choice in Wojtaszek, R - Dominguez Perez, L Tromso Olympiad 2014, see the archives.' Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N' Ne5 21.Bh6 Nec4 *(Kaufman's analysis* continues *21...Nbc4 22.Bxc4)* 22.Qc1 Be5 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 Arsovic,Goran: '- 22.→c1 - 22. ♕c1' Arsovic,Goran: '- 22.→c1 - 22. ♕c1 Glenn Flear: 'which also seems to give Black an acceptable game.'' 24.Nxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (37) Gleizerov,E (2581)-Ornstein,A (2426) Stockholm 2003' Qxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 25.Rhf1 Nxd6∞ 1/2 (42) Wojtaszek,R (2735)-Dominguez Perez,L (2760) Tromsoe 2014 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'With a series of transpositions we have actually transposed back to a position that Kaufman had already considered!'' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'With a series of transpositions we have actually transposed back to a position that Kaufman had already considered!' Glenn Flear: 'With a series of transpositions we have actually transposed back to a position that Kaufman had already

considered!'' 26.Rxf7 *(* He continues with *26.Qe3 Rxf1 27.Rxf1 Bc6 28.Ka1 Nf7* and then carries on a few further moves before concluding that White is slightly better. If we just stop here, I would conclude that chances are balanced. Arsovic,Goran: 'and then carries on a few further moves before concluding that White is slightly better. If we just stop here, I would conclude that chances are balanced. Glenn Flear: 'and then carries on a few further moves before concluding that White is slightly better. If we just stop here, I would conclude that chances are balanced.''*)* 26...Nxf7 27.Bf4 Qe6 Postny,Evgeny: '=' Postny,Evgeny: '½-½ (42) Wojtaszek,R (2735)-Dominguez Perez,L (2760) Tromso 2014' 28.Qe3 a6 29.g4 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A clever idea to bring an extra unit up to the front.' Arsovic, Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'A clever idea to bring an extra unit up to the front.' Glenn Flear: 'A clever idea to bring an extra unit up to the front." Bc6 *(* Grabbing the pawn is risky: *29...Qxg4 30.Nd5 Qe6 31.Qd4* with a strong initiative. Then *Rc6* avoids an immediate disaster, but Black is tied down and will suffer continued pressure. Arsovic,Goran: 'avoids an immediate disaster, but Black is tied down and will suffer continued pressure. Glenn Flear: 'avoids an immediate disaster, but Black is tied down and will suffer continued pressure.''*)* 30.g5 Re8= 31.Ka1 b5!? A good practical move making White think about a possible ... b4. 32.Qb6

A) The tricky 32...Bd5!? is also playable, when 33.Nxd5 *(33.Qxe6 Bxe6)* 33...Qxd5 leaves the position balanced whatever White chooses.;

B) 32...Qc4 33.a3 Bxe4 34.Nxe4 *(34.Qxa6* would be met by *Bc6!* when everything holds together nicely. Arsovic,Goran: 'when everything holds together nicely. Glenn Flear: 'when everything holds together nicely.''*)* 34...Rxe4 35.Rc1 Qd4 Trading queens would even favour Black, but Wojtaszek has a forcing sequence that leads to a draw. Arsovic,Goran: 'Trading queens would even favour Black, but Wojtaszek has a forcing sequence that leads to a draw. Glenn Flear: 'Trading queens would even favour Black, but Wojtaszek has a forcing sequence that leads to a draw.'' 36.Rc8+ Kg7 37.Qb8! Qd1+ 38.Bc1 Re8! 39.Rxe8 Qxc1+ 40.Ka2 Qc4+ 41.Ka1 *(41.Kb1 Qf1+ 42.Kc2 Qc4+* is also drawn.*)* 41...Qc1+ 42.Ka2 ½-½ (42) Wojtaszek,R (2735)-Dominguez Perez,L (2760) Tromso NOR 2014 [Glenn Flear]]

[Arsovic,Goran: 'Svetushkin's idea' 20.Bd3 1-0 (44) So,W (2767)-Mamedyarov,S (2767) Chess.com INT 2019 Ne5⩲ *(20...Be6 21.e5 Nxe5 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Rhe1 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Qd7 25.Ka1 Nc4 26.Qe2 Bg4 27.Qc2 Bxd1 28.Rxd1 Nxd6 29.Be4 Kh8 30.Be3 Qe7 31.Bd4+ Kg8 32.Bd5 Nf5 33.Bxa7 Kf8 34.Bxf7 Qxf7 35.g4 Ne7 36.Qe2 Kg8 37.Rd7 Re8 38.Rxb7 Nd5 39.Rxf7 Rxe2 40.Rf3 Re4 41.g5 Rg4 42.Bd4 Rxg5 43.a4 h5 44.a5* 1-0 (44) So,W (2767)-Mamedyarov,S

(2767) chess.com INT 2019*)* 21.Rc1 (to bolster the defences) is highly praised by Khalifman, who also hints at the best defence. After Arsovic, Goran: '(to bolster the defences) is highly praised by Khalifman, who also hints at the best defence. After Glenn Flear: '(to bolster the defences) is highly praised by Khalifman, who also hints at the best defence. After'' Qe6 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Nd5 Rxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Nxd5 25.Bc4 the precise move Bf4! leads to a drawn opposite bishop endgame. Arsovic,Goran: 'leads to a drawn opposite bishop endgame. Glenn Flear: 'leads to a drawn opposite bishop endgame.''] [Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Varying from'' 20.Be7 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A very logical move by White with the idea of playing Ng5 next. What to do now for Black?! A very logical move by White with the idea of playing Ng5 next. What to do now for Black?!' Rxc3! Arkadij Naiditsch: '! A great sacrifice. At first sight it just looks bad for Black, but if we look deeper, things are getting super complicated. A great sacrifice. At first sight it just looks bad for Black, but if we look deeper, things are getting super complicated.' *(20...h5 21.Nd5 Na4 22.e5 Be6 23.Nf4 Bh6 24.g3 Rxe7 25.dxe7 Qxe7 26.Bd3 Rd8 27.Qc2 Qb4 28.Nxe6 Ne3 29.Qb3* 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-terrortoast (2604) Blitz 2024*)* 21.bxc3 Qc8 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'That is Blacks idea. The Queen is joining the attack and the monster bishop on g7 is a very dangerous piece, while White's bishop on e7 is in a more or less a passive position. That is Blacks idea. The Queen is joining the attack and the monster bishop on g7 is a very dangerous piece, while White's bishop on e7 is in a more or less a passive position.' Postny, Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!'' 22.Rc1 *(22.Nd4 Na4 23.Rc1 Nf2 24.Rh4 Nxe4 25.Rxe4 Rxf1 26.Re3 Rxc1+ 27.Qxc1 Bh6 28.Qe1 Bxe3 29.Qxe3 Nxc3+* 0-1 (29) doreality (2625)-swimmerchess (2708) Blitz 2020 *)*

A) ≤22...Qc5 23.Qb2! *(23.e5 Nxe5 24.Nxe5 Bxe5 25.Bd3 Rf2 26.Qh6 Qb4+ 27.cxb4 Rb2+ 28.Ka1 Rxb4+* 0-1 (28) Poirot_Hercule (2738)-swimmerchess (2769) Blitz 2023*)* 23...Nf2 1-0 (35) Basso,P (2570)-Nguyen,T (2571) Bad Wiessee 2020 24.Rh4± Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (103) Gretarsson,H (2509)-Yu,Y (2688) Reykjavik 2013';

B) 22...Na4 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'I guess this is one of the most critical moments of this game. White has a very large amount of options. I guess this is one of the most critical moments of this game. White has a very large amount of options.' Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: '!' Balogh Csaba: 'Blitzing out all these moves! Quite an impressive preparation!'' 23.Ng5 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White continues forcing things.' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (21) Gleizerov,E (2565)-Indjic,A (2451) Paracin 2012' *(*After *23.c4 Qc5* followed by Qb6 is great for Black. followed by Qb6 is great for Black.*;* After the rather passive *23.Be2 Qc5* is strong as well. A bit of a strange position, but it really

seems as if Black has enough play for being an exchange and a pawn down. is strong as well. A bit of a strange position, but it really seems as if Black has enough play for being an exchange and a pawn down. *)* 23...Qc5 Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: '! Great play by Black! Another exchange is being sacrificed in order to attack the White king. Great play by Black! Another exchange is being sacrificed in order to attack the White king.' Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'when Black's attack earned him a perpetual check in Grischuk, A-Dominguez Perez, L Thessaloniki 2013.' Arsovic,Goran: 'when Black's attack earned him a perpetual check in Grischuk, A-Dominguez Perez, L Thessaloniki 2013. Glenn Flear: 'when Black's attack earned him a perpetual check in Grischuk, A-Dominguez Perez, L Thessaloniki 2013.'' Postny,Evgeny: '!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'doesn't bring White any real benefit, e.g.'

B1) 24.Rh3?! Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: '!?'' Rxf1!? *(24...Rf2!?⩱)* 25.Rxf1 Qb5+ 26.Kc2 Qb2+ 27.Kd1 Qa1+⩲ 1/2 (45) Tabatabaei,M (2507)-Maghsoodloo,P (2575) Moscow 2017;

B2) 24.Nxf7 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White has to take...' 24...Nxc3+ 25.Rxc3 Bxc3 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'What to do now for White?! The Queen and the knight on f7 are hanging. What to do now for White?! The Queen and the knight on f7 are hanging.' 26.Nh6+ Arkadij Naiditsch: 'It can't be wrong to save the knight. ' Kg7 Postny,Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba: 'Despite the extra rook, White has nothing better than allowing perpetual check with'' 27.Qd5 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'This move leads to a perpetual check, but White probably already didn't have anything better. This move leads to a perpetual check, but White probably already didn't have anything better.' *(27.Qe2?* ? is of course losing after *Qb4+ 28.Kc1 Qa3+ 29.Kd1 Ba4+)* 27...Qb4+ Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (29) Meyner,H (2394)-Vesely, E (2222) Lechenicher SchachServer 2013' 28.Qb3 Qxe4+ Arkadij Naiditsch: 'And White cannot escape from the checks... And White cannot escape from the checks...' Postny,Evgeny: '½-½ (33) Grischuk,A (2779)-Dominguez Perez,L (2723) Thessaloniki 2013;' Postny,Evgeny: 'with a perpetual check.' 29.Qc2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' Postny, Evgeny: 'Balogh Csaba' Qe1+ 30.Qc1 Qe4+ 31.Qc2 Qe1+ 32.Qc1 Qe4+ 33.Qc2 1/2 (33) Grischuk,A (2779)-Dominguez Perez,L (2723) Thessaloniki 2013 Arkadij Naiditsch: 'What a great fighting game! I would be curious to know whether maybe Dominguez knew everything until the end?! What a great fighting game! I would be curious to know whether maybe Dominguez knew everything until the end?!' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱'

Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (55) Tomashevsky,E (2733)-Yu,Y (2656) St Petersburg 2012' Postny,Evgeny: '1/2 Grischuk-Domin guez Perez, Thessaloniki 2013. It is interesting that despite the extremely sharp position, most games finish in a draw with some kind of perpetual check.']

Pikula,Dejan: 'Flear,Glenn: 'Despite personally finding little pleasure in playing modern-day correspondence chess, it does represent an opportunity to test certain opening variations deep into the game:' Flear,Glenn: 'Despite personally finding little pleasure in playing modern-day correspondence chess, it does represent an opportunity to test certain opening variations deep into the game:" 20...Bxc3

[20...Rc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'

A) Flear,Glenn: 'After the previously played' Krasenkow,Michal: 'To' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Auf' 21.Be7 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Flear,Glenn: 'the question arises: Which exchange to sacrifice?'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Black should probably consider' Krasenkow,Michal: 'sollte Schwarz wahrscheinlich'

A1) 21...Rxe7 22.dxe7 Qxe7 23.Nd4 *(23.Rc1!?)* 23...h5 24.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (53) Cori Tello,J (2487)-Lupulescu,C (2614) Istanbul 2012' Ne3 25.Rd3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: '!?'' Nbc4± Vocaturo, D - Wagner, D German league 2016 Flear, Glenn: 'Vocaturo, D - Wagner, D German league 2016' *(25...Na4!∞* might be better Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'*)* 26.Qg3± 1-0 (30) Vocaturo,D (2570)-Wagner,D (2579) Germany 2016;

A2) 21...h5!?∞ erwägen;

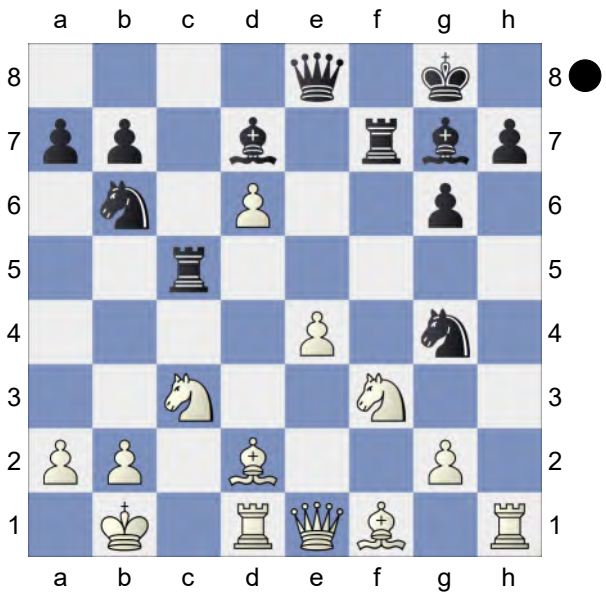
A3) 21...Rxc3 22.bxc3 Qc8 23.Rd4! Qc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (35) Baron,T (2532)-Globus, O (2387) Maalot Tarshiha 2018' 24.Qc1 *(24.Qd2±)* 24...Ne5

A3a) if 25.Ng5 then Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (24) Lagno,K (2543)-Hou,Y (2618) Khanty-Mansiysk 2014 1/2 (24) Lagno,K (2543)-Hou, Y (2618) Khanty-Mansiysk 2014 John Emms: '½-½ Lagno, K-Hou Yifan/Khanty-Mansiysk 2014" Rf2 26.Rd2 *(26.Rxh7? Nec4→)* 26...Nec4=;

A3b) 25.Be2 Na4 26.Rxa4 Bxa4∞ Baron, T - Globus, O Maalot Tashiha 2018. Another really helpful 'unclear' sign! Anyway, as far as I can see, both ...Rxe7 and ...Rxc3 ideas seem playable. Flear,Glenn: 'Baron, T - Globus, O Maalot Tashiha 2018. Another really helpful 'unclear' sign! Anyway, as far as I can see, both ... Rxe7 and ...Rxc3 ideas seem playable.';

B) 21.Bd2N Diagram

(Diagram)



Flear,Glenn: 'A novelty! Extra support for the knight on c3 reduces Black's chances of obtaining counterplay against White's king.' Flear,Glenn: 'A novelty! Extra support for the knight on c3 reduces Black's chances of obtaining counterplay against White's king.' 21...Be6! 22.e5 Flear,Glenn: '!?' '!?' '!?' Flear,Glenn: 'The e-pawn is in the way, so Ding Liren ditches his 'liability' in order to disrupt Black's harmony.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Flear,Glenn: 'The e-pawn is in the way, so Ding Liren ditches his 'liability' in order to disrupt Black's harmony.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'White opens up lines for his pieces.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Weiß öffnet Linien für seine Figuren.' *(22.Rc1!?)* 22...Bxe5 Flear,Glenn: '?!' '?!' '?!' Flear,Glenn: 'The e-pawn seems to be there to be captured, but perhaps Mamedyarov should have resisted the temptation!' Flear, Glenn: 'The e-pawn seems to be there to be captured, but perhaps Mamedyarov should have resisted the temptation!' *(* Flear,Glenn: 'After the immediate' Flear,Glenn: 'After the immediate' *22...Na4!* Flear,Glenn: '(my recommendation)' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *23.Ne4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' Krasenkow, Michal: '0-1 (60) Michalik,P (2511)-Huschenbeth,N (2510) Merlimont 2011' *Bf5* Flear,Glenn: '∞' '∞' '∞' Flear,Glenn: 'Black has plenty of activity.' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' Flear, Glenn: 'Black has plenty of activity.' *24.Ka1 Bxe4 25.Qxe4 Nf2 26.Qh4 Bxe5 27.Nxe5 Qxe5* Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (53) Sedlak, N (2593)-Indjic,A (2430) Vrnjacka Banja 2012' *28.Qxa4 Nxd1 29.Qxd1* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' *Qxd6* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *30.g3* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *Rd5 31.Bc4 Rxd2 32.Qe1 Kg7 33.Bxf7* Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (31) Khotenashvili,B (2492)-Parligras,M (2602) Dubai 2013' *Kxf7* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' *34.Rxh7+ Kg8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '(as previously suggested on ChessPub)'' *35.Rh1 Kg7=;* If, on the other hand, *22...Nxe5?!* the idea is *23.Ng5* threatening Rxh7, as well as the rook on f7. So White's initiative would then be the most important. Flear,Glenn: 'threatening Rxh7, as well as the rook on f7. So White's initiative would then be the most important.'*)* 23.Bd3

B1) 23...Nc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.Nxe5 Nxe5 26.Bg5 *(26.Ka1 Nd3* Krasenkow,Michal: '-+' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (31)

Kobo,O (2365)-Rausis,I (2578) Riga LAT 2014' *27.Qe2* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *Rd4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (48) Eljanov,P (2723)-Sjugirov,S (2653) Yerevan ARM 2014' *28.Bh6 Bd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *29.Qxe8+ Bxe8 30.Rh3 Nb4! 31.Rxd4 Nc2+ 32.Kb1 Nxd4 33.Rd3 Nc6=* Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (38) Michalik,P (2557)-Repka,C (2379) Prievidza SVK 2014 1/2 (38) Michalik,P (2557)-Repka,C (2379) Prievidza SVK 2014 John Emms: ' ∓' John Emms: 'was better for Black in Michalik, P-Repka, C/Prievidza 2014.'') 26...Rf5 27.Bh6 Qf7 28.Ne4±;

B2) The d-pawn could be captured but then it's on the light-squares where there would be issues: Flear,Glenn: 'The d-pawn could be captured but then it's on the light-squares where there would be issues:' 23...Bxd6!? 24.Ng5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Re7 Krasenkow,Michal: '△' 25.Nxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Rxe6 26.Ne4 Rd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' 27.Bc2! and White's bishops offer compensation. Flear,Glenn: 'and White's bishops offer compensation.';

B3) ⌓23...Bg7 , and the position remains very complicated. If und die Lage bleibt sehr kompliziert. Wenn 24.Ng5 then dann Rxg5! 25.Bxg5 Nf2∞ e.g. z.B.. 26.Bb5 Bf5+ 27.Ka1 Qxe1 28.Rhxe1 Nxd1 29.Rxd1 Bd7 , and Black should not lose. und Schwarz sollte nicht verlieren.;

B4) 23...Na4? Krasenkow, Michal: 'Unnecessarily giving up his most valuable piece, the dark-squared bishop.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Gibt unnötigerweise seine wertvollste Figur, den schwarzfeldrigen Läufer.' 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'White has two extra exchanges but Black's passed pawn, bishop pair, and the unsafe position of White's king provide sufficient compensation. ' *(24...Nxe5 25.Bc2* Krasenkow, Michal: ' ∓' *b5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *26.Rh4+-)* 25.Qh4?! Krasenkow,Michal: 'A risky sacrifice of another pawn.' *(25.Qg3!* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!' '!?' *Nxc3+ 26.Bxc3 Re3 27.Qh4 Qa4 28.b3* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' *Qd7* Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'is covered in Kobo, O-Rausis, I/Riga 2014.'' *29.Ka1+-)* 25...Rh5 26.Qg3 Nxc3+? Krasenkow,Michal: 'After this exchange White's unopposed dark-squared bishop dominates the board.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Nach diesem Abtausch dominiert der schwarzfeldrige Läufer von Weiß das Brett.' *(26...Rxh1 27.Rxh1 Nc5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'was Black's last chance to continue resistance.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'war die letzte Chance für Schwarz, den Widerstand fortzusetzen.' *28.Re1±)* 27.Bxc3 Flear,Glenn: 'By this stage, Black's activity has lost it's punch

and the dark square domination that White exerts seems to give him an advantage. But of course, the tactics have to work in one's favour...' Flear,Glenn: 'By this stage, Black's activity has lost it's punch and the dark square domination that White exerts seems to give him an advantage. But of course, the tactics have to work in one's favour...' Qa4 Diagram

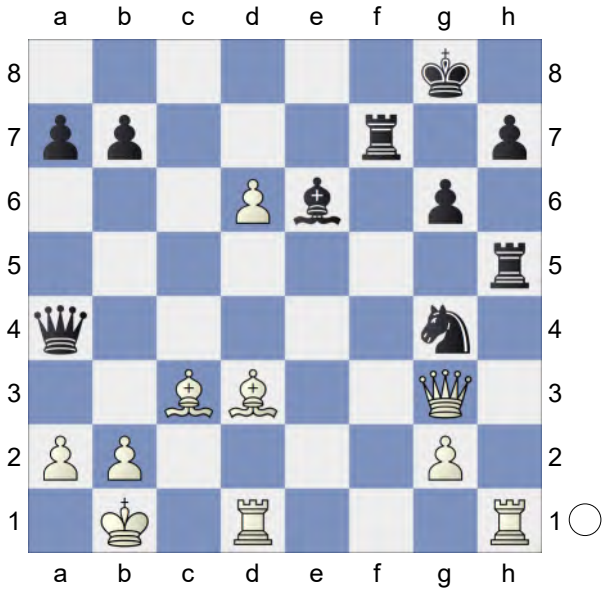


Diagram [#] Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black misses a subtle possibility:' 28.d7! Flear,Glenn: '!!' '!!' '!!' Flear, Glenn: 'Another pawn is sacrificed in order to fight for the initiative.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Flear,Glenn: 'Another pawn is sacrificed in order to fight for the initiative.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White looks for a forced and quick win.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Weiß sucht nach einem forcierten und schnellen Sieg.' *(28.a3* , keeping an overwhelming position, was a quiet alternative., was eine überwältigende Position.behält, war eine ruhige Alternative. *)*

B4a) 28...Qxd7 29.Rxh5 gxh5 30.Bxh7++- *(30.Bc2+-* → Krasenkow,Michal: '=' *)*;

B4b) Flear,Glenn: 'or' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: ''If'' 28...Bxa2+ Krasenkow,Michal: '≤' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'Black's king can wander bravely into the open.'' 29.Kc1 Qxd7 30.Bxg6+- Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(30.Rxh5 gxh5* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'White could force the swap of queens here with' *31.Qb8+* Krasenkow,Michal: 'but after' *Rf8 32.Bc4+ Bxc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'it remains very unclear!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'If' *33.Qxf8+* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'then' *Kxf8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'and ...Bb6 is another worry for White.' *34.Rxd7±* Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'is actually playable, since'' *)*;

B4c) Capturing on a2 doesn't solve his problems: Flear, Glenn: 'Capturing on a2 doesn't solve his problems:' 28...Qxa2+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'can be met by'' 29.Kc1 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '!' John Emms:

'However, after'' Bxd7 30.Rxh5 gxh5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'I prefer White." Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be insufficient for equality; White's knight is probably more valuable than Black's pawns.' 31.Qb8+ Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Rf8 32.Bxh7+;

B4d) 28...Rxd7? 29.Qb8+ Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Kf7 30.Rdf1++-;

B4e) 28...Bxd7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'is now less effective than without ♖e1 ♘d7:' 29.Bc2+-;

B4f) 28...Rd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 29.Bc2!+- Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Qxd7 30.Bb3! Rxd1+ 31.Rxd1 Qc8 *(31...Qe8 32.Re1+-)* 32.Qh4! *(*Possible is *32.Bxe6 Qxe6 33.Rd8+ Rf8* Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Qb8+ Kf7 36.Qxb7+ Qe7* but this might be tenable for Black. *)* 32...Nf6 *(* I thought the idea was *32...Rf8 33.Qxg4* (winning a piece) but the engine tells me that 33.Qe7 is even more crushing. Flear, Glenn: '(winning a piece) but the engine tells me that 33. Qe7 is even more crushing.' *)*

B4f1) Ding Liren doesn't fall for the trap:Krasenkow, Michal: 'But not'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Aber nicht' 33.Bxf6?? Bxb3! 34.axb3 *(34.Rd8+* Krasenkow, Michal: ''??'*Qxd8* Krasenkow,Michal: 'White had a forced line leading to a draw:' *35.Bxd8 Rf1+* and mates!*)* 34...Qf5+∓ and Black has the advantage !Krasenkow, Michal: ', and White must fight hard for a draw.';

B4f2) Krasenkow,Michal: 'After' 33.Rd6! Bxb3 34.Rxf6 Flear,Glenn: '!' '!' '!' Flear,Glenn: 'What can Black do here? Nothing to stay in the game, so Mamedyarov resigned.' Flear,Glenn: 'What can Black do here? Nothing to stay in the game, so Mamedyarov resigned.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black could keep the game alive with' Rxf6 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'when White should force a queen swap with' *(34...Bc4 35.Rxg6+!* ouch! *)* 35.Qxf6 Krasenkow, Michal: '+-' Krasenkow, Michal: '½-½ (35) Ding,L (2742)-Bacrot,E (2720) Tromsoe 2014 CBM 162 [Krasenkow,Michal]' Qf5+ 36.Qxf5 Bxa2+ 37.Kxa2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is risky for Black so he must repeat moves.' gxf5 is an easy technical win. 1-0 (37) Ding, L (2805)-Mamedyarov,S (2774) Stavanger 2019 Chess Informant 141 [Pikula, Dejan] Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '!?"]

[20...Qe6! 21.Nb5 Ne5 22.Nc7 Qg4 23.Bc1 Ba4 with chances for both

sides.]
[one point behind retreating White's queen is that Arsovic,Goran: 'one point behind retreating White's queen is that Glenn Flear: 'one point behind retreating White's queen is that''
20...Rxc3 21.bxc3 Qc8 can be met by *(21...Na4 22.Rd4 b5 23.Bd2 Qc8 24.e5 Nc5 25.Rxg4 Bxg4 26.Nd4 Qe8 27.Be2 Bxe2 28.Qxe2 Qxe5 29.Qxe5 Bxe5 30.Kc2 a6 31.Nf3 Bxd6 32.Rd1 Re7 33.Nd4 Re4 34.Bh6 Rg4 35.Rd2 Ne4 36.Re2 Kf7 37.Nf3 Kf6 38.Be3 Bc5 39.Bd4+ Bxd4 40.cxd4 Kf5 41.Kd3 h5 42.Rc2 Kf4 43.Rc8 Kg3 44.Ne5 Nf2+ 45.Kc3 Rg5 46.Rc6 a5 47.Rxg6 Rxg6 48.Nxg6 Ne4+ 49.Kd3 Nf6 50.Ke3 Kxg2 51.Nf4+ Kg3 52.d5 h4 53.d6 Kg4 54.Nd3 b4 55.Kd4 Kg3 56.Ke5 Nd7+ 57.Ke6 Nb6 58.Ne5 h3 59.Nc4 h2 60.Nxb6 h1Q 61.Nc8 Qh3+* 0-1 (61) Oparin,G (2653)-Zemlyanskii,I (2543) New York USA 2024 *)* 22.Rd4 and White's king turns out to be relatively safe]
21.bxc3 Na4 22.Rc1 Nc5 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (48) Daanen,A (2157)-Skeels,J (2155) Lechenicher SchachServer 2012' 23.Bc4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!'
[23.Be7 Be6 24.Rc2 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Rxe7 25.dxe7 Krasenkow, Michal: '(Wang Yue-Bologan, V/ Poikovsky 2012) and here White could have played' Qxe7 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 26.Ka1±]
[23.Ka1 Qxe4 24.Qd2 Qa4 25.Qb2 Be6 26.Nd4 Bd7 27.Nf3 Be6 28.Nd4 Bd7 29.Qb1 Re8 30.Be2 Re5 31.Bh4 Ne3 32.Qb4 b6 33.Qxa4 Bxa4 34.Nf3 Re8 35.Bg5 Bd7 36.Bxe3 Rxe3 37.Bc4 Be6 38.Bxe6 Nxe6 39.Rhe1 Rxe1 40.Rxe1 Nc5 41.Ng5 Rf5 ½-½ (41) Perevertkin,V (2615)-Donchenko,A ICCF 2020]
23...Be6 24.Bxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!'
24...Qxe6 25.Be7 Nd3 26.Qd2 Nxc1 27.Ng5 Qxa2+ Pikula,Dejan: 'Walczak, P - Hebels, A e-mail 2014, ultimately led to a draw. With my engine, the assessment changed a few times during this sequence with White having an edge most of the time. Flear,Glenn: 'Walczak, P - Hebels, A e-mail 2014, ultimately led to a draw. With my engine, the assessment changed a few times during this sequence with White having an edge most of the time.''
28.Qxa2 Nxa2 29.Nxf7 Nxc3+ 30.Ka1 Kxf7 31.d7 Ra8 32.Rxh7+ Ke6 33.d8R Rxd8 34.Bxd8 Nxe4 35.Rxb7 Ne3 36.Rb2 Kd5 37.Bc7 Kd4 38.Bb8 Kd3 39.Bxa7 Nd2 40.Bxe3 Kxe3 41.g3 Ke2 42.g4 Ke3 43.g5 Nf3 44.Rb1 Nxg5 45.Rc1 Ne4 46.Rb1 g5 47.Rc1 g4 48.Rb1 g3 49.Rc1 Kf3 50.Rb1 g2 51.Rc1 Kg3 52.Rb1 Nc5 53.Rd1 Kh2 54.Rb1 Nd3 55.Rd1 Nf2 56.Rb1 Nd3 57.Rd1 Nc5 58.Rb1 Na4 59.Rc1 Nb6 60.Rb1 Nc4 61.Rc1 Nd2 62.Re1 Nb3+ 63.Kb1 Nd4 64.Rc1 Ne2 65.Re1 Kg3 66.Ka1 Kf2 67.Rb1 Ke3 68.Rd1 Kf4 69.Rb1 Kg4 70.Rd1 Kh4 71.Rb1 Kg4 72.Rd1 Kg3 73.Rb1 Kh2 74.Rd1 Nd4 75.Rb1 Nb3+ 76.Ka2 Nd2 77.Rc1 Nc4 78.Ra1 Ne5 79.Rb1 Nf3 80.Ra1 Kg3 81.Rb1 Kh4 82.Ra1 Kg3 83.Rb1 Kf4 84.Ra1 Ke3 85.Rb1 Kd3 86.Ra1 Kd2 87.Rb1 Ke2 88.Ka1 Ke3 89.Rd1 Kf2 90.Kb1 Ke2 91.Kc1 Kf2 92.Kb1 Nd4 93.Ka1 Nc2+ 94.Kb1 Nd4 95.Ka1 Kg3 96.Rb1 Ne6 97.Rc1 Nc5 98.Rb1 Kg4 99.Rd1 Ne6 100.Rb1 Nf4 ½-½ (100)

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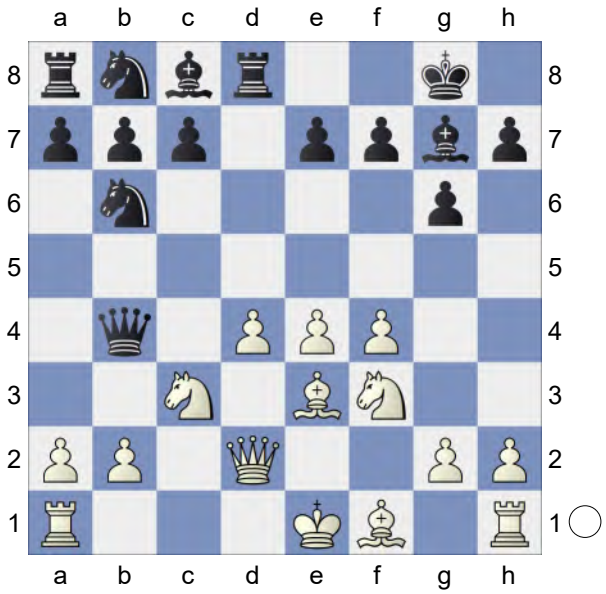
8...Qd6 Chess Evolution: '!?' Van Delft & Ris: '!?' 9.h4 [9.e5 Qb4 10.a3 Qb3 11.Rc1 Rd8 12.Ne4 Bxe5 13.Nc5 Qa2 14.Qc3 Nd5 15.Qb3 Qxb3 16.Nxb3 Nxe3 17.dxe5 Nc6 18.f4 Bf5 19.Nf3 Nxf1 20.Rxf1 Be4 21.Nc5 Bxf3 22.Rxf3 Nd4 23.Rd3 b6 24.Na6 c5 25.b4 Ne6 26.Rf3 Rd4 27.g3 Rad8 28.bxc5 bxc5 29.Nxc5 Nxc5 30.Rxc5 Rd1+ 31.Kf2 R8d2+ 32.Ke3 Rd3+ 33.Ke2 R1d2+ 34.Ke1 Rxf3 35.Kxd2 Rxa3 36.Rc8+ Kg7 37.Ra8 e6 38.Ke2 h6 39.Kf2 g5 40.Kg2 g4 41.Kf2 Ra2+ 42.Ke3 h5 43.f5 exf5 44.Kf4 Rxh2 45.Kxf5 Rg2 46.Rxa7 Rxg3 47.e6 Rf3+ 48.Kg5 g3 49.e7 Re3 50.Kf4 g2 51.Ra1 Rxe7 52.Kf3 Re6 53.Kxg2 Rg6+ 54.Kh2 Kh6 55.Ra5 f6 56.Ra8 Rg5 57.Rh8+ Kg6 58.Rg8+ Kf5 59.Ra8 Kg4 60.Ra4+ Kf5 61.Ra3 Rg4 62.Ra8 Kg5 63.Ra5+ f5 64.Ra3 Re4 65.Kg3 h4+ 66.Kh3 Rg4 67.Ra8 Rg3+ 68.Kh2 Kf4 69.Ra4+ Kg5 70.Ra8 Re3 71.Rg8+ Kf4 72.Rh8 Re2+ 73.Kh3 Kf3 74.Rxh4 f4 75.Rh8 Re1 76.Kh2 Kf2 77.Rf8 f3 78.Ra8 Rd1 79.Ra1 Rxa1 0-1 (79) penguingim1 (2837)-EltajSafarli (2813) Blitz 2022]

[9.f4 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Rd8 *(9...Qb4?! 10.Nf3 Nc4?* is premature in view of *11.Bxc4 Qxc4 12.Nd5!)* 10.Nf3 Qb4 Chess Evolution: '~ happened in the recent game between Jobava-Caruana from 2012. ~ happened in the recent game between Jobava-Caruana from 2012.' Van Delft & Ris: 'Diagram *(10...Bg4?! 11.Ne5↑; 10...Nc6 11.d5 Na5 12.b3 c6 13.Rc1↑)*



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A) 11.Qc2 David Cummings: '!?' David Cummings: 'An interesting idea, but it didn't work out for Ding' Van Delft & Ris: '?!' Nc4

A1) 12.Bxc4 is White's most popular move, which we have looked at many times on this site. Qxc4 Van Delft & Ris: 'is fine for Black. is fine for Black.' 13.b3 Qa6 14.Nd5 Nc6 Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *(14...Rxd5!? 15.exd5 Qd6⩱)* 15.Qc3 *(15.Nxc7? Qa5+)*;

A2) 12.Bf2 c5 Van Delft & Ris: '!' Stohl,Igor: '!?' *(12...Qxb2? 13.Qxb2 Nxb2 14.Rb1+-)* 13.0-0-0 cxd4

A2a) 14.Nd5 Van Delft & Ris: '?' Rxd5 Van Delft & Ris: '!' 15.exd5 and Black has a more harmonious structure, Medjkouh,S (2089)-Sumets,A (2640) Zeralda 2014 0-1 (17) d3 Van Delft & Ris: '!' 16.Qb3 *(16.Rxd3 Bxb2+ 17.Kd1 Bf5-+)* 16...Na6 was another Ding experiment - see Ding Liren-Vidit in the Archives Van Delft & Ris: '→' Stohl,Igor: '↑!';

A2b) 14.Bxd4 Rxd4 15.Rxd4 Bxd4 16.Nxd4 Nd6 is OK for Black. is OK for Black.;

A2c) 14.Nxd4 Bg4 15.Be2 Bxe2 16.Ndxe2 *(16.Ncxe2 e5↑)* 16...Nc6 David Cummings: 'and Black was for choice in Ding,L (2791)-Vidit,S (2726) chess24.com INT 2021 1-0 (51)' 17.a3 David Cummings: 'is a more standard move' Qa5 18.e5 Rac8 *(18...b5!?)* 19.Kb1 David Cummings: 'is the subject of Markowski-Iotov in the Archives.' b5 20.Nc1 this is one situation where 5 Rb1 works better than 5 a3, since Qa6 21.Nb3 b4 22.Nc5 Qxa3 Dominguez Perez,L (2726)-Grischuk,A (2810) Beijing 2014 0-1 (30), and now 23.Nb5 is more pleasant for White. Compared to the note to 5 a3 d6 6 e3 Bxc3

above, White's rook has occupied the b-file for free. b3 24.Nxa3 Nxa3+ can be well met by 25.bxa3! bxc2+ 26.Kxc2 g5 Stohl,Igor: '=' Stohl,Igor: '½-½ Jobava,B (2704)-Caruana,F (2736)/ Moscow 2012/CB06_2012 (37)' 27.g3 Bh6 28.Rxd8+ Nxd8 29.fxg5 Bxg5 30.Kd3 e6 31.Ne4 Be7 32.Nd6 Rc7 33.g4 f6 34.Bh4 Rd7 35.Ke2 Nc6 36.Ne4 fxe5 37.Bxe7 Rxe7 ½-½ (37) Jobava,B (2704)-Caruana,F (2736) Moscow RUS 2012 ChessVibes [Van Delft & Ris];

B) 11.Bd3 is less appealing because of is less appealing because of c5! 12.a3 *(12.dxc5 Nc4 13.Nd5 Qxd2+ 14.Bxd2 Nxb2↑)* 12...Qa5 13.e5 Nc6 and Black is fine.;

C) 11.a3 Van Delft & Ris: '!?' Stohl, Igor: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'With his broad pawn centre White can change his plan and castle kingside.' 11...Qb3 12.Bd3

C1) 12...Nc6 13.Bc2 Qc4 *(13...Qxb2? 14.Ra2+-)* 14.b3 Qa6 *(14...Qe6* gave White a small edge in Ding,L (2816)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2778) Shenzhen 2018 1/2-1/2 (61) *15.d5 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 Rxd5 17.Ng5* when White has played: Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' *)* 15.Kf2 Van Delft & Ris: 'and now' Stohl, Igor: ' ± ' Bg4? fails to 16.Bd3 Qa5 17.e5!+- threatening 18.b4;

C2) 12...Be6 13.d5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Nxd4 Bd7 18.Kf2±;

C3) 12...c5 can now be met by 13.Bc2 Qc4 14.d5±;

C4) 12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Qxc4 14.Rc1 Van Delft & Ris: '↑'

C4a) 14...Qb3 15.0-0 Stohl,Igor: ' ↻ ' *(15.d5* Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'O' *)*;

C4b) 14...Nc6 15.Nd5 Qa4 16.0-0 e6

C4b1) 17.Nc3 Qb3 18.Qf2 Bd7 19.Rb1 *(19.Rc2* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *Na5 20.d5* Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' *)* 19...Qc4 *(19...Na5* with equal chances, Shetty,A (2437)-Mista,A (2567) Charlotte 2021 1/2-1/2 (28) Stohl,Igor: '⇄!?' *)* 20.Rbc1 Qb3 21.d5 Stohl,Igor: '!?'Stohl,Igor: 'An enterprising pawn sacrifice, but it shouldn't have given White an advantage.' exd5

C4b11) 22.Nxd5 Qxb2 Stohl,Igor: '=' *(22...Qd3* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *)*;

C4b12) 22.exd5 Ne7 Missing a chance to play: 23.Nd4 Bxd4 *(23...Qc4* but after *24.Ncb5* Black has enough resources, for example *Qa2 25.Nxc7 Rac8 26.f5* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *Nxf5 27.Nxf5 Bxf5 28.Bd4* Stohl,Igor: ' ± ' *)* 24.Bxd4 Nxd5 25.Qh4 *(25.Nxd5 Qxd5 26.Rc5 Qb3 27.Rxc7 Bb5* and Black is close to equality, Eljanov,P (2718)-Dominguez Perez,L (2746) Havana 2015: 1/

2-1/2 (39): 1/2-1/2 (39) Eljanov,P (2718)-Dominguez Perez,L (2746) Havana 2015 Stohl,Igor: '⇄') 25...Bc6 (*25...c5 26.Be5* Stohl,Igor: ' ±!') 26.Qh6 f6?! Allowing White to keep an extra pawn. 27.Ne4 Qd3 28.Bxf6 (*28.Nxf6+* when he has achieved a space advantage and more active pieces, which are sufficient for a slight edge. Stohl,Igor: '??' *Nxf6* the queen is disruptive here, and White may need to offer a trade with Qb3-d1 sooner or later. *29.Bxf6 Qe3+ 30.Kh1 Bxg2+ 31.Kxg2 Rd2+* Stohl,Igor: '-+') 28...Rd7 29.Rfe1 Ne3 30.Qh3 Stohl,Igor: ' □ ' Nf5 31.Qxd3 After this, White's kingside majority gets stymied. Rxd3 32.Bc3 h5 (*32...Bxe4 33.Rxe4 Rad8* Stohl,Igor: '=') 33.Nc5 Re3 (*33...Rd5 34.Ne6* Stohl,Igor: '±')

C4b121) 34.Ne6 Re8 with more than enough compensation for the exchange, as White's kingside is full of holes on the light squares. 35.Rxe3 (*35.Nxc7 Re2 36.Nxe8* leads to an equal game after White rounds up the d-pawn. *Rxg2+! 37.Kf1 Rxh2 38.Re6 Rh1+* Stohl,Igor: '=') 35...Nxe3 36.Nxc7 Re4 Stohl,Igor: '⩲'; **C4b122)** 34.Kf2 Rae8 35.Be5 Rxe1 36.Rxe1 Rd8? Blundering or misjudging the loss of an exchange. (*36...Kf7* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *37.g3 Re7* Stohl,Igor: '=') 37.Bc3 Rd5 38.Ne4 Rd3 39.Ng5 Stohl,Igor: '±' Rd8 40.Re6 Rd6 41.g3 (*41.Bb4* Stohl,Igor: '!?') 41...Rxe6 42.Nxe6 Nd6 43.Ke3 Nf5+ (*43...Ne8 44.Nd8 Bd5* maintains the balance *45.Kd4!* Stohl,Igor: ' ±') 44.Ke2 Bb5+ 45.Kf2 Bc4 46.Nc5 Bd5 Stohl,Igor: 'The endgame remains drawish, but Black plays inaccurately and graudaully gets pushed back.' (*46...b6* is an winning endgame for White. In the game, White is still on top, but Black gets his knight active which makes it trickier to convert. *47.Nd7* is fine for Black *Nh6* maintains a flexible pawn structure and can be followed up by g3-g4 later. Stohl,

Igor: '=') 47.Nd7 Bc6 48.Ne5 Be8 49.h3 Kh7 50.g4 Allowing the king to get more active. Nd6 51.Kf3 Nf7 52.Nd3 Bc6+ 53.Kg3 hxg4 54.hxg4 b6 55.Bf6 Kg8 56.Be7?? Kg7?? 57.Nb4 Bb7 58.Nc2 Nh6 59.Ne3 Bc8 60.Bd8= c6 61.Kh4 Be6 *(61...Nf7 62.Bc7* looks scary, but in fact White has Black's pawns under control. Stohl,Igor: ' ±')* 62.Bc7 Nf7 *(62...Bb3* Stohl,Igor: ' ±')* 63.f5 gxf5 64.gxf5 Bd7 65.Kg4 Kf6 66.Kf4 Ke7 67.Bb8 a6 68.Ba7?? The final blunder. b5 69.Bc5+ Kf6 70.Bf8 Ne5 Stohl,Igor: '?' *(70...Nd8* and Black needs to go for a perpetual *71.Ng4+!* was more to the point *Kf7 72.Bc5* Stohl,Igor: '↑') 71.Bg7+ Stohl,Igor: '!' Kxg7 72.Kxe5 Kf7 *(72...c5 73.Kd6* Stohl,Igor: '+-')* 73.b4 Stohl,Igor: '+-' Ke7 74.f6+ Kf7 draws, for example 75.Nf5 Kg6 76.Kd6 Stohl,Igor: '!' Be8 *(76...Bxf5 77.Ke7* is an easy win for Black Stohl,Igor: '+-') 77.Ke7 Kxf5 78.Kxe8 Kxf6 and neither side can make progress 79.Kd7 0-1 (79) Ding,L (2791)-Grischuk,A (2777) chess24.com INT 2021 [David Cummings];

C4b2) 17.Nxc7 Stohl,Igor: 'ᗡ!?' 17...Rb8 18.e5 Bd7 19.f5 Stohl,Igor: '!'

C4b21) 19...gxf5 20.Bh6 Stohl,Igor: '→';

C4b22) 19...Rbc8 generating sufficient counterplay. 20.Nxe6 Stohl,Igor: '!?' fxe6 and now: 21.f6 Stohl,Igor: '→' Stohl,Igor: 'Δ' Bf8 22.Ng5 Stohl,Igor: '+-';

C4b23) 19...Rdc8 20.Nxe6 *(20.d5* Stohl,Igor: ' ±')* 20...fxe6 21.f6 Stohl,Igor: '→';

C4b24) 19...exf5 20.Bg5 Rdc8 21.Nd5 was played in Ding,L (2781)-Le,Q (2726) Danzhou 2017 1/2-1/2 (44). White appears to have got in the important central break, but Black should respond with the instructive Stohl, Igor: '±']

[9.a4 e5 *(9...a5* Stohl,Igor: 'ᗡ!' *10.Nb5 Qd8 11.d5 Na6* Stohl,Igor: '⇄') 10.Nb5 Qe7 11.d5 Na6 12.a5 Nd7 13.Bc4 Nf6 14.Nxa7 Bd7 15.Bxa6 bxa6 16.Rc1 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Qh4+ Stohl,Igor: 'Varga,Z (2451)-Rajlich,I (2441)/Budapest/2012/' 18.Kf1 Qxe4 19.Rxc7 Stohl,Igor: '±']

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[9.Nb5 Qd8 10.0-0-0 Nc6 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 a6 13.Na3 Nxd4 14.h4 e5 15.h5 Qf6 16.Ne2 Nxe2+ 17.Bxe2 Qf4+ 18.Qxf4 exf4 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Nc4 Be6 21.Ne5 Rfd8 22.Nd3 Bxa2 23.Nxf4 Bb3 24.Rdg1 Bc4 25.Rh3 Bxe2 26.Nxe2 Kg7 27.Rgh1 Rh8 28.Rxh8 Rxh8 29.Rd1 Kf6 30.Nf4 Ke7 31.Nd5+ Nxd5 32.Rxd5 c6 33.Re5+ Kd6 34.Rg5 b5 35.f4 Rh4 36.g3 Rh2 37.g4 Ke7 38.f5 Kf6 39.fxg6 fxg6 40.Rc5 Rh1+ 41.Kc2 Rh3 42.Rxc6+ Kg5 43.Rxa6 Rg3 44.Rb6 Rg2+ 45.Kb3 Kf4 46.Rxb5 Rxg4 47.Rb6 g5 48.Rc6 Rg3+ Time forfeit 0-1 (48) licg (2623)-doberman_33 (2454) Blitz 2024]

9...Nc6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'The direct'' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'White has tried two other moves here, neither of which led to an advantage: Glenn Flear: 'White has tried two other moves here, neither of which led to an advantage:'' ChessBase II: 'Another very interesting attempt is' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'The assault with' 10.0-0-0 6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'proved to be adequate for Black in Santiago, Y-Ragger, M Graz 2014 (see the April 2014 update).' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes' Glenn Flear: 'proved to be adequate for Black in Santiago, Y-Ragger, M Graz 2014 (see the April 2014 update).'' Glenn Flear: 'We are already on virgin territory!' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch' JR: '!' JR: 'This seems right to me- there is no need to grant Black the space-gaining ...b5. ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'seen in a recent top-level game:' 10...e5

[10...Rd8 3:10 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez'' Glenn Flear: 'Countering by bearing down on

d4, one of the principle points behind Petrosian's move.' Krasenkow,Michal: '<xml ✕:en>is the idea behind 9... <sym>Q</sym>d6:</:en ✕/xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is the idea behind 9...♕d6:'

A) 11.e5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Qe6 *(11...Qb4 12.a3 Qa5 13.Qf2 Be6 14.h5 Nd5 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Qh4 Qa2 18.Qh7+ Kf8 19.Bh6 Qa1+ 20.Kc2 Bb3+ 21.Kxb3 Qxd1+ 22.Ka2 Ke8 23.Qxg7 Qxf1 24.Qg8+ Kd7 25.Qxf7 Nxd4 26.Bg5 Nc6 27.Rh7 Kc8 28.Bxe7 Nxe7 29.Qe6+ Kb8 30.Rxe7 a5 31.Nh3 Ra6 32.Qf7* 0-1 (32) Fastchess2345 (2707)-Mischuk_D (2657) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.Nh3 Nc4;

B) 11.Nge2 Nc4 12.Qd3 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 Nxd4 14.Kb1 c5 15.h5 Be6 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nf4 a6 18.Nxe6 Qxe6 19.Qf4 Qf6 20.Qh2 Nb5 21.Bxb5 axb5 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qc7 e6 24.Qxc5 b4 25.Qxb4 Qg5 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Nxd1 Qxg2 28.Qxb7 Qxf3 29.Qb3 Qxe4+ 30.Qc2 Qb7 31.a4 g5 32.a5 Qb5 33.Qc8+ Kh7 34.a6 Qd3+ 35.Qc2 Qxc2+ 36.Kxc2 Bd4 37.Kd3 Ba7 38.Nc3 g4 39.Ke2 f5 40.Nb5 Bb6 41.a7 Bxa7 42.Nxa7 Kg6 43.Nc6 Kf7 44.Ke3 Ke8 45.Kd4 Kd7 46.Ne5+ Kd6 47.Nc4+ Kc6 48.Ke5 Kc5 49.Nd2 g3 50.Kxe6 g2 51.Nf3 Kb4 52.Kxf5 Kb3 53.Ng1 Kxb2 54.Kf4 Kb1 55.Kf3 Ka2 56.Kf2 Kb2 57.Ke2 Kb3 58.Ke3 Ka3 59.Kd3 Ka2 60.Kc2 Ka3 61.Kc3 Ka4 62.Kc4 Ka3 63.Kd3 Ka2 64.Ke2 Kb1 65.Kf2 Kc2 66.Nf3 Kd1 67.Kg1 Ke2 68.Nh2 Ke3 69.Ng4+ Kf3 70.Nf6 Kg3 71.Nd5 Kf3 72.Nc3 Ke3 73.Nb1 Ke2 74.Na3 Kd3 75.Nb5 Kc4 76.Nc7 Kc5 77.Ne8 Kd5 78.Ng7 Ke5 79.Nh5 Ke4 80.Ng3+ Kf3 81.Nh5 Kg4 82.Ng7 Kg5 83.Ne6+ Kf6 84.Nd4 Ke5 85.Nc2 Ke4 86.Na3 Kd3 87.Nb5 Kc4 88.Na7 Kc5 89.Nc8 Kc6 90.Ne7+ Kc7 91.Nf5 Kc6 92.Nd4+ Kc5 93.Nb3+ Kc4 94.Nc1 Kc3 95.Na2+ Kc2 96.Nb4+ Kd2 97.Na6 Kc2 98.Nc7 Kc3 99.Ne8 Kc4 100.Nf6 Kc5 101.Ng4 Kd5 102.Nf2 Kd4 103.Nd1 Kd3 ½-½ (103) Rikikits (2739)-ghazaryan333 (2649) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.d5 Ne5 12.Bd4 c6 *(12...c5 13.Bf2 Bd7 14.h5 Nbc4 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qe2 b5 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nh3 Qa6 19.Bxc5 Rdc8 20.Bd4 b4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Ng5 Qf6 23.Rh7+ Kg8 24.Rdh1 Qxg5+ 25.Kb1 bxc3 26.Rh8+ Kg7 27.R8h7+ Kf6 28.f4 Qxf4 29.e5+ Qxe5 30.Qd1 Bf5+* 0-1 (30) brianthegreat (2602)-DrawDenied_Twitch (2626) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.f4 Nec4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Qf2 Bg4 16.Rd3 cxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Rxd5 Qb4 19.Qd4+ e5 20.Qf2 Rac8 21.Rxd8 Rxd8 22.Nf3 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rd2 0-1 (23) casuallychess (2657)-ffl0 (2673) Blitz 2021;

D) 11.Nb5 3:21 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' 11...Qd7 39 Stohl,Igor: '-10.h4' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '?' Marin,Mihail: '!?'

D1) 12.d5 Van Delft & Ris Glenn Flear: '?!'

D1a) 12...a6 13.Nc3 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear:

'(now Black's attack comes first)' Ne5 *(13...Qe8 14.Qf2 Ne5 15.h5 Nbc4 16.Bd4 b5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh4 h5 19.g4 Bf6 20.Qh2 Qf7 21.gxh5 g5 22.f4 Ng4 23.Qg3 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 Qxf4+ 25.Qxf4 gxf4 26.Bxc4 bxc4 27.Nf3 e5 28.Rd2 Kh8 29.Rg2 Rg8 30.Rhg1 Bd7 31.Nh4 Nf6 32.Ng6+ Kh7 33.Nxe5 Rxg2 34.Rxg2 Re8 35.Nxd7 Nxd7 36.Rf2 Nc5 37.Kd2 Nd3 38.Rf3 Kh6 39.b3 Ne5 40.Rxf4 cxb3 41.axb3 Kg5 42.Rf5+ Kg4 43.Ke3 Nd7 44.Kd4 Nc5 45.Kxc5 c6 46.Kd4 Rc8 47.d6 c5+ 48.Rxc5 Rd8 49.Rd5 Rd7 50.e5 Rd8 51.e6 Rd7 52.exd7 Kf3 53.d8Q Kf2 54.Qg5 Ke1 55.Rf5 a5 56.Qe3#* 1-0 (56) supertactic91 (2661)-Rabanense (2662) Blitz 2021 *)*

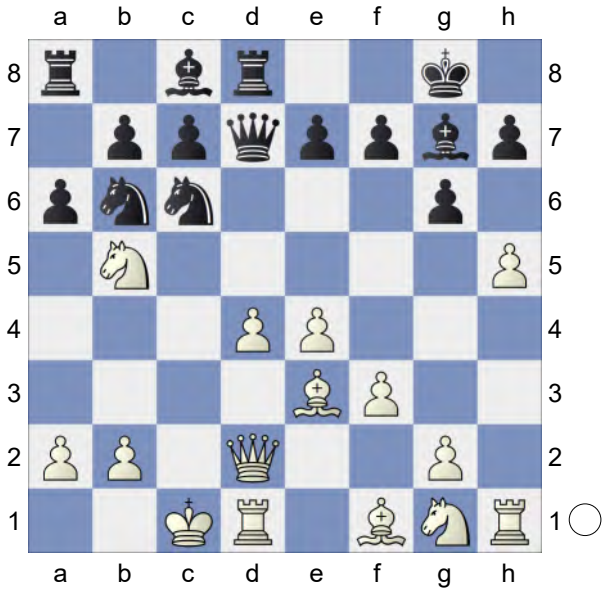
D1a1) 14.Bd4 Nbc4 15.Qf4 c5 *(15...Qd6* Glenn Flear: 'is also good'*)* 16.dxc6 Qxc6 17.Nh3 Glenn Flear: '??' Bxh3 18.gxh3 Nxb2 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '(a crushing blow), Brzezinski, M-Sadzikowski, D Wroclaw rapid 2014.';

D1a2) 14.b3 Qd6 *(14...e6 15.Kb1 exd5 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.Nxd5 Nc6 18.h5 Qe8 19.Ne2 Be6 20.Nec3 Bxd5 21.exd5 Qe5 22.Rc1 Nb4 23.hxg6 Nxd5 24.gxf7+ Kh8 25.Bd3 h5 26.g4 Nf4 27.Qxf4 Qxf4 28.Rxh5+ Bh6 29.Rch1 Kg7 30.Rxh6 Qxh6 31.Rxh6 Kxh6 32.Bf5 Kg7 33.Be6 Rd6 34.Bc4 b5 35.Ne4 bxc4 36.Nxd6 Rd8 37.Nxc4 Kxf7 38.f4 b5 39.Ne5+ Ke6 40.Nc6 Rc8 41.Nb4 Kd6 42.Nxa6 Ra8 43.Nb4 Kc5 44.Nd3+ Kd4 45.Kc2 Ke3 46.Nb4 Rc8+ 47.Kb2 Rd8 48.a3 Rd2+ 49.Kc3 Rd4 50.f5 Rd1* 0-1 (50) MothToTheFlame (2651)-Round_of_Applause (2609) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.h5 Qb4∞;

D1b) 12...Ne5 13.Qc2 c6! 14.Nxa7 *(14.dxc6 Qxd1+ 15.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 bxc6* favors Black. *17.Nc3 Nec4 18.Bc1 Be6 19.Nge2 Ne5 20.Nf4 Rd8+ 21.Kc2 Bc8 22.Be2 Kf8 23.Rd1 Rxd1 24.Kxd1 Nec4 25.Kc2 e5 26.Bxc4 Nxc4 27.Nd3 Ke7 28.b3 Nd6 29.Be3 a6 30.Nb4 Kd7 31.Na4 a5 32.Nd3 Ke7 33.Bb6 Nb7 34.Nac5 f5 35.Nxb7 Bxb7 36.Bxa5 Bf6 37.g3 f4 38.Be1 g5 39.hxg5 Bxg5 40.Nxe5 fxg3 41.Bxg3 h5 42.f4 Bf6 43.Nd3 Bd4 44.Bf2 c5 45.e5 Be4 46.Bxd4 cxd4 47.Kd2 Bxd3 48.Kxd3 h4 49.Kxd4 h3 50.Ke3 h2* 0-1 (50) SlowSmokingTurtle (2665)-David_Haval (2759) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...Rxa7 15.Bxb6 Rxa2 16.Kb1 *(16.Bxd8 Qxd8 17.Kb1 Qa5! 18.Qb3 Ra4-+)* 16...Ra8 and Black is doing fine. *(16...Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxb2+ 18.Qxb2 Bxb2*

19.Kxb2 Re8∞) 17.Bxd8 Qxd8 gives Black tremendous compensation on the weakened dark squares. 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.f4 Ng4 20.Nf3 cxd5 21.e5 Nf2 0 - 1 (2 1) Think_Fast_Move_Fast (2765)-elohunter99 (2640) Blitz 2022;

D2) 12.h5 5 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' 12...a6 3:47 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: '



" Marin,Mihail: '{#}' 13.Nc3 17 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' Glenn Flear: 'transposes to the game' ChessBase II: 'and now Black needs to be very accurate.' Marin,Mihail: '!?'

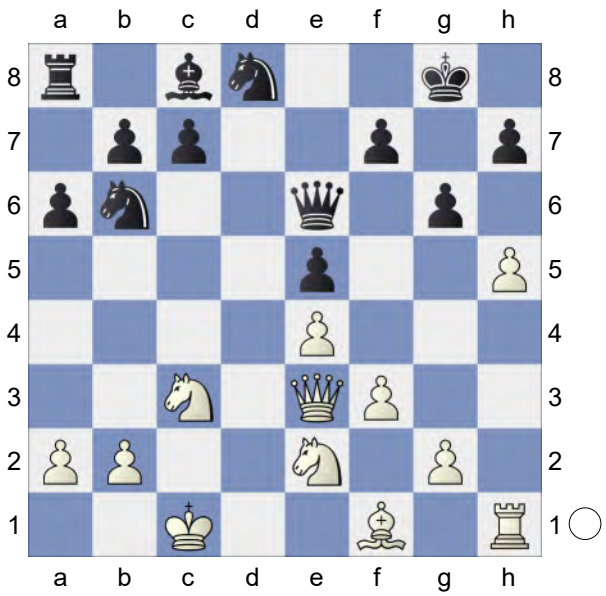
D2a) 13...Bxd4 ChessBase II: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'N!?'

D2a1) Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'Possibly missing Black's strong repyl.'' Marin,Mihail: 'Possibly missing Black's strong repyl. ' 14.hxg6 Arsovic,Goran: '-123/(147)' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: ', consolidating the centre, would have left White in control of the position.' 'Marin,Mihail: ', consolidating the centre, would have left White in control of the position.' fxg6 Glenn Flear: '!' *(14...hxg6 15.Qf2* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and there will be a catastrophe on the h-file' *)* 15.Bxd4 *(15.Nd5* was playeed in the game Piorun-Svidler 2013, with a very unclear position. was playeed in the game Piorun-Svidler 2013, with a very unclear position.*)* 15...Qxd4 JR: 'and White is better, with two clear pawns and some initiative for the exchange, but nonetheless this looks preferable for Black compared to the game.' 16.Qf4 JR: '!?' JR: 'might be an improvement here. Given time Black could even continue with ... Nf8-g6' Qf6 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Santiago-Ragger, M Graz 2014, see the archives' *(16...Qf2 17.Rxd8+* JR: '?' *Nxd8* JR: '!' JR: 'is one to watch out for though.' *18.Nge2* JR: '!?' *Ne6 19.Qh6 Nf8* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Plasil, P-Postupa, P Prague 2014.' *)* 17.Rxd8+ Nxd8 18.Qxc7 Bd7 19.Qh2 Qg7 *(19...h5)* 20.Kb1 Rc8 *(20...Nf7 21.f4 e5 22.Nf3 exf4 23.Qxf4 Rc8 24.Be2)* 21.f4 Nf7 22.Nf3 Rxc3

23.bxc3 Qxc3 24.Qg1 Bc6 25.Qd4 Qxd4 26.Nxd4 Bxe4+ 27.Kb2∞;

D2a2) 14.Qf2 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A novelty. Without h-pawns on the board this move would win, but here Black has time to construct his defences.' Arsovic,Goran: 'N' e5 Glenn Flear: '!' JR: '?' JR: 'This looks wrong in principle. If you are going to keep your king in the centre and lose a lot of time, the last thing you want to do is open the centre.' 15.Nge2 Bxe3+ 16.Qxe3 Qe6 Marin,Mihail: '=' 17.Rxd8+ Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Etienne Bacrot had already pushed his a-pawn against David Navara but in a position where c3-c4 had already been played. Here keeping the a6-f1 diagonal open enhances his bishop. If Black counters naturally with ...e6 then he may be able to profitably use the c4-square for his bishop in order to bear down on the e6-square and the a2-g8 diagonal.'' Nxd8 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: '

(Diagram)



" Marin,Mihail: '{#}' 18.Qh6 Marin,Mihail: '?!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Another try is' *18.Kb1 Nc6* JR: 'And White has a lot for the piece, but I imagine some players would prefer Black here.' *19.g4 Bd7 20.hxg6 fxg6* Glenn Flear: 'when' *21.f4* Glenn Flear: 'leads to complications. It's the sort of move that in a practical game could be tricky, but your computer won't think much of it!'*)* 18...Qe7 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A dynamic move from Svidler. Instead he wanted to avoid going too passive with'' *(18...Bd7* Marin,Mihail: 'as White may keep some pressure with' *19.g4* Arsovic,Goran: '⩲' Marin,Mihail: 'with Bg4 or Bc4 to come.'*)* 19.Nd5 *(* Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'Of

course," Marin,Mihail: 'Of course,' *19.g4* Arsovic,Goran: '?' Marin, Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'would have left Black with a terrible structure.'' Marin,Mihail: 'would have left Black with a terrible structure.' *g5* Arsovic,Goran: '-+'*)* 19...Nxd5 20.exd5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'This only leads to equality. How about'' Qf8 Glenn Flear: 'Gelfand has defended accurately against Bacrot's new idea, and White's 'compensation' is starting to look a shade light-weight.' 21.Qe3 f6 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Nc3 Nf7

D2a21) Glenn Flear: 'If' 24.Ne4 Glenn Flear: 'Black can even get away with' f5 Glenn Flear: '!';

D2a22) 24.Bd3 Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲' Marin, Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'as an improvement? For instance after' Kg7 Marin,Mihail: '?!' *(24...Qg7* Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'may be objectively best when' *25.g4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩱'*; 24...f5 25.g4* Arsovic,Goran: '!' Marin, Mihail: 'leaves Black with shaky kingside pawns.'*)* 25.Qf2 Bd7 *(25...f5* Marin,Mihail: '?' *26.g4)* 26.Qh4 Qh8 27.Qe1 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin, Mihail: 'a neat intermezzo' Qf8 28.Qh4 Arsovic,Goran: '=' Marin, Mihail: 'hitting the h-pawn. ';

D2a23) 24.g4 Kg7 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'It's amazing how often rook and bishop versus rook and knight occurs in practise. Here White has three pawn islands against Black's two (and thus his pawns are more vulnerable) which compensates the fact that the bishop should be the slightly better minor piece.'' 25.Ne4 Qb4 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' 26.g5 Glenn Flear: '?' Arsovic, Goran: '?' *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *26.Be2* Glenn Flear: 'simplest is' Marin,Mihail: 'would leave Black with the inferior majority.' Marin,Mihail: 'Also playable but equal is' *26...Bd7* Glenn Flear: 'also bringing the remaining minor piece into play. Black is objectively better but if White stays solid there would be difficulties exploiting the extra pawn. ' *27.Nc5 Rd8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓'*)* 26...fxg5 27.Nxg5 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *(27.Bd3 Qd4 28.Qe2*

Marin,Mihail: 'followed by ...c4 or ...Nd4 gives Black a dangerous initiative.' *Bf5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 27...Nxg5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'No worries!' 28.Qxe5+ Kf7 Arsovic,Goran: '-+' 29.Qxg5 Glenn Flear: 'Desperate, but what else?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?'' *(29.Qxc7+* Glenn Flear: 'also leaves White in a hopeless position following' JR: '!' *Qe7* Arsovic,Goran: '-+') 29...Qe1+ 30.Kc2 Bf5+ JR: 'is even stronger, because White can take the knight on d1 with check.' 31.Kb3 JR: 'looks better, but Black will have to deal with some sort of exchange sac' Qd1+ 32.Kb4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'The repetition is logical albeit slightly disappointing.' Marin,M: '½-½ (32) Bacrot,E (2708)-Svidler,P (2743) Sofia 2006 CBM 113 [Marin,M]'' Marin,Mihail: 'Now' 32...a5+ Marin,Mihail: 'allows' 33.Kc5 Marin,Mihail: 'with strong threats. Then' JR: 'looks playable.' Qc2+ 0-1 (33) Mateo,R (2719)-Grankin (2748) France 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: 'Mate is forced.';

D2a3) 14.Bxd4 Qxd4 15.Qf4 Qf2 16.hxg6 Rxd1+ 17.Nxd1 Qc5+ 18.Nc3 hxg6 19.Qh6 Qe5 20.f4 Qg7 21.Qh4 Be6 22.Nf3 Rd8∓ Pitkaenen,J (2214)-Gyger,T (2073)/corr/2007/;

D2b) Glenn Flear: 'The other capture is also playable:' ChessBase II: 'The game Nakamura-Caruana 2013 continued with' 13...Nxd4 43:22 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: ' Δ Rb1 ± Anand, Viswanathan: 'Δ ♖b 1±'' ChessBase II: '?' 14.hxg6 17 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L"

D2b1) 14...fxg6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'keeps things interesting.' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: ' □' Glenn Flear: 'Capturing this way enables Black to be able to use the f-file, either for active piece play, or simply to run away with the king.' 15.g4

D2b11) 15...e5!? Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'N!?' Arsovic,Zoran: 'N' 16.Qh2 Arsovic,Zoran: '*'

D2b111) Glenn Flear: 'less good is' 16...Kf7 Glenn Flear: '?!' Arsovic,Zoran: 'Ü 117/151' 17.f4

Glenn Flear: '!' Arsovic, Zoran: '!' Qe7 18.f5 Glenn Flear: 'with a dangerous attack' Arsovic,Zoran: ' ±' Rh8 19.Qf2 Ke8 *(19...Bf6 20.Nf3* Arsovic,Zoran: '±' *)* 20.Nf3 c5 21.Bg5 Arsovic,Zoran: '+-' Qf7 *(21...Qd6 22.Kb1 h6 23.f6 Bxf6 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Qxf6 Qxf6 26.Bxf6 Rf8 27.g5* Arsovic,Zoran: '+-'*)* 22.Qg3 h6 23.Nxe5 Qc7 24.f6 Arsovic,Zoran: '!' hxg5 25.Rxh8+ Bxh8 26.f7+ 1-0 (26) Rognon,R (2637)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2538) Plovdiv 2013 Telechess CBM 89 [Adorjan,Andras];

D2b112) 16...Bh8 17.f4 Qxg4 18.Qxh7+ 1-0 (18) Itinerant69 (2691) -Round_of_Applause (2663) Blitz 2023;

D2b113) 16...h6= Glenn Flear: '!' Arsovic, Zoran: 'N!?'

D2b1131) 17.f4

D2b11311) 17...Qe7 18.fxe5 *(18.f5 g5)* 18...c5 Arsovic,Zoran: '∞';

D2b11312) 17...exf4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Nf3 c5 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.e5↑;

D2b1132) 17.Bxh6 Bxh6+ 18.Qxh6 Qg7 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ∞ ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'K.Mekhitarian' Glenn Flear: ' ∞ ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∞'

D2b11321) 19.Qg5 Rd6 20.Nh3 Arsovic,Zoran: '?!' *(20.Bg2* Arsovic,Zoran: ' ∞'*)* 20...Bd7 Glenn Flear: 'Postny, E-Givon, A Acre 2013, was fine for Black' Arsovic,Zoran: '?!' *(20...Nxf3 21.Rxd6 Nxg5 22.Rd8+ Kf7 23.Nxg5+ Ke7 24.Rhh8 Bxg4 25.Rxa8 Qf6* Arsovic,Zoran: ' ∓!'*)* 21.Qe3 Rf8 22.Ng5 Rognon,R (2635)-11.?g5 h6 12.?f4_16460 (2407) Merida MEX 2013 Telechess CBM 89 [Adorjan, Andras] Arsovic, Zoran: ' ± ' Qf6 23.Rd2 Nxf3 24.Nxf3 Qxf3 25.Qg5 Rf4 26.Be2 Qe3 27.Rh7 1-0 (27) Postny,E (2635)-Givon,A (2407) Acre ISR 2013;

D2b11322) 19.Qe3 Rf8 20.Kb1 Glenn Flear: 'is given by Kaufman as being slightly better for White, but I can't see anything after' Be6 Glenn Flear: '=!';

D2b12) 15...Qc6 Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!?' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'led to a wild position in 1/2-1/2 (49) Grischuk,A (2760) -Mamedyarov,S (2761) Moscow 2010' 16.Qf2 Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris' *(16.Qh2* Krasenkow, Michal: '→!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'K.Mekhitarian' Glenn Flear: '→' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '→!' *h5 17.gxh5 Na4 18.Bxd4 Rxd4 19.Rxd4 Bxd4 20.Nge2 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Nxc3 22.Kd2 Nxe2 23.hxg6 Qc1+ 24.Kxe2 Qc2+ 25.Ke3 Qc5+)* 16...Ne6 Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Grischuk-Mamedyarov, Tal Memorial 2010. This ended in a draw.' 17.Rxd8+ Nxd8 18.Nge2 Glenn Flear: 'White has the threat of Q-h4 as compensation for his pawn.' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Grischuk, A-Mamedyarov, S Moscow 2010, when White had just about enough compensation. Glenn Flear: 'Grischuk, A-Mamedyarov, S Moscow 2010, when White had just about enough compensation.'' Nf7 *(* Glenn Flear: 'It looks more dangerous to play' *18...Qf6 19.Nf4 Qf7* Glenn Flear: 'however even a tricky variation such as' *20.Ncd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 e6 22.Qh4 exd5 23.Qxd8+ Bf8* Glenn Flear: 'isn't clear.'*)* 19.Qh4 h6 20.Qxe7 Qd7 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Trading queens will ease Black's defence. ' 21.Qxd7 *(21.Qc5* Glenn Flear: 'can be met by' *Bf8* Glenn Flear: 'when White has nothing better than' *22.Qd4)* 21...Bxd7 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '⇄' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Grischuk-Mamedyarov, Moscow 2010.' Van Delft & Ris: '⇄' 22.Bg2 Nc4⇄ Grischuk,A (2760)-Mamedyarov,S (2761)/ Moscow/2010/ Glenn Flear: 'The relative activity of the pieces will be crucial in the struggle for an advantage. At this point one could judge the position as 'unclear',

with Black having caught up in development and not being in any further danger of a mating attack.' 23.Bf2

D2b121) Glenn Flear: 'Even after the more logical' 23...Nfe5 24.Rd1 Rf8 Glenn Flear: 'White seems able to hold:' 25.Bg1 Bc6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'inferior are' *25...Bc8 26.Bc5* Glenn Flear: '!'; Glenn Flear: 'and' *25...b6 26.b3* Glenn Flear: '!*)* 26.Nd4 Bd7 27.b3 Glenn Flear: '=';

D2b122) 23...Bb5 Glenn Flear: '!?' 24.Nd4 Nce5 25.Be3 Bd7 Krasenkow, Michal: '=' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 Grischuk,A (2760)-Mamedyarov,S (2761)/Moscow 2010/CBM 139 (49) ='' 26.Rd1 Rf8 27.Nd5 Kh7 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Or the immediate' *27...Nc4)* 28.Kb1 Nc4 29.Bc1 Glenn Flear: 'Now White has access to this square but it doesn't change matters a great deal.' c6 30.Nc3 Bc8 31.Bf1 Nce5 32.Be2 c5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Enough jostling, time for real action! Black decides to use his majority even if it means giving the d5-square away.' 33.Nc2 b5 34.Nd5 c4 35.Nce3 Nd3 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The point behind Mamedyarov's play: White will have weaknesses after his light-squared bishop is off the board.' 36.Bxd3 cxd3 37.f4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black will at least regain the pawn after' *37.Rxd3 Ng5)* 37...Nd6 38.f5 Glenn Flear: '!' gxf5 Glenn Flear: '?!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Preferable is' *38...Nxe4* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '(safer and sounder)' *39.fxg6+ Kxg6 40.Ne7+ Kf6 41.Nxc8 Rxc8 42.Rxd3* Glenn Flear: 'which would be about equal.' *)* 39.exf5 Ne4 40.Nf4 Glenn Flear: '!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Here' *40.Rxd3* Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'is well met by' *Nf2 41.Ra3 Nxg4* Glenn Flear: '!' *42.Nxg4* Glenn Flear: '?' *Bxf5+)* 40...Nf6 41.Nxd3 Re8 42.Rg1 Bf8 Glenn Flear: 'White holds onto the extra pawn but finds it difficult to move

anything in a positive direction.'

D2b1221)

Glenn Flear: 'White would keep his pawn after' 43.Nf4 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'but even here the latent potential of the bishop pair would make White's technical task very difficult.' Rd8 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'stopping a knight coming to d5 would then be Black's best defence.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'rather than' *43...Bc5* Glenn Flear: '?!' *44.Ned5* Glenn Flear: '!' *Nxd5 45.Nxd5 Rd8 46.Rd1* Glenn Flear: 'with some advantage'*)* 44.Kc2 Bb7 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and White cannot make progress.';

D2b1222) 43.g5 hxg5 44.Rxg5 Bh6 45.Rg6 Bxe3 46.Rxf6 Kg7 47.Rd6 Bxf5 48.Bxe3 Rxe3 49.Kc2 ½-½ (49) Hanke,L (2771)-Trice,E (2763) Game - 1 2010 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: 'The position is dead.';

D2b2) Glenn Flear: 'After' 14...hxg6 8:43 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '??' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '??' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Unexplainable. Black loses disastrous amounts of material with basic tactics.' Ris: 'Diagram

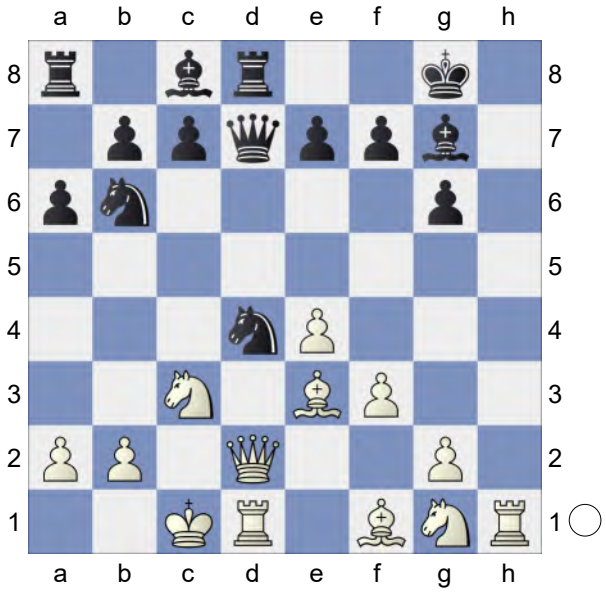


Diagram [#] Caruana has just recaptured on g6 with his h-pawn, assuming he is not getting mated. However, Nakamura's next move wins on the spot.'' Glenn Flear: '?' 'White could well continue with' Van Delft & Ris: '?' 15.Bxd4 4:09 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez:

'Was already losing for Black in Nakamura-Caruana from last year, a lesson that the Italian learned the hard way.' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!'' (Normally White doesn't get anywhere without his dark-squared B, but the unfortunate placement of Black's forces plays a big part in his downfall. Caruana had probably only counted on *15.Bh6?!* Ris *Bf6* when Black is doing perfectly OK.; *15.g4* Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'when the attack along the h-file could prove to be very dangerous indeed.')

D2b21) 15...Qxd4 10:14 16.Qe2+- (*16.Qe1* 1:02 Ris: 'and instead of resigning here, Caruana decided to play on for a while rather than allow himself to be the victim of a miniature.' ChessBase II: 'and White is already totally winning ! and White is already totally winning !' *Qxd1+* 4 *17.Nxd1* 4 Black has a rook and a pawn for a queen. That's just not enough.' Glenn Flear: 'and White was winning on material, Nakamura, H-Caruana, F Paris 2013' *Na4* 7 *18.b3* 10:59 *Nc5* 4 *19.e5* 10 *Bf5* 1:26 *20.f4* 1:08 *a5* 2:45 *21.Nf3* 2:07 *a4* 13 If Caruana hadn't blundered so early he might have resigned as soon as he lost his queen. ' *22.b4* 7 *Nb3+* 25 might as well go for the desperado' *23.axb3* 1:32 *a3* 3:23 *24.Qc3* 46 *e6* 47 *25.Ne3* 2:10 *a2* 2:07 *26.Qa1* 6 *Bf8* 19 *27.Nxf5* 4:24 *gxf5* 6 *28.b5* 28 *c6* 5:32 *29.bxc6* 4:28 *Rdc8* 4 *30.Bc4* 19 *Rxc6* 11 *31.Nd4* 7 *Rcc8* 11 *32.Kc2* 29 *Bb4* 34 *33.g4* 47 *fxg4* 26 *34.f5* 5 Black's run out of immediate threats and he will get promptly mated. A big blunder for sure!' Ris: '1-0 (34) Nakamura,H (2772)-Caruana,F (2779) Elancourt FRA 2013 [Ris]'; *16.Qf4;* *16.Qg5* both win as well with the same idea.);

D2b22) Glenn Flear: 'if' 15...Bxd4 Glenn Flear: 'then' 16.Qh6+- Glenn Flear: 'yields a winning attack' Qd6 17.Rxd4 Ris: '!' (*17.Nge2?* *Qf6=*) 17...Qxd4 18.Qh7+ Kf8 19.Qh8+ Ris: 'and White will be a piece up.' Qxh8 20.Rxh8+ Kg7 21.Rxd8+- And Black is simply down a piece.]

11.d5 Nd4 12.f4 c5 13.fxe5 Bxe5 14.Nf3 Nxf3 15.gxf3 Re8 16.h5 Bd7 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Nb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Re7 20.f4 Bd4 21.Bxd4 cxd4 22.Bd3

Rc8+ 23.Kb1 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.Qd3 b5 26.b3 Qb4 27.a3 Qxa3 28.bxc4 Qb4+ 29.Ka2 Rxe4 30.Qxe4 Qxc4+ 31.Kb2 Qc3+ 32.Kb1 Qb3+ 33.Kc1 Qa3+ 34.Kd2 Qc3+ 35.Ke2 1-0 (35) Konevlad (2996)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2631) Blitz 2020 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'The rare'

8...Be6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A rare choice that has the advantage of avoiding great swathes of theory.' Glenn Flear: 'A rare choice that has the advantage of avoiding great swathes of theory.''Krasenkow, Michal: 'A rare move, instead of the usual' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'tried by Eljanov and Kovchan, is also possible:' 9.d5 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⌓' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'The critical reply. Other moves allow use of the c4-square."

[Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black provokes d4-d5 in order to subsequently undermine that pawn. But the idea hardly justifies the loss of time.

' 9.0-0-0 Bc4 *(9...Nc4!* John Watson: ', intending' Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⌓ ' Arsovic,Goran: '!?' *10.Bxc4?* John Watson: '?!' *Bxc4!!* John Watson: '!' John Watson: 'and the knight can't escape!' *11.h4 c5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' *)* 10.Nge2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(10.Bh6 Bxf1 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Rxf1 c5 13.d5 e6 14.h4 exd5 15.exd5 N8d7 16.Nh3 Nc4* Arsovic,Goran: 'Ponomariov, R-Aronian, L Beijing rapid 2014, was more comfortable for Black Glenn Flear: 'Ponomariov, R-Aronian, L Beijing rapid 2014, was more comfortable for Black'' *17.Qf4 Nde5 18.Nf2 Qb6 19.b3 Qa5 20.Nb1 Qxa2 21.bxc4 Nxc4 22.Nd1 Na5 23.Ndc3 Nb3+ 24.Kd1 Qb2 25.Re1 Nd4 26.Qd2 Qb3+ 27.Kc1 Rfe8 28.h5 Qc4 29.Qa2 Qd3 30.Ne4 f5 31.Ng5 Ne2+ 32.Kb2 Qd4+ 33.Kc2 Rad8 34.Rd1 Qf2 35.Rd2 Nd4+ 36.Kd1 Qg3 37.Rxd4 Qxg5 38.Rd2 Qf6 39.hxg6 hxg6 40.Qxa7 Rd7 41.Qxc5 Ra8 42.Ke2 Ra4 43.Kf2 Rh4 44.Re1 Kh7 45.d6 Kh6 46.Qe5 Qd8 47.Nc3 Kh7 48.Nd5 Rf7 49.Rdd1 Qa8 50.Rh1 Qa2+ 51.Kg3 g5 52.Rxh4+ gxh4+ 53.Kh2 Qf2 54.d7 h3 55.Kxh3 Kg6 56.Qe6+* 1-0 (56) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Aronian, L (2797) Beijing CHN 2014*)* 10...e5 *(10...a5 11.Kb1* John Watson: '!' John Watson: 'is too easy to miss. It wins.' *a4 12.Bh6 Nc6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.h4+-* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Korov,Z (2119)-Mihalinec,D (2232)/Zagreb 2010/CBM 135 Extra (37)' *)*

A) 11.dxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'changes the character of the position, to a quiet positional one. Then Glenn Flear: 'changes the character of the position, to a quiet positional one. Then" Qxd2+= 12.Rxd2 Bxe5 13.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: '±'

A1) 13...Bxe2 14.Nxe2 Nc6 15.f4 Bg7 *(15...Bd6 16.Kb2 Rfe8* Arsovic,Goran: '=' Arsovic, Goran: 'gives Black enough activity to counter White's bishops. Glenn Flear: 'gives Black enough activity to counter White's bishops.'') 16.Nd4 Bxd4 17.Bxd4 Rfe8 18.e5 Nxd4 19.Rxd4 Rad8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8

21.Be2 f6 22.exf6 Kf7 23.Bf3 c6 24.Rd1 Rxd1+ 25.Kxd1 Kxf6 26.Kd2 Ke6 27.g3 Nd5 28.a3 c5 29.a4 b6 30.Kd3 Kd6 31.Bg2 Nb4+ 32.Kc3 Nd5+ 33.Kd3 Nb4+ 34.Kc3 Nd5+ ½-½ (34) Wojtaszek,R (2744)-Aronian,L (2797) Beijing CHN 2014;

A2) 13...Ba6= 14.f4 Bg7 15.Nd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '±';

B) 11.d5 Eine spielbare Alternative ist 11.♘d1: 11...c6 In dieser Stellung hat Weiß fast überall eine etwas angenehmere Stellung, die jedoch schwer zu verwerten ist. 12.b3 John Watson: 'This move never seems to achieve much, although it strongly resembles what Karjakin played in a famous game against Carlsen and transposes in a moment. I don't cover this precise move order in PTF4, but do manage to analyse' Ba6 John Watson: 'Carlsen's move (by transposition). Black has also equalised with the standard moves' 13.d6 John Watson: 'Probably best.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: '(is this pawn strong or weak? In any case it will keep Black occupied for a while.) Glenn Flear: '(is this pawn strong or weak? In any case it will keep Black occupied for a while.)''Krasenkow,Michal: 'A double-edged move. This pawn restricts Black's pieces but can be surrounded, which requires energetic and accurate play from White.' Es gibt viele Züge in dieser Stellung, die Weiß gut spielen kann. *(13.Kb1 Qd6= 14.dxc6!? Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Nxc6 16.Nc1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±!*)* 13...N8d7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '♖e8-e6, ♘c8 to come' 14.h4!? Das ist eine neue Idee. Re8! John Watson: '!?' John Watson: 'Normally a good move, and not bad here, but Black might want to develop first and see what White intends, e.g., by' Mutige Entscheidung. Schwarz schwächt seinen e-Bauer, bekommt jedoch aktives Spiel.

B1) 15.Bg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' f6 *(15...Bf6 16.g3* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑!' *)* 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6= Re6 18.h5 Nf8 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.f4 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' *(20.Qh8+* doesn't help after *Kf7 21.Rh7+ Nxh7 22.Qxh7+ Kf8* Krasenkow, Michal: '=') 20...Rxd6 21.f5= Krasenkow,Michal: '→'
Schwarz kommt nicht zu ...g5.;

B2) 15.h5? John Watson: 'Why give up the bishops?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This enables Black to capture the d6-pawn.' Den Läufer sollte man nicht so leicht aufgeben. 15...Re6

B2a) 16.g4 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: '(ambitious, but a bit risky) Glenn Flear: '(ambitious, but a bit risky)'' Nc8 17.hxg6 fxg6 *(17...hxg6 18.Ng3 Rxd6* Arsovic,Goran: 'is promising for Black Glenn Flear: 'is promising for Black'*)* 18.Ng3 Bxf1 19.Qh2 Nf8 20.d7 Nb6 21.Nf5 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: 'Toth, E-Antal, Ge Hungarian league 2012, with complications. Glenn Flear:

'Toth, E-Antal, Ge Hungarian league 2012, with complications.";
B2b) 16.hxg6 hxg6!∓ Schwarz schließt den Königsflügel und behält die Kontrolle über die schwarzen Felder und vor allem über das Feld d4. 17.Bg5 f6 John Watson: 'Opening the long diagonal. The semi-waiting' 18.Bh6 Qf8 Arsovic,Goran: '=' Arsovic, Goran: 'Caruana, F-Kovchan, A Aix-les-Bains 2011 Glenn Flear: 'Caruana, F-Kovchan, A Aix-les-Bains 2011'' 19.Bxg7! Weiß muss dynamisch spielen, weil seine Stellung strategisch gesehen schlechter ist. Qxg7 John Watson: '!' 20.g3 Nc8 21.Bh3 Rxd6?! 22.Qe3?! John Watson: '!?' Beide Spieler machen viele Ungenauigkeiten, so dass die Stellungsbewertung hin und her geht. Nf8 23.f4 Qe7 24.fxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Unnecessarily giving up the e5-square and facilitating Black's task of converting his extra pawn.' *(24.Kb2* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓ ' *)* 24...Qxe5 25.Nd4 Ne7 26.Nf3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Rxd1+ John Watson: '?' 27.Rxd1 Qxg3 28.Bf1 John Watson: '?' John Watson: 'Caruana uncharacteristically misses' Bxf1? John Watson: '??' Das ist ein grober Fehler. 29.Rxf1? John Watson: 'Time pressure already? Otherwise' Weiß nutzt den Fehler nicht aus. Rd8 30.Rg1 Qd6 31.Kb2 Qb4 John Watson: 'This is about equal.' Nach allen Komplikationen ist man in ein fast gleiches Endspiel gekommen. 32.Qf4 Kg7 33.Qe3 Qb6 Dieses Endspiel ist sicherlich Remis, nur muss Weiß trotzdem aufpassen, nicht dass die schwarzen Läufer zu aktiv werden. 34.Qe2 Ne6 35.e5 John Watson: '?!' f5 John Watson: '!' 36.Qh2 Rh8 37.Qd2 Es macht mehr Sinn, ein Luftloch zu machen: Qd8 38.Qf2 Nf4 *(38...Rh3*-+ Krasenkow,Michal: '-+!?' *39.Qg2* Krasenkow,Michal: '△' *Nf4)* 39.Qxa7 Rh3 John Watson: '!' 40.Rf1 Nd3+ Im Vergleich zu 37.h3 hat Weiß seinen König immer noch auf h1, und das spielt eine Rolle. 41.Ka1 *(41.Kb1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲ ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'but Black should in any case win after' *Nxe5 42.Rd1 Nd5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *43.Nxd5= Rxf3? 44.Qxb7*+ *Qd7 45.Qxd7*+ *Nxd7 46.Nc7 Ne5)* 41...Ne1 John Watson: 'In retrospect Black should probably keep his king off this square.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 42.Rxe1 Rxf3 43.Qc5 Rd3∓ Schwarz entwickelt seine Initiative, Weiß hat sich schon zusätzliche Schwächen

machen müssen. 44.Qb4!! John Watson: '!' John Watson: 'a far-seeing move. White sees that he can hold the draw.' Das ist der beste Weg für Weiß! Das entstehende Endspiel ist glücklicherweise Remis. b6 45.Rh1 Nd5 46.Nxd5 John Watson: 'Getting rid of a bishop.' Rxd5 47.Qf4 Rd1+ 48.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 49.Kb2 Qe2+ 50.Kc3 c5 51.a4 Qe4 52.Qg3 Qb4+ 53.Kc2 c4 54.bxc4! Qxc4+ Das macht das Leben von Weiß sehr leicht. 55.Kd2 Qxa4 56.Qe3 Qb4+= 57.Kd1 Qc5 58.Qe2 John Watson: '1/2-1/2' Qd5+ 59.Kc1 Kf7 ½-½ (59) Caruana,F (2775)-Meier,G (2644) Dortmund 2012 CBM 150 [Kritz,Leonid]]

[9.h4 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Bc4 *(9...Nc4* Arsovic,Goran: 'might also be OK Glenn Flear: 'might also be OK" *)* 10.Nge2 e5 *(10...Nc6 11.b3 Nb4* Arsovic,Goran: '(a surprise)' *12.Kf2* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *Ba6 13.Rd1* Arsovic,Goran: 'Doric, D-Schneider, Ve Pula 2011, and now' *e5* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *14.d5 f5* Arsovic,Goran: 'leads to complications, but White's king should be the safest monarch (soon to be on g1) Glenn Flear: 'leads to complications, but White's king should be the safest monarch (soon to be on g1)" *)* 11.d5 c6 12.b3 Ba6 13.d6 Re8 14.0-0-0 Re6 15.f4 Bxe2 16.Bxe2 exf4 17.Bxf4 Qf6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Xiu Deshun-Zeng, C Beijing 2012, and Black had the initiative.']

9...Bc8 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'when White could try a quick h4-h5, or ♗h6 at once, but either way Black gets decent counterplay with c6 or e6.'

[Arsovic,Goran: 'The bishop is generally considered (in analogous positions) to be worse placed on d7 (where it gets in the way), however after: Glenn Flear: 'The bishop is generally considered (in analogous positions) to be worse placed on d7 (where it gets in the way), however after:" 9...Bd7

A) 10.0-0-0 John Watson: '!?' c6 11.Bh6 Bxh6∓ 12.Qxh6 cxd5 13.exd5! Qc7 14.h4∓ Krasenkow, Michal: '0-1 Gasanov,E (2414)-Kovchan,A (2513)/Kharkov 2006/CBM 111 ext (52)' Arsovic,Goran: 'Gasanov, E-Kovchan, A Kharkov 2006, Houdini's line Glenn Flear: 'Gasanov, E-Kovchan, A Kharkov 2006, Houdini's line" Na4 15.Nge2 *(15.h5 Nxc3 16.hxg6 Nxa2+ 17.Kb1 Nc3+* Arsovic,Goran: 'is equal.' *)* 15...Rc8! 16.h5 Qb6⩲ Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Schwarz hat ausgezeichnete Kompensation für den Bauern dank seiner starker Läufer.;

B) Arsovic,Goran: 'possibly the immediate' 10.h4⇄ Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Arsovic,Goran: '!?' 10...c6 11.h5 Arsovic,Goran: 'is more dangerous' cxd5 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Nxd5 Be6 14.Rd1∓ John Watson: 'Or' 14...Bxd5!? 15.exd5 Qd6± 16.Nh3! John Watson: 'is artificial, but how does White improve his position and continue protecting b4? There

might follow' Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Shishkin, V (2543)-Kolodiy,T (1869)/Odessa 2007/CBM 120 ext (24)']

10.Bh6 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '1-0 (78) Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Eljanov,P (2592) Dubai 2004 is one of "Shak"'s successful experiences in this line.'

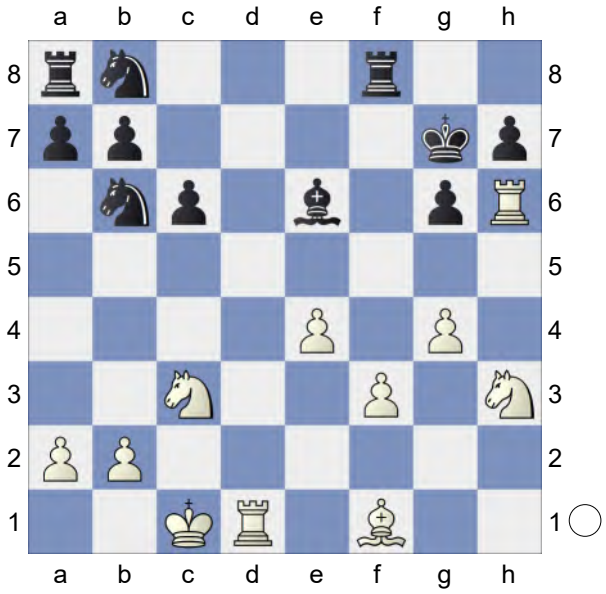
[10.0-0-0 e6 11.h4 exd5 12.exd5 c6 Arsovic,Goran: '=' Arsovic,Goran: '(the centre opens up nicely, and White's king is perhaps the least secure)' 13.d6 Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Psakhis,L (2549)-Eljanov,V (2419)/Ashdod 2003/CBM 096 ext' Arsovic,Goran: '1/2-1/2 Psakhis, L-Eljanov, V Ashdod 2003. Glenn Flear: '→→ Psakhis, L-Eljanov, V Ashdod 2003."]

[10.h4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'N!''Glenn Flear: 'Previously, this position had been faced by two different Eljanovs, and neither of them faced 10.h4!' Glenn Flear: 'Previously, this position had been faced by two different Eljanovs, and neither of them faced 10.h4! Arsovic,Goran: 'N!'' Glenn Flear: 'Previously, this position had been faced by two different Eljanovs, and neither of them faced 10.h4!" c6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Natural enough, but perhaps not the right way to nibble at the centre." *(Arsovic,Goran: 'Instead,' 10...e6* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *11.Bh6 exd5 12.0-0-0 Qf6 13.exd5 N8d7* Arsovic,Goran: '=' Arsovic,Goran: 'looks the most trustworthy way. Glenn Flear: 'looks the most trustworthy way.'')* 11.Bh6 Qd6 Arsovic,Goran: '?!''Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!''' *(11...cxd5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.exd5 h5 14.g4 Rh8 15.0-0-0* Arsovic,Goran: '↑' *)* 12.0-0-0 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Time to castle, as otherwise ... Qg3+ could be annoying.' Glenn Flear: 'Time to castle, as otherwise ... Qg3+ could be annoying.'' Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Qf6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'As Black has spent two tempi to get the queen to this handy defensive square, this further convinces me that 10...e6 would have been correct.' Glenn Flear: 'As Black has spent two tempi to get the queen to this handy defensive square, this further convinces me that 10...e6 would have been correct.'' 14.g4 *(14.h5 Qg7 15.Qg5 f6 16.Qe3* Arsovic,Goran: '±' *)* 14...e6 *(14...Qg7 15.Qe3 cxd5 16.exd5* Arsovic,Goran: '↑' *)*

A) Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Or perhaps" 15.d6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'when'' e5 16.h5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'should favour White.'' Qg7 *(16...Be6 17.hxg6 Qxg6 18.Qe3* Arsovic,Goran: ' ± *')* 17.Qe3 Arsovic,Goran: '±';

B) 15.h5 Qg7 16.hxg6 Qxh6+ 17.Rxh6 fxg6 Arsovic,Goran: '?!''Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!'" *(17...hxg6 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Rd2 Kg7 20.Rdh2* Arsovic,Goran: ' ± *')* 18.dxe6 *(18.d6* Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'again comes into consideration, but without queens a direct attack is less likely and Black seems to be fine e.g. Glenn Flear: 'again comes into consideration, but without queens a direct attack is less likely and Black seems to be fine e.g." *e5*

19.Be2 N8d7 20.Rh2 Nc5 21.Nh3 Ne6 Arsovic,Goran: '=') 18...Bxe6 19.Nh3 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'A cunning move to maintain the initiative.' Glenn Flear: 'A cunning move to maintain the initiative.'' Kg7 'Diagram *(Arsovic,Goran: 'Or' 19...Rxf3 20.Be2* Arsovic,Goran: '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'and the threat of Ng5 means that Black may have to give up the exchange. Glenn Flear: 'and the threat of Ng5 means that Black may have to give up the exchange.'' *)*



Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram {#} '''20.Rxh7+ Arsovic,Goran: '!''Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!''' Kxh7 21.Ng5+ Kg8 22.Nxe6

B1) Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '(Plausible is''22...Rc8 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'when either''Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'or''23.f4 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: ') yield good compensation for White.' Glenn Flear: ') yield good compensation for White.'' *(23.Nc5)* 23...N8d7 24.e5 Nf8 25.Nc5 Rc7 26.f5 Arsovic,Goran: '±';

B2) 22...Rxf3 23.Nc7 Rf8 24.e5 *(24.a4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲' *a5 25.Nxa8 Nxa8 26.e5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ±') 24...N8d7 25.e6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'A direct plan: push the e-pawn as far as it goes!' Glenn Flear: 'A direct plan: push the e-pawn as far as it goes!''

B2a) Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Correct is''25...Ne5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!'' 26.Nxa8 *(26.Re1 Nf3 27.Re3 Ng5 28.Bd3 Rac8 29.e7 Rxc7 30.exf8Q+ Kxf8 31.Bxg6 Re7* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *)* 26...Rxa8 27.Re1 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!'' *(27.e7* Arsovic,Goran: '?' Arsovic,Goran: 'just drops a pawn without anything in return after Glenn Flear: 'just drops a pawn without anything in return after'' *Re8)* 27...Nxg4 28.Ne4 Nd5 29.Nd6 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'with sharp play that is hard to judge.' Glenn Flear: 'with sharp play that is hard to judge.'' Kf8 30.Nxb7 Ke7 31.Na5 Rc8 32.Ba6 Rc7 Arsovic,Goran: '=';

B2b) 25...Nf6 Arsovic,Goran: '?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'The wrong square.'' 26.e7 Arsovic,Goran: '+-''Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Goran: '+-''' Rfe8 27.Nxa8

B2b1) 27...Rxa8 28.Bc4+

Arsovic,Goran: '+-!' Nfd5 *(28...Nxc4 29.Rd8+* Arsovic,Goran: '+-') 29.Nxd5 Nxd5 *(29...cxd5 30.Bb5* Arsovic,Goran: '+-') 30.Bxd5+ cxd5 31.Rxd5 Arsovic,Goran: '+-';

B2b2) 27...Nxa8 28.Bc4+ Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'This option is one of the reasons that f6 was not the best square for the knight.' Glenn Flear: 'This option is one of the reasons that f6 was not the best square for the knight.'' Kg7 29.g5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'This thrust is another.'' Ng8 *(* Arsovic,Goran: 'Otherwise' *29...Nd5 30.Bxd5 cxd5 31.Nxd5* Arsovic,Goran: 'is also lost, as the e-pawn is a monster.' *)* 30.Rd8 Nc7 31.Ne4 Arsovic,Goran: ''!''Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic, Goran: '!''' Nxe7 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'This resource is almost playable, except that is for White's next move...' Glenn Flear: 'This resource is almost playable, except that is for White's next move...'' 32.Rd7 Arsovic,Goran: 'Glenn Flear: 'Winning material.'' Ncd5 33.Bxd5 cxd5 34.Nd6 1-0 (34) Brachtel,R (2627)-Bullert,F (2512) Magyarorszag 72/79 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [Adly,Ahmed]]

10...Bxh6-+ 11.Qxh6 e6+- 12.0-0-0 Qf6 13.h4 exd5 14.exd5 N8d7 15.Nh3= Qg7! with the idea 16.Qd2 Ne5± 17.Ng5! h6!? 18.Nge4 Bf5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Mameyarov, S-Eljanov, P Dubai 2004, with a reasonable game for Black. The computer has a marginal preference for White following Glenn Flear: 'Mameyarov, S-Eljanov, P Dubai 2004, with a reasonable game for Black. The computer has a marginal preference for White following'' 19.Ng3

[19.h5]

19...Bd7= 20.Qf4!? Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Eljanov,P (2592)/Dubai 2004/CBM 101 (78)' 20...Rad8 21.Nge4 Bf5 22.Nc5 Nbd7 23.Nb3 Nb6 24.Nc5 Nbd7 25.Nxd7 Bxd7 26.Be2 a5 27.Rhe1 Rfe8 28.Bf1 f5 29.Kb1 b6 30.Re2 g5 31.hxg5 hxg5 32.Qd4 Nf7 33.Qc4 Rxe2 34.Bxe2 Rc8 35.d6 cxd6 36.Qb3 Qe5 37.Bc4 Be8 38.Bxf7+ Bxf7 39.Qxb6 Re8 40.Qxd6 Qxd6 41.Rxd6 Kg7 42.Kc2 Re1 43.Rd2 g4 44.f4 Rf1 45.g3 Rf3 46.Ne2 Kf6 47.b3 Re3 48.Rd6+ Re6 49.Rxe6+ Kxe6 50.Nd4+ Kd5 51.Kd3 Be8 52.a3 Bd7 53.Ke3 Kc5 54.Ne2 Kd5 55.Nc1 Kc5 56.Nd3+ Kd5 57.a4 Be8 58.Ne5 Kc5 59.Kd3 Kb4 60.Kc2 Kc5 61.Kc3 Kd5 62.Kd3 Kc5 63.Kc3 Kd5 64.b4 Bxa4 65.bxa5 Bb5 66.Ng6 Ke4 67.Nh4 Ba6 68.Kb4 Bd3 69.Kc3 Ke3 70.Ng2+ Ke2 71.Kd4 Ba6 72.Nh4 Bc8 73.Ke5 Kf2 74.Nxf5 Ba6 75.Nh6 Kxg3 76.f5 Kh3 77.Nxg4 Kg3 78.f6 1-0 (78) Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Eljanov,P (2592) Dubai UAE 2004

8...c6 9.h4

[9.Rd1 Be6 10.b3 Qd7 11.Nge2 Rd8 12.Nf4 Na6 13.Bxa6 bxa6

14.0-0 a5 15.Qe2 a4 16.Nxa4 Nxa4 17.bxa4 Rab8 18.Nxe6 Qxe6 19.Qa6 Rb2 20.Rf2 Qxa2 21.Qxa7 Qb3 22.Re1 Rb1 23.Rfe2 Rxe1+ 24.Rxe1 Qb4 25.Rd1 Qb3 26.Re1 Qc3 27.Kf2 Bxd4 28.Bxd4 Rxd4 29.Qxe7 Rxa4 30.Rd1 Qc2+ 31.Ke1 Ra2 32.Rd8+ Kg7 33.Qf8+ Kf6 34.Rd6+ Ke5 35.Qe7+ Kf4 36.Qf6+ Ke3 37.Qg5# 1-0 (37) MCjgp_Twitch (2753)-monca1234 (2582) Blitz 2022]

[9.0-0-0 Be6 *(9...Na6 10.h4 Be6 11.h5 Re8 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Nh3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.f4 Nb4 17.f5 Nd3+ 18.Kb1 Qxd4 19.fxg6 fxg6 20.Nf4 Nxf4 21.Qxf4 Qe5 22.Qg4 Bf7 23.Bf4 Qe6 24.Rxh8+ Kxh8 25.Rh1+ Kg7 26.Qg5 Rg8 27.Qh6+ Kf6 28.e5+ Kf5 29.Qg5#* 1-0 (29) OnkelKonkel (2617)-ParisSaintGermainFC (2593) Blitz 2022*; 9...e5 10.Nge2 Be6 11.b3 a5 12.dxe5 Qxd2+ 13.Rxd2 N8d7 14.f4 a4 15.Nd4 axb3 16.axb3 Ra1+ 17.Kb2 Rfa8 18.f5 gxf5 19.exf5 c5 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.f6 Bf8 22.Bf4 c4 23.bxc4 Nc5 24.Be3 Rxf1 25.Rxf1 Nxc4+ 26.Kb1 Nxe3 27.Rf3 Nc4 28.Rg3+ Kf7 29.Re2 Nb3 30.Ne4 Ra1+ 31.Kc2 Nd4+ 32.Kd3 Nxe2 33.Kxe2 Nxe5 34.Rb3 Ra2+ 35.Ke3 Rb2 36.Rc3 Nc6 37.Kf3 h6 38.g4 Rxh2 39.Kf4 Rh1 40.Rd3 Rf1+ 41.Kg3 Ne5 42.Rb3 Rg1+ 43.Kh3 Nxg4 44.Rxb7+ Kg6 45.Rb8 Ba3 46.Rg8+ Kf5 47.Ng3+ Kxf6 48.Rxg4 Ra1 49.Nh5+ Kf5 50.Ng3+ Kf6 51.Nh5+ Ke5 52.Ng3 Bd6 53.Re4+ Kd5 54.Re2 Ra3 55.Rd2+ Kc6 56.Rc2+ Kd7 57.Rg2 Rxg3+ 58.Rxg3 Bxg3 59.Kxg3 Kd6 60.Kf4 Kd5 61.Ke3 e5 62.Kf3 h5 63.Ke3 h4 64.Ke2 Kd4 65.Kf2 e4 66.Kg1 Kd3 67.Kf1 e3 68.Ke1 e2 69.Kf2 Kd2 70.Kg2 e1Q 71.Kh2* 0-1 (71) felipeporrasmateo (2602)-Hellblazer2007 (2579) Blitz 2021*)*

10.h4

A) 10...Bc4 11.Nge2 e5 *(11...a5 12.h5 a4 13.Bh6 a3 14.Bxg7 axb2+ 15.Kxb2 Kxg7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6+ Kf7 18.Qxh7+ Ke8 19.Nc1 Bf7 20.Qg7 Qd6 21.Rh8 Qa3+ 22.Kc2 N8d7 23.d5 Na4 24.Rxf8+ Nxf8 25.dxc6 Qb2+ 26.Kd3 Rd8+ 27.Ke3 Qxc3+ 28.Qxc3 Nxc3 29.Rxd8+ Kxd8 30.cxb7 Kc7 31.a3 Kxb7 32.Kd4 Na4 33.Bc4 Be8 34.Nd3 Nd7 35.Ne5 Nxe5 36.Kxe5 Nb2 37.Be2 Na4 38.Ke6 g5 39.Kxe7 Bc6 40.Kf6 Nc3 41.Bc4 g4 42.fxg4 Nxe4+ 43.Kg7 Ng5 44.Bf7 Bxg2 45.Bg6 Kb6 46.Kf6 Nh3 47.g5 Bc6 48.Bf5 Nf4 49.g6 Nd5+ 50.Kg5 Ne7 51.g7 Ng8 52.Bh7 Ne7 53.g8Q Nxg8 54.Bxg8 Ka5 55.Bh7 Ka4 56.Bf5 Kxa3* ½-½ (56) Consent_to_treatment (2630)-N1ght_0f_Sh4d0w (2517) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.d5 cxd5 13.exd5 Na6 14.Kb1 Nb4 15.d6 Bd3+ 16.Kc1 Nc4 17.Qxd3 Nxd3+ 18.Rxd3 Nxe3 0-1 (18) MrAble (2639)-rimac_c2 (2487) Rapid 2023;

B) 10...h5 11.g4 hxg4 12.h5 N8d7 13.Bh6 Nf6 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qh6+ Kf7 17.d5 cxd5 18.exd5 Bf5 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Bd3 Bf5 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.Nf3 Rh8 23.Ne5+ Ke8 24.Qg6+ Kf8 25.Qf7# 1-0 (25) mate-in-three (2691)-GMkks (2499) Rapid 2021]

9...f5 10.e5 Be6 11.h5 Bc4 12.Bh6 Rf7 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bxg7 Rxg7

15.0-0-0 e6 16.Qh6 Na6 17.Nh3 g5 18.Bxc4 1-0 (18) jposthuma (2794)-RRyton34280 (2416) Rapid 2022 Glenn Flear: 'If Black is going to play with ...f5, he normally waits one more move before doing so. However' **8...f5** Glenn Flear: 'immediately, is sometimes tried e.g.' 9.e5 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Closing the centre and ensuring a space advantage."

[9.0-0-0 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is White's other try, but Black then has several ways to handle his position:' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is White's other try, but Black then has several ways to handle his position:" fxe4 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 10.fxe4 Stohl,Igor: 'transposes to positions, mentioned in the notes to Krush-Krasenkow. 'Stohl,Igor: 'transposes to positions, mentioned in the notes to Krush-Krasenkow.' Bg4 *(10...a5* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *11.Nf3 a4)*

A) 11.Be2 Qd7 12.h3 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 e5 *(13...Nc6* Stohl,Igor: '!?' *)* 14.d5 Na4 Stohl,Igor: 'Siedentopf, D-Jaracz, P Dresden 2008. Glenn Flear: 'Siedentopf, D-Jaracz, P Dresden 2008.";

B) 11.Nf3 Rxf3 12.gxf3 Bxf3 13.Bg2 Bxd1 14.Rxd1 Nc4 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 e5 17.dxe5 Qh4 18.Qg3 Qh6+ 19.Kb1 Nc6 20.e6 Be5 21.Qd3 Qxh2 22.Bf3 Rf8 23.Qd5 Kh8 24.Be2 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Qxe2 26.e7 Nxe7 27.Qe5+ Kg8 28.Qe6+ Rf7 29.Rd7 Qf1+ 30.Kb2 Qb5+ 31.Kc2 Qg5 32.Rxc7 Kg7 33.Rxb7 a5 34.e5 a4 35.Kb2 h5 36.Ka3 h4 37.Kxa4 Qf4+ 38.c4 Qg5 39.Ka5 h3 40.Qxh3 Qxe5+ 41.Rb5 Qc7+ 42.Ka4 Nc6 43.Qc3+ Rf6 44.c5 Qa7+ 45.Kb3 Kf7 46.Rb6 Na5+ 47.Kb4 Rxb6+ 48.cxb6 Qxb6+ 49.Ka4 Nc6 50.Qc4+ Kg7 0-1 (50) MothToTheFlame (2702)-superbamir (2632) Blitz 2023]

[9.h4 fxe4 10.h5 gxh5 11.fxe4 Bg4 12.Nf3 N8d7 13.0-0-0 Qe8 14.Bh6 Qg6 15.Bxg7 Qxg7 16.Be2 Rad8 17.Qe3 c6 18.Nh4 Nf6 19.Kb1 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Qg4 21.Qc2 e6 22.Nf3 Qg7 23.Qb3 Rde8 24.a4 Kh8 25.a5 Nbd7 26.e5 Nd5 27.Nxd5 cxd5 28.Rxh5 Qg6+ 29.Ka2 Qxh5 30.Qxb7 Rf7 31.Rc1 Nb6 32.Qc6 Rc8 33.Qxe6 Rxc1 34.Qe8+ Kg7 35.e6 Rf5 36.Qe7+ Kh6 37.axb6 axb6 38.Ne5 Rcf1 39.g4 Qg5 40.Qe8 Rxe5 41.dxe5 Qc1 42.Qh5+ Kg7 43.e7 Qc4+ 44.b3 Rf2+ 45.Ka3 Qc5+ 0-1 (45) W-B-Yeats (2653)-CXCX83 (2654) Blitz 2022]

Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Previously" 9...Nc6 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'has been played:"

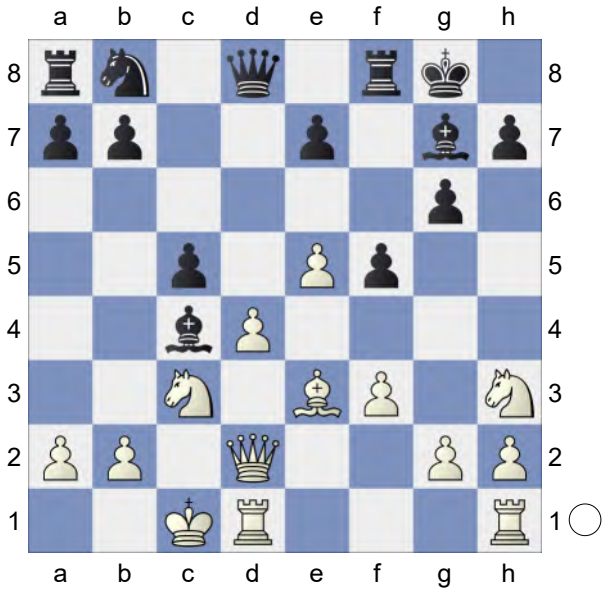
[9...Be6 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A novelty.' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A novelty.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'N"

A) 10.Nh3 Nc4 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Kurnosov gains the bishop pair but loses time in the process.' Glenn Flear: 'Kurnosov gains the bishop pair but loses time in the process." 11.Bxc4 Bxc4

A1) 12.b3 Ba6 13.Nf4 Qd7 14.0-0-0 Stohl,Igor: '∞';

A2) 12.Nf4 Qd7 *(12...g5 13.Nh5 f4 14.Bf2 c5 15.Nxg7 cxd4 16.0-0-0 Nc6* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *)* 13.Qc2 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Na6

Stohl,Igor: '⇄';
A3) 12.0-0-0 c5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'It's important to strike at the centre before White gets too lively on the kingside.' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'It's important to strike at the centre before White gets too lively on the kingside.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



' Glenn Flear: 'It's important to strike at the centre before White gets too lively on the kingside.'' Glenn Flear: 'which led to a white win in Khismatullin, D-Kurnosov, I Moscow Aeroflot 2011 (see the archives).'

A3a) 13.dxc5 Qxd2+ 14.Rxd2 Bxe5 15.Bd4 Bc7 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 16.b3 Bf7 Stohl,Igor: 'and after Black ends his development, only he can be better with the bishop pair.' Stohl,Igor: 'and after Black ends his development, only he can be better with the bishop pair.';

A3b) 13.d5 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Bxe5 14.Bxc5 Nd7 15.Bd4 Stohl,Igor: '∞';
A3c) Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alternatively,'' 13.b3 Bf7 14.Ng5 Nc6 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '=' '=' '='' *(14...cxd4 15.Nxf7 Rxf7 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Bxd4 Nc6 18.e6 Rff8* Stohl,Igor: 'would give chances for both sides despite all the simplification. Glenn Flear: 'would give chances for both sides despite all the simplification.'')* 15.f4 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Qa5 Stohl,Igor: '=';
A3d) 13.f4 cxd4 14.Qxd4 Qxd4 15.Rxd4 Rc8 16.Rhd1 Na6 17.Kb1 h6 18.Ng1 b5 19.Nf3 e6 20.Nd2 Bf8 21.Nxc4 bxc4 22.Rd7 Nb4 23.Bxa7 Nd3 24.g3 Bb4 25.Kc2 Rc6 26.a3 Bf8 27.Be3 Rb8 28.Rb1 Bc5 29.Bxc5 Nxc5 30.Rbd1 Nd3 31.Rb1 Nc5 32.Rd4 Nb3 33.Rdd1 Nc5 34.Ne2 Rcb6 35.Nd4 Na4 36.b4 cxb3+ 37.Rxb3 Rc8+ 38.Kd2 Rd8 39.Rxb6 Rxd4+ 40.Ke2 Nc3+ 41.Ke3 Rxd1 42.Rxe6 Kf7 43.Ra6 Ra1 44.Ra7+ Ke6 0-1 (44) Vantablack_Chess (2623)-EmperorBundaloy (2564) Blitz 2023;
A3e) 13.Bh6 Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'A direct approach.' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A direct approach.' A sharp reaction, which initiates hair-raising

complications. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'A radical attempt to punish Black for his strategically risky play in the opening.' Glenn Flear: 'A direct approach.''Stohl,Igor: 'A sharp reaction, which initiates hair-raising complications.' 13...Qxd4 *(Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Best could be'' 13...cxd4* Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!'' *14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qxd4 Qxd4 16.Rxd4 Rc8* Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'when Black should be fine.'' *17.Kb1 b5* Stohl,Igor: '⇄' *)* 14.Qg5 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Everything for the initiative!'' *(14.Bxg7 Qxd2+* Stohl,Igor: '∓' *)* 14...Qxe5 15.Rhe1

A3e1) 15...Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qf6 17.Ng5 Qg7 allows 18.Qh4!± *(Instead, 18.Qxg7+ Kxg7* transposes to the game *)*;

A3e2) 15...Qf6 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!'' 16.Bxg7 Qxg5+ 17.Nxg5 Kxg7 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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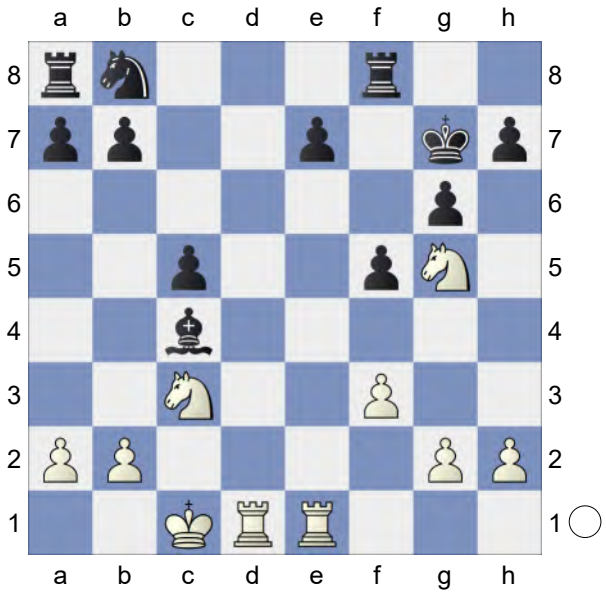

' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'transposes to the game''

A3e21) Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Another try is' Glenn Flear: 'Another try is' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After'' 18.Nd5 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'for example'' Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Rc8 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black is probably OK.'' 20.g4 Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲!' Stohl,Igor: 'gives White reasonable compensation, but he can't fight for an advantage.'Stohl,Igor: 'gives White reasonable compensation, but he can't fight for an advantage.' *(20.Ne6+ Kf6 21.Nd8* Stohl,Igor: 'with just about enough compensation, even for

two pawns. However the move played in the game is much stronger. Glenn Flear: 'with just about enough compensation, even for two pawns. However the move played in the game is much stronger." *)*;

A3e22) 18.Rxe7+ Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!!' '!!' '!!' Glenn Flear: 'Offering a piece for attacking chances.' Glenn Flear: '!!' Glenn Flear: 'Offering a piece for attacking chances.' A surprising piece sacrifice in an endgame position, which draws Black's king out into the open.' Stohl,Igor: 'A surprising piece sacrifice in an endgame position, which draws Black's king out into the open.' 18...Kf6 19.Rxh7 Kxg5 20.Rd6 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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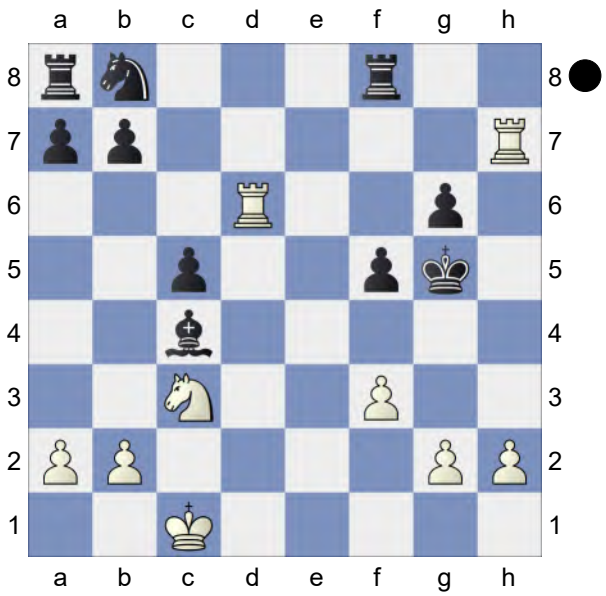


White is playing without a bishop, but Black's king is in danger and also Black is behind in development. From another point of view, White's attacking potential is reduced. The position is rather unclear, or, in any case, very complex. Nevertheless, GM Khismatullin deserves respect for coming up with such a remarkable concept."

A3e221) Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After" 20...Nc6 Stohl,Igor: '?' Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'allows White the time to weave his mating net:' Glenn Flear: 'allows White the time to weave his mating net:' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '??' Mikhail Golubev (www.

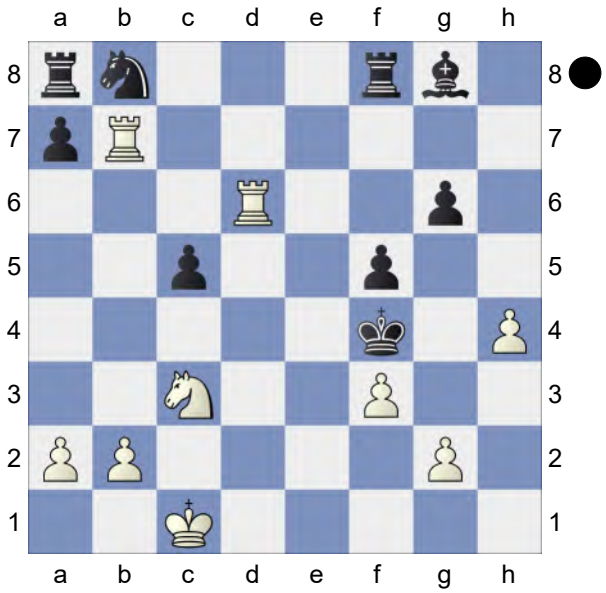
chesstoday.net): 'White executes his threat:" 21.g3 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'etc.' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'etc.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!" f4 22.g4 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'followed by 23.h4 mate";

A3e222) 20...Rf7 21.Rh8 Stohl,Igor: '∞';

A3e223) Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The alternative to the text was" 20...Kf4 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'which could have been answered with" 21.Rxg6 *(It is hard to find anything convincing for White after 21.Rh4+ Ke5 22.Rxg6 Bf7 or maybe 22...f4!?)* 21...Ke3 22.Rxb7 Stohl,Igor: '⩲';

A3e224) Stohl,Igor: 'Nor does' 20...Re8 21.g3 Re6 Stohl,Igor: 'ease Black's defensive burden as' 22.Rd8 Stohl,Igor: 'keeps up the pressure:' Kf6 23.Rf8+ Ke5 24.Rxb7 Rb6 25.f4+ Ke6 26.Rg7 Stohl,Igor: 'and Black's extra piece is irrelevant whereas White's attack has become too powerful. Glenn Flear: 'and Black's extra piece is irrelevant whereas White's attack has become too powerful. ";

A3e225) 20...Bg8 21.h4+ Kf4 22.Rxb7 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ' ∞' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

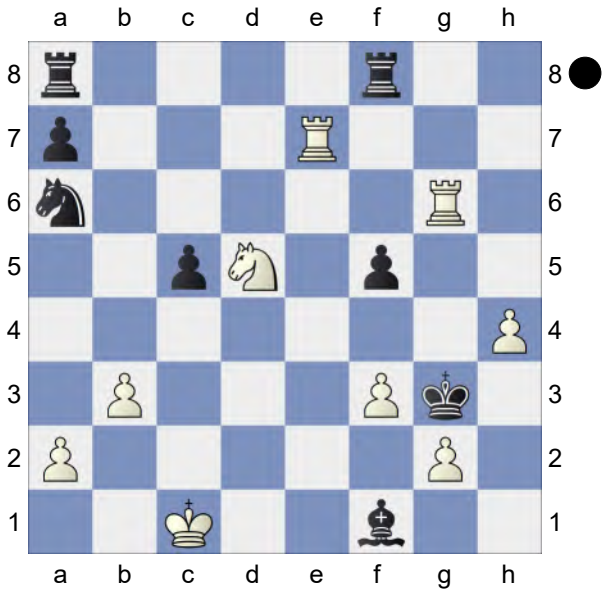


" Bc4 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'Back again, but White has meantime made some progress.' Glenn Flear: 'Back again, but White

has meantime made some progress.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The Bishop's return to c4 may look illogical, but the situation on the kingside has changed and possibly it was not a bad move after all.'' (Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'An alternative was'' *22...Re8* Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?'' *23.Rxg6* Stohl,Igor: '⩲') 23.Re7

A3e2251) 23...Rc8 Stohl,Igor: '!?' 24.Rf6 Rc6 Stohl,Igor: '!' 25.Re4+ *(25.Rf8 Kg3* Stohl,Igor: ' ∓') 25...Kg3 26.Rxc6 Nxc6 27.Rxc4 Ne5 Stohl,Igor: '↑!' Stohl,Igor: 'After simplification Black's wandering king turns from a drawback into a merit!' Stohl,Igor: 'After simplification Black's wandering king turns from a drawback into a merit!';

A3e2252) 23...Na6 24.b3 Bf1 25.Nd5+ *(*After *25.Re1* quite good is *Rad8* and if *26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Rxf1 Kg3!)* 25...Kg3 26.Rxg6+ Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



" Kf2 Stohl,Igor: '?' Stohl,Igor: 'Now White weaves a mating net.' Stohl,Igor: 'Now White weaves a mating net.' (Stohl,Igor: 'After Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Having a crucial choice, Black goes astray. He could have stayed in the game after'' Stohl,Igor: 'After' *26...Kh2* Stohl,Igor: '⩱' Stohl,Igor: 'the outcome remians open, as Black's

king is relatively safe for the time being. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'with the following surprising idea:" Stohl,Igor: 'the outcome remians open, as Black's king is relatively safe for the time being.' *27.Re1 Bb5! 28.a4 Nb4! 29.Nxb4 Be8)* 27.Nf4 Stohl,Igor: '±!' Stohl,Igor: '→ Glenn Flear: 'Threatening Nh3 mate!' → Glenn Flear: 'Threatening Nh3 mate!' → Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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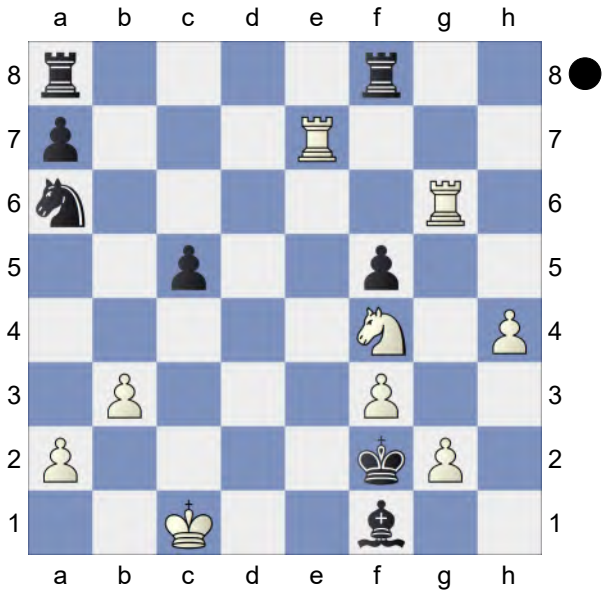


Now the threat is 28. ♘h3 mate."

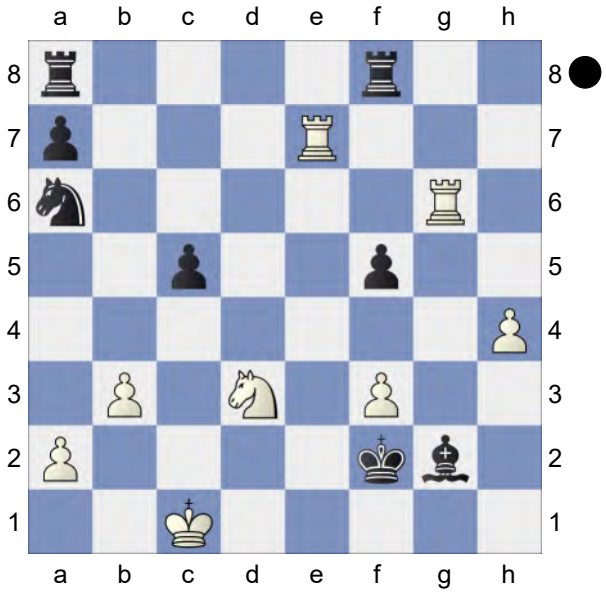
A3e22521)

Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'or" 27...Kg1 28.Re1 Nb4 *(28...Kf2 29.Rd1* Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!" *Nc7 30.Rg7* Stohl,Igor: '+-') 29.a3 Stohl,Igor: '±';

A3e22522)

Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'But there was nothing good for Black also after'' 27...Bb5 Stohl,Igor: 'loses to' 28.a4 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.

net): '!'' Rfe8 29.Rxe8 Bxe8 30.Rxa6; **A3e22523)** 27...Bxg2 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'This loses by force." 28.Nd3+ Stohl,Igor: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '+-!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



An important check. White will win the bishop in an optimal situation.'' Kxf3 29.Ne1+ Kf2 *(29...Kf4 30.Nxg2+ Kf3 31.Ne1+ Kf4 32.Nd3+ Kf3 33.Rxa6* Stohl,Igor: '+-') 30.Rxg2+ Kf1

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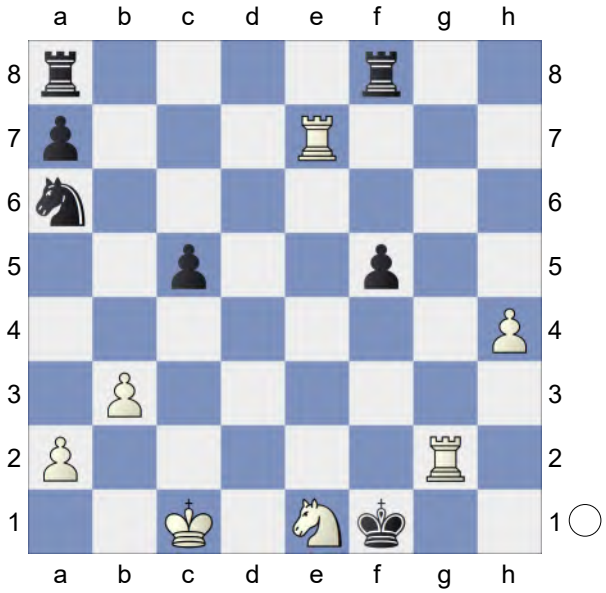


" 31.Ree2 1-0 (31) Seebacher, O (2649)-Latvian Gambit (2662) Mestre 2011 CBM 136 [Nastasio, Davide] Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'It's mate in three.' Glenn Flear: 'It's mate in three.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'With the decisive threat of 32.♖gf2+, 33.♘f3+, 34.♖h2 mate.";

B) 10.b3 Nd5 11.Nxd5 Bxd5 12.Rc1 Nd7 13.Nh3 c6 14.Nf4 Nb6 15.Bc4 a5 16.Bxd5+ Nxd5 17.Ne6 Qb6 18.Nxf8 Bxf8 19.0-0

e6 20.Rfd1 a4 21.Qd3 axb3 22.axb3 Ra3 23.Rb1 Qb4 24.Rdc1 Ra2 25.Bf2 Nf4 26.Qc4 Ne2+ 27.Kh1 Nxc1 28.Qxe6+ Kh8 29.Bh4 Bg7 30.Bf6 Qe1# 0-1 (30) VanuatuLover (2678)-HaiGiong (2603) Blitz 2025]

[9...c5 10.dxc5 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 Rd8+ *(11...f4 12.Bf2 N6d7 13.Nd5 Nc6 14.Nc7 Rb8 15.e6 Nf6 16.Kc2 b6 17.cxb6 axb6 18.Ne2 Rb7 19.Nb5 Bxe6 20.Nec3 Bf5+ 21.Kb3 Na5+ 22.Kb4 Rc8 23.Rd1 e5 24.Nd6 Bf8 25.Ncb5 Ne8 26.Ka4 Bc2+ 27.b3 Ra8 28.Nxb7 Nc4+ 29.Na7 Rxa7+ 30.Kb5 Na3+ 31.Kc6 Bxd1 32.Bc4+* 1-0 (32) WhiteBishop4761 (2609)-EmperorBundaloy (2608) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Kc2 N6d7 13.Bc4+ Kh8 14.f4 Nc6 15.Nf3 b6 16.Ng5 Rf8 17.Nf7+ Rxf7 18.Bxf7 Nxc5 19.Rad1 e6 20.Be8 Nb4+ 21.Kb1 Bb7 22.Bxc5 bxc5 23.Bd7 Bxg2 24.Rhg1 Bf3 25.Rdf1 Bg4 26.Bxe6 Rb8 27.Bc4 h5 28.Rf2 Rd8 29.h3 Bxh3 30.Rxg6 Kh7 31.Rd6 Rf8 32.a3 Bg4 33.axb4 cxb4 34.Nd5 a5 35.e6 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-TheOneTrapMan (2588) Blitz 2022]

10.h4

[10.Nh3 Stohl,Igor: '!?'

A) 10...Nb4 11.Nf4 N4d5 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!'' *(11...g5 12.Nh5 f4 13.Bf2 Bh6* Stohl,Igor: 'looks weird, but Black's dynamic options compensate for his potential weaknesses. Glenn Flear: 'looks weird, but Black's dynamic options compensate for his potential weaknesses.''*;* Stohl,Igor: 'A more solid alternative is Glenn Flear: 'A more solid alternative is'' *11...c6* Stohl,Igor: 'although White keeps a pull with' *12.a3 N4d5 13.Ncxd5 Nxd5 14.Bc4 e6 15.Bxd5 cxd5 16.h4)* 12.Ncxd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 *(13.Bc4 c6 14.0-0* Stohl,Igor: ' ⩲'*)* 13...Qxd5 14.Rc1 Qd8 15.Bc4+ e6 16.0-0 Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'favoured White in Nikolov, M-Harika, D Negroponte 2010.' Glenn Flear: 'favoured White in Nikolov, M-Harika, D Negroponte 2010.'' c6 17.b4 Bd7 18.a4 Qe8 19.Rb1 a6 20.Rb2 Kh8 21.Rfb1 Stohl,Igor: '⩲' Stohl,Igor: 'Nikolov,M (2552)-Harika, D (2504)/Chalkis/2010/';

B) 10...Be6 11.Nf4 Bc4 12.0-0-0 Qd7 13.h4 Nb4 14.Bxc4+ Nxc4 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 c6 17.h5 g5 18.h6 gxf4 19.Qxf4 Bh8 20.Qg5+ Kf7 21.Qh5+ Ke6 22.Ne2 Nd5 23.g4 Qe8 24.Qh3 Kd7 25.gxf5 Kc7 26.a3 Ne3 27.Rd3 Nxf5 28.f4 e6 29.Kb1 Rd8 30.Rc1 Kb8 0-1 (30) gg-gm-gmg (2681)-ficorrales (2609) Blitz 2020]

[10.f4 Nb4 11.Nf3 Be6 12.a3 N4d5 13.Bf2 Bh6 14.g3 Nxc3 15.Qxc3 Bd5 16.Be2 e6 17.0-0 c6 18.a4 Be4 19.Nd2 g5 20.Nxe4 fxe4 21.fxg5 Qxg5 22.Qb3 Nd5 23.Kg2 Nf4+ 24.Kh1 Nxe2 25.Qxe6+ Kh8 26.Rae1 Qh5 27.Qc4 Qf3# 0-1 (27) OnkelKonkel (2662)-scarylion12 (2342) Rapid 2022]

10...Be6

[10...f4 11.Bf2 Be6 12.h5 Qd7 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.0-0-0 Rad8 15.Bd3 Nxd4 16.Bxg6 Bxe5 17.Nge2 c5 18.Nxd4 cxd4 19.Qe2 Nc4 20.Bxd4 Qc7 21.Bh7+ Kg7 22.Qe4 Rf6

23.Bxe5 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Qxe5 25.Qxe5 Nxe5 26.Be4 b6 27.Ne2 Bxa2 28.Rd8 Bc4 29.Nd4 e6 30.Ra8 Rh6 31.Rxa7+ Kf6 32.Rb7 Rh2 33.Rxb6 Rxg2 34.b3 Nd3+ 35.Kb1 Rb2+ 36.Ka1 Ke5 37.Bxd3 Bxd3 38.Kxb2 1-0 (38) DrawDenied_Twitch (2733)-dschwarz (2573) Blitz 2020]

11.h5 Na5 12.b3 c5 13.h6 Bh8 14.f4 cxd4 15.Qxd4 Qc8 16.Rc1 Rd8 17.Qb4 Nc6 18.Qc5 Nd5 19.Nxd5 Rxd5 20.Qc3 g5 21.g3 Qd7 22.Nf3 g4 23.Ng5 Na5 24.Nxe6 Qxe6 25.Rh2 Bxe5 26.fxe5 Rxe5 27.Re2 Rd8 28.Bf4 Rxe2+ 29.Bxe2 Qf6 30.Qxa5 e5 31.Qxe5 Qb6 32.Qg7# 1-0 (32) doreality (2745)-emiliooo (2628) Blitz 2022

8...Re8 9.0-0-0 c6

[9...Nc6 10.h4 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.h5 c5 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Kb1 Bd7 16.Nh3 Na4 17.Bg5 Qb6 18.Nxa4 Bxa4 19.Nf2 Bxd1 20.Nxd1 Bg7 21.Ne3 Qb4 22.Qf2 Rac8 23.Nc4 f6 24.Bd2 Qa4 25.Qh4 Qd1+ 26.Bc1 Qc2+ 0-1 (26) gg-gm-gmg (2689)-AlpineTiger (2633) Blitz 2022]

10.h4 Be6

[10...a5 11.h5 a4 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.g4 Be6 14.Qh2 a3 15.Qxh7+ Kf7 16.Bh6 axb2+ 17.Kb1 Rg8 18.Nh3 Bxa2+ 19.Nxa2 Qd6 20.Ng5+ Ke8 21.Qxg8+ Kd7 22.Bxg7 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-satoshi1126 (2611) Blitz 2021]

11.h5 Bc4 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Bh6 Bh8 14.g4 Bxf1 15.Rxf1 Qxd4 16.Qh2 Nc4 17.Nge2 Qb6 18.b3 Qa5 19.bxc4 Bxc3 20.Nxc3 Qxc3+ 21.Kb1 Qb4+ 22.Ka1 Qc3+ 23.Kb1 Qd3+ 24.Kb2 Qd4+ 25.Kb1 Qd3+ 26.Qc2 Qxc2+ 27.Kxc2 Na6 28.Bd2 Kg7 29.Bc3+ f6 30.g5 Rh8 31.gxf6+ exf6 32.Rhg1 Kf7 33.e5 Rh2+ 34.Kb1 fxe5 35.Bxe5 Re2 36.Bc3 Rd8 37.Rd1 Rxd1+ 38.Rxd1 Nc5 39.Bb4 Na4 40.Rd7+ Kf6 41.Rxb7 c5 42.Ba5 Kf5 43.a3 Kf4 44.Rg7 Ke3 45.Rxg6 Kd3 46.Rg7 Re1+ 47.Ka2 Re2+ 48.Kb1 Kxc4 49.Rxa7 Kb3 50.Rb7+ Kxa3 51.f4 c4 52.Kc1 Rf2 53.Kd1 Rxf4 54.Kc2 Rf5 55.Kd1 Rxa5 0-1 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-RoiPalma (2627) Blitz 2023

8...a5 9.h4

[9.0-0-0 a4 10.h4 *(10.Kb1 a3 11.b3 c5 12.dxc5 Qxd2 13.Bxd2 N6d7 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nb6 Nxb6 16.cxb6 Nd7 17.Be3 Ne5 18.Nh3 Nc6 19.Bb5 Ra5 20.Ba4 Rxa4 21.bxa4 Re8 22.Nf2 Na5 23.Bc5 Nc4 24.Rc1 Ne5 25.Bxa3 Bd7 26.Bb2 Bxa4 27.f4 Nc6 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Nd3 Bb5 30.Rhd1 Ra8 31.Nb2 e5 32.a4 Be2 33.Rd2 Ba6 34.Rxc6 bxc6 35.fxe5 Re8 36.Rd6 Rxe5 37.Rxc6 Rxe4 38.Ka2 Bf1 39.g3 Bg2 40.Rc3 Rb4 41.Ka3 Rxb6 42.a5 Ra6 43.Kb4 f5 44.Rc7+ Kh6 45.Nc4 Ra8 46.Nb6 Rb8 47.Kc5 g5 48.a6 f4 49.gxf4 gxf4 50.a7 Rg8 51.Rf7 Rg5+ 52.Kb4 Rg4 53.Kc3 f3 54.a8Q* 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-Stammargg (2520) Blitz 2024*; 10.a3 Nc6 11.Bh6 Na5 12.Bxg7 Nb3+ 13.Kc2 Nxd2 14.Bxf8 Nxf1 15.Bh6 f6 16.Nge2 g5 17.Rdxf1 Nc4 18.Kb1 Nd2+ 19.Kc2 Nxf1 20.Rxf1 Kf7 21.h4 Kg6 22.hxg5 fxg5 23.Rh1 Ra5 24.f4 Bg4 25.f5+ Bxf5 26.exf5+ Rxf5 27.g4 Rf2 28.Rh5 e6 29.Bxg5 Qxg5 30.Rxg5+ Kxg5 31.Kd3 Kxg4 32.Nxa4 h5 33.Ke3 Rf3+ 34.Kd2 h4*

35.Ng1 Rf1 36.Ne2 h3 0-1 (36) papasi (2628)-Yarebore (2605) Blitz 2018 *)* 10...a3 11.b3 h5 12.Nh3 Bxh3 13.Rxh3 Nc6 14.Kb1 e5 15.d5 Nd4 16.Ne2 Nxe2 17.Bxe2 Nd7 18.Rc1 f5 19.Rhh1 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nf6 21.Bf3 Qd7 22.Rc4 Rfc8 23.Rhc1 Kh7 24.Qb4 Ne8 25.Qxb7 Nd6 26.Rxc7 Nxb7 27.Rxd7 Rxc1+ 28.Kxc1 Rc8+ 29.Kd2 Nc5 30.Bxc5 Rxc5 31.Ra7 Kg8 32.Rxa3 Bh6+ 33.Kd3 Kf7 34.b4 Rc1 35.Rc3 Ra1 36.a3 Bc1 37.b5 Bxa3 38.Rc7+ Ke8 39.Ra7 Bb2 40.b6 Kd8 41.Kc4 Kc8 42.d6 Rc1+ 43.Kd5 Bd4 44.Rc7+ Rxc7 45.bxc7 Kd7 46.g4 1-0 (46) VanuatuLover (2678)-viljuskarist (2595) Blitz 2025]

[9.Rd1 a4 10.Nh3 Nc6 11.Nf2 Na5 12.Bh6 Nac4 13.Qc1 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Nxb2 15.Rb1 Qxd4 16.Rxb2 Qxc3+ 17.Qd2 Qg7 18.Bb5 Be6 19.0-0 Rfd8 20.Qe2 Nc4 21.Rc2 Na3 22.Rxc7 Nxb5 23.Qxb5 Bxa2 24.Rxb7 a3 25.Nd3 Qd4+ 0-1 (25) rdm89 (2654)-CXCX83 (2655) Blitz 2023]

9...h5

[9...a4 10.h5 a3 11.b3 c5 12.dxc5 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 N6d7 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Bc4+ Kh8 16.Nge2 Ne5 17.Bb5 Nbc6 18.Bh6 Be6 19.Rad1 Nb4 20.Bxg7+ Kxg7 21.Nd4 Rfd8 22.Ke3 Bf7 23.Rd2 Rac8 24.Nb1 Rxc5 25.Nxa3 Rc3+ 26.Ke2 Rdc8 27.Rhd1 h5 28.Nb1 R3c5 29.a3 Nc2 30.Nxc2 Rxc2 31.b4 Bb3 32.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 33.Rd2 Rc1 34.Rb2 Bc4+ 35.Bxc4 Nxc4 36.Rb3 b5 37.Nc3 Nd6 38.Nd5 e6 39.Ne3 Kf6 40.Rd3 Nf7 41.Rd1 Rc2+ 42.Nxc2 Ne5 43.Nd4 Nc4 44.Nxb5 Nb2 45.Rd3 Na4 46.Nc3 Nb6 47.Nd5+ exd5 48.Rxd5 Ke7 49.Rb5 Nc4 50.Rb7+ Ke6 51.Rb5 Nxa3 52.Rb6+ Kf7 53.Ra6 Nc4 54.Ra7+ Ke6 55.b5 Nd6 56.Ra6 Ke7 57.Rxd6 Kxd6 58.Ke3 Kc5 59.f4 Kxb5 60.f5 gxf5 61.exf5 Kc5 62.Kf4 Kd6 63.Kg5 Ke5 64.Kxh5 Kxf5 65.g4+ Kf6 66.Kh6 Kf7 67.g5 Kg8 68.Kg6 Kh8 69.Kf7 Kh7 70.g6+ Kh6 71.g7 Kg5 72.g8Q+ Kf4 73.Qe8 Kf5 74.Qe6+ Kf4 75.Qf6+ Kg4 76.Ke7 1-0 (76) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-MightBeDecent (2605) Blitz 2023]

10.g4 hxg4 11.h5 gxf3 12.0-0-0 Bg4 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bh6 Qxd4 15.Qxd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Nc6 17.Rd2 Rfd8 18.Bh3 Rxd2 19.Bxd2 f2 20.Nge2 Bxh3 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-LittleGreatKing (2543) Blitz 2025

8...c5 9.dxc5 Qxd2+

[9...N6d7 10.Bc4 Qa5 11.a3 Nxc5 12.b4 Na4 13.Bd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 Nxb6 16.Bb3 Nc6 17.Nge2 Rd8 18.Kf2 Ne5 19.Rhd1 Be6 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.a4 Nd3+ 22.Kg3 Nxb4 23.Nd4 Rxd4 24.Rxd4 Nc2 25.Rad1 Nxd4 26.Rxd4 Rc8 27.a5 Rxc3 28.axb6 axb6 29.Rd7 Kf7 30.Rxb7 Rb3 31.h4 Rb2 32.h5 e5 33.hxg6+ hxg6 34.Rb8 b5 35.Rb6 b4 36.Kh2 b3 37.Kg3 Rb1 38.Kh2 b2 39.Kg3 Ke8 40.Rb7 Kd8 41.Rb8+ Kc7 42.Rb3 Kc6 43.Rb8 Kc5 44.Rc8+ Kd4 45.Rd8+ Ke3 46.Rb8 Ke2 47.Rb5 Kf1 48.Rb8 Kg1 49.Kh3 Kf2 50.Rb7 Rh1+ 0-1 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Puli_ot_Babuli (2574) Blitz 2022]

10.Kxd2 N6d7 11.Kc2

[11.a3 Ne5 12.Kc2 a5 13.Rd1 Na6

14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Nge2 Nc4 16.Bc1 a4 17.Nf4 Ra5 18.Nfd5 e6 19.Ne3 Rxc5 20.Nxc4 Rxc4 21.Bf4 b5 22.Bd6 Re8 23.e5 Bb7 24.Rd3 Rec8 25.Rhd1 Bd5 26.Kb1 Bc6 27.Rd4 Rxd4 28.Rxd4 f6 29.Rb4 fxe5 30.Nxb5 Rd8 31.Bc5 Rd5 32.Na7 Rxc5 33.Rb8+ Bf8 34.Rc8 Bd5 0-1 (34) alexkaspi (2625)-dirty_chess (2663) Blitz 2022]

11...a5

[11...Nc6 12.Rd1

A) 12...e5 13.Kb1 *(13.Nge2 b6 14.cxb6 axb6 15.Nc1 Nd4+ 16.Kb1 Nc5 17.Bc4 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Nd5 Rd8 20.Nd3 f5 21.Nxc5 bxc5 22.Rc1 Bf8 23.Rc4 Rb8 24.Rd1 Kf7 25.Nc3 Ke6 26.f4 exf4 27.exf5+ Kxf5 28.Bxd4 cxd4 29.Rdxd4 Bg7 30.Rxf4+ Kg5 31.Rg4+ Kh5 32.Rh4+ Kg5 33.Rxh7 Ra7 34.b3 Re8 35.Ne4+ Kf4 36.Nd6+ Ke5 37.Nxe8* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2639)-Supertactic93 (2566) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...Nd4 14.Nge2 Ne6 15.b4 a5 16.a3 Nb8 17.Nc1 axb4 18.axb4 Nc6 19.Nd3 Bd7 20.Be2 Ncd4 21.Kb2 Bc6 22.Ra1 Rad8 23.Rhd1 f5 24.Bf1 fxe4 25.Nxe4 Bxe4 26.fxe4 Nc6 27.Kc3 Ned4 28.Nb2 Bf6 29.Bc4+ Kg7 30.Nd3 Rc8 31.Nf2 h5 32.Nh3 Rfd8 33.Ng5 Bxg5 34.Bxg5 Rf8 35.Be3 Ra8 36.Bd5 h4 37.Bc4 h3 38.b5 Rxa1 39.Rxa1 Nd8 40.Bxd4 exd4+ 41.Kxd4 hxg2 42.Rg1 Rf2 43.Bd5 Rb2 44.b6 Rc2 45.e5 Rd2+ 46.Kc4 Re2 47.Rxg2 Rxe5 48.Rd2 Re7 49.Kb5 Nf7 50.Bxf7 Kxf7 51.Rd6 Re5 52.Rd7+ Kf6 53.Rxb7 Re3 54.c6 Kf5 55.Ka6 Re5 56.Rc7 Re4 57.Kb7 Rb4 58.Rf7+ 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-arshiya11389 (2446) Blitz 2024;

B) 12...Nde5 13.Bb5 Be6 14.Nge2 Bc4 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Bc1 Rac8 17.a3 Rfd8 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Rd1 Nd4+ 20.Nxd4 Rxd4 21.Rxd4 Bxd4 22.Kd3 Bxc3 23.Kxc4 Be5 24.f4 Bc7 25.b4 e6 26.a4 f5 27.exf5 gxf5 28.b5 Kf7 29.Be3 Ke7 30.b6 axb6 31.cxb6 Bb8 32.Kc5 Kd7 33.g3 h5 34.Bd4 h4 35.Be5 Bxe5 36.fxe5 h3 37.a5 Kc8 38.Kd6 Kb8 39.Kxe6 Ka8 40.Kd7 1-0 (40) SlowSmokingTurtle (2650)-FourPlayingCards (2659) Blitz 2023]

12.Nd5

[12.Rd1 Nc6 13.Nge2 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Nd4 Nb4+ 16.Kb1 Nxc5 17.Bc4+ Kh8 18.Ndb5 Nca6 19.Nd5 e5 20.Nb6 Rb8 21.Nd7 Ra8 22.Nxf8 Bxf8 23.Nd6 f4 24.Bb6 Nc6 25.Rhe1 Kg7 26.Nxc8 Rxc8 27.Be6 Re8 28.Bd7 Re7 29.a3 Nab8 30.Bf5 Kf6 31.Be4 Nd7 32.Bf2 Rg7 33.g4 fxg3 34.hxg3 Nc5 35.Bxc6 bxc6 36.Rc1 Nd3 37.Rxc6+ Kf5 38.g4+ Kf4 39.Rf6+ Kg5 40.Rxf8 Nxf2 41.Rxe5+ Kh4 42.Rxa5 Kg3 43.Rh5 Nd3 44.Rd5 Nf4 45.Rxf4 Kxf4 46.Rd3 Ke5 47.a4 Rf7 48.Ra3 Kd5 49.a5 Kc6 50.a6 Ra7 51.Ka2 Kb5 52.f4 Kb6 53.f5 Kc7 54.f6 Kb8 55.g5 Rf7 56.Rb3+ Ka7 57.Rb7+ Rxb7 58.axb7 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-lattykk (2601) Blitz 2023]

12...Na6 13.Nxe7+ Kh8 14.Rc1

[14.c6 bxc6 15.Nxc8 Nb4+ 16.Kb1 Rfxc8 17.a3 Na6 18.Bc4 Rcb8 19.Ra2 Nac5 20.Ne2 Ne5 21.Rc1

Ncd3 22.Bxd3 Nxd3 23.Rc2 Ne1 24.Rxc6 Nxg2 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Nxd4 Rd8 27.Rc4 Ne3 28.Rc3 Rxd4 29.Rxe3 Rd1+ 30.Kc2 Rh1 31.Re2 a4 32.b4 Rc8+ 33.Kd3 Rhc1 34.Rac2 Rd8+ 35.Kc4 Rc8+ 36.Kd3 Rd8+ 37.Ke3 Rb1 38.Rb2 Ra1 39.Ra2 Rb1 40.Reb2 Rc1 41.b5 Rb8 42.Rb4 Rb6 43.Rd2 Rc3+ 44.Rd3 Rc5 45.Rd8+ Kg7 46.Rd5 Rc3+ 47.Rd3 Rc5 48.Rxa4 Rcxb5 49.Rad4 f5 50.Rd7+ Kh6 51.R7d6 Kg5 52.Rxb6 Rxb6 53.exf5 gxf5 54.Kd4 Rd6+ 55.Kc4 Rc6+ 56.Kb5 Ra6 57.Kxa6 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-TheOneTrapMan (2580) Blitz 2022]

14...Ndxc5 15.Nxc8 Raxc8 16.Kb1 Na4 17.Rxc8 Rxc8 18.Bxa6 bxa6 19.Bc1 Rb8 20.b3 Nc3+ 21.Kc2 Rc8 22.Kd3 Nxa2 23.Bd2 Bc3 24.Be3 Bf6 25.Bd2 Nc1+ 26.Ke3 Nxb3 27.Ne2 a4 28.Bb4 a5 29.Ba3 Rc2 30.Rd1 Ra2 31.Bd6 a3 32.Rd3 Rxe2+ 33.Kf4 a2 34.Rxb3 h5 35.Ra3 a1Q 36.Rxa1 Bxa1 37.e5 a4 38.g4 Bxe5+ 39.Bxe5+ Rxe5 40.Kxe5 hxg4 41.Kf6 gxf3 42.Kxf7 f2 43.Kxg6 f1Q 44.h4 a3 45.h5 a2 46.Kg5 a1Q 47.Kh6 Qg7# 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-TheOneTrapMan (2579) Blitz 2022

[43] **9.d5?!** Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 9...Ne5 [%draw arrow,e5,c4,green] 10.Bg5

[10.Bd4 c6 11.dxc6 Nxc6 12.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Kxg7 14.Kc2 Nd4+ 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Nge2 Rfd8 17.Nxd4 Rxd4 18.Kc2 Rad8 19.Rc1 Rd2+ 20.Kb1 Rf2 21.Nd1 Rfd2 22.Nc3 R8d4 23.Be2 Bc4 24.Rhe1 g5 25.b3 Bxe2 26.Rxe2 Nd7 27.Rxd2 Rxd2 28.Rd1 Rxd1+ 29.Nxd1 Ne5 30.Kc2 Kf6 31.Kc3 Ke6 32.Ne3 Ng6 33.g3 Kd6 34.Kd4 e6 35.Nc4+ Ke7 36.Ne5 Nxe5 37.Kxe5 f6+ 38.Kd4 Kd6 39.e5+ fxe5+ 40.Ke4 h5 41.b4 b5 42.a3 g4 43.Ke3 Kd5 44.Ke2 e4 45.f4 Kd4 46.Kd2 e3+ 47.Ke2 Ke4 48.Kd1 Kf3 49.Ke1 e2 50.Kd2 Kf2 51.Kd3 e1Q 52.Kd4 Qe3# 0-1 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2724)-smihir6 (2661) Blitz 2023]

[10.b3 e6 11.f4 Ng4 12.Bc5 Re8 13.0-0-0 exd5 14.e5 Rxe5 15.h3 Rh5 16.Nf3 a5 17.Be2 a4 18.b4 Nf6 19.g4 Nxg4 20.hxg4 Rxh1 21.Rxh1 Bxg4 22.Ne5 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Nd7 24.Bd4 Nxe5 25.fxe5 Qd7 26.Qf3 Re8 27.Qxd5 Qxd5 28.Nxd5 Bxe5 29.Nf6+ Bxf6 30.Bxf6 Re6 31.Rf1 h5 32.Kd2 b5 33.Kd3 Kh7 34.Kd4 Kh6 35.Be5 Re7 36.Bf6 Re6 37.Kd5 c6+ 38.Kc5 g5 39.Bd4 Kg6 40.Bc3 f5 41.Kd4 h4 42.Kd3 f4 43.Bd2 Kf5 44.Rg1 h3 45.Bc3 g4 46.Bd4 h2 47.Rh1 g3 48.Rc1 Kg4 49.Bg1 h1Q 50.Be3 Qe4+ 51.Kc3 Qxe3+ 52.Kb2 Qxc1+ 53.Kxc1 Re2 54.a3 g2 55.Kd1 Ra2 56.Kc1 g1Q# 0-1 (56) BestBefore (2706)-CertifiedApe (2629) Blitz 2022]

[10.Bh6 Nec4 *(10...Nbc4 11.Qc1 Nxb2 12.Bxg7 Nbd3+ 13.Kd2 Nxc1 14.Bxe5 f6 15.Bg3 Nxa2 16.Rxa2 c6 17.Bd3 cxd5 18.exd5 b5 19.Bxb5 Bb7 20.Nge2 Bxd5 21.Ra4 Bc4+ 22.Ke1 Bxb5 23.Nxb5 e5 24.Nbc3 a5 25.Bf2 Qd3 26.Bb6 Rfc8 27.Ra3 Rab8 28.Bxa5 Rb2 29.Ra1 Qd2+ 30.Kf1 Rxc3* 0-1 (30) Iestri (2641)-NarasimhaBhakta (2579) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Qc1 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Nxb2 13.h4 Qd6 14.Nh3 Qg3+ 15.Nf2 Qe5

16.Rc1 Qg7 17.Qf4 c6 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.e5 Be6 20.Nfe4 N2c4 21.Ng5 Qxe5+ 22.Qxe5 Nxe5 23.Nxe6 fxe6 24.Ba6 Rad8 25.Ke2 Nd5 26.Nxd5 cxd5 27.Rc7 Rd7 28.Rhc1 Rfd8 29.Bb5 Rxc7 30.Rxc7 Rb8 31.a4 a6 32.Bxa6 Rb2+ 33.Ke3 Kf7 34.g3 Rb3+ 35.Kd4 Nxf3+ 36.Kc5 Ne5 37.Bb5 Rxg3 38.a5 Rc3+ 39.Kb6 Ra3 40.a6 d4 41.a7 d3 42.Rc1 d2 43.Rf1+ Kg7 44.Rd1 Rxa7 45.Kxa7 Nf3 46.Be2 Nxh4 47.Rxd2 Kf6 48.Bg4 Nf5 49.Rf2 h5 50.Bh3 g5 51.Kb6 g4 52.Bg2 h4 53.Kc5 Ke5 54.Re2+ Kf4 55.Rxe6 h3 56.Bd5 g3 57.Rg6 Nh4 58.Rg7 Nf5 59.Rg8 e5 60.Kc4 Ne3+ 61.Kd3 Nxd5 0-1 (61) lestri (2656)-ViennaDragon (2566) Blitz 2023]

[10.Bxb6 axb6 11.f4 Nd7 12.Nf3 Nc5 13.Bc4 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Nxe4 15.Qe3 Nd6 16.Bb3 Nf5 17.Qd2 e6 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Bxe6 Re8 20.0-0-0 Qxd2+ 21.Rxd2 Rxe6 22.Kb2 Nd6 23.Kb1 Ra4 24.Ne5 Rxf4 0-1 (24) grandmatt (2603)-Elda64 (2608) Blitz 2016]

10...c6±

9.Rd1 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov, Sergey: 'Stohl,Igor' 9...f5!?⇄

[9...e5 10.d5 Nd4

A) 11.Bd3 c6 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Nge2 Be6 14.b3 Rc8 15.0-0 c5 16.Ba6 *(16.Bh6 c4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.bxc4 Nxc4 19.Qc1 Qb6 20.Kh1 Nxe2 21.Nxe2 Ne3 22.Qa1 Nxd1 23.Rxd1 f6 24.f4 Qa5 25.f5 Bf7 26.Ng3 Rfd8 27.Qb1 Qxa2 28.fxg6 Qxb1 29.Rxb1 hxg6 30.Ba6 Rc7 31.h3 Rd6 32.Be2 Rdc6 33.Kh2 a5 34.Ra1 Ra7 35.Bb5 Rc5 36.Ba4 Rc4 37.h4 Rb4 38.h5 gxh5 39.Nf5+ Kf8 40.Nd6 Be6 41.Nb5 Rxa4 42.Rxa4 Bd7 43.Nxa7 Bxa4 44.Nc8 Be8 45.Nd6 a4 46.Nc4 Bf7 47.Na3 Ke7 48.Kg3 Kd6 49.Kf3 Kc5 50.Ke3 Kb4 51.Nc2+ Kc3 52.Na3 Kb3 53.Nb1 a3 54.Nd2+ Kc2* 0-1 (54) rdm89 (2633)-SHEFFFF (2579) Blitz 2022 *)* 16...Rc7 17.Qc1 Qe7 18.Kh1 Rd8 19.Ng3 c4 20.b4 Qxb4 21.f4 Bg4 22.Rd2 Rcd7 23.h3 exf4 24.Rxf4 Be6 25.Rff2 Nb3 26.axb3 Qxc3 27.Qxc3 Bxc3 28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.bxc4 Be1 30.Rf3 Nxc4 31.Bf4 Rd1 32.Kh2 Nd2 33.Rd3 Bxg3+ 34.Kxg3 Nxe4+ 35.Kf3 Rxd3+ 36.Bxd3 Nc5 37.Be2 a5 38.Be3 Nb3 39.Bf4 a4 40.Be5 a3 41.Bd1 Nd2+ 42.Ke2 Nc4 43.Bf6 a2 44.Bb3 Na3 45.Bd1 Bc4+ 46.Kd2 Kf8 47.Kc1 Bd5 48.Kb2 Nb5 49.Be2 Nd6 50.g4 Ne4 51.Bd4 Ng3 52.Bd3 Ne4 53.Bxe4 Bxe4 54.g5 Ke7 55.Kxa2 Bd5+ 56.Kb2 Ke6 57.h4 Kf5 58.Bf2 Kg4 59.Be1 Be6 60.Kc3 Kh5 61.Kd4 h6 62.gxh6 Kxh6 63.Ke5 Ba2 64.Kf6 Kh5 65.Bf2 Bb3 66.Be1 Ba2 67.Bf2 Bb3 68.Be1 Bc4 69.Bf2 Bb5 70.Be1 Bc4 0-1 (70) Zubrrr (2710)-dechessed (2475) Blitz 2024;

B) 11.Nge2 Nc4 0-1 (11) MCjgp_Twitch (2766)-Birani (2697) Blitz 2021 *(11...c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8 15.Nc1 Be6 16.Bb5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.b3 Be6 19.Nd3 b6 20.Nb4 Bf8 21.Nbd5 Rc8 22.Ke2 Nc6 23.Rd1 Nb4 24.Rd2 f5 25.Nb5 a6 26.Nxb6 Rc2 27.Rxc2*

Nxc2 28.Nc7 Bc8 29.Nxc8 Nxe3 30.Kxe3 Bc5+ 31.Kd3 fxe4+ 32.Kxe4 Bg1 1-0 (32) Surrender-at-20 (2622)-Chess_Guy4 (2617) Blitz 2021 *)*]

[9...e6 10.Nh3 Bd7 11.Nf2 a5 12.Be2 a4 13.a3 Na5 14.Bg5 f6 15.Bh6 Nbc4 16.Bxc4 Nxc4 17.Qc1 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Nxb2 19.Rb1 Nc4 20.0-0 b6 21.Qc1 Qe7 22.Ra1 Na5 23.Qf4 Nb3 24.Rad1 Rfc8 25.d5 e5 26.Qh4 g5 27.Qg3 Nd4 28.Kh1 Qxa3 29.Rc1 Qxc3 30.Rxc3 Ne2 31.Rfc1 Nxg3+ 32.hxg3 b5 33.Nd3 Ra7 34.Nb4 a3 35.Ra1 Rca8 36.Ra2 Ra4 37.Rb3 Kf7 38.Kg1 Ke7 39.Kf2 Kd6 40.Ke3 Kc5 41.Rc2+ Kb6 42.Ra2 Kc5 43.Nd3+ Kc4 44.Nc1 b4 45.Rc2+ Kb5 46.Na2 c5 47.dxc6 Be6 48.Rd3 Bxa2 49.Rxa2 Kxc6 50.Rb3 Kb5 51.f4 exf4+ 52.gxf4 gxf4+ 53.Kxf4 Kc4 54.Rb1 b3 55.Rc1+ Kb4 56.Rd2 a2 57.Ra1 Ka3 58.Rd3 Kb2 59.Rdd1 Rc4 60.Kf5 Rac8 61.Kxf6 Rc1 62.Rd2+ Kxa1 63.e5 Kb1 64.Ke7 a1Q 65.Rd5 R1c7+ 66.Kf6 Rc6+ 67.Kf5 Qb2 68.e6 Qf2+ 69.Kg5 Rxe6 70.g4 Rg6+ 71.Kh5 Qh2# 0-1 (71) Superfm1 (2603)-ALkHIN2021 (2432) Rapid 2023]

9.Nge2 Nc4 10.Qc1 Nxe3 11.Qxe3 Nxd4 12.0-0-0 c5

[12...Nxe2+ 13.Bxe2 Qe8 14.Nd5 Be6 15.Kb1 Rc8 16.Qxa7 c6 17.Nb6 Rb8 18.Qa3 Be5 19.Bc4 Bd6 20.Qb3 Bxc4 21.Nxc4 Bc5 22.Ne5 Rd8 23.Rxd8 Qxd8 24.Rd1 Qc7 25.Nd7 Qxh2 26.Nxc5 Qxg2 27.Nd7 Re8 28.Ne5 e6 29.a3 h5 30.Rd7 Rf8 31.Nxf7 Qh3 32.Ng5 Qf1+ 33.Ka2 Rf6 34.Nxe6 Qxf3 35.Nd4+ Qxb3+ 36.Nxb3 h4 37.Rxb7 h3 38.Rd7 h2 39.Rd1 Rf2 40.Rh1 g5 41.Nc1 g4 42.Nd3 Rd2 43.Ne5 g3 44.Nf3 Rf2 45.Nxh2 Rxh2 46.Rg1 g2 47.a4 Kf7 48.a5 Ke6 49.a6 Rh7 50.a7 Rxa7+ 51.Kb3 Rg7 52.Kc2 Ke5 53.Kd3 Kf4 54.Kd4 Kf3 55.Kc5 Kf2 56.Rxg2+ Kxg2 57.Kxc6 Re7 58.b4 Rxe4 59.Kc5 Re5+ 60.Kc6 Re1 61.Kb5 Rc1 62.Ka6 Ra1+ 63.Kb6 Rb1 64.b5 Rf1 65.Kc6 Rf6+ 66.Kc7 Rf5 67.Kc6 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-SHEFFFF (2555) Blitz 2021]

13.h4

[13.e5 Qa5 14.f4 Bf5 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Rxd4 Rac8 17.a3 g5 18.g3 b5 19.Rb4 Rxc3+ 20.Qxc3 Rc8 21.Bc4 bxc4 22.Rxc4 Qxc3+ 23.Rxc3 Rxc3+ 24.bxc3 gxf4 25.gxf4 f6 26.exf6 Bxf6 27.Kd2 Kf7 28.Re1 Ke8 29.Re3 Kd7 30.c4 Kc6 31.Rb3 Kc5 32.Rb5+ Kxc4 33.Rxf5 Kb3 34.Kd3 Kxa3 35.Ra5+ Kb4 36.Rxa7 Kc5 37.Ke4 Kd6 38.Ra6+ Kd7 39.Kd5 Ke8 40.Ke6 Kf8 41.Ra2 Kg7 42.Rg2+ Kh6 43.Kf5 Kh5 44.Ke4 Kh4 45.Kf3 Kh3 46.Re2 h5 47.f5 Bg5 48.Ke4 Bf6 49.Kd5 Kg4 50.Ke6 Kf3 51.Rc2 Kf4 52.Rc7 Kg5 53.Rc4 Kh6 54.h3 Kg5 55.Re4 Kh6 56.Re1 1-0 (56) doreality (2689)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2611) Blitz 2020]

13...Be6 14.Nf4 Qa5 15.Nxe6 Nxe6 16.h5 Rfd8 17.Bc4 b5 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Qg5 Kf7 21.Rh7 Rxd1+ 22.Kxd1 b4 23.Ne2 Rd8+ 24.Kc2 b3+ 25.axb3 Rd7 26.Qe5 Qd2+ 27.Kb1 Qd3+ 28.Ka2 Qa6+ 29.Kb1 Qd3+ 30.Ka2 Qa6+ 31.Kb1 Qd3+ ½-½ (31) OferrTra (2762)-smihir6 (2661) Blitz 2024

44 Van Delft & Ris: 'or' Glenn Flear: 'The latest chapter in the' From ChessPublishing's point of view (OK, mine!) this makes a refreshing change from **9...Qd6** 4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 'Glenn Flear: 'Caruana already has plenty of experience with this move.'' Glenn Flear: 'Caruana already has plenty of experience with this move. '' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'has been established as the main line, and is what Caruana played against Magnus in Norway Chess 2014. But Li, stays true to his favourite choice. ' Milos Pavlovic: 'Glenn analysed this line on a few occasions but the last time was in 2021 so let's have a look...' Wagner,Dennis: 'is the other main line.' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Sutovsky tries this unusual line, which has (naturally!) already been discussed in this column.' Glenn Flear: 'Sutovsky tries this unusual line, which has (naturally!) already been discussed in this column.'' Krasenkow,Michal: ''!?' <xml✕:en>This idea is not new but it didn't gain popularity until 2010-11. </:en✕/xml>' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Of course we are still following theory.' Of course we are still following theory.' Van Delft & Ris: 'with a transposition to the lines arising after 8...Nc6.' Arsovic, Goran: '- 124/148' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Glenn Flear: 'After losing just a few days earlier to Shankland (see Game 1), Ftacnik switches system.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'This is the new "wawe"! Black wants to play Rd8 to put quick pressure on the d4 pawn. Theory is just about to develop here. The biggest specialists play like this nowadays. The two main lines: 9...e5 and 9... f5 are in some crisis now.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'This is the new "wawe"! Black wants to play Rd8 to put quick pressure on the d4 pawn. Theory is just about to develop here. The biggest specialists play like this nowadays. The two main lines: 9...e5 and 9... f5 are in some crisis now.' Glenn Flear: 'This is still all the rage.' Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'This may seem almost 'standard' these days, but it only started to be played with any regularity five years ago.' Glenn Flear: 'This may seem almost 'standard' these days, but it only started to be played with any regularity five years ago.'' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'story involves Mamedyarov (who now has had this position at least twice with both colours) again:' Glenn Flear: 'see Game 4. Two days after this game, Aronian played like this against Jones. It was another tense battle, which ended in draw. see Game 4. Two days after this game, Aronian played like this against Jones. It was another tense battle, which ended in draw. see Game 4. see Game 4. Two days after this game, Aronian played like this against Jones. It was another tense battle, which ended in draw. Balogh Csaba: 'Two days after this game, Aronian played like this against Jones. It was another tense battle,

which ended in draw." Glenn Flear: 'see the June 2014 update.' which has received lots of attention in recent years (both in this column and elsewhere!).Postny,Evgeny: 'On the top level this is the most popular way to meet the 3.f3 line. It's curious that last year the same players had a clash in this line ... with colours reversed!
Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'On the top level this is the most popular way to meet the 3.f3 line. It's curious that last year the same players had a clash in this line ... with colours reversed!
'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'has been established as the main line, and is what Caruana played against Magnus in Norway Chess 2014. But Li, stays true to his favourite choice.
' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'A rare choice which seems acceptable .' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This idea is not new but it didn't gain popularity until 2010-11.
' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This, relatively new but already very popular move, was examined in several CBM issues, most recently in CBM 149, annotations to Aronian - Caruana by GM I.Stohl, and, and CBM 150, annotations to Eljanov - Areshchenko by GM A. Mikhalchishin.
' Postny,Evgeny: 'is more common on the top level as played by Svidler against Caruana in the previous round.' Grigoriants, Sergey: 'The idea is remind Benko Gambit. We will start with a direct one. As we will see, white has two ways of dealing with black offers: 1. Take the pawn. 2. Continue development, hoping to get some positional advantage due to a bit vulnerable c4 pawn.' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Attention in recent months has been focused on'' Glenn Flear: 'Instead' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'The very same Mamedyarov faced 9...♕d6 for the 1st time 7 years ago, and brought up an interesting idea:'

10.Nb5 35 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E' Glenn Flear: 'the most popular move.'' Glenn Flear: '(to displace the black queen) was played in the earlier outings:' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Not the only option for White.'' Glenn Flear: 'Crowther,Mark: '"There are quite a lot of tries for white but not many successful ones." - Jones. "The only trouble was I couldn't remember my analysis." - Aronian."

[Glenn Flear: 'Aronian had previously had this position with White and continued with the main alternative Aronian had previously had this position with White and continued with the main alternative' 10.Kb1 Erdos,Viktor: '- CT-4241.' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'N!?' Glenn Flear: 'but Black seems to be holding his own at present: Crowther,Mark: '1-0 Aronian, L (2825)-Caruana,F (2770)/Moscow RUS 2012 (54) was a smashing win for Aronian on the white side of this.' but Black seems to be holding his own at present:' Arsovic,Zoran: 'Ü 115/151 Arsovic,Z: '— 115/151''Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'After 30 minutes of thought, White doesn't go for the complicated lines and plays a useful

move, preparing actions on the queenside connected with ♘b5-d5-♖c1, or something like that. Mekhitarian: 'After 30 minutes of thought, White doesn't go for the complicated lines and plays a useful move, preparing actions on the queenside connected with ♘b5-d5-♖c1, or something like that."

A) Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'The next few moves of the game have a number of similarities with the standard line' Glenn Flear: 'The next few moves of the game have a number of similarities with the standard line''Postny,Evgeny: 'Here is a recent example from the Tromso Olympiad:' 10...Rd8 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '-115/151"

A1) 11.d5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'opens the diagonal for the "GrÃ¼nfeld bishop".'

A1a) 11...Qb4 ! Black wants to play Ne5-c4, and the tempting Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Black wants to play Ne5-c4, and the tempting' 12.Nb5 ? loses to a fantastic queen sacrifice... Diagram Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '? loses to a fantastic queen sacrifice... Diagram' Nxd5 ! 13.exd5 *(13.Qxb4 Ncxb4* ! Only move, but good enough. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Only move, but good enough.' *14.exd5 Bf5+ 15.Kc1 Nxa2+ 16.Kd2 Rxd5+ 17.Ke1 Rxd1+ 18.Kxd1 Bxb2* and the queenside pawns start to march. The White pieces are "a bit undevelopod". Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and the queenside pawns start to march. The White pieces are "a bit undevelopod".*')* 13...Rxd5 ! 14.Qxb4 Rxd1+ 15.Kc2 and now Rxf1 !! followed by Bf5 and Rd8. Black has a winning attack. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!! followed by Bf5 and Rd8. Black has a winning attack.';

A1b) 11...Ne5 12.Qc2 Bd7 13.Nb5 Bxb5 14.Bxb5 c6 15.Bc5 Qd7 16.f4 cxb5 17.Bxb6 axb6 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Nf3 Bg7 20.h4 Rdc8 21.Qe2 b4 22.Rc1 Rc5 23.Rxc5 bxc5 24.Rc1 b6 25.h5 Rxa2 26.Kxa2 Qa4+ 27.Kb1 b3 28.Re1 Qa2+ 29.Kc1 Qa1+ 30.Kd2 Qxb2+ 31.Ke3 Qc3+ 32.Kf2 b2 33.e5 Bh6 34.d6 Bc1 35.dxe7 b1Q 36.e8Q+ Kg7 37.h6+ Bxh6 38.Rxb1 Bf4 39.Rd1 Qb3 40.e6 fxe6 41.Qe7+ Kg8 42.Rd8# 1-0 (42) alumno (2683)-Elfugitivo (2785) Blitz 2023;

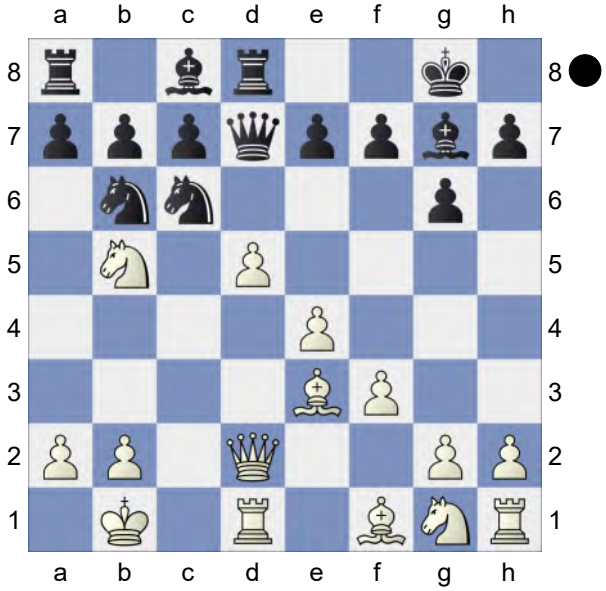
A1c) 11...Na5 12.Nb5 Nac4 13.Nxd6 *(13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qc1 Qb4 15.Nd4 c5 16.Nc2 Qxb2+ 17.Qxb2 Nxb2 18.Bxc5 Nxd1* 0-1 (18) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-danylo03 (2548) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Nxd2+ 14.Bxd2 *(14.Rxd2 cxd6 15.Rc2 Bd7 16.Bd3 Rdc8 17.Rxc8+ Rxc8 18.Ne2 Na4 19.Bd4 a6 20.Rc1 Rxc1+ 21.Kxc1 Nc5 22.Bc2 Bb5 23.Bxg7 Bxe2 24.Bd4 Bf1 25.g3 Be2 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.f4 f6 28.Kd2 Bf1 29.Ke1*

Bb5 30.a4 Bd7 31.a5 Bb5 32.Kd2 Kf8 33.Bd3 h6 34.Bxb5 axb5 35.e5 Ke8 36.Ke3 f5 37.h3 h5 38.Kf3 Kd7 39.Ke3 Kc7 40.Kd3 Kd7 41.Kc3 Kc7 42.Kd3 Kd7 43.Ke3 Kc7 44.Kf3 Kd7 45.g4 h4 46.gxf5 gxf5 47.Ke3 Kc7 48.Kd3 Kd7 49.Kc3 Kc7 50.b3 Kd7 51.b4 c4 52.Kd4 Kc7 53.Kc3 Kd7 54.Kd4 Kc7 55.Kc3 Kd7 ½ - ½ (5 5) Consent_to_treatment (2725)-theonlyoneshoo (2660) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...cxd6 15.Ne2 Bd7 16.Bc3 Bb5 17.Bxg7 Bxe2 18.Bxe2 Kxg7 19.Rc1 Rac8 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Rc1 Rxc1+ 22.Kxc1 f5 23.Kd2 fxe4 24.fxe4 Kf6 25.Ke3 Ke5 26.b3 g5 27.g3 Nd7 28.Bg4 Nf6 29.Bf3 h6 30.a3 Nd7 31.Bd1 Nc5 32.Bc2 a5 33.b4 axb4 34.axb4 Na6 35.b5 Nc5 36.Bb1 g4 37.Bc2 b6 38.Bb1 Nb3 39.Bc2 Nd4 40.Bd3 Nf3 41.h3 Nd4 42.hxg4 Nb3 43.Bc4 Nc5 44.Bd3 Nd7 45.Bc2 Nf6 46.Kf3 Nh7 47.Ke3 Ng5 48.Bd3 Nf7 49.Bc2 Kf6 50.Kf4 Ne5 51.Bb1 Ng6+ 52.Ke3 Kg5 53.Kf3 Ne5+ 54.Kg2 Nxg4 55.Kf3 Ne5+ 56.Ke3 Kg4 57.Kf2 Kh3 58.Bc2 Kg4 59.Bd1+ Kg5 60.Bc2 Kf6 61.Ke3 Nf7 62.Kf4 Ne5 63.Bb1 h5 64.Bc2 Ng6+ 65.Ke3 Kg5 66.Bd1 Ne5 67.Be2 Nd7 68.Bd1 Ne5 69.Be2 Ng6 70.Bd1 h4 71.gxh4+ Kxh4 72.e5 Nxe5 73.Ke4 Kg5 0-1 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-Mischuk_D (2736) Blitz 2023;

A2) 11.e5 would give up the light squares. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'would give up the light squares.' Bf5+ *(11...Qb4 12.f4 Bf5+ 13.Ka1 Na5 14.Nb5 Qa4 15.Na3 c5 16.Bb5 Qb4 17.Qxb4 cxb4 18.Nb1 a6 19.Be2 Rac8 20.Nd2 Na4 21.g4 Bc2 22.Rc1 b3 23.a3 f6 24.Ngf3 Nb6 25.Nb1 Nd5 26.Bd2 Nc4 27.Bxc4 Rxc4 28.Nc3 Nb6 29.Rhe1 Bf8 30.exf6 exf6 31.g5 Rdc8 32.gxf6 Na4 33.Nb1 Nb6 34.f7+ Kg7 35.Bc3 Bxa3 36.Nxa3 Rxc3 37.bxc3 Rxc3 38.Nxc2 bxc2 39.Re2 Rc7 40.Rcxc2 Rxf7 41.Ng5 Nd5 42.Nxf7 Kxf7 43.Re5 Nxf4 44.Rf2 g5 45.Rxg5 Kf6 46.Rf5+ Ke6 47.R2xf4 Kd6 48.Re5 Kc6 49.Rf6+ Kc7 50.Rg5 Kb8 51.Rgg6 Ka7 52.Rh6 a5 53.Rxh7 a4 54.Rhh6* 1-0 (54) M0therOfPearl (2607)-gaho2005 (2621) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Ka1 Qd7 Black is more than fine.;

A3) 11.Nb5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'is also dangerous for Black, again because of the knight on a5, but what I did was much more convincing. is also dangerous for Black, again because of the knight on a5, but what I did was

much more convincing. Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'is also dangerous for Black, again because of the knight on a5, but what I did was much more convincing.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'is also dangerous for Black, again because of the knight on a5, but what I did was much more convincing.''' 11...Qd7 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: '?' '?'' 12.d5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Diagram



' a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A sheer chess poetry!' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '!'' ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' 13.Nc3 Glenn Flear: 'instead offered White no advantage after instead offered White no advantage after'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Maintaining the flexiblity of the position. Black shouldn't have any kind of problems by now.' Na5 '''This line was examined in annotations to Carlsen-Caruana - see CBM 161. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 'This line was examined in annotations to Carlsen-Caruana - see CBM 161. '''' Glenn Flear: 'M.Kamil: 'black will use the c4 square for counterplay'' Glenn Flear: 'transposes to the previous note. ' Glenn Flear: 'transposes to the previous note. transposes to the previous note.''This line was examined in annotations to Carlsen-Caruana - see CBM 161. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This line was examined in annotations to Carlsen-Caruana - see CBM 161.''' Krasenkow, Michal: 'may be the simplest:'

A3a) 'Glenn Flear: 'It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following'It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following'Glenn Flear: 'It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following''It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following'''' ' ''It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'It doesn't look as if White has any advantage following''' ' There are certain similarities between the game continuation and the following sequence: There are certain similarities between the game

continuation and the following sequence: 14.Bd4 'Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'e.g.'Glenn Flear: 'e.g.''e.g. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'e.g."" ' "e.g. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'" ' Pikula,Dejan: '-115/51'

A3a1) Glenn Flear: 'A decent alternative is' 14...e5 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Volokitin,Andrei: 'N!' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: 'N!'' ' Glenn Flear: '(again see the notes to Giri-Gelfand).'

A3a11) 15.Bf2 Nbc4 *(15...Qd6 16.b3* Volokitin,Andrei: ' ⩲!' *)* 16.Qc1 b5 Marin,Mihail: '↑' Marin,Mihail: 'Delchev, A (2613)-Gallagher,J (2497) Heraklio 2007 (1-0, 40)' Volokitin,Andrei: '!' '!' Volokitin,Andrei: 'Ü 15.♗f2' Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: '— 15.♗f2"

A3a111) 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.h4⩲ a5 19.h5 b4 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative.'Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. ''Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. "" ' ''Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman, L-Leon Magallanes, I Arlington 2014, when Black had the initiative. "' ' 20.Nce2 Ba6 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (38) Kaufman,L (2329)-Leon Magallanes,I (2127) Arlington USA 2014';

A3a112) 17.b3 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' b4 18.Na4 Na3+

A3a1121) Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: 'a)'' 19.Kb2 Nb7 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 20.h4 Qd6 21.h5 Bf8 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *(21...Bd7 22.Nc5* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *)* 22.hxg6

A3a11211) Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: '*)'' 22...hxg6 Volokitin,Andrei: '?' 23.Qg5 Volokitin,

Andrei: '!' Bd7 24.f4 Volokitin, Andrei: '!' Bg7 25.Nf3

A3a112111)

Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: '*)''

25...Re8 26.f5 gxf5 *(26...Bxa4 27.bxa4 Nc5 28.Bxc5 Qxc5 29.Rc1 Qf2+ 30.Kb3* Volokitin, Andrei: ' ±'*)* 27.Bd3 Bxa4 28.bxa4 fxe4 29.Bxe4 Nc4+ 30.Kb1 Volokitin, Andrei: '±';

A3a112112)

25...c5 26.fxe5 Bxa4 27.Kc1 Volokitin,Andrei: '!!' *(27.bxa4* Volokitin,Andrei: '?' *Qd7* Volokitin, Andrei: '→' *)* 27...Qc7 28.d6 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Nxd6 29.exd6 Qc6 30.Qh4 Volokitin, Andrei: '±!';

A3a11212)

22...fxg6 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 23.g3 c5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 24.Bh3 Bd7 25.Bxd7 Rxd7 26.Nh3 Rc8 27.Ng5 Nd8 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 28.Ka1 Rb7 Volokitin,Andrei: '∓';

A3a1122) 19.Ka1 Nb7 20.h4 Qd6 21.h5 Bd7 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 22.Nc5 Rdb8 Volokitin,Andrei: '⇄';

A3a113) Volokitin, Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: 'a)" 17.Bd3 b4 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 18.Nce2 Qa4 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 19.b3 Na3+ 20.Kb2 *(20.Ka1 Nxb3+* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *21.axb3 Qxb3* Volokitin,Andrei: '→' *)* 20...Qe8 Volokitin, Andrei: '!' 21.Qxc7 Volokitin,Andrei: '△' Rxd5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!!' 22.exd5 e4+ 23.Nd4 exd3 24.Qxa5 Bf5 Volokitin,Andrei: '∓!';

A3a114) 17.h4 b4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Nce2 Qb5 20.h5 c6 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Qg5 Be6 23.f4 b3 24.a4 Na3+ 25.Kc1 Qc4+ 26.Nc3 cxd5 27.Nf3 Rdc8 28.Kd2 dxe4 29.Nxe5 Bxe5 30.Bb6 Bg7 31.Qh4 Qb4 32.Bg1 e3+ 33.Ke2 Nc2 34.g4 Nd4+ 35.Kxe3 Qc5 36.Qh7+ Kf8 37.Ne4 Qc2 38.Rd2 Qc4 39.Kf2 Bxg4 40.Ng5 Nf5 41.Kg2 Rd8

42.Rf2 Rd3 0-1 (42) Aronian,L (2784)-Volokitin,A (2639) Berlin GER 2015;

A3a12) Krasenkow, Michal: 'previously' 15.Bc5∞ Krasenkow, Michal: 'had been seen:' Nbc4 16.Qc1 b6

A3a121) 17.Bb4 Volokitin,Andrei: '?' c5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 18.dxc6 *(18.Bxa5 Nxa5* Volokitin,Andrei: '∓' *)* 18...Nd2+ 19.Ka1 Nxc6 20.Ba3 Bh6 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 21.Nd5 *(21.f4 Bxf4 22.Nge2 Bh6 23.Nd5 Nb3+ 24.axb3 Bxc1 25.Nf6+ Kg7 26.Nxd7 Bg5* Volokitin,Andrei: '∓' *)* 21...Nb3+ 22.axb3 Bxc1 23.Nf6+ Kg7 24.Nxd7 Be3 Volokitin,Andrei: '∓';

A3a122) 17.Bf2 Qd6± 1/2-1/2 (20) Khismatullin,D (2570)-Tseshkovsky,V (2517) Sochi 2007 Volokitin, Andrei: ' [Δ ♕b4]'Volokitin,A: '(Δ ♕b4)'' ' Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Volokitin, A Istanbul Olympiad 2012, with unclear play.' 18.h4∞ Qb4!? 'with double-edged play, Mamedyarov, S-Volokitin, And Istanbul Olympiad 2012 Glenn Flear: 'with double-edged play, Mamedyarov, S-Volokitin, And Istanbul Olympiad 2012 Krasenkow,Michal: 'with double-edged play, Mamedyarov, S-Volokitin, And Istanbul Olympiad 2012''' 19.g4 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '!'' '

A3a1221) 19...Bb7 20.Be1 c6 21.d6 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Rxd6 22.Nd5 Na3+ Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *(22...Qc5* Volokitin,Andrei: '??' *23.Bb4* Volokitin, Andrei: '+-' *)* 23.Ka1 Nb3+ Volokitin, Andrei: '!!' 24.axb3 Qxb3 25.Ne7+ *(25.bxa3 cxd5 26.Rd3 Qa4* Volokitin,Andrei: ' ⩱' *)* 25...Kh8 26.Rxd6 Nc2+ 27.Kb1 Na3+ Volokitin,Andrei: '=';

A3a1222) 19...f5 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Volokitin, A Istanbul Olympiad 2012.' 20.g5 Volokitin, Andrei: ' □' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '□'' '

A3a12221) 20...c6

Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 21.Be1 f4 22.Bf2 *(22.d6 Rxd6 23.Nd5 Qxb2+* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *24.Qxb2 Nxb2 25.Ne7+ Kf7 26.Rxd6 Kxe7 27.Rf6 Nd1 28.Bxa5 Bxf6 29.gxf6+ Kxf6 30.Bd2 Be6* Volokitin,Andrei: '=' *)* 22...cxd5 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' 24.Rxd5 Be6 Volokitin,Andrei: '⩲';

A3a12222)

20...fxe4⩲ Volokitin,Andrei: '?' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '?'' ' 21.Nxe4 Bf5 22.Bd3 Volokitin, Andrei: '⩲!' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: ' ⩲ !'' ' *(22.Be1* Volokitin,Andrei: '?' *Bxe4+ 23.fxe4 Nd2+* Volokitin, Andrei: '!' *24.Qxd2 Qxe4+* Volokitin, Andrei: ' ∓ ' *)* 22...Rxd5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!?' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '!?'' ' 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.Rxd5 Bxe4+ 25.fxe4 Na3+± 26.Ka1 Qxe4± 27.Rd2 Volokitin,Andrei: '□ ' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: ' □ '' ' Qxh1 28.bxa3 Rf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (46) Mamedyarov,S (2729)-Volokitin,A (2709) Istanbul 2012' 29.Kb1 Volokitin,Andrei: '?' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '?'' ' *(29.Ne2 Qe4 30.Be1 h5 31.Qd1* Volokitin,Andrei: '±'*; 29.Qc4+ Kh8 30.Be3 e4+ 31.Kb1 Qxh4 32.Ne2 c5 33.Kc2* Volokitin,Andrei: '±' *)* 29...Qe4+ *(29...h5* Volokitin,Andrei: '⩲!' *30.gxh6 Bxh6 31.Qc4+ Kh8 32.Rc2 Rxf2 33.Rxf2 Qxg1+ 34.Rf1 Qe3* Volokitin,Andrei: '=' *)* 30.Qc2 Qg4 31.Qd3 Kh8 32.Re2 *(32.Be3* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *Qxh4 33.Ne2* Volokitin,Andrei: '⩲' *)* 32...c5 Volokitin,Andrei: '?' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '?'' '

(32...h5 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *33.gxh6 Bxh6 34.Rc2 Bg7* Volokitin,Andrei: '⇄' *)*

A3a122221)

33.Re4 Volokitin, Andrei: '!' Qg2 34.Nh3 Volokitin, Andrei: '!' Rxf2 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *(34...b5 35.Re3 c4 36.Qe2* Volokitin,Andrei: ' ±' Volokitin,Andrei: 'Δ ♗e1, c3' *)* 35.Nxf2 Qxf2 Volokitin, Andrei: '±';

A3a122222)

33.Bg3 Volokitin, Andrei: '?' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '?" ' 33...c4 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '!'' ' 34.Qe3 e4 35.Kc2 Volokitin,Andrei: '??' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '??'' ' *(35.Be1 Rf1 36.Nh3 Rf3 37.Qxe4 Qxh3 38.Bb4* Volokitin, Andrei: ' = *)* 35...Qd7 Volokitin,Andrei: '-+!' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '-+!'' ' 36.Rf2 Rd8 Volokitin, Andrei: '?' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '?" ' *(36...Qa4+ 37.Kc1 Rd8 38.Rd2 Rd3)* 37.Rd2 Qa4+ 38.Kc1 Volokitin, Andrei: '?' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '?" ' *(38.Kb1* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *Rf8* Volokitin, Andrei: '!' *39.Be1* Volokitin,Andrei: '□' *Qb5+ 40.Kc1 Qe5 41.Qxb6* Volokitin,Andrei: '□' *Qc3+ 42.Kd1 e3 43.Rd8 Qa1+ 44.Ke2 Qxa2+* Volokitin,Andrei: '∓' *)* 38...Rd3 Volokitin,Andrei: '!' Volokitin,Andrei: ''Volokitin,A: '!'' ' Volokitin,Andrei: 'Δ ♖d8' 39.Qxb6 Qxa3+ 40.Kd1

A3a1222221)

40...h5

A3a12222211)

Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: 'a)'' 41.Qxg6 Rxd2+ 42.Kxd2 Qb2+ 43.Ke1 *(43.Ke3 Qd4+ 44.Ke2 Qd3+ 45.Ke1 Bc3+ 46.Kf2 e3+* Volokitin,Andrei: '-+' *)* 43...Qb1+ 44.Ke2 Qd3+ Volokitin,Andrei: '-+';

A3a12222212) Volokitin,Andrei: 'Volokitin,A: 'b)'' 41.Be1 Qa4+ 42.Kc1 Kh7 Volokitin,Andrei: '-+';

A3a12222213) 41.Ne2 Qxa2 42.Bf4 Qa4+ 43.Kc1 *(43.Ke1 Qa1+* Volokitin, Andrei: '-+') 43...Kh7 Volokitin,Andrei: '-+';

A3a1222222) 40...Rxd2+ Volokitin,Andrei: '??' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '??'' '41.Kxd2 Qd3+ 42.Kc1 h5 43.Be1 Volokitin, Andrei: '!' Volokitin, Andrei: ''Volokitin, A: '!"' ' Qa3+ 44.Kb1 Qd3+ 45.Kc1 Qa3+ 46.Kb1 Qd3+ ½-½ (46) Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2729)-5.♗e2 0-0-0 6. ♗e3 (2709) Taxco 2012 Telechess CBM 89 [CCYB 11\19];

A3a13) Krasenkow, Michal: 'in Kaufman's book he recommends' 15.Bxb6 cxb6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'with unclear play' 16.Qe3 *(16.h4 Qd6 17.h5 Bd7 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Nh3 Rac8 20.Nf2∞)* 16...b5 Volokitin,Andrei: '⇄!' 17.Qb6 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Nge2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'but with two bishops I think that Black is fine after' Qd6 20.Na4 Bf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '=';

A3a2) 14...Nbc4 Glenn Flear: '(these knights are not actually floating randomly on loose squares, there is a reason for this choice) (these knights are not actually floating randomly on loose squares, there is a reason for this choice)' Volokitin,Andrei: 'Ü 111/218 Volokitin,A: '— 111/218"

A3a21) 15.Qf2?! Krasenkow,Michal: '?' '?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: '?!" e5 Sanikidze, Tornike: '!' Sanikidze, Tornike: 'Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian, K Reykjavik 2011, and Black was at least equal. Glenn Flear: '!' 'Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian, K Reykjavik 2011, and Black was at least equal.'' Krasenkow, Michal: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: '(the pin down the d-file justifies Black's play) (the pin down the d-file justifies Black's play)' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag:

'!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Now it starts to get really unpleasant for White.
'

A3a211) 16.dxe6 gives Black an edge either way: Bxd4 17.Rxd4 *(17.exd7 Bxf2 18.dxc8Q Raxc8 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Nh3 Bc5∓)* 17...Qxd4 18.e7 Qxf2 19.exd8Q+ Kg7 20.Nge2 Nc6∓ 21.Qd3 Mekhitarian,K Ne3 22.Nd1 Nxd1 23.Qxd1 Be6∓;

A3a212) 16.Be3? Nxe3 17.Qxe3 b5∓ Δ ♗b7, ♖ac8, c6 Mekhitarian,K: '→';

A3a213) 16.Bc5 b6 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: ' ∓' 17.Bb4 c5 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'and Black was doing fine in Gustafsson-Mekhitarian, Reykjavik 2011.' Van Delft & Ris: 'and Black was doing fine in Gustafsson-Mekhitarian, Reykjavik 2011.'' Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'in Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian, K Reykjavik 2011. in Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian, K Reykjavik 2011.' Glenn Flear: '(the bishop has been chased around until it has to be exchanged)' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'And Black was fine in the game (38) Gustafsson,J (2647) - Mekhitarian,K (2529) 1/2-1/2 Reykjavik 2011' 18.Bxa5 *(18.dxc6?? Mekhitarian,K: '?' Qxd1+ 19.Nxd1 Rxd1+ 20.Kc2 Rxf1-+)* 18...Nxa5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (38) Gustafsson,J (2647)-Mekhitarian,K (2529) Reykjavik 2011 CBM 149 [Mekhitarian]' 19.h4 Qd6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Around here I felt like Black's advantage should be pretty decent, since the attack is going to roll out easily (c4, b5, b4, etc.), meanwhile White can hardly create anything against Black's king. But the position is tricky, and I needed to play very precisely to get real attacking chances:
' 20.h5 b5↑ Gustafsson,J (2647)-Mekhitarian,K (2529)/ Reykjavik/2011/

Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Gustafsson,J (2647)-Mekhitarian,K (2529)/ Reykjavik 2011/CBM 141 Extra/[Mekhitarian] (38)' 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.g3 Bd7 23.Rc1 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Δ ♘d1, [X c4]' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'A nice defensive idea by White. It is not that easy for me to crack open his queenside. ' c4 Glenn Flear: 'Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian, K Reykjavik 2011, with a fairly promising position for Black. White can't really mate without his dark-squared bishop and Black has potential on the queenside.' 24.Nd1 Rdc8 25.Bh3

A3a2131) 25...b4! Δ c3 - ♘xb3,a5, The rook is more effective in a8, supporting the a5-a4 advance.

A3a21311)

Mekhitarian,K: 'a)' 26.Ne3 this would be ok against 26... c3, but now white loses control over the c3 square Mekhitarian: 'this would be ok against 26...c3, but now Wwhite loses control over the c3-square' b3! [X c3] 27.a3 c3 and again, Black's attack gets in there first 28.Bxd7 Qxd7 29.Rxc3 *(29.Rh2 c2+ 30.Ka1 Rab8-+* Δ ♕a4, ♗f8, ♘c4, [X a3]*)* 29...Rxc3 30.bxc3 Rb8!

A3a213111)

31.Qb2 Qa7! 32.Qd2 b2-+ Δ ♕xe3!!-♘c4 *(32...Qc5* Mekhitarian,K *33.d6 b2 34.d7 Rd8-+)*;

A3a213112)

31.Nh3 b2 32.Ng5 Qa4 33.f4 f6!-+ [X e4] Mekhitarian, K: '!' 34.Nc2 Mekhitarian,K Nc4-+;

A3a21312)

Mekhitarian,K: 'b)' 26.Bxd7 Qxd7 27.Nh3 as in the game c3 28.b3 Nxb3! 29.axb3 a5 now it's clear White is defenceless against the breakup of the queenside with a4. 30.Nb2 a4! 31.Nxa4 Rxa4

32.bxa4 b3-+
33.Rxc3
Mekhitarian,K Rxc3
34.Rc1 Rxc1+
35.Kxc1 Qxa4
36.Kb1 Bh6!-+;
A3a21313) 26.Ne2
trying to help the kingside 26...Bxh3
27.Rxh3 c3 28.b3
Nxb3 29.axb3 a5
30.Nexc3
the only idea
*(30.Nb2 a4!
31.Nxa4 Rxa4
32.bxa4 Qa6-+*
Δ ♕d3-b3, ♕xa4)
30...bxc3 31.Rxc3
a4 32.Rxc8+ Rxc8
33.bxa4 Qd7∓
Δ ♕xa4, ♖a8, ♗f8,
etc. With a huge
attack for Black.
34.Rh1 Mekhitarian,
K Qxa4 35.Nb2
Qa3 36.Rc1 Ra8
37.Rc6 Bf8!!
*(37...Qa2+?
38.Kc2 Rb8
39.Rb6=)* 38.f4
*(38.g4 Bh6-+;
38.Qe2 Qa2+
39.Kc1 Rb8)*
38...Qa1+ 39.Kc2
Ra2 40.Kb3
*(40.Qb6 Qe1
41.d6 Qxe4+
42.Kb3 Ra1-+)*
40...Ba3 41.Rc2
Bxb2 42.Rxb2
Ra8! 43.Qb6 Ra3+
44.Kc2 Rxg3-+;
A3a2132) 25...Rab8
Mekhitarian,Krikor
Sevag: '?'
Mekhitarian,Krikor
Sevag: 'I didn't have
much time left, so
this seemed pretty
natural before b4.
But this tempo is
going to be crucial
for the game.'
26.Bxd7 Qxd7
27.Nh3 b4 28.Ng5
Mekhitarian,Krikor
Sevag: 'And
suddenly I couldn't
find a way to open
up his king.'
A3a21321)
28...c3!? 29.b3
Nxb3! 30.axb3 a5
31.Qa2 a4 32.Ne3
*(32.Qxa4? Qb7
33.Qa2 Ra8
34.Qh2 Ra3-+)*
32...axb3 33.Qxb3
Rb7→ Δ ♖a7-a3,
♖a8;
A3a21322)
28...Qa4
Mekhitarian,Krikor
Sevag: 'I played
this with around 3-
4 minutes left on
the clock, but it
seemed like there
was no defence for
...c3! followed by ...
♘xb3 -+.'
A3a213221)
29.f4!? when White
could even try for
more than just a
draw, as in the

game
A3a2132211)
Mekhitarian,K: 'a)'
29...exf4? 30.Qxf4 Rb7 31.e5 Qb5 *(31...c3 32.Nxc3+-)* 32.e6 It's weird, now White's attack got there first. All defensive ideas fail: Qxd5 *(32...f6? 33.Qe4! fxg5 34.Qxg6+- Qxd5* Mekhitarian,K *35.Qh7+ Kf8 36.Rf1+ Ke7 37.Ne3 Qe5 38.Nf5+ Kd8 39.Nxg7 Rxg7 40.Qh8+ Kc7 41.Rf7++- ; 32...fxe6? 33.Qh4* Mekhitarian,K: '+-' *Bf6 34.Qh6+-)* 33.exf7+ Rxf7 34.Qxf7+ Qxf7 35.Nxf7 Kxf7 36.Ne3±;
A3a2132212)
29...c3! 30.fxe5 Rc7 31.d6 b3 *(31...c2+* forces a balanced endgame: *32.Rxc2 Qxc2+ 33.Qxc2 Rxc2 34.Kxc2 Rc8+ 35.Kb1 Nc4= 36.Ne3* Mekhitarian,K *Nxe3 37.e6 Rc2 38.e7 Rxb2+ 39.Kc1 Rc2+=)* 32.axb3
A3a21322121)
Mekhitarian,K: 'a)'
32...Nxb3? being ambitious is not always good: 33.dxc7 Qa1+ 34.Kc2 Qxc1+ 35.Kd3 and Black loses a piece: Rf8 *(35...Qb1+* Mekhitarian,K *36.Qc2 Nc1+ 37.Ke3+-)* 36.c8Q Qb1+ 37.Ke3 Qc1+ 38.Kf3 Rxc8 39.Kg4! Rc7 40.Qb6 cxb2 41.Qb8+! Rc8 42.Qxb3± and now f7 is no longer defended Qc7 Mekhitarian,K 43.Qxb2 Bxe5 44.Qa2;
A3a21322122)
32...cxb2! 33.Nxb2 Rxc1+ 34.Rxc1 Qxb3∞ 35.Qd4 Mekhitarian,K Bxe5 *(35...Bh6 36.d7 Bxg5 37.Rc8+ Bd8 38.e6 fxe6 39.Qf6 Qd1+ 40.Ka2 Rxb2+ 41.Kxb2 Nc4+ 42.Ka2 Qa4+ 43.Kb1 Qb3+ 44.Kc1=)* 36.Qxe5 Qd3+ 37.Rc2 Qd1+=;
A3a213222)
29.Qa7 Mekhitarian,Krikor

Sevag: 'I had this one analysed as well, and my lunatic analysis said I was winning after 29...♖b7.'

A3a2132221)

29...Rb7 30.Qxa6 c3 31.b3 c2+?? *(⌓31...Qa3 32.Rc2 Rcb8=)* 32.Rxc2 Rxc2 was my initial idea when I played 28...♕a4. When he actually played 29.♕a7, I figured he has 33.♕a8, forcing checkmate. And, guess what, I also noticed he could play the very difficult 33.bxa4! Ok, the human mind gets tired after some hours eventually, and could even start hallucinating. This whole idea is so bad that even 33.♔xc2 is not losing clearly.;

A3a2132222)

29...Qe8

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '**Δ** ♖b7. With 1 minute left for the next 11 moves, I started to get worried about my situation.' 30.Qxa6

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: '!'' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'From the practical point of view, White could've tried something else, since I didn't have any time to think. From a logical point of view, this move forces a draw (of course neither I or my opponent had any idea about it).' Ra8 31.Qd6 Qa4

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Now I still have my 1 minute, and white has around 20. Suddenly I thought - hey, I won the game! The threat of ♕xa2 seemed just too brutal to be avoided.' *(31...c3!? 32.b3 Nc4 33.bxc4 Qa4 34.Rh2 Ra6 35.Qe7 Ra7=)* 32.Nxf7

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '=!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'A tragi-comic moment - I felt I had a forced mate somewhere, but 60 seconds

wasn't enough to find it. Clearly White has 33.♘h6+ threatened, as well as some 33.♖h8+, meaning Black can not mess around so much:' *(32.a3??* came to my mind during the game, as his only resource, when of course the natural *c3-+* decides in Black's favour.*)*
32...Qxa2+ 33.Kc2
A3a21322221)
33...Qb3+
was the only try:
34.Kb1! *(34.Kd2??* Mekhitarian,K: '?' *Qxf3-+* when ♘b3+ is coming pretty hard, and the ♕ on f3 helps defending the black king*)*
34...Qxf3
and of course I discarded this quickly, since I had no time to check any lines
A3a213222211)
35.Qxg6!?;
A3a213222212)
35.Rh8+
also does the job with some bizarre computer lines.
Bxh8 36.Qxg6+ Kf8 *(36...Bg7* Mekhitarian,K *37.Nh6+ Kf8 38.Qd6+ Ke8 39.Qe6+=)* 37.Ng5!=
A3a2132222121)
a) 37...Qd3+
Mekhitarian,K
38.Rc2 Qxd1+
39.Rc1 Qd3+
40.Rc2 Rc7
(40...Ra7 41.Qf5+ Ke7 42.Qf7+ Kd6 43.Qxa7 Rf8 44.Qb6+=)
41.Ne6+ Ke7
42.Qh7+ Kf6
43.Qf5+=;
A3a2132222122)
37...Nb3
Mekhitarian,K
38.Nh7+ Ke7
39.Qe6+ Kd8
40.Qd6+=;
A3a213222213)
35.Nh6+ Bxh6
36.Rxh6 Qd3+
37.Rc2 Qxd1+
38.Rc1 Qd3+
39.Rc2=;
A3a21322222)
33...Qa4+ 34.Kd2
(34.Kb1=)
A3a213222221)
34...Nb3+ 35.Ke1 Qe8 this insane computer idea to try something could easily backfire:
A3a2132222211)
36.Qxg6? Kf8!~~+~~
(36...Qxf7? 37.Rh8+∞ oopsie *)*;
A3a2132222212)

36.Nh6+ Bxh6 37.Rxh6 Kg7 and White has options: 38.Rh1!? *(38.Ne3!? Kxh6 39.Ng4+ Kg7 40.Qf6+ Kg8 41.Qd6∞)* 38...Nxc1 39.Ne3!∞ White wants brutality with 40.♘f5+.;

A3a213222222) Another funny thing is that when I was walking to the hotel, I was satisfied with the game generally - played a good opening, got a healthy position, had better prospects, etc. But I was quite sure I had missed something. And at some point, I concluded that 35...♖a6 was the move! 34...Ra6?? 35.Qe7 Ra7 First of all, White has simply 36.♕e6 with a huge advantage, or... 36.Rh8+! Bxh8 37.Nh6# so kids - that's why you should never get into time trouble. And if you do, don't try to be the hero.;

A3a213222223) 34...Kxf7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'After a long battle, and a roller-coaster tournament, 34...♔xf7 was a wise decision.' 35.Qe6+ Kf8 36.Qd6+ Kf7 37.Qe6+ Kf8 38.Qd6+ 1/2-1/2 Gustafsson, J-Mekhitarian,K/ Reykjavik ISL 2011;

A3a22) 15.Bxc4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '⩲' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'was needed' 15...Nxc4 Stohl, Igor: 'transposes to the position, which could arise after 13...♘a5.' Stohl, Igor: 'transposes to the position, which could arise after 13...♘a5.'

A3a221) Glenn Flear: 'An improvement over the following:' 16.Qe2 b5 *(16...Bxd4 17.Rxd4 b5 18.h4 e5 19.Rd1 a5! 20.h5 Ba6 21.Qf2 b4 22.Nce2* Bocharov, D-Sorokin, Aleksey, Voronezh 2015, and now Black should probably seek to address White's centre with *c6!* when he seems to be better (according to my silicon friend who

obviously feels that Black's king is safe enough). *)* 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h4 c6 19.dxc6 Qc7 20.Rxd8 Qxd8 21.h5 Qd6 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Nh3 Bxh3 24.Rxh3 Rd8 25.Rh1 Qxc6 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qc5 28.b3 Ne3 29.Qd2 Nxg2 30.Nd5 Nh4 31.f4 Nf3 32.Qe2 Qg1+ 33.Kb2 Qd4+ 34.Kc2 Qc5+ 35.Kb1 Qg1+ 36.Kc2 Nd4+ 0 - 1 (3 6) estudiante2008 (2710)-ghazaryan333 (2714) Blitz 2022;

A3a222) 16.Qc1 Caruana,Fabiano: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: 'K. Mekhitarian'

A3a2221) 16...b5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h4 as in Onischuk, V - Bagi, M Zalakaros 2015, see the archives for the details, but White was in the driving seat there. as in Onischuk, V - Bagi, M Zalakaros 2015, see the archives for the details, but White was in the driving seat there.

A3a22211) Although 18...h5 has its points, it's only a matter of time before White plays g2-g4, opening lines. Of course N-h3-f2 is possible, but the direct 19.g4! is perhaps the most frightening for the defender. hxg4 *(*or *19...Rh8 20.gxh5 Rxh5 21.Nge2* with Nf4 and h5 to follow *)* 20.h5 with a dangerous attack.;

A3a22212) 18...h6 19.h5 g5

A3a222121) The timing of b2-b3 is perhaps key. Here could be the best moment: 20.b3! Nd6 *(*against *20...Ne5* (too exposed?) then *21.f4!;* or *20...Nb6* (too distant?) again *21.f4)* 21.Nge2 favours White, as we notice that the black knight occupies the square that the queen would like to use.;

A3a222122) 20.Nge2 Qd6! 21.Nd4 Bd7 22.Rhe1

Onischuk seeks central pressure. Now Black's pieces, despite being on reasonable squares, don't combine that well and as such Bagi struggles to find a good plan. Qe5 23.b3 Nd6 24.Nce2! Where is this knight going? a5 25.Qb2 *(* Computers go for *25.Qxc7* whereas humans (in general) wouldn't. Why give Black chances for tricky counterplay?*)* 25...Kg8 26.Nc1 Now we know what Onischuk is intending: the knight goes to d3 and the blockade on the dark squares will be no more. a4 27.Nd3 Qg7 28.Nb4!? *(28.e5?!* allows *Nf5;* but *28.g4* would really threaten e5, to push back the opponent. *)* 28...Qe5 29.g4 *(* Simplest is *29.Nbc6 Bxc6 30.Nxc6 Qxb2+ 31.Kxb2 Re8 32.Rc1* with good domination.*)* 29...Rdc8 30.Nd3 Qg7 31.Nc5 *(* Another way to demonstrate White's advantage is with *31.e5 Nb7 32.e6 fxe6 33.dxe6 Be8 34.Nf5* with a crushing advantage.*)* 31...axb3 32.axb3 Be8 33.e5 Finally (with Black having been well and truly outplayed) this advance comes. Where is Black's knight going? Qh7+ 34.Nc2 Nc4 Desperate, but what else? 35.bxc4 bxc4 36.Kc1 Rcb8 37.Qc3 White's knight pair cover all the key squares. Ra2 38.Re4 Bb5 39.Nd4 Ba4 40.Rd2 1-0 (40) Onischuk,V (2669)-Bagi,M (2417) Zalakaros HUN 2015 [Glenn Flear]; **A3a2222)** 16...Bxd4 17.Rxd4 b5

Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Krasenkow, Michal: 'K. Mekhitarian' (and transposes back to the main game) has also occurred. Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and Black is coming quite fast with central or queenside operations. On the other hand, the c8-♗ is going to stay passive for a while, since White's light-squared-structure is solid. The position should be balanced.' 18.Nge2 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian, K' I don't like the bishop's development I don't like the bishop's development 18...Bb7 so much:

A3a22221) 19.h4 e5 John Watson: '±' John Watson: 'In PTF4, I cited' 20.dxe6 *(20.Rd3 b4 21.Nd1 Qb5∞)* 20...Qxe6 John Watson: ', a common line, and Keano took me to task for not giving 7 Ng3, which he says "is much more logical and critical, and can lead to a niggly edge for White". Well, this is hardly a major variation in any case, but I doubt that there's any real advantage here. In any case, let me show a few games for the sake of completeness.' 21.Rhd1 John Watson: 'is the most important line in other sources, and is the most challenging move, so I concentrated most of my energy there. ' Rxd4 22.Rxd4 Qe7= Lodici, L - Schmider, N Germany 2020, with ...Rd8 coming.;

A3a22222) Cheparinov prefers 19.Rhd1 which stops Black countering in the same way as in this example. In this case, another plan is required, maybe which stops Black countering in the same way as in this example. In this case, another

plan is required, maybe Qd6 20.h4 h5 but White has enhanced attacking chances with the black bishop 'out of play' on b7 but White has enhanced attacking chances with the black bishop 'out of play' on b7;

A3a22223) 19.b3 Nb6 20.h4 c5 21.dxc6 Qxc6 22.h5 Rxd4 23.Nxd4 Qf6 24.Qe3 Nd7∞ Mekhitarian;

A3b) 14.b3 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '(Van Delft & Ris) is too weakening' Qd6⇄ Glenn Flear: '↑' *(14...e6 15.Bg5 f6 16.Bf4 Qe7 17.Qc1 exd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+ 20.Kb2 b5 21.Qxc7 Nc4+ 22.Bxc4 Qb4 23.Bd2 Qf8 24.Be2 Rdc8 25.Qf4 Rc2+ 26.Ka1 Qa3* 0-1 (26) ChessTheory64 (2605)-Chesster6453 (2645) Blitz 2022 *)* 15.Nge2 Qb4!⇄;

A3c) Glenn Flear: 'For' 14.Qc1 Marin,Mihail: 'Giri,A (2745)-Gelfand,B (2753) Tromso 2014 CBM 162 [Krasenkow,M] (1-0, 80)' Glenn Flear: 'see the archives, and in particular my analysis of the game Giri, A-Gelfand, B Tromso Olympiad 2014.'

A3c1) 'Glenn Flear: 'Another possibility is'Another possibility is'Glenn Flear: 'Another possibility is''Another possibility is Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Another possibility is'''' ' ''Another possibility is Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Another possibility is''' ' Pikula,Dejan: 'Or perhaps the other knight:' 14...Nbc4 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?''Glenn Flear: 'e.g. ''e.g. Krasenkow,Michal'e.g. Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Glenn Flear: 'e.g.''e.g. Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'e.g.''' may be also enough to achieve sufficient counterplay: Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be also enough to achieve sufficient counterplay:'" ' : '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'" ' Pikula, Dejan: '!? "may be also enough to achieve sufficient counterplay: Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be also enough to achieve sufficient counterplay:'"

A3c11) 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Bd4 better seems to be 16...Bxd4! 17.Rxd4 b5± 18.Nge2 Qd6 19.h4

A3c111) After 19...h5 the daring 20.g4! seems to be dangerous to the human eye, although engines are not particularly impressed:

is perhaps critical, but risky seems to be dangerous to the human eye, although engines are not particularly impressed: Pikula,Dejan: '!?' Pikula,Dejan: 'Gunina, V-Muzychuk,M Batumi 2016, and now Black should play the principled move (capturing on g4!), with unclear complications. Glenn Flear: 'Gunina,V-Muzychuk,M Batumi 2016, and now Black should play the principled move (capturing on g4!), with unclear complications." *(20.Nd1 Bd7 21.Ne3 Ne5* Manninen, A - Rawlings, A e-mail 2016, with a certain solidity for Black Manninen, A - Rawlings, A e-mail 2016, with a certain solidity for Black*)* 20...Ne5 *(* Cheparinov points out *20...hxg4 21.f4!±* claiming that "White's attack is unstoppable". Is this really true after claiming that "White's attack is unstoppable". Is this really true after *Kg7* I wonder? Maybe, but he must be using more advanced technology than me! I wonder? Maybe, but he must be using more advanced technology than me! *)* 21.gxh5 b4 22.Na4 John Watson: '!?' Nxf3 John Watson: '!?' 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.h5!? Gunina, V - Muzychuk, M Batumi 2016, and Gunina's bloodthirsty attack was certainly become strong by now. Still, there might be ways to render Black's game palatable after 20... hxg4 etc. (if you spend lots of time on this line with your favourite engine). Gunina, V - Muzychuk, M Batumi 2016, and Gunina's bloodthirsty attack was certainly become strong by now. Still, there might be ways to render Black's game palatable after 20... hxg4 etc. (if you spend lots of time on this line with your favourite engine). John Watson: '±' John Watson: '(eventually drawn) Salgado Lopez, I (2624)-Rapport, R (2676), Camarinas ESP 2013.8...Ng6 eliminates the Bg5 idea.';

A3c112) 19...Qf6

A novelty that aims to slow down any

attempts to open up the kingside. 20.h5 g5 21.h6 Kh8 22.Rh5 Rg8 The Iranian's novel defensive fortress looks like a clever way to frustrate his opponent. So with the kingside closed up for now, the Bulgarian turns his attention to the central arena. The Iranian's novel defensive fortress looks like a clever way to frustrate his opponent. So with the kingside closed up for now, the Bulgarian turns his attention to the central arena. 23.d6!? Freeing up the d5-square whilst creating general mischief. Freeing up the d5-square whilst creating general mischief. Be6

A3c1121)

It was instead possible to grab a pawn with 24.dxc7 Rac8 25.Rd8! when a continuation such as John Watson: '?!' Rcxd8 26.cxd8Q Rxd8 John Watson: ' ⩲!' John Watson: 'A Sokolov (2580)-Brustman, A (2320)/op, Geneva 1996.' 27.Qxg5 Qxg5 (John Watson: 'This seems to be a good setup. A few days earlier Rapport had played' *27...Rd2?!* is risky after John Watson: '!?' John Watson: 'in a game mentioned by Keano on the Forum that game went' *28.Qg3!)* 28.Rxg5 Rd2 John Watson: '!' 29.b3 Ne3 is given by the engines as 'better for White'. Despite this assessment, Black's activity shouldn't be underestimated. is given by the engines as 'better for White'. Despite this assessment, Black's activity shouldn't be underestimated. John Watson: '=';

A3c1122) 24.dxe7?! Keeping life simple, but not really challenging the opponent that much. Keeping life simple, but not really challenging the opponent that much. 24...Qxe7 25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.Rxd5 Rad8!? Maghsoodloo hurries to activate

even at the cost of a pawn. *(* The more straightforward *26...f6=* holds onto the g-pawn and any consequent time loss seems to be insignificant. holds onto the g-pawn and any consequent time loss seems to be insignificant. John Watson: '?!'*)* 27.Rhxg5 Rxg5 28.Qxg5 Qxg5 29.Rxg5 Rd1+ *(* The sloppy *29...Rd2?* is strongly met by *30.Rd5!* when Black has to accept a miserable knight endgame a pawn down. *)* 30.Nc1 Rd2 31.b3 Na3+ 32.Ka1 Nc2+ 33.Kb2! Quite rightly avoiding the draw. b4 *(*After *33...Ne1+ 34.Kb1 Nxg2* White penetrates with *35.Rg7±)* 34.Rd5! This time the knight endgame isn't quite so bad for Black, but he still has to suffer to some extent. This time the knight endgame isn't quite so bad for Black, but he still has to suffer to some extent. Rxd5 35.exd5 Ne3 *(*Maybe *35...Ne1!?* to slow down the activation of both of White's pieces. to slow down the activation of both of White's pieces.*)* 36.Nd3 Nxd5 37.Nc5 *(* Another promising idea is John Watson: 'a)' *37.Kc2 a5 38.Ne5±* intending to rapidly activate the king. intending to rapidly activate the king.*)* 37...a5 38.Nb7 f5 The Iranian decides that he just has to get his king into play as soon as possible. The Iranian decides that he just has to get his king into play as soon as possible. 39.Nxa5 Kg8 40.Nc6 Kf7 41.Kc2 Ke6 42.Kd3 Kd6 43.Nd4 Ke5 44.g3 White has a clear pawn to the good, but there doesn't seem to be an easy way forward on either wing, that is as long as Black stays active. White has a clear pawn to the good, but there doesn't seem to be an easy way forward

on either wing, that is as long as Black stays active. f4!? 45.g4 c5 46.Ne2 *(46.Nc6+! Kd6 47.Na5!+-* looks odd (placing the knight on the rim), but it enables the white king to then have access to c4 or e4 with excellent winning chances. looks odd (placing the knight on the rim), but it enables the white king to then have access to c4 or e4 with excellent winning chances. John Watson: '=') 46...Ne3? *(* Waiting with *46...Nb6* would have been more prudent. *)* 47.g5! Nf5 *(47...Kf5?* loses to *48.g6!)* 48.Kc4 *(* The nice break *48.g6! Nxh6 49.gxh7* John Watson: ' ∓' John Watson: 'Naiditsch, A (2390)-Hertneck, G (2555)/ Bad Wiessee 1998.' *Nf7 50.Kc4+-* would keep Black's knight occupied while the mopping up operation takes place. would keep Black's knight occupied while the mopping up operation takes place. *)* 48...Nh4 49.Kxc5 Kf5 50.Nd4+ Ke5 *(50...Kxg5 51.Kxb4+-)* 51.Kxb4?? A tempting idea when time is short, but it doesn't work at all. A tempting idea when time is short, but it doesn't work at all. *(* An easy win was at hand after the patient move *51.Kc4!* (producing a mini-Zugzwang) e. g. John Watson: '?' *Ng6 52.Ne2 Kf5 53.Kxb4* and then the connected passed a-pawns would indeed be decisive. and then the connected passed a-pawns would indeed be decisive. *)* 51...Kxd4 52.a4

A3c11221)

The draw was a question of careful calculation: 52...Nxf3! 53.g6 Ne5! 54.gxh7 *(54.g7?* even loses to *Nc6+ 55.Kb5 Ne7-+)* 54...Ng6 55.a5

John Watson: '=' f3 56.a6 f2 57.a7 f1Q 58.a8Q John Watson: ' ∓' Qe1+= John Watson: 'is a good move, keeping the play level, e.g., b)';

A3c11222) 52...Kd5? 53.Kb5 Ke6 54.a5 Nxf3 55.g6 Ng5 56.g7 Kf7 57.Kc4?! *(* A standard tempo-gaining theme wins i.e. John Watson: 'Or' *57.a6 f3 58.a7 f2 59.g8Q+!)* 57...Ne6 58.b4? *(* Again *58.a6!* John Watson: 'Probably' *58...f3 59.a7 f2* John Watson: '=' John Watson: 'is more accurate. White's opening doesn't seem sharp enough to give Black many difficulties, in part because White has no effective pawn breaks. In the rest of the game the play remains fairly close to equality until Black pulls away in the late middlegame stages. ' John Watson: 'Or' *60.g8Q+!* was the way to success. John Watson: '=') 58...f3 59.Kd3 Nd4 60.Ke3 Nc2+ 61.Kxf3 Nxb4 62.Ke4 Kg8 63.Ke3 Na6 64.Kd4 Nb4 65.Kc4 Na6 66.Kb5 Nc7+ 67.Kb6 Nd5+ 68.Kb7 Nb4 69.a6 Nxa6 70.Kxa6 Unfortunately for Cheparinov, the pawn endgame is only a draw. Unfortunately for Cheparinov, the pawn endgame is only a draw. Kf7 71.Kb6 Kg8 72.Kc6 Kf7 73.Kd6 Kg8 74.Ke7 ½-½ (74) Firouzja, M (2686)-Lunacek, J (2676) Siegen 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Frutstaert,Roger];

A3c12) 15.Bd4 Bxd4 Black needs to sacrifice a piece, with not entirely clear compensation. 16.Rxd4 b5 loses either the d6-pawn after

A3c121) 17.Bxc4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is now met with an

intermediate'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is now met with an intermediate' c5!?± Krasenkow,Michal: '!';
A3c122) Krasenkow, Michal: 'after' A couple of other seventeenth moves have been tried: A couple of other seventeenth moves have been tried: 17.h4 c5 *(17...e5 18.Rd1 b4! 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Nce2 Qb5⇄ 21.h5 c6* 0.5-0.5 Lercel, M - Nasuta, G London 2016. It would have been nice to see a few extra moves, but this tense position is fairly balanced it seems. If White were then to invade with 0.5-0.5 Lercel, M - Nasuta, G London 2016. It would have been nice to see a few extra moves, but this tense position is fairly balanced it seems. If White were then to invade with *22.Qg5 Rd6 23.Qe7 cxd5 24.hxg6* then Black saves himself with then Black saves himself with *Na3+! 25.Ka1 Nc2+=)* 18.Rd1 f6 19.g4 'Kaufman judges that 'White has an attack while Black's pieces are clumsy' but this gives the wrong impression, as after Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman judges that 'White has an attack while Black's pieces are clumsy' but this gives the wrong impression, as after Krasenkow,Michal: 'Kaufman judges that 'White has an attack while Black's pieces are clumsy' but this gives the wrong impression, as after''' b4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Nce2 Qb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: 'matters are far from clear';
A3c123) 17.Rd1 Qd6 Hjartarson,J (2605)-Hillarp Persson,T (2445) Reykjavik 1997 CBM 062 [Stohl,I] (1-0, 32) or if 18.Bxc4?! - a piece to Nxc4 19.Nge2 'Glenn Flear: 'Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has'Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has'Glenn Flear: 'Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has''Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has'''' ' ''Plichta, K-

Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Plichta, K-Schmidt, WI Poznan 2014, Black has''' ' (this is dubious in my opinion) does not bring in too much dynamism to Black's position. *(19.h4 h5)* 19...b4!⇄ Krasenkow,Michal: '!' (seems right as the attacked knight no longer has a retreat square) *(19...Qf6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' (a bit sluggish) *20.h4* Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (51) Plichta,K (2257)-Schmidt,W (2345) Poznan POL 2014' *e5 21.h5 Bb7 22.b3 Nb6±* Plichta, K - Schmidt, W Poznan 2014. At the end, White has more chances of generating a quick attack, whereas Black will have to seek opening up the centre for counterplay. Plichta, K - Schmidt, W Poznan 2014. At the end, White has more chances of generating a quick attack, whereas Black will have to seek opening up the centre for counterplay.*)* 20.Na4 Bd7!∓ 'Glenn Flear: 'with the better chances.'with the better chances.'Glenn Flear: 'with the better chances.''with the better chances. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'with the better chances.'''' ' ''with the better chances. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'with the better chances.''' ' and now the queenside will be the scene of action 21.Qxc4 Bxa4± Krasenkow,Michal: '↑';

A3c2) 14...Nac4

A3c21) 15.Bh6 Qd6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7

A3c211) 17.Nge2 Pikula,Dejan: 'N'

A3c2111) 17...e5 Pikula,Dejan: '?!' 18.dxe6 Nd2+ 19.Ka1 Bxe6 20.e5 Qd7 *(20...Qd3 21.Nf4 Qe3 22.Nxe6+ fxe6 23.Nb1* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *Nxb1 24.Qxc7+ Kh6 25.Rxd8 Qe1 26.Bd3* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *Qxh1 27.Bxb1* Pikula,Dejan: ' ±' *Nd5 28.Rxd5* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *exd5 29.e6 Qxg2 30.Qf7* Pikula,Dejan: '+-' *)* 21.Nf4 Bb3

22.Bd3 Pikula,Dejan: '!' Bxd1 23.Rxd1 Qe7 24.Qxd2 Pikula,Dejan: '±'; **A3c2112)** 17...Qc5 18.Nf4 Ne5 19.h4 Pikula,Dejan: '↑'; **A3c2113)** 17...Qf6 18.b3 Nd6 19.f4 Nb5 Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' ' ! ? ' ' ! ? ' ' *(* Pikula,Dejan: 'In order to compete for space in the centre, Black should consider Glenn Flear: 'In order to compete for space in the centre, Black should consider'' *19...e5* Pikula,Dejan: '!' Pikula,Dejan: 'as' *20.dxe6 Bxe6 21.e5 Qf5+ 22.Ka1 Nb5 23.Ng3 Qg4* Pikula,Dejan: '!' Pikula,Dejan: 'enables him to liberate his forces without any negative consequences. Glenn Flear: 'enables him to liberate his forces without any negative consequences.'*)* 20.e5 Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'Now Inarkiev takes the opportunity to expand and construct a big pawn centre.' Glenn Flear: 'Now Inarkiev takes the opportunity to expand and construct a big pawn centre." Qh4 21.g3 Qh5 22.Bg2 Bg4 23.Rd2 Pikula,Dejan: ' ±' c6 Pikula,Dejan: '?!' Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: '?' '?' '?' '?' Glenn Flear: 'Timofeev is tempted by a combination that wins a piece, but at the cost of allowing White an advanced passed pawn.' Glenn Flear: 'Timofeev is tempted by a combination that wins a piece, but at the cost of allowing White an advanced passed pawn.' ' *(* Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'Much better would be'' *23...Bf3* Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'that eliminates a pair of pieces when White's space advantage wouldn't be particularly inconvenient for him.' Glenn Flear: 'that

eliminates a pair of pieces when White's space advantage wouldn't be particularly inconvenient for him. " *24.Bxf3 Qxf3 25.Rhd1 Rac8 26.a4 Nxc3+ 27.Qxc3 Qe4+ 28.Qc2* Pikula,Dejan: ' ±'; *23...Bh3 24.Be4 Rd7 25.a4 Nxc3+ 26.Nxc3* Pikula,Dejan: ' ±') 24.dxc6 Bxe2 Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram *(24...Rxd2 25.Qxd2 Bf3 26.cxb7 Rb8 27.Bxf3 Qxf3 28.Rc1* Pikula,Dejan: '±')

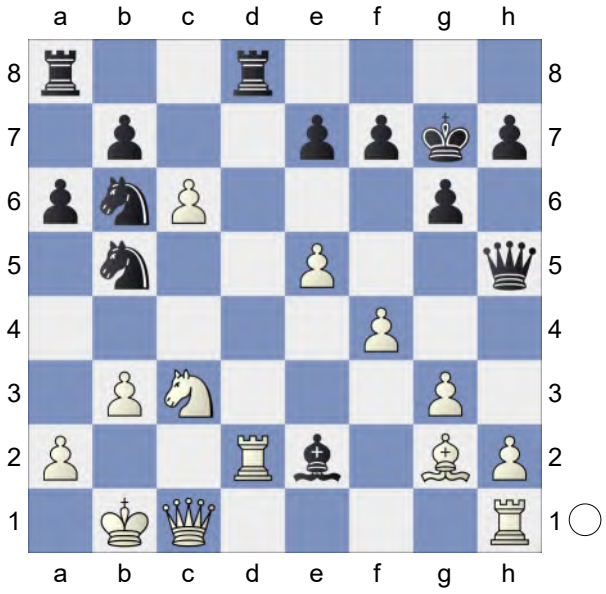


Diagram [#]'

A3c21131) 25.cxb7 Pikula,Dejan: '!' Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'is probably the more precise, as the tempo gain against the black rook comes in handy e. g.' Glenn Flear: 'is probably the more precise, as the tempo gain against the black rook comes in handy e.g. " Rac8 *(25...Bd3+ 26.Ka1 Rab8 27.Rhd1 Qxh2 28.Be4 Qxg3 29.Rxd3 Rxd3 30.Rxd3* Pikula,Dejan: '+-'; *25...Nxc3+ 26.Qxc3 Rab8 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.e6+* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *Kg8 29.Re1 Bb5 30.Qc7* Pikula,Dejan: 'and wins in view of' *Rd1+ 31.Kb2* Pikula,Dejan: '!') 26.bxc8Q Rxc8 27.Nxe2 Rxc1+ 28.Kxc1 Pikula,Dejan: '±';

A3c21132) 25.Nxe2 Pikula,Dejan: '?' Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!'' 25...Rxd2 26.Qxd2 Rd8 Pikula,Dejan: '!' Pikula,Dejan:

'Glenn Flear: 'Gaining a tempo in order to improve his rook.' Glenn Flear: 'Gaining a tempo in order to improve his rook.''
27.Qe3 *(27.Qxd8 Qxe2 28.Rc1 Na3+ 29.Ka1 Nc2+ 30.Rxc2 Qxc2 31.a4 Nxa4 32.bxa4 Qc1+ 33.Ka2 Qc2+* Pikula,Dejan: '=' *)*

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27...bxc6

A3c2113211)

28.Bxc6

Pikula,Dejan: '?' Qxe2 Pikula,Dejan: '-+';

A3c2113212)

28.Rc1 Nd5 29.Bxd5 *(29.Qf3* Pikula,Dejan: '?' *Nb4 30.Qxh5 Rd2* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *31.Nc3 Na3+ 32.Ka1 gxh5* Pikula,Dejan: '∓' *)* 29...Rxd5 30.Rxc6 Qf5+ 31.Kb2 Rd3 32.Qc1 Qe4 33.Rc2 Re3 34.Qd1 a5 Pikula,Dejan: '⩱!?';

A3c2113213)

28.Kb2 Nd5 29.Bxd5 *(29.Qe4* Pikula,Dejan: '?' *Ndc3* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *30.Nxc3 Rd2+ 31.Kc1 Nxc3 32.Qf3 Qxf3 33.Bxf3 Rf2* Pikula,Dejan: '∓' *)* 29...Rxd5 Pikula,Dejan: '∞';

A3c211322)

27...Qxe2

Pikula,Dejan: '?' Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'The point of Black's previous moves is that this is 'on'.' Glenn Flear: 'The point of Black's previous moves is that this is 'on'.'' 28.Qxe2 Nc3+ 29.Kc2 Nxe2 30.cxb7

Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: ' When contemplating ...c6, both players would have had to try to assess this unbalanced position. The advanced b-pawn turns out to be the key to White's quick victory, as Black's pieces struggle to cope.' Glenn Flear: 'When contemplating ...c6, both players would have had to try to assess this unbalanced position. The

advanced b-pawn turns out to be the key to White's quick victory, as Black's pieces struggle to cope.'' Nd4+ 31.Kc3 a5 32.Rd1 Nb5+ 33.Kb2 Pikula,Dejan: '!' *(33.Kc2* Pikula,Dejan: '?' *Rb8 34.a4 Nc7 35.b4 axb4 36.Kb3 e6* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *37.Rd6 Nbd5 38.Bxd5 Nxd5 39.Rd7 Nb6 40.Rc7 Nd5 41.Rd7* Pikula,Dejan: '=') 33...Rb8 Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram

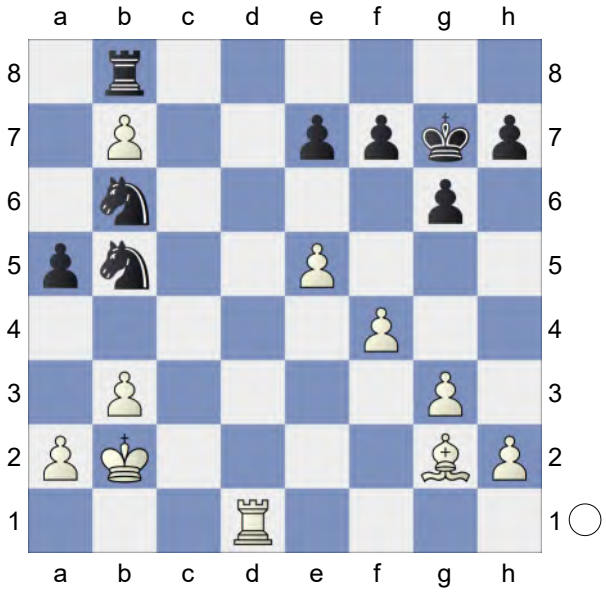

Diagram [#]' 34.Rc1 Pikula,Dejan: '+-!' Nd4 35.Rc5 a4

A3c2113221) Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'Is this really the end of the game? Resignation looks premature, as after' Glenn Flear: 'Is this really the end of the game? Resignation looks premature, as after" 36.Kc3 axb3 Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!" 37.axb3 *(37.Kxd4* Pikula,Dejan: '?' *Rd8+* Pikula,Dejan: '!' *38.Ke3 bxa2 39.Rc1 Nc4+* Pikula,Dejan: '!' Pikula,Dejan: 'and Black has enough counterplay') 37...Ne6

A3c21132211) 38.Rc6 Nxf4 Pikula,Dejan: '!' *(38...Nd7 39.Rc8* Pikula,Dejan: 'and Bc6 is coming') 39.gxf4 Rxb7 Pikula,Dejan: 'Black is clearly worse, cert, but he can still resist.';

A3c21132212) 38.Ra5 Nd7 *(38...Nc7 39.Kb4* Pikula,Dejan: '+-') 39.Ra8 Nc7 40.Bc6 Pikula,Dejan: '+-';

A3c2113222) 36.Kc3 1-0 (36) Jimenez G,G (2676)-Just,W (2570) Bydgoszcz 2016 Telechess CBM 89 [Nedobora, M];

A3c212) Pikula,Dejan: 'Glenn Flear: 'White aggressively pushed his pawns in the following:" 17.h4

A3c2121) 17...Qf6 18.f4 e6 19.h5 exd5 20.hxg6 fxg6 *(20...dxe4* Pikula,Dejan: '!?*')* 21.f5 g5 *(21...gxf5* Pikula,Dejan: '!?*')* 22.Bxc4 dxc4 23.Rxd8 Qxd8 24.g4 Pikula,Dejan: 'Ferreira,J-Tuncer,T Plovdiv 2015, with a powerful kingside initiative. Black has various ways to try and improve, but in all cases he has to be careful as he has the more vulnerable king. Glenn Flear: 'Ferreira,J-Tuncer,T Plovdiv 2015, with a powerful kingside initiative. Black has various ways to try and improve, but in all cases he has to be careful as he has the more vulnerable king.";

A3c2122) 17...h5 Pikula,Dejan: '!?';

A3c2123) 17...h6 18.Nge2 Qb4 19.Nd4 e5 20.Nb3 a5 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.d6 c6 23.Nd2 Nxd6 24.Qc2 Be6 25.a3 Qb6 26.Na4 Qc7 27.Nc5 Bc8 28.Nc4 Nb5 29.Rxd8 Qxd8 30.Nxe5 Qd4 31.Ned3 b6 32.Nb3 Qe3 33.Re1 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-Stas-2444 (2612) Blitz 2022;

A3c22) 15.Bd4

A3c221) Krasenkow, Michal: 'it looks less appropriate to play' Pikula,Dejan: 'Trading bishops seems to be playable:' 15...Bxd4 'when Black hasn't got the ...b5 advance available, nevertheless Glenn Flear: 'when Black hasn't got the ... b5 advance available, nevertheless Krasenkow,Michal: 'when Black hasn't got the ...b5 advance available, nevertheless'" 16.Rxd4 Ne5 *(16...Nd6 17.h4 e5* Pikula,Dejan: '!?' *18.Rd2 c6 19.h5 cxd5 20.Rxd5* Pikula,Dejan:

'!?' Pikula,Dejan: '(a correct exchange offer that Black is wise to ignore) Glenn Flear: '(a correct exchange offer that Black is wise to ignore)" *Qe7 21.Qe3 Ndc4 22.Bxc4 Nxc4 23.Qd3* Pikula,Dejan: '1/2-1/2 Gonda,L-Baramidze,D Solingen 2016. It's equal after Glenn Flear: '→→ Gonda,L-Baramidze,D Solingen 2016. It's equal after'' *Nd6* Pikula,Dejan: 'with ... Be6 to come. Glenn Flear: 'with ...Be6 to come." *)* 17.f4 c5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'looks playable';

A3c222) Pikula,Dejan: 'Even avoiding the exchange with' 15...e5 Pikula,Dejan: 'has merit:' 16.Bc5 *(16.dxe6 Qxe6 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.b3 Qc6 19.Bxg7 Rxd1 20.Qxd1 Kxg7 21.Nge2 Qf6* Krasenkow,Michal: '=') 16...Nd6 17.b3 Qe7 18.h4 Nd7 19.Be3 f5 20.h5 'Berczes, D-Chirila, I Dallas 2013, with a Sämisch King's Indian look-a-like where White is slightly for preference. Glenn Flear: 'Berczes, D-Chirila, I Dallas 2013, with a Sämisch King's Indian look-a-like where White is slightly for preference. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Berczes, D-Chirila, I Dallas 2013, with a Sämisch King's Indian look-a-like where White is slightly for preference.'' Glenn Flear: 'Berczes, D-Chirila, I Dallas 2013, with a S→misch King's Indian look-a-like where White is slightly for preference." Pikula, Dejan: 'Berczes,D-Chirila,I Dallas 2013. This looks like a favourable Sämisch King's Indian for White despite the fact that the engines only give it as marginally better. Glenn Flear: 'Berczes, D-Chirila,I Dallas 2013. This looks like a favourable S→misch King's Indian for White despite the fact that the engines only give it as marginally better.";

A3c3) Gelfand chose Pikula, Dejan: 'Alternatively, Black has Glenn Flear: 'Alternatively, Black has'' 14...Qd6 'Glenn Flear: 'Returning to d6 at this point seems to be new. However it's natural enough as it improves Black's harmony whilst getting ready for Bd4.

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A3c31) Krasenkow, Michal: 'If' 15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Black has a good choice:' c6 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'as favoured by the engines.' *(* Krasenkow,Michal: 'or' *16...e5 17.Rd1 Nbc4* 'which looks fine Glenn Flear: 'which looks fine Krasenkow,Michal: 'which looks fine''' *)*;

A3c32) 15.h4 Caruana,Fabiano: ', with a very strong initiative. , with a very strong initiative. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: ', with a very strong initiative.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: ', with a very strong initiative.'''

A3c321) if 15...h5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' Cheparinov suggests the 'route one' approach

A3c3211) 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Rxd4 c6 *(* *17...Bd7* Postny,Evgeny: '!?'*)* 18.Nge2 cxd5 19.exd5

A3c32111) 19...Bf5+ Postny,Evgeny: '?!' 20.Ka1 e5 21.dxe6 Qxe6 22.g4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' hxg4 23.fxg4 Bxg4 24.h5 Bf3 *(* *24...Rxd4 25.Nxd4 Qf6*

26.hxg6 fxg6 27.Qh6 Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 25.Rhh4 Postny,Evgeny: '±';

A3c32112)

19...Qe5 20.g4 hxg4 21.fxg4 Nxd5 Postny,Evgeny: '∞';

A3c3212) 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5;

A3c3213) 16.Nge2

A3c32131)

16...Nbc4 17.Bd4 Caruana,Fabiano: ' ∞ ' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I was expecting' 17...Ne5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black plans ... ♘d7 and ...♗f6 next.' *(17...Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Bd7 19.g4 hxg4 20.h5* Postny,Evgeny: '±' *)* 18.g4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'is one of the main lines of the Scheveningen.' hxg4 19.f4 Nf3 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.h5 Postny,Evgeny: '↑';

A3c32132)

16...Nac4 17.Bd4 Ne5 Caruana,Fabiano: '½-½ Tiviakov,S (2686)-Babula,V (2608)/Hungary 2009/EXT 2010' *(17...c5 18.Bxg7* Caruana,Fabiano: 'is unclear, since White has a nice grip on b6 and has developed some kingside play.' *Kxg7 19.f4* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' *)* 18.g4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Ü 27/437'' *(18.f4 Ng4 19.Bg1 Rb8 20.Nd4* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I'm not sure how to evaluate this position. Black has strong compensation for the piece, but there is no clear way to continue and White may slowly unravel.'; *18.Nf4 c5 19.dxc6 Qxc6 20.Nfd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Qxc1+* Caruana,Fabiano:

'!' *22.Rxc1 Nxf3* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *23.Nxe7+ Kh7* *24.Be3 Ne5* Caruana,Fabiano: ', with a very double-edged endgame, but White will have his fair share of chances after ♖d7.' *25.Bb6 Re8* Postny,Evgeny: '=' *)* 18...hxg4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 19.f4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'is also interesting.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I thought' 19...Nf3 Caruana,Fabiano: '?!' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'was a very bad move during the game, but in fact it is not so bad (although I still wouldn't try it).' 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.h5 Rh8 22.Ng3 Postny,Evgeny: '↑';

A3c322) 15...Nac4 Glenn Flear Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!';

A3c323) 15...Qb4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny, E''''Unexpectedly, this move proves rather senseless. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Unexpectedly, this move proves rather senseless.''' ' ' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan' 'Unexpectedly, this move proves rather senseless. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Unexpectedly, this move proves rather senseless.''' 16.h5 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Nac4 'Glenn Flear: 'Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first.'Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first. 'Glenn Flear: 'Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first.''Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first.'''' ' ''Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Both sides seem intent on getting their attack in first.''' ' Marin,Mihail: ' ±'

Marin,Mihail: 'Avrukh,B (2656)-Adams,M (2735) Cala Mayor 2008 (0-1, 65)' *(16...c6 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nge2 Nac4 19.Bd4 e5 20.dxe6 Bxe6 21.Ka1 f6 22.Nf4 Bf7 23.Nd3 Qe7 24.Bc5 Qc7 25.Be2± →→*(48) Salzmann,S (2351)-Dudley,M (2090) ICCF 2021 *)*

A3c3231)

I was happy with this creative move found over the board, but maybe the simple 17.Bxc4, untested between strong players yet, is better. Nxc4 Luch,M (2432)-Guimaraes,R (2142) Porto 2013 (½-½, 42) 18.Nge2± Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'may be a more accurate move order.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be a more accurate move order.' Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Qb6 20.Qg5 Qf6 21.Qg3 e5 *(21...b5 22.Nd4 b4 23.Nce2 Bd7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.f4 c5 26.dxc6 Bxc6 27.e5 Be4+ 28.Ka1 Qb6 29.Rh4 Rd7 30.Qe3 Bd5 31.Rdh1 Qa5 32.Nb3 Bxb3 33.Qxb3 Qd5 34.Qh3 f5 35.g4 Rad8 36.Nc1 Qe4 37.gxf5 Qxf5 38.Qb3+ Kf8 39.Qxb4 g5 40.fxg5 Qxe5 41.Rf4+ Ke8 42.Rf2 Qxg5 43.Qc4 Rd6 44.Qa4+ R8d7 45.Nb3 Kd8 46.a3 Qb5 47.Qxb5 axb5 48.Nc5 Rd1+ 49.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 50.Ka2 Bf6 51.Rf5 Rd2 52.Nb7+ Kc7* ½-½ (52) Cruzado Duenas,C (2601)-De Oliveira Maia,J (2479) corr ICCF 2014 *)* 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Nc1 c5 24.Nb3 b6 25.Rdf1 Bd7∞ 1-0 (67) Jørgensen, B (2275)-Roques,P (2382) ICCF 2016;

A3c3232)

Marin,Mihail: 'The main continuations are' 17.hxg6

A3c32321)

17...Bxc3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.Bxb6 Bxb2± Naumann,A (2522)-Thiede,L (2450) Germany 2010 (1-0, 59). Play is rather one-sided, the question is whether White's central and

kingside attack would break through or not. *(19...Nxb2* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *20.Qxc3+ Qxc3* Marin,M (2545)-Golubev,M (2525) Bucharest 1996 EXT 1999 [Marin,M] (1-0, 73) *21.Bd4+!↑ f6 22.Bxc3 Nxd1 23.Bb4⩲)* 20.Qxc4 Qxb6!? 21.Qb3 Qxb3 22.axb3 Bg7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '- this endgame is hard to evaluate; Black's bishop pair is quite strong but White's h7-pawn should not be underestimated.'' Krasenkow,Michal: '- this endgame is hard to evaluate; Black's bishop pair is quite strong but White's h7-pawn should not be underestimated.';

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17...hxg6

Marin,Mihail: 'as in Kramnik,V (2799)-Gelfand,B (2737) Wijk aan Zee 2008 CBM 122 [Marin,M] (½-½, 48)' Marin,Mihail: 'and' 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 Marin,Mihail: 'see, for instance, Mamedyarov,S (2763)-Alekseev,E (2700) Astrakhan 2010 CBM 137 [Krasenkow,M] (1-0, 33)' 19.Nge2 Caruana,Fabiano: '± ' Caruana, Fabiano: ' →' Nxe3 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 20.Qxe3 'Glenn Flear: 'Two knights against two bishops in an open position! Before reaching any general conclusions it's important to take into account any concrete factors. Black has to be careful about his king, but then so does White!'Two knights against two bishops in an open position! Before reaching any general conclusions it's important to take into account any concrete factors. Black has to be careful about his king, but then so does White!'Glenn

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looks a bit risky to Black, however the position is not clear at all.'' 'Now Black's bishop pair is compensated for by White's threats along the h-file. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Now Black's bishop pair is compensated for by White's threats along the h-file.''' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'looks a bit risky to Black, however the position is not clear at all.' Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Krasenkow, Michal: '!''Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!'' Of course, the exchange of queens is favourable for Black as his king becomes safe; that's why White avoids it. Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Of course, the exchange of queens is favourable for Black as his king becomes safe; that's why White avoids it. ''' ' '' occurred in Giri, A - Gelfand, B Tromso 2014. Now the Bulgarian expert on this line gives occurred in Giri, A - Gelfand, B Tromso 2014. Now the Bulgarian expert on this line gives 'Of course, the exchange of queens is favourable for Black as his king becomes safe; that's why White avoids it.

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'''' 21.Qg5 'Glenn Flear: 'No, thanks.'No, thanks. 'Glenn Flear: 'No, thanks.''No, thanks. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'No, thanks.'''' ' ''No, thanks. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'No, thanks.''' ' *(21.Nd4N e5* Krasenkow,Michal:

'!' *22.Nc2 Qxe3 23.Nxe3±*
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to the check on h7)'" *b4* 'followed by ...Bd7 with chances for both sides. Who then has the stronger attack? A good question that I will leave the reader to answer! Glenn Flear: 'followed by ...Bd7 with chances for both sides. Who then has the stronger attack? A good question that I will leave the reader to answer! Krasenkow,Michal: 'followed by ...Bd7 with chances for both sides. Who then has the stronger attack? A good question that I will leave the reader to answer!''') 24.Na4 Caruana,Fabiano: ', and faced with the dual threats of ♖af1 and ♖h4, Black will soon collapse.' *(24.Nce2 a5±)* **A3c323221)** 'Glenn Flear: 'Instead'Instead'Glenn Flear: 'Instead''Instead Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Instead"" ' "Instead Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Instead'" ' 24...Qd6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '🙁"Glenn Flear: ' costs a pawn:''costs a pawn: Krasenko'costs a pawn: Krasenkow, Michal: ' 🙁"Glenn Flear: 'costs a pawn:''costs a pawn: Krasenkow, Michal: ' 🙁 ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'costs a pawn:''' (preventing ♘a4-c5) Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '(preventing ♘a4-c5)'" ' w,Michal: ' 🙁' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'costs a pawn:''' ' '(preventing ♘a4-c5) Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '(preventing ♘a4-c5)'" 25.Qxd6 *(25.Qh4!? Bd7)* 25...exd6 26.Nc6 Re8 27.Nxb4 'Glenn Flear: 'OK, Black has decent play following'OK, Black has decent play following'Glenn Flear: 'OK, Black has decent play

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24...Bd7

Postny,Evgeny: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Glenn Flear: 'Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file.'Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file.'Glenn Flear: 'Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file.''Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear:

'Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file.''' ''Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black's enthusiasm to get his counterplay up and running has resulted in weaknesses along the c-file.''' Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' 25.Nc5 Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' Qb6 Caruana,Fabiano: '±' *(25...Qd6* During my preparation for the game I had considered White's position slightly better, but maybe Black could keep the balance even with *26.Qxd6!? cxd6 27.Nxd7 Rxd7 28.Nc6* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'now leads to a favourable position for White as his c6 knight dominates the queenside. The text move yields White the same benefit but keeps the queens on the board: Black aims to mount a counter-attack against White's king. However, this plan doesn't succeed.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'now leads to a favourable position for White as his c6 knight dominates the queenside. The text move yields White the same benefit but keeps the queens on the board: Black aims to mount a counter-attack against White's king. However, this plan doesn't succeed.*)* 26.Nxd7 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Rxd7 Caruana,Fabiano: '!?'

Caruana,Fabiano: 'is a clever trick. Now Black gets ... ♘c6 with tempo.' 27.Nc6 'Glenn Flear: 'A thorn in Black's side!'A thorn in Black's side!'Glenn Flear: 'A thorn in Black's side!''A thorn in Black's side! Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A thorn in Black's side!'"' ' "A thorn in Black's side! Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A thorn in Black's side!'" ' b3 28.a3 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: '1-0 (80) Giri,A (2745)-Gelfand,B (2753) Tromsoe 2014' *(28.axb3 Qxb3 29.Rd2 e6* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' *)* 28...Qc5 29.Rc1 Qe3 Black has finally occupied this square, meaning that White has really provided some help. The last move attacks the bishop and over-defends c4, threatening ...bxa4. 30.Qe1 Qd3+

'Glenn Flear: 'Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones.'Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones.'Glenn Flear: 'Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones.''Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones.'"' ' "Now it's Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Now it's

Black who avoids the exchange of queens! White's rooks would then be the stronger ones.''' '31.Ka1 And now he strikes on the opposite wing. e6 32.dxe6 With his rook trapped in the centre, it almost looks as if Black had been tricked, but... fxe6! The start of some spectacular mutual blows. 33.e5 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out 'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queenside. 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queensid'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queenside. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queenside.'" e." ' of touch with the queensid'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queenside. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Ensuring that the bishop on g7 is out of touch with the queenside.'" e." **A3c3232221)** 'Glenn Flear: 'A better chance is'A better chance is'Glenn Flear: 'A better chance is''A better chance is Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A better chance is'"' ''A better chance is Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A better chance is'"' ' 33...Kf7? Krasenkow,Michal: 'ᓂ"Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then 'as then after Krasenkow,Michal: 'ᓂ"Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then after''as then after Krasenkow, Michal: ' ᓂ ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then after'''' ' after''as then after Krasenkow,Michal:

'ם' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'as then after''' 'A terrible blunder. After the game, my young and talented opponent complained that, together with his trainer GM Constantin Ionescu, who hosted him during the tournament, he had had this variation on the board for a whole week! 34.Rc3!+- Marin,M (2527)-Vajda,L (2484) Bucharest 1999 CBM 070 [Marin,M] (1-0, 27) *(34.Rd1 Qxd1+ 35.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Rxd1 Rh8* Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *37.Rd7+ Kg8* 'Black avoids the exchange of rooks and can thus maintain a serious threat! Glenn Flear: 'Black avoids the exchange of rooks and can thus maintain a serious threat! Krasenkow, Michal: 'Black avoids the exchange of rooks and can thus maintain a serious threat!''' *)* 34...Qd5; **A3c3232222)** 33...g5 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '''Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!''Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '?!''' ' ?!' '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '?!''' ' 34.Rd1 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Krasenkow, Michal: '?!''Glenn Flear: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '?!''' ' '' *(34.Rc3* Krasenkow,Michal: 'ם!' *Qd5→ 35.Qg3* Szabo,Krisztian *Qd1+∞* I have always played *36.Rc1* , inspired by Nikolic's games and Dautov's annotations. I got a stable advantage each time, but maybe I need to re-consider the whole line. Mamedyarov could not have gone in empty-handed for this line, he surely had something, at least worked out in one practical game, as he frequently does

in the Breyer Ruy Lopez. Szabo, Krisztian: 'see Marin-L.Vajda, Bucharest 1999.' *Qd2 37.f4* So, Black has got himself serious weaknesses along the d-file, now he has to prove that his counterplay is good enough for compensating for the static problems. *Qxf4 38.Qxb3 Re8 39.Rcd1* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'with full domination. The simplifying text move may be insufficient for a win." Krasenkow, Michal: 'with full domination. The simplifying text move may be insufficient for a win.' *)* 34...Qxd1+ And now, we should not hurry to call it a day the other way around... 35.Qxd1! Hitting h7 and d4 simultaneously. Rxd1+ 36.Rxd1 'Glenn Flear: 'After the exchanges Black is left with several weaknesses, so White is on top, especially as the remaining rooks are about to be traded off.'After the exchanges Black is left with several weaknesses, so White is on top, especially as the remaining rooks are about to be traded off.'Glenn Flear: 'After the exchanges Black is left with several weaknesses, so White is on top, especially as the remaining rooks are about to be traded off.''After the exchanges Black is left with several weaknesses, so White is on top, especially as the remaining rooks are about to be traded off. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'After the exchanges Black is left with several weaknesses, so White is on top, especially as the remaining rooks are about to be traded off.'"' ' "After the exchanges Black is left with

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Szabo,Krisztian Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is unclear, e.g.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is unclear, e.g.' *39.Kb1!* and the ♗ has to go back. *Kg6* Szabo,Krisztian: '?' *40.Kc1 Rf8)* 37...Rxd8 38.Nxd8 a4 It may seem that the worse is over for White. In queen endings the number of pawns is less relevant than the rank of the passed pawns. Isn't the a5-pawn just as good as the c4-pawn? Well, almost, because a third element interferes, the king's safety. This detail alone, clearly favouring Black, decides the game. 39.Nxe6 Bxe5 40.Nxg5 'Glenn Flear: 'Two connected passed pawns on the kingside may seem like a major issue, but matters are not so clear because White's king is tied down to the defence of the b2-pawn.'Two connected passed pawns on the kingside may seem like a major issue, but matters are not so clear because White's king is tied down to the defence of the b2-pawn.'Glenn Flear: 'Two connected passed pawns on the kingside may seem like a major issue, but matters are not so clear because White's king is tied down to the defence of the b2-pawn.''Two connected passed pawns on the kingside may seem like a major issue, but matters are not so clear because White's king is tied down to the defence of the b2-pawn. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Two connected passed pawns on the kingside may seem like a major issue, but matters are not so clear because White's king is tied down to the defence of the b2-pawn.'''' ''Two

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41.f4 Be3 42.g3
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43.Ne4 Bd4
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make progress. The pawn ending after'" 44.Nc3-+ *(44.Kb1 Kg7 45.g4* 'White could hop around with his knight to eventually attack the a4 and c6-pawns. Glenn Flear: 'White could hop around with his knight to eventually attack the a4 and c6-pawns. Krasenkow, Michal: 'White could hop around with his knight to eventually attack the a4 and c6-pawns.'" *)* 44...Bxc3 45.bxc3!-+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is obviously drawn.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is obviously drawn. ';

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42...Kg7

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43.Ne6+ Kf6
44.Nxc7 Kf5
45.Nd5 Bf2
(45...Bd4 46.Nc3 Bxc3 47.bxc3 Szabo,Krisztian: '-+' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is now winning for White

due to his passed c3-pawn.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is now winning for White due to his passed c3-pawn.') 46.Nc3 Bxg3 47.Nxa4 Bf2 'Glenn Flear: 'A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn.'A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn. 'Glenn Flear: 'A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn.''A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn.'''' '' ''A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'A forlorn attempt to avoid losing his remaining pawn.''' ' 48.Nc3 Kxf4 49.Ne2+ Unpinning the pawn. If Ke4 50.Nc1 'Glenn Flear: 'A nice picture. White is restricted to a corner of the board, but is completely winning. Giri now shows a great deal of patience in gradually making progress whilst avoiding giving his opponent any chance of upsetting the apple-cart.'A nice picture. White is restricted to a corner of the board, but is completely winning. Giri now shows a great deal of patience in gradually making progress whilst avoiding giving his opponent any chance of upsetting the apple-cart. 'Glenn Flear: 'A nice picture. White is restricted to a corner of the board, but is completely winning. Giri now shows a great deal of patience in gradually making progress whilst avoiding giving his opponent any chance of upsetting the apple-cart.''A nice picture. White is restricted to a corner of the board, but is completely winning. Giri now

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do count! Kc4 56.Kc2 Bf8 57.Nb1 Szabo,Krisztian: '-+' Be7 58.Nd2+ Kb5 59.Kb3 Bf8 Szabo,Krisztian 60.Ne4-+ If 60...Bg7 61.Nc3+ Szabo,Krisztian: '-+' Black would soon deliver mate witb four queens on board. Kc5 followed by ...♕d6 or 62.Kc2 'Glenn Flear: 'Why hurry? I've got all evening...'Why hurry? I've got all evening...'Glenn Flear: 'Why hurry? I've got all evening...''Why hurry? I've got all evening... Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Why hurry? I've got all evening...'''' ' ''Why hurry? I've got all evening... Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Why hurry? I've got all evening...''' ' planning ...♖xd1 followed by ...♖d7 would have been more convincing. Kc4! Szabo,Krisztian was the strongest move, 63.b3+ Kd4 64.b4 Kc4 65.Nd1 Bf6 66.Nb2+ Kd5! 67.Kb3 Bd4-+ and White loses the d4 ♘. 68.a4 Kc6 69.Nd1 Bg1 Szabo,Krisztian: '!?' 70.Kc4□ Kb6! 71.Nc3 Bf2 72.Ne4 Bh4∓ 73.Nc5? Bg5 74.Ne6 Bh4 75.a5+ Ka6 76.Nc5+ Ka7≅ 77.b5! Szabo,Krisztian Bd8 78.Kb4-+ Bc7 Szabo,Krisztian: '?' 79.Ka4-+ Bd8 Szabo,Krisztian: '?!' 80.Ne6! 0-1 (80) Vachier Lagrave,M (2768)-Mamedyarov,S (2743) Tromsoe 2014 CBM 162 [Marin,Mihail] Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '1-0 (80) Giri,A (2745)-Gelfand,B (2753) Tromsoe 2014 CBM 162 [Krasenkow, Michal]";

B) 10...Qb4 11.Nb5 Qa4 *(11...Qxd2 12.Rxd2 Rd8 13.Nxc7 Rb8 14.d5 Ne5 15.b3 Bd7 16.Nb5 f5 17.Nxa7* 1-0 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Round_of_Applause (2604) Blitz 2023 *)* 12.Nxc7 Rb8 13.Bb5 Qb4 14.Qxb4 Nxb4 15.a3 Nc6 16.Ne2

e6 17.d5 Na5 18.d6 Nbc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Bxa7 Bd7 21.Bxb8 Rxb8 22.Nd4 b5 23.Na6 Rb6 24.Nc5 Rxd6 25.Nxd7 Bxd4 26.Nb8 e5 27.Rd3 Rb6 28.Nd7 Rd6 29.Nb8 Rb6 30.Rxd4 exd4 31.Nd7 Rd6 32.Nc5 d3 33.Rd1 d2 34.Nb3 Ne3 35.Rxd2 Rxd2 36.Nxd2 Nxg2 37.Kc2 h5 38.Kb3 Ne1 39.Kb4 Nd3+ 40.Kxb5 Nxb2 41.a4 Nxa4 42.Kxa4 Kg7 43.Kb4 Kf6 44.Kc4 Ke5 45.Kd3 Kf4 46.Ke2 g5 47.Kf2 f6 48.Ke2 g4 49.fxg4 hxg4 50.Kf2 f5 51.exf5 Kxf5 52.Kg3 Kg5 53.Nf1 Kh5 54.Ne3 Kg5 55.Nxg4 Kh5 56.Nf2 Kg5 57.h4+ Kh5 58.Kh3 Kg6 59.Kg4 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2771)-theonlyoneshoo (2651) Blitz 2023;

C) 10...e5 11.d5 *(11.Nb5 Qd7 12.d5 Nd8 13.h4 f5 14.h5 f4 15.Bc5 Re8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nh3 Nf7 18.d6 cxd6 19.Nxd6 Nxd6 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Bf8 22.Rxg6+ Kf7 23.Bxf8 Kxg6 24.Bd6 Re6 25.Bc5 Bd7 26.g3 Rc8 27.gxf4 Rec6 28.f5+ Kf6 29.Be3 Nc4 30.Bg5+ Kf7 31.Bxc4+ Rxc4 32.Rd1 Be8 33.Nf2 Rc2 34.Nd3 Rg2 35.Nxe5+ Kg8 36.Bc1 a5 37.b3 b5 38.Ng4 a4 39.Nf6+ Kf7 40.Ng4 axb3 41.axb3 b4 42.Ne5+ Kg8 43.Bb2 Rcc2 44.Nc4 Bf7 45.Rd8+ Be8 46.Rxe8+ Kf7 47.Nd6#* 1-0 (47) alumno (2672)-estocastico (2734) Blitz 2023*)* 11...Ne7 12.Nb5 Qd8 13.Rc1 c6 14.dxc6 Qxd2 15.Bxd2 Nxc6 16.Nc7 Rb8 17.Be3 Nd4 18.Ne2 Bd7 19.f4 Bc6 20.Nc3 Rbc8 21.N7d5 Nxd5 22.exd5 Bd7 23.Bd3 Nf5 24.Bd2 a6 25.Ne4 Rxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Rc8 27.Nc5 Be8 28.Nxb7 Rb8 29.Rc7 Nd4 30.Bxa6 e4 31.Bc3 Nb5 32.Bxb5 Bxb5 33.Bxg7 Kxg7 34.Nd6 Bd3+ 35.Kc1 e3 36.Rxf7+ Kg8 37.Re7 e2 38.Kd2 Ba6 39.b3 Rd8 40.Re8+ Rxe8 41.Nxe8 Kf7 42.Nc7 Bb7 43.Kxe2 1-0 (43) OnkelKonkel (2684)-FaridZeynalov86 (2567) Blitz 2021;

D) Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'The flexible' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'The flexible' 10...a6 Postny,Evgeny: '!?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: '!?'' Glenn Flear: 'This is analysed in detail by Kaufman (Sabotage the Grünfeld, NIC 2014), but may not have been previously played.' Glenn Flear: 'This is analysed in detail by Kaufman (Sabotage the Gr→nfeld, NIC 2014), but may not have been previously played.'' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'would be very interesting.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: '(Δ ♖d8)'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Basically, a novelty at the top level. In previous games 10...♖d8 was played automatically, including by Caruana himself. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Basically, a novelty at the top level. In previous games 10...♖d8 was played automatically, including by Caruana himself.''' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'would be very interesting.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Δ ♖d8, was more flexible'

D1) 11.b3 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran';

D2) 11.d5 Na5 *(11...Ne5*

12.Qf2 f5! [X ♕f2], giving Black a great counterplay *13.Bc5 Qf6 14.Nh3 h6∞)* 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bf2 Nac4 14.Qc2 Bh6 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Rd3 Bd7 17.Nge2 b5 Black easily won the theoretical battle, and reached a very good position but overall the position is very complicated. 18.h4! b4 19.Na4 Bb5 20.h5 Bg5 21.Nc5 Both sides have aggressive ideas. a5 22.hxg6 Qxg6 23.f4! exf4 24.Rdh3 f3 25.Nd4 *(25.gxf3 Nd2+ 26.Ka1 Bxe2 27.f4 Bxf4 28.Be1 Bg4 29.Bxd2 Bxd2 30.Rxh7 Be3 31.Qh2 Rae8 32.Rh8+ Kg7 33.Rh7+ Kg8 34.Rh8+ Kg7=)* 25...Nd2+ 26.Ka1 fxg2 27.Rg1 Bf1 28.Be3 Bxe3 29.Rxe3 Nc4 30.Re2! Ne5 31.Rexg2 Bxg2 32.Rxg2 Ng4 Highly complex tactics in this game... 33.Nd7? *(33.Nf5 Kh8 34.a4 Rg8 35.Qd1 h5 36.Qf3⩱)* 33...h5? *(33...Ne3!! 34.Rxg6+ fxg6* Wins on the spot.*)* 34.Nxf8 Rxf8 35.Nf5 Re8 36.Rg1 Kh7 Black defended well and now the position is about balanced, but it is White who has to play precise moves. 37.Rc1?! *(37.Qc4 a4 38.Kb1 a3 39.Qd4 Re5 40.Qxb4 Rxf5 41.exf5 Qxf5+ 42.Ka1 Ne3 43.Qc3 Nc2+ 44.Kb1 Nd4+ 45.Ka1 Nc2+ 46.Kb1=)* 37...Nf6! 38.Qxc7 Rxe4∓ 39.Ne7 *(39.d6 Nd5! 40.Qc6 Qe6∓)* 39...Qg5 40.Qc2 Qe5 41.d6 Qxd6-+ 42.Nc6 Qd5 43.Rd1 Qc4 44.Qxc4 Rxc4 45.Nxa5 Rf4 46.Nc6 h4 47.a4 bxa3 48.b4 Ne4 49.Rh1 Nc3 50.Rc1 Nd5 51.b5 Rf2 52.Rc4 Kg7 53.Nb4 Nxb4 54.Rxb4 h3 55.b6 h2 56.Rb1 Rb2 57.Rh1 f5 58.b7 Rxb7 59.Rxh2 Kf6 0-1 (59) Aronian,L (2729)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2718) Zagreb CRO 2024 [Milos, Pavlovic];

D3) 11.Bf4 e5 12.dxe5 Qxd2 13.Rxd2 Nxe5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Rxd5 f6 16.Bxe5 fxe5 17.Bc4 Be6 18.Rc5 Bxc4 19.Rxc4 c6 20.Ne2 Rad8 21.Rc2 Rd3 22.Nc1 Rd6 23.Nb3 Rfd8 24.Nc5 Bh6 25.b4 Rd1+ 26.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 27.Kb2 b5 28.Nxa6 Be3 29.Nb8 Bd4+ 30.Kb3 Rd3+ 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-notkevich (2669) Blitz 2022;

D4) Mekhitarian,K: 'a)' 11.f4!? I thought about this idea during the game, it seems possible Bg4 12.Nf3 *(12.Be2* Mekhitarian,K *Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Nxd4 14.Qf2 c5 15.Nf3 Nc4 16.e5 Qc6 17.Bxd4 cxd4 18.Nxd4 Qc5∞)* 12...Qb4 13.a3 Qb3 14.Qc2 Qxc2+ 15.Kxc2 e6 16.Be2 Rad8=;

D5) 11.h4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'N!' 'N!' 'N!' 'N!'' Postny,Evgeny: 'In the only previous game White chose 11. b3, but there is no reason to play it now, as Black hasn't even created the threat of a knight move to c4 yet. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'In the only previous game White chose 11.b3, but there is no reason to play it now, as Black hasn't even created the threat of a knight move to c4 yet.'' 11...Rd8 Marin,Mihail: '!?'

Marin,Mihail: 'Ten years ago, I had the privilege of facing this rare move (it had been played only once before) in a game against the idol of my youth, Viktor Lvovich Korchnoi.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I hadn't expected this, but I remembered some old analysis I had done. I hadn't expected this, but I remembered some old analysis I had done. Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'I hadn't expected this, but I remembered some old analysis I had done.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'I hadn't expected this, but I remembered some old analysis I had done.''' *(11...Qb4 12.Bh6 Bxd4 13.Bxf8 Kxf8 14.Bd3 Be6 15.Nge2 Bg7 16.h5 Rd8 17.a3 Qc5 18.Qc1 Bb3 19.Bc2 Rxd1 20.Rxd1 Bc4 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.f4 e5 23.f5 Nd4 24.Nxd4 exd4 25.Na4 Qc6 26.Nxb6 Qxb6 27.fxg6 Qxg6 28.Qf4 Qb6 29.e5 c5 30.Re1 Qa5 31.Rh1 Qc7 32.Rh5 Be2 33.Rf5 Bc4 34.Qg3 Qb6 35.Rh5 d3 36.Bd1 Qe6 37.Rg5 Qh6 38.e6 Bxe6 39.Qd6+ Ke8 40.Qb8+ Ke7 41.Qxb7+ Kf6 42.Rxc5 Qe3 43.Qf3+ Qxf3 44.gxf3 Bh6 45.Rc6 Ke5 46.Rxa6 Kd4 47.a4 Kc5* 1-0 (47) Ingersol,H (2695)-Schott, D IECC email 2015*)* 12.d5 Marin,Mihail: 'I also reacted this way.' *(12.e5 Bf5+ 13.Ka1 Qb4 14.g4 Be6 15.Qc2 Nxd4* 0-1 (15) gg-gm-gmg (2655)-MikeGScarn (2766) Blitz 2020 *)*

D5a) Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman instead examines two alternatives: 1)'' 12...Na5 Marin,Mihail: '½-½ (20) Poluljahov,A (2525)-Brodsky,M (2527) Krasnodar 2001' Postny,Evgeny: 'is an improvement for the next game. It seems that Black has adequate counterplay. For instance:'

D5a1) 13.Bd4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E''

D5a11) 13...Nbc4 14.Qc1 Marin,Mihail: '+-' Marin,Mihail: 'White wins material' e5 Postny,Evgeny: ' ∞' 15.Bf2 b5 *(15...Qb4 16.h5* Volokitin,Andrei: '!' *Bh6 17.Bc5* Volokitin,Andrei: '±!' *)* 16.h5 Bd7 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Na4 c6 20.Nb6 Be6 21.Nxa8 cxd5 22.Nb6 Nxb6 23.Qc5 d4 24.Qxd6 Rxd6 25.b3 a5 26.Be1 a4 27.Kb2 Rd8 28.Bb4 Ra8 29.Ne2 f5 30.Rb1 Bf6 31.Rhc1 axb3 32.axb3 Nc4+ 33.bxc4 bxc4 34.Nc3 dxc3+ 35.Bxc3 fxe4 36.fxe4 Bd7 37.Ra1 Bc6 38.Rxa8+ Bxa8 39.Re1 Kf7 40.Ka3 Be7+ 41.Ka4 Bc6+ 42.Ka5 Ke6 43.Kb6 Ba4 44.Re2 Bb3 45.Kb5 Bg5 46.g3 Bf6 47.Bd2 Be7 48.Bc1 Bd1 49.Rf2 c3 50.Kc4 c2 51.Rh2 Bf3 52.Kd3 Bd1 53.Rh8 Bd6 54.Rc8 Ke7 55.Kc4 Ke6 56.Ra8

Bf3 57.Kd3 Bd1 58.Bg5 Be7 59.Ra6+ Bd6 60.Rb6 Bf3 61.Rc6 Bd1 62.Ra6 Bf3 63.Bc1 Kd7 64.Ra8 Ke7 65.Rg8 Kf7 66.Rc8 Bd1 67.Rc6 Ke7 68.Kc4 Bg4 69.Rb6 Kd7 70.Rb2 Bd1 71.Rb7+ Bc7 72.Kd3 Bf3 73.Ra7 Bg2 74.Bg5 Bf3 75.Ra8 Bd6 76.Ra2 Bd1 77.Ra7+ Ke6 78.Rg7 Ba3 79.Rxg6+ Kf7 80.Rf6+ Ke8 81.Rc6 Kf7 82.Rxc2 Bxc2+ 83.Kxc2 1-0 (85) EDSPBOT (2757)-RaspFish (2916) Rapid 2023;

D5a12) 13...Nac4 Marin,Mihail: '!' 14.Qc1 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' e5 Postny,Evgeny: ' ∞' 15.Bf2 Glenn Flear Qb4 16.g4 Volokitin,Andrei: ' ±!' Bd7 17.Ka1 c6 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Nge2;

D5a2) note that here 13.Qf2 (Glenn Flear) isn't very effective because of Bxc3 14.bxc3 Na4 with strong counterplay;

D5a3) 13.b3 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E'' 13...Qb4 Marin,Mihail: ' ±!?' 14.Nce2 Marin,Mihail: ' ±!?' Qa3 Marin,Mihail: ' ±' Caruana, Fabiano: '+-' 15.Qc1 Nac4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 16.Nd4 *(16.bxc4* Postny,Evgeny: '?' *Qb4+ 17.Kc2 Bd7* Postny,Evgeny: '→' Marin,Mihail: 'When we reached this position in our analysis, Korchnoi suddenly expressed his loss of interest with the brief evaluation: "Lost!" Indeed, After' *)* 16...Qxc1+ 17.Bxc1 c5 18.Nc2 Nd6 Postny,Evgeny: '=';

D5b) and 2) 12...Qb4 Glenn Flear 13.a3 *(13.Qf2?? Bxc3)* 13...Qb3 14.Qc2 Qxc2+ 15.Kxc2 Ne5 16.h5 In both cases he prefers White, but I suspect that he is being too optimistic. In my opinion, Black is OK in both of these lines. Glenn Flear: 'In both cases he prefers White, but I suspect that he is being too optimistic. In my opinion, Black is OK in both of these lines.';

D5c) 12...Ne5 Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: '?'' Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'I suspect that this natural move is imprecise.' Glenn Flear: 'I suspect that this natural move is imprecise.'' Marin,Mihail: 'N' Marin,Mihail: 'At first sight, this new plan offers Black easy play, but things are by far less simple than that.' 13.Qf2 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Here however this seems quite promising.' Glenn Flear: 'Here however this seems quite promising.'' Milos,Pavlovic: '↑' Milos,Pavlovic: '1-0 (33) Caruana,F (2844)-Svidler,P (2732) Baku 2014'

Postny,Evgeny: 'Now White gets desirable regrouping and Black is not in time to create any counterplay. Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Now White gets desirable regrouping and Black is not in time to create any counterplay.''' Caruana, Fabiano: 'I prefer this to 13.e5, which is more popular and also critical. Now Black's knight looks a little bit strange on a5. I prefer this to 13.e5, which is more popular and also critical. Now Black's knight looks a little bit strange on a5. Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'I prefer this to 13. e5, which is more popular and also critical. Now Black's knight looks a little bit strange on a5.'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'I prefer this to 13.e5, which is more popular and also critical. Now Black's knight looks a little bit strange on a5.'''

D5c1) Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'After'' 13...Nec4 14.Bc5 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Not' 14...Qf6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black's counterplay can be slowed down with' Glenn Flear: 'Black's counterplay can be slowed down with'' Caruana, Fabiano: '?' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 15.Bxc4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' *(15.h5* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *Nxb2* Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' *16.Qxb2* Caruana,Fabiano: '??' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *Qxc3* Caruana,Fabiano: 'just wins a piece.' *17.Qxc3* Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan' *Bxc3 18.Bxe7 Re8 19.Ne2* Postny,Evgeny: ' ⩲'*; 15.Bd4* Glenn Flear *e5 16.Bc5* when it would be prudent to respond with *h5* in any case.*)* 15...Nxc4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 16.Nge2 Postny,Evgeny: 'is a very harmonious setup for White with good chances for a successful attack on the kingside.';

D5c2) 13...h5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Svidler decides to close the h-file, rather than face a strong attack.' Glenn Flear: 'Svidler decides to close the h-file, rather than face a strong attack.'' Caruana,Fabiano: '?!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: '?!'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: '?!''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'This move looks really weird to me. The knight on a5 is now completely trapped, and often in danger of being lost.

However, it is quite a concrete move, since Black is just trying to play d5, and is willing to live with the knight on a5 for a few moves. This move looks really weird to me. The knight on a5 is now completely trapped, and often in danger of being lost. However, it is quite a concrete move, since Black is just trying to play d5, and is willing to live with the knight on a5 for a few moves. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'This move looks really weird to me. The knight on a5 is now completely trapped, and often in danger of being lost. However, it is quite a concrete move, since Black is just trying to play d5, and is willing to live with the knight on a5 for a few moves.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'This move looks really weird to me. The knight on a5 is now completely trapped, and often in danger of being lost. However, it is quite a concrete move, since Black is just trying to play d5, and is willing to live with the knight on a5 for a few moves.''' 14.Bc5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'N' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'N!' 'N!' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'N'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'N''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I hadn't prepared for 13...♗c6, but I nevertheless found a good novelty! I hadn't prepared for 13...♗c6, but I nevertheless found a good novelty! Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'I hadn't prepared for 13...♗c6, but I nevertheless found a good novelty!'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'I hadn't prepared for 13...♗c6, but I nevertheless found a good novelty!''' Qf6 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Otherwise there is no point behind White's play.

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''' 15.Bd4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '⩲' '⩲' '⩲' '⩲'

D5c21) 15...e6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E'' 16.Qg3 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Marin, Mihail: '?!' Caruana, Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'This is not the only way, but it is the most convincing. This is not the only way, but it is the most convincing. Martinovic,Slobodan:

'Caruana,F: 'This is not the only way, but it is the most convincing.'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'This is not the only way, but it is the most convincing.''' *(* Postny,Evgeny: 'But not' *16.f4* Postny,Evgeny: '?' *Ng4 17.Bxf6 Nxf2* Marin,Mihail: '!' *18.Bxd8 Bxc3* Postny,Evgeny: '∓' Marin,Mihail: ' ± ' Marin,Mihail: 'Here, too, Korchnoi shrugged his shoulders and issued the same evaluation: "Lost!" This time it is an exaggeration, of course, but Black's position is rather unpleasant despite his extra exchange. The white bishops are just too strong.' *)*;

D5c22) 15...Bd7 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E'' 16.g4 Postny,Evgeny: ' ± !' Postny,Evgeny: 'The same idea followed in the game.';

D5c23) 15...Qd6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic, Zoran: 'Diagram

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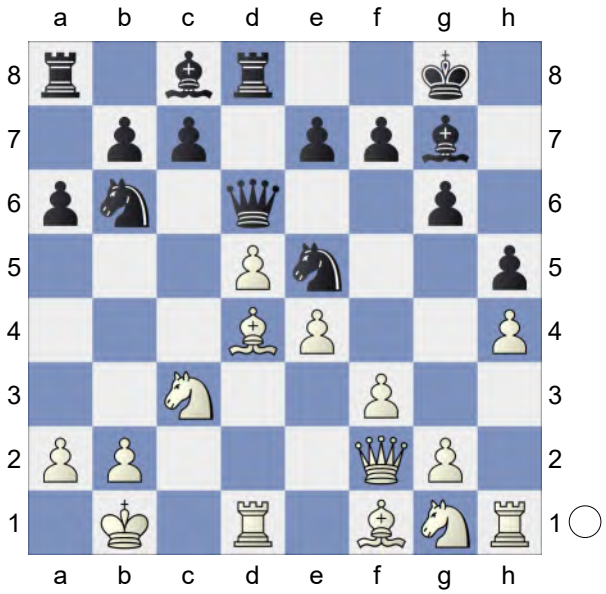


'' Caruana,Fabiano: '?!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: '?' '?' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: '?!'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: '?!''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'This move was based on a miscalculation. Black probably should have played 15...♘d7, but that is obviously an admission of defeat. This move was based on a miscalculation. Black probably should have played 15...♘d7, but that is obviously an admission of defeat. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'This move was based on a miscalculation. Black probably should have played 15...♘d7, but that is obviously an admission of defeat.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'This

move was based on a miscalculation. Black probably should have played 15...♘d7, but that is obviously an admission of defeat.''' 16.g4 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny, Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Cracking open the kingside.' Glenn Flear: 'Cracking open the kingside.'' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: '!' '!'' hxg4 17.f4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '!' '!' '!' '!'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Now the g4-square is occupied, so the knight has to retreat. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Now the g4-square is occupied, so the knight has to retreat.''' Marin, Mihail: 'Despite simplifications, White retains a slight edge. The threat a5-a6 with huge gain of space is unpleasant, the same as White's control on the light squares.'

D5c231) 17...Nec4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Bxc4 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Nxc4 20.Qd4+ e5 21.Qxc4 exf4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'This was the defence we tried to make work during the post mortem, but then we found This was the defence we tried to make work during the post mortem, but then we found Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'This was the defence we tried to make work during the post mortem, but then we found'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'This was the defence we tried to make work during the post mortem, but then we found''' 22.Nge2 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: ', which blocks off ...♘f5 and prepares a deadly ♕h6. , which blocks off ...♘f5 and prepares a deadly ♕h6. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: ', which blocks off ...♘f5 and prepares a deadly ♕h6.'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: ', which blocks off ...♘f5 and prepares a deadly ♕h6.'' f3 *(22...Rh8 23.Qd4+* Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and ♖ad1 next wins. , and ♖ad1 next wins. Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: ', and ♖ad1 next wins.'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: ', and ♖ad1

next wins.''' *f6 24.Qf2 f3 25.Nd4* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±')
23.h5 Postny,Evgeny: '!' fxe2 24.Nxe2 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' g5 25.Qc3+ f6 26.h6+ Postny,Evgeny: '±';

D5c232) 17...Ned7 Marin,Mihail: 'Transforming the c-pawn into a potential danger.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Loek was forced to play this, but he was clearly not happy about it. Loek was forced to play this, but he was clearly not happy about it. Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'Loek was forced to play this, but he was clearly not happy about it.'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'Loek was forced to play this, but he was clearly not happy about it.'''

D5c2321) Postny,Evgeny: 'Either Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Either''' 18.h5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'' Marin,Mihail: 'Black's bishop pair and the weakness of the c3-square compensate for the compact and mobile centre.' Marin,Mihail: 'But during the post mortem Korchnoi asked me: "Why did you not play' 18...Bxd4 Marin,Mihail: '"? I believe he was right, this move looks more promising than our current min game continuation.' *(18...Nf8* Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *19.e5 Bf5+ 20.Ka1 Qb4 21.h6 Bh8* Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black faces a tough defence in this endgame.' *22.h7+* Postny,Evgeny: '+-') 19.Rxd4 g5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *(19...Nf8* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *20.Nge2* Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'and White maintains his centre whilst building up his attack." *Bd7* Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Zoran'' Caruana,Fabiano: '!' *21.Ng3* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±')

20.fxg5 Ne5 21.Rd1 Bd7 22.Nge2 Postny,Evgeny: '±';
D5c2322)
Postny,Evgeny: 'or Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'or''' 18.Nge2
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: '!'' Postny,Evgeny: 'were very attractive for White, keeping all the benefits. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'were very attractive for White, keeping all the benefits.''' Bxd4
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *(18...Nf8*
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *19.h5 gxh5 20.Rxh5 Ng6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7*
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Even here Black will suffer from his awful knight' *22.Qd4+*
Postny,Evgeny: ' ±'*; 18...e5*
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *19.dxe6*
Caruana,Fabiano: ', and White threatens both b4 and ♖c7.' *Qxe6 20.h5 Nf6 21.Qh4*
Postny,Evgeny: ' ±'*)*

19.Nxd4
Caruana,Fabiano: '!'
Caruana,Fabiano: 'I like this move, finally getting the knight into play - with strong effect.' Qf6 20.Qg3
Postny,Evgeny: ' ±'
Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black has taken over the initiative.';
D5c2323) 18.e5
Postny,Evgeny: '?'
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: '?''' Caruana, Fabiano: '?!'
Postny,Evgeny: 'Too hasty. Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Too hasty.''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'A big mistake losing a large part of the advantage. A big mistake losing a large part of the advantage. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'A big mistake losing a large part of the advantage.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'A big mistake losing a large part of the advantage.''' 18...Nxe5
Postny,Evgeny: '!'

Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Giving up a piece for pawns and some freedom of movement. Arsovic, Zoran: '!''' Postny,Evgeny: 'Fabiano clearly underestimated this piece sacrifice, even though it is forced. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Fabiano clearly underestimated this piece sacrifice, even though it is forced.''' *(* Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Otherwise'' *18...Qb4* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E' Glenn Flear: 'is the only alternative:'' *19.h5* Postny,Evgeny: 'is what White is aiming for. Black must ruin White's centre at any cost.' *c5* Glenn Flear *20.dxc6 Nc5 21.c7! Rd7 22.Bxc5 Rxd1+ 23.Nxd1 Qe4+ 24.Ka1 Qxh1 25.Bxb6* seems to favour White (two knights and a big passed pawn for a rook). Glenn Flear: 'seems to favour White (two knights and a big passed pawn for a rook).'*)* 19.fxe5 Caruana,Fabiano: ' ? ! ' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Another inaccurate move. Another inaccurate move. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'Another inaccurate move.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'Another inaccurate move.''' Bxe5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'It's hard to judge such positions but, as a general rule, in middlegames I would prefer to have the piece.' Glenn Flear: 'It's hard to judge such positions but, as a general rule, in middlegames I would prefer to have the piece.'' Marin, Mihail: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Now matters became very unclear. Black has three pawns for a piece, while White has lost his domination in the centre.

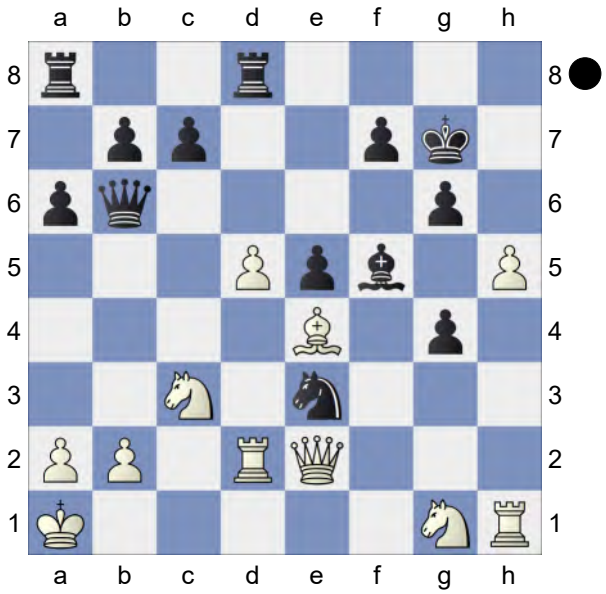
Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Now matters became very unclear. Black has three pawns for a piece, while White has lost his domination in the centre.
"" 20.Bg2 Bxd4
Caruana,Fabiano: '⇄!' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: '!' '!' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: '⇄!" Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: '⇄!""
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Now, surprisingly, Black has perfectly adequate play.
Now, surprisingly, Black has perfectly adequate play.
Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'Now, surprisingly, Black has perfectly adequate play.
'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'Now, surprisingly, Black has perfectly adequate play.
"" *(20...Qf6*
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *21.Nge2 Qxf2 22.Bxf2 Bf5+ 23.Kc1 Nc4*
Postny,Evgeny: '∞')
21.Rxd4
Marin,Mihail: 'This leads to complete simpflifying and a draw.' *(21.Qxd4 Bf5+ 22.Ka1 e5 23.Qf2 Nc4)*
21...Bf5+ 22.Ka1 e5
Marin,Mihail: '='
Caruana,Fabiano: 'A very logical, human move, bringing back the wayward knight.
A very logical, human move, bringing back the wayward knight.
Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'A very logical, human move, bringing back the wayward knight.
'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'A very logical, human move, bringing back the wayward knight.
"" 23.Rd1
Caruana,Fabiano: 'I was optimistic after I found this move, because it seemed like I was starting to generate some serious threats - f5 and ♘e5. But Loek defended calmly. I was optimistic after I found this move, because it seemed like I was starting to

generate some serious threats - f5 and ♘e5. But Loek defended calmly. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'I was optimistic after I found this move, because it seemed like I was starting to generate some serious threats - f5 and ♘e5. But Loek defended calmly.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'I was optimistic after I found this move, because it seemed like I was starting to generate some serious threats - f5 and ♘e5. But Loek defended calmly.''' Caruana, Fabiano: 'is much less clear:' Nc4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black has to activate before the h-file opens in his face.' Glenn Flear: 'Black has to activate before the h-file opens in his face.'' Postny,Evgeny: 'would transpose to the same position as in the game.' 24.h5 Qb6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Offering the trade of queens. Arsovic, Zoran: '!'' Glenn Flear: 'Offering the trade of queens.'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'It's important to eliminate the d3-bishop. This leads to a forcing line which we both calculated to the end. It's important to eliminate the d3-bishop. This leads to a forcing line which we both calculated to the end. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F: 'It's important to eliminate the d3-bishop. This leads to a forcing line which we both calculated to the end. '' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'It's important to eliminate the d3-bishop. This leads to a forcing line which we both calculated to the end. '" *(Instead, after the following moves, 24...Qb4* Glenn Flear *25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Be4 Kg7 27.Bxf5 gxf5 28.Rb1* Black's kingside is too exposed.*)*

25.Qe2 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: '!'' Glenn Flear: 'White needs to keep queens on.'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Obviously, White must keep the queens on the board to retain attacking chances. Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Obviously, White must keep the queens on the board to retain attacking chances.''' *(25.Qxb6* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' Caruana, Fabiano: '?' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana, F'' *cxb6* Postny,Evgeny: 'In the endgame Black has potentially three connected passers!' *)* 25...Ne3 **D5c23231)** 26.Rc1 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' Marin, Mihail: '!?' Postny,Evgeny: 'was probably better, as the rook may be more useful on the c-file. The position is immensely complex.' g5 Postny,Evgeny: '!?' *(26...Kg7* Caruana,Fabiano: ', because of' *27.Be4* Caruana,Fabiano: '!' *Bxe4 28.Nxe4 Qd4* Marin,Mihail: '∓' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M (2511)-Kortschnoj,V (2601) Barcelona 2004 (½-½, 42)' *29.Ng3* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Marin,Mihail: 'may be a better try to keep the position complicated.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and the position is not very clear because the knight on c8 has no way back.' *)* 27.h6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' *(* Caruana,Fabiano: 'I'm much less convinced by' *27.Na4* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *Qd4* Postny,Evgeny: 'Black has this resource here, compared to 26. ♖d2.' *)* 27...Qd4

28.Nd1 Nxg2 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' *(28...Nxd5 29.Bxd5 Rxd5* Caruana,Fabiano: ' + - ' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Or' *30.Qe3* Postny,Evgeny: '±!' *)* 29.Qxg2 Marin,Mihail: '+-' Marin,Mihail: 'Korchnoi's continuation looks very natural:' 29...Qe4 Caruana,Fabiano: ' ! ' Caruana,Fabiano: 'is another brilliant point behind 19.♘d5. The second knight sacrifice is really devastating! is another brilliant point behind 19.♘d5. The second knight sacrifice is really devastating! Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'is another brilliant point behind 19.♘d5. The second knight sacrifice is really devastating!'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'is another brilliant point behind 19.♘d5. The second knight sacrifice is really devastating!''' *(29...Be4 30.Qf1 Qd2 31.Ne2 Bf3 32.Ndc3* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±'*)* 30.Qh2 g3 31.h7+ Bxh7 32.Qh5 Qg6 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' 33.Qh3 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Rxd5 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Marin,Mihail: 'Black has no problems at all, but White will manage to get some for himself.' 34.Ne3 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F"; **D5c23232)** 26.Rd2 Kg7 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: '!''' *(26...gxh5* Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' *27.Rxh5 Qg6 28.Qxe3* Postny,Evgeny: '!' *Qxh5 29.Nge2* Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Postny,Evgeny: 'White is behind in

material, but his initiative is coming.'; Caruana,Fabiano: 'I'd prefer to avoid the crazy complications arising after' *26...g5* Postny,Evgeny: '?!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E" Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *27.Na4 Qa7 28.Qf2* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Marin,Mihail: '1-0 Ribli,Z (2554)-Lauber,A (2465) Germany 2012') 27.Be4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '



' Arsovic,Zoran: '♘'

D5c232321) Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Simplest is'' 27...Bxe4 28.Nxe4

D5c2323211) 28...Rxd5 Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: '?''' 29.Rxd5 Marin,Mihail: 'The black bishop experiences chronic discomfort.' (if *29.h6+* Glenn Flear *Kh8* then Black's king is safe; after *29.hxg6* Glenn Flear *Rxd2 30.Nxd2 Rd8! 31.Qh2* Black has a draw: *Nc2+ 32.Kb1 Na3+ 33.Ka1 Nc2+*) 29...Nxd5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Black has to sacrifice the exchange to remain in contact with f6. Black has to sacrifice the exchange to remain in contact with f6. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'Black has to sacrifice the exchange to remain in contact with f6.'' Martinovic,

Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'Black has to sacrifice the exchange to remain in contact with f6.''' 30.Qxg4 Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: ' ±'" f5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' 31.Qd1 Caruana,Fabiano: ', but Black will not survive here. For example, , but Black will not survive here. For example, Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: ', but Black will not survive here. For example,'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: ', but Black will not survive here. For example,''' Qc6 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '=' '=' Glenn Flear: 'Black's king isn't in danger and he has three healthy pawns for the piece. Arsovic,Zoran: '!'' Glenn Flear: 'Black's king isn't in danger and he has three healthy pawns for the piece. " 32.Nf2 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Zoran'' Ne3 33.Qd2 Rd8 Postny,Evgeny: '!' 34.Qxe3 Qxh1 35.Qxe5+ Kh6 36.Qe3+ Kg7 37.Qe7+ Postny,Evgeny: '=';

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28...Qb5

Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' 29.h6+ Kf8 30.Nf3 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Qxe2 31.Rxe2 gxf3 32.Rxe3 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' f5 33.Rxf3 Rxd5 34.Rc1 c6 35.Kb1 Postny,Evgeny: '±';

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28...f5

Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Zoran'' Marin,Mihail: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: 'Besides precise calculation, such play requires a lot

of optimism!'
29.Ng5
Caruana,Fabiano:
'∞' Kf6
Postny,Evgeny: '!'
Postny,Evgeny:
'Arsovic,Zoran:
'Postny,E" Caruana,
Fabiano: '?'
Caruana,Fabiano:
'Martinovic,
Slobodan' (
29...gxh5
Postny,Evgeny:
'Arsovic,Zoran'
30.Ne6+ Kf6
Caruana,Fabiano:
'±' *31.Nxd8 Rxd8*
32.Rxh5 Nc2+
Caruana,Fabiano:
'+-' *33.Kb1*
Caruana,Fabiano:
' ! '
Caruana,Fabiano:
'would have been
almost crushing.
would have been
almost crushing.
Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana,F: 'would
have been almost
crushing.''
Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana: 'would
have been almost
crushing.''' *Na3+*
Caruana,Fabiano:
'This is Black's best
chance, but
White's attack is
too strong. This is
Black's best
chance, but
White's attack is
too strong.''
Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana,F: 'This is
Black's best
chance, but
White's attack is
too strong.''
Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana: 'This is
Black's best
chance, but
White's attack is
too strong.'''
34.Ka1
Caruana,Fabiano:
' ! ! '
Caruana,Fabiano:
'A really brilliant
shot! The knight
sacrifices itself,
clearing the way for
c3! A really brilliant
shot! The knight
sacrifices itself,
clearing the way for
c3! Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana,F: 'A
really brilliant shot!
The knight
sacrifices itself,
clearing the way for
c3!'' Martinovic,
Slobodan:
'Caruana: 'A really
brilliant shot! The
knight sacrifices
itself, clearing the

way for c3!''' *Nc2+* Postny,Evgeny: '='; *29...Qb5* Postny,Evgeny: '!?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran') 30.Nh7+ Kg7 31.Qh2 Postny,Evgeny: '!' f4 32.Qh4 g5 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Marin,Mihail: ' ±' 33.Nxg5 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'With ...e6-e5 in the air, it would have made sense to keep the c3-knight close to the d5-square.' 33...Rxd5 34.N1f3 Postny,Evgeny: '!' *(34.Rxd5 Nc2+ 35.Kb1* Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: ' ±''±' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'would have still promised White an advantage. would have still promised White an advantage. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'would have still promised White an advantage.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'would have still promised White an advantage.''' *Na3+* Postny,Evgeny: '=' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan') 34...Rxd2 Marin,Mihail: ' ±' *(34...gxf3* Postny,Evgeny: '?' Marin,Mihail: '?' *35.h6+ Kf6 36.Nxf3+ Ke6 37.Rc1* Postny,Evgeny: '→') 35.Nxd2 Marin,Mihail: 'does not solve all Black's problems either.' Nc2+ 36.Kb1 Na3+ Marin,Mihail: ' ±' 37.Kc1 Marin,Mihail: '△?!' Qc6+ 38.Kd1 Qc2+ Marin,Mihail: '±' 39.Ke1 Caruana,Fabiano: '+-' Qc1+ Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: '!' '!' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: '!?'' Martinovic, Slobodan:

'Caruana: '!?''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'might have been a bit more challenging, although Black doesn't seem to have any problems, because, despite his weak king, all his pieces are working very well. might have been a bit more challenging, although Black doesn't seem to have any problems, because, despite his weak king, all his pieces are working very well. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'might have been a bit more challenging, although Black doesn't seem to have any problems, because, despite his weak king, all his pieces are working very well.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'might have been a bit more challenging, although Black doesn't seem to have any problems, because, despite his weak king, all his pieces are working very well.'" 40.Ke2 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' f3+ Caruana,Fabiano: '±' 41.Ngxf3 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' gxf3+ Caruana,Fabiano: '±' 42.Nxf3 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' Qc4+ 43.Qxc4 Nxc4 Postny,Evgeny: '=' Caruana,Fabiano: '± ' Caruana, Fabiano: ' → ' Marin,Mihail: 'White has some slight pressure, which is typical for this variation. But the next move is a serious mistake, leading to a surprising situation with white domination despite the symmetrycal structure and the reduced material on the board!';

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27...Rh8

Postny,Evgeny: '?' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear:

'Arsovic,Zoran: '?'" Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'After a series of strong moves in a critical moment Svidler goes astray and his position collapses quickly. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'After a series of strong moves in a critical moment Svidler goes astray and his position collapses quickly.'"

D5c2323221)

28.Bxf5

Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' Caruana,Fabiano: 'can only be worse for White.' gxf5 29.Rd3 f4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' 30.Rxe3 Qxe3 *(30...fxe3 31.Qxg4+ Kf8 32.Nge2* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 31.Qxg4+ Caruana,Fabiano: 'may be promising for White.' Kh6 *(31...Kf8* Caruana,Fabiano: 'should be okay for Black, but the play continues, and he still has to prove he has full equality.' *32.Nf3* Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' *Rg8 33.Ng5* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 32.Qh4 Kg7 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 33.Nh3 Postny,Evgeny: '+-';

D5c2323222)

28.Rd3

Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'' Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Now Black has to go backwards. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Now Black has to go backwards.''' Caruana,Fabiano: 'This is forced, and leads to a funny perpetual. This is forced, and leads to a funny perpetual. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'This is forced, and leads to a funny perpetual.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'This is forced, and leads

to a funny perpetual.''' 28...Nc4 *(28...Bxe4* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *29.Nxe4 Nc4 30.Ng3* Postny,Evgeny: '±' *)* 29.b3 *(29.Bxf5* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *gxf5* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: '- 28.Bf5 Arsovic, Zoran: '- 28.♗f5'' *30.Rg3* Postny,Evgeny: ' ±' Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' *)*

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29...Rxh5

Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'is the best chance, noting that the knight on g1 is hanging:' Glenn Flear: 'is the best chance, noting that the knight on g1 is hanging:'' 30.Rxh5 Caruana,Fabiano: '-+' Bxe4 Caruana,Fabiano: '?' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 31.Nxe4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'' *(31.bxc4* Glenn Flear *gxh5;* but not *31.Qxe4?* Glenn Flear *Qxg1+ 32.Rd1 Qe3!* which is even better for Black Glenn Flear: 'which is even better for Black' *)* 31...gxh5 32.bxc4

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32...f5

Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran Glenn Flear: 'comes to the same thing'' 33.Nc5 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Arsovic,Zoran'' *(33.c5* Glenn Flear *Qh6 34.Nd2 h4* when the pawns offer some practical chances, even if it's hard to believe that it should be enough. Glenn Flear: 'when the pawns offer some practical chances, even if it's hard to believe that it should be enough.' *)* 33...Qxc5 34.Qxe5+ Kg8 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: '?' '?'' Caruana,Fabiano:

'is met by the only move is met by the only move Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'is met by the only move'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'is met by the only move'''
35.Ne2
Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: '!'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: '!''' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black is better , and Black is better Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: ', and Black is better'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: ', and Black is better'''
Qd6
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan' *(35...Qf8 36.Nd4 Re8 37.Ne6 Qh6 38.Kb2*
Caruana,Fabiano: '∓' *f4*
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *39.Qf5*
Caruana,Fabiano: 'gives White nothing.' *f3*
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *40.Rd4*
Postny,Evgeny: '±' *)* 36.Qxf5 Qh6 37.Qe4 Rf8 38.Kb2
Postny,Evgeny: '±';

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32...Qxg1+
Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E'' 33.Rd1 Qb6 Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: 'The strength of the c-pawn combined with the weakness of the black kingside offer White excellent chances despite the reduced material.' 34.Qh2
Postny,Evgeny: 'Black has four pawns for the piece, but he won't survive the attack. ';

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It's a bit late for
29...Bxe4
Glenn Flear
30.Qxe4 Rxh5

31.bxc4 Rxh1 32.Qxh1 when Black doesn't have enough for two knights!; **D5c23232223)** 29...Nd6 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '?' '?' '?' '?' Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!'' 30.Bxf5 Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Now the king cannot go to f8 - the point behind 28.♕b4. Now the king cannot go to f8 - the point behind 28.♕b4. Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'Now the king cannot go to f8 - the point behind 28.♕b4.'' Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'Now the king cannot go to f8 - the point behind 28.♕b4.''' Nxf5 *(30...gxf5* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *31.Qxe5+ Kh7* Caruana,Fabiano: '?' Caruana, Fabiano: 'Martinovic, Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *32.Qf4* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 31.Qxg4 Postny,Evgeny: 'Glenn Flear: 'Suddenly Black has run out of serious compensation. White is a piece up for not very much.' Glenn Flear: 'Suddenly Black has run out of serious compensation. White is a piece up for not very much.'' Postny,Evgeny: 'Black has lost an important pawn and is still under attack. Arsovic, Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Black has lost an important pawn and is still under attack.''' Marin,Mihail: 'White missed the spectacular zwischenzug' 31...e4 Marin,Mihail: '↑!!' Postny,Evgeny: 'Desperation. Arsovic,Zoran: 'Postny,E: 'Desperation.

'''' *(31...Rh6* Postny,Evgeny: 'Arsovic,Zoran' Caruana,Fabiano: '?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' *32.Nge2* Caruana,Fabiano: 'is not good for White.' *Rah8* Caruana,Fabiano: '?' *33.Ng3* Postny,Evgeny: '+-' *)* 32.Nxe4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'A very sharp, unusual game. A game like this usually gives a good vibe, although it's a pity I didn't really create a brilliancy with 18.♘de4! A very sharp, unusual game. A game like this usually gives a good vibe, although it's a pity I didn't really create a brilliancy with 18.♘de4! Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F: 'A very sharp, unusual game. A game like this usually gives a good vibe, although it's a pity I didn't really create a brilliancy with 18.♘de4!'' Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana: 'A very sharp, unusual game. A game like this usually gives a good vibe, although it's a pity I didn't really create a brilliancy with 18.♘de4!''' Rae8 Caruana,Fabiano: '??' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Martinovic,Slobodan: 'Caruana,F'' 33.Ne2 1-0 (33) Deslandes,P (2844)-Wohl,R (2732) corr ICCF 2014 Anti-Sicilians MBM [Michalczak] Caruana,Fabiano: 'mates.']

[10.d5 Ne5 11.Bd4 *(11.Nb5 Qd8 12.Qc2 Bd7 13.Kb1 c6 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Na3 Qc8 16.Ne2 Rb8 17.Nc3 Be6 18.Bc5 Nbc4 19.Nxc4 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.Bxe7 Re8 22.Bd6 Rb7 23.Rhe1 Qe6 24.e5 Bf8 25.Re4 a5 26.g4 Ra8 27.Bxf8 Kxf8 28.Rd6 Qe7 29.Rxc4 Qxe5 30.Rdxc6 Rab8 31.Rc8+ Kg7 32.Rxb8 Rxb8 33.Ne4 Rd8 34.Qc3* 1-0 (34) strongmama1 (2671)-kbll (2699) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nec4 12.Bxc4 Nxc4 13.Qd3 Qb4 14.Qe2 e5 15.Bf2 Bd7 16.Kb1 a5 17.Ka1 a4 18.a3 Qb3 19.Rd3 Na5 20.Qd1 Qc4 21.Nge2 Nb3+ 22.Kb1 b5 23.Na2 b4 24.Nxb4 Rfb8 25.Rc3 Qb5

26.Nc1 Bf8 27.Nca2 c5 28.dxc6 Be6 29.c7 Rc8 30.Be3 Na5 31.Qd3 Bc4 32.Qd2 Rxc7 33.Rhc1 Nb3 34.Rxb3 axb3 35.Nc3 Bxb4 36.Nxb5 Bxd2 37.Bxd2 Bd3+ 38.Ka1 Rxc1+ 39.Bxc1 Bxb5 40.Bd2 Ba4 41.Kb1 Rd8 42.Kc1 Rd3 43.Bc3 Rxc3+ 44.bxc3 Kf8 45.Kd2 Ke7 46.c4 Kd6 47.Kc3 Kc5 48.g3 f5 49.h4 h5 50.exf5 gxf5 51.g4 fxg4 52.fxg4 hxg4 53.h5 g3 54.h6 g2 55.h7 g1Q 56.h8Q Qd4# 0-1 (56) Kraterrr (2824)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2743) Blitz 2021]

[10.Bb5 a6 11.Bf4 Qb4 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Nge2 Be6 14.Qc2 Nc4 15.Qb3 a5 16.Bxc7 Rfc8 17.Bf4 c5 18.d5 Bd7 19.Kb1 a4 20.Qxb4 cxb4 21.Rc1 bxc3 22.Nxc3 Ra7 23.Rhe1 Rb7 24.Re2 Bd4 25.Ka1 a3 26.b3 Nb2 27.Rxb2 axb2+ 28.Kxb2 e5 29.Bd2 Rbc7 30.b4 Rc4 31.Kb3 R4c7 32.a3 Rc4 33.Ne2 Rxc1 34.Nxc1 Bb6 35.a4 Bd4 36.Ne2 Bf2 37.Nc3 f5 38.a5 Bd4 39.Na4 Bb5 40.Nb6 Rc7 41.d6 Rb7 42.Nd5 Kf7 43.exf5 gxf5 44.Ne3 Ke6 45.Nc4 Rd7 46.Nb6 Bc6 47.Bc3 Bxc3 48.Kxc3 Rxd6 49.Kc4 Bd5+ 50.Kc5 e4 51.Nc4 Rc6+ 52.Kd4 Rxc4+ 53.Ke3 Rc2 54.Kf4 e3 55.Kxe3 Rc4 56.f4 Rxb4 57.Kf2 Re4 58.Kg3 Rb4 59.Kh4 Rb3 60.Kg5 Rb4 61.Kh6 Be4 62.Kxh7 Kf7 63.Kh6 Rb8 64.Kh5 Ra8 65.Kh4 Rh8+ 66.Kg3 Rg8+ 67.Kf2 Rg4 68.Ke3 1-0 (68) jposthuma (2773)-MikeGScarn (2883) Blitz 2022]

[10.f4 Bg4 11.Nf3 *(11.Be2 Bxe2 12.Ngxe2 Nc4 13.Qd3 Qb4 14.Rd2 Nxd2 15.Qxd2 Rfd8 16.e5 a5 17.Rd1 a4 18.a3 Qb3 19.d5 Na5 20.Nd4 Qc4 21.Kb1 e6 22.Rc1 Nb3 23.Nxb3 Qxb3 24.d6 cxd6 25.exd6 Rac8 26.d7 Rxc3 27.Rxc3 Bxc3 28.Qxc3 Qxc3 29.bxc3 Rxd7 30.Kc2 f6 31.Bd4 Kf7 32.Be3 e5 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-donatello (2641) Blitz 2021)* 11...Rfd8 *(11...Bxf3 12.gxf3 Rad8 13.e5 Qd7 14.h4 Nd5 15.Nxd5 Qxd5 16.Kb1 Nb4 17.b3 Qa5 18.h5 c5 19.hxg6 cxd4 20.gxf7+ Kh8 21.Rxh7+ Kxh7 22.Bd3+ Nxd3 23.Qxd3+ Kh8 24.Rh1+* 1-0 (24) promove2500 (2629)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2675) Blitz 2020 *)* 12.d5 Na5 13.Nb5 Nbc4 14.Nxd6 Nxd2 15.Bxd2 1-0 (15) jposthuma (2736)-ffl0 (2587) Blitz 2021]

[10.e5 Qb4 11.f4 Be6 12.Nf3 Rfd8 13.h4 h5 14.Bf2 Qa5 15.a3 Bb3 16.f5 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Bxd1 18.fxg6 Bg4 19.gxf7+ Kh8 20.Be2 Qxe5 21.Bxg4 hxg4 22.Qg5 Qf6 23.Nf5 Qxf7 24.Re1 Bf6 25.Qxg4 Nc4 26.Qf4 Rd7 27.Re6 Qxe6 28.Qh6+ Kg8 29.Qg6+ Kf8 30.Qh6+ Kf7 31.Qh5+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Kf7 33.Qh5+ Kf8 34.Qh6+ ½-½ (34) milacek (2620)-Itaru_0 (2606) Blitz 2019]

10...Qd7 10 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Petronijevic,Zoran: '*'' 11.Kb1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Defending the a2-pawn and freeing the c1-square for the queen.'' Glenn Flear: 'Defending the a2-pawn and freeing the c1-square for the queen.'' Glenn Flear: 'By placing the king on b1 White defends the a2-pawn, as well as enabling use of the c1-square.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alternatives:'

[Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'There

haven't yet been any new developments in 2014 following Glenn Flear: 'There haven't yet been any new developments in 2014 following'' Glenn Flear: 'For the more primitive' Glenn Flear: 'As things stand, it seems that Black is able to cope with' 11.Bh6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow,Michal) which seems to have theoretically lost its bite (see the archives). Glenn Flear: 'which seems to have theoretically lost its bite (see the archives).'' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?!' Milos Pavlovic: 'Not the most popular line but it's something that should not be underestimated.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'this line has been already proven to be OK for Black in 2013 in the game Svidler-Caruana.'' Glenn Flear: 'see Game 2.' Glenn Flear: 'e.g. ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' '!' Glenn Flear: 'The most direct.' Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Kitty Kat: 'is more profitable than 11.Kb1 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 11.Kb1.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'this line has been already proven to be OK for Black in 2013 in the game Svidler-Caruana.' now scores much better than the old 11.Kb1. Kitty Kat: 'is more profitable than 11.Kb1 at the moment.' punktet besser als das ältere 11.Kb1. Kitty Kat: 'scheint profitabler als 11.Kb1.' Bxh6 Kitty Kat: 'White has an edge.' *(* A new idea, but one that is unlikely to catch on, is Glenn Flear: 'A new idea, but one that is unlikely to catch on, is' *11...Rd8 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.d5 a6 14.Nc3 Qe8 15.h4 f6 16.h5* (White's attack is scary) *e5 17.hxg6 Qxg6 18.Qf2 Nd4 19.f4* with a big White initiative, Sadler, M-Hawkins, J English league 2013. *c5 20.Nf3 Bg4 21.fxe5 fxe5 22.Nxe5 Qg5+ 23.Qd2 Qxe5 24.Qh6+ Kg8 25.Qxh7+ Kf8 26.Rd2 Qg5 27.Kb1 Rd7 28.Rf2+ Ke8 29.Qh6 Qxh6 30.Rxh6 Nc8 31.Rh8+ Ke7 32.Rh4* 1-0 (32) Sadler,M (2639)-Hawkins,J (2511) Hinckley ENG 2013*; 11...a6 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Nc3 e5 14.d5 Nd4 15.Nge2 c5 16.Ng3 Qd6 17.h4 h6 18.Bd3 Bd7 19.Rdf1 Bb5 20.f4 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 exf4 22.Nge2 Nxe2+ 23.Nxe2 Nd7 24.Nxf4 Rae8 25.h5 g5 26.Ne2 c4 27.Qc2 Nc5 28.Nd4 Qe5 29.Nf5+ Kh7 30.Qxc4 Qxe4 31.Qc3 Nd3+ 32.Kd2 Ne5 33.Re1 Qxf5 34.Rhf1 Qg4 35.Rxe5 Qxg2+ 36.Ke1 Qxd5 37.Rff5 Rxe5+ 38.Rxe5 Qc6 39.Qd3+ Kg7 40.Qd4 Kh7 41.Qd3+ Kg8 42.Kf2 Re8 43.Rf5 Qe6 44.Kf3 Qc6+ 45.Kg3 Qe6 46.Rf3 Qe5+ 47.Kh3 Qe6+ 48.Kg3 Qe5+ 49.Kh3 g4+ 50.Kxg4 Qg5+ 51.Kh3 Qxh5+ 52.Kg2 Re5 53.Qd8+ Kh7 54.Qd3+ Qg6+ 55.Qxg6+ Kxg6 56.Kf2 Rf5* 0-1 (56) anand68 (2719)-JFDRR (2648) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Qxh6 a6 13.Nc3 Nxd4 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: ' ∓' '⇄' '⇄' Van Delft & Ris: 'Mamedyarov-Petrosian, Antalya 2004.' Van Delft & Ris: 'Mamedyarov-Petrosian, Antalya 2004.'' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'was Sivdler-Caruana from earlier this year that ended in a draw.' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-'Moradiabadi, Elshan: '1-0 (53) Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Petrosian,T (2539) Antalya 2004' 14.f4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! followed by Nf3 is a very interesting alternative.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! followed by Nf3 is a very interesting

alternative.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '⩌!' Kitty Kat: '!' '!'

A) Erdos,Viktor: 'The main alternative is The main alternative is The main alternative is The main alternative is Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Last year, I analysed this move at the Russian website ChessPro while annotating the game Hammer-Erdos, where Black made a probably weaker move" 14...c5 Erdos,Viktor: 'when there have also been games in the last year: Glenn Flear: 'when there have also been games in the last year:"

A1) 15.Nf3 f6 16.h4∞ Arsovic,Zoran: '*' Qe8 Glenn Flear: 'A novelty. Aronian plays it safe. Crowther,Mark: 'Jones was following the Hammer game below.' A novelty. Aronian plays it safe.' *(* after Glenn Flear: 'Previously' *16...Qg4* the forceful Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'had been played:' Arsovic,Zoran: 'N' *17.h5 g5 18.fxg5 Nxf3 19.gxf6!* Hammer, J-Erdos, V Greek league 2012, gave White excellent compensation Glenn Flear: 'Hammer, J-Erdos, V Greek league 2012, gave White excellent compensation' *Qg5+* Glenn Flear: 'Hammer, J-Erdos, V Greek league 2012, which is definitely murky. Rybka prefers Black, but after the game continuation Hammer, J-Erdos, V Greek league 2012, which is definitely murky. Rybka prefers Black, but after the game continuation' *20.Qxg5+ Nxg5 21.fxe7 Re8 22.Rd6 Nd7 23.Nd5* Arsovic,Zoran: ' ⩲' *Nxe4 24.Re6* Glenn Flear: 'White had decent compensation. White had decent compensation.' *Ng5 25.Re3 b5 26.h6 Bb7 27.Rh5 Nf7 28.Nc7 c4 29.Be2 Rac8 30.Nxe8 Rxe8 31.Rf5 Nxh6 32.Rf4 Kg7 33.Bh5 Nf6 34.Rg3+* 1-0 Hammer,J (2630)-Erdos,V (2624)/ Achaea GRE 2012/The Week in Chess 922*)* 17.h5 Bg4 18.Nxd4 Glenn Flear: '!' *(18.hxg6 Qxg6 19.Qh2* Arsovic,Zoran: ' ⩲'*)* 18...cxd4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Clearly' *18...Bxd1* Glenn Flear: '??' Glenn Flear: 'would invite a crushing attack with would invite a crushing attack with' *19.Ne6 Qf7 20.hxg6 Qxg6 21.Qxg6+ hxg6 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Kxd1* Glenn Flear: 'when White emerges with an extra piece.'*)* 19.hxg6 Qxg6 Glenn Flear: 'White's h-file attack is nullified by the exchange of queens.' 20.Rxd4 Rac8 Jones, G-Aronian, L London 2012, led to a draw (see the PGN Archive) but here Rybka prefers White after Glenn Flear: 'Jones, G-Aronian, L London 2012, led to a draw (see the PGN Archive) but here Rybka prefers White after' Glenn Flear: 'Crowther,Mark: '"Basically this looks equal." - Aronian. "I spent half an hour here trying to find a way to keep things interesting." - Jones."

A1a) 21.f5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Qxh6+ 22.Rxh6 Rfd8 Glenn Flear: 'Trading White's well-centralized rook.'

23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rh4 h5 25.Be2 Glenn Flear: 'Angling to leave Black with a weak kingside pawn.' Bxe2 26.Nxe2 Rc8+ 27.Kb1 *(Glenn Flear: 'Black is also active enough following' 27.Nc3 Na4 28.Kc2 b5)* 27...Nc4 28.Kc2 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Crowther,Mark: '!' Crowther, Mark: 'Otherwise white is in danger of being worse.'' *(Glenn Flear: 'Jones clearly didn't fancy the rook endgame that follows from Jones clearly didn't fancy the rook endgame that follows from' 28.b3 Na3+ 29.Kb2 Rc2+ 30.Kxa3 Rxe2)* 28...Ne3+ 29.Kd2

A1a1) Glenn Flear: 'Otherwise' 29...Nxg2 30.Rxh5 *(30.Rh2 Rd8+ 31.Kc3 Ne3 32.Rxh5* Glenn Flear: 'is also possible is also possible'*)* 30...Rd8+ 31.Kc3 Rc8+ 32.Kd2 Glenn Flear: 'looks equally drawish.';

A1a2) 29...Nc4+ 30.Kc2 Ne3+ 31.Kd2 Nc4+ ½-½ (31) Luehrig,W (2644)-C 06/30 (2815) Las Palmas 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/ Knight];

A1b) Glenn Flear: 'The slightly clumsy-looking' 21.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'is also possible.';

A1c) 21.Qh4 (Vigorito describes this as 'more challenging') a plausible continuation being Glenn Flear: '(Vigorito describes this as 'more challenging') a plausible continuation being' 21...Rfd8 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qf2 Rd6 24.Kb1 but Black is not without resources e.g. Na4! *(or 24...h5 25.Be2 Na4!)*;

A2) 15.h4 Glenn Flear: 'can be met by'

A2a) 15...Qg4!? 16.h5 f6 Glenn Flear: 'is recommended by Rybka but this looks risky from a human point of view' *(16...Rd8 17.Nf3 Be6 18.Ng5 Qxf4+ 19.Kb1 Qe5 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qh8+ Qxh8 23.Rxh8+ Bg8 24.Bd3 Kg7 25.Rh4 Ne6 26.Nf3 Nd4 27.e5 Nxf3 28.gxf3 Be6 29.Be4 Rxd1+ 30.Nxd1 Bd5 31.Nc3 Bxe4+ 32.Nxe4 c4 33.Nc5 Rc8 34.Ne6+ Kf7 35.Ng5+ Kg7 36.Rh7+ Kg8 37.Rxe7 c3 38.Rxb7 c2+ 39.Kc1 Nd5 40.Ne4 Ne3 41.Nf6+ Kf8 42.Rh7 Rc4 43.e6 Nf5 44.Rf7#* 1-0 (44) penguingim1 (2704)-AVS2000 (2585) Blitz 2020 *)*;

A2b) 15...f6 16.h5 Qe8?! *(according to Vigorito, more precise is 16...Qg4 17.hxg6 Qxg6 which transposes)* 17.hxg6?! *(Vigorito analyzes 17.Rd3!* as leading to an advantage *)* 17...Qxg6 Glenn Flear: 'which transposes' 18.Qh2 Bg4 19.f5 Grover, S-Konguvel, P Kolkata 2012, isn't too

worrying for Black Glenn Flear: 'Grover, S-Konguvel, P Kolkata 2012, isn't too worrying for Black';

A2c) 15...Qc6 16.Nf3 Qf6!? *(16...Nxf3 17.gxf3 Qf6 18.h5 Qg7 19.Qg5⩱)*

A2c1) 17.h5 Bg4 *(17...g5N 18.Qxf6 exf6 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Rxd4 gxf4 21.Rd6 Nd7 22.h6 Ne5 23.Nd5 Be6 24.Nxf6+ Kh8 25.Rh5 Rac8+ 26.Kb1 Ng6 27.Be2 Ne7 28.Rh4 Rc5 29.Rxf4 Rg5 30.Rf1 Rxg2 31.Rfd1 ½-½ (31) Xiong,J (2646)-Corrales Jimenez,F (2574) Chesterfield 2024)* 18.Ne5! Bxd1 19.hxg6 Qg7 20.gxf7+ Rxf7 21.Nxf7 Qxf7 22.Qxb6 Gave White a quick win. 1-0 (37) Peng,L (2503)-Loeffler,M (2262) Davos SUI 2022 Bg4 23.f5 Qf6 24.Qxc5 1-0 (37) Peng, L (2503)-Loeffler,M (2262) Davos Challenge op 2022 (6);

A2c2) 17.e5 Qg7 Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Petrosian, TL Antalya 2004, with a playable game for Black.' 18.Qxg7+ Kxg7 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Rxd4 Erdos,Viktor: 'Mamedyarov, S-Petrosian, TL Antalya 2004, with a small space edge. Note that the ideal set-up with the bishop on c6 isn't possible as Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Petrosian, TL Antalya 2004, with a small space edge. Note that the ideal set-up with the bishop on c6 isn't possible as'' Be6 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Petrosian,T (2539)/Antalya 2004/CBM 101 (53) '='' *(20...Bd7?* is strongly met by Glenn Flear: 'is strongly met by' *21.Rb4)* 21.Be2 Rac8 22.Kb1 Mamedyarov, S (2657)-Petrosian,T (2539)/ Antalya/2004/ Rfd8 *(22...Nc4 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Ne3 25.Rd7 Rc2 26.Bf3 Rf2 27.Bxb7 a5 28.Rc1 Rxf4 29.Rxe7 Rxh4 30.a3 Rg4 31.Rcc7 Rf4 32.Red7 Re8 33.Rc5 a4 34.Ka2 Ng4 35.Rdd5 Rf2 36.Bc6 Rb8 37.Rb5 Rxb5 38.Rxb5 h5 39.Ra5 g5 40.e6 fxe6 41.Rxg5+ Kf6 42.Rxh5 Ne5 43.Bxa4 Rxg2 44.Bb5 Ng4 45.a4 Ne3 46.Rh3 Nc2 47.Bd3 Nb4+ 48.Kb3 Nc6 49.Be4 Nd4+ 50.Kc3 Ne2+ 51.Kd2 Rf2 52.Ke3 Ng1 53.Rh6+* 1-0 (53) Mamedyarov,S (2657)-Petrosian,T (2539) Antalya TUR 2004*)* 23.Rhd1 Rxd4 24.Rxd4 Rc7=;

B) 14...e5N 15.fxe5 c5 16.Nf3 f6 1.11/20 *(16...Qe7±* 0.64/21 *)* 17.exf6± Rxf6 18.e5 Rf8 19.Ne4

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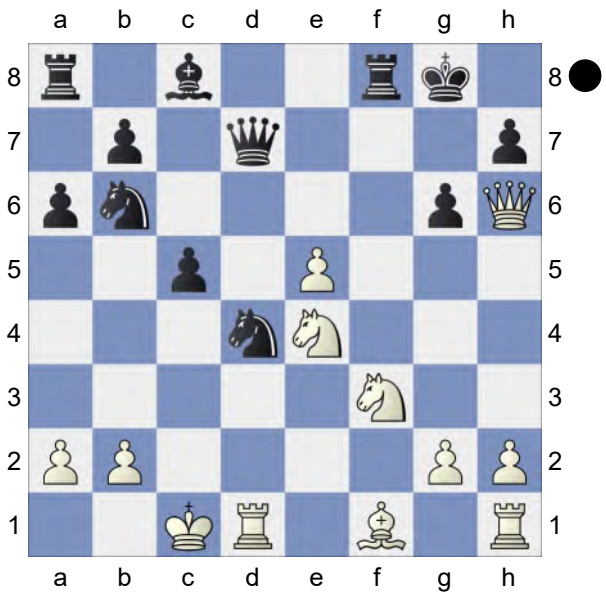

And now Nf6+ would win. Qg7 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Qxg7+ Kxg7 22.Nxd4 cxd4 23.Rxd4 aiming for Rh4. Kitty Kat: ' aiming for Rh4.' Bf5 24.b3 0.07/21 (Better is Kitty Kat: ' Better is' *24.Bd3±* 0.66/20) 24...Rac8+= 25.Kb2 Black must now prevent g4. Active counter play! Kitty Kat: ' Black must now prevent g4. Active counter play!' Rc2+ 26.Ka3 Rc5! 27.Rb4↑ White is pushing. Kitty Kat: ' White is pushing.' Ra5+ 28.Kb2 Rxe5 29.Rxb6 Rxf6 30.Rxb7+ Kh6 31.Ra7 -1.04/21 *(31.Bc4=* 0.26/22) 31...a5? 0.64/22 (Black should play Kitty Kat: ' Black should play' *31...Re1∓* -1.04/21 Strongly threatening ...Be4. Kitty Kat: ' Strongly threatening ...Be4.' *32.Rg1 Bg4)* 32.Bc4± Be4 1.59/22 *(⌓32...Rd6* 1.01/20)

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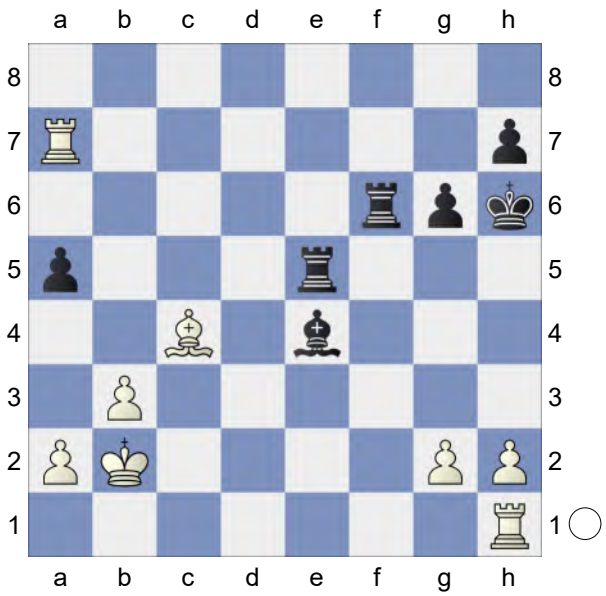

33.Re1!± Rf2+ 34.Kc3 Rf4? 5.32/23 *(34...Re8±* 1.14/22) 35.g3+- Rf3+ 36.Kd4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.52 1-0 (36) Xiong, J (2636)-Mekhitarian,K (2562) Chess.com INT 2024 MegaBase2025-Update05 [Kitty Kat] Kitty Kat: '
Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.52';
C) 14...f6 Erdos,Viktor: '!' '!' '!' 15.Nf3 Kitty Kat: 'Against e5' Kitty Kat: ' Against e5' *(15.h4)* 15...e5 Postny,Evgeny: '!' Erdos,Viktor: '* Erdos,V: '*"

C1) The direct 16.h4?! is neutralized by is neutralized by is neutralized by is neutralized by Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'led to equality in Jones-Erdos, Bratto 2013 after' Glenn Flear: 'is neutralized by' Erdos,Viktor: 'N' Qg7 e.g. 17.Qxg7+ Kxg7 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Rxd4 (White regains the pawn, but without queens there is no

attack) (White regains the pawn, but without queens there is no attack) (White regains the pawn, but without queens there is no attack) (White regains the pawn, but without queens there is no attack) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '=' Glenn Flear: '(White regains the pawn, but without queens there is no attack)'

C1a) 19...Be6 20.Be2 Erdos,Viktor: '±';

C1b) 19...Bg4 20.Be2 Bxe2 21.Nxe2 Rad8 *(21...Rae8 22.Nc3 Nc8* Erdos,Viktor: '!?'*)* 22.Rhd1 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 Kf7;

C1c) 19...Bd7 Erdos,Viktor: '=!?'

C1c1) 20.a4 Rad8 21.a5 Nc8 Erdos,Viktor: '=';

C1c2) 20.Bd3 Rad8 *(20...c5* Erdos,Viktor: '!?'*)* 21.Bc2 c5 22.Rd6 Bc6 23.Rhd1 Rxd6 24.Rxd6 Nc4 25.Rd3 Re8 Erdos,Viktor: '=';

C1c3) 20.Be2

C1c31) 20...c5 Erdos,Viktor: '?!' 21.Rd6 Bc6 22.Nd5 Erdos,Viktor: '!' Nc8 *(22...Bxd5 23.exd5* Erdos,Viktor: ' ±'*)* 23.Rxc6 Erdos,Viktor: '!' bxc6 24.Nc7 Nd6 25.Nxa8 Rxa8 26.Bf3 Erdos,Viktor: '±';

C1c32) 20...Bc6

C1c321) 21.Bf3 f5 22.e5 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Erdos,Viktor: '∞';

C1c322) 21.g4 Rad8 *(21...h6)* 22.Rhd1 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 g5 *(23...h6)* 24.hxg5 fxg5 25.f5 Kf6 Erdos,Viktor: '=';

C1c323) 21.Rhd1 f5 22.g3 *(22.exf5 Rxf5* Erdos,Viktor: '='*)* 22...fxe4= 1/2-1/2 Jones, G-Erdos, V Bratto 2013. 23.Nxe4 Rae8 24.Nc3 *(24.Bf3 Re7* Erdos,Viktor: '='*)* 24...Re3 25.R1d3 Rfe8 Erdos,Viktor: '=';

C2) 16.fxe5 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos, V: '→118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: 'Ü 118/(141)''' 16...fxe5 17.Nxe5 Milos,Pavlovic: 'Correct is:' 17...Qd6 Milos,Pavlovic: 'Check the archives, December 23.' *(17...Qe6? 18.Nxg6!±* 1-0 (39) Horvath,D (2313)-Bashylina,L (2250) Budapest HUN 2024 *)*

C2a) 18.Nc4 Qc5 19.Nxb6 cxb6 Erdos,Viktor: '□' '□' 20.Kb1 *(20.Qd2 Rd8)* 20...Be6 21.Qe3 Rad8 This is fine for Black. 0-1 (49) Hesham,A (2450)-Jones,G (2681) Astana KAZ 2019;

C2b) 18.Nxg6!? hxg6 19.e5 Qxe5 20.Qxg6+ Kh8 21.Qh6+ Kg8=;

C2c) 18.Nf3 c5

C2c1) 19.Ng5 Glenn Flear: 'led to a draw in Svidler, P (with White!)-Caruana, F Thessaloniki 2013, see the September 2013 update' Qe7 *(*But not *19...Qc7?*

because of *20.Na4!*) 20.Nd5 Erdos,Viktor: '!' '!' *(*Here *20.Na4?* is senseless because of *Nxa4 21.Bc4+ Be6-+)* 20...Nxd5 'Glenn Flear: ' Ü 19.♘g5' Glenn Flear: ' Ü 19.→g5' Ü 19.Ng5 - 19.Ng5 Erdos,V: 'Erdos,Viktor: '- 19.Ng5'' Erdos,V: ' Ü 19.♘g5'' 21.Bc4

C2c11) Glenn Flear: 'After' 21...Qg7 - 118/(141) Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Vik'- 118/(141) Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: '- 118/(141)''' - 118/(141) Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: '- 118/(141)''' - 118/(141) - 118/(141) Ü 118/(141) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'gives White an additional option:' - 118/(141) Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: '- 118/(141)''' tor: '-118/(141)''' - 118/(141) Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: '- 118/(141)''' - 118/(141) - 118/(141) Ü 118/(141) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'gives White an additional option:' - 118/(141) Erdos,V: 'Ü 118/(141) Erdos,Viktor: '- 118/(141)'' 22.Qh4! Kh8 there is an interesting way of playing for an attack: Glenn Flear: 'there is an interesting way of playing for an attack:' 23.Rhf1! Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '(Sanikidze-Negi, Baden-Baden 2013).' Be6 *(23...Nf6 24.e5!* with terrible threats, and then Glenn Flear: 'with terrible threats, and then' *Nf5 25.Rxf5 Bxf5 26.exf6 Rxf6 27.Nxh7!* is grim for Black*)* 24.Bxd5 Bxd5 25.exd5 Rxf1 26.Rxf1 Nf5 27.Qf4 Sanikidze, T-Negi, P Baden-Baden 2013, and White retained strong pressure. Glenn Flear: 'Sanikidze, T-Negi, P Baden-Baden 2013, and White retained strong pressure.';

C2c12) 21...Kh8 Erdos,Viktor: 'N!' 'N!'

C2c121) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Also after' 22.Bxd5 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black plays' Qg7 23.Qxg7+ *(23.Qh4 Rf4!)* 23...Kxg7 24.Rdf1 *(24.Rhf1 Bg4)* 24...Bd7 *(24...Ne2+!? 25.Kd2 Nf4 26.Bxb7 Bxb7 27.Rxf4 Rxf4*

28.Ne6+ Kf6 29.Nxf4 Bxe4=) 25.Bxb7 Bb5! 26.Rd1 *(26.Bxa8?! Bxf1 27.e5 h6; 26.Rxf8 Rxf8 27.e5 Rf2∞)* 26...Rae8∞;

C2c122) Now 22.Rhf1? fails, as after Nf6 23.e5 Nf5 24.Rxf5 Bxf5 25.exf6 Rxf6 there are no tactics to speak of. Glenn Flear: 'there are no tactics to speak of. ';

C2c123) 22.exd5 Qg7 Swiercz,Dariusz: '=' 23.Qxg7+ *(* Now *23.Qh4* can be met by *b5!* when Black has time to get a counter-attack going.*)* 23...Kxg7 24.d6

C2c1231)

Or perhaps Or perhaps Or perhaps Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'One more option (still less precise than 24...b5!) is' 24...h6 25.Ne4 b6 26.Rhe1 *(26.b4 Bg4 27.Rd2 Rae8=)* 26...Bg4 with enough counter chances.;

C2c1232) Instead, 24...b5! 25.Bd5 Ra7 26.Rhe1 was my suggestion ('with equality), though it makes sense to look a bit further: Rf5= *(* or *26...Rd8 27.Ne4 a5!* and if *28.Nxc5 Rxd6 29.Rxd4 Rc7)* where, importantly, does not work 27.Re7+?! Rxe7 28.dxe7 because of Ne2+!! *(* but not *28...Re5? 29.Be6!+-)* 29.Kc2 *(*or *29.Kd2 Rxd5+ 30.Kxe2 Re5+)* 29...Re5 30.Be6 Bxe6 31.e8N+ *(* if *31.e8Q Bf5+-+)* 31...Kh6 and Black is better.;

C2c1233) 24...Bf5 25.b4 *(25.Rhe1* may lead, with a transposition, to the same thing: *Rfe8 26.b4)* 25...b6 26.Rhe1 Rfe8 Postny,Evgeny: '=' Postny,Evgeny: '½-½ (35) Svidler,P (2769)-Caruana,F (2774) Thessaloniki 2013' 27.Re7+ *(* Rybka suggests *27.bxc5 bxc5 28.Kd2!* (using the king positively, keeping the tension) when Black could perhaps react with Glenn Flear: '(using the king positively,

keeping the tension) when Black could perhaps react with' *Rab8* when he should be fine.*;* White could have tried *27.a4!?* with the idea of *a5* (otherwise a4-a5 may work well in some lines) *28.bxc5 bxc5 29.Bb5! Nxb5 30.axb5* and White's pawns are dangerous.*)* 27...Rxe7 28.dxe7 Re8 29.bxc5 bxc5 30.Re1 Nc2 31.Re2 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'In the era of 'Houdini it is not a big deal to predict many moves of the strong players; but the game is important for the current theory of this line.' Nd4 32.Re3 *(32.Re5?* allows a king fork: *Kf6* (whoops!) *33.Re1 Kxg5 34.Bf7 Bd7* and Black is on top. *)* 32...Nc2= Svidler,P (2769)-Caruana,F (2774) Thessaloniki 2013 [Erdos,Viktor];

C2c2) An interesting sideline is: 19.h4 Bg4 20.e5 Qe7 21.h5

C2c21) 21...gxh5?? 22.Qxb6 Wins on the spot. *(22.Ne4 Qg7* Tang, A (2538)-He,A (2337) lichess.org INT 2020 *)*;

C2c22) 21...Qg7 22.Qxg7+ Kxg7 23.Nxd4 cxd4 24.h6+ Kg8 25.Rxd4**±**;

C2c23) 21...Nxf3 Critical. 22.gxf3 Bxf3 23.hxg6 Bxh1 *(23...Bxd1 24.Bh3!+-)* 24.Qxh1 Rad8 *(24...hxg6 25.Bd3 Qxe5 26.Bxg6 Qh8 27.Qg2 Rf6 28.Rg1→)* 25.Bd3 Rd7 *(25...c4 26.g7! Rf5 27.Bxf5 Qg5+ 28.Rd2! Qxd2+ 29.Kb1 h6 30.a3 Na4 31.Nxa4 Qd1+ 32.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 33.Kc2 Re1 34.Bc8 Rxe5 35.Bxb7 Kxg7 36.Kc3 h5 37.Kxc4 h4* The position is balanced.*)* 26.Qh6 c4 27.Be4 Rxd1+ 28.Kxd1 Rf2 29.Ke1 Rf8 30.gxh7+ Kh8 31.Qxb6 Qh4+ 32.Ke2 Qh2+ 33.Ke1 Qh4+=;

C2c3) 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Bc4 *(20.Ng5 Qe7* - 19.Ng5 *)* 20...Rxf3! 21.gxf3 *(21.Bxd5+? Be6)* 21...Be6 22.exd5 Bxd5↑;

C2c4) 19.e5 Qe7 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Rxd4 Qxe5 22.Re4 Qc5**∞**;

C2c5) 19.Bd3 Milos Pavlovic: 'This particular position was only

tested a few times, Black has to be careful.' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A novelty.'

C2c51) 19...Bg4 20.e5 *(20.Ng5 Qc7 21.Rdf1 Qg7* also looks about equal *)* 20...Qe7 21.Bxg6 hxg6 22.Nxd4 cxd4 23.Rxd4 Bf5 24.g4 Qxe5 25.Rhd1 Qg7 26.Qxg7+ Kxg7 27.gxf5 Rxf5 28.Ne4 Rc8+ *(28...Re8 29.Rb4 Rb5 30.Rxb5 axb5 31.Rd4 Re5 32.Nd6 Rh5 33.h4 Rd5 34.Rxd5 Nxd5 35.Nxb7 Kh6 36.Nd6 Kh5 37.Nxb5 Kxh4 38.a3 g5 39.b3 g4 40.a4 g3 41.Nd4 g2 42.Ne2 Nc3 43.Ng1 Nb1 44.Kxb1 Kg3 45.b4 Kf2 46.Nh3+ Kf3 47.a5 Kg3 48.Ng1 Kf2 49.a6 Kxg1 50.a7 Kh2 51.a8Q g1Q+ 52.Ka2 Qf2+ 53.Ka1 Qf5 54.b5 Kg3 55.b6 Qc5 56.b7 Qc3+ 57.Kb1 Qb4+ 58.Ka1 Qe1+ 59.Ka2 Qe6+ 60.Ka1 Qf6+ 61.Kb1 Qg6+ 62.Ka1 Qf6+ 63.Kb1 Qf1+ 64.Ka2 Qc4+ 65.Ka1 Qc3+ 66.Kb1 Qb3+ 67.Ka1 Qd1+ 68.Ka2 Qd2+ 69.Ka1 Qd1+ 70.Ka2 Qd5+ 71.Ka1 Qd4+ 72.Kb1 Qd3+ 73.Ka1 Qc3+* ½-½ (73) PetersBot (2989)-RaspFish (3036) Rapid 2024*)* 29.Kb1 Rf4 30.Nd6 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 Rh8 32.Rd2 Rb8 33.Rf2 Kh6 34.Kc2 Nd5 35.Kb3 b6 36.a3 Ne3 37.h3 Kg5 38.Ne4+ Kh6 39.Rf6 Nd5 40.Rc6 Nf4 41.Ka4 Nxh3 42.Nf6 Nf4 43.Nd7 Rd8 44.Nxb6 Kh5 45.Nc4 g5 46.Rxa6 Rd4 47.Kb5 g4 48.Ne3 g3 49.Ra5 Kg6 50.Kc6 Nd3 51.Rb5 Re4 52.Ng2 Re2 53.Nh4+ Kf6 54.Rb3 g2 55.Nxg2 Rxb2 56.Rxb2 Nxb2 57.a4 Nc4 58.a5 Nxa5+ 59.Kb5 Nb7 60.Ne1 Kg5 61.Nc2 Kg4 62.Na1 Kg5 63.Nc2 Kh6 64.Na1 Na5 65.Kxa5 ½-½ (65) PetersBot (2993)-RaspFish (3044) Rapid 2024;

C2c52) 19...Qe7?! 1.01/20

C2c521) 20.h4! 1.01/20 This is a key here. Kitty Kat: ' **±**' '**±**' Bg4 *(20...Qg7 21.Qg5 Ne6 22.Qe3 Bd7 23.h5→)* 21.h5 Nxf3 22.gxf3 Bxf3 23.hxg6 Bxh1 24.Rxh1 Rad8 25.Bc2 White has a powerful attack.;

C2c522) 20.Nd5 -0.01/23 20...Nxd5 Kitty Kat: '=' '=' 21.exd5 Kitty Kat: 'Hoping for Bc4.' Kitty Kat: ' Hoping for Bc4.' Nxf3 22.gxf3 Kitty Kat: '1-0

Caruana,F (2794)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2731) CCT Final playoff rapid 2023 (1.1)' Bf5 23.d6 Qg7 24.Bc4+ Kh8 25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.Bd5 Ra7 *(* Missing an equalizer: *26...Rae8! 27.Bxb7 Re2 28.Rd2 Rxd2 29.Kxd2 Rd8 30.Ke3 Rxd6 31.Be4 Bxe4 32.fxe4 c4=)* 27.Rhe1 b6 28.Bc6 Bd7 29.Re7+ Rf7 30.Bd5! Rxe7 31.dxe7 Be8 32.Re1 Kf6 33.Re6+ Kf5 34.Rxb6 Rxe7 35.Be4+ Kf4 36.Rxa6 White is better. g5 37.Kd2 Rd7+ 38.Kc3 Rf7 39.Rh6 g4 40.fxg4 Kxe4 41.Re6+ Kd5 42.Rxe8 Rf3+ 43.Kd2 Rh3 44.Re2 Kd4 45.Kc2 c4 46.Rd2+ Kc5 47.Rf2 h6 48.a3 Rh4 49.Rf5+ Kd4 50.Rh5 Rxg4 51.Rxh6 Rg2+ 52.Kb1 c3 53.Rh4+ Kc5 54.bxc3 Kb5 55.Rb4+ 1-0 (55) Caruana,F (2794)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2731) Toronto CAN 2023 [Milos Pavlovic];

C2c53) 19...Qf4+ 20.Qxf4 Rxf4 21.Rhf1!? *(21.Nxd4 cxd4 22.Ne2 Rf2 23.Nxd4 Rxg2* with a balanced game, Sadler,M (2646)-Svidler,P (2758) London 2013 *24.Bc2 Bg4 25.Rdg1 Rxg1+ 26.Rxg1 Rd8* Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Sadler, M-Svidler, P London (rapid) 2013.' *27.Nc6 Rd6 28.Na5 Bc8 29.e5 Rd4 30.Bb3+ Kg7 31.Re1 Nd5 32.e6 Kf8 33.Re5 Ne7 34.Nc4 b5 35.Nb6 Rd6 36.Nxc8 Nxc8 37.a4 bxa4 38.Bxa4 Ke7 39.Bb3 Rc6+ 40.Kd2 Nd6* ChessBase II: 'Sadler,M (2646)-Svidler,P (2758) London 2013 ½-½' *41.Kd3 Rb6 42.Kc2 Rc6+ 43.Kd3 Rb6 44.Kc2 Rc6+* ½-½ (44) Sadler,M (2646)-Svidler,P (2758) London ENG 2013 *)* 21...Bg4 *(21...Nxf3 22.Rxf3 Rxf3 23.gxf3 Be6 24.Be2 Re8 25.f4 Kf8 26.b3 Ke7 27.Kd2 Rd8+ 28.Ke3 Rxd1 29.Bxd1* White has preferable chances in this endgame due to his better structure.*)* 22.Nxd4 Rxf1 23.Rxf1 cxd4 24.Ne2 Bxe2 25.Bxe2 Re8 26.Rf6 Na4 27.Bc4+ Kh8 28.Kd2 Nc5 29.Rb6 Rxe4 30.b4 d3! 31.Bxd3 Nxd3 32.Kxd3 Re7 33.Kc4 Kg7 34.Kc5 Kf7 35.b5 White keeps an initiative in this rook endgame.;

C2c54) 19...Qc7 0.39/21 Milos Pavlovic: '!?' Milos Pavlovic: 'Probably best.' Kitty Kat: '±' '±'

C2c541) 20.e5 Bf5 21.Be4 *(21.h4 Bxd3 22.Rxd3 Nc4 23.Nd5 Qg7 24.Qxg7+ Kxg7 25.Nxd4 cxd4 26.e6 Rac8 27.Rxd4 Rfd8 28.Kb1 Ne3 29.e7 Rxd5 30.Re4 Re8 31.Rxe3 Rd7 32.Rhe1 Kf7 33.Kc2 Rexe7 34.Rxe7+ Rxe7 35.Rxe7+ Kxe7 36.Kd3 Kf6 37.Kc4 g5 38.hxg5+ Kxg5 39.b4 Kf4 40.Kc5 Kg3 41.Kb6 Kxg2 42.Kxb7 h5 43.Kxa6 h4 44.b5 h3 45.b6 h2 46.b7 h1Q 47.b8Q Qf1+ 48.Ka5 Qe1+ 49.Ka4 Qe4+ 50.Ka3 Qc6 51.Qb1 Qa6+ 52.Kb2 Qf6+ 53.Kc1 Qh6+ 54.Kd1 Qd6+ 55.Kc1 Qf4+ 56.Kd1 Qg4+ 57.Kc1 Qf4+ 58.Kd1 Qf1+ 59.Kc2 Qf5+ 60.Kc1 Qg5+ 61.Kd1 Qd5+ 62.Kc1 Qg5+ 63.Kd1 Qh5+ 64.Kc1 Qg5+* ½-½ (64) Correspondence-ai (2772)-ArasanX (2748) Classical 2024*)* 21...Rae8 22.Rhe1

C2c5411) 22...Bxe4 23.Nxe4 Nd7 24.Neg5 *(24.Nd6 Re7 25.Qh4 Nxe5 26.Nxe5 Qxd6 27.Nc4 Qd5 28.Qxe7 Qxc4+ 29.Kb1 Qc2+ 30.Ka1 Qxg2 31.Rg1 Qd5 32.Rc1 b6* Looks OK for Black, but these lines show that Black really must know what is he doing. *)* 24...Re7 25.Qh4 Nxf3 26.Qc4+ Kh8 27.Nxf3 b5 28.Qc3 b4 29.Qe3 Rfe8 30.Rd5 a5 31.Kb1 a4 32.Qd3 a3 33.bxa3 bxa3 34.Qxa3 Nb6 35.Rd6 Qb8 36.Kc1 Ra7 37.Qb3 Rb7 38.Qc2 Nd7 39.Re3 c4 40.Rd4 Qa7 41.e6 Nf6 42.Rc3 Rxe6 43.Rdxc4 Ree7 44.Ra4 Qb6 45.Rb3 Qe6 46.Rc4 Rbd7 47.a4 Kg7 48.Kb1 Ra7 49.Rb5 Qd6 50.Rd4 Qa3 51.Qb3 Qxb3+ 52.Rxb3 h5 53.h3 Re2 54.Rb2 Re3 55.Ng5 Re5 56.h4 Nd5 57.Rb3 Re1+ 58.Kb2 Re2+ 59.Kc1 Ne3 60.Re4 Rc7+ 61.Kb1 Rd7 62.Ne6+ Kf7 63.Ng5+ Kf6 64.Rb6+ Kf5 65.Rb5+ Kf6

66.Rb6+ Kf5
67.Rb5+ Kf6
68.Re6+ Kg7
69.Rb2 Rd1+
70.Ka2 Rxb2+
71.Kxb2 Nxg2
72.Rc6 Nxh4 73.a5
Rd5 74.Ne6+ Kh6
75.Rc5 Rxc5
76.Nxc5 Nf3 77.a6
Ne5 78.a7 Nc4+
79.Ka1 Nb6 80.Nd3
g5 81.Nf2 g4
82.Ka2 Kg5 83.Ka3
Kf4 84.Kb4 Kf3
85.Nxg4 hxg4
86.Ka5 Na8 87.Kb5
g3 88.Ka6 Kf2
89.Kb7 g2 90.Kxa8
g1Q 91.Kb7 Qg7+
92.Ka8 Kf1 93.Kb8
Qg8+ 94.Kb7 Qg7+
95.Ka8 Ke1 96.Kb8
Qg3+ 97.Kb7 Qg7+
98.Ka8 Kd1 99.Kb8
Qb2+ 100.Kc7
Qc3+ 101.Kb7
Qb3+ 102.Kc7 Qf7+
103.Kb8 Qe8+
104.Kb7 Qf7+
105.Ka8 Kc2
106.Kb8 Qf8+
107.Kb7 Qe7+
108.Ka8 Kb3
109.Kb8 Qe8+
110.Kb7 Qe7+
111.Kb8 Qb4+
112.Kc7 Qf8
113.Kb7 Qf7+
114.Kb8 Qf8+
115.Kb7 Qg7+
116.Kb8 Qh8+
117.Kb7 Qg7+
118.Kb8 Qg3+
119.Kb7 Qf3+
120.Kb8 Qf4+
121.Kb7 Qe4+
122.Kb8 Qe5+
123.Kb7 Qb5+
124.Kc7 Qa6
125.Kb8 Qb6+
126.Ka8 Qd8+
127.Kb7 Qd5+
128.Kb8 Qd6+
129.Kb7 Qb4+
130.Kc7 Qc3+
131.Kb7 Qg7+
½ - ½ (131)
PetersBot (2975)-ArasanX (3035)
Rapid 2024;
C2c5412) 22...Bg4
23.Bxg6 Re6
24.Bxh7+ Qxh7
25.Qxh7+ Kxh7
26.Ng5+ Kg6
27.Nxe6 Bxe6
28.Rf1 Rxf1
29.Rxf1 Nd7
30.Rd1 a5 31.h3
a4 32.g4 b5
33.Kb1 Bc4 34.Ne4
Be2 35.e6 Bxd1
36.exd7 Nc6
37.Nc3 Bf3
38.Nxb5 Nd8
39.Kc2 Kf6 40.Kd3
Bg2 41.Kc4 Bxh3
42.Kxc5 Ke7
43.Nc3 Kxd7
44.Kb6 Ne6 45.Ne4
Bg2 46.Nc5+ Nxc5
47.Kxc5 Bf3 48.b3
Bxg4 49.bxa4 Kc7
50.a3 Kb7 51.a5
Be2 52.a4 Ka6

53.Kb4 Bf3 54.Ka3 Bd5 55.Kb2 Bf3 56.Ka1 Kxa5 57.Kb1 Be4+ 58.Ka1 Bg2 59.Kb1 Ka6 60.a5 Bd5 61.Ka1 Bc4 62.Kb1 Be2 63.Ka1 Bg4 64.Kb1 Kb5 65.a6 Bf5+ 66.Ka1 Be4 67.a7 Ka6 68.a8B ½-½ (68) PetersBot (3007)-ArasanX (3035) Rapid 2024;

C2c542) 20.h4 Bg4 21.h5 Nxf3 22.gxf3 Bxf3 23.hxg6 Bxh1 24.Rxh1 c4 25.Be2 Qf4+ 26.Qxf4 Rxf4 27.Rxh7 Rf6 28.Rxb7 Rxg6 29.Bh5 Rg1+ 30.Kd2 Rd8+ 31.Ke3 Nd7 32.Be2 Ne5 33.Nd5 Re1 Black is holding, not an easy line.;

C2c543) 20.Qg5 Bh3 21.Ne5 Be6 22.h4 Rae8 23.Rhf1 Qd8 24.Qh6 Qc7 25.Rxf8+ Rxf8 26.Qg5 Bxa2 27.Nxa2 Ne6 28.Qg3 Nf4 29.Qg5 Ne6 30.Qg3 Nf4 31.Qg5 Ne6 ½-½ (31) Nikitosik-ai (3027)-ArasanX (2992) Blitz 2024]

['CV: Krasenkow,Michal: 'It's tempting to try and exploit Black's clumsy pieces by seizing more ground with Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'It's tempting to try and exploit Black's clumsy pieces by seizing more ground with Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV:'' Glenn Flear: 'It's tempting to try and exploit Black's clumsy pieces by seizing more ground with'' Erdos, Viktor: 'In the game Wang Hao-Svidler at the recent Norway super tournament there was' Glenn Flear: 'The other main move is' 11.f4 31 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'N' 'e.g. The following moves were recently played:' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes' Glenn Flear: 'e.g. The following moves were recently played:'' Marin,Mihail: 'Wojtaszek,R (2716)-Safarli,E (2656) Shamkir 2014 (1-0, 36)' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'is nothing new and actually quite logical. White wants to consolidate the center further and develop his pieces by playing the very natural Nf3 next.' is nothing new and actually quite logical. White wants to consolidate the center further and develop his pieces by playing the very natural Nf3 next.' Swiercz,Dariusz: '!?' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'Actually I think this line is not so dangerous to Black, however it leads to some positions which are tricky for both sides .'' Van Delft & Ris: 'is an idea recently introduced by the main expert in this system. It deserves further investigation. is an idea recently introduced by the main expert in this system. It deserves further investigation.' Glenn Flear: '(space and the centre)' Glenn Flear: 'One of three challenging moves.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Actually I think this line is not so dangerous to Black,

however it leads to some positions which are tricky for both sides .'

A) ChessBase II: 'In the previous games we saw' 11...Qe6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch'

A1) 12.d5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Van Delft & Ris: '?' Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'is bad because of' Qxe4 13.dxc6 Bf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '<xml ✕:en>The point.</:en ✕/xml>' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The point.' 14.Bd3 Qxc6+ 15.Qc2 *(15.Nc3 Rfd8 16.Qc2 Nc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '-+'*; 15.Kb1 Qxb5-+)* 15...Bxd3 Glenn Flear: 'when Black regains the piece with interest' 16.Qxc6 *(16.Rxd3 Qxb5-+)* 16...bxc6 17.Rxd3 cxb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '-+' Van Delft & Ris: '-+';

A2) 12.Nxc7? Glenn Flear: 'is also unwise due to' Qxa2 13.Nxa8 Na5!-+ *(13...Na4 14.Qc2 Nb4 15.Qb1 Qb3* with a powerful attack *)*;

A3) less clear is 12.b3 Qxe4! 13.Bd3 Qd5 14.Nxc7 Qd6 15.Nxa8 Nd5! and despite his rook deficit, Black has plenty of play, as the knight on a8 is doomed and White's king is fragile;

A4) 12.Nc3 Nc4 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Van Delft & Ris: '!?' *(12...Rd8 13.d5* Glenn Flear: '?' *Bxc3!)* 13.Qe2

A4a) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Giri's' Glenn Flear: 'a new plan was introduced earlier this year by Anish Giri:' Glenn Flear: 'It's possible, once the theory of this line crystallizes, that' 13...N6a5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'as in Karjakin, S-Giri, A Wijk aan Zee 2013, needs further tests' RR: 'Ü 117/153' Swiercz, Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'An important move. Black does not hurry with ...Nxe3. It is more important to open the queenside and start an attack there as soon as possible.'' Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'will be judged as superior. Then' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'An important move. Black does not hurry with ...♘xe3. It is more important to open the queenside and start an attack there as soon as possible.' 14.Nf3 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'looks more to the point.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'looks more to the point.'

A4a1) 14...b5!? Glenn Flear: '(has not yet been employed in practise, but looks worth a try) could lead to the following:' 15.b3 *(15.Bf2 b4 16.Nd5 Rb8 17.Bh4 f6! 18.Be1 f5!?* with promising counterplay*; 15.Ne5 a6 16.Qf2 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 c5=)* 15...Nxe3 16.Qxe3 a6∞ 17.Kb2 c5!? when Black has serious counterplay.;

A4a2) Glenn Flear: 'Instead'

14...c5 Glenn Flear: 'was played in Karjakin, S-Giri, A Wijk aan Zee 2013, see the notes to Wojtaszek-Areshchenko in the September 2013 update. Black seemed to be OK there.'

A4a21) 15.Bf2 b5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!'

A4a211) 16.e5 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'Closing off this bishop is necessary.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Closing off this bishop is necessary.' Qa6 Swiercz,Dariusz: '?!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'A very tempting natural move, which creates some scary tactical ideas Nb3-Bf5 etc. However, it's not the best.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'A very tempting natural move, which creates some scary tactical ideas ♘b3-♗f5 etc. However, it's not the best.' *(16...b4* Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'was pretty strong'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'was pretty strong' *17.Ne4 b3 18.a3 cxd4 19.Nxd4 Qb6* Swiercz,Dariusz: '→' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'and Black is fast with creating an attack.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'and Black is fast with creating an attack.' *)*

A4a2111) Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'The best was just'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'The best was just' 17.dxc5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'and apparently Black's tactical ideas are enough only for a draw.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'and apparently Black's tactical ideas are enough only for a draw.' Bh6 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'The only move, others look just bad'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'The only move, others look just bad' *(17...Bf5* Swiercz,Dariusz: '?' *18.Nd4* Swiercz,Dariusz: '**±**!'*; 17...Bg4* Swiercz,Dariusz: '?' *18.h3* Swiercz,Dariusz: '**±**'*; 17...Nb3+* Swiercz,Dariusz: '?'

Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'does not work due to'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'does not work due to' *18.axb3 Qa1+ 19.Nb1* Swiercz,Dariusz: '+-' *)* 18.g3 Bg4 19.h3 *(19.Bg2* Swiercz,Dariusz: '?' *Rfd8* Swiercz,Dariusz: '∓' *)* 19...Nb3+ Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' 20.Kc2 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' *(20.axb3* Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'The knight is now lost because it will be left hanging on f3.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'The knight is now lost because it will be left hanging on f3.' *Qa1+ 21.Nb1 Bxf3* Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+' *)* 20...Bf5+ 21.Kxb3 Na5+ 22.Kb4 Nc6+ 23.Kb3 Na5+ 24.Kb4 Nc6+ Swiercz,Dariusz: '=' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'a funny draw!'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'a funny draw!';

A4a2112) 17.Ne4 Swiercz,Dariusz: '?' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'A huge mistake.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'A huge mistake.' 17...Bf5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'Now Black is again in charge with even more power.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Now Black is again in charge with even more power.' 18.g4 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'looks like only move to me from practical point of view.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'looks like only move to me from practical point of view.' *(18.Nxc5* Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'was not possible because of" Swiercz,Dariusz: 'was not possible because of' *Nb3+* Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' *19.Nxb3 Qxa2* Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'and otherwise it's difficult to suggest any other move than g4, as it's not possible for White to put up with this Bf5.''

Swiercz,Dariusz: 'and otherwise it's difficult to suggest any other move than g4, as it's not possible for White to put up with this ♗f5.' *)* 18...Bxg4 19.Nxc5 Nb3+ Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' 20.Kb1 Nxc5 21.dxc5 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'Black's position is so good that there are so many options.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Black's position is so good that there are so many options.' f6 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'Not the best, but it doesn't spoil Black's advantage. I thought it's kind of natural to open up the Bg7 and let this piece join the attack.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Not the best, but it doesn't spoil Black's advantage. I thought it's kind of natural to open up the ♗g7 and let this piece join the attack.' *(* Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'The simplest was'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'The simplest was' *21...Rad8* Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' *22.Bg2 Bf5+ 23.Ka1 Na5 24.b4 Nc4* Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'with just a winning position." Swiercz,Dariusz: 'with just a winning position.'*)* 22.Rg1 Bh5 23.Qe4 *(23.e6 f5* Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+' *)* 23...fxe5 24.Bxc4+ bxc4 25.Rd7 Bxf3 26.Qxf3

A4a21121)

26...Rab8

Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'was also possible (and I thought to play it) but it's not the best from the practical point of view in my opinion.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'was also possible (and I thought to play it) but it's not the best from the practical point of view in my opinion.' 27.Rxe7 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'why give up this pawn?" Swiercz,Dariusz: 'why give up this pawn?' Rxf4 *(27...Rxb2+*

Swiercz,Dariusz: '??' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Swiercz, D: 'was a trap:'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'was a trap:' *28.Kxb2 e4+ 29.Rxg7+* Swiercz,Dariusz: '+-!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'and White wins.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'and White wins.'*)* 28.Qd5+ Kh8 29.Be3 Qb5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'and Black is still much better, but why complicate the task so much?'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'and Black is still much better, but why complicate the task so much?';

A4a21122)

26...Qe6

Swiercz,Dariusz: '!' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'with this move I allow escape my opponent to the endgame but I estimated it correctly as being completely winning. " Swiercz,Dariusz: 'with this move I allow escape my opponent to the endgame but I estimated it correctly as being completely winning. ' 27.Rgd1 *(27.Qd5 Qxd5 28.Rxd5 exf4* Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+'*)* 27...e4 Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Swiercz, D: 'At last opening the big diagonal for the Bg7.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'At last opening the big diagonal for the ♗g7.' 28.Qe2 Rfb8

A4a211221)

29.Bd4 c3 30.b3 Rxb3+ 31.axb3 Qxb3+ 32.Kc1 *(32.Ka1 c2* Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+'*)* 32...Qa3+ Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+';

A4a211222)

29.R7d2 Bxb2 30.Rxb2 c3 Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+';

A4a211223)

29.R7d4 c3 Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+';

A4a211224)

29.R1d4 c3 30.b4 Bxd4 31.Rxd4 a5 32.b5 c2+ 33.Qxc2 *(33.Kb2*

Qxa2+ 34.Kxa2 c1N+ Swiercz,Dariusz: '-+!' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Swiercz, D: 'A nice tactical idea at the end!'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'A nice tactical idea at the end!' *)* 33...Rxb5+ 34.Kc1 e3 35.Re4 exf2 0-1 (35) Krueger,A (2713)-Roscher,J (2646) ICCF 2015 MAS D70 LF [Sh Riga 7/1977];

A4a212) 16.Nd5 Bb7 17.b3 cxd4∞ 18.bxc4 Nxc4∞;

A4a22) 15.e5 cxd4 *(15...Nxe3 16.Qxe3 cxd4 17.Nxd4 Qb6 18.Nd5±)* 16.Nxd4 Qb6 Swiercz,Dariusz: ' ∞' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Karjakin-Giri 2013' *(16...Qa6* Swiercz,Dariusz: ' ∞!?' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz, D: 'is also possible.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'is also possible.') 17.Nf5 *(17.Nd5!? Qd8 18.Nb5 Be6 19.Nbc3± Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Rc8 21.Kb1 Nc6 22.Bb5!?±)* 17...Nxe3 18.Nxe3 Nc6 Glenn Flear: '(provocative, but playable)' 19.Ned5 *(19.Ncd5 Qc5+ 20.Kb1 a6! 21.Qc4 Qxc4 22.Bxc4±)* 19...Qd8 Glenn Flear: '(White could now win the queen with 20.Nf6+, but then Black would have great piece-play, note for example the dark squares)' *(19...Qc5!? 20.Qb5! Qf2 21.Ne4 Qh4 22.g3±)* 20.g3 *(20.Nf6+ exf6 21.Rxd8 Rxd8* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Krasenkow,Michal: '→ *22.exf6 Bxf6⩱; 20.h4!? h5 21.Qf2 Bg4 22.Be2 Qc8!?; ⌓20.h3! Be6 21.Kb1±)* 20...Be6 21.Bg2 Rc8 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Karjakin, S-Giri, A Wijk aan Zee 2013' *(21...Qa5! 22.Kb1 Rfd8⇄)* 22.Kb1 *(22.Nf6+ exf6 23.Rxd8 Rfxd8⩱)* 22...Qa5 Krasenkow, Michal: '=' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (38) Karjakin, S (2780)-Giri,A (2720) Wijk aan Zee 2013' 23.Rd2 Rfd8 24.Rhd1 Kf8 25.h4 Rd7 26.h5 Rcd8 27.a3 a6 *(27...Bf5+! 28.Ka2 Qa6 29.Nb5 Be6 30.Kb1 Bf5+=)* 28.hxg6 *(28.g4!±; 28.Be4!±)* 28...hxg6 29.Bf3 *(29.Be4!)* 29...b5 30.Qf2 b4 31.axb4 Nxb4 32.Nxb4 Qxb4 33.Rxd7 Rxd7 34.Rxd7 Bxd7 35.Be4 Bh6 36.Qa7 Bb5 37.Bc2 Bc4 38.Kc1 a5 ½-½ (38) Karjakin,S (2780)-Giri,A (2720) Wijk

aan Zee 2013 CI1-130 [Sanikidze,Tornike];

A4b) 13...Nxe3 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'is an alternative, but I dislike the positions appearing after'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'is an alternative, but I dislike the positions appearing after' 14.Qxe3 Van Delft & Ris: '∞' Nb4 *(14...Qd6* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' *)* 15.Kb1

A4b1) 15...Qb6 - Wang Hao Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' △16.a3 Nc6 17.Nd5 Qa5 18.Bc4 e6 19.b4 Qa4 20.Bb3 Qxa3 21.Nxc7 Nxd4 Normal 0-1 (21) SuriusPlaya (2623)-ThisisSOOOONice (2457) Blitz 2024;

A4b2) 15...Rd8;

A4b3) 15...c5 Ftacnik innovates. 16.d5 *(16.dxc5??* won't do because of *Bxc3* followed by capturing on a2. *)* 16...Qb6 Black has achieved a double-edged structure, but has to be careful about White's domination of the central arena. 17.a3 Bd4 18.Qd2 Na6 19.h3 To avoid ...Bg4. Rd8 *(* A computer line is *19...Qa5 20.Nf3 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 Qxc3 22.bxc3 Nc7* with a judgement of 'near-equality'. I would take White, as the centre is more likely to be useful than Black's queenside majority. However, this is perhaps my own personal taste!*)* 20.Nf3 Bg7 21.g4 Matlakov expands almost at will, as Black will take an eternity to get his b-pawn going. Nc7 22.e5!? Giving his opponent an opportunity to fight back. *(*Instead *22.Qe3* would keep control, and ensure White a healthy edge. *)* 22...Be6 Finding a task for this bishop, but Matlakov had clearly anticipated this reply. 23.dxe6!? Rxd2 24.exf7+ Kxf7 25.Rxd2 For his queen White has bishop and rook. The computer prefers Black but is probably off the mark. White is able to improve his pieces whereas Black can't do this very easily.

A4b31) After 25...Bh6! (hitting White's weak spot) 26.Bc4+ *(26.g5 Bf8 27.Bc4+ Kg7 28.Rhd1* the lack of N-g5 reduces the importance of White's potential*)* 26...Ke8 27.g5 Bf8 28.Rhd1 the outcome remains unclear.;

A4b32) 25...Kg8?! 26.Bc4+ Kh8 27.Ng5 Rf8

A4b321) More to the point is 28.Rhd1! e.g. h6 *(28...Rxf4* fails to *29.Rd8+ Rf8 30.R8d7 h6 31.Rxe7! hxg5 32.Rd6* with a powerful attack *)* 29.Nf7+ Kh7

30.Rd7 with strong pressure. Black is basically helpless.;

A4b322) 28.Rf1?! Qa5 29.Nf7+ Kg8 Perilous, but not bad. White only seems to be able to pick off a pawn. 30.Nd8+ Kh8 31.Nxb7 Qb6 32.Nd8 Nb5! Some rare threats from Black! 33.Nf7+ *(33.Nxb5 Rxd8* looks acceptable for Black. *)* 33...Rxf7 34.Nxb5 Rf8 35.g5 This fixes Black's kingside, so that the bishop won't emerge for the time being. Qc6 36.Nc3 Qc8 37.Nd5 Qxh3?! *(* Black could try and just 'hold the fort' with *37...Qd7 38.Rfd1 Qb7* when the onus would be on White to find a breakthrough. Maybe pushing the h-pawn would be unpleasant for Black? So... *39.h4!)* 38.Ka2!? *(38.Nxe7* looks more natural. *)* 38...Bxe5? Falling into the trap! 39.fxe5 Rxf1

A4b3221) 40.Nf4 Rxf4 *(* Black could keep going with *40...Qc8 41.Bxf1+-* but the result would be pretty clear*)* 41.Rd8+ Kg7 42.Rg8#;

A4b3222) 40.Nf4! 1-0 (40) Matlakov,M (2700)-Ftacnik,L (2545) Turnov CZE 2013 [Glenn Flear];

A4b4) 15...c6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'This looks like a good idea. Especially as Black hasn't done well with neither 15...Rd8 nor 15...c5, see the Matlakov, M-Ftacnik, L Czech League (January 2014) game and notes. Glenn Flear: 'This looks like a good idea. Especially as Black hasn't done well with neither 15...Rd8 nor 15...c5, see the Matlakov, M-Ftacnik, L Czech League (January 2014) game and notes.'' RR: '⇄!?' '⇄!?' RR: 'Sanikidze,T' Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' 16.Nf3 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Kaufman prefers' *16.Re1* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(slightly unnatural, but it defends the queen)' *Rd8 17.Nf3 a5 18.h4 Qd6 19.a3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'when he prefers White slightly (according to Komodo, whereas Houdini gives it as equal). The aggressive Glenn Flear: 'when he prefers White slightly (according to Komodo, whereas Houdini gives it as equal). The

aggressive''*Bg4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'then looks critical, when a good analysis engine may come in useful to work out the complications! Glenn Flear: 'then looks critical, when a good analysis engine may come in useful to work out the complications!'')* 16...Nd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' 17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.e5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '±' Qg4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!?'*(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'simpler is' *18...Bd7* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!'' *19.h4 h5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'At this point White is less well-placed to try the wild g2-g4 as seen in an analogous position in Wojtaszek-Shafarli below. Glenn Flear: 'At this point White is less well-placed to try the wild g2-g4 as seen in an analogous position in Wojtaszek-Shafarli below.'' *20.Ng5 Qb6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'with equality. White has space for the bishops, but attacking chances (for either side) look unconvincing. Glenn Flear: 'with equality. White has space for the bishops, but attacking chances (for either side) look unconvincing.'')* 19.Ka1 f6 20.g3 g5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(double-edged and perhaps a shade optimistic) Glenn Flear: '(double-edged and perhaps a shade optimistic)'' 21.Be2 gxf4 22.gxf4 fxe5 23.fxe5 Qf4 24.Qb3 Bg4 25.Rhf1 e6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Bachmann, Ax-Kovchan, A Zalakaros 2014, was messy.';

B) 11...a6 12.Nc3 Rd8 *(12...Na5)* 13.Nf3± Qe8 14.Qf2 Na5 15.Kb1 Bg4 16.Be2 Rac8 17.h3 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 Na4 19.Qc2 Nc4 20.Bc1 Nxc3+ 21.Qxc3 Nd6 22.e5 Nb5 23.Qc4 c6 24.h4 Qd7 25.Be3 Nc7 26.g3 Nd5 27.Bf2 h5 28.Ka1 e6 29.g4 hxg4 30.Bxg4 Nxf4 31.Qc1 Nd5 32.h5 c5 33.hxg6 cxd4 34.gxf7+ Qxf7 35.Qg5 Re8 36.Rdg1 Re7 37.Qh4 Rc2 38.Bxe6 1-0 (38) Duda,J (2717)-Pultinevicius,P (2371) Katowice POL 2017;

C) 11...Rd8 10:36 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(sort of new, but already mentioned by Kaufman. It's not really clear that the rook is better off here as the pressure on d4 doesn't lead anywhere)' Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: '(sort of new, but already mentioned by Kaufman. It's not really clear that the rook is better off here as the pressure on d4 doesn't lead anywhere)'' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: '!?' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'An interesting novelty!' !? An interesting novelty!' 12.Nf3 34

ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Wojtaszek is getting the game back into the "main lines".' Wojtaszek is getting the game back into the "main lines".' *(12.d5!?* (Arkadij Naiditsch) could be another interesting try. !? could be another interesting try.*)* 12...Qe6 8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?'' 13.Nc3 9 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '(the safe option returning to familiar territory)'' *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'it would take some courage to go for Glenn Flear: 'it would take some courage to go for'' *13.Nxc7* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' *Qxa2 14.Nxa8 Na4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *15.Qc2 Nb4 16.Qb1 Qb3 17.Kd2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *Bg4 18.Nc7* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'when unprepared. Furthermore, Black's attack seems to yield adequate compensation. Glenn Flear: 'when unprepared. Furthermore, Black's attack seems to yield adequate compensation.''*)* 13...Nc4 59 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Now we are back to the main line, just over the different move order: 11...Rd8 and not 11...Qe6 immediately.' Now we are back to the main line, just over the different move order: 11...Rd8 and not 11...Qe6 immediately.' 14.Qe2 5 *(14.d5 Nxd2 15.dxe6 Nxf3 16.Rxd8+ Nxd8 17.exf7+ Kxf7 18.gxf3 Be6* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Van Delft & Ris: 'is unproblematic for Black. is unproblematic for Black.'*;* After *14.Bxc4* Arkadij Naiditsch *Qxc4* Black would get nice play, especially because of the upcoming Bg4 threat. Black would get nice play, especially because of the upcoming Bg4 threat. *)* 14...Nxe3 1:52 15.Qxe3 6 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Black achieved a lot. He exchanged the black colored bishop, but gave up the center in return. The position is very dynamic.' Black achieved a lot. He exchanged the black colored bishop, but gave up the center in return. The position is very dynamic.' Nb4 2:39 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' *(15...Qd6* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' '⩲' *16.e5 Qb4 17.d5 Nb8 18.a3 Qb6* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' '∞' *)*

C1) 16.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?' Krasenkow,Michal: ''?' <xml ✕:en>White weakens the crucial diagonal and gets into trouble.</:en ✕/xml>' Van Delft & Ris: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'White weakens the crucial diagonal and gets into trouble.' Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' 17.a3 Nc6 18.Na4 *(18.Nd5 Qa5 19.Kb2 Nxd4* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' *20.Nxe7+ Kf8 21.e5 Bg4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *22.Rxd4 Bxf3* Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *23.Nxg6+ hxg6 24.b4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Qb6 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Qxf3 Rd4* Krasenkow,Michal: '→' *)* 18...Qa5 Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (30) Mamedyarov,S (2747)-Negi,P (2641) Caleta 2012 CBM 147 [Krasenkow,M]'

19.d5

C1a) Glenn Flear: 'what about' Glenn Flear: 'maybe Black can be more ambitious with' 19...b5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 20.dxc6 *(20.Bxb5 Qxb5 21.dxc6 Bg4)* 20...Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 bxa4 22.b4 Glenn Flear: 'when the computer judges the position to be equal, but in practise, White's vulnerable king will make matters complicated for him' Qh5 Glenn Flear: 'when White's king looks a little draughty' 23.e5 Bg4 Krasenkow,Michal: '↑';

C1b) 19...Nb8 20.Qc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: ''!' <xml✕:en>After the exchange of queens White's king is not in danger anymore, and he holds his ground despite Black's bishop pair.</:en ✕/ xml>' Glenn Flear: '=' '=' Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Negi, P Gibraltar 2012' Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov, S-Negi, P Gibraltar 2012.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'After the exchange of queens White's king is not in danger anymore, and he holds his ground despite Black's bishop pair.' Qxc5+ 21.Nxc5 c6∓ Mamedyarov,S (2747)-Negi,P (2641)/Caleta/2012/ 22.Bc4 b6 23.dxc6 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Nxc6 25.Bd5 Bg4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 26.Bxc6 Rc8 27.Kb1 bxc5 *(27...Rxc6 28.Rd8+ Bf8 29.Nd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '=') 28.Bd5 Bxf3 29.gxf3 Bh6 30.f5 gxf5 ½-½ (30) Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2747)-Palejko,M (2641) United States 2012 CBM 107 Extra [Zsolt Karacsony] Van Delft & Ris: '1/2-1/2 Mamedyarov-Negi, Gibraltar 2012.';

C2) 16.Kb1 5:25 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' ' ⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow,M: '!" ChessBase II: 'with very sharp play, like for example in Wanh Hao-Svidler 2013.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This position could have happened in Mamedyarov-Negi in the event of 16.♔b1! instead of 16.b3?! Krasenkow,M: '- see main game"

C2a) 16...b5?! ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 117/(153)" Glenn Flear: '(wild and not really sound)'Krasenkow, Michal: 'The desperate move played in the game is even worse. Black loses a pawn and doesn't obtain any kind of attack.

' 17.a3± Na6 *(17...Nd5 18.Nxd5 Rxd5 19.Ng5 Rxg5 20.fxg5* winning an exchange without compensation.*)* 18.Bxb5 Qb6 19.Ne5 Glenn Flear: 'Wang Hao-Svidler, P Sandnes 2013, with a clear White advantage.' Glenn Flear: 'Wang Hao-Svidler, P Sandnes 2013, which didn't inspire confidence. Analysis engines don't rate Black's pawn sacrifice very highly.' Bxe5 20.fxe5 Rb8 21.Rd2 Qa5 22.Bxa6 Bxa6

23.Nd5± Wang,H (2743)-Svidler,P (2769) Sandnes 117/(153) 2013 CI1-130 [RR]

C2a1) 23...Rxd5 24.exd5 Bc4 was probably a lesser evil, according to GM M. Golubev, although after 25.Rc1 Bxd5 26.Rc5 Qa6 27.Qe2! *(27.Rxd5?? Qf1+ 28.Ka2 Qc4+)* 27...Qb7 28.b4 Black's compensation for the exchange is far from sufficient.;

C2a2) 23...Rb3 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' 24.Nxe7+ Kf8 25.Qxb3 Qxd2 26.Nc6 Qxg2 27.Re1 Re8

C2a21) ⌓28.d5! (M . G o l u b e v) Qxh2 29.Qb4+ Kg7 *(29...Kg8 30.d6 cxd6 31.exd6)* 30.Qd4 with powerful centralisation.;

C2a22) 28.Qc2 Qxc2+ 29.Kxc2 Bb5 Krasenkow, M i c h a l : ' ! ' 30.Nxa7 *(30.Na5 c5!)* 30...Bd7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has technical problems; however, the Chinese GM finds the solution.

' 31.Rf1 Krasenkow, Michal: '!'

C2a221) 31...Ra8 32.e6! Bxe6 *(32...Be8 33.Nc6! Bxc6 34.Rxf7+ Ke8 35.d5+-)* 33.Nc6;

C2a222) 31...f5 32.exf5 gxf5

C2a2221) 33.Kd3 w a s a b i t m o r e accurate: Ra8 *(33...c6 34.Rc1)* 34.e6! Bxe6 35.Nb5! Rc8 *(35...Rb8 36.Nxc7)* 36.d5 Bxd5 *(36...Bd7 37.Nd4)* 37.Rxf5+ Bf7 38.a4+-;

C2a2222) 33.Kc3 Ra8 34.e6 Bxe6 35.Nc6 *(35.Nb5 Bd7!)* 35...Kg7 36.d5 Krasenkow, M i c h a l : ' ! ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The right idea: to e x c h a n g e t h e useless d4-pawn for B l a c k ' s p a s s e r . ' Bxd5 *(36...Bd7 37.Ne5 Bc8 38.Rc1!? Ra4 39.Kb3 Ra7 40.Rc6+-)* 37.Nd4 Be4 38.Nxf5+ Kg6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black's position is now more active than after 33.♔d3; still, White logically b r i n g s h o m e h i s advantage.

' 39.Nd4 Ra5 40.Ne6 *(40.Rf2 Wang Hao)* 40...Bf5 41.Nd4 Bd7 42.Rf2 h5 43.Kd3 Rg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'It was better to wait.

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C2a22221)

44.Rc2!? c6 *(44...c5 45.Nf3 Bf5+ 46.Kc3 Bxc2 47.Nxg5)* 45.b4;
C2a22222) 44.b4!? Rg1 *(44...c5 45.Nf3)* 45.Rc2;
C2a22223) 44.Nf3 Ra5 45.Kd4 Ra4+ 46.Ke3 ChessBase II: 'Wang,H (2743)-Svidler,P (2769) Stavanger 2013 1-0 (63)' Bf5 47.Nd4 Bd7 48.Rc2 Ra7 49.h4 Kf6 50.Rc5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has achieved total domination.' Be8 51.Rf5+ Ke7 52.Re5+ Kd7 53.Nb3 Bf7 54.Nc5+ Kd6 55.Kd4 Ra8 56.Rf5 Ke7 57.a4 Rg8 58.Rf4 Rg2 59.b4 Rd2+ 60.Kc3 Ra2 61.a5 Ra1 62.a6 Be8 63.Re4+
1-0 (63) Wang Hao (2743)-Svidler,P (2769) Sandnes NOR 2013 [RR] Wang,H (2743)-Svidler,P (2769) Sandnes 117/(153) 2013 CI1-130 [RR] Kf7 64.Rxe8 Kxe8 65.Kb2 Rd1 66.a7 Rd8 67.Ne6+-;

C2b) 16...c5 17.d5 Bxc3 18.Bc4!;
C2c) Glenn Flear: 'possible however is' Glenn Flear: 'possible is' 16...a5!? 17.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲''⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '[%draw full,b4]' *(17.a3 c6!?* as White daren't capture the knight: *18.axb4? axb4 19.d5 bxc3!* and White is in trouble*)* 17...Qb6 18.a3 Be6! with a complicated struggle in prospect;
C2d) 16...Qb6 Krasenkow, Michal: 'is less appropriate now than on the previous move, in view of' 17.a3 Nc6 18.Nd5 Qa5 19.Bc4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲''⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: 'threatening 19.b4 ♕a4 20. ♘xc7 (the d1-rook is protected).';
C2e) 16...c6 15:05 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Another new move. This should be compared to play arising from 11...Qe6." RR: ' ⩲''⩲' ChessBase II: 'N' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A solid move against White's d5 push and at the same time preparing to go back with the knight to d5. DIAGRAM' A solid move against White's d5 push and at the same time preparing to go back with the knight to d5. DIAGRAM' 17.Be2 5:18 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A logical move, but somehow if we look

at the position it is very tempting to try something more dynamic.' A logical move, but somehow if we look at the position it is very tempting to try something more dynamic.' *(* ChessBase II: 'At first sight it is hard to see why not to try' *17.Ng5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch' *Qd6* *18.Bc4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'should yield a pull as Black has nothing better than going back to f8 Glenn Flear: 'should yield a pull as Black has nothing better than going back to f8'' ChessBase II: 'with a nice attack on the f7 pawn.' *e6* And after the simple And after the simple *19.a3* I think White's position looks better. *)* 17...Nd5 18:34 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'What can be more logical than this move?!' What can be more logical than this move?!' 18.Nxd5 2:19 cxd5 5 19.e5 9 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'We are in quit e a tricky position. If Black was in time with developing his bishop from c8, playing Rac8 with some action on the c-file, White can just be worse because the black bishop on g7 is not going to be passive forever and can join the game by playing e6-Bf8. On the other hand, White is going to start direct play on the black king and the position remains very tense.' We are in quit e a tricky position. If Black was in time with developing his bishop from c8, playing Rac8 with some action on the c-file, White can just be worse because the black bishop on g7 is not going to be passive forever and can join the game by playing e6-Bf8. On the other hand, White is going to start direct play on the black king and the position remains very tense.' Bd7 4 *(* Probably White is doing better after *19...Qb6* (Arkadij Naiditsch) Black wants to develop his bishop to f5. *20.h4* *Bf5+* *21.Bd3* and I think White should be the one who is pushing here. and I think White should be the one who is pushing here.*)* 20.h4 2:05 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ↑!' ' ↑!' ' ↑!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White is not losing any time!' Arsovic, Goran: ' ↑!' White is not losing any time!'

C2e1) 20...Qf5+ ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran' 21.Bd3 Qh5 *(21...Qg4* *22.h5)* 22.Nh2 ChessBase II: '!' Bg4 *(22...Bf5* *23.g4* *Bxg4* *24.Nxg4* *Qxg4* *25.h5* ChessBase II: ' ±') 23.Nxg4 Qxg4 24.h5 ChessBase II: '→';

C2e2) If Black didn't pay any attention to White's attack and for example

played 20...Rac8 Arkadij Naiditsch 21.h5 Rc7 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.g4 followed by f5, with a very dangerous attack.;

C2e3) 20...h5 3:23 'Wojtaszek,R (2716)-Safarli, E (2656) Shamkir 2014 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Wojtaszek,R (2716)-Safarli, E (2656) Shamkir 2014'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Wojtaszek,R (2716)-Safarli,E (2656) Shamkir 2014''' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'DIAGRAM'' 21.g4 14:18 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow, Michal) (a practical move forcing play, otherwise White has nothing)' ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran: '!' '!' '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A great move! White does not care about a sacrifce of a pawn to open Black's king position.' Arsovic,Goran: '!' ! A great move! White does not care about a sacrifce of a pawn to open Black's king position.' hxg4 59 *(21...Qxg4* ChessBase II: '?' ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran' *22.Ng5 Qf5+ 23.Bd3 Qg4 24.Rdg1* ChessBase II: '+-') 22.Ng5 5 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'All white pieces are suddenly in the attack."

C2e31) 22...Qc6 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran' 23.h5 Bf5+ *(23...gxh5 24.Bd3 Qh6 25.Rh4 Rac8 26.Rdh1 Qb6 27.Rxh5* ChessBase II: ' ±') 24.Bd3 f6 25.hxg6 ChessBase II: '!' Bxd3+ 26.Rxd3 fxg5 27.f5 Rac8 28.Rd2 Qd7 29.Rf2 ChessBase II: '±';

C2e32) 22...Qb6 4 23.h5 36 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black has many options here, but it's hard to determine the best option. Glenn Flear: 'Black has many options here, but it's hard to determine the best option. " f6 11:18 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Safarli is trying to save himself with tactics.'' *(* ChessBase II: 'After' *23...gxh5* ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran (Arkadij Naiditsch) White had the strong White had the strong' *24.Bd3* ChessBase II: '→!' ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' → '!' *Rac8 25.Rxh5* with a deadly attack on the h-file. with a deadly attack on the h-file.*)* 24.e6 4:49 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!'

Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Wojtaszek, R-Safarli, E Shamkir 2014, with a handy White initiative. Glenn Flear: 'Wojtaszek, R-Safarli, E Shamkir 2014, with a handy White initiative.'' ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Another very strong move by Wojtaszek.' ! Another very strong move by Wojtaszek.'

C2e321) 24...Bc8 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran (Arkadij Naiditsch) didn't work because of' 25.hxg6 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic, Goran' *(25.f5!* and it seems like there is no more escape for Black, especially with such passive pieces placed on the 8th rank. ! and it seems like there is no more escape for Black, especially with such passive pieces placed on the 8th rank.*)* 25...fxg5 26.f5 Qd6 *(26...Qb4 27.Rh7* ChessBase II: '(Δ Rg7) Arsovic,Goran: '(Δ ♖g7)' (/\ Rg7)' *Qd6 28.Bxg4* ChessBase II: '+-' *)* 27.Qxg5 ChessBase II: '+-';

C2e322) 24...fxg5 5:00 25.exd7 30

C2e3221) 25...Rxd7 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' 26.Bxg4 Rd6 27.hxg6 ChessBase II: '+-' *(27.fxg5* ChessBase II: '+-' *)*;

C2e3222) 25...gxh55 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Black can't let White play hxg6.'' 26.f5 13:50 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A good move.' Arsovic,Goran: '!'' *(26.Qd3* ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Qa6* ChessBase II: '!' *27.Rxh5 Qxd3+ 28.Rxd3 Rxd7 29.Bxg4 Rd6 30.Rxg5 Kf8 31.Rg3 Bf6 32.Rxd5 Rxd5 33.Be6 Rg5* ChessBase II: '!' *34.fxg5 Bxd4* ChessBase II: '=';

26.fxg5 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *e5 27.Ka1 Rxd7 28.Rxh5 exd4 29.Qd3 Rf7 30.Bxg4* ChessBase II: '±'; *26.Qxe7* (Arkadij Naiditsch) would lead to a very interesting position because of *Bf6!* ! *27.Qe3 Rxd7*

and things are pretty unclear. *)* 26...Rxd7 5:28 27.Rxh5 23 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Black's position is looking very dangerous, but the bishop on g7 is still a very strong piece that is not only putting pressure on d4 but also defending the black king very well.' Black's position is looking very dangerous, but the bishop on g7 is still a very strong piece that is not only putting pressure on d4 but also defending the black king very well.' Kf8 12:24 *(27...Bf6* ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *28.Rxg5+* ChessBase II: '!' *Bxg5 29.Qxg5+ Kf8)*

C2e32221)

28.Rxg5

ChessBase II: '!' ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' Bh6 29.Rh1 Bxg5 *(29...Rd6 30.Qe5* ChessBase II: '+-*')* 30.Qxg5 ChessBase II: '+-' ChessBase II: '- 27...Bf6 Arsovic, Goran: '- 27...♗f6'' Qxd4 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' 31.Qh6+ Qg7 *(31...Ke8* ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *32.Qh8+* ChessBase II: '+-*')* 32.Qh8+

C2e322211)

32...Qxh8

33.Rxh8+ Kf7 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(33...Kg7 34.Rxa8* with a probably winning endgame for White. with a probably winning endgame for White. *)* 34.Rxa8 g3 35.Bf3 ChessBase II: '+-';

C2e322212)

32...Qg8

ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' 33.Qe5 ChessBase II: '+-';

C2e32222)

28.Bxg4

(Arkadij Naiditsch) doesn't lead anywhere as after doesn't lead anywhere as after Qf6! Black has blocked the whole board! ! Black has blocked the whole board! 29.Rxg5??

is of course losing to ?? is of course losing to Bh6;

C2e32223)

28.Qxg5 37:52 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'White continues trying to open Black's position as much as possible.' Arsovic,Goran: '!' White continues trying to open Black's position as much as possible.' 28...Bxd4 17:12 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'DIAGRAM"

C2e322231)

29.Rxd4 Qxd4 30.Qh6+ Kf7 *(30...Qg7 31.Qh8+)* 31.Qe6+ Kf8 *(31...Ke8 32.Qg8#)* 32.Qxd7 Qe4+ 33.Kc1 Qxe2 34.Rh8+ Kg7 35.Rxa8 Qf1+ 36.Kc2 Qc4+;

C2e322232)

29.Qd2 8:12 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'A great move! After taking the g5 pawn, White is looking for attacking chances on the open g- and h-files.' ! A great move! After taking the g5 pawn, White is looking for attacking chances on the open g- and h-files.'

C2e3222321)

29...Bf6 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran (Arkadij Naiditsch) didn't help either as after' 30.Bxg4 Qc7 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(30...Rad8 31.Qh2* ChessBase II: 'White will mate on the h- or g-file in the next few moves. ' *Kf7* ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *32.Rh7+ Kg8 33.Rh6* ChessBase II: '+-' *)* 31.Qh6+ Bg7 32.Qh7 Qd6 33.f6 ChessBase II: '+-!';

C2e3222322)

29...Bg7 44 30.f6 27 ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Amazing play by White! Wojtaszek completely crushes Black's position by opening it to the maximum.' Arsovic, Goran: '!' ! Amazing play by White!

Wojtaszek completely crushes Black's position by opening it to the maximum.'

C2e32223221)

30...Bxf6

ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran Arkadij Naiditsch'

31.Bxg4

ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran' *(31.Rf1* and mate will follow shortly. *)* 31...Rdd8 32.Rf1 ChessBase II: '+-';

C2e32223222)

30...exf6 1:02

ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Black didn't have anything better.''

31.Bxg4 50

ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'By now at last it is clear that White is crushing. If we look back into the game it is even hard to say where Black's mistake was...' By now at last it is clear that White is crushing. If we look back into the game it is even hard to say where Black's mistake was...' Rd6 2:47 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Nothing really helps anymore, White is attacking the black king from all sides.' Nothing really helps anymore, White is attacking the black king from all sides.'

32.Rdh1 34

ChessBase II: 'Arsovic,Goran: '+-' '+-' '+-' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Rh8 is coming next.' Arsovic,Goran: '+-' Rh8 is coming next.' Kf7 1:03

33.Rh7 2:52

ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'Now Qh6 is a deadly threat.'' Rg8 1 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'DIAGRAM''

34.Re1 8

ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: '!' Arkadij Naiditsch: 'is the last precise move. White wants to mate by playing Bh5-Re8.' ! is the last precise move. White wants to mate by playing Bh5-Re8.' Rdd8 1:39 ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'The position is lost and there are no more "good

moves" for Black.' The position is lost and there are no more "good moves" for Black.' 35.Bh5+ 1:52 Kf8 2 36.Qe2 6 1-0 (36) Pires,A (2716)-9.Qd2 b5 10.000 ♘b6 (2656) Chiasso 2014 OR: The Petroff Defence [Dragan Solak] ChessBase II: 'Arkadij Naiditsch: 'With the double threat of playing Qe8 or Qe7. What a fantastic game by Wojtaszek and one of the best examples I have ever seen on the theme" attack with opposite colored bishops". Just great!' With the double threat of playing Qe8 or Qe7. What a fantastic game by Wojtaszek and one of the best examples I have ever seen on the theme" attack with opposite colored bishops". Just great!']

[Glenn Flear: 'A slower approach' 11.Na3 Sanikidze,Tornike: '!?' Glenn Flear: '!?' 'Ivanchuk scored a whole point after that move, but objectively, Black's position should be good.' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Only Ivanchuk can play this move!'

A) Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'The slower'' 11...Rd8 Van Delft & Ris 12.Ne2 Qe8 *(12...a5* Glenn Flear: '!?'*)* 13.Qe1 f5 14.h3 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 Ganguly,S (2634)-Safarli,E (2587)/Paks 2009/CBM 133 (35)' fxe4 15.fxe4± Ganguly-Safarli, Paks 2009. Sanikidze,Tornike: 'left Black with some space problems:' Be6 Sanikidze,Tornike: '!?' 16.d5 Ne5 Glenn Flear: '?' Sanikidze,Tornike: '?!' *(16...Bf7* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'is more precise when capturing on c6 is dangerous' Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Sanikidze, Tornike: 'is less clear'*)* 17.Bd4 Glenn Flear: '?!' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Ganguly, S-Safarli, E Paks 2009, with a complex struggle that Ganguly won. Glenn Flear: 'Ganguly, S-Safarli, E Paks 2009, with a complex struggle that Ganguly won.'' *(* Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Instead of White's 17th, as I have already mentioned before, Glenn Flear: 'Instead of White's 17th, as I have already mentioned before,'' *17.dxe6* Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'favours the first player' *Nd3+ 18.Rxd3 Rxd3 19.Nc3* Glenn Flear: 'looks dodgy for Black'*)* 17...Bf7 18.Qg3 Glenn Flear: 'Ganguly, S-Safarli, E Paks 2009, and White then had the initiative' Nbd7 19.Kb1 c6 20.Nf4 e6 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Be2 Qe7 23.h4 h6 24.Nc4 Nxc4 25.Bxc4

Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Ne5 27.Rxd8+ Rxd8 28.Bb3 Qd6 29.Rd1 Qc7 30.Nd3 Rxd3 31.Rxd3 Qa5 32.Rd1 Kg7 33.Qf4 Qb5 34.g4 Nd3 35.Qd6 1-0 (35) Ganguly,S (2634)-Safarli,E (2587) Paks HUN 2009;

B) 11...e5 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'N' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'A new move.'' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Van Delft & Ris: '!' 12.d5 Nd4

B1) More consistent is Sanikidze, Tornike: 'I presume that Sutovsky would have met'More consistent is 13.f4!? Sanikidze,Tornike: 'with' Qe7 *(13...c5 14.fxe5 Qg4 15.Bd3 Bxe5* Sanikidze,Tornike: 'which seems perfectly acceptable for Black.'*)* 14.fxe5 c5∞;

B2) 13.Ne2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Δ' c5 14.Kb1 Krasenkow, Michal: '∞';

B3) 13.Kb1 c6 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: '1-0 (33) Ivanchuk,V (2768)-Sutovsky,E (2700) Ningbo 2011' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' 14.dxc6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris' bxc6 *(* Sanikidze,Tornike: 'There is a case for' *14...Qxc6* Sanikidze, Tornike: 'as after' *15.Ne2* Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Black may not even need to defend the d4-point, and so the active-looking Glenn Flear: 'Black may not even need to defend the d4-point, and so the active-looking'' *Be6* Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Sanikidze, Tornike: 'would be dynamic.'*)* 15.Qa5 Qb7 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'The Israeli GM intends to press down the b-file.'' *(15...Rb8!?↑)* 16.Ne2

B3a) Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Or perhaps' 16...c5 Sanikidze, Tornike: '!?' 17.Nc1 *(17.Qxc5* Sanikidze,Tornike: '?' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'is too dangerous because of' *Na4 18.Qc1 Rb8)* 17...Rb8;

B3b) 16...Rb8 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '↑' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Ivanchuk-Sutovsky, Ningbo 2011.' Van Delft & Ris: '↑' Van Delft & Ris: 'Ivanchuk-Sutovsky, Ningbo 2011. Ivanchuk-Sutovsky, Ningbo 2011.' 17.Rd2 Ivanchuk,V (2768)-Sutovsky,E (2700)/ Ningbo/2011/ Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 Ivanchuk,V (2768)-Sutovsky,E (2700)/Ningbo 2011/CBM 144 (33)' Glenn Flear: 'Ivanchuk, V-Sutovsky, E Ningbo 2012, was unclear. Ivanchuk, V-Sutovsky, E Ningbo 2012, was unclear.'

B3b1) 17...Nd5 Sanikidze, Tornike: '?' Sanikidze, Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: '?' 'This is a case of getting carried away. Black has a nice position, but this flashy move just doesn't work.' Glenn Flear: 'This is a case of getting carried away. Black has a nice position, but this flashy move just doesn't work.'' 18.exd5 Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Bc2 *(* Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Or after' *19...Nc2+ 20.Rxc2 Bxc2 21.Qc3 Ba4 22.d6* Sanikidze,Tornike: '!'

Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Black lacks compensation.') 20.Qc3 Sanikidze,Tornike: '+-' Glenn Flear: '+-' Glenn Flear: '1-0 Ivanchuk,V-Sutovsky,E/Ningbo CHN 2011 (33)' cxd5 21.Nxd4 Rfc8 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'Sutovsky is always very active, but Ivanchuk can give back some material to stem the attack.' Glenn Flear: 'Sutovsky is always very active, but Ivanchuk can give back some material to stem the attack.'' 22.Bc4 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'' Ba4 23.Nb3 e4 24.Bd4 Bf8 25.Qe3 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'Finally, Black will take back a piece, but that still leaves him one light.' Glenn Flear: 'Finally, Black will take back a piece, but that still leaves him one light.'' dxc4 26.Nc5 Qc6 27.Nxe4 f5 28.Nf6+ Kf7 29.Nb1 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Glenn Flear: 'With the worst-placed minor piece calmly being brought into the fray, it becomes clear that Black has nothing going on the queenside.' Glenn Flear: 'With the worst-placed minor piece calmly being brought into the fray, it becomes clear that Black has nothing going on the queenside.'' h6 30.Nc3 Rb7 31.g4 Rd8 32.gxf5 gxf5 33.Rg1 1-0 (33) Kavakul,M (2768)-2 b4 and 2 a3 (2700) Manila 2011 Telechess CBM 89 [ILN 11 Jan 1873; Ranken, CPC];

B3b2) 17...c5!↑ → Δ Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Glenn Flear: '↑' 18.Qxc5? *(18.Nc3 Be6* Sanikidze, Tornike: ' ∓!' *)* 18...Na4 19.Qc1 Be6-+]

[11.d5

A) 11...a6

A1) 12.Nd4

A1a) 12...Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 *(13...e6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qc3+ Kg8 16.dxe6 Qxe6 17.Kb1 Bd7 18.Ne2 Ba4 19.b3 Bb5 20.Nf4 Qe7 21.Bxb5 axb5 22.h4 Rfd8 23.h5 c6 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Nxg6 Qg7 27.Qxg7+ Kxg7 28.Nf4 Rd2 29.Re1 Nd7 30.e5 Kf8 31.e6 Nc5 32.e7+ Ke8 33.Nh5 Rb2+ 34.Ka1 Ne6 35.Kxb2 Kxe7 36.Nf4 Kd6 37.Rxe6+ Kc5 38.Rh6 b6 39.Kc3 b4+ 40.Kb2 Kb5 41.Nd3 c5 42.Rh4 Ka5 43.Nxb4 h5 44.Nc2 Kb5 45.b4 c4 46.a4+ Kxa4 47.Rxc4 b5 48.Rc3 h4 49.Ra3#* 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-ShallGoal (2577) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Qxd4 e6 15.d6 Qc6+ *(15...Rd8 16.e5 Qc6+ 17.Kb1 cxd6 18.Rc1 Qe8 19.Qxb6 dxe5 20.Ne2 Bd7 21.Ng3 Bc6 22.Be2 Rd2 23.Rhd1 Rad8 24.Qe3 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 f6 26.Rxd8 Qxd8 27.Qd3 Bd5 28.Ne4 Kg7*

29.Nc3 Qd7 30.b3 Qc6 31.Kb2 b5 32.Qd2 Qc5 33.Bd1 b4 34.Nb1 a5 35.Bc2 Qg1 36.h3 h5 37.Be4 Qc5 38.a3 f5 39.Bc2 Kf6 40.axb4 axb4 41.Bd3 Qd4+ 42.Kc1 Bxb3 43.Bc2 Qg1+ 44.Kb2 Bxc2 45.Qxc2 Qd4+ 46.Kb3 h4 47.Nd2 g5 48.Nc4 Qc5 49.Qd3 Qd5 50.Qd2 e4 51.fxe4 Qxe4 52.Kxb4 Qb7+ 53.Kc3 Qe4 54.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 55.Kxd4 g4 56.Ne5 gxh3 57.gxh3 Kg5 58.Ke3 f4+ 59.Kf3 Kf5 60.Nd7 e5 61.Nc5 Kf6 62.Ne4+ Kf5 63.Nf2 Ke6 64.Ne4 Kd5 65.Nf2 Kd4 66.Ne4 Kd3 67.Nf2+ Kd4 68.Ne4 Kc4 69.Nf2 Kd5 70.Ne4 Ke6 71.Nf2 Kd6 72.Ne4+ Kc6 73.Nf2 Kb5 74.Ne4 Kb4 75.Nf2 Kb3 76.Ke4 Kb2 77.Kxe5 Kc1 0-1 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-ffl0 (2589) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Qc3 Qxc3+ 17.bxc3 cxd6 18.Rxd6 Na4 19.Kc2 b5 20.Bd3 e5 21.Rd5 Be6 22.Rxe5 Rfc8 23.Ne2 Nxc3 24.Nxc3 b4 25.Kd2 Rxc3 26.Rc1 Ra3 27.Bc4 Bxc4 28.Rxc4 Rxa2+ 29.Ke3 a5 30.Re7 b3 31.Rcc7 Rf8 32.Ra7 a4 33.Reb7 b2 34.Kf4 a3 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-ffl0 (2608) Blitz 2021;

A1b) 12...Ne5 13.Qc2 Qd6 14.Kb1 *(14.h3 Qb4 15.a3 Qa5 16.f4 Ned7 17.Ngf3 c5 18.Nb3 Qa4 19.Nxc5 Nxc5 20.Bxc5 Qa5 21.Bb4 Qa4 22.Qxa4 Nxa4 23.e5 Bf5 24.Bd3 Rfc8+ 25.Kb1 Rc4 26.Bxf5 gxf5 27.Rd4 Rac8 28.Bxe7 Rxd4 29.Nxd4 Nb6 30.d6 Rc4 31.Rd1 Nd7 32.g3 h5 33.Nxf5 Bh8 34.Rc1 b5 35.Rxc4 bxc4 36.Kc2 Kh7 37.Kc3 Kg6 38.Nh4+ Kh6 39.Kxc4 a5 40.Kd5 a4 41.Kc6 Nb8+ 42.Kb7 Nd7 43.Kc7 Nc5 44.d7 Ne6+ 45.Kc8 Bg7 46.d8Q Nxd8 47.Bxd8 Bf8 48.Nf5+ Kg6 49.Ne7+ Kh7 50.Kd7 h4 51.g4 Bg7 52.Nd5 Kg6 53.Bf6 Bf8 54.f5+ Kh6 55.Ne7 Kh7 56.Ke8 Bh6 57.g5 Bf8 58.Kxf7 Bg7 59.g6+ Kh6 60.Bxg7+ Kg5 61.f6 Kf4 62.Bf8 Ke4 63.g7 Kd3 64.g8Q Ke4 65.Qg4+ Ke3 66.Qxa4 Kd3 67.Qxh4 Kc2 68.Qg4 Kb3 69.a4 Kc2 70.a5 Kd3 71.a6 Ke3 72.b4 Kd3 73.b5 Kc3 74.b6 Kd3 75.b7 Ke3 76.h4 Kf2 77.h5 Ke3 78.h6 Kd3 79.h7 Kc3 80.h8Q Kb3 81.Qhh3+ Kc2 82.Qgg2+ Kd1 83.Qhh1#* 1-0 (83) Consent_to_treatment (2624)-nithinbabu (2582) Blitz 2021 *)* 14...Bd7 15.Nh3 Qb4 16.a3 Qd6 17.Nb3 Ba4 18.Nf4 Rfc8 19.Nd3 Nec4 20.Bc1 c6 21.Ndc5 cxd5 22.Bxc4 Rxc5 23.e5 Bxe5 24.f4 Bf6 25.Rxd5 Nxd5 26.Qd3 Rac8 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2721)-Stas-2444 (2605) Blitz 2022;

A2) 12.Nc3 Nb4 *(12...Na5 13.b3 Qd6 14.Bd4 e5 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 17.Rxd2*

Kxg7 18.Kc2 Rfd8 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.Nge2 c5 21.Nf4 Nc6 22.Nxe6+ fxe6 23.Be2 Nd4+ 24.Kc1 Nd7 25.Rd1 g5 26.Bf1 Ne5 27.Ne2 Nec6 28.Nxd4 Nxd4 29.Kb2 Kf6 30.a3 Ke5 31.b4 b6 32.bxc5 bxc5 33.Bxa6 Rb8+ 34.Ka2 h5 35.Bc4 h4 36.Rd3 Kf4 37.Rc3 Ke5 38.a4 Nc6 39.Bb5 Nb4+ 40.Kb3 Kd6 41.Kc4 Ra8 42.Rc1 Rc8 43.Rd1+ Ke5 44.Rd7 Nc2 45.Rg7 Ne3+ 46.Kd3 Kf6 47.Kxe3 Kxg7 48.a5 Kf6 49.a6 Ke5 50.Kd3 Kd6 51.Kc4 Rc7 52.g3 hxg3 53.hxg3 Rf7 54.f4 gxf4 55.gxf4 Rxf4 56.a7 Rf8 57.e5+ Kxe5 58.Bc6 Kd6 59.a8Q Rxa8 60.Bxa8 Ke5 61.Kxc5 Kf4 62.Kd4 Kf5 63.Kd3 Kf6 64.Be4 Ke7 65.Ke3 Kd6 66.Kf4 Ke7 67.Bf3 Kf6 68.Ke4 Ke7 69.Ke5 Kf7 70.Bg4 Ke7 71.Be2 Kf7 72.Bd1 Ke7 73.Bb3 Kf7 74.Ba4 Ke7 75.Bb5 Kf7 76.Ba6 Ke7 77.Bb7 Kf7 78.Ba8 Ke7 79.Bb7 Kf7 80.Bc6 Ke7 81.Bb5 Kf7 82.Bc4 Ke7 83.Bd3 Kf7 84.Be2 Ke7 85.Bf3 Kf7 86.Bh5+ Ke7 87.Bg4 Kd7 88.Bf3 Ke7 89.Bd1 Kd7 90.Bh5 Ke7 91.Bg6 Kd7 92.Bh5 Ke7 ½-½ (92) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-Stas-2444 (2578) Blitz 2022*; 12...Ne5 13.Bd4 c5 14.Bxc5 Nec4 15.Qf2 Qc7 16.Bxc4 Nxc4 17.Bd4 Ne5 18.Nge2 Bd7 19.Kb1 b5 20.f4 Ng4 21.Qf3 b4 22.d6 exd6 23.Nd5 Qb7 24.h3 f5 25.hxg4 fxg4 26.Qe3 Rae8 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Qd4+ Kg8 29.Rxh7 Re5 30.fxe5 Kxh7 31.Rh1+ Kg8 32.e6 Bxe6* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Valentun_Hulka (2628) Blitz 2022*)* 13.a3 a5 14.axb4 axb4 15.Nb1 Ra1 16.Qxb4 Na4 17.Bb5 Bxb2+ 18.Kc2 c6 19.Bxa4 1-0 (19) Alexander_Donchenko (2738)-JetThePro_d4 (2568) Blitz 2023;

B) 11...Ne5 12.Qc2 c6 13.dxc6 Qxc6 14.Qxc6 bxc6 *(14...Nxc6 15.Ne2 Nc4 16.Bd4 Nxd4 17.Nexd4 Ne3 18.Rd3 Nxf1 19.Rxf1 Bd7 20.Nc3 a6 21.Rfd1 b5 22.Kb1 e6 23.Nf5 exf5 24.Rxd7 Bxc3 25.bxc3 fxe4 26.fxe4 Rac8 27.Kb2 Rc6 28.R1d6 Rfc8 29.Rxc6 Rxc6 30.Kb3 Rc4 31.Rd4 Rc6 32.a4 bxa4+ 33.Rxa4 Kg7 34.Rd4 Kf6 35.Rd5 Ke6 36.c4 Rd6 37.Kb4 Rb6+ 38.Kc3 f5 39.exf5+ gxf5 40.Ra5 Kf6 41.Kd4 Kg5 42.Ra2 Rh6 43.g3 f4 44.gxf4+ Kxf4 45.c5 Kf5 46.Kd5 Rh3 47.Rc2 Rd3+ 48.Kc6 a5 49.Kb5 Ke6 50.c6 Rd8 51.c7 Rc8 52.Kxa5* 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2690)-Stale_Bread0 (2721) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.Nc7 *(15.Nc3 Rb8 16.Bd4 c5 17.Bxc5 Nec4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Bxe7 Bh6+ 20.Kb1 Rxb2+ 21.Ka1 Bg7 22.Rc1 Re8 23.Bc5 Be6 24.f4 Rc8 25.Bxa7 Ra8 26.Bc5 Rbxa2+ 27.Kb1 Rb2#* 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-PatzerPrisonWarden (2664) Blitz 2024*)* 15...Rb8 16.b3 a5 *(16...f5!?; 16...Rb7 17.Na6 Rd7 18.Rxd7 Nexd7 19.Nh3 Ne5 20.Nf2 Rd8 21.Be2 e6 22.Nc5 Bf8 23.Rd1 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Ned7 25.Nd3 e5 26.Kc2 f6 27.N3b2*

Kf7 28.Nc4 Nxc4 29.Bxc4+ Ke8 30.Nc3 Nb6 31.Bd3 Be6 32.a4 Kd7 33.a5 Nc8 34.Na4 Bf7 35.Nc5+ Kc7 36.b4 Nd6 37.Kc3 Nb5+ 38.Bxb5 cxb5 39.Na6+ Kc6 40.Bxa7 f5 41.Be3 fxe4 42.fxe4 Bc4 43.Nc5 Bf1 44.g3 Bg2 45.Kd3 Bf1+ 46.Kd2 Bg2 47.Nd3 Bxe4 48.Nxe5+ Kd6 49.Nd3 Kd5 50.Bc5 Bh6+ 51.Kc3 Bg7+ 52.Kd2 Bh6+ 53.Ke2 Bg7 54.a6 Kc4 55.Nf2 Ba8 56.a7 Bc3 57.Nd3 Be4 58.Ke3 Ba8 59.h4 h6 60.g4 h5 61.gxh5 gxh5 62.Ke2 Bb7 63.Ke3 Bf6 64.Ke2 Bxh4 65.Ke3 Bg5+ 66.Ke2 h4 67.Ne5+ Kd5 68.Nd7 Bd8 69.Nb6+ Bxb6 70.Bxb6 h3 71.Bg1 Ba8 72.Bh2 Kc4 73.Ke3 Kxb4 0-1 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-emiliooo (2636) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Na6 *(17.Bc5 Bf6 18.f4 Ng4 19.e5 Bg7 20.h3 Nxe5 21.fxe5 Bxe5 22.Bxe7 Bxc7 23.Bxf8 Kxf8 24.Nf3 a4 25.Nd4 axb3 26.axb3 Bd7 27.Be2 c5 28.Nb5 Bf4+ 29.Kc2 Bf5+ 30.Bd3 Nd5 31.Bxf5 Ne3+ 32.Kc3 Nxd1+ 33.Rxd1 Rxb5 34.Bd3 Rb4 35.Bc4 Be5+ 36.Kc2 Bd4 37.Rf1 Rb7 38.Re1 Ra7 39.Kd3 Bf6 40.Rf1 Kg7 41.Re1 Rd7+ 42.Kc2 Ra7 43.Re8 Ra2+ 44.Kd3 Rxg2 45.Rc8 Rg3+ 46.Ke4 Rxh3 47.Rc7 Rh4+ 48.Kd3 Bd4 49.Rxf7+ Kh6 50.Ke2 Rh2+ 51.Kf3 Rf2+ 52.Ke4 Rxf7 53.Bxf7 Bc3 54.Kd5 Bb4 55.Ke4 Kg7 56.Bd5 Kf6 57.Kf4 h5 58.Bc4 g5+ 59.Ke4 g4 60.Be2 Kg5 61.Bd1 h4 62.Be2 h3 63.Bf1 Kh4 64.Kf4 g3 65.Kf5 g2* 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-IMFAR (2732) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Bxa6 18.Bxa6 a4 Krasenkow, Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Mayorga,N (2330)-Fabian,G (2317)/Villa Martelli 2011/CBM 143 Extra (42)' 19.Be2 axb3 20.axb3 f5 21.f4 Nf7 Mayorga,N (2330)-Fabian,G (2317)/Villa Martelli/2011/ 22.Bxb6 Rxb6 23.Bc4 fxe4 24.Nh3=]

[11.h4 a6 12.Nc3 Na5 13.b3 Nc6 14.h5 a5 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.d5 Ne5 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Rf7 19.Nh3 Rg7 20.Ng5 Nf7 21.Nxf7 Rxf7 22.e5 Qf5 23.Bd3 Qxe5 24.Kc2 Qg7 25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.Nb5 Nxd5 27.Kb2 a4 28.Bc4 e6 29.Rhe1 h5 30.Nd4 a3+ 31.Kb1 c6 32.Nxe6+ Bxe6 33.Rxe6 Nc3+ 34.Kc2 Nxd1 35.Kxd1 Rd7+ 36.Ke2 Rad8 37.Kf2 Rd2+ 38.Kg3 Rxa2 39.Re7+ Kh6 40.Rxb7 Rdd2 41.Ra7 Rxg2+ 42.Kf4 h4 43.Ra6 h3 44.Rxc6 h2 0-1 (44) VanuatuLover (2699)-Mavi_Alpha (2572) Blitz 2025]

11...Rd8 Van Delft & Ris: 'transposes to the game Vitiugov-Giri.' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!'Stohl,Igor: 'transposes back into the game.' Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Black is winning some time and pushing c5. After that, two possible structures are possible: 4 Vs. 4 on the kingside and isolated relatively weak but still extra b pawn, or compact 5 Vs. 4 pawns on the kingside. It is probably a question of taste, in which white will have more realistic chances, but it is clear that in both cases, black has all the options to hold a draw with accurate play. Are you ready for such a defense and feel comfortable with it? Black should answer this

question before choosing the "professional Catalan" for the game. '

[Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'I investigated' 11...f5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow,Michal) in January 2014 (see the notes to Matlakov, M-Ftacnik, L Czech league 2013) where I suggested a possible improvement for Black. Nobody however has since repeated this experiment: Glenn Flear: 'in January 2014 (see the notes to Matlakov, M-Ftacnik, L Czech league 2013) where I suggested a possible improvement for Black. Nobody however has since repeated this experiment:'' 12.h4 *(12.Nh3 fxe4 13.fxe4 a6 14.Na3 Qg4 15.Ng5 Bxd4 16.Be2 Bxe3 17.Qxe3 Qf4 18.Qb3+ e6 19.h4 Qe5 20.Nc4 Nxc4 21.Qxc4 h6 22.Nf3 Qg7 23.e5 Bd7 24.Qb3 b5 25.Rd2 Bc8 26.h5 Nxe5 27.hxg6 Nxg6 28.Qe3 Ne7 29.Bd3 e5 30.Nxe5 Bf5 31.Bxf5 Rxf5 32.Nf3 Rf7 33.Qxh6 Qxh6 34.Rxh6 Rg7 35.a3 c5 36.Re6 b4 37.Ka2* ½-½ (37) Zidu,J (2610)-Weber,J (2548) ICCF 2020*)* 12...fxe4 13.h5 e5 14.d5 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'was the game and here I proposed Glenn Flear: 'was the game and here I proposed"

A) 16...Qxd5?! White now obtains a strong initiative for the pawn. 17.Bxb6 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 axb6 19.Bc4+ Kh8 20.hxg6 h6 21.fxe4 Bg4 22.Nf3! Rae8 *(*after *22...Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rxf3 24.Rd7* White has the decisive threat of Rxh6+*)* 23.Ng5 Laznicka, V-Zhigalko, A Warsaw 2013, and White soon won. Bf6 24.Nh7 Rxe4 25.Bd3 Rd4 26.Nxf8 Bg5 27.Rdd1 Kg7 28.Bc2 Rxd1+ 29.Bxd1 Bf5+ 30.Ka1 Be7 31.Rf1 1-0 (31) Laznicka,V (2677)-Zhigalko,A (2619) Warsaw POL 2013;

B) 16...Qf5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' 17.Ka1 Qxd5! 18.Bxb6?! *(18.hxg6! Bxd4 19.gxh7+ Kh8 20.Qxd4+ Qxd4 21.Rxd4 Bf5* with 'chances for both sides' is possibly best*)* 18...Qxd2 19.Rxd2 axb6 20.Bc4+ Kh8 21.hxg6 h6 22.fxe4?? as in the game, now fails to Be6 because of the weakness of the first rank]

[Less trustworthy is 11...a6 12.Na3 *(12.Nc3 f5 13.e5 Nb4 14.Bc4+ Nxc4* 0-1 (14) kflorian (2638)-estocastico (2586) Blitz 2020*; 12.d5 Ne5 13.Bxb6 axb5 14.Bd4 c6 15.dxc6 Qxc6 16.h4 Rd8 17.Qc1 Qxc1+ 18.Kxc1 Rxa2* 0-1 (18) OUT-knock123 (2605)-IMFAR (2611) Blitz 2020 *)* 12...e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.h4 c6 15.Qa5! Rodshtein, M-Popilski, G Skopje 2013, and White has an edge (probing the weakened b6-square). Qd8 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Ne2 Rb8 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Bf4 Rb7 20.Bd3 c5 21.Rd2 Be6 22.Qxa6 Qa8 23.Rc1 Qxa6 24.Bxa6 Ra7 25.Bd3 Rxa3 26.bxa3 c4 27.Rb2 Na4 28.Rb4 Nc3+ 29.Rxc3 dxc3 30.Bxc4 1-0 (30) Rodshtein,M (2615)-Popilski, G (2520) Skopje MKD 2013]

12.d5 Van Delft & Ris: 'was seen in Anand-Mamedyarov (CVO 148) and now Giri employed the improvement we suggested back then: was seen in Anand-Mamedyarov (CVO 148) and now Giri employed the improvement we suggested back

then:' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Just now d5, because Qb4 does not work anymore. White sets a nice trap with this move...' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Just now d5, because Qb4 does not work anymore. White sets a nice trap with this move...'

[12.Qc1 a6 13.Nc3 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Nd5 Be5 16.Nf6+ exf6 17.Rxd7 Bxd7 18.f4 Bd4 19.Nf3 Bc6∞]

12...a6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' 'Glenn Flear: 'This position also arises from 10. Kb1 Rd8 11.Nb5 Qd7 12.Kb1 a6. Both sides lose time with these manoeuvres (Nc3-b5 and back to c3, as opposed to ...Qd6-d7 from where it will have to move again to allow the bishop into play).'' Glenn Flear: 'This position also arises from 10.Kb1 Rd8 11.Nb5 Qd7 12.Kb1 a6. Both sides lose time with these manoeuvres (Nc3-b5 and back to c3, as opposed to ...Qd6-d7 from where it will have to move again to allow the bishop into play).'' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'As I explained above this position is important as it can be reached by different move orders.' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'N' RR: '!' RR: '*

[Glenn Flear: 'Mamedyarov got into trouble in a recent rapid game with Mamedyarov got into trouble in a recent rapid game with' Glenn Flear: 'Here' Glenn Flear: 'but not with' 12...Ne5? Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'N?!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '?' '?'' Glenn Flear: '(a fingerfehler?) as White then won material with (a fingerfehler?) as White then won material with' Glenn Flear: 'was previously considered to be dubious, but maybe it is actually playable:' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'A dubious novelty! What was worrying "Shak " so much that he felt compelled to deviate from the usual (and fine) continuation which has been played recently? Anand's preparation?!'

A) 13.Qc1 c6 14.Nc3 *(14.Nxa7 Na4 15.b3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Nc3+ 17.Qxc3 Bxc3 18.Ne2 Be5 19.dxc6 Qxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 21.Kc2 Rd8 22.Nxc8 Rxa2+ 23.Kc1 Rxc8 24.cxb7 Rb8 25.Bd5 Rxe2 26.Ba7 Rf8 27.g3 Rxh2 28.f4 Bb8 29.Bc5 e6 30.Bc6 Rd8 31.e5 Rdd2 32.Bd6 Rxd6 33.exd6 Bxd6 34.b4 Rh3 35.b5 Rxg3 36.Kd2 Bxf4+ 37.Ke2 h5 38.Kf2 h4* 0-1 (38) Dr-CRO (2661)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2696) Blitz 2020 *)* 14...Qe8 *(14...cxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Rxd5 Qe8 17.Rxd8 Qxd8 18.Ne2 Be6 19.Nc3 Rc8 20.Qd2 Qa5 21.Be2 b5 22.Rd1 b4 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Qxd5 Qa4 25.Rc1 Rxc1+ 26.Bxc1 Bf6 27.f4 b3 28.axb3 Qc6 29.fxe5 Qxd5 30.exd5 Bxe5 31.h3 Kf8 32.Be3 Bb8 33.Bb5 e6 34.Bc5+ Kg7 35.d6 Kf6 36.d7 Bc7 37.Bxa7 Ke7 38.Bc5+ Kd8 39.Kc2 f6 40.Bc6 e5 41.b4 f5 42.b5 Bb8 43.b6 e4 44.b7 Kc7 45.Bb6+ Kxb6 46.d8Q+ Bc7 47.b8Q+ Kxc6 48.Qbxc7+ Kb5 49.Qdb8+ Ka4 50.Qca7#* 1-0 (50) estudiante2008 (2663)-emiliooo (2600) Blitz 2022*; 14...Nec4 15.Bh6 Nxb2 16.Bxg7 Nxd1 17.Qh6 Nxc3+ 18.Bxc3 f6 19.Nh3 Na4 20.Bd4 e5 21.Bc4 Kh8 22.Ng5 Qg7 23.Bxe5 fxe5*

24.Qh4 Rf8 25.d6 Bd7 26.Kc2 b5 27.Be6 Nc5 28.Bxd7 Nxd7 29.Rd1 Rf6 30.h3 Raf8 31.Qf2 h6 32.h4 hxg5 33.hxg5 Rf4 34.Qxa7 Kg8 35.Qc7 Qf7 36.Kb2 Kg7 37.Qxc6 Rh8 38.Rd2 Rh2 39.Qc3 Qc4 40.Rc2 Qxc3+ 41.Kxc3 Kf7 42.Kb4 Ke6 43.Kxb5 Kxd6 44.a4 Rh1 45.a5 Rb1+ 46.Ka6 Nc5+ 47.Ka7 Rf7+ 48.Ka8 Rf8+ 49.Ka7 Rb7# 0-1 (49) hirnloserverlierer (2610)-Gabrielian (2728) Blitz 2020*)* 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.h4 cxd5 17.Bb5 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Rxd7 19.exd5 Rc8 20.Qf4 Rxc3 21.bxc3 Nxd5 0-1 (21) supertactic91 (2737)-emiliooo (2708) Blitz 2021;

B) 13.Rc1 c6 14.Nxa7 Na4 15.Nxc8 Raxc8 16.Qb4 Nxb2 17.Qxb2 Nd3 18.Qb3 Nxc1 19.Bxc1 cxd5 20.Bb5 Qc7 21.Ne2 dxe4 22.Bb2 exf3 23.gxf3 Bxb2 24.Qxb2 Rd5 25.a4 Qd6 26.Rc1 Rxc1+ 27.Nxc1 Rd2 28.Qb3 Qxh2 29.Bc4 e6 30.Qxb7 Qe5 31.Qb3 h5 32.a5 Qxa5 33.Bxe6 Qc7 34.Bd5 h4 35.Be4 h3 36.f4 h2 37.Qg3 Qb6+ 38.Nb3 Qg1+ 0-1 (38) OnkelKonkel (2675)-DodoP47 (2795) Blitz 2022;

C) 13.Qc2 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'M.Kamil: ' ± ' M. Kamil: 'the K is on b1 so c6 idea is not work due to Nxa7 '' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! and Black is lost, because after' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! and Black is lost, because after' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Anand was ready, and reacted accordingly. White wins a pawn and now Black has to prove that he has enough compensation for his "sacrificed" material.'

C1) 13...a6 Van Delft & Ris 14.Nxc7 Nbc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc7 16.Bb3±;

C2) 13...e6 Van Delft & Ris Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'An improvement.' 14.Nxc7 *(14.Bg5!? f6 15.Be3* might be good as well.*)* 14...Nbc4 15.Bxc4 *(15.Bg5?* leads to weird complications: *Nxb2! 16.Nxa8 Nxd1 17.Bxd8 Ne3 18.Qc7* but Black's attack is too strong following *Qa4!)* 15...Qxc7 16.Bb3 Qxc2+ 17.Kxc2 exd5 18.Bxd5± Bd7 19.Ne2 Ba4+ 20.Bb3 Bb5 and Black had some compensation and managed to survive in Grigoryan, K-Babujian, L Yerevan 2013.;

C3) 13...c6 Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'led to a disaster for Black after' 14.Nxa7 just loses material for nothing: Glenn Flear: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! wins. Anand-Mamedyarov, Corsica 2011.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! wins. Anand-Mamedyarov, Corsica 2011.'just loses material for nothing: Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'What else?! A knight's retreat!!?'

C3a) 14...c5 15.Bb5 Qd6 16.Qxc5 Qxc5 17.Bxc5 Nbd7 18.Bxe7 Re8 19.Nxc8 Raxc8 20.Ba3 Red8 21.Ne2 Nc5 22.Rc1 Ncd3 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Rd1 Nf2 25.Rc1 Rxc1+ 26.Kxc1 g5 27.h3 h5 28.Kc2 g4 29.hxg4 hxg4 30.f4 Ng6 31.e5 g3 32.d6 1-0 (32)

Consent_to_treatment (2715)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2809) Blitz 2023;
C3b) 14...Nxd5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Bb6 *(16.Bb5 Qd6 17.Ne2 Bf5 18.Bd3 Nxd3 19.Rxd3 d4 20.Nb5 Qa6* 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Rizzfork (2570) Blitz 2025*)* 16...Re8 17.Bb5 Qd6 18.Bc5 Bf5 19.Bxd6 Bxc2+ 20.Kxc2 exd6 21.Bxe8 Rxe8 22.Nh3 Nc4 23.Rhe1 Ra8 24.Nb5 Rxa2 25.Re8+ Bf8 26.Rb1 Kg7 27.Nc3 Ra5 28.Rd1 Nb6 29.Nf4 Nc4 30.Nfxd5 Ra6 31.Rb8 Na5 32.Re1 Nc6 33.Rc8 Nd4+ 34.Kd3 Ne6 35.Kc2 Nd4+ 36.Kb1 Ne6 37.Rb8 b5 38.Rb7 Nc5 39.Rxb5 Nd3 40.Re8 Kh6 41.Rxf8 Ra7 42.Rfb8 Nc5 43.b4 Na6 44.R8b7 Ra8 45.Ra5 Re8 46.Rxa6 Re1+ 47.Kb2 Rg1 48.Raa7 Rxg2+ 49.Kb3 Rxh2 50.Rxf7 Kg5 51.Rxh7 Rg2 52.Rhd7 Kh4 53.Rxd6 g5 54.Rh6+ Kg3 55.Rg7 Kf2 56.Rf6 Kg3 57.Rfg6 Kf2 58.Rxg5 Rh2 59.Rg2+ Rxg2 60.Rxg2+ Ke1 61.f4 Kf1 62.f5 Ke1 63.f6 Kf1 64.Rd2 Ke1 65.f7 Kxd2 66.f8Q Kd3 67.Qf3+ Kd2 68.Qe3# 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Rizzfork (2594) Blitz 2025;
C3c) 14...Qc7 15.Nb5 Qd7 16.Bxb6 cxb5 17.Bxd8 Qxd8 18.Bxb5 Qa5 *(18...Qb6 19.a4 Bd7 20.Bxd7 Nxd7 21.Ne2 Rxa4 22.Nc3 Rc4 23.Rd3 Nc5 24.Rhd1 Na4 25.Nxa4 Rxc2 26.Nxb6 Rxb2+ 27.Kc1 Rxb6 28.g3 Rb2 29.R1d2 Rb4 30.d6 exd6 31.Rxd6 Bh6 32.Rd8+ Kg7 33.f4 Rxe4 34.R2d7 g5 35.Rxb7 gxf4 36.gxf4 Bxf4+ 37.Kd1 Bxh2 38.Rdd7 Rf4 39.Ke2 Rf6 40.Rb3 Bf4 41.Rf3 h5 42.Rd4 Re6+ 43.Kf2 Bg5 44.Rd7 Bh4+ 45.Kg2 Rg6+ 46.Kh3 Bf6 47.Rd5 h4 48.Rdf5* ½-½ (48) MrAble (2616)-lczoz6 (2474) Rapid 2023*)* 19.a4 Bd7 20.Bxd7 Nxd7 21.Ne2 Nc5 22.Nc3 b5 23.d6 exd6 24.Rxd6 b4 25.Nd5 Nxa4 26.Qc7 Nc3+ 27.bxc3 Qa1+ 28.Kc2 Ra2+ 29.Kd3 Qxh1 30.Ne7+ 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-theonlyoneshoo (2684) Blitz 2023;
C3d) 14...Rxa7 15.Bxb6 Glenn Flear: 'in Anand, V-Mamedyarov, S Ajaccio rapid 2011' Glenn Flear: 'Anand, V-Mamedyarov, S Ajaccio rapid 2011, which left Black in serious trouble Anand, V-Mamedyarov, S Ajaccio rapid 2011, which left Black in serious trouble' Ra8 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'Diagram

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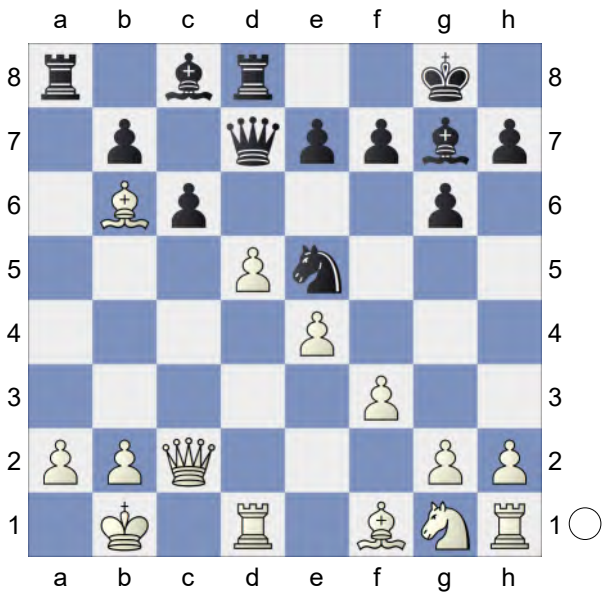

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C3d1) 16.f4 Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!' '!" Ng4 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-!' 17.Nf3 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'gives White a huge and clear advantage.' Van Delft & Ris: 'gives White a huge and clear advantage.'' Re8 18.h3 Nf6 19.Ne5 Qd6 20.dxc6 Qb4 21.Bc4 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '!' Qxb6 22.Bxf7+ GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Anand, Viswanathan: '?' '?' Anand, V: '?" Kf8 23.Qc4 e6 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' 24.c7 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '(Ftacnik, Lubomir) Anand, Viswanathan'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'and White dominates with a winning attack.';

C3d2) In general, White is quite afraid to take the exchange since after Van Delft & Ris: 'In general, White is quite afraid to take the exchange since after' 16.Bxd8 Van Delft & Ris Qxd8 Black gets some hope of generating counterplay on the dark squares. Van Delft & Ris: 'Black gets some hope of generating counterplay on the dark squares.' 17.dxc6 Qa5 18.a3 bxc6 19.f4 *(19.Qd2 Qa4 20.Qd8+ Bf8 21.Ne2 Bd7 22.Nc3 Qxd1+ 23.Nxd1 Rxd8 24.Nc3 Be6 25.Be2 Bb3 26.Na2 Rd2 27.Re1 Bg7 28.Nc1 Nc4 29.Nxb3 Rxb2+ 30.Kc1 Rxb3 31.Bxc4 Rc3+ 32.Kd2 Rxc4 33.Rb1 Be5 34.g3 g5 35.Rb7 Kf8 36.Ra7 c5 37.Ra8+ Kg7 38.Ra7 e6 39.a4 Bd4 40.a5 Rc3 41.Ke2 Re3+ 42.Kd2 Rxf3 43.a6 Ra3 44.Ra8 g4 45.Kc2 h5 46.a7 e5 47.Kd2 c4 48.Kc2 Rxa7 49.Rd8 Ra2+ 50.Kb1 Rxh2 51.Rc8 c3 52.Kc1 Rg2 53.Kd1 Rxg3 54.Kc2 Rg2+ 55.Kb3 c2 56.Ka3 Be3 57.Kb3 c1Q* 0-1 (57) OnkelKonkel (2629)-T-Stevenson (2602) Blitz 2022*)* 19...Ng4 20.Qd2 Qa4 21.Rc1 Be6 22.Qc2 Qxa3 23.bxa3 Rb8+ 24.Qb3 Rxb3+ 25.Kc2 Rb2+ 26.Kd3 Nf2+ 27.Ke3 Nxh1 28.Be2 Rb3+ 29.Kd2 Nf2 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2738)-elohunter99 (2632) Blitz 2022;

C3d3) 16.Ne2 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '?!' Glenn Flear: '(White has a pawn plus the better game, so there is no real need to take the exchange, which would perhaps give Black some swindling chances on the dark-squares) (White has a pawn plus the better game,

so there is no real need to take the exchange, which would perhaps give Black some swindling chances on the dark-squares)' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Anand chooses the safest continuation which in my opinion is too optimistic. He could have gone for the more aggressive:' 16...Re8 17.Nc3 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: ' ⩲' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Finally, the knight comes to f5' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Anand,V (2817)-Mamedyarov,S (2746)/ Bastia 2011/EXT 2012 (43)' Qd6 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: 'N' 'N" Anand, V: 'N" 18.Be3 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: '!' '!" Anand,V: '!" Bd7 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Bologan will try to get away with concept of not weakening any of his kingside pawns. Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: 'Bologan will try to get away with concept of not weakening any of his kingside pawns.'"'

C3d31) Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'Again" Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Another option was:' 19.f4 Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!?' '!?' Van Delft & Ris: 'looks strong:'' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '(Ftacnik,Lubomir) Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L'' Ng4 20.dxc6 Qxc6 21.Bb5 Nxe3 22.Bxc6 Nxc2 23.Bxd7 Ne3 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' 24.Bxe8 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir' Nxd1 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Anand,Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: '+-'" 25.Bxf7+ GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Anand, Viswanathan' *(25.Rxd1 Rxe8* Van Delft & Ris and White is better, though it still requires good technique to convert the advantage. Van Delft & Ris: 'and White is better, though it still requires good technique to convert the advantage.'*)* 25...Kxf7 26.Rxd1 Bxc3 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!' 27.bxc3 e5 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'and despite White being two pawns up, Black can still put up some resistance.' Van Delft & Ris: 'and despite White being two

pawns up, Black can still put up some resistance.'' 28.Rd7+ Ke6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'White has 2 pawns more after this more or less forced move order, however he also has to deal with many practical issues in this "rook ending", for which, Vishy may not have had enough time on the clock. ';

C3d32) 19.dxc6 Qxc6 20.Bb5 Glenn Flear: 'Anand keeps things simple. Anand keeps things simple.' Qe6 21.Bxd7 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: '[Δ Kg2, g5, h4_h5, Rh1]' Anand, Viswanathan: '[Δ ♔g2, g5, h4_h5, ♖h1]'' Anand,V: '[Δ ♔g2, g5, h4-h5, ♖h1]'' Nxd7 22.Qb3± Anand,V (2817)-Mamedyarov,S (2746)/ Bastia rpd/2011/ Glenn Flear: 'With a big advantage to White. The remaining moves just confirm the quality of Anand's technique, even at rapid chess. With a big advantage to White. The remaining moves just confirm the quality of Anand's technique, even at rapid chess.' Qxb3 23.axb3 Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'White has an extra pawn and can play on without any risk.' Van Delft & Ris: 'White has an extra pawn and can play on without any risk.'' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Though Anand's modest play has reduced his advantage, on the other hand he achieves an "easy" ending which he can conduct blindfolded.' Ne5 24.Nd5 Rac8 Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'It is true that White's extra pawn is doubled but the two on the b-file are doing their defensive duties pretty well and do not allow the knight on e5 any specific "jump". As my mentor GM Nigel Short always points out: "A pawn is a pawn"!' 25.Rd2 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: '!' '!''' Ftacnik: '!'' e6 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!?' '!?' '!?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: '!?' '!?''' Ftacnik: '!?'' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand has excellently prepared for the kingside attack, so

the opponent takes over the initiative with the pawn sacrifice. Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: 'Anand has excellently prepared for the kingside attack, so the opponent takes over the initiative with the pawn sacrifice.'''' 26.Nb6 Rcd8 27.Rhd1 Rxd2 28.Rxd2 f5 29.Nc4 fxe4 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?!' 30.fxe4 Moradiabadi, Elshan: '?!' *(30.Nd6* GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'could have sealed Black's fate on the spot.'*)* 30...Rf8 31.h3 Rf1+ 32.Kc2 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: '?!' '?!'' Anand,V: '?!''Nc6 33.Rd1 Rf7 34.Rd6 Re7 35.Bc5 Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Anand has started a dominating plan in the center in spite of Mamedyarov's bold defence.' Rf7 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?!' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '?' '?'' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'This makes things easier for Anand.' *(35...Rc7* Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '!?' '!?' Van Delft & Ris: 'is better, as'' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '(Ftacnik, Lubomir) Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L'' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'was more stubborn in face of the the "poisoned" e6 pawn.' *36.Rxe6* Moradiabadi,Elshan: '??' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '?' '?' Van Delft & Ris: 'fails to'' *Kf7 37.Rd6 Bf8* Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'and now White is the one seeking a draw.'*)* 36.Rxe6 Bd4 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '??' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: '?' '?'' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'The final blunder, and now it is all over.' 37.Rxc6 Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!!' '!!' '!!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Anand, Viswanathan: '!' '!' Anand, Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: '!!' '!!''' Anand,V: '!' Ftacnik: '!!'' Glenn Flear: '!' GM Ioannis Papaioannou: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'The tactical reasoning behind this impressive move is pretty interesting, most of white pieces are ready to jump on the enemy's king. Anand,Viswanathan: 'Ftacnik,L: 'The tactical reasoning behind this impressive move is pretty interesting, most of white pieces are ready to jump

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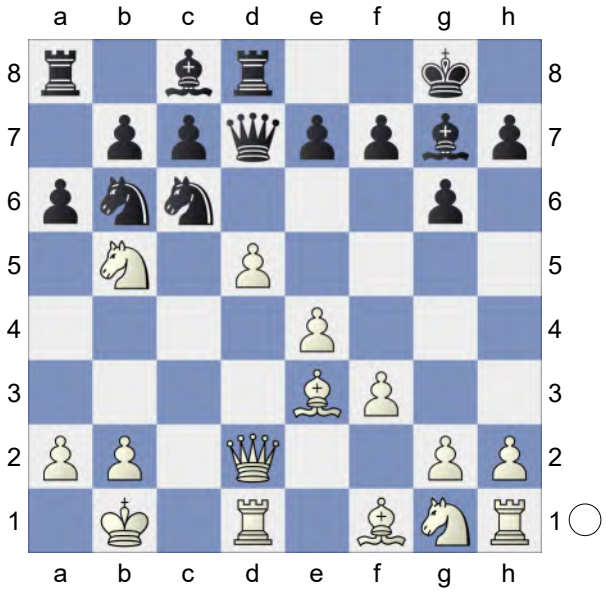
[12...Qe8 13.Nxc7 1-0 (13) GoksuRiver (2767)-torynash (2550) Blitz 2021]

[12...--]

[12...Nb8?! Mekhitarian,K: '!?' 13.Rc1 Na6

A) 14.Nd4?! Nxd5!∞ 15.exd5 Mekhitarian,K Qxd5 16.Bc4 *(16.Nb3? Qf5+ 17.Qc2 Nb4-+; 16.Bxa6 bxa6 17.Nb3 Bf5+ 18.Ka1 Qb5∓)* 16...Qd6 17.Nge2 c5 18.Nb3 Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Nb4⩱;

B) 14.Rc2! Defending the queen to avoid c6-e6 ideas 14...Bf6 Δ e6, Xd8 Mekhitarian,K: '(Δ e6)' 15.Nh3!↑ Δ ♘f2-g4, [X ♗f6] Mekhitarian,K: '!' Mekhitarian,K: '(Δ ♘f2-g4)' *(15.Nd4 Nb8!* Δ c6) 15...e6 Mekhitarian,K 16.Nf2 exd5 17.Ng4 Bg7 18.Bg5 Re8 19.Bf6 dxe4 20.Bxg7 Qxd2 21.Nf6+ Kxg7 22.Nxe8+ Kf8 23.Rxd2 Bf5 24.Nf6 e3+ 25.Rc2±]



' 13.Nc3 'N!' A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung. Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'White goes for a direct attack.' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'is the main position where the theory just starts.'' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Aronian scored a very important victory over Caruana a few months ago with this move. Areshchenko, as a big expert of the GrÃ¼nfeld, had to be well prepared for this. That game was analysed by Arkadij in the CEWN Nr.17.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Aronian scored a very important victory over Caruana a few months ago with this move.

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[Krasenkow,Michal: 'The stem game with' Glenn Flear: 'See the archives for' Glenn Flear: 'after'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ' 13.dxc6 This move seems to lead by force to an equal endgame Krasenkow,Michal: 'involved Anish Giri playing Black:' Glenn Flear: 'as in Vitiugov, N-Giri, A Reggio Emilia 2011, where Black had enough play.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'leads to a draw after some complications.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'leads to a draw after some complications. deserves serious attention:'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'deserves serious attention:' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'was the solid approach, choosing an endgame where White is a pawn up, but Black's activity compensates for it:' Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Grigoriants, Sergey: 'White managed to win this probably drawish endgame.' Rxd2 15.Bxd2 Grigoriants, Sergey: ' ±'Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Lazavik-So Wesley, chess.com 2022' axb5 Caruana,Fabiano: '0-1 (34) Kozak,M (2169) -Hausner,I (2387) Tabor 2013'

A) Glenn Flear: 'The other way to snatch a pawn is with' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: 'a)'' 16.Bxb5?! Glenn Flear: 'however after' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' bxc6 17.Bxc6 *(17.Bd3 Be6 18.b3 c5→)* 17...Rb8 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Δ ♘c4 Mekhitarian,K: '(Δ ♘c4)'' *(17...Ra6 18.Bb5 Ra7 19.Ne2 Be6 20.a3 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.Nc3 Bd3+ 23.Kc1 c5 24.Rd1 c4 25.Nd5 Rb7 26.Nb4 h5 27.Nxd3 cxd3 28.Bc3 Bxc3 29.bxc3 Rb3 30.Rxd3 Rxa3 31.Kb2 Ra7 32.c4 Rc7 33.Rc3 Kf8 34.c5 Ke8 35.c6 Kd8 36.Kb3 Ra7 37.h4 Kc7 38.g4 Ra1 39.gxh5 gxh5 40.Rc5 Rf1 41.Rf5 f6 42.Kc3 Kxc6 43.Kd3 Kd6 44.Ke2 Ra1 45.Rxh5 Ke6 46.Rh8 Kf7 47.Rh7+ Kf8 48.h5 Rh1 49.Ke3 Kg8 50.Rxe7 Rxh5 51.f4 Kf8 52.Rb7 Ra5 53.Kf3 Rc5 54.Kg4 Ra5 55.Rc7 Rb5 56.Rd7 Rc5 57.Rd5 Rc4 58.Kf5 Ke7 59.Ra5 Rc7 60.Ra4 Rc5+ 61.Kg6 Rc7 62.f5 Rb7 63.Ra6 Rb4 64.Re6+ Kf8 65.Kxf6 Rb7 66.Rc6 Rb8 67.e5 Re8 68.e6 Ra8 69.Rc7 Rb8 70.Rh7 Kg8 71.Rf7 Rb1 72.Rg7+ 1-0 (72) ChessElation94 (2698)-Mischuk_D (2722) Blitz 2025)* 18.b3 Nc4!↑ Glenn Flear: 'there is clearly interesting counterplay. The further moves M.Kamil: ' ↑' there is clearly interesting counterplay. The further moves' 19.Bg5 *(19.Kc2 Rb6 20.bxc4 Rxc6 21.Ne2 f5!∓; 19.Bc1 Ne5 20.Ba4 Ba6∓)* 19...Rb6 20.Bd5 Na3+ 21.Kc1 e6 then leave Black on top, as the bishop has to go to c4 when Black's remaining pieces will be superior to White's. then leave Black on top, as the bishop has to go to c4 when Black's remaining pieces will be superior to White's.;

B) 16.cxb7 Caruana,Fabiano: ' A n t i c , D e j a n 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'driving the c8-♗ to a worse square' 16...Bxb7 17.Bxb5

Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White is a pawn up, but Black can quickly activate his pieces, obtaining enough counterplay for a draw.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White is a pawn up, but Black can quickly activate his pieces, obtaining enough counterplay for a draw.'

B1) 17...Rd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 18.Bc1 *(18.Be3 Rd1+± 19.Kc2 Ra1* Glenn Flear: 'Toth, E-Fogarasi, T Hungarian league 2012, Black has enough compensation for the pawn Toth, E-Fogarasi, T Hungarian league 2012, Black has enough compensation for the pawn' *20.a3 c6 21.Be2 Na4 22.Bc1 Nxb2!±* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *23.Nh3 c5 24.Bb5 c4* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (82) Toth,E (2473)-Fogarasi,T (2407) Hungary 2012'*; 18.Kc2 Bxb2 19.Ne2 Ba3 20.Rb1±)* 18...Rd4 Krasenkow, Michal: '⩱' Glenn Flear: 'Diagram #' *(18...Rd1?! 19.Kc2 Re1? 20.Kd2)*

B1a) 19.Kc2 Rxe4!=;

B1b) 19.Ne2 Rb4 20.Bd3 Bxb2!= 21.Bxb2 Na4=;

B1c) 19.Bf1 very strange,but prophylactic move! Na4 20.Ne2 Rd6 21.Bf4 *(21.b3 Ba6 22.Nf4 Nc3+ 23.Kc2 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Nxa2 25.Bd2 Rc6+=)* 21...Rc6 *(21...Rd1+ 22.Kc2 Nxb2 23.e5 Ba6 24.Ng3 Bxf1 25.Rxf1 Rxf1 26.Nxf1 Nc4 27.e6±)* 22.e5 Rc4 23.b3 Nc3+ 24.Nxc3 Rxf4 25.Bd3 Bxe5 26.Kc2± White has a slightly better position thanks to a pawn, which can become very dangerous for Black.;

B1d) 19.b3 Rxe4 Glenn Flear: '=' 20.Ne2 might give White an edge, due to his outside passed a-pawn. Van Delft & Ris: 'might give White an edge, due to his outside passed a-pawn.';

B2) 17...f5!? Krasenkow,Michal: '!' RR: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Grigoriants, Sergey: '(Duda-Nakamura, chess.com 2022)' 18.exf5 Grigoriants, Sergey: ' ±!' *(* 'Just trying to hold everything' together by *18.Bd3 fxe4 19.Bxe4 Bxe4+ 20.fxe4 Nc4 21.Bc1* meets with a rude awakening: *Nxb2!; 18.--)* 18...Bd5 'Vitiugov, N-Giri, A Reggio Emilia 2011, when he had enough compensation. Glenn Flear: 'Vitiugov, N-Giri, A Reggio Emilia 2011, when he had enough compensation. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Vitiugov, N-Giri, A Reggio Emilia 2011, when he had enough compensation.'" Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (41) Vitiugov,N (2729)-Giri,A (2714) Reggio Emilia 2011' Grigoriants, Sergey: '?' RR: '!'

B2a) 19.a3 Rb8!⩲ 20.Bc1 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.fxg6 Bd3+ 23.Ka1 Rb3 24.gxh7+ Kxh7 25.Ka2 Bc4 26.Kb1 Bd3+=;

B2b) Glenn Flear: 'The problem with' 19.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: '△' Glenn Flear: 'is that after M.Kamil: 'The last opportunity to fight for

advantage. White could have saved the pawn, but after'' gxf5↻ Δ Δ Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' '⩱' Krasenkow,Michal: '[%draw arrow,c7,c5,yellow] [%draw arrow,c5,c4,yellow]' Glenn Flear: 'a knight move would be met by a capture on b3, so White has to lose time: M.Kamil: 'the problem is with dvelop the N due Bxb3'' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and will always threaten a strike on b3' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ⩱' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: '(Δ c5-c4)'' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and will always threaten a strike on b3' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Δ c5-c4, and probably this was the position that didn't please my opponent very much. I think the chances are balanced, since White can not move the ♘ because of ♗xb3!'

B2b1) 20.Bb4 Kf7

B2b11) 21.Bd3 Be6 22.Bc2 *(22.Bc5 Ra5 23.Bxb6 cxb6 24.Bc2 Re5 25.Nh3 Bh6⩱)* 22...Nd5 23.Bd2 Bc3 24.Bxc3 Nxc3+ 25.Kb2 Nxa2=;

B2b12) 21.Ne2 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' 21...Bxb3;

B2b2) 20.Bd3 c5! Striking while the iron is hot! *(* White has chances to retain his extra pawn following White has chances to retain his extra pawn following *20...e6 21.Bc2 c5 22.Ne2 c4 23.Bc3* although even here Black has some compensation although even here Black has some compensation*)* 21.Bxf5 c4 22.Bc2 cxb3 23.Bxb3 Bxb3 24.axb3 Ra1+ 25.Kc2 Nd5 leaves White totally tangled up and with no hope of exploiting his two pawn advantage. leaves White totally tangled up and with no hope of exploiting his two pawn advantage. *(25...Bd4 26.Bc1 Nd5 27.Ne2 Nb4+ 28.Kd1 Be3 29.f4 Kf7 30.Rf1 h5 31.g3 Kf6 32.Rf3 Bxc1 33.Nxc1 Na2 34.Kc2 Rxc1+ 35.Kb2 Rh1 36.Kxa2 Rxh2+ 37.Ka3 Rh3 38.Rc3 e6 39.Kb4 Kf5=)*;

B2b3) 20.Bc1 preparing Ne2 but now black has quick: c5 21.Ne2 c4 22.b4 c3 23.a3 Bb3 24.Bd3 Nc4↑;

B2b4) 20.Ne2? Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian, K' 20...Bxb3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '∓';

B2c) Instead the greedy 19.fxg6 is well met by is well met by Rxa2! 20.gxh7+ Kh8! 21.Bc3 *(*losing is *21.Bc1 Ra5* M.Kamil: 'Diagram # now we can understand why black didnt take the P on h7,' *22.Bd3 Ba2+ 23.Kc2 Rc5+ 24.Kd1 Bb3+)* 21...Bxc3 22.bxc3 Rxg2 when White is the one who will be seeking to

equalize. when White is the one who will be seeking to equalize. 23.Ne2 Bxf3=;

B2d) 19.Ne2 Bxa2+ 20.Kc2 Grigoriants, Sergey: '+-' gxf5 with an about equal endgame, Vituigov,N - Giri,A 2011. Van Delft & Ris: 'and Black was doing absolutely fine in Vitiugov-Giri, Reggio Emilia 2011. and Black was doing absolutely fine in Vitiugov-Giri, Reggio Emilia 2011.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '= Vitiugov-Giri, Reggio Emilia 2011. This game was very deeply analysed by Kamil Miton in the January 2012 Chess Evolution edition.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '= Vitiugov-Giri, Reggio Emilia 2011. This game was very deeply analysed by Kamil Miton in the January 2012 Chess Evolution edition.'

B2d1) 21.Bc3 Bc4 22.Bxc4+ Nxc4=

B2d11) 23.Nf4 Bxc3 24.Kxc3 Nd6 25.Re1 Kf7 26.Nd5 e6 27.Nf4 Re8 *(27...Nb5+ 28.Kc4 Nd6+ 29.Kd3 Rb8 30.Re2 e5 31.Rxe5 Rxb2 32.Rc5±)* 28.Nd3 Kf6= 29.Nc5 h5= The white pieces are slightly better places, but it is not enough to cause Black any serious problems.;

B2d12) 23.Nd4 Ne3+ 24.Kd3 Grigoriants, Sergey: ' ± 'Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Bok-Nakamura, chess.com 2022' *(24.Kd2 Nxg2 25.Rg1 Rd8∓)* 24...Nxg2 Grigoriants, Sergey: '?!'

B2d121) If 25.Rg1 then Black withdraws by Nf4+ 26.Kc4 *(26.Kc2 Ng6 27.Nxf5 Bxc3 28.Nxe7+ Kf7 29.Nxg6 Bxb2 30.Kxb2 hxg6=)* 26...Ng6!= *(* I prefer this to *26...Kf7 27.Rxg7+ Kxg7 28.Ne6+* which is better for White, despite Rybka still giving it as equal *)*;

B2d122) 25.Nxf5 Nf4+ 26.Kc4 Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '=' '=' Bxc3 27.bxc3 Kf7= Vitiugov,N (2729)-Giri,A (2714)/Reggio Emilia/2011/ Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Vitiugov,N (2729)-Giri, A (2714)/Reggio Emilia 2011/CBM 146 (41) '=' 28.Re1 Ng6 Three pawn islands each makes the position seem about level. White's more advanced king is not an important factor. Three pawn islands each makes the position seem about level. White's more advanced king is not

an important factor. 29.Nd4 Ra2 30.h3 Rh2 31.Ne6 Kf6 Careful! 32.Nxc7 Rxh3 33.Nd5+ Kf7 34.Rf1 Nh4 35.f4 Nf5 36.Kb4 h5 37.c4 Rd3 *(37...h4 38.c5 e6 39.Nc3=)* 38.Nb6 h4 39.c5 Rd2 40.Kc3 Rg2 41.Rh1

B2d1221) After 41...Rg4 here's a plausible continuation: 42.Kd3 *(42.c6? Rg6!)* 42...Rxf4 43.c6 Rd4+ 44.Ke2! *(44.Kc3? Rd6)* 44...Rd6 45.c7 Rc6 46.c8Q Rxc8 47.Nxc8 Ng3+ 48.Kf3 Nxh1 49.Nxe7 Kxe7 50.Kg4;

B2d1222) 41...Rg4 ½-½ (41) Vitiugov,N (2729)-Giri,A (2714) Reggio Emilia ITA 2011 [Glenn Flear];

B2d2) 21.b3 RR: 'N' 21...c5 22.Be3 c4! 23.Bxb6 Bxb3+ 24.Kd2 Rb8 25.Rb1 e6 *(25...Kf8 26.Ke1 Ba2 27.Rc1 Rxb6 28.Bxc4 Bxc4 29.Rxc4=)* 26.Ke3 Ba2! 27.Rc1 Rxb6 28.Bxc4 Bxc4= So,W (2653)-Lou,Y (2428)/Ho Chi Minh City/ 2012/ 29.Rxc4 Be5 30.h3 Rb3+ ½-½ (30) So,W (2653)-Lou,Y (2428) Ho Chi Minh City 115/(151) 2012 CI1-130 [RR]]

[13.Na3 Van Delft & Ris

A) 13...Ne5 Glenn Flear: '?!' 14.h3 Glenn Flear: 'and is not easy to stope f4 threat' *(14.f4? Ng4 15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qa4!∓)* 14...Qa4 *(14...Na4 15.f4 Nxb2 16.Qxb2 Nc4 17.Qc1 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Qa4 19.Nc2 Rd6 20.Rd3 Qb5+ 21.Kc1± ; 14...e6 15.f4 exd5 16.fxe5 dxe4 17.e6 fxe6 18.Ne2±)* 15.Qc1!? with the idea of 16.b3. f5 *(15...Nxd5 16.Rd4 Qa5 17.Bd2 Qb6 18.Rxd5 Rxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+ 20.Ka1±)* 16.b3 Qd7 17.f4 Nc6 18.Be2**±**;

B) 13...Na7

B1) 14.Nc4 Na4 *(14...Nxc4 15.Bxc4 Nb5 16.Ne2±)* 15.Bd4 In this kind of positions it is sometimes good to exchange the strong bishop on g7, which is not only the attacking piece on the a1-h8 diagonal, but also the defender of the black king after the thematic h4-h5. *(15.f4 Nb5 16.Ne5 Qe8 17.Ngf3 e6 18.Bc4 exd5 19.Bxd5 Be6 20.Qb4 c5 21.Qb3 c4 22.Bxc4 Nac3+ 23.bxc3 Bxc4∓)* 15...Bxd4 16.Qxd4 c5 17.Qd2 b5 18.Ne3 Qd6 19.h4↑;

B2) 14.h4

B2a) 14...Nb5 15.Nxb5 axb5 16.h5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.Ne2**±** *(18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bd4 e5 20.Bc3 Qa4 21.a3 c6 22.Ne2 cxd5 23.exd5 Bf5+ 24.Ka1 Qb3 25.Nc1 Rxa3+* 0-1 (25) hirnloserverlierer (2614)-Gabrielian (2720) Blitz 2020 *)*;

B2b) 14...e6 15.dxe6 *(15.h5*

exd5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bxb6 cxb6 18.Qxd5+ Qxd5 19.Bc4 Be6 20.Bxd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rd7=) 15...fxe6 16.Nh3 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Rxd2 18.Bxd2 Bd7 19.Nf4± White probably has a small advantage thanks to the better structure.;

C) 13...Qe8

C1) 14.Qc1 Na4! 15.dxc6 *(15.Rd2 Nb4 16.Qxc7 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5+ 18.Bd3 Rac8-+)* 15...Bxb2 16.Rxd8 Qxd8 17.Qc2 b5 18.Bc1 *(18.Nc4 bxc4 19.Qxa4 Rb8 20.Kc2 Bf6 21.Bxc4 Rb2+ 22.Kc1 Be6 23.Ne2 Qb8→)* 18...Bxc1 *(18...Bg7 19.Ne2 Be6⩱)* 19.Qxc1 Be6→;

C2) 14.Bxb6?! This exchange is generally very risky, as White has to try push f4-e5 now, otherwise Black will have a strong initiative on the dark squares. cxb6 15.Nc4 e6 *(15...Rb8 16.Bd3 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.f4 Bg7 19.Nf3 e6 20.h4 exd5 21.e5 Bg4 22.h5 Bxh5 23.Rde1 Bg4 24.f5↑; 15...b5 16.Nb6 Rb8 17.f4 e5∞)* 16.d6 *(16.Nxb6 exd5 17.exd5 Rb8↑)* 16...Bd4 17.Ne2 Bc5 18.Qg5 h6 *(18...e5 19.Nc3 Be6 20.Nd5 Qf8 21.Ncxb6 Bxb6 22.Nxb6 Rxd6 23.Bc4=)* 19.Qxh6 b5 20.Qg5 b6 21.Nf4 bxc4 22.Nh5 Qf8 23.e5;

C3) 14.Qe1

C3a) 14...Na7 15.h4 Nb5 *(15...e6 16.d6 Na4 17.dxc7 Rd7 18.Nc4 Nb5 19.Rc1 Nxc7 20.h5 b5 21.Nb6 Nxb6 22.Bxb6 Qe7 23.Nh3±; 15...h5 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5±)* 16.Bxb5 *(16.Nxb5 axb5 17.h5* Diagram # *Nxd5 18.exd5 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 b4 20.Qe2 Rxa2-+)* 16...axb5 17.h5 *(17.Bxb6 cxb6 18.Ne2 f5 19.Nd4 fxe4 20.fxe4 Bg4 21.Rd2 b4 22.Nab5∞)* 17...Rxd5 18.Rxd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+ 20.Kc1 Qd8 21.Qd2 b4 22.h6 Bc3 23.bxc3 Rxa3 24.cxb4 Qa8 25.Qd4 f6 26.g4 Qa4 27.gxf5 Rxa2 28.Qe4 e5 29.d6 Qb3 30.Bd4=;

C3b) 14...Na4 Diagram # Even now this idea probably is playable, since Black will have a strong attack against white king for the piece. 15.dxc6 *(15.Bc1 Nd4 16.Ne2 Nxe2 17.Bxe2 e6∓)* 15...Rxd1+ 16.Qxd1 Nxb2 M.Kamil: '∞' Glenn Flear: '∞'

C3b1) 17.Qc2 bxc6 18.Bc4 *(18.Bc1 Rb8 19.Nb5 Na4 20.Qxa4 axb5 21.Qc2 Ra8⩱)* 18...Rb8 19.Bb3 a5 20.Bc1 Na4 21.Ne2 Ba6 22.Nc4 Bxc4 23.Qxc4 Nb6 24.Qxf7+ Qxf7 25.Bxf7+ Kxf7 26.Kc2=;

C3b2) 17.Qd2 bxc6→ 18.Ne2 *(18.Nc4 Rb8 19.Nxb2 Rxb2+ 20.Qxb2 Bxb2 21.Kxb2 Be6 22.Ne2 Qb8+∓)* 18...Rb8 *(18...Be6 19.Bd4 Rb8 20.Kc1 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Bxa2 22.Bxa6 e5 23.Ndc2±)* 19.Kc1 Na4 20.Nc4 *(20.Bd4 e5 21.Be3 Bf8 22.Nb1 Be6*

23.Nec3 Bb4 24.Qc2 Nxc3 25.Nxc3 Qd8 26.Nb1 Qd6) 20...c5 21.Nf4 Nc3 22.e5 Rb1+ 23.Kc2 Qa4+ 24.Kxc3 Bf5 25.Qd8+ Bf8 26.Nd3 Qxa2 27.Bxc5 Bxd3 28.Bxd3 Qa1+ 29.Kd2 Rxh1∞;

C3c) 14...Ne5 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.Nc4 Rb8 *(17...b5 18.Nb6 Rb8 19.e5 Bf5+ 20.Ka1 e6 21.h3 Nxe5 22.fxe5 exd5∞; 17...Qb5 18.h3 Nf6 19.g4 Qc5 20.Nf3 Bd7 21.Rc1 Rac8 22.Bd3∞)* 18.Nxb6 e5⇄]

[13.Nd4 Nxd5 *(13...Ne5 14.Rc1 c6 15.Nxc6 Nbc4 16.Nxe7+ Qxe7 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Rxc4 f5 19.Bg5 Bf6 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Qd4 Qg5 22.g3 fxe4 23.fxe4 Bg4 24.h3 Bd7 25.Nf3 Qxg3 26.Ne5 Bxh3 27.Rc7 Rac8 28.Rhc1 Rxc7 29.Rxc7 Rf8 30.a3 Qb3 31.Nf3 Rf7 32.Rc8+ Rf8 33.Rxf8+ Kxf8 34.Qh8+ Ke7 35.Qxh7+ Kd8 36.Qxh3 Qd3+ 37.Kc1 Qe3+ 38.Kc2 Qxe4+ 39.Kd2 Qxd5+ 40.Ke2 Qb5+ 41.Ke3 Qxb2 42.Qh4+ Kc8 43.Qc4+ Kb8 44.Qf4+ Ka7 45.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 46.Kxd4 Kb6 47.Kc4 Ka5 48.Kb3 b5 49.Ng5 Kb6 50.Ne4 a5 51.Kb2 Kc6 52.Kc3 Kd5 53.Ng5 Ke5 54.Kd3 Kf4 55.Ne6+ Kf3 56.Kd4 b4 57.axb4 axb4 58.Kc4 Ke4 59.Ng5+ Ke5 60.Nh7 Ke6 61.Kxb4 Kf7 62.Ng5+ Kg7 63.Nh3 Kf6 64.Kc4 Kf5 65.Kd3 Kg4 66.Nf2+ Kf3 67.Ne4 Kf4 68.Kd4 Kf5 69.Ke3 Ke5 70.Ng3 Ke6 71.Ne4 Kf5 72.Nf2 Kg5 73.Kf3 Kh4 74.Kf4 Kh5 75.Kg3 Kg5 76.Ng4 Kf5 77.Ne5 Kxe5 78.Kg4 ½-½ (78) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-HeraKlin0S (2710) Blitz 2023)* 14.Nxc6 *(14.exd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Qxd5 16.Bc3 Bf5+ 17.Kc1 Bh6* 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-HeraKlin0S (2704) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Nxe3 15.Nxd8 Nxd1 16.Qxd7 Bxd7 17.Nxb7 Nf2 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-RatasticBaby (2650) Blitz 2022]

Krasenkow,Michal: 'See the June column for' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'A softer way was' For the more popular Glenn Flear: 'The most popular move is' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'A softer way was' 13...Qe8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Caruana sticks to the move which he has already played against Aronian and Gelfand." Glenn Flear: 'Caruana sticks to the move which he has already played against Aronian and Gelfand.'' Marin, Mihail: 'Carlsen,M (2881)-Caruana, F (2791) Stavanger 2014 CBM 161 [Krasenkow,M] (½-½ , 67)' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'This weakening of the kingside looks risky and yields White a hook for his kingside attack by means of g4-g5.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'which was played in Carlsen, M-Caruana, F Stavanger 2014.' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' see Ding Liren - Nepomniachtchi, I Carlsen Invitation Online rapid 2020, in the archives. see Ding Liren - Nepomniachtchi, I Carlsen Invitation Online rapid 2020, in the archives. Glenn Flear: 'which is the subject of Game 6."All these moves are simply the main line of the Grünfeld with 3.f3!

Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'All these moves are simply the main line of the Grünfeld with 3.f3! '" Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Black is taking back material in funny, forced variation'

[Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black hasn't done well with knight moves at this point, for example Glenn Flear: 'Black hasn't done well with knight moves at this point, for example'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Otherwise' I have already discussed the other knight leap 13...Ne5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Postny, Evgeny: '(Glenn Flear) especially as Black often plays ...Qd6 (when both sides would then have lost two tempi) to help free his position. Glenn Flear: '!?' 'especially as Black often plays ... Qd6 (when both sides would then have lost two tempi) to help free his position." Krasenkow,Michal: 'featured in my notes to the same game.' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'The biggest drawback in Black's position is the pawn on a6. His ideal move would be c6, in order to undermine the d5 pawn, but this never works because of the b6 knight. ' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'The biggest drawback in Black's position is the pawn on a6. His ideal move would be c6, in order to undermine the d5 pawn, but this never works because of the b6 knight.' in Wojtasezek, R - Areshchenko, A Polish league 2013, despite it being a rare choice. To counter this (instead of Wojtaszek's normal-looking choice of 14.Qc1) Cheparinov considers in Wojtasezek, R - Areshchenko, A Polish league 2013, despite it being a rare choice. To counter this (instead of Wojtaszek's normal-looking choice of 14.Qc1) Cheparinov considers Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?'

A) 14.Bxb6 to be very strong. It has been tested recently: cxb6 15.f4 Stohl,Igor: 'and the knight from e5 doesn't have the d7 square. ' Ng4 16.h3! *(* less convincing is *16.e5* due to *Bh6! 17.h3 Nxe5 18.g3 Nc6 19.Qe3 Na7 20.Nf3 Qd6∓* Vrolijk, L -Salimova, N Kragero 2020, and the loss of the e-pawn weighs on White's chances Vrolijk, L -Salimova, N Kragero 2020, and the loss of the e-pawn weighs on White's chances*)* 16...Bxc3 Stohl,Igor: 'It never feels right to give up the bishop from g7, but Black has no choice here.' 17.bxc3 Nf6 18.Bd3 Stohl,Igor: 'and White should be doing better.' "Very difficult for Black to find counterplay" (Cheparinov), but the following forcing sequence needs further investigation: "Very difficult for Black to find counterplay" (Cheparinov), but the following forcing sequence needs further investigation: *(18.Qd4 Qc7 19.Ne2 Nxe4 20.g4 Nd6 21.Bg2 Bd7 22.Rhe1 Rac8 23.Qe5 Bb5 24.Nd4 Qxc3 25.Re3 Qc5 26.Rb3 Ba4 27.Qe2 Bxb3 28.Nxb3 Qb4 29.Qxe7 Re8 30.Qf6 Re2 31.Bf3 Rxa2 32.Rd3 Ra3 33.Qb2 Nc4 34.Qc3 Nd2+ 35.Qxd2 Rxb3+ 36.Rxb3 Qxd2 37.Be4 Rc1#* 0-1 (37) Lucky1357924680 (2666)-TERMINATOR2_BKD (2504) Blitz 2024*)* 18...Qa4 19.Bc2 Qa3 20.Ne2 Bd7 21.e5 Be6! 22.exf6 Rxd5 23.Qxd5 Bxd5

24.Rxd5 exf6± Wojnar, M - Falatowicz, P e-mail 2018, and Black held the game despite White having a fistful of wood for the queen. Wojnar, M - Falatowicz, P e-mail 2018, and Black held the game despite White having a fistful of wood for the queen. 25.Rhd1 Re8 26.R1d2 b5 27.Rd8 Rxd8 28.Rxd8+ Kg7 29.Rd4 h5 30.Be4 b6 31.Rb4 h4 32.Bd5 Kg8 33.Be4 Kf8 34.Bd5 Kg8 35.Bf3 Kg7 36.Be4 Kh7 37.Ba8 Kg7 38.Be4 Kg8 39.Bf3 Kg7 40.Bc6 Kh8 41.Ka1 Kg8 42.Bd5 Kg7 43.Ba8 Kg8 44.Kb1 Kh8 45.Ka1 Kh7 46.Bc6 Kg8 47.Kb1 Kf8 48.Be4 Kg7 49.Bc6 Kf8 50.Bb7 f5 51.Bc6 Kg7 52.Ka1 Kg8 53.Ba8 Kg7 54.Bf3 Kg8 55.Bb7 Kg7 56.Bc6 Kh8 57.Kb1 Kh7 58.Ba8 Kg7 59.Bb7 Kh7 60.Ba8 Kg7 61.Bc6 f6 62.Ka1 Kf8 63.Bf3 Ke8 64.Bb7 Kf8 65.Bc6 Kf7 66.Ba8 Kg8 67.Bb7 Kh8 68.Bc6 Kg7 69.Kb1 Kg8 70.Ka1 Kh8 71.Bf3 Kg7 72.Bc6 Kh6 73.Kb1 Kh7 74.Ka1 Kg7 75.Kb1 Kh6 76.Ba8 Kh7 77.Bc6 Kh6 78.Ba8 Kh7 79.Bb7 Kg8 80.Ka1 Kh7 81.Bd5 Kg7 82.Kb1 Kf8 83.Bf3 Kg8 84.Rb3 Qc5 85.Kc2 Kh8 86.Nd4 Qc4 87.a3 Kh7 88.Bc6 Qf1 89.Rb1 Qf2+ 90.Kb3 Qxf4 91.Rd1 Kh8 92.Kb2 Qf2+ 93.Nc2 g5 94.Rd4 Kg7 95.Kc1 a5 96.Kb2 Kg6 97.Be8+ Kh7 98.Bc6 Kh6 99.Rd6 Kg6 100.Rd4 Qg3 101.Rd2 Qf4 102.Re2 Qc4 103.Be8+ Kg7 104.Rd2 g4 105.Bd7 Qf4 106.Re2 b4 107.axb4 axb4 108.Nxb4 gxh3 109.gxh3 Qf1 110.Rh2 f4 111.Rd2 Qe1 112.Kc2 Qe4+ 113.Nd3 f5 114.Rf2 Qd5 115.Be8 Qa2+ 116.Nb2 Qe6 117.Bh5 Qe3 118.Nd3 Qxh3 119.Bf3 Kh7 120.Bd1 Kh6 121.Nxf4 Qe3 122.Rf3 Qe5 123.Nd3 Qe6 124.Kd2 b5 125.Be2 Qd5 126.Ke1 Qb3 127.Nb4 Qb1+ 128.Kf2 Qh1 129.Bf1 Qh2+ 130.Bg2 Qd6 131.Rd3 Qc5+ 132.Kf1 Kg5 133.Bh3 Qc7 134.Rf3 Qe5 135.Bg2 Qd6 136.Rd3 Qf4+ 137.Kg1 Qg4 138.Rf3 Qc4 139.Kf2 Qc5+ 140.Kf1 Qd6 141.Rd3 Qc5 142.Bh3 Qc7 143.Rf3 Qc4+ 144.Kf2 Qc5+ 145.Kg2 Qc4 146.Kg1 Qc5+ 147.Kf1 Qc4+ 148.Kf2 Qe6 149.Bf1 Qe5 150.Bh3 Kf6 151.Bf1 Kg5 152.Bh3 Qc5+ 153.Ke2 Qe7+ 154.Re3 Qc7 155.Rf3 Qh2+ 156.Kf1 Qh1+ 157.Kf2 Qc1 158.Bf1 Qb2+ 159.Be2 Kg6 160.Nd3 Qd2 161.Kf1 Kg5 162.Nb4 Kh6 163.Nc6 Qc1+ 164.Kf2 Qh1 165.Bf1 Qh2+ 166.Ke1 Qb2 167.Be2 Qb1+ 168.Kf2 Qb2 169.Rd3 Kg6 170.Rf3 Kh6 171.Nb4 Kg5 172.Nc6 Kh6 ½-½ (172) AILc0 (2931)-ArasanX (2950) Rapid 2024;

B) 14.Qc1 Swiercz,Dariusz: '∞!?'

B1) 14...Qd6 Back again! 15.h4 h5 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Qf6 18.Qc1 A 'tactical' retreat i.e. the queen can't attack alone! Apart from helping out with defensive duty the queen will help support future kingside activity from afar. c6! White has lost time and after this he can't keep his centre

intact. 19.g4!? Line opening time! cxd5 *(*After *19...hxg4 20.f4 Nec4 21.h5* complications ensue. Which king will be the weaker one?*)* 20.gxh5 Be6 Areshchenko continues to seek rapid development. The struggle for tne initiative is in full flow. 21.f4 Ng4 22.e5!

B1a) Here simple chess with 22...Qf5+! 23.Bd3 Qxh5 was called for, as the white attack is stymied whereas Black is on the verge of winning further material: 24.Nf3 Nf2 25.Nd4 *(25.Ng5? Nxd3 26.Rxd3 Bf5)* 25...Bg4 and Black must be much better.;

B1b) 22...Bf5+?! 23.Ka1 Qc6 24.Rd4 A strange square, but solid enough. Nc4 25.Rh3 The early middlegame hasn't gone well for White, but he has at least managed to cover all avenues of attack. Qc5 26.Nge2 gxh5 27.b3 Nb6 28.Qd2 Rac8 29.Kb2 A difficult position to judge: Black has an extra pawn, but making progress won't be easy. Furthermore, White is not without potential on the kingside. e6 30.Ng3 Bg6 31.Be2 Qxc3+!? Frustration? This doesn't quite work. *(* Building up slowly isn't necessarily the solution: *31...Rc6?! 32.Nxh5! Bxh5 33.Bxg4 Bxg4 34.Rg3* and White has the more interesting options as Black's king is vulnerable.*;* After the prophylactic *31...Kh7!?* White redeploys with *32.Rh1* and then what?*)* 32.Qxc3 Rxc3 33.Kxc3 Rc8+ 34.Kb4 Ne3 35.Rd2? *(* Better is *35.Bd3!* meeting the immediate threats. White will then have to react to the new situation on the c-file, but he seems to be in control e.g. *Nc2+ 36.Bxc2 Rxc2 37.f5! exf5 38.Rf4 Nd7 39.Nxf5 Nxe5* Black has reasonable play, but White is slightly better after *40.a4!)* 35...Nc2+ 36.Ka5 Nd7 Threatening mate in two with ...Rc5+ followed by ... Nb6. 37.b4 Rc3 38.a4 b6+? *(* Missing the killing *38...Rb3!!* the point being *39.Bd1 Nxb4 40.Bxb3 Nc6#)* 39.Kxa6 Nxb4+ 40.Kb7 Bf5 Regaining the exchange, but now it's White's pieces that take centre stage. 41.Nxf5 Rxh3 42.Nd4 Kf8 43.Bb5 Suddenly White's king is no longer a liability, but a great asset! Ke7 44.Bxd7 Kxd7 45.Kxb6 Nc6 46.Nb5 *(* The rook endgame following *46.Nxc6 Rb3+ 47.Kc5 Rc3+ 48.Kb5 Rxc6 49.a5* isn't clear. If the a-pawn is stopped then Black may even be able to claim an advantage due to his centre: *Rc1 50.Rb2 Kc7!? 51.a6 Kb8 52.Kb6 Rc4)*

B1b1) Pawn chomping could be the best way for Black: 46...Rxh4! 47.Rc2 *(47.Rf2 Ne7 48.a5 Rh1*

49.Rc2 d4! (to access the d5-square) *50.Nxd4 Nd5+* and Black isn't worse*)* 47...Ne7 48.a5 Rxf4 as here I can't find anything better than 49.Rc7+ Kd8 50.a6 Nc8+ 51.Kb7 Rc4! 52.Rxf7 Rb4 53.Rf8+ Kd7 54.Rf7+ Kd8 55.Rf8+ with a draw.;

B1b2) 46...Rb3 47.Rc2 Nd4 48.Rc7+ Ke8 49.Kc5 Nxb5 50.axb5 Now White's pieces are far better placed (than above) to cope with any practical problems in a rook endgame. d4 51.Rc6! A fine move aiming to come to d6. Kd7 *(*After *51...d3 52.Rd6* Black can't resist for long without a king taking part. *)* 52.Rd6+ Kc8 53.Rxd4 Kc7 54.Ra4 Kb7 The white king's adventures continue and Black's kingside is ripe to be picked. 55.Kd6! Rxb5 56.Ke7 Kc6 57.Kxf7 Kd5 58.Kg6 Rb8 59.Kxh5 Rh8+ 60.Kg5 Rg8+ 61.Kf6 Rh8 62.Ra5+ Ke4 63.Kxe6 Rh6+ 64.Kd7 Rh7+ 65.Kd6 1-0 (65) Wojtaszek,R (2701)-Areshchenko,A (2709) Wroclaw POL 2013 [Glenn Flear];

B2) 14...Na4 15.Bd4 c5 16.Nxa4 Qxa4 17.Bxc5 e6 *(17...Bh6 18.b3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!*)* 18.d6 Bd7 19.b3 Qa5 20.Qa3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'when he had little to show for his pawn in Kohlweyer, B-Doncevic, D Skopje 2014. Glenn Flear: 'when he had little to show for his pawn in Kohlweyer, B-Doncevic, D Skopje 2014.";

C) 14.b3 !? might also be interesting, with the positional idea of Nge2-Nd4 next.;

D) 14.Qe1 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It was better to play more aggressively'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It was better to play more aggressively' 14...Nec4 Grigoriants, Sergey: 'On b2 pawn would be pretty harmless; now it is becoming more active but vulnerable.' 15.Bd4 Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Qd6 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Bxc4! Nxc4 18.h4= The pawn will be lost soon. Bd7 19.h5= After 19...b5;

E) 14.Qc2 Nec4 15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Ne3 17.Qd3 Nxf1 18.Nge2 Qd6 19.f4 Nxh2 20.Rxh2 Bg4 21.e5 Qc5 22.b4 Bxe2 23.Qh3 1-0 (23) sberbank1 (2632)-MikeGScarn (2732) Blitz 2020;

F) Glenn Flear: 'Black was able to obtain enough practical chances for his pawn following' 14.Bd4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Diagram' Caruana,Fabiano: 'is better for White. After ♘e3 the f5-square will be very weak.'

F1) Caruana,Fabiano: 'In case of' 14...c5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! A great intuitive sacrifice by Areshchenko! This was the only way to preserve the strong bishop. I cannot recall, but I have

seen somewhere the same idea before, so for a GrÃ¼nfeld player such things should automatically come to mind. In the next few moves, we will get all the ideas behind the move.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! A great intuitive sacrifice by Areshchenko! This was the only way to preserve the strong bishop. I cannot recall, but I have seen somewhere the same idea before, so for a GrÃ¼nfeld player such things should automatically come to mind. In the next few moves, we will get all the ideas behind the move. An unexpected pawn sacrifice!' Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: '(speculative)'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'An unexpected pawn sacrifice!' 15.Bxc5 Nec4 Glenn Flear: 'Eljanov, P-Areshchenko, A Kiev 2012, but now' *(15...Nbc4 16.Qc1 b5 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Nge2 Rb8 20.h3 Qc7 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Rxd4 Nf2 23.d6 Rxd6 24.Nd5 Rxd5 25.Rxd5 Nxh1 26.Qxh1 c3 27.b3 Bb7 28.Rd4 e5 29.Rc4 Qd6 30.fxe5 Qd3+* 0-1 (30) sberbank1 (2707)-MikeGScarn (2747) Blitz 2020 *)*

F1a) 16.Bxc4! Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?! I don't like this move at all. I agree that White is undeveloped and this is a chance to get rid of one of the pieces with tempo. But on the other hand, he gives up the bishop pair and what is more important in this case, Black finally solves his problem with his b6 knight, which had no moves before. Suddenly, the c4 knight becomes powerful and it might be supported by a pawn on b5.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?! I don't like this move at all. I agree that White is undeveloped and this is a chance to get rid of one of the pieces with tempo. But on the other hand, he gives up the bishop pair and what is more important in this case, Black finally solves his problem with his b6 knight, which had no moves before. Suddenly, the c4 knight becomes powerful and it might be supported by a pawn on b5.'was my idea, preventing ...g5. Now after Nxc4 17.Qc1 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Diagram'

F1a1) Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '' 17...b5 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'was also playable.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'was also playable. would be too risky:' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'would be too risky:' 18.b3 *(18.Nge2 Bb7* followed by Rac8 and b4, using the unfortunate situation of the c1 queen, with a very sharp position. The game might continue with Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'followed by Rac8 and b4, using the unfortunate situation of the c1 queen, with a very sharp position. The game might continue with' *19.b3 Rac8 20.Bd4 b4 21.bxc4 Rxc4)* 18...b4 Arsovic,Goran: '='

19.Bxb4 Rb8 20.Bc5 a5 21.Ka1;

F1a2) 17...Qc7 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!? Areshchenko found an interesting plan to preserve his dark-squared bishop.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!? Areshchenko found an interesting plan to preserve his dark-squared bishop.' White has the option of 18.Bd4! After 18...e5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! This is the point! Black does not want to exchange pieces. At first sight, this move "kills" the g7 bishop, but it might easily join the fight in the future, from f8 or from h6.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! This is the point! Black does not want to exchange pieces. At first sight, this move "kills" the g7 bishop, but it might easily join the fight in the future, from f8 or from h6.' 19.Bf2 , due to the threat of ...g5 White will either have to acquiesce in a repetition (with ♘f3 ♗f5, etc) or retreat the bishop from f4, which is a clear concession. b5 Swiercz,Dariusz: '⩲' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Eljanov-Areshchenko 2012, Swiercz, D: 'Eljanov-Areshchenko 2012, Black has compensation for the pawn. '' Glenn Flear: 'Eljanov, P-Areshchenko, A Kiev 2012.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White can hardly make use of his extra pawn, while Black has a very easy attack with Bd7 and b4. White is forced to do something, otherwise he'll get crushed.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White can hardly make use of his extra pawn, while Black has a very easy attack with Bd7 and b4. White is forced to do something, otherwise he'll get crushed.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Black has compensation for the pawn.' 20.b3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! A small weaken ing, but it pushes back the knight, getting some space for maneuvering.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! A small weaken ing, but it pushes back the knight, getting some space for maneuvering.' , is totally fine for Black. Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Often this type of endgame arises. From this position, Nakamura held the draw without difficulties already seven times. The bishop pair compensates the minus down, and often the opposite bishop ending is drawish.' (Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'After' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'After' *20.Nge2!?±* I guess would offer more practical chances to pose some problems for black. *Nd6* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Black threats to launch an

attack with a6-a5-a4.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Black threats to launch an attack with a6-a5-a4.') Grigoriants, Sergey: 'The most direct way:' 20...Nd6 Antic,Dejan Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (35) Eljanov,P (2693)-Areshchenko,A (2691) Kiev 2012 [A.Mikhalchishin]' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Diagram' 21.Qe3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White wants to occupy the c-file, and to create some threats connected with Qb6 and Bc5 could be also dangerous. Now, it's Black's turn to act!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'White wants to occupy the c-file, and to create some threats connected with Qb6 and Bc5 could be also dangerous. Now, it's Black's turn to act!'White will try to get knight Vs. Bishop, if it will be allowed. (Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Including' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Including' *21.h4 h5* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'did not change the plans in this position.'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'did not change the plans in this position.') 21...f5! Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! This is the way to play the GrÃ¼nfeld! Actively! The e4 pawn seemed to be the safest square for White, but actually it's weak. Black wants to push b4, and after the knight moves, take twice on e4 and Bf5!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! This is the way to play the GrÃ¼nfeld! Actively! The e4 pawn seemed to be the safest square for White, but actually it's weak. Black wants to push b4, and after the knight moves, take twice on e4 and Bf5!'The most practical to offer the trades. Apart from Nakamura, nobody played this precise move. Surprisingly Naka reached it five times and confidently drew all of them. (Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It was possible to continue his development with an attack on the queenside' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It was possible to continue his development with an attack on the queenside' *21...a5 22.Qc5 Qb8*) 22.Rc1 (Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It is very difficult to stop Black's rolling attack'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'It is very difficult to stop Black's rolling attack' *22.Bh4 Re8±* Andreikin-Naroditsky, chess.com 2022 *23.Rc1 Qd7 24.Nge2 a5* Arsovic,Goran: '=') 22...Qe7

F1a21) Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'It does not make much difference to develop as follows:' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It

does not make much difference to develop as follows:' 23.Nge2 a5! 24.h4 Bf6 25.Rc2 a4;

F1a22) 23.Nh3

It was time to finish the development. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It was time to finish the development.' Bd7 ! refreshing the threat of b4 and the double-take on e4. A double edged position. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! refreshing the threat of b4 and the double-take on e4. A double edged position.' *(23...b4* immediately did not work, because of *24.Na4 ! fxe4 25.fxe4* and on *Nxe4* ? White has *26.Rxc8 !)*;

F1a23) 23.Qb6

Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '? A huge mistake in the calculation, which gets cruelly punished.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '? A huge mistake in the calculation, which gets cruelly punished.' 23...fxe4! 24.Nxe4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'A sad necessity.' *(* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '' *24.fxe4* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' '?' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'was bad:'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'was bad:' *Nxe4!* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' *25.Nxe4 Bf5 26.Re1 Qb4* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! Only move, but strong!' *27.Qe3 Rxd5=* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and Black wins. For example, after' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and Black wins. For example, after' A totally drawish opposite-coloured bishop ending. Nakamura held it three times, e.g. Andreikin-Nakamura, chess.com 2022 *28.Nf3 Bxe4+ ! 29.Qxe4 Rd1+* ! Qxe4 and Rxh1 next.*)* 24...Bf5 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'It's clear Black is doing great now, but he still needs to play very strongly if he wants his attack to break trough!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'It's clear Black is doing great now, but he still needs to play very strongly if he wants his attack to break trough!' 25.Qe3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Admitting the mistake of 23.Qb6.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Admitting the mistake of 23.Qb6.' *(* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Or' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Or' *25.Re1 Qg5* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Arsovic,Goran: '=' *26.g3 Nxe4 27.fxe4 Rxd5* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' *28.Nf3 Qg4 29.Qe3 Bxe4+=* Arsovic,Goran:

'±' Andreikin-Nakamura, chess.com 2022 *30.Qxe4 Rd1+!* Preparing h7-h5 is the best. *)* 25...a5= Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Because of the mistake on the 23rd move, Blacks get enough time to make use of the b3 weakness! It's very difficult to deal with the a4 threat.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Because of the mistake on the 23rd move, Blacks get enough time to make use of the b3 weakness! It's very difficult to deal with the a4 threat. Just now it becomes clear how powerful is the attack launched by Black!' White has an extra pawn, but in this opposite bishop ending, it's not relevant, so it's a totally drawish position. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Just now it becomes clear how powerful is the attack launched by Black! ' 26.g4 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'This loses, but it was hard to advice something clever. Diagram' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'This loses, but it was hard to advice something clever. Diagram' *(* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'After completing development White still could not stop the opponent's attack:' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'After completing development White still could not stop the opponent's attack:' *26.Ne2 a4 27.N2g3 axb3 28.Qxb3* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *Nc4)* 26...Nxe4 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' Arsovic,Goran: '!' *(26...Bxe4+ 27.fxe4 a4* is also good.*)* 27.fxe4 Bh6 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! Nice combo! Black wins an exchange!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Nice combo! Black wins an exchange!' 28.Qxh6 *(* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'The attack can't be stopped after'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'The attack can't be stopped after' *28.Qe1 Bd2* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *29.Qe2 Bxc1 30.gxf5 a4 31.Nf3 axb3* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' '!' Arsovic, Goran: ' = ' *32.Rxc1* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *Rxa2)* 28...Bxe4+ 29.Kb2 Bxh1 30.Bh4 Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram

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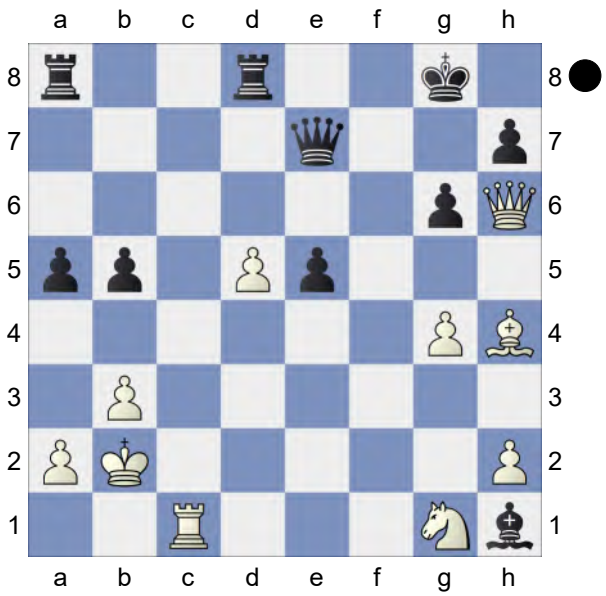

' Qa7 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' Arsovic,Goran: '?' 31.Ne2 Arsovic,Goran: '+-' *(31.Bxd8 Qd4+* This was the point of the combination. White gets mated. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'This was the point of the combination. White gets mated.' *32.Ka3 b4+ 33.Ka4* Black has only one winning move here! *Qxd5* ! and Qc6! with mate to follow. *)* 31...a4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! You must push until your opponent collapses! Black doesn't lay back with his material advantage, he continues playing for mate!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! You must push until your opponent collapses! Black doesn't lay back with his material advantage, he continues playing for mate!' 32.b4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Only move. Taking pieces was losing.' *(32.Bxd8 axb3; 32.Rxh1 axb3)* 32...a3+ 33.Ka1 Bf3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Black wants to get the d4 square for the queen.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Black wants to get the d4 square for the queen.' 34.Nc3 *(* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'White is lost after' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'White is lost after' *34.Bxd8* Arsovic,Goran: '+-' *Bxe2* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Double threat of Qd4 and Rxd8.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Double threat of Qd4 and Rxd8.' Arsovic, Goran: '!' *35.Qd2 Rxd8 36.Qxe2 Qd4+)* 34...Qd4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' 35.Bxd8 Rxd8 ½-½ (35) Dubov,D (2702)-Nakamura,H (2766) Chess.com INT 2022 CBM 208 Extra [Grigoriants, Sergey] Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White resigned! Too many threats to parry. The main ones are Rc8 and Qxb4. A great game for the topic: How to play theGrÃ¼nfeld!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'White resigned! Too

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F1b) 16.Qf2 is countered by Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'when Black has some work to do to justify his pawn sacrifice when Black has some work to do to justify his pawn sacrifice' Bxc3 ! 17.bxc3 Na4 ! A temporary piece sacrifice, which leaves the White king a bit "naked". Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! A temporary piece sacrifice, which leaves the White king a bit "naked".' 18.Bxc4 Qc7 ! wins back the piece with counterplay. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! wins back the piece with counterplay.';

F1c) Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'After' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'After' 16.Qc1 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '! was the right move in my opinion, to protect the c3 knight.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! was the right move in my opinion, to protect the c3 knight.' 16...Qc7

F1c1) 17.Bf2= Vidit-Nakamura, Kolkata 2022 Bd7 18.Nge2 Qd6 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞' 19.Nd4 *(19.Bd4 Bxd4* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *20.Nxd4 Rac8* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Black does not care about White's extra pawn.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Black does not care about White's extra pawn.' *)*;

F1c2) 17.Bd4± is a wild idea - I doubt Black has enough for the pawn. is a wild idea - I doubt Black has enough for the pawn. 17...Bxd4 *(17...e5* is completely different to the game, because of the poor b6 knight. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'is completely different to the game, because of the poor b6 knight.' *18.Bf2 ±)* 18.Rxd4 Qc5 Black must play actively, otherwise he'll simply end up a pawn down. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Black must play actively, otherwise he'll simply end up a pawn down.' *(18...e5* but the computer refuted it nicely with Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'but the computer refuted it nicely with' *19.Rd3 ! Bd7* Diagram *20.Nd1* ! Beautiful regrouping! The rook will stand perfectly on c3! Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '! Beautiful regrouping! The rook will stand perfectly on c3!' *Rac8 21.Rc3 ±)* 19.Nge2 Bd7 Black needs to bring his pieces as fast as possible. Still, his main problem is the b6 knight, because this avoids him from launching an attack with b5-b4. It's not easy for White either, because his pieces are still undeveloped, but suddenly, he can start an effective attack.

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F2) Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Less effective, but possible was' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Less effective, but possible was' 14...Nec4 15.Qf2 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' e5 16.Bc5 Bf8 17.Bxf8 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞' Rxf8 18.f4 exf4 19.Rd4 Ne5 20.Qxf4 Qd6 21.Nf3 Nxf3 22.Qxd6 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞' Nd2+ 23.Rxd2 cxd6= Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and Black's chances are not worse.' Andreikin-Nakamura, chess.com 2022 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'and Black's chances are not worse.';

F3) 14...e6 is another l attempt to undermine the center, but White achieves some advantage after Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'is another l attempt to undermine the center, but White achieves some advantage after' 15.f4 Nec4 16.Qf2 +=;

F4) 14...Na4 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qd4+ e5 18.fxe5 Nxc3+ 19.bxc3 c5 20.Qxc5 Nxe5 21.Nf3 Qa4 22.Qd4 Qxd4 23.cxd4 Ng4 24.Re1 f5 25.e5 Rxd5 26.Bc4 Rd8 27.d5 b5 28.Bb3 Bb7 29.d6 Be4+ 30.Ka1 a5 31.h3 Nf2 32.Nd4 Nxh1 33.Ne6+ Kh6 34.Nxd8 Rxd8 35.Rxh1 a4 36.Be6 Bxg2 37.Rg1 Be4 38.Rc1 f4 39.Rc8 Rxc8 40.Bxc8 f3 41.Bg4 Bc6 42.Bxf3 Bd7 43.Bg4 Bc6 44.e6 Kg5 45.d7 Kf4 46.d8Q h5 47.e7 hxg4 48.hxg4 Bf3 49.Qd6+ Ke3 50.e8Q+ Be4 51.Qee5 b4 52.Qed4+ Kf3 53.Q6e5 Kxg4 54.Qexe4+ Kh5 55.Qh4# 1-0 (55) defenceboy1 (2993)-IMFAR (2820) Blitz 2022]

[13...Na7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Nb5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Nge2 Qe8 18.h4 Bd7 19.h5 e5 20.Qc5 Nc4 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.b3 b6 23.Qb4 Na3+ 24.Kb2 Qf8 25.Qxf8+ Rxf8 26.Nc1 b4 27.Nb1 Nxb1 28.Kxb1 Bb5 29.Nd3 Bxd3+ 30.Rxd3 Rfd8 31.Rdd1 Ra5 32.Rc1 Rda8 33.a4

Rc5 34.Rxc5 bxc5 35.Kc2 h5 36.Kd3 Kf7 37.Kc4 Ra5 38.g4 hxg4 39.fxg4 1-0 (39) Onischuk,V (2614)-Kenneskog,T (2352) Stockholm SWE 2016]

Glenn Flear: 'here again' 14.Qc1 Edouard,Romain: '!''Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: '!''' Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'White doesn't have to remove the knight, as its capture leads to a deadly attack on the h-file.' Glenn Flear: 'is plausible:' Glenn Flear: 'A modest-looking retreat, but it has established itself as the standard move, although the main alternative Qe1 has actually scored quite highly.' 'This is Cheparinov's recommendation in his book "Cheparinov's 1.d4 - Volume 1". Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'This is Cheparinov's recommendation in his book "Cheparinov's 1.d4 - Volume 1".'''

[Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Experience suggests that''' Glenn Flear: 'Nowadays' 14.Qe1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'is the more common retreat, and it has been tried against Caruana twice. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is less effective: Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'is the more common retreat, and it has been tried against Caruana twice.''' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes) is the more common retreat, and it has been tried against Caruana twice.' Glenn Flear: 'is less effective:'' Glenn Flear: 'is rarely played, but it may still have some practical value:' Mikhalevski, Victor: '!'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'was played in Gelfand-Caruana (see CBM 153, where you can learn more about this line). After''

A) 14...Ne5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez'' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' Glenn Flear: 'transposes to the note to White's 14th move after 14.Qe1 Qe8' ChessCalisthenics: ', L.Aronian-F. Caruana, Moscow 2012.' Grigoriants, Sergey: 'A more natural square for the queen, however, this will just tranpose to the game.'

A1) 15.Bd4 e6 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: '⇄' 16.f4 Glenn Flear: 'Vasquez Schroeder, R - Pierrot, F Villa Martelli 2017, is perhaps best met by' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Nec4 *(16...Ng4!? 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h3 Nf6)* 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nf3 b5∞;

A2) 15.Be2

A2a) 15...Nec4!? In my opinion this move should be critical 16.Bd4 *(16.Bc1* is too slow now *e6* ! and Black will crush White's center.*)* 16...e5∞ ! Krasenkow,Michal: 'I. Stohl' *(16...e6!?* The exchange of the g7 bishop is a very dangerous idea for Black. Usually, this can only lead to a better position for White. *17.Bxg7 Kxg7⇄ 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Nge2* and White should be doing clearly better. The Black king can get in big

trouble very soon, after White advances with h4-h5. Besides, the black squares around the Black king are quite weak. This can be useful for White as well...*; 16...Bxd4 ? 17.Rxd4 e5 18.Rxc4)* 17.Bxb6 Diagramm # *(17.Bf2 Qf8* !? leads to a very unclear position, but I feel that Black should be doing fine here...*)* 17...Nxb6 18.h4 At first sight, Black should be doing fine here, but things are not that simple. White is very quick on the kingside. The Queen on e1 is perfectly placed after White's h5, and can join the attack immediately through h4. c6 Black is trying to do something active on the queenside. *(18...h5 ?! 19.g4* â→⇗ *)* 19.Qf2 Nd7 20.h5 Nf6 21.hxg6 hxg6 It's hard to say who is doing better... further analysis are needed. But we can be sure that Aronian knew who is better here.;

A2b) 15...e6 16.Bxb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Arsovic, Goran: ' ∞ ' cxb6 Caruana,Fabiano: ', which is pretty similar to the game.' Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Will likely transpose to the game.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'An interesting option was' 17.f4 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: '- 150/76' Glenn Flear: 'was favourable for White in Aronian, L-Caruana, F Moscow 2012 was favourable for White in Aronian, L-Caruana, F Moscow 2012' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'It seems to me that White has nevertheless managed to get a little something, though the position continues to be strategically confusing.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', which is what I was mainly concerned about during the game. Antic, Dejan: 'as mentioned above, this is a possible improvement for Black. Still, White can claim an advantage."

A2b1) 17...exd5 It doesn't look very promising for Black to give away a piece.

A2b11) 18.Nxd5 Ng4 Other way: 19.Bf3 Glenn Flear: 'Zhao Xue-Lahno, K Jermuk 2012, and here Vigorito suggests' Be6! *(19...Rxd5 20.Rxd5 Be6* 'with excellent play', indeed Black seems to be better e.g. *21.Rd6 Qb5 22.e5 Bf8 23.Rxe6 Qd3+ 24.Ka1 Ne3!)* 20.Ne2 Bxd5! The most precise. 21.exd5 Ne3 22.Rd3 Nc4 23.Nd4 Qa4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '1-0 Zhao Xue (2556)-Lahno, K (2537)/Jermuk ARM 2012;' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '1-0 Zhao Xue (2556)-Lahno,K (2537)/ Jermuk ARM 2012; with a serious initiative.'

The ''bishop pair'' compensates the pawn. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'with a serious initiative.';

A2b12) 18.fxe5 dxe4 19.Qh4 Probably White has different ways to achieve an advantage. *(19.Rxd8 Qxd8 20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Bf3 Bxe5⩱* Vigorito. My computer agrees: The extra piece doesn't give White any joy *)* 19...Rxd1+ 20.Bxd1 Bxe5 21.Nge2 e3 22.Bc2 Black has 3 pawns and the bishop pair for White's extra piece, but it's hard to imagine Black being OK here. I think White is doing much better.;

A2b2) 17...Nd7 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Too passive?' 18.dxe6 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'is slightly better for Black.' Qxe6 Glenn Flear: 'as in Aronian, L - Caruana, F Moscow 2012, isn't clear after' Mikhalevski,Victor: '?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'is wrong, as after' Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (54) Aronian,L (2825)-Caruana,F (2770) Moscow 2012 CBM 149 [Stohl,I]' Caruana,Fabiano: 'was my intention, with the following possible variations:' 19.Nf3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '∞!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Aronian-Caruana, 2012' *(19.Bf3±* followed by Nd5 looks very tempting. White is doing much better, but Aronian chooses a different way. also gives White chances for an edge, as Black must yet finish his development. Aronian gets his pieces out as fast as possible and prefers to up the stakes with a pawn sacrifice. Glenn Flear: 'but the engines prefer White slightly' Krasenkow,Michal: 'I.Stohl' also gives White chances for an edge, as Black must yet finish his development. Aronian gets his pieces out as fast as possible and prefers to up the stakes with a pawn sacrifice. *)*

A2b21) Caruana rejects the principled Caruana rejects the principled 19...Bxc3 The only way to go on Anish Giri: '!' Anish Giri: 'It's hard to blame Caruana - I'm sure Levon and his tricks would make us all crack eventually.' 20.Qxc3 Qxe4+ 21.Bd3 *(21.Ka1* Anish Giri *Qxe2* is nothing. *)*

A2b211) 21...Qc6!? (Anish Giri) Claiming one pawn has been delicious enough. Possibly so. 22.Bc4 Rf8! and Black seems solid, though I have to

give Levon credit as his bluff was reasonably well-supported by the position and White has some compensation, no matter what. *(22...b5? 23.Bxf7+! Kxf7 24.Rxd7+! Bxd7 25.Ne5+)*;

A2b212) Even a move like 21...Qe8 (Anish Giri) shouldn't be losing.;

A2b213) 21...Qxf4 Colin Crouch: ', but then he has exchanged off his fianchetto bishop, and his king looks open to attack.' and we reach a critical position. Computers are happy with Black here, but from a human point of view, Black is fighting on the edge. Let's take a look to a few lines... 22.Rhf1C White has compensation here, but now he will have an advantage without much risk.White has compensation here, but now he will have an advantage without much risk. *(22.Bc4* Anish Giri *Rf8* ! An ugly, solid and protective move! *23.Rhf1 Nc5 24.Ne5 Qe4+ 25.Ka1 Be6* and it looks like Black is in time to protect the f7 pawn. *)* 22...Rf8 Again, the usual defensive move! (Anish Giri) and in our modern era with resourceful computers you'll never manage to convince me that Black isn't holding his ground here. It was a pity anyhow, as I'd love to have seen Levon's reaction and how he'd continue his psychological assault. 23.Bc2 Diagramm # It's clear that White has very good play here, but it's hard to say if he has more than that. Maybe 19. Nf3!? was just a bluff by Aronian. At least after the simple 19.Bf3, White would be doing very good without any risk.;

A2b22) Colin Crouch: 'Nevertheless, it looks well worth trying, and seems much better than the tame' 19...Qe8?! Obviously, after this reply White is close to winning. Then, 19.Nf3 should have !! marks.. . But Black had a different choice, and even though it looks very dangerous, it was preferable to take it. Anish Giri: '?' Anish Giri:

'And... Fabiano trusts him. Indeed, what could be more scary than Aronian giving away all his central pawns? The problem, however, was that now Black's position just becomes too unpleasant.'

20.Qh4 ! A very strong move. Anish Giri: '!' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'White has an advantage, but as so often with the bishop pair in closed positions it is hard to work with it. White chooses a logical plan of trying to get the knight to g5.'

A2b221) 20...Bxc3 21.bxc3 b5 *(21...Qxe4+ 22.Bd3 Qe8 23.Rde1 Qf8 24.Bc4+-)* 22.Rd4→;

A2b222) 20...Bf6 21.Ng5 Colin Crouch: 'with pressure for White.

Try to analyse the position after 19 Nf3 yourself, and remember the tension of the tournament situation. Would you have taken the two pawns? Would it all have been safe? Would it have been safe against a renowned attacking player such as Aronian? Could Caruana have won the tournament? Or was he still under pressure?

' Nf8 The only move to defend h7.

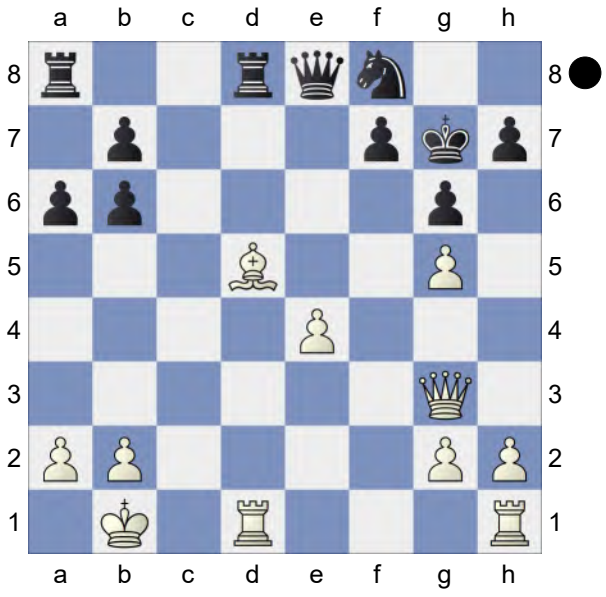
A2b2221) 22.Nd5 ? Rxd5 ! A great counter move! *(22...Bxg5 23.fxg5 +-)* 23.Rxd5 Be6 24.Rd3 Rc8 and Black is totally back into the game! The White king will get under a heavy attack in the next moves.;

A2b2222) 22.Bc4 Glenn Flear: 'Aronian, L-Caruana, F Moscow 2012, and White was on top.'

A2b22221) 22...Be6 23.Bxe6 *(23.Nd5↑)* 23...fxe6 24.e5**±**;

A2b22222) 22...Kg7 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Keeping the game strategically messy. ' 23.Qg3 This move has a great idea behind it. Anish Giri: 'Forcing Black to give up his most important bishop.' *(23.e5 ?! Be7* and Black wins the f5 square

for the bishop.*)*
23...Bxg5
Diagramm # Black is practically forced to take on g5 because of the hanging pawn on f7. *(23...Be6 24.Nxe6+ Nxe6 25.e5 Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1 Bd8 27.Ne4→)*
24.fxg5!?
!! A great idea by White, very original and strong play. Of course, after 24. Qxg5 White would be doing better, but now he's probably close to winning. White will use the f-file for the mating attack, and the f6 square is controlled by the pawn on g5. Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'So White has acheived what I wanted anyway. It would have been much more fitting to annotate this game as a White win, but Black reminds us that there is still a lot going on in the game strategically (e.g. the idea of ... ♗e5.)' Be6 25.Nd5
White is forcing Black to give away the bishop. Qe5 is a deadly threat now. Bxd5
26.Bxd5±
Let's take a look at the position. The White bishop on d5 is a beast, the Black king is weak and White has many different ideas to develop a deadly attack. The position should be already evaluated as winning for White. White's dominant bishop gives him a large advantage. Anish Giri: 'Diagram



Now the position becomes strategically lost and the game finishes logically.'

White's dominant bishop gives him a large advantage. Rd7 27.h4 Rc8 28.a3
A nice prophylactic move, but why not to end the game immediately by playing the logical: *(28.h5 gxh5 29.Qf3* followed by Rh5-Rdh1 with a quick mate...*)* 28...Qd8 29.Qf2
?! Once again onian doesn't play h5... this is really strange. In my opinion, after 29.h5 the game would end very quickly. It would be really interesting to know why Aronian didn't play the most obvious move in the position. Ne6 30.Ka2 Of course, White is doing much better and Black is still quite hopeless, but it's time to finish the game... Qe7
Diagramm # 31.Rhf1
?! White could just take with 31. Qxb6 Rc2 32.Rhf1 and get a winning position. b5
If White doesn't want to take, why to give then... 32.Rd3
Black's position remains very bad... but he's still fighting and doesn't have a material disadvantage. Rcc7 33.Kb1
This is already a clear sign that White doesn't really have a plan... Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Probably a step in the wrong direction, even if the computer sees no problem. The problem is that White is now playing for strings of (albeit high level) tactical tricks.' a5 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Playing with the motif of trapping the knight. ' 34.g4 a4
(34...b4 would maybe give Black slightly better chances to survive. *)* 35.Rf3 Qd6 36.Rf6
And finally White is entering Black's position. Qc5
(36...Qe5? 37.Rxe6 fxe6 38.Qf8#) 37.Qg3
White doesn't go

for a much better endgame, but wants to end the game on the spot. b4

A2b222221)

38.Qe5 Qc2+ 39.Ka1 Qc1+!? 40.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 41.Ka2 Rxd5 ! The only resource Black has! *(41...b3+ 42.Bxb3 axb3+ 43.Kxb3-+)* 42.Rxg6+ ! Of course White can't take on d5 because of b3 mate! Kf8 43.Qh8+ Ke7 44.Rxe6+ fxe6 45.Qf6++- Kd7 46.Qf7+ Diagramm # Kc8 47.Qxe6+ Kc7 48.Qe7+ Kb8 49.Qxb4 +-;

A2b222222)

38.axb4 A human decision by Aronian, but a forced winning line would be:

A2b2222221)

38...Qd4 39.Bxe6 *(39.Qf3 Nd8 40.h5+-)* 39...fxe6 40.h5 Qxe4+ 41.Ka1+-;

A2b2222222)

38...Qc2+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Now Black has completely turned the tables and gets to finish the event above 50%!' 39.Ka1 a3 40.bxa3 It seems like the White king is a bit open, but everything is under control. White still wants to play Qe5, or Rxf7 followed by Qe5.

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40...Rc3 41.R6f3 Rxf3 Fernandez, Daniel Howard: '=' 42.Qxf3+- Fernandez,Daniel Howard: '??' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'runs into a forced piece sacrifice:';

A2b22222222)

Somewhat more resilient was Somewhat more resilient was ⌓40...Qd2!? 41.Rxf7+ *(41.Qe5 Rc1+ 42.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 43.Ka2* Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'intending e4 is another valid way to play, though it sacrifices a pawn in various ways' *Qd2+* Fernandez, Daniel Howard: 'is main, and seems to equalise

straightforwardly since White cannot really arrange to play c4 under desirable circumstances.' *44.Qb2* Fernandez, Daniel Howard: 'Some kind of Sicilian that is not the Dragon or Classical must also be in your repertoire. If you are a Najdorf player, you must be willing to play ... e6 rather than ...e5 setups.' *Rxd5 45.exd5 Qxd5+ 46.Qb3 Qd2+ 47.Kb1±; 41.R6f2)* 41...Rxf7 42.Qe5+ Kf8 Fernandez, Daniel Howard: '+-' 43.Qh8+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was the right idea, if not the right implementation: this knight should be on f4 or d4 or something, not playing for tricks on the kingside.' Ke7 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was better according to the engine, but would be depressing to play. As a human you want all your pieces to be doing some work, and here the knight on g6 isn't performing well.' 44.Rxf7+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was a much better move, not being constrained by his own previous plan of putting the knight on g5. For instance' Kxf7 45.Qf6+ Ke8 46.Qxe6+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'and White will ultimately play for c4.' Kd8 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: ' ± ' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was playable, but admits to being worse.' 47.Qg8+ Kd7 48.Qxh7+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'deserved consideration.' Kc8 Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'appeals somewhere round here; as White I would probably like

to double rooks on the a-file, exchange one pair of them, arrange the bishops on e1 and d1 and maybe play toward g4. (As every grandmaster knows, the bishops control most squares from the back rank. Thus, you will often see them win the bishop pair and then store the two boys away on e1 and f1.)' 49.Qg8+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: '=' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'delays ♘b5 by a tempo which may be important. Certainly since the rook came here anyway in the end this was a more internally consistent order.' Kd7 Fernandez, Daniel Howard: 'avoids the doubled pawn scenario.' 50.Qe6+ Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'is not ridiculous either.' Kd8 51.Qd6+ Rd7± Fernandez, Daniel Howard: '↑' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was probably the way to ask some probing questions.';

A2b22222223)

40...Rxd5

Black tries his last chance. Fernandez, Daniel Howard: ' ∓' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Now the knights and e5-rook hold White's play back while the b5-rook takes stuff. ' 41.exd5 Nd4 Diagramm # 42.Rxf7+! ! The finishing move. Rxf7 43.Qe5+ Kf8 44.Qb8+ Kg7 45.Rxf7+ Kxf7 46.Qxb7+ Ke8 47.Qb8+ Kd7 48.Qa7+ Kd6 49.Qxd4+- White is in a queen endgame with 3 extra pawns... Qc1+ 50.Ka2 Qc2+ 51.Qb2 Qc4+ 52.Ka1 Qxg4 *(52...Qxd5 53.Qf2+-; 52...Qf1+ 53.Qb1* and there are no more checks... The next White moves could be Kb2-Qc2 and the position is totally winning.*)* 53.Qf2 ! Diagramm # The most precise

move. Kxd5?! Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'Finally either taking the pawn or setting up mating tactics (... ♖g7 and either ... g4 or ...♔f7)'

A2b222222231) 54.Qc5+ Ke4 *(54...Ke6* Fernandez,Daniel Howard: '=' Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was a better way to give up the piece and now White probably keeps dynamic equality' *55.Qc8+* Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was tempting but Black will just ignore it.'*)* 55.Qc4++- Fernandez,Daniel Howard: 'was objectively best but in a human game this ending would be absolute hell to defend.';

A2b222222232) 54.Qc5+ Aronian showed great preparation and maybe a nice bluff, playing 19. Nf3 and giving Black the chance to play 19...Bxc3!, with unclear play. After that, Black never had a real chance to comeback to the game. An interesting game and a very important one for the current theory! 1-0 (54) Aronian,L (2825)-Caruana,F (2770) Moscow 2012 CBM 149 [Stohl,Igor];

B) 14...Na7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ∞!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Gelfand-Caruana, 2013 Krasenkow,Michal: 'N!?' '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: ' ∞!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Gelfand-Caruana, 2013'''Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'some new games have been played since then:"

B1) 15.Nge2 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nb5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *(15...Nc4 16.Bd4 e5 17.dxe6 Bxe6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd4 Nb6 20.Qe3 Nc6 21.Be2 Nxd4 22.Rxd4 Qe7 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.h4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '1/2 (42) Jarmula,L (2213)-Wagner,D (2467) Al-Ain UAE 2013' *h6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '=')* 16.Nxb5 axb5 17.Bd4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '1-0 (28) Yang,D (2486)-Schut,L (2289) Philadelphia 2013' Rxd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!!' 18.exd5 Bf5+

19.Kc1 *(19.Ka1 Rxa2+ 20.Kxa2 Qa8+ 21.Kb3 Qa4+ 22.Kc3 Nxd5+ 23.Kd2 Qc2#)* 19...Rxa2 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '→' 20.Bxg7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '△?' Nc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+!';

B2) 15.Bf4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'doesn't stop ...♘a7-b5 but can delay Black's development:' Rd7 16.h4 Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!', and after the knight has returned from limbo White will face an unpleasant defence. 17.Nxb5? *(17.Bxb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Rxd5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *19.Rxd5 Nxd5 20.exd5∞* Kramnik suggested *20...Qxb5* Krasenkow,Michal: '-+' as an improvement after the game. I still think White has an advantage after*)* 17...axb5 would really become unpleasant. The threat of ...♘d3 is difficult to prevent. 18.h5!? Krasenkow,Michal: '!'threatens ...♘d3 and would have posed significant problems for me. *(18.Bxb5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *c6* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *19.dxc6* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *Rxd1+ 20.Qxd1 bxc6 21.Be2 Na4* Krasenkow,Michal: '-+'*)* 18...e6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞ !' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Here is a crazy variation leading to a draw:' 19.Qh4 *(19.hxg6!?* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱'may have been more accurate. White will continue with ♖c1, ♕a3 and then consider playing b4 at the right moment. *fxg6* Antic,Dejan *20.Qh4 h5)* 19...exd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 20.hxg6 and as always it's very hard to assess this irrational position. Will the knight on h3 turn out to be a weakness or an asset? For the moment it helps in the attack against White's king, so Black can claim a certain advantage, but the result of the game is totally unclear. The move I intended to play, 20...dxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' would be met by the stunning 21.Qxh7+!! Kf8 22.Bh6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Rxd1+ 23.Kc2 and Black wins because of the threat of ...♕h1! Bxh6 was a more accurate move. 24.Qxh6+ was much more accurate considering what follows. If I had just protected my pieces before starting action: 24...Ke7 Antic,Dejan: '±', I could've counted on a big advantage. 25.Kxd1 Antic,Dejan: '⩲' Bf5 Antic,Dejan: '±', and next ♗e4 will be very unpleasant for Black. It was also possible to just wait with 26.Qg5+ , but naturally Vladimir wanted to start his own counterplay. I could have played the ambitious 26...Ke6!? 27.gxf7 Qd8+ 28.Qxd8 Rxd8+ 29.Ke1 Kxf7 I wasn't sure about this position over the board, but in the absence of Black's counterplay the weakness of f5 will tell. 30.fxe4 Bxe4 31.Bxb5 Rg8 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' gives White an initiative.;

B3) 15.Bd3 e6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!';

B4) 15.h4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' 15...Nb5

B4a) 16.Nge2 Nc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ∓' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '1/2 (40) Gelfand,B (2740)-Caruana,F (2757) Zuerich 2013 CBM 153 [Krasenkow, M]'

B4a1) 17.Bc1 e6 *(17...h5* Glenn Flear: 'also looks adequate' *)* 18.h5 Qe7 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.a4 Qb4 Glenn Flear: 'with double-edged play, Martirosyan, H - Sorokin, A Khanty-Mansiysk 2016.';

B4a2) 17.Bd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nb6 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ∓ 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'With a bishop pair, especially his strong g7 bishop, Black can get an unpleasant initiative.

' 19.h5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Passive defense like' *19.Qe3* Krasenkow,Michal: 'is hardly successful after' *e6 20.dxe6 Bxe6* Krasenkow,Michal: 'etc.'*)* 19...e6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Gelfand, B-Caruana, F Zürich 2013, and Black had good central counterplay. Glenn Flear: '=' '=' 'Gelfand, B-Caruana, F Zürich 2013, and Black had good central counterplay.'' Glenn Flear: 'Gelfand, B - Caruana, F Zürich 2013' 20.hxg6 Now White has a pleasant advantage. Black is deprived of counterplay, but his position is very solid so it won't be easy for White improve. hxg6 21.f4 *(21.Qh4!* and Black is losing material. *exd5?! 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Re1 Qd7 24.Bc4 Nf6* Krasenkow, Michal: 'hardly gives White sufficient compensation for the pawn.'*)* 21...Qe7 Glenn Flear: 'Gelfand, B-Caruana, F Zürich 2013' *(21...exd5 22.e5 c5 23.Nf3* and White just has to trade off Black's last pawn to make a draw, but it's not so easy!The point behind my last move is *23...Qe7* Krasenkow,Michal: '- below' *)* 22.Nf3 It feels like I misplayed the position a bit around here and allowed Black too much counterplay. However, it isn't easy to find the correct plan for White. Normally White should prepare b4, but it won't be easy because of the unstable knight on c3. exd5 23.e5

B4a21) 23...c5 24.Qg3 d4 25.Ne4 Neither side can make progress. A fascinating struggle! This game inspired me for the remainder of the tournament, where I managed a strong 2.5/3 and took clear first. Nd5! was the last chance to

cause White some problems. 26.Nfg5! Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲';

B4a22) 23...Bf5+ 24.Bd3 d4 25.Ne2 and Black doesn't seem to have many winning chances left. *(25.Ne4 Nd5)* 25...Bxd3+ 26.Rxd3 c5 27.Ng5 Krasenkow, Michal: '⩲';

B4a23) 23...d4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The position is extremely complicated. White's possible attack along the h-file can't be underestimated. Therefore GM Fabiano Caruana decides to give the pawn back but avert the danger. A wise, practical decision!' 24.Nxd4 *(24.Ne4* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *Nd5)* 24...c5 25.Nf3? Antic,Dejan: '?!' A very big mistake, which leads to a fascinating position! Bf5+ 26.Ka1 Rxd1+ Now for the sake of consistency I had no choice but to go for the following line: 27.Qxd1 Rd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' 28.Qe1 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' *(28.Qc1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' *Qd7 29.Be2)* 28...Qd7 Antic,Dejan: ' ∞' 29.Be2 Nd5 30.Nxd5 Qxd5 After some brief fireworks we've landed in an extremely unusual position. In terms of material the game is relatively balanced, but the unusual configuration of the pieces, especially the knight on h3, makes the position extremely complex and hard to understand. 31.Qc1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White must lose a tempo.' Be6 32.b3?! This move loses a few tempi. I didn't understand that the knight will be weak rather than strong on f5! Qc6 33.Rd1 *(33.Bc4 Bxc4 34.Qxc4 b5* Krasenkow, Michal: '→' The last few moves have been totally forced. I calculated all this when I played 43.d6 and decided it should be a draw. *)* 33...Rxd1 Black had a spectacular opportunity to take over the initiative, but this misses it. 34.Qxd1! Well I managed to get my knight to e3 in three moves instead of just one! But not much harm was done, and White is pretty much okay after this move. *(34.Bxd1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' *)* 34...Qe4 35.g3

B4a231) 35...Bg4! The situation was becoming a bit too murky, so I decided to

think a while and calculate things till the end. So I made this concrete move which forces a draw. Krasenkow,Michal: 'was indicated by several commentators. If' 36.Nd4 Krasenkow, Michal: '(otherwise after ...♕e3 White will be out of moves) then' cxd4 *(36...Bxe2 37.Nxe2 Qe3* Krasenkow,Michal: 'is quite strong, too'*)* 37.Bxg4 d3 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and with such a weak king and Black's strong d-pawn White can hardly survive.';

B4a232) 35...Bf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' 36.Bc4 Krasenkow, Michal: '!'The trade of queens lessens the danger to White's king. Also the passed d-pawn may become an important force in the future. Krasenkow, Michal: 'After this activation White is out of danger.' Bh6 37.Bd5 Qe3 The position remains complicated, but White is already out of danger. 38.Qd2 Qxd2 39.Nxd2?! A pointless move. g5 Now I'm already slightly worse again. 40.Bxb7 gxf4 ½-½ (40) Caruana,F (2757)-Kramnik,V (2810) Zürich 2013 CBM 153 [Caruana, Fabiano] *(40...gxf4 41.gxf4 Bxf4 42.Nc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' *)*;

B4b) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'or'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Here is a line demonstrating the strength of Black's eventual attack:' 16.Nxb5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'is a variation I calculated. The ending is very unpleasant for White due to the passivity of my rook.' 16...axb5 17.h5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Thorfinsson, Br - Gordon, S British League 2013, and now Kaufman gives'

B4b1) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black misses' 17...Nxd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Glenn Flear: '!!' '!!' Glenn Flear: 'as basically winning. The engines confirm his conviction e.g.' 18.exd5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'looked very dangerous to me during the game, but the ruthless computer says it's just equal after' *(18.Rxd5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *Rxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+* Caruana,Fabiano: 'White

has very good chances to make a draw because of the activity of his rooks and d-pawn.' *20.Kc1 Rxa2)* 18...Bf5+ 19.Bd3 b4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 20.Bxf5 *(20.Ne2 Rxa2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'crushing.' *21.Kxa2* Caruana,Fabiano: 'In fact, I could have already started active counterplay with' *21...Qa4+* Caruana,Fabiano: 'More testing would have been' *22.Kb1* Caruana,Fabiano: ', when White has to find the strong' *Qb3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+' Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '-+') 20...Qa4 21.Bd4 Qxa2+ 22.Kc2 Qc4+ 23.Kb1 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'unfortunately runs into the nice tactical shot' Qxd4 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: ', threatening decisive forks on e3 and f2.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'If I play some logical moves the game will be balanced. For example,' 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Be4 Rxd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 27.Ne2 Caruana,Fabiano: ', and perhaps Black should go for the repetition with' Qc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+' Krasenkow, Michal: '-+';

B4b2) 17...Nc4 18.Bc1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'Thorfinnsson, B-Gordon, S British league 2013, and now the best way to hit back is with' Glenn Flear: 'Thorfinnsson, B-Gordon, S British league 2013, and now the best way to hit back is with'' f5 *(18...c6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!'*;* or perhaps *18...e6)* 19.Bd3 Qf7 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Qh4 Qf6 22.Qxf6 Bxf6 23.Ne2 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '∞' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '1-0 (40) Thorfinnsson,B (2484)-Gordon,S (2533) England 2013' Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Thorfinnsson, B-Gordon, S English league 2013.']

[14.Bh6 e6= *(14...Bh8!?)*]

Glenn Flear: 'There is probably another decent alternative in' Edouard,Romain: 'After' 14...Ne5 Edouard,Romain: '?!' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard, Romain'' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Glenn Flear: '(see the previous notes for comparative purposes) when the queen gets out of the way and can even go to f8, if need be.' Edouard,Romain: 'White is much better after'

[14...Na5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'The other knight moves are also

possible, time will tell which one is preferable. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'The other knight moves are also possible, time will tell which one is preferable."" Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain'' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Mikhalevski, Victor: '"Tiger" is trying to deflect the light-squared bishop from the b1-h7 diagonal by means of 15...c4.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'transposes'' Glenn Flear: 'There have been several recent games at a high level that have reached this position.' Edouard,Romain: 'is the main line. Critical could be' Caruana,Fabiano: 'starts a strong attack against Black's king.' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Swiercz,D: 'transposes"

A) 'CV: Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Previously White had opted for' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Previously White had opted for Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV:''''15.h4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' Edouard, Romain: '!?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Antic,Dejan' e6 Glenn Flear: '(Black reacts thematically to wing play with a central counter)'

A1) Glenn Flear: 'Alternatively, it's possible to provoke Black's f-pawn forwards:' 16.Bg5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow,Michal) Glenn Flear: '(Svetushkin's recommendation)"

A1a) 16...Rd6 17.Bf4 exd5 *(17...Bd7 18.e5 Rxd5 19.Nxd5 exd5 20.g4 Ba4 21.Re1 d4 22.Bd2 Nb3 23.axb3 Bxb3 24.Bb4 Qa4 25.Ba3 Nd5 26.Bd3 c5 27.Ne2 Nb4 28.Nf4 c4 29.Bxc4 Bc2+ 30.Ka1 Rc8 31.Bd5 d3 32.Re4 a5 33.Qd2 Qb5 34.Ba2 Nxa2 35.Kxa2 Bxe5 36.Rxe5 Qxe5 37.Re1 Qd4 38.Rc1 b5 39.Nxd3 b4 40.Ka1 Rd8 41.Qxc2 Qxd3 42.Qxd3 Rxd3 43.Ka2 bxa3 44.Rc3 Rd4 45.Kxa3 Rf4 46.b3 ½-½ (46) Indjic,A (2605)-Kulaots,K (2527) Terme Catez SLO 2022)* 18.Bxd6 cxd6 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 b5 21.Qd2 Be6 22.Qxa5 Bxd5 23.exd5 b4 24.Ne2 Rc8 25.Qxb4 Rb8 26.Qd2 Rxb2+ 27.Qxb2 Bxb2 28.Kxb2 Qb5+ 29.Kc2 Qa4+ 30.Kb2 Qb4+ 31.Kc2 Qa4+ 32.Kb2 Qd1 33.Nc3 Qd2+ 34.Kb3 a5 35.Bc4 Qxg2 36.Re1 Qxf3 37.Re8+ Kg7 38.Ra8 Qf4 39.Rxa5 Qxh4 40.Ra8 h5 41.a4 Qf2 42.a5 h4 43.a6 h3 44.a7 h2 45.Rg8+ Kxg8 46.a8Q+ Kh7 47.Qa1 Qg1 48.Qa6 h1Q 49.Qxd6 Qe3 50.Qf6 Qhf3 51.Qxf3 Qxf3 52.Kb4 Qf4 53.Nb5 g5 54.d6 g4 55.Kc5 g3 56.Bd5 Qg5 57.Kc6 g2 58.Bxg2 Qxg2+ 59.Kc7 Qg3 60.Kc6 Qf3+ 61.Kc7 Qd5 62.Na7 Qa5+ 63.Kb7 Qd8 64.Kc6 Qa8+ 65.Kb6 Qd5 66.Kc7 Qa5+ 67.Kb7 Qd8 68.Nb5 Qd7+

69.Kb6 f5 70.Kc5 f4 71.Nd4 Kg6 72.Kd5 Kf6 0-1 (72) Grischuk,A (2775)-So,W (2754) Stavanger NOR 2019;

A1b) 16...f6 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!'

A1b1) 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!'

A1b11) Glenn Flear: 'otherwise' Glenn Flear: 'The other game to have reached this point continued with' 18...exd5 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'doesn't save Black.' 19.h5 Be6 20.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'Semcesen, D - Tari, A Ballerup 2015, ultimately panned out in White's favour' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' d4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'the engines are keen on the line-opening' *20...dxe4* Glenn Flear: '!?'*)* 21.hxg6 Qxg6 22.Nce2 Qxh6 23.Rxh6 Kg7 24.Rh4 c5 Glenn Flear: 'Semcesen, D - Tari, A Ballerup 2015, which left Black a pawn up, but the position remained sufficiently unbalanced to yield reasonable counterchances for White.';

A1b12) 18...Qf8 Glenn Flear: '!?' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Glenn Flear: 'This seems to be new here, but this trade offer is known from a variety of analogous positions.' 19.Qf4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Some 'safety-first-minded individuals' would probably opt for' *19.Qxf8+ Kxf8 20.h5* Glenn Flear: 'which can't be bad, but after' *Kg7* Glenn Flear: 'it's not clear how to create problems for Black.'*)* 19...e5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'The flexible' *19...Qf7* Glenn Flear: 'comes into consideration, keeping his options open.'*)* 20.Qc1 c6 21.g4 Bd7 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Possible is' *21...cxd5 22.exd5 Qf7* Glenn Flear: 'but does Black really want to grab the d-pawn after' *23.Rh2* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and allow some nasty tricks? Maybe, but following' *Nxd5 24.Nxd5 Rxd5 25.Rxd5 Qxd5 26.b4* Glenn Flear: '!' *Bxg4* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'all hell breaks loose.'*)* 22.Rh2 *(*Glenn Flear: 'Or' *22.h5* Glenn Flear: '!?' *g5 23.Rh2* Glenn Flear: 'but fixing all his kingside pawns on the same colour as the bishop might eventually lead to problems in a later endgame.'*)* 22...Rac8

Glenn Flear: 'Sjugirov, S - Kokarev, Dm Khanty Mansiysk 2016, was comfortable for Black who had the notably better development.' Mikhalevski,Victor: ' ±' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'and Black is still in the game.' 23.Rc2 Nbc4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black is also doing well after' *23...cxd5 24.exd5 Nac4* Glenn Flear: 'as his pieces are well coordinated.'*)* 24.d6 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'This is basically wrong, but Sjugirov was preparing a flawed tactical sequence.' Be6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *24...b5* Glenn Flear: 'White may have been intending' *25.b4 Nb7 26.Bxc4+ bxc4 27.Na4* Glenn Flear: 'with some positional compensation for the inevitable loss of the d-pawn.'*)* 25.b4 Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'A misjudgement as the resulting simplification heavily favours Black.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Instead' *25.Na4 b5 26.Nc5 Rxd6* Glenn Flear: ' ∓' Glenn Flear: 'leaves Black on top, but it's still a fight.'*)* 25...Rxd6 26.Rxd6 Qxd6 27.bxa5 Na3+ 28.Ka1 Nxc2+ 29.Qxc2 Qc5 30.Nh3 Glenn Flear: 'White's kingside minor pieces enter the game on move 30! Unusual at any level.' Rd8 31.Nf2 Qe3 32.Ncd1 Qxf3 33.Bc4 Bxc4 34.Qxc4+ Kg7 35.Qc1 h5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Otherwise' *35...Qe2* Glenn Flear: 'with ideas of ...Rd2 and ...Qb5 looks promising.'*)* 36.gxh5 Qxh5 37.Qb1 Rd7 38.Nd3 Qxh4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Here' *38...Qe2* Glenn Flear: 'ties up the white pieces, but the text has the advantage of creating a passed pawn.'*)* 39.Nc5 Rd2 40.Nc3 Qg3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Or perhaps' *40...Rh2* Glenn Flear: 'aiming to place the rook on the first rank.' *)* 41.Qxb7+ Kh6 42.Nb1 Rd1 43.Qb2 g5 44.Nxa6 ½-½ (44) Pape, R (2670)-Kopnicky,V (2643) Mulhouse 2016 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: 'Black should be winning here, but for some reason the score of the game ends here with 1/2-1/2.' *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *44.Nxa6* Glenn Flear: 'a plausible continuation would be' *Qg1 45.Nb4 g4 46.Nxc6*

g3 47.a6 g2 48.a7 Rxb1+ 49.Qxb1 Qxb1+ 50.Kxb1 g1Q+ 51.Kb2 Qb6+ Glenn Flear: '-+' *)*;

A1b2) Glenn Flear: 'Alternatively' 17.Bd2 Nbc4 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Kaufman continues with' *17...Nac4 18.Bf4* Glenn Flear: 'was tried in Vocaturo, D - Piorun, K Gjakova 2016, see the archives.' *e5 19.Be3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'with just a computer mini-edge for White Glenn Flear: 'with just a computer mini-edge for White'' *)* 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 exd5 20.h5 d4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'Berczes, D-Sarkar, J Dallas 2014, with chances for both sides.' Glenn Flear: 'Berczes, D-Sarkar, J Dallas 2014, with chances for both sides.'' 21.hxg6 Qxg6 22.Bxc4+ Nxc4 23.Qxg6+ hxg6 24.Nge2 d3 25.Nf4 d2 26.Nxg6 Kg7 27.Nf4 Ne3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '∞' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '1/2 (45) Berczes,D (2497)-Sarkar,J (2452) Dallas USA 2014';

A2) 16.h5 exd5 17.Bxb6 *(17.h6 Bh8 18.Bxb6 cxb6 19.Nxd5 Be6 20.Nh3 Rac8 21.Qd2 Bxd5 22.exd5 Qe5 23.Nf4 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.Rhe1 Qxf4 26.Qxf4 Rxf4 27.d6 Rd4 28.Rxd4 Bxd4 29.Re7 Kf8 30.Rxb7 Rxd6 31.Kc2 Be3 32.Rb8+ Ke7 33.Rh8 Bxh6 34.Rxh7 Bf4 35.Rh8 Rd2+ 36.Kc3 Rxb2 37.Ra8 Rxa2 38.Ra7+ Ke6 39.g4 a5 40.Kc4 Ra3 41.Kb5 Be3 42.Ra8 Bc5 43.Re8+ Kd7 44.Re4 Rxf3 45.Ka6 f5 46.gxf5 gxf5 47.Rh4 f4 48.Kb7 Rf1 49.Ka8 f3 50.Kb7 f2 51.Rh7+ Ke6 52.Rh6+ Kf5 53.Rh5+ Kg4 54.Rh7 Re1 55.Rg7+ Kh5 56.Rh7+ Kg6 57.Rh8 f1Q 58.Rc8 Re7+ 59.Kb8 Bd6+ 60.Rc7 Rxc7 61.Ka8 Qf8#* 0-1 (61) hirnloserverlierer (2611)-Chess_Gus (2565) Blitz 2019*)* 17...cxb6 18.Nxd5 Rxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+ 20.Bd3 Rc8 21.Qd2 Nc4 22.Qe2 Na3+ 23.Ka1 Qa4 24.hxg6 Nc2+ 25.Bxc2 Rxc2 26.gxf7+ Kxf7 0-1 (26) Beginner741 (2638)-frogo47 (2559) Blitz 2020;

A3) Glenn Flear: 'The other coherent bishop move is' 16.Bf4 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'

A3a) 16...Rd7 Glenn Flear: 'The latest fashion.' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Black has to create counterplay on the queenside by any means.' 17.Bh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Straightforward and correct play. Aronian is about to play 18.g5 to open up the position of the black king.' *(17.h5 exd5 18.h6 Bh8 19.exd5 Nac4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Nge2 b5 22.Rhe1 Qf8 23.Nd4 Bb7*

24.Bg5 Bxd5 25.Nxd5 Rxd5 26.Nc6 Rxd1 27.Qxd1 Bxb2 28.Qd5 Ba3 29.Re7 Bd6 30.Qe4 Rc8 31.Kc2 Na5 32.Nxa5 Bxe7 33.Bxe7 Qxh6 34.Bf6 g5 35.Qe5 Qg6+ 36.Kd2 h6 37.Nc6 Kh7 38.Qe7 Qg8 39.Nd8 Kg6 40.Ke3 a5 41.Kf2 b4 42.Qd7 abandoned 1-0 (42) Perevertkin,V (2614)-Duda,J ICCF 2021 *)* 17...Bxh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 18.Qxh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!'

A3a1) 18...Qf8 19.Qxf8+ Kxf8 20.h5 Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Bacrot-Baramidze 2015, Swiercz, D: 'Bacrot-Baramidze 2015, with some initiative.'' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'with some initiative.' exd5 *(20...g5 21.Nh3 h6 22.Nf2 Rd6 23.g4 Nac4 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rhe1 Ne5 26.Re3 c6 27.b3 Bd7 28.Nd3 Nxd3 29.Rexd3 exd5 30.exd5 cxd5 31.Ne4 Rb6 32.Rxd5 Bc6 33.Re5 Rb4 34.Kb2 Bxe4 35.fxe4 Re8 36.Rxe8+ Kxe8 37.Re1 Rb6 38.Kc3 Rf6 39.Kd4 Rf2 40.a4 Rg2 41.Kc5 Rxg4 42.Kb6 Rg3 43.Rb1 Re3 44.Kxb7 Rxe4 45.Kxa6 f5 46.b4 f4 47.a5 f3 48.b5 g4 49.b6 Kd7 50.b7 Re8 51.Kb6 f2 52.Rd1+ Ke6 53.a6 g3 54.a7 g2 55.a8Q* 1-0 (55) Ma Qun (2620)-Wan,Y (2529) China CHN 2018 *)*;

A3a2) 18...exd5 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' 'Svidler's 'novelty', but it soon transposes back to known territory.' Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Black has to keep the h-file closed.' Glenn Flear: 'probably transposes' 19.h5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Qf8 Mikhalevski,Victor: '?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'This turns out to be a serious mistake, which isn't surprising in such a complicated position and especially in a blitz game.' 20.Qxf8+ Mikhalevski, Victor: ' ±' Kxf8 Glenn Flear: 'was the move order in the Nakamura-So encounter quoted below.' Mikhalevski, Victor: ' ±!' '!?' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'Black is still in the game.'

A3a21) Glenn Flear: 'Another GM encounter went its own way as follows:' 21.exd5 Nac4 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'leads to a roughly equal endgame.' Glenn Flear: 'might be an improvement, as in Bacrot, E - Baramidze, D Baden Baden 2015' *(21...c6 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.d6 Nd5)* 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.Nh3 Re7 25.Ng5 Mikhalevski, Victor: 'leads to a position with dynamic equality.' h5 Mikhalevski,

Victor: '!' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'was correct, although after' 26.g4 Glenn Flear: 'Bacrot, E - Baramidze, D Baden Baden 2015, which may look like a promising initiative for White, but the Frenchman couldn't find a way through in the game.' hxg4 27.Nce4 gxf3 28.Rh8+ Kg7 29.Rh7+ Kf8 30.Rh8+ Kg7 31.Rh7+ ½-½ (31) Bacrot,E (2711)-Baramidze,D (2594) Baden Baden GER 2015;

A3a22) 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.exd5 c6 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' 'A dubious move in a difficult position.' 23.d6 Glenn Flear: 'The best try.' Mikhalevski, Victor: '?!' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'An inaccuracy.' Nd5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is again back to the main game' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 24.Nxd5 Mikhalevski, Victor: '?' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'Aronian's turn to err.' cxd5 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'Now Black is back in the game.' 25.Rxd5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!?' b5 26.Nh3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Finally deviating definitively from previous experience i.e.' *26.a4 Kg7* Glenn Flear: 'Nakamura, H - So, W Saint Louis Blitz 2016, with a complex struggle which White went on to win. Despite the fact that the engines approve of White's position, Nakamura varies, probably wanting to get his own surprise in first.' *27.Rh4 Bb7 28.Rd1 Bc6 29.axb5 Bxb5 30.Bxb5 axb5* Glenn Flear: 'Nakamura, Hi - So, W Saint Louis Blitz 2016, and the extra pawn shouldn't be a problem for Black as it's about to be rounded up.' *31.Rd5 Ra6 32.Rhd4 Rb6 33.Ne2 Nc4 34.Nc3 Rdxd6 35.b3 b4 36.bxc4 bxc3+ 37.Kc2 Rb2+ 38.Kxc3 Rdb6 39.Rg4 R6b3+ 40.Kd4 Rc2 41.Kc5 Rbb2 42.g3 Rb3 43.Rf4 f5 44.g4 fxg4 45.fxg4 Ra2 46.g5 Ra5+ 47.Kd6 Ra6+ 48.Ke5 Ra7 49.Kd4 Rb1 50.Kc5 Ra5+ 51.Kd6 Ra6+ 52.Ke5 Ra7 53.c5 Re1+ 54.Kd6 Ra8 55.c6 Rd8+ 56.Kc5 Rc8 57.Rd7+ Kg8 58.c7 Rc1+ 59.Kb6 Rb1+ 60.Kc6* 1-0 (60) Nakamura,H (2787)-So, W (2773) Saint Louis USA 2016 *)* 26...Nb7 Mikhalevski,Victor: '?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Anand goes astray.' 27.Bd3 Mikhalevski,

Victor: '+-' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'Now White's attack reaches its goal.' Rxd6 28.Nf4 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Mikhalevski, Victor: 'and Black resigned due to big material losses. A very interesting fighting game with unavoidable mistakes, but still played at a very high level despite the limited time control. 10...Re8 and 11...Re8 look a little safer than the game continuation and 13...c5 also deserves attention. However, only 19...Ng3? led to White's advantage. Instead, 19...Nxf4! was necessary.' Rxd5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'bringing the rook into the attack was necessary.' 29.Nxd5 Nc5 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Black has fully equalized, and the remaining moves don't throw up anything new.' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 30.Bc2 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Bb7 Mikhalevski,Victor: '=' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'with a crazy position, which the computer evaluates as completely equal again.' 31.Rh8+ Mikhalevski, Victor: '!?' Kg7 32.Rxa8 Bxa8 33.Nc7 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Bb7 Mikhalevski,Victor: '=!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'is extremely complicated for a human, but completely equal for a computer.' 34.b4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'is an interesting alternative.' Nd7

A3a221) 35.a4 bxa4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 36.Bxa4 Ne5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 37.Bb3 Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' *(37.Kc2 Nc4)* 37...Kf8 *(37...Nd3* Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' *38.Ne8+ Kf8 39.Nd6* Glenn Flear: 'is more double-edged, but still about equal'*)* 38.Kc2 Ke7 Glenn Flear: 'is rather drawish.';

A3a222) 35.a4 ½-½ (35) C 06/30 (2809)-Woerdemann,M (2749) BEL 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight];

A3b) 16...Nac4 17.Bxc7 Rd7 18.d6 Nxb2 19.Qxb2 Na4 20.Nxa4 Bxb2 21.Nxb2 Rxc7 22.dxc7 Bd7 *(22...Qe7 23.Rc1 b5 24.h5 Ra7 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Bd3 Rxc7 27.Ne2 Rxc1+ 28.Rxc1 Bd7 29.Rc2 Qd6 30.Nc1 a5 31.Be2 a4 32.Nbd3 h5 33.Rc5 b4 34.Rc2 Qd4*

35.Nc5 a3 36.Bc4 Kf7 37.Bb3 h4 38.Ba4 Bxa4 39.Nxa4 Qd1 40.Nc5 Qg1 41.N5d3 Qd4 42.Rd2 Qc3 43.Rc2 Qd4 44.Rc4 Qg1 45.Rc7+ Kf8 46.Rc2 Qd4 47.Nf4 Kf7 time forfeit 0-1 (47) Offringa,T (2607)-Martin Sanchez,C (2504) ICCF email 2021 *)* 23.h5 Qe7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Bd3 Rc8 26.Ne2 Rxc7 27.Rh2 Qb4 28.g4 a5 29.e5 Qc5 30.Rdh1 Qxe5 31.f4 Qg7 32.Nc4 Bc6 33.Rh8+ Qxh8 34.Rxh8+ Kxh8 35.Nxa5 Bf3 36.g5 Bd5 37.Kb2 e5 38.Nb3 Bc4 39.Bxc4 Rxc4 40.Nd2 Rc5 41.Ne4 Rb5+ 42.Kc3 exf4 43.Nxf4 Ra5 44.Nd3 Ra3+ 45.Kd4 Ra4+ 46.Ke3 Rxa2 47.Nd6 Kg7 48.Nxb7 f6 49.gxf6+ Kxf6 50.Nbc5 g5 51.Ne4+ Kf5 52.Nxg5 Kxg5 53.Kd4 Ra1 54.Ke4 Rb1 55.Ke5 Ra1 56.Ke4 Rb1 57.Ke5 Ra1 58.Kd5 Rb1 59.Nc5 Ra1 60.Nb3 Rb1 61.Kc4 Rxb3 62.Kxb3 ½-½ (62) YukariBot (2767)-DarkOnBot (2842) Blitz 2025;

A3c) Glenn Flear: 'Previously' 16...Qe7 Glenn Flear: 'was the main move:' Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'was more precise.'

A3c1) 17.h5 exd5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bg5 f6 20.Bh6 Be6 Swiercz,Dariusz: '∞' Swiercz, Dariusz: 'Hillarp Persson-Ragger 2015, Swiercz,D: 'Hillarp Persson-Ragger 2015, with an unclear position.''Swiercz,Dariusz: 'with an unclear position.' 21.Nge2 dxe4 Glenn Flear: 'and now'

A3c11) 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Bxg7 Qxg7 *(23...e3* Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is an engine suggestion that you might want to analyze'*)* 24.Nf4 Bf7 25.Nxe4 Glenn Flear: 'Hillarp Persson, T - Ragger, M Helsingor 2015, and now' Nc6 Glenn Flear: 'would have been unclear';

A3c12) 22.Nd4 Glenn Flear: '(a novelty) as played in Livaic, L - Sorokin, A Khanty Mansiysk 2017, should be met by' Glenn Flear: 'A novelty!' 22...Bc4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '+-' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'with a completely winning position.' *(22...Bh8 23.Bf8* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A surprise!' *Bxa2+* Glenn Flear: '!' *24.Nxa2 Rxf8 25.Ne6* Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Livaic, L - Sorokin, A Khanty-Mansiysk 2016, and now' *e3* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'sacrificing the exchange for peace of mind would offer Black a satisfactory game.' *)*;

A3c2) 17.Bg5 f6

Mikhalevski,Victor: '+-' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'with the idea of 28.Qh6 is hopeless for Black.'

A3c21) 18.Bd2 Nac4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 19.Bxc4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Nxc4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '+-!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'should also lead White's win.' 20.Nge2 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'also looks promising.' c6 21.dxc6 bxc6 Glenn Flear: 'Vidit, S - Tari, A Baku Olympiad 2016, was fine for Black' 22.h5 e5 *(* Glenn Flear: 'perhaps' *22...Rb8* Glenn Flear: '!' '!' *23.b3 Nxd2+ 24.Rxd2 Rxd2 25.Qxd2 c5* Glenn Flear: 'with decent counterplay'*)* 23.hxg6 hxg6 Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' 24.Bh6 Glenn Flear: 'Vidit, S - Tari, A Baku 2016, and White had the initiative.' Bh8 25.Rxd8+ Qxd8 26.b3 Rb8 27.Na4 Be6 28.Ka1 Nb6 29.Rd1 Qe8 30.Nc5 a5 31.Nxe6 Qxe6 32.Be3 Bg7 33.Qd2 c5 34.Bxc5 a4 35.Qd6 Qxd6 36.Rxd6 Na8 37.bxa4 Bf8 38.Rc6 Bxc5 39.Rxc5 Kf7 40.Nc3 Nb6 41.a5 Nd7 42.Rc7 Ke7 43.Rc6 Ra8 44.Nd5+ Kd8 45.a6 1-0 (45) Vidit,S (2669)-Tari,A (2570) Baku AZE 2016;

A3c22) Glenn Flear: 'varying from Rodshtein, M - Bok, B Biel 2012, where' 18.Be3 exd5 Grigoriants, Sergey: '=' 19.Bxb6 Grigoriants, Sergey: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'gave no workable advantage'Grigoriants, Sergey: 'Looks more natural, but after' cxb6 20.Nxd5 Caruana,Fabiano: '±' Glenn Flear: 'Rodshtein, M-Bok, B Biel 2012, with a complex position. The knight sits pretty on d5, but given two or three tempi Black's bishops will hit back' Qf7 'Rodshtein, M (2642)-Bok,B (2512) Biel 2012 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Rodshtein,M (2642)-Bok, B (2512) Biel 2012'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Rodshtein,M (2642)-Bok, B (2512) Biel 2012''' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' 21.h5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' Be6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '=' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Rodshtein, M-Bok, B Biel 2012. Black's superior development balances the slightly

shaky structure Glenn Flear: 'Rodshtein, M-Bok, B Biel 2012. Black's superior development balances the slightly shaky structure'' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (44) Rodshtein,M (2642)-Bok,B (2512) Biel 2012' Grigoriants, Sergey: '!' 22.hxg6 hxg6! 23.Qd2 Rac8 24.Nh3 Bxd5 25.exd5 Rc5 26.d6 Bf8 27.Bd3 Rxd6 28.g4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '1/2 Rodshtein,M (2642)-Bok, B (2512)/Biel SUI 2012.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '1/2 Rodshtein,M (2642)-Bok, B (2512)/Biel SUI 2012. White has compensation for the pawn, but not more.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'White has compensation for the pawn, but not more.' Nc4 29.Qh2 Rb5 30.Ng5 Rxb2+ 31.Qxb2 Nxb2 32.Nxf7 Rxd3 33.Kxb2 Rxd1 34.Rxd1 Kxf7 35.Rd7+ Ke6 36.Rxb7 Bc5 37.Rg7 g5 38.Kc3 Ke5 39.Rf7 Ke6 40.Rc7 Kd5 41.Kd3 a5 42.a4 Bd6 43.Rc4 Be5 44.Rc1 Bb2 ½-½ (44) Rodshtein, M (2642)-Bok,B (2512) Biel SUI 2012;

B) Glenn Flear: 'Similar is' 15.Bf4 Rd7 *(15...e5 16.Be3 Qf8 17.b3 Bd7 18.Qb2 Rac8 19.Bd3 Bb5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.Bxb5 Ra8 22.Rc1 Nxd5 23.Bc5 Ne7 24.b4 Nac6 25.Bxc6 bxc6 26.Ne2 Qe8 27.Rhd1 Rdb8 28.Qd2 Rd8 29.Qg5 f6 30.Qe3 Qf7 31.Rxd8+ Rxd8 32.Kb2 Nc8 33.Qb3 Bh6 34.Rc2 Qxb3+ 35.Kxb3 Rd3+ 36.Nc3 Nd6 37.a4 f5 38.a5 fxe4 39.a6 Nf5 40.fxe4 Nh4 41.Be7* 1-0 (41) Naroditsky,D (2628)-Puranik,A (2442) Doha QAT 2015*)* 16.Bh6 Glenn Flear: 'except that Black's rook on d7 might be getting in the way:' Bxh6 17.Qxh6 e6 18.Nh3 Qf8 Glenn Flear: 'The analogous position with the rook on d8 is known. Nakamura now decides to trade queens, no doubt hoping for the more comfortable development (i.e. with Black's queenside gummed up).' 19.Qxf8+ Kxf8 20.Nf4 exd5 21.Nfxd5 Nxd5 22.Rxd5 b5 23.Be2 c6 Glenn Flear: 'Nakamura, H - So, W Douglas 2016, and Black was able to equalize.' 24.Rxd7 Bxd7 25.Rc1 Be6 26.Nd1 Rd8 27.Ne3 Rd2 28.Rc2 Rxc2 29.Nxc2 c5 30.b4 Nb7 31.a4 ½-½ (31) Nakamura,H (2787)-So,W (2794) Douglas ENG 2016;

C) Glenn Flear: 'White could also try to pursue his kingside play without using the h-pawn:' Glenn Flear: 'It's worth comparing the continuation in the present game with that of Cheparinov, I - Piorun, K Spanish league 2016, (see the archives) where the immediate' 15.Bh6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'This seems to be the first game with this move,

but it had already been analyzed by Kaufman.'' Glenn Flear: 'This seems to be the first game with this move, but it had already been analyzed by Kaufman.'' Edouard, Romain: '!?' Swiercz,Dariusz: '!?' Swiercz,Dariusz: 'Carlsen-Caruana 2014' Glenn Flear: 'was played, as many of the themes are similar.' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A new move order although not a new plan, of course. White will play h2-h4 at a later stage."

C1) 15...Bh8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' 16.Bf4 Rd7 17.h4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and here the position of Black's bishop on h8 is worse than on g7.';

C2) 15...e6 Edouard,Romain: '?' 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h4 exd5 18.h5 Edouard,Romain: '→';

C3) 15...Bf6 16.h4 *(16.Bg5 c6 17.Bxf6 exf6 18.dxc6 Nxc6 19.Nge2 Rxd1 20.Qxd1 Qe5 21.Qb3 Qc5 22.Nf4 Nd4 23.Qa3 Qxa3 24.bxa3 f5 25.Nfd5 Nxd5 26.exd5 Bd7 27.Bd3 Kf8 28.Rd1 Nb5 29.Bxb5 axb5 30.Kb2 Ke7 31.d6+ Kd8 32.Nd5 Ra6 33.Nf6 h5 34.Kb3 Be6+ 35.Kb4 Ra4+ 36.Kxb5 Rxa3 37.Kb6 Rxa2 38.Kxb7 Rxg2 39.Ra1 Rb2+ 40.Kc6 Rc2+ 41.Kb6 Ra2 42.Rxa2 Bxa2 43.f4 Bb3 44.Kc5 h4 45.Kd4 Bc2 46.Kd5 Bb3+ 47.Ke5 Bc4 48.Nh7 Kd7 49.Ng5 f6+ 50.Kxf6 Kxd6 51.Kxg6 Bd3 52.Kh5 Ke7 53.Kxh4 Kf6 54.Kh5 Kg7 55.Ne6+ Kf6 56.Nd4 Bf1 57.Kh6 Bg2 58.h4 Bd5 59.Ne2 Be4 60.Ng3 Bd3 61.Nh5+ Kf7 62.Kg5 Bc2 63.Ng3 Kg7 64.Nxf5+ Kh7 65.Kf6 Bd3 66.Ng3 Bc4 67.f5 Bd5 68.Ke7* 1-0 (68) Vocaturo,D (2630)-Kulaots,K (2548) Reykjavik ISL 2021 *)* 16...c6 17.Be3 Nac4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Bd4 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 b5 21.h5 e5 22.Rd1 b4 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Nce2 cxd5 25.Rxd5 Nd6 26.Qc5 Nf7 27.Qxb4 Be6 28.Nc3 Rab8 29.Qa5 ½-½ (29) Postny,E (2670)-Kreisl,R (2430) Zadar CRO 2015;

C4) 15...Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Deviating from the Qatar game, which went 16.♘f3. This move looks like just swapping down to a draw, but Magnus had a specific idea in mind.' e6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Petronijevic,Zoran: '?!'' Mikhalevski,Victor: '+-' *(16...Qf8* Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard,Romain: 'deserves attention according to Cheparionov' *17.Qg5 f6 18.Qc1 e6 19.Bd3 exd5 20.exd5 c6 21.Nge2 cxd5 22.Bc2 Nc6 23.Nf4 Kg7 24.h4 d4 25.Nce2 Rd6 26.Be4 Bd7 27.Qc5 Na4 28.Qc2 Nb6 29.Ka1 Rc8 30.Qb3 f5 31.Bxc6 Rcxc6 32.Nxd4 Rc4 33.Nde2 Rcc6 34.h5 g5 35.h6+ Rxh6 36.Rxh6 Rxh6 37.Nh5+ Kh8 38.Qe3 Re6 39.Qd4+ Kg8 40.g4 fxg4 41.Neg3 Ba4 42.b3 Be8 43.fxg4 Bxh5 44.Nxh5 Qe7* time forfeit 0-1 (44) Dronov,A

(2651)-Svácek,P (2555) ICCF 2022 *)*

C4a) Glenn Flear: 'Aronian instead tried' 17.h4 'is caveman chess, but Black might be able to equalize Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'is caveman chess, but Black might be able to equalize'' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'is caveman chess, but Black might be able to equalize'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes) is caveman chess, but Black might be able to equalize'' Edouard,Romain: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' Edouard,Romain: 'was played by Aronian against Svidler, but 17.♘h3 seems to be stronger' exd5 18.h5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'is harmless due to'' Qf8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!'' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!''' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '.'' 19.Qxf8+ Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez'' *(19.Qf4 Qe7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Nge2 Be6 22.Nd4 dxe4 23.Qxe4 Rd6 24.Nxe6 Rxe6 25.Qg4 Nc6* Glenn Flear: 'Aronian, L - Svidler, P Moscow 2016, when chances were balanced.' *26.Ne4 Rd8 27.Rc1 Rd5 28.Qf4 Rf5 29.Qe3 Nb4 30.Qb3 N4d5 31.a3 Ree5 32.Bd3 Kg7 33.Ka1 Nf4 34.g4 Rf8 35.Bb1 Ne6 36.Qc3 Nf4 37.Qxc7 Nfd5 38.Qxe7+ Rxe7 39.Rh2 Nf4 40.Rch1 Rh8 41.Rc1* ½-½ (41) Aronian, L (2795)-Svidler,P (2745) Moscow RUS 2016*)* 19...Rxf8 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.exd5 b5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and the subsequent Nb7-d6 maneuver should guarantee Black decent chances.';

C4b) Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Black had to play' 17.Nh3 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Glenn Flear: 'I had already analyzed this move in the game Carlsen - Caruana from 2014 (see the archives).'

C4b1) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'Kaufman only considers'' 17...Qf8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Glenn Flear: 'This idea is common in this line, but new at this particular point.'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '- the position after the queen exchange is nearly equal but I understand Caruana avoiding it against Carlsen.' 18.Qf4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and now both of his lines Glenn Flear: 'and now both of his lines'' Mikhalevski,Victor: '!'

Mikhalevski,Victor: 'An important resource, which allows Black to create counterplay on the queenside.' Qe7 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' *(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and' 18...exd5 19.Qxc7 Qd6 20.Qxd6 Rxd6 21.exd5 Bf5+ 22.Ka1 Bxh3 23.gxh3)*

C4b11) 19.g4 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'This seemingly risky thrust actually offers White a number of promising options in the play that follows. Carlsen and others haven't play this way, so this is a new 'strategy' from Cheparinov.'

C4b111) 19...Nac4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.e5 Qb4 22.Qc1 Glenn Flear: 'Sadler, M - Leenhouts, K Maastricht 2017, and now' Mikhalevski, Victor: '!' exd5↑ *(22...b5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'yields a double-edged game where Black isn't worse.' *)* 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 Be6 25.Rdd1 Qa5 26.b3 Nxe5= 1-0 (67) Ghaem Maghami,E (2596)-Schneider,I (2481) Berlin 2015 27.Nf4 Edouard,Romain: ' ±' Edouard,Romain: '1-0 (33) Sadler,M (2684)-Leenhouts,K (2475) Maastricht 2017' Re8 28.Nxe6 Rxe6 29.Rd8+ Kg7 30.Qb2 f6 31.Rhd1 Nxf3 32.R8d7+ Kg8 33.Qc1 1-0 (33) Sadler,M (2684)-Leenhouts,K (2475) Maastricht NED 2017;

C4b112) 19...e5 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'and White's extra pawn on the c-file turns out to be incidental, as Black creates sufficient counterplay on the b-file.' 20.Qh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '?!' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'allows Black to open the b-file and obtain strong counterplay.' Glenn Flear: 'Piorun's move order makes sense as he has gained a tempo to improve his queen's position (compared to Carlsen - Caruana, as Piorun has played ... Qe8-f8-e7 whilst White has 'lost' two tempi with his queen). On the other hand g2-g4 is a useful inclusion from White, so the jury is still out on this position.' c6±

C4b1121)

Glenn Flear: 'If' 21.d6 Glenn Flear: 'Black should avoid the bait and instead retreat with' Qf8 Glenn Flear: 'when' *(21...Rxd6* Glenn Flear: '?' '?' *22.Rxd6 Qxd6 23.Ng5* Glenn Flear: 'can only spell trouble for Black'*)* 22.Qxf8+ Kxf8 23.b3 c5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'with ... Na5-c6-d4 in mind, looks fine.';

C4b1122) 21.Be2!? f6!? 22.Nf2 Glenn Flear: 'Cheparinov, I - Piorun, K Spanish league 2016, is easier for White as he is better deployed' Glenn Flear: 'For once in this line, White has fully developed his kingside!' Nac4 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.Nd3 Edouard,Romain: ' ±' Edouard,Romain: '1-0 (92) Cheparinov, I (2677)-Piorun,K (2681) ESP 2016' Glenn Flear: 'With the queenside nice and solid, he has the intention of advancing his kingside pawns.' Nd6 25.h4 Bd7 26.Qe3 Be8 27.g5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'A positional idea from the Bulgarian. Black's structure turns out to be inferior in the play that follows.' Bf7 28.gxf6 Qxf6 29.Qg5 *(29.h5* Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'aiming to make Black's king as draughty as possible, would be a rather different approach.'*)* 29...Qxg5 30.hxg5 Glenn Flear: 'White's cunning strategy has left Black with weak pawns on e5 and h7. '

C4b11221) Glenn Flear: 'More precise is' 30...cxd5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 31.exd5 *(31.Nxe5 dxe4 32.Nxf7 Nxf7 33.Nxe4 Kg7* Glenn Flear: '=' '='*)* 31...Nc4 32.Ne4 Kg7 Glenn Flear: 'with a reasonable position. White has an initiative, but Black is not without counterplay.';

C4b11222)
30...Nc4
Glenn Flear: '?' '?' 31.b3 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Ne3 32.Rd2 Glenn Flear: 'The Black knight is now stranded deep in the enemy camp.' cxd5 33.Nxe5 Be6 *(33...d4 34.Ne2* Glenn Flear: 'and Black's efforts to save his knight will cost him at least a pawn.' *)* 34.Re1 Glenn Flear: 'White has a straightforward plan that ultimately leads to the win of a 'clear' pawn. However he may have even better!' *(* Glenn Flear: 'I don't think that Black has a satisfactory way to meet' *34.Rdh2* Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'crashing down the h-file.' *)* 34...d4 35.Ne2 Rac8 36.Nxd4 Rxd4 Glenn Flear: 'There is nothing better.' 37.Rxd4 Nc2 38.Red1 Nxd4 39.Rxd4 Glenn Flear: 'The smoke clears and once we count pawns we realize that White has a distinct advantage: Not just an extra pawn, but a good healthy structure to boot.' Kf8 40.Rd6 Ke7 41.Rb6 Glenn Flear: 'The time control has been reached and White can squeeze away to his heart's content.' Rc7 42.Kb2 Bc8 43.a4 Be6 44.a5 Bc8 45.b4 Be6 Glenn Flear: 'Piorun can only wait, for now, while Cheparinov improves his forces. In such positions the defender needs to be on the lookout for opportunities to exploit any premature pawn advances.' 46.f4 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' *(46.Nd3* Glenn Flear: 'followed by Nc5 comes into consideration.'*)* 46...Bh3 Glenn Flear: 'Eyeing the now loosened e4-pawn.' 47.Rf6 Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' *(* Glenn Flear:

'White could have simplified his life with the stronger continuation' *47.f5* Glenn Flear: '!' '!' *gxf5 48.Rh6* Glenn Flear: 'when Black's position would already be quite desperate.'*)* 47...Bg2 48.Rf7+ Kd6 49.Rxc7 Kxc7 50.f5 Glenn Flear: 'White may lose his pawn back, but he keeps some advantage by creating an advanced passed pawn.' Bxe4 51.f6 Kd6 52.Nf7+ Ke6 53.Nh6 Glenn Flear: 'With Black tied down, it's time for White's king to enter the fray.' Bd5 54.Kc3 Kd6 55.Kd4 Be6 56.Ke4 Bd5+ 57.Ke3 Be6 58.Kf4 Bc4 59.Ng4 Ke6 60.Ke4 Be2 61.Nh6 Bf1 62.Kd4 Bg2 *(* Glenn Flear: 'If' *62...Kd6* Glenn Flear: 'after' *63.Nf7+* Glenn Flear: 'Black has to give ground anyway.' *)* 63.Kc5 Bf3 64.Kb6 Kd7 65.Ka7 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'To gain time on the clock, that's all.' Ke6 66.Kb6 Kd7 **C4b112221)** Glenn Flear: 'Here is a logical way to make progress:' 67.Nf7 Bd5 68.Ne5+ Ke6 69.Ng4 Bf3 *(69...Be4 70.Kc7* Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'and invades' *)* 70.Ne5 Bd5 71.Nd3 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'and White can bring the knight to c5.'; **C4b112222)** 67.Kc5 Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' 67...Ke6 68.Ng8 Be4 69.Kd4 Glenn Flear: 'Cheparinov hasn't found anything concrete (and was probably getting short of time again). Fortunately for him such positions are even more difficult when sitting on the defensive side!' Bh1 70.Ne7 Kd6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Although' *70...h6* Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'is tempting it actually

makes White's life easier:' *71.gxh6 Kxf6 72.h7 Kg7 73.Nxg6 Kxh7 74.Ne5 Kg7 75.Kc5 Kf8 76.Kd6 Ke8 77.Kc7 Bd5 78.Nd3* Glenn Flear: 'and then Nc5.') 71.Nc8+ Ke6 72.Kc5 h6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Black can't just wait, as' *72...Bg2* Glenn Flear: 'allows' *73.Nd6 Bf3 74.f7 Ke7 75.Kb6* Glenn Flear: 'and White mops up the queenside.') 73.gxh6 Kxf6 74.Nd6 g5 Glenn Flear: 'The only chance.' 75.h7 Kg7 76.Nf7 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Kxh7 77.Nxg5+ Kg6 78.Ne6 Kf5 79.Nd8 Ke5 Glenn Flear: 'Black hopes to come round the back and attack the b4-pawn. The only practical chance, but it proves to be insufficient.' 80.Kb6 Kd4 81.Nxb7 Kc4 82.Nc5 Kxb4 83.Nxa6+ Ka4 84.Nc5+ Kb4 85.a6 Ba8 86.Nb7 Kc4 87.Kc6 *(* Glenn Flear: 'But not' *87.Ka7* Glenn Flear: '??' '??' Glenn Flear: 'because of' *Kb5)* 87...Kd4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *87...Kb4* Glenn Flear: 'simply' *88.a7 Kc4 89.Kc7* Glenn Flear: 'wins.') 88.Kc7 Kc4 89.Kb8 Kb5 90.a7 Kb6 91.Kxa8 Kc7 92.Nd6 1-0 (92) Martins,D (2677)-Rasmussen,P (2681) Saint-Vincent 79/451 2016 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: 'Zugzwang.';

C4b12) 19.Nf2 exd5 20.exd5 Bf5+ 21.Ka1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'lead to small edges for White. Glenn Flear: 'lead to small edges for White.";

C4b2) 17...Qe7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?'"

C4b21) 18.Nf4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez:

'Krasenkow,Michal' e5 19.Nd3 c6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '⇄' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'e.g.' 20.Qe3 Nac4 21.Qc5 Qxc5 22.Nxc5 Ne3 23.Rd3 Nxf1 24.Rxf1 cxd5 25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.Rfd1 Be6 27.Nxe6 fxe6 28.exd5 Rxd5 29.Rxd5 exd5 30.Rxd5 Re8 31.Rd7 *(31.Kc2 Kf7 32.Rd7+ Re7 33.Rxe7+ Kxe7 34.Kd3 Ke6 35.Ke4 a5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'is not enough either'*)* 31...e4 32.fxe4 Rxe4 33.Rxb7 Re2 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and the endgame should be drawn.';

C4b22) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'After' 18.Ng5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' f6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'White has not achieved anything positive.';

C4b23) 18.Bd3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'White goes for sharp play...''

C4b231)

'CV: Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Caruana obviously wanted to avoid falling for something like the following:' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Caruana obviously wanted to avoid falling for something like the following: Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV:''' Glenn Flear: 'Caruana obviously wanted to avoid falling for something like the following:'' 18...exd5 'looked risky to Caruana but Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'looked risky to Caruana but'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'looked risky to Caruana but''' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes) looked risky to Caruana but'' 19.Nf4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'looks dangerous but Black holds on by means of'' Be6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,

Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'might be OK''' *(19...dxe4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' *20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Nh5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'with attacking chances e.g.' *gxh5 22.Nf6+ Qxf6 23.Qxf6 Bxd3+ 24.Rxd3 Rxd3 25.Qg5+ Kh8 26.Qxa5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'with a clear advantage for White.'*)* 20.Nh5 'doesn't seem to be more than a draw, as Carlsen pointed out: Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'doesn't seem to be more than a draw, as Carlsen pointed out:'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'doesn't seem to be more than a draw, as Carlsen pointed out:''' f6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'' *(20...gxh5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' *21.exd5)* 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Nxd5 Rxd5 23.Bxg6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'' Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 hxg6 25.Qxg6+ Kh8 26.Nxf6 Bg8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'' 27.Rd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Qe1+ 28.Kc2 Qe2+ Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '='; **C4b232)** 18...e5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Closing the center gives Black chances to blockade and then counterattack White's pawns, while killing the activity of the bishop on d3. However it does give White some time to open up the kingside. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Solid. Black wants to keep lines closed so he can reorganize his pieces. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Closing the center gives Black chances to blockade and then

counterattack White's pawns, while killing the activity of the bishop on d3. However it does give White some time to open up the kingside.'" Glenn Flear: 'Solid. Black wants to keep lines closed so he can reorganize his pieces.'' Edouard, Romain: ' ⩲' Glenn Flear: 'was played in the afore-mentioned game by Caruana, see the archives.' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '... and Black prefers a solid continuation. However, the resulting position is quite passive and slightly inferior for him. " 19.Nf2 Edouard,Romain: 'is Black's other main option.' Nbc4 *(19...c6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'can now be met with' *20.h4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *cxd5 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.exd5 Rxd5 23.h5 Bf5 24.Bxf5 Rxd1+ 25.Nxd1 gxf5 26.Ne3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ± ' *Nc6; 19...Qc5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' *20.Qh4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ⩲' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'A. Korotylev'*)* 20.h4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Obviously the small details are in White's favour. Anyhow they seem too small to matter. Personallly I always suffered as Black against 5.♖e1, but told myself it's you, not the position there is something wrong with. Just give it to Kramnik, and he will show how to draw I used to think. He, however, also commits an inaccuracy. Best would be first ...h5! creating "luft" for the king, and even later maybe the h-pawn can be used positively for an attack. It's hard to believe Black should be in any trouble; now, however, it is another matter:'

C4b2321)

Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'If' 20...Nd6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow,Michal) then' 21.Qg5 *(21.h5 g5)* 21...f6 22.Qc1 Alejandro

Ramirez Alvarez: 'with slight pressure. ';

C4b2322) 20...Rd6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Petronijevic, Zoran: 'N"

C4b23221) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'Indeed, Houdini suggests a White advantage after" 21.Qc1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal Glenn Flear: '!' '!" b5 22.h5 Rb8 *(22...g5 23.b3 Nb6 24.Qa3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'with a positional edge'*)* 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Rh6;

C4b23222) 21.Bxc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'The bishop on d3 was not valuable at all, it is important to trade it off for one of the knights. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Trading off a pair of minor pieces. However there is a case for leaving Black with both of his knights, as they lack squares. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'The bishop on d3 was not valuable at all, it is important to trade it off for one of the knights.''' Glenn Flear: 'Trading off a pair of minor pieces. However there is a case for leaving Black with both of his knights, as they lack squares.'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Suddenly Black is in dire straits. He can in no way activate his queen, as White has back rank mate motifs with the queen sacrifice ♕e8+!. Thus there is no alternative to the exchange of bishops:' 21...Nxc4 22.Qc1 *(22.h5* Alejandro Ramirez

Alvarez: '??' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *g5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'is Black's defense.' *)* 22...b5 *(22...Rb6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *23.Nd3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '±'*; 22...c6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *23.b3 Nb6 24.Qe3 cxd5 25.exd5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ±'*)* 23.Nd3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'White is making sure that Black cannot break through while at the same time preparing h5. Krasenkow,Michal: '± '' ± '' ± '' ± ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'White is making sure that Black cannot break through while at the same time preparing h5.'''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'Petronijevic,Zoran: '± '' Edouard, Romain: ' ±' Edouard,Romain: '½-½ (67) Carlsen, M (2881)-Caruana, F (2791) NOR 2014' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The big differance with the disappearance of the bishops, is that white gets access to e7.' Bd7 24.b3 Nb6 25.h5 g5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: The critical moment of the game. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'As Black is a long way from breaking through on the other wing, he needs to slow down the White kingside. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: The critical moment of the game.''' Glenn Flear: 'As Black is a long way from breaking through

on the other wing, he needs to slow down the White kingside.'' 26.g3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Carlsen had played a great game up this point, but this move is hard to understand. Clearly Black wants to play c6 and White should at least make it hard for his opponent to do so. Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: ''?'' Krasenkow, Michal: ''?' Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Carlsen had played a great game up this point, but this move is hard to understand. Clearly Black wants to play c6 and White should at least make it hard for his opponent to do so. "" *(* 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Plausible is' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: "I got too excited. " (Carlsen) Nigel Short more or less managed to convince Carlsen that'' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Plausible is Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: "I got too excited. " (Carlsen) Nigel Short more or less managed to convince Carlsen that"" *26.Qe3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!''Krasenkow, Michal: ' ם''ם''ם' 'ם''ם' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear:'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'preventing ...c6 was more in his style. :-) After'' '(to restrain ...c6)' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'preventing ...c6 was more in his style. :-) After'

Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!' '!'' Krasenkow,Michal: ''!' Glenn Flear: '(to restrain ...c6) Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!' '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'preventing ...c6 was more in his style. :-) After'''' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'preventing ...c7-c6. " *Rb8 27.Rc1* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!''Krasenkow, Michal: 'to simply play along the c-file. White must be somewhat better, as even if Black opts for ...c6 his pieces aren't as well-placed as White's e. g. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'to simply play along the c-file. White must be somewhat better, as even if Black opts for ...c6 his pieces aren't as well-placed as White's e. g. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!''' Glenn Flear: 'to simply play along the c-file. White must be somewhat better, as even if Black opts for ...c6 his pieces aren't as well-placed as White's e.g.''*c6 28.Nb4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '±"Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '±' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '- GM Ramirez at www.chessbase.com' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '±" Krasenkow,Michal: '- GM Ramirez at www.chessbase.com Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '±"";* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: "I got too excited. " (Carlsen) Nigel Short more or less

managed to convince Carlsen that' *26.Qe3* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'preventing ...c6 was more in his style. :-) After' *a5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *27.Rc1 b4 28.Ne2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'White is better.' *)* 26...c6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black breaks through and it is hard to say White has any advantage at all. Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow, Michal: " ⇄ !" Krasenkow,Michal: "⇄!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 'Now this break frees Black's game. Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Black breaks through and it is hard to say White has any advantage at all.'''' 27.f4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?'" Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White continues his plan despite Black's counterplay. " *(27.Nb4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *c5 28.Nc2 c4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '⇄' *;* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'It was probably better to reduce ambitions and play' *27.dxc6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *Rxc6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: '=' '=' '=" *28.Qe3 Rxc3 29.Qxb6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ∞ ' *)* 27...cxd5

(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:' *27...f6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *28.fxe5 fxe5 29.dxc6 Rxc6 30.Nb4)* 28.Nxe5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' 'Too optimistic, perhaps?''' *(* *28.fxe5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *Rc6 29.Qd2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Glenn Flear: 'would still be equal.'' *Be6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '↑' *)* 28...d4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: ! Krasenkow,Michal: '!' '!' '!' '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: !''' 29.Qa3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: Carlsen was relying on this, but earlier he had missed... Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: Carlsen was relying on this, but earlier he had missed...'''' a5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(CV: "This just kills my whole game." (C'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(CV: "This just kills my whole game." (Carlsen)) A great tactical stroke. Caruana accurately calculated the complications stemming from this move.'' arlsen)) A great tactical stroke. Caruana accurately calculated the complications stemming from this move. Krasenkow,

Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black threatens .. .b4 forking and unpinning. The tables are starting to turn... Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(CV: "This just kills my whole game." (Carlsen)) A great tactical stroke. Caruana accurately calculated the complications stemming from this move.''' Glenn Flear: 'Black threatens ...b4 forking and unpinning. The tables are starting to turn..."

C4b232221)

30.Nd5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' Nxd5 31.exd5 a4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ∓ ' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez" *(31...Bf5+* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *32.Ka1 a4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '↑' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'A. Korotylev' *)*;

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30.Nxb5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?'" Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Panic. White doesn't get sufficient compensation for the piece." Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'This position led to quite a discussion in the players room, where participants used to gather when their games had finished. The engines shows only a moderate edge for White, but quite a few said that White should be just winning. There is a lot of logic to that statement. ♔g5 is a threat, and also g4 next could prove very difficult

to handle for Black. ' 30...Bxb5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' 31.Rxd4 Re6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black moves out of the pin and protects his queen. Now he will emerge up material, but White's activity gives him good chances to draw; he needs only one more pawn to restore material balance, more or less. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Black moves out of the pin and protects his queen. Now he will emerge up material, but White's activity gives him good chances to draw; he needs only one more pawn to restore material balance, more or less."" 32.Qxe7 Rxe7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Carlsen has opted to kill off Black's threatened initiative, but at a price. Two pawns don't fully compensate for the piece, despite White's good structure and active pieces.'' Glenn Flear: 'Carlsen has opted to kill off Black's threatened initiative, but at a price. Two pawns don't fully compensate for the piece, despite White's good structure and active pieces.'' 33.Rc1 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: Here Carlsen thought he might be OK until Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: Here Carlsen thought he might be OK until'''' Nd7 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: ! was played.' *33...Be8* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez

Alvarez & chessvibes'' *34.Ng4)* 34.Rc7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A complete zugzwang! King moves loses to ♔f6, rook moves to ♔d6, and 34...f6+ 35. ♔e6 threatens the rook, and when it moves, 36.♖e7+ forces an easily winning pawn ending. So Kramnik has no choice, but to start shedding pawns, just to obtain a bit of counterplay.' *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: Earlier Carlsen had missed' *34.Ng4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *Rxe4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *)*

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Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'More to the point is''' 34...gxf4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!''An important subtlety, although surely hard to calculate with so little time left. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'An important subtlety, although surely hard to calculate with so little time left.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'An important subtlety, although surely hard to calculate with so little time left.''' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes) An important subtlety, although surely hard to calculate with so little time left."

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35.Nxd7 f3

Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ''!''Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '!'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!''' 36.Nf6+ *(36.Rd2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez" *f2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+') 36...Kg7 37.Rxe7 f2 38.Rd1 Kxf6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+';

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35.gxf4 Nxe5 36.Rxe7 Nc6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'which is similar, except that there is no g5-pawn hanging at the end. '' Glenn Flear: 'which is similar, except that there is no g5-pawn hanging at the end. " 37.Rd5 'and now there is no pawn hanging with check on g5. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and now there is no pawn hanging with check on g5." Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'and now there is no pawn hanging with check on g5.'" Nxe7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' 38.Rxb5 Kg7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and Black should gradually win.';

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34...Nxe5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'This complicates Black's position. Krase'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'This complicates Black's position.'' nkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'This complicates Black's position.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '.

' 35.Rxe7 Nc6 36.Rd5 Bd3+ *(36...Nxe7* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *37.Rxg5+ Kf8 38.Rxb5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '=') 37.Rxd3 Nxe7 38.fxg5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV: "I felt it should be a draw but it's a bit unpleasant for White." (Caruana) Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'It's always nice to be able to seize a third pawn for a piece. Life suddenly doesn't seem so bad! Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'CV: "I felt it should be a draw but it's a bit unpleasant for White." (Caruana)"' Glenn Flear: 'It's always nice to be able to seize a third pawn for a piece. Life suddenly doesn't seem so bad!" Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has got a third pawn for the piece and now has good drawing chances.'' Rb8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'The endgame should be close to a draw. White has a lot of pawns, but they are rather weak and unable to create a passer. Black on the other hand has some problems with his king and his own weak pawns. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'The endgame should be close to a draw. White has a lot of pawns, but they are rather weak and unable to create a passer. Black on the other hand has some problems with his king and his own weak pawns.'''' 39.Rd7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal:

'?!' '?!' '?!' '?!'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'It was more essential to bring the king into the game." *(39.Kb2* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ⌂ ' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '(Krasenkow, Michal) A. Korotylev') 39...Kf8 40.Ra7 Rb5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'White is winning, but at least Black has become active, and after taking either b2 or g2, he can create a passed pawn of his own. ' 41.Ra8+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Now actually it becomes tricky.' Kg7

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42.Ra6 'threatening h6 was a better move. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'threatening h6 was a better move.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'threatening h6 was a better move.'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '(Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes) threatening h6 was a better move.'' Rc5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '∓ !' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow, Michal' *(42...Rxg5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *43.h6+ Kh8 44.Kb2)*;

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42.Re8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: '?!'''' 42...Re5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Stabilizing matters and winning a pawn (either e4 or g5), but now the pin along the e-file

is annoying.'' Glenn Flear: 'Stabilizing matters and winning a pawn (either e4 or g5), but now the pin along the e-file is annoying.'' *(42...Nc6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ⌂ !' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *43.h6+ Kg6 44.Rg8+ Kh5 45.Rg7 Ne5 46.Rxh7 Kxg5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'and Black should win, according to GM A. Korotylev.'*)* 43.g4 Rxe4 44.Kc2 Re5 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:' *44...Rxg4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *45.Rxe7 Rxg5 46.h6+ Kg6 47.Kc3)* 45.Kd3 f6 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:' *45...h6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' *46.gxh6+ Kxh6 47.a3 Kg5 48.Rf8 Kf6 49.h6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Carlsen'*)* 46.gxf6+ Kxf6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black is unable to win this endgame. His pawns are too weak and White is too active, but more importantly the amount of pawns left for his is too small. Carlsen defends accurately. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Black is unable to win this endgame. His pawns are too weak and White is too active, but more importantly the amount of pawns left for his is too small. Carlsen defends accurately. '''' 47.Rh8 Kg7

Nielsen,Peter Heine: ''!'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'White might have missed a possible win, which is understandable in a blitz game. Now however it seems to be a certain draw, as Kramnik sacrifices his main trump, the passed pawn, but in exchange gets White's d-pawn and forces a kind of fortress-like situation, where White despite his 2 extra pawns still can't make any progress.
' 48.Re8 *(48.Ra8* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez:' ⊐ ' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *Rg5 49.a3)*
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'CV: Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'CV:'' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'CV:'''
48...Nc6
Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '⊐''⊐''⊐''⊐''⊐' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes'' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Caruana was probably tired and couldn't evaluate the position after the exchange of rooks:"
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49.Rxe5
Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nxe5+ 50.Kc3 *(50.Kd4 Nxg4 51.a4 Kf7 52.Kc4 Nf6 53.b4 Ke6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+') 50...Nxg4 51.b4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is just terrible for Black who needs to keep b7 and f7 defended, meaning White can in peace and quiet try and break through with king and pawns on either side of the board.' axb4+ 52.Kxb4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: ''!?' Kf6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '=!?' 53.Kb5

Ke7 54.Kc6 Kd8 55.Kb7 Nf6 56.h6 *(56.a4 Nxh5 57.a5 Nf4 58.a6 Ne6 59.a7 Nc7)* 56...Ng4 57.a4 Nxh6 58.a5 Nf5 59.a6 Nd6+ 60.Kc6 Nc8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+';

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49.Ra8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but any human would say that';

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48...Kh6 49.a3 Kg5 50.Rh8 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'' *(50.b4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' *axb4 51.axb4 Kxg4 52.b5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'seems to create just enough counterplay.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The computer suggests exchanging with' *52...Kxh5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'should be winning for Black.'*)* 50...h6 51.Rh7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'The knight lacks a convenient square.'" Re6 52.Rg7+ Kf6 53.Rh7 Ke5 54.Rg7 Kf4 55.b4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Getting the queenside going.'" axb4 *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Black is in danger of running out of pawns after Glenn Flear: 'Black is in danger of running out of pawns after'' *55...Re3+* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Black seems to hold. The point is' *56.Kc4 Nc6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter

Heine: 'creates counterplay, and' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'and' *57.bxa5 Nxa5+ 58.Kb5)* 56.axb4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This passed pawn is White's main trump. The position is very hard to evaluate and calculate; White's drawing chances are realistic.'' Nc6 57.b5 Ne5+ 58.Kd4 Nxg4 59.Kc5 Re5+ **C4b2322222221)** 60.Kb4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'surprisingly seems very solid for Black, and White's "active" king on h6, also is somewhat boxed in. ' Rxh5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' *(60...Ne3 61.Rg6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'now is completely winning, as now the queen cannot creat threats in the h-file. ' *Rxh5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The obvious point is that' *62.b6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is impossible due to' *Nd5+* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'and after' *63.Kc4 Nxb6+ 64.Rxb6* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'is a draw. ' *)* 61.b6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'e.g.' 61...Ne5 62.Rh7 Nc6+ 63.Kc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ', keeping White's king closer to Black's pawn, was probably more appropriate.'; **C4b2322222222)** 60.Kc6 Rxh5 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?' '?' '?' '?'' *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'A.Korotylev recommends' *60...Ne3* Alejandro Ramirez

Alvarez: ' ⌓ !' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'as the rook endgame after' *61.b6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Black has a much better defensive setup than in the game, as the white king will not reach e5. My intuition tells me White must have a way in these lines, but I do not see it.' *Nc4* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'will now be winning for Black: White's king is too far away. Meanwhile it is unclear whether White can reach a draw by refraining from b5-b6.') 61.b6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Fortunately for Carlsen, the b-pawn is sufficiently strong for him to hold the game.'' Glenn Flear: 'Fortunately for Carlsen, the b-pawn is sufficiently strong for him to hold the game.'' Ne5+ 62.Kc7 **C4b23222222221)** Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Much in the style of the game would be' 62...Nd3 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ' ⌓ !' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: ', but' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'trying to claim zugzwang!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'But' 63.Rh7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '!' *(* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'but not' *63.Rf7+ Rf5 64.Rxf5+* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '?' *Kxf5 65.b7* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'looks like leading to a dominating ending, but there are sublte differences compared to the game. After' *Nc5 66.b8N* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '□' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'looks better,

but after' *h5* Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: '-+') 63...Nc5 64.Kd6 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'looks like a positional draw.';

C4b23222222222) 62...Nc4 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!'' 63.b7 Rc5+ 64.Kd8 Rb5 65.Kc7 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'A suffered draw for Carlsen!''' Rc5+ 66.Kd8 Rb5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'And here the players agreed a draw.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The simple way was' 67.Kc7 Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'A suffered draw for Carlsen! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Glenn Flear: 'Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez & chessvibes: 'A suffered draw for Carlsen!'''' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'combining threats against Black's queenside pawns, with advancing his own d-pawn winning easily.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'But turning on the engines, I cannot prove a deceisive edge against' 67...Ke5 ½-½ (67) Molina,R (2881)-Deslandes, P (2791) London 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Villeneuve,A/ Primel,D] Alejandro Ramirez Alvarez: 'Krasenkow,Michal' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!']

[14...Na7 Edouard,Romain: '!?''Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: '!?'''

A) 15.Bh6!? Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain'' Edouard,Romain: 'would now allow' Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Nb5 Edouard,Romain: '⇄';

B) Edouard,Romain: 'I had previously discussed' 15.Bd3 Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) (Arsovic,Goran) in passing (in the notes to Koneru, H - Ni Shiqun, Chinese league 2019), but going into greater detail... Flear,Glenn: 'in passing (in the notes to Koneru, H - Ni Shiqun, Chinese league 2019), but going into greater detail...'' e6 16.Bg5 Rd6 *(16...Rd7* Edouard,Romain: '±' Edouard,Romain: 'hasn't been played in this particular position, but is known in some analogous ones

Flear,Glenn: 'hasn't been played in this particular position, but is known in some analogous ones'') 17.Bf4 exd5 Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: '(the most aggressive choice!)' *(17...Rd7 18.dxe6 Qxe6 19.Bh6* Edouard,Romain: '⩲' Edouard,Romain: 'looks easier for White due to Black's lagging development'*)* 18.Bxd6 dxe4 19.fxe4 *(* Edouard,Romain: 'on my computer, at first, one of the engines thinks that White is winning after Flear,Glenn: 'on my computer, at first, one of the engines thinks that White is winning after" *19.Bxc7 exd3 20.Bxb6 Nb5* Edouard,Romain: '(only to reduce its assessment to an edge, if you leave it long enough) but Stockfish gives this as 0.00. This is an illustration of the fact that if you play e-mail chess these days you need access to the best equipment and top engines around. Flear,Glenn: '(only to reduce its assessment to an edge, if you leave it long enough) but Stockfish gives this as 0.00. This is an illustration of the fact that if you play e-mail chess these days you need access to the best equipment and top engines around." *)* 19...cxd6 20.Nd5 Nxd5 21.exd5 Edouard,Romain: '(evidently Black needs to rely on dark-squared play and his safer king to justify the exchange 'sac') Flear,Glenn: '(evidently Black needs to rely on dark-squared play and his safer king to justify the exchange 'sac')" Bd7 22.Nf3 Qd8 23.Qd2 Edouard,Romain: 'New!' Qb6 24.Rc1 Nb5 25.Rhe1 a5 Edouard,Romain: '+=/= Laine, J - Benko, B e-mail 2019. Being a materialist, you may not be that impressed with Black's 'compensation', but White never looked like winning the actual game. Flear,Glenn: '+=/= Laine, J - Benko, B e-mail 2019. Being a materialist, you may not be that impressed with Black's 'compensation', but White never looked like winning the actual game.";

C) 15.h4 Nb5 16.Nge2 Edouard,Romain: '''Edouard, Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'transposes.'''' ' !'' 'Again, Cheparinov's recommendation, as Peter Svidler pointed out. Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Again, Cheparinov's recommendation, as Peter Svidler pointed out.'"

C1) Edouard,Romain: "Arsovic, Goran: 'Instead'' '16...Nc4 Edouard,Romain: '?!' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain''and I think Black should manage to survive White's attack, since at least one pair of rooks will be exchanged in case of 21.h4 cxd4. 17.Bh6!? Edouard,Romain: ''Arsovic, Goran: 'turned out quite well for White in Koneru, H - Ni Shiqun, Chinese league 2019 (see the archives).'' Flear,Glenn: 'turned out quite well for White in Koneru, H - Ni Shiqun, Chinese league 2019 (see the archives).'' Still, I'm not sure 17...Bh8 18.h5 c6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bg5 Edouard,Romain: 'N!' *(20.a4!*

Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: '1-0 (30) Koneru,H (2549)-Ni,S (2445) China 2019' is also quite unpleasant for Black. *)* 20...Bg7 with the idea of h4 would be part of fun for Black. 21.Qf4 Edouard,Romain: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'With an unstoppable attack.';

C2) 16...e6 Edouard,Romain: '"Edouard,Romain: 'N' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear, Glenn: '!' '!' Flear,Glenn: 'I suggested this move in 2019, but it seems that it had already been played in a couple of e-mail games.'''' Flear,Glenn: 'I suggested this move in 2019, but it seems that it had already been played in a couple of e-mail games.'' N"A novelty, but heavily covered in the above mentioned book. Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard, Romain: 'A novelty, but heavily covered in the above mentioned book.'" 17.h5!? Edouard,Romain: '!''Arsovic, Goran: 'N' 'N' 'N' 'N''Edouard, Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'N' 'N''' ' Opening the h1-a8 diagonal for White's light-squared bishop. *(* "Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'I'm not sure that'"' ' *17.Bg5* 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 144/(140)"- 144/(140) Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 144/(140)' Arsovic,Goran: '- 144/(140) Flear,Glenn: 'is that disruptive here, but it's a common way to annoy the opponent. After'''' Flear,Glenn: 'is that disruptive here, but it's a common way to annoy the opponent. After'' *Rd7* Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain' Edouard,Romain: 'isn't so clear.' *18.dxe6* Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) Arsovic,Goran' *Qxe6 19.h5 Qc6 20.Rxd7 Bxd7 21.Bh6 Nxc3+ 22.Nxc3 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 Qxc3* Edouard,Romain: '0.5-0.5 Lundberg, K - Benko, B e-mail 2019, a draw was already agreed. Flear,Glenn: '0.5-0.5 Lundberg, K - Benko, B e-mail 2019, a draw was already agreed. *";* "Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'Another try"' ' *17.Nxb5* '(Arsovic,Goran) - 144/(140) Arsovic,Goran: '- 144/(140) Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic, Goran) - 144/(140)''' *axb5* Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic, Goran) (Edouard,Romain) Arsovic,Goran' *18.Bd4* Edouard,Romain: '(to nullify Black's best piece) Flear,Glenn: '(to nullify Black's best piece)'' *Bxd4 19.Nxd4 exd5 20.Qxc7 Nc4 21.h5 Rd7* Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard, Romain: 'Efimov, Y - Biedermann, T e-mail 2018, was sharp, but equal. Flear,Glenn: 'Efimov, Y - Biedermann, T e-mail 2018, was sharp, but equal. " *)* 17...exd5 Risky! 18.hxg6

C2a) 18...hxg6

C2a1) 19.Bxb6 'Arsovic, Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran'" cxb6 20.Nxd5 Be6 21.Nef4 Rac8 22.Qe3 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Qe5 24.Qb3

Nc7 Edouard,Romain: '∓';
C2a2) 19.Nxb5 'Arsovic, Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran"' axb5 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qe5 22.Qh6 Bd7 23.Qh7+ Kf8 24.Qh6+ Kg8 25.Qh7+ Edouard,Romain: '=';
C2a3) 19.exd5 'Arsovic, Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran"' Na3+ Edouard,Romain: '!' 20.bxa3 *(20.Ka1* Edouard,Romain: '?' *Qxe3* Edouard,Romain: '-+' *)* 20...Nxd5 21.g4 *(21.Rxd5 Rxd5 22.g4 Rd3* Edouard,Romain: ' ∓ ') 21...Nxe3 22.Rxd8 Bf5+ Edouard,Romain: '!' 23.gxf5 Rxd8 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.Ng3 Rd6 26.Nge4 Rb6+ 27.Ka1 Qa4 28.Rh2 Nd5 29.Rc2 Qd4 Edouard,Romain: '∓';
C2a4) 19.Bh6 Edouard,Romain: '!"Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: '!"' 'is very dangerous for Black as well. Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'is very dangerous for Black as well.'" 19...Be5 'Arsovic, Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran"'
C2a41) 20.Bf4 c6 21.a4 Nxc3+ 22.Nxc3 d4 23.a5 Nd5 Edouard,Romain: '!' 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Bxe5 Qxe5 26.f4 Qf6 *(26...Qxe4+ 27.Bd3 Qe3 28.Qc7* Edouard,Romain: '↑' *)* 27.e5 Bf5+ 28.Bd3 Qe6 Edouard,Romain: '∞';
C2a42) 20.Bg5 Rd6 *(20...f6 21.Bf4 g5 22.Bxe5 Qxe5 23.f4 gxf4 24.Nxf4 Nxc3+ 25.bxc3* Edouard,Romain: ' ± ') 21.Ka1 Edouard,Romain: '!' *(21.exd5 Bf5+ 22.Ka1 Na3 23.g4 Nc2+ 24.Kb1 Na3+* Edouard,Romain: '=' *)*
C2a421) 21...d4 22.Nd5 Edouard,Romain: '!' Rxd5 *(22...Nxd5 23.exd5 Rxd5 24.Nf4 Rd6 25.Re1* Edouard,Romain: '+-' *)* 23.exd5 Nxd5 24.Nf4 Ne3 25.Re1 Edouard,Romain: '±';
C2a422) 21...Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Na4 23.f4 Bg7 24.e5 Rc6 25.Be2 Nxc3 26.bxc3 Edouard,Romain: '±';
C2b) 18...fxg6 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram

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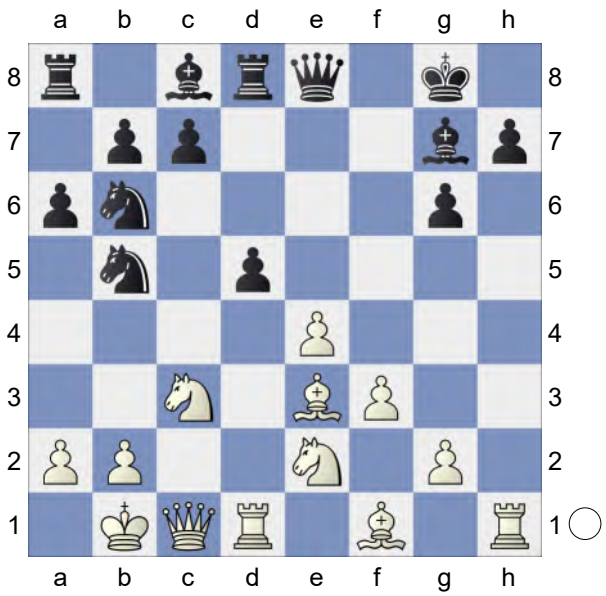


"Diagram [#] Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'''
' 19.Bxb6 Edouard,Romain: '!' cxb6? The losing move. 20.Nxd5! Be6 21.Nef4! Bf7 *(* Edouard,Romain: 'If' *21...Rac8* Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) Arsovic,Goran' *22.Qe3 Bf7* Edouard,Romain: 'then this would just make it easier for White to capture one of the loose pawns (b6 is en prise). Flear,Glenn: 'then this would just make it easier for White to capture one of the loose pawns (b6 is en prise). "*)* 22.Bxb5 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' '!' '!''Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!''' ' Now it's piece of cake for the World Champion.

C2b1) 22...Qxb5 'Arsovic,Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran''' 23.Ne7+ Kh8 *(23...Kf8 24.Nfd5 h5 25.Nc7* Edouard,Romain: '+-' *)* 24.Rxh7+ Edouard,Romain: '!' Kxh7 25.Rh1+ Bh6 26.Nfd5 Edouard,Romain: '+-';

C2b2) 22...axb5 "Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'Black's queenside structure looks ridiculous, but he does have some open lines for his pieces.'''' Flear,Glenn: 'Black's queenside structure looks ridiculous, but he does have some open lines for his pieces."

C2b21) 23.Qc2 Rdc8 24.Qb3-+

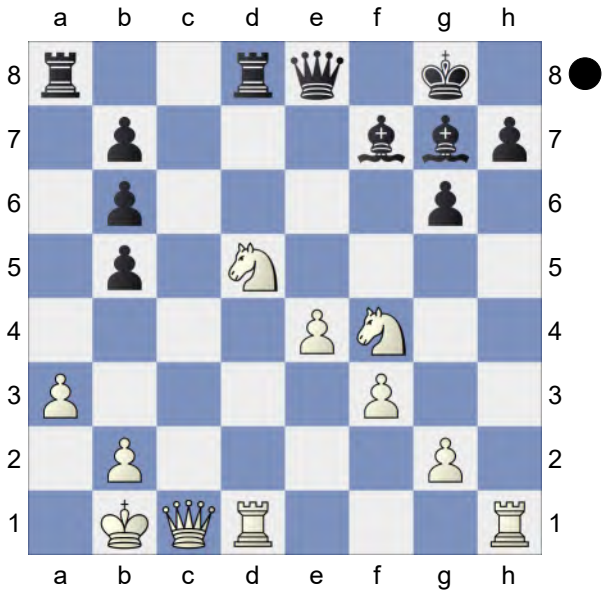
C2b211) 24...Ra4 Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) (Arsovic,Goran) (aiming to double rooks)' 25.Nd3 *(* Edouard,Romain: 'otherwise' *25.Rhe1 Kh8 26.Ne2 Rac4* Edouard,Romain: ' ±' Edouard,Romain: 'Kunzelmann, F - Biedermann, T e-mail 2018, is similar Flear, Glenn: 'Kunzelmann, F - Biedermann, T e-mail 2018, is similar''*)* 25...Rac4 26.Rhe1 Kh8 27.a3 h5 Edouard,Romain: ' ±!?' Edouard,Romain: 'Kamody, M - Tesic, Z e-mail 2018. White has a bind, but

reorganizing his forces to make progress won't be easy. Flear, Glenn: 'Kamody, M - Tesic, Z e-mail 2018. White has a bind, but reorganizing his forces to make progress won't be easy.";

C2b212) 24...Rc4 looked helpful before Black takes on d4: 25.Nd3 Edouard,Romain: ' ±' Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain'' Edouard,Romain: 'was the book's suggestion. ' *(25.Rhe1* Edouard,Romain: '± "Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran'" *)*;

C2b22) 23.g4 'Arsovic,Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran''' b4 Edouard,Romain: '!' 24.Qc2 *(24.Nxb4* Edouard,Romain: '?' *Rac8 25.Nc2 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Bh6* Edouard,Romain: ' ∓') 24...Qe5 Edouard,Romain: '∞';

C2b23) 23.a3 Edouard,Romain: '!?''Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram (Diagram)



''Diagram [#] Edouard, Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]' Arsovic, Goran: 'Diagram [#] Flear, Glenn: 'A novelty, but did either of players know this fact at the time?'''' Flear,Glenn: 'A novelty, but did either of players know this fact at the time?" 'Only here did the White player decide to deviate from Cheparinov's book recommendation! Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Only here did the White player decide to deviate from Cheparinov's book recommendation!'"

C2b231) "Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'Correct was'''' ' 23...Rac8 Edouard,Romain:

'''Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear, Glenn: '!'''' ' !' 'should be the ready why Cheparinov's move is better! The white queen is misplaced here. Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'should be the ready why Cheparinov's move is better! The white queen is misplaced here.'"

C2b2311) 24.Qd2⩱ Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain'' g5? Edouard,Romain: '∓';

C2b2312) 24.Nc3 'Arsovic, Goran'Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'isn't any better as"'' ' Bb3 "Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: '!' '!' Flear,Glenn: 'gives Black good play'''' '25.Rxd8 1-0 (17) Ding,L (2811)-Grischuk,A (2745) Chess.com INT 2022 Qxd8 *(25...Rxd8 26.Ncd5 Qe5* Edouard,Romain: '⩲' *)* 26.Qe3 Bxc3 27.bxc3 Qg5 28.g3 Qe7 29.Kb2 Ra8 30.Ra1 Bc4 Edouard,Romain: '⩲';

C2b2313) 24.Qe3! ''Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'and only now'"' '24...g5 Edouard,Romain: '''Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: '!' Flear, Glenn: 'when the only satisfactory way to continue is with"'' Flear,Glenn: 'when the only satisfactory way to continue is with" !' 25.Nh5! Edouard,Romain: '''Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: '!' '!'''' ' !?' Bxh5 *(25...Bxd5* Edouard,Romain: '?' Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) Arsovic,Goran' *26.Qxg5; 25...Rxd5* Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: '(Arsovic, Goran) (Edouard, Romain) Arsovic, Goran' *26.Rxd5 Bxh5 27.Rxg5 Bg6*

28.Qxb6 Edouard,Romain: '∞' *)* 26.Qxg5 Rxd5 1-0 (46) Efimenko,Z (2597)-Rustemov,A (2525) Chess.com INT 2021 *(26...Bg6* Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) Arsovic,Goran' *27.Ne7+ Kf8 28.Nxc8 Rxc8* Edouard,Romain: ' ∞' Edouard,Romain: 'with chances for both sides. Two bishops can be a strong fighting force, but White has the safer king and good pieces, so it isn't clear at all. Flear, Glenn: 'with chances for both sides. Two bishops can be a strong fighting force, but White has the safer king and good pieces, so it isn't clear at all.'') 27.Rxd5 Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain'' *(27.Qxd5+* 'Arsovic,Goran Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran''' *Bf7 28.Qd7 Qxd7 29.Rxd7 Bb3* Edouard,Romain: '∞' *)* 27...Bf7 Edouard,Romain: '∞';

C2b232) 23...g5 Edouard,Romain: '''Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear, Glenn: '??' '??' Flear, Glenn: 'A slip of the mouse (or mind?). Nepomniachtchi blunders away the exchange, just when the fight was getting interesting.'''' Flear, Glenn: 'A slip of the mouse (or mind?). Nepomniachtchi blunders away the exchange, just when the fight was getting interesting.'' ?' 'Just losing an exchange for no reason. Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Just losing an exchange for no reason.''' 24.Nc7 'Arsovic,Goran: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-''Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: '+-' '+-'" ' Qe5 25.Nxa8! Opening up the h-file at the cost of a pawn. Rxa8 26.Nd5 ''Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear, Glenn: 'Clearly things haven't gone to plan for the Russian. The knight on d5 stymies the power of the light-squared bishop.''''

Flear,Glenn: 'Clearly things haven't gone to plan for the Russian. The knight on d5 stymies the power of the light-squared bishop." 'Black doesn't have compensation at all. Arsovic,Goran: 'Edouard,Romain: 'Black doesn't have compensation at all.'" h6 27.Qc3 *(27.Rd2* Edouard,Romain: '+-"Arsovic,Goran Arsovic, Goran: 'Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran"' *)* 27...Qe6 28.Qb4 Kh7 29.Rd2 ''Edouard,Romain: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Flear, Glenn: 'Rather than pawn grabbing, Ding Liren decides that it's more sensible to bolster his defences to b2.'''' Flear,Glenn: 'Rather than pawn grabbing, Ding Liren decides that it's more sensible to bolster his defences to b2.'' Rc8 30.Qe7 "Edouard, Romain: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Flear,Glenn: 'Black can only avoid the exchange of queens by giving up further material.'''' ' Qg6 31.Qxb7 Rc6 32.Qd7 *(32.Ne7* Edouard,Romain: '(Arsovic,Goran) (Edouard,Romain) Arsovic,Goran' *Qe6 33.Qxc6* Edouard,Romain: 'is another way to victory, but why give the opponent a few checks? Flear,Glenn: 'is another way to victory, but why give the opponent a few checks?" *)* 32...Rc5 33.Ne7 Vorgänger: 33...Qf6 is hopeless for Black. 34.Nf5□ 1-0 (34) Carlsen,M (2863)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2778) chess24.com INT 2020 CBM 196 [Edouard, Romain] would probably have saved the day:]

15.Be2 Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'according to Cheparinov:'

[15.Bd4 f5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nh3 fxe4 19.Be2 Nf6 20.Nf2 Nbxd5 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Nxe4 Bf5 23.Bf3 Qa4 24.Rhe1 Nf6 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.b3 Qd4 27.Qe3 Qxe3 28.Rxe3 Rd4 0-1 (28) chessisinmyblood (2702)-IMFAR (2707) Blitz 2021]

[15.Bxb6 cxb6 16.f4 Ng4 17.Qd2 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Qa4 19.Bd3 Bd7 20.Nf3 Bb5 21.Bc2 Qa3 22.Bb3 a5 23.Nd4 Bd7 24.h3 Nf6 25.e5 Ne4 26.Qb2 Qxb2+ 27.Kxb2 Nf2 28.c4 a4 29.Bc2 Rac8 30.Bd3 Rc5 31.Rhf1 Nxd1+ 32.Rxd1 Rdc8 33.Rd2 b5 34.Kc3 Rxd5 35.Be2 bxc4 36.Rb2 b5 37.a3 f6 38.Bf3

Rdc5 39.e6 Be8 40.h4 h5 41.g4 hxg4 42.Bxg4 Rd8 43.Bf3 Kg7 44.Rg2 Kh6 45.Rd2 Kh7 46.Rh2 Rd6 47.Re2 Rc8 48.Rb2 Rcd8 49.Rd2 b4+ 50.axb4 a3 51.h5 Rxd4 52.hxg6+ Kg7 0-1 (52) chessisinmyblood (2701)-IMFAR (2708) Blitz 2021]

15...Nec4 Edouard,Romain: '='

[15...e6 16.Bxb6 Edouard,Romain: '!' cxb6 17.f4 Bh6→ *(17...Nd7± 18.dxe6 Qxe6 19.Bf3* Edouard,Romain: ' ± *')* 18.d6 Edouard,Romain: '!' b5 19.a3 Edouard,Romain: '!' Bd7 20.g4 Edouard,Romain: '±']

16.Bd4 Edouard,Romain: 'should be critical, I believe. White has several options:' 16...e5 Edouard,Romain: '!?' 17.Bf2 Edouard,Romain: '⩲'

17...Bd7 18.h4 h6 19.Nh3

[19.Bd3 Nd6 20.Nge2 Rac8 21.g4 Na4 22.Be3 Kh7 23.Rd2 c5 24.dxc6 Rxc6 25.Rc2 Rdc8 26.Qd2 Nxc3+ 27.Nxc3 Be6 28.h5 g5 29.Rhc1 Kg8 30.Qd1 Nc4 31.Nd5 Nxe3 32.Nxe3 Rxc2 33.Rxc2 Rxc2 34.Bxc2 Bf8 35.Bb3 Bc5 36.Nf1 Bd4 37.Bxe6 Qxe6 38.Qb3 Qxb3 39.axb3 Bf2 40.Kc2 b5 41.Kd1 Bc5 42.Ng3 Bf8 43.Nf5 f6 44.Ne3 Kf7 45.Nd5 Ke6 46.b4 Be7 47.b3 Bd6 48.Kc1 Be7 49.Kb1 Bd6 50.Ka1 Bf8 51.Nc7+ Kd7 52.Nd5 Kc6 53.Kb1 Kd7 54.Nxf6+ Kd6 55.Nd5 Kc6 56.Kc2 Kd7 57.Nf6+ Kc7 58.Nd5+ Kc6 59.Kc3 Kd6 60.Ne3 Kd7 61.Nf5 Kc6 62.Kb2 Kb6 63.Kb1 Kb7 64.Ka1 Kc6 65.Kb2 Kb6 66.Kc3 Kc6 67.Ne3 Kc7 68.Nd5+ Kd7 69.Ne3 Kc6 70.Nf5 Kb7 71.Ne3 Kc6 72.Nf5 Kc7 73.Ng3 Kb7 74.Ne2 Be7 75.Nc1 Kc6 76.Nd3 Kd6 77.Kd2 Bd8 78.Nc1 Kc6 79.Nd3 Bc7 80.Kc2 Kd6 81.Nc1 Kd7 82.Nd3 Kd6 83.Nc1 Kc6 84.Kb2 Kd6 85.Ne2 Kc6 86.Ng3 Bd6 87.Nf5 Bf8 88.Kb1 Kb7 89.Ka2 Kb6 90.Kb2 Kc6 91.Kc2 Kb6 92.Kc1 Kb7 93.Kb1 Kc6 94.Kc1 Kb7 95.Kc2 Kc6 96.Kd1 Kb6 97.Kc2 Kc6 98.Kd3 Kb6 99.Ke3 Kc7 100.Kd3 Kb7 101.Ke3 Kc6 102.Ke2 Kb6 103.Kd3 Kc6 104.Ne7+ ½-½ (104) M-Z_Bot (2642)-ResoluteBot (2607) Classical 2023]

19...Qf8 20.b3 Nd6 21.Bc5 a5 22.a4 Nbc8 23.Nf2 b6 24.Ba3 Na7 25.h5 g5 26.Rd2 Rdb8 27.Nb5 Naxb5 28.Bxb5 Bxb5 29.axb5 Qe8 30.Bxd6 cxd6 31.Qc6 Qd8 32.Qc4 Rc8 33.Qd3 Qe8 34.Ra2 Rc5 35.Rc1 Rxb5 36.Rc6 Rb4 37.Qc3 Qf8 38.Nh1 Rb5 39.Ng3 Qd8 40.Nf5 Bf8 41.Rc2 Rc5 42.Qd3 Qb8 43.Kb2 Kh7 44.Ne3 Qb7 45.Nf5 Qb8 46.Ne3 Qb7 47.Rc3 b5 48.Nf5 Rxc3 49.Qxc3 b4 50.Qe3 Rb8 51.Qd3 Ra8 52.Qe3 Rb8 53.Qf2 Qa8 54.Kb1 Qb7 55.Kb2 Qa8 56.Kb1 Qb7 57.g4 a4 58.bxa4 b3 59.a5 Qb5 60.Rb6 Rxb6 61.axb6 Qa6 62.Qd2 Bg7 63.b7 Qxb7 64.Kb2 Qa6 65.Kxb3 Bf6 66.Qc3 Qb5+ 67.Qb4 Qd3+ 68.Qc3 Qb5+ 69.Ka3 Qa6+ 70.Kb4 Qb6+ 71.Ka3 Qa6+ 72.Kb4 Qb6+ 73.Ka4 Qa6+ 74.Qa5 Qc4+ 75.Qb4 Qa6+ 76.Kb3 Qd3+ 77.Kb2 Qe2+ 78.Ka1 Qf1+ 79.Ka2 Qf2+ 80.Ka1 Qf1+ 81.Kb2 Qe2+ 82.Kc1 Qxf3 83.Qxd6 Qc3+ 84.Kb1 Bg7 85.Qe7 Qb3+ 86.Ka1 Qd3 87.Nxg7 Qd4+ 88.Ka2 Kxg7 89.Qc7 Qa4+ 90.Kb2 Qd4+ 91.Ka3 Qd3+ 92.Kb2 Qd2+ 93.Qc2 Qb4+ 94.Ka2 Qa5+ 95.Kb3 Qb5+ 96.Ka2 Qa6+ 97.Kb2 Qb6+ 98.Ka3 Qa5+ 99.Kb3 Qb5+ 100.Ka2 Qa6+ 101.Kb2

Qb6+ 102.Ka3 Qa7+ 103.Kb3 Qb7+ 104.Ka3 Qa7+ 105.Kb4 Qb6+ 106.Kc4 Qc7+ 107.Kd3 Qb7 108.Qc4 Qb1+ 109.Kc3 Qb6 110.Qd3 Qg1 111.Kb4 Qxg4 112.d6 Qd7 113.Qd5 Kf6 114.Kc5 g4 115.Qc6 Ke6 116.Qd5+ Kf6 117.Qc6 Ke6 118.Qd5+ Kf6 ½-½ (118) PetersBot (3092)-ArasanX (3058) Rapid 2025 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'Black's most trustworthy move is'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'This is one of the main lines in which the theory is highly developed. There are many games in this line including the controversial...' **9...f5** 0.53/18 2:43 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'The development of the theory was the following: the old main line was 9...e5, but the computers have managed to prove some advantage for White. Then the Black players started to play 9... f5, but after some nice and succesful games by White, it was also considered to be dubious and the current main move what all the experts play is 9...Qd6. However, Li Chao decides to switch back to 9... f5 ...perhaps for only one game after this defeat.''' Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Van Delft & Ris: 'was dealt with in CVO 57.'' Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Sanikidze,Tornike: 'see the archives for several examples. Glenn Flear: 'see the archives for several examples.'' Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!'' ChessBase II: 'Le plan des Noirs mais c'est peut-être un peu prématuré' Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'This used to be popular a few years ago but according to current theory it has the reputation of being a bit dubious.'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'This used to be popular a few years ago but according to current theory it has the reputation of being a bit dubious. ' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'This used to be popular a few years ago but according to current theory it has the reputation of being a bit dubious.' This used to be popular a few years ago but according to current theory it has the reputation of being a bit dubious. ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Mekhitarian,K: '— 106/(137)'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'None of Black's three main moves (9...e5, 9...Qd6, or as here 9...f5) have given him an easy time. In recent years, White has a big percentage in each case.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'This used to be popular a few years ago but according to current theory it has the re'This system was examined by GM V.Golod in CBM 81 and by GM L.Ftacnik in CBM 96. Svidler, P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This system was examined by GM V.Golod in CBM 81 and by GM L.Ftacnik in CBM 96.''' putation of being a bit dubious.
' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'the solid idea, which I started playing after feeling that the 9...e5 idea to play my own 16...f5 was starting to become a dream, if I wanted not to lose.' Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'Energetic move, main threat of which to exchange pawns "f", so bishop f1 would become vulnerable.'

Krnic,Zdenko: 'If' My last look at the more popular alternative 10.e5 5:09 'N"Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The pawn structure has changed.'is more topical nowadays - see Bitan-Vokarev. Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'is more topical nowadays - see Bitan-Vokarev.'" Black has got a perfect control over the light squares, after Nb4 and Be6, his pieces are doing a great job on all the squares of the a2-g8 diagonal. However there is a huge drawback as well, that he actually lost his Gruenfeld bishop on g7, which has quite a small chance to come back to the game.'" Krnic, Zdenko: '(Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)) Black plays' Stohl, Igor: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'This is probably the best chance for White to maintain an opening advantage.' Glenn Flear: 'This is probably the best chance for White to maintain an opening advantage.' Stohl,Igor: '- see Bitan-Vokarev. leads to the line from Bitan-Vokarev, in which Black has recently been having some trouble.' was in Harsha, B - Sutovsky, E Douglas 2018. 'is more topical nowadays - see Bitan-Vokarev. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'is more topical nowadays - see Bitan-Vokarev.'" Stohl,Igor: 'leads to t'This move, giving up the d5 square, leads to a good position for Black. The passivity of his g7 bishop is not very annoying. Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This move, giving up the d5 square, leads to a good position for Black. The passivity of his g7 bishop is not very annoying.'" he line from Bitan-Vokarev, in which Black has recently been having some trouble. Stohl, Igor: '- see Bitan-Vokarev."

[10.Kb1 fxe4 11.fxe4 Nxd4 *(11...e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Bd3 c6 14.Nge2 cxd5 15.exd5 Nxe2 16.Qxe2 Bf5 17.Be4 Rc8 18.Bxb6 Qxb6 19.Ka1 Bd7 20.Rhf1 Rxf1 21.Qxf1 Qb4 22.Qd3 Rc4 23.Rf1 Rd4 24.Qf3 Qf8 25.Qe2 Qc5 26.Bf3 b5 27.Ne4 Qc4 28.Qxc4 bxc4 29.Rc1 Bh6 30.Rc3 Bf5 31.Ng3 Bd2 32.Ra3 e4 33.Be2 Bb4 34.Rxa7 c3 35.bxc3 Bxc3+ 36.Kb1 Rd2 37.Bc4 e3+ 38.Nxf5 gxf5 39.Re7 Kh8 40.Rxe3 Bf6 41.Re2 Rd1+ 42.Kc2 Rd4 43.Bb3 Re4 44.Rxe4 fxe4 45.a4* 1-0 (45) FranjZ (2849)-Rivuza (2688) Blitz 2020 *)* 12.Bxd4 *(12.Nf3 c5 13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bg4 16.Qxd8 Raxd8 17.Rxd8 Rxd8 18.h3 Be6 19.Be2 Kg7 20.Kc2 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.b3 Bd3+ 23.Kb2 Ba6 24.Rc1 Rd2+ 25.Ka3 e6 26.g4 Rh2 27.e5 Rxh3 28.Ne4 Re3 29.Rc7+ Kh6 30.g5+ Kh5 31.Rxh7+ Kg4 32.Nc5 Rxe5 33.Nxa6 Ra5+ 34.Kb2 Rxa6 35.Rxb7 Kxg5 36.b4 Kf4 37.Rf7+ Kg4 38.Kb3 g5 39.a4 Kh3 40.b5 Rd6 41.Rh7+ Kg3 42.Rxa7 e5 43.a5 Re6 44.b6 e4 45.b7 Re8 46.Ra8* 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2626)-durakitodemedellin (2575) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Qxd4 13.Qxd4 Bxd4 14.Nb5 Bxg1 15.Rxg1 c6 16.Nc7 Bg4 17.Nxa8 Rxa8 18.Rd2 Kg7 19.h3 Be6 20.Be2 Nd7 21.Rgd1 Ne5 22.Rd8 Rxd8 23.Rxd8 Bc4 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rd7 1-0 (25) am31 (2875)-Federer_Roger1981 (2827) Blitz

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[Glenn Flear: 'The main alternative is' Glenn Flear: 'Until 2004, White was scoring heavily with' Glenn Flear: 'The older' Glenn Flear: 'After'Polivanov, Anatoliy: 'Now the whole fight will turn around point d5. Another way -' 10.h4 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?'' Glenn Flear: '!?' '?!' 'e.g.' ChessBase II: '!' '!' ChessBase II: 'and Black is a little bit paralysed, while a7 is hanging.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'used to be the main line previously, but has lost popularity lately'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'used to be the main line previously, but has lost popularity lately' used to be the main line previously, but has lost popularity lately' Glenn Flear: 'but in the last four or five years Black's defences have been improved and he is winning more often than losing, see the archives for several examples.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'White has a truly dreadful score, the last game at a high level continuing as follows: White has a truly dreadful score, the last game at a high level continuing as follows:' Most of the top games after this direct attempt are from more than a decade ago. ChessBase II: 'and Black is a little bit paralysed, while a7 is hanging.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'used to be the main line previously, but has lost popularity lately' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is the main line.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'not the best idea - here I feel Black's counterplay in the centre is enough, as was proven in recent games'

A) 10...e5 11.d5 Nd4 *(11...Na5 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.h5 Nac4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Qd3 Nd6 16.hxg6 Qxg6 17.Be7 Re8 18.Bxd6 cxd6 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Ne4 Rac8+ 21.Kb1 Qxg2 22.Ne2 Qg6 23.Rdg1 Qf7 24.Ka1 Bg6 25.N2c3 Rf8 26.Qd2 Qxf3 27.Nxd6 Rc5 28.Nxb7 Rc4 29.Na5 Rd4 30.Qc1 e4 31.Nc6 Re8 32.Nxd4 Bxd4 33.Rf1 Qd3 34.Rd1 Qc4 35.d6 Bg7 36.d7 Rd8 37.Qg5 Qc7 38.Qd5+ Kh8 39.Nxe4 Qc2 40.Qb3 Qxe4 41.Rhe1 Qc6 42.Re8+ Rxe8 43.dxe8Q+ Qxe8 44.Qd5 h5 45.Rh1 Kh7 46.Rd1 Qe3 47.Qd2 Qe4 48.Qc3 Qe5 49.Qd2 Qc5 50.Rb1 Bxb1 51.Kxb1 Qg1+ 52.Kc2 Qg6+ 53.Qd3 Qxd3+ 54.Kxd3* 1-0 (54) MaLeKkoNihli (2660)-Wea_pawn (2622) Blitz 2022 *)* 12.h5 *(12.f4 c5 13.fxe5 Bxe5 14.Nf3 Nxf3 15.gxf3 c4 16.h5 f4 17.Bc5 Rf7 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qh2 Qf6 20.Bxb6 axb6 21.Bxc4 Rc7 22.Bb3 Qd6 23.Kb1 Ra5 24.Rdg1 Rf7 25.Qh6 Bg7 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Rxg6 Qe5 28.d6 Rb5 29.Rxg7 Qxg7 30.Qxg7+ Rxg7 31.Rh8+* 1-0 (31) dmitry-lavrik (2660)-dschwarz (2670) Blitz 2021 *)* 12...f4 13.Bf2 g5 14.h6 Bf6 15.Kb1 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Nge2 c5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Bxd4 exd4 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nc3 Qf5+ 22.Ne4 Be6 23.Rc1 Rfc8 24.Bc4 Bxc4 25.Rxc4 Be7 26.Qd3 Rab8 27.Rhc1 Rb6 28.Ka1 Rxh6 29.Qb3 Rb6 30.Rb4+ Qf7 31.Rxb6 axb6 32.Qxb6 d3 33.Qa6 Rd8 34.a3 Qb3 35.Nc3 c4 36.Qe6+ Kf8 37.Qf5+ Kg7

38.Rh1 h6 39.Qe5+ Bf6 40.Qc7+ Kg6 41.Qc6 Rb8 42.Rxh6+ Kxh6 43.Qxf6+ Kh5 44.Qf7+ Kh4 45.Qh7+ Kg3 46.Qh3+ Kf2 47.Ne4+ Ke3 48.Qc8 Qd1+ 0-1 (48) MaLeKkoNihli (2662)-RanchoWangdu (2671) Blitz 2022;

B) 10...f4 11.Bf2 e5 12.d5 Na5 13.Kb1 Nac4 14.Qc1 Bd7 15.Bc5 Nd6 16.Bd3 Rf6 17.Nge2 Qe8 18.Bf2 Kh8 19.Bc2 c6 20.Bb3 Rc8 21.dxc6 Bxc6 22.Bxb6 axb6 23.Qd2 Bf8 24.Nd5 Bxd5 25.Qxd5 Be7 26.h5 g5 27.Qxe5 Rc5 28.Rd5 Rxd5 29.Qxd5 Nf7 30.e5 Rf5 31.Nd4 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2621)-Papagayo (2567) Blitz 2021;

C) 10...fxe4 ChessBase II: '!' '!' ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain was fine for Black.'ChessBase II: 'was fine for Black.'

C1) 11.fxe4 Stohl,Igor: '?!' Stohl, Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '?!'

C1a) 11...Nxd4 Stohl,Igor: '∓' 12.Nf3 *(12.Bxd4 Qxd4 13.Qxd4 Bxd4 14.Rxd4 Rxf1+ 15.Rd1 Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Bg4+ 17.Kc2 Rd8 18.b3 Nd7 19.Nd5 e6 20.Ne3 h5 21.Nxg4 hxg4 22.h5 Kg7 23.h6+ Kh7 24.Ne2 Nc5 25.Nc3 c6 26.b4 Nd3 27.e5 Nxe5 28.Ne4 Rf8 29.Ng5+ Kh8 30.Re1 Rf5 31.Rxe5 Rxe5 32.Nf7+ Kh7 33.Nxe5 Kxh6 34.Nf7+ Kg7 35.Nd6 b6 36.Nc8 a5 37.Nxb6 axb4 38.Kb3 c5 39.Nd7* 1-0 (39) positinal_style (2638)-Taylanruzgar (2557) Blitz 2022*)* 12...e5 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Bg4 15.Be2 Qxd4 16.Qxd4 Bxd4 17.Bxg4 Be5 18.Rhf1 c6 19.h5 Rae8 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Be2 Rxf1 22.Rxf1 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rxe4 24.Bd3 Re6 25.Kd2 Kg7 26.Rb1 g5 27.a4 Re7 28.a5 Nd5 29.a6 b6 30.Rh1 Nf6 31.c4 c5 32.Rf1 Re5 33.Rh1 Ne4+ 34.Kc2 Nf6 35.Kd2 Re8 36.Kc3 Rh8 37.Re1 Kf7 38.Rf1 Rf8 39.Kb3 Ke6 40.Ka4 Rd8 41.Rf3 Ne8 42.Kb5 Kd6 43.Ka4 Nc7 44.Rf7 Nxa6 45.Rxa7 Nb4 46.Be4 Ke5 47.Bf3 Rd6 48.Kb5 Kf4 49.Rb7 g4 50.Bd5 Nxd5 51.cxd5 Rxd5 52.Rxb6 Kg3 53.Kc4 Rf5 54.Rg6 Rf4+ 55.Kxc5 Kxg2 0-1 (55) EZKIMO_SE (2704)-SF-46 (2770) Blitz 2022;

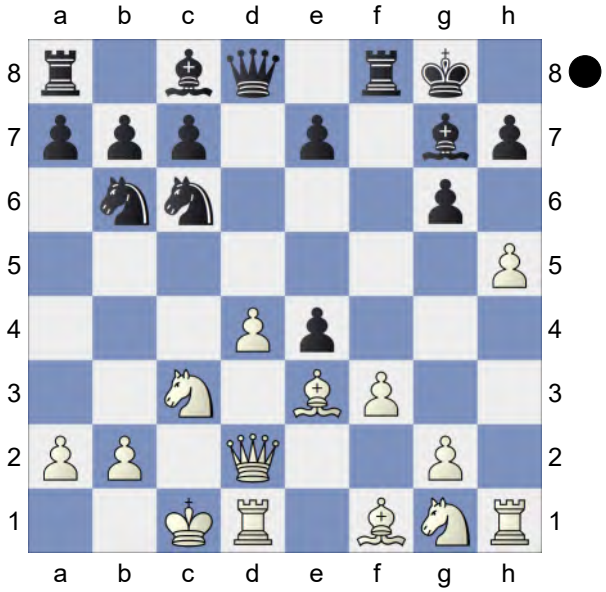
C1b) 11...Bg4 12.Nf3 Rxf3 13.gxf3 Bxf3 14.Bg2 Nc4 15.Qf2 Nxe3 16.Bxf3 Nxd1 17.Rxd1 Nxd4 18.Be2 e5 19.Bc4+ Kh8 20.Kb1 Qxh4 21.Qxh4 1-0 (21) retardedplatypus123 (2623)-flo50 (2613) Blitz 2022;

C1c) 11...e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nf3 *(13.h5 Bg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Ngxe2 Nc4 16.Qd3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Qf6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qh3 Qg5+ 20.Kb1 Nxe2 21.Nxe2 Rf6 22.Ng1 Qf4 23.Re1 Kf7 24.Qd7+ Kg8 25.Nf3 Rb6 26.Qxc7 Qg3 27.Re2 Rf8 28.d6 Rxf3 29.gxf3 Qxf3 30.Qc4+ Kf8 31.Rd1 Rc6 32.d7 Rxc4 33.d8Q+ Kf7 34.Rd7+ Ke6 35.Qe7#* 1-0 (35)

VanuatuLover (2679)-Boyechko,O (2561) Blitz 2024*; 13.Nge2 Bg4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd1 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qxd1 Qf6 18.h5 c6 19.Kb1 cxd5 20.exd5 Rad8 21.Qd2 Qf4 22.h6+ Kg8 23.Qd3 Qf5 24.Kc2 Nxd5 25.Qxf5 Ne3+ 26.Kb3 Rxf5* 0-1 (26) tactinhos2900 (2675)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Bg4 14.Be2 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 a5 16.h5 gxh5 17.Qb5 Qd6 18.Bc5 Qh6+ 19.Kb1 Rf7 20.d6 Nd7 21.dxc7 Nxc5 22.Qxc5 Qc6 23.Rd8+ Rf8 24.Qd5+ Be6 25.Qxc6 bxc6 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.Rd1 Rc8 28.Rd8+ Kf7 29.Ng5+ 1-0 (29) supertactic91 (2731)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021;

C2) 11.Nxe4 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Be6↑;

C3) 11.h5 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



'' ChessBase II: '!?' '!?' ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain' Glenn Flear: 'has dropped out of fashion.'

C3a) Stronger than Black has done badly following 11...e5?! Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) Stohl,Igor: ' ≤' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'' as in Kuzmin, A - Koster, R Amsterdam 2004, see the archives. 12.d5 Nd4 13.hxg6 hxg6

C3a1) 14.Bh6 Qe7 *(14...e3 15.Bxe3 Nxd5 16.Bh6 Nf4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.g3 Nh5 19.Qe3 Qf6 20.Bd3 Bf5 21.g4 Bxd3 22.gxh5 Bf5 23.f4* 1-0 Jerez Perez,A-Perez Lopez,J/Cala Galdana 2001/ (48) *)* 15.fxe4 *(15.Bxg7 Qxg7 16.fxe4 Bg4 17.Be2 Rf2 18.Qe3 Rxg2 19.Bxg4 Rc2+ 20.Kb1 Rxb2+* 'Ftacnik,L: 'Ftacnik: '½-½ Varga,Z-Schneider,H/Bad Woerishofen 2001/ (24)''' *21.Kc1 Rc2+ 22.Kb1 Rb2+* ½-½ Varga,Z-Schneider,H/Bad Woerishofen 2001/ (24) *)* 15...Bg4 16.Re1 a5 17.Bd3 a4 18.Kb1 c5 19.a3 Nc8 20.d6 Nxd6 21.Nd5 Qf7 22.Nh3 Bxh3 23.Rxh3 c4 24.Qg5 Bf6 25.Nxf6+ Qxf6 26.Bc2 Qxg5 27.Bxg5 Rf2 28.Reh1 Nf7 29.Be3 Rxg2 30.Bd1 Rd8 31.Bxa4 b5 32.Bxd4 Rxd4 33.Bxb5 Rdd2 34.Bxc4 Rxb2+ 35.Ka1 Rbf2 36.Rh8+ Kg7

37.R1h7+ Kf6 38.Rxf7+ Kg5 39.Rxf2 Rxf2 40.a4 Rd2 41.Bd5 Rd4 42.Ra8 Kf4 43.Kb2 g5 44.a5 g4 45.Ka3 Rd1 46.a6 Ra1+ 47.Ba2 Rd1 48.a7 Rd7 49.Rf8+ 1-0 (49) hypebeast024 (2666)-AndreyGnidenko (2569) Rapid 2024;

C3a2) 14.fxe4 , etc. 14...Bg4 *(14...c6 15.Nf3 Nxf3 16.gxf3 cxd5 17.exd5 Rxf3 18.Kb1 Bf5+ 19.Ka1 Qd7 20.d6 e4 21.Be2 Rg3 22.Bd4* 1-0 Svetushkin,D-Lupulescu,C/Bucharest 2003/ (29)*)* 15.Nf3!↑ **Δ Δ Δ Δ** *(15.Re1 Qe7 16.Bd3 c6 17.Kb1 Rac8 18.Nh3 Qb4 19.Nf2 Bd7 20.Bh6 Qe7 21.Nfd1 cxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.exd5 Bf5 24.Nc3 Bxh6 25.Rxh6 Kg7 26.Bxf5 Nxf5 27.Rh3* 1-0 Barsov,A-Barbeau,S/ Montreal 2002/ (55)*)* 15...Nxf3 16.gxf3 Bxf3 17.Bh3→;

C3b) 11...exf3

C3b1) 12.Nxf3 Bf5 13.hxg6 Bxg6 14.Bd3 Qd6 *(14...Qe8 15.Ng5 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Qg6 17.Qb5 e6 18.Rxh7 Rf5 19.Rdh1 Rxb5 20.Nxb5 Nd5 21.Bd2 Ncb4* 0-1 (21) MaLeKkoNihli (2648)-Evelone192 (2700) Blitz 2022*)* 15.Ng5 Nb4 16.Nge4 Nxd3+ 17.Qxd3 Qc6 18.Bg5 Nd5 0-1 Igla,B-Tsai,C/Oropesa del Mar 2000/ (37);

C3b2) 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Nxf3 Qd6 *(13...Bg4 14.Bh6 Bxf3 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qh6+ Kf7 17.Qh7+ Ke8 18.Qxg6+ Kd7 19.gxf3 Kc8 20.d5 Ne5 21.Qe6+ Ned7 22.Rh7 Re8 23.Re1 Kb8 24.Rxe7 Rxe7 25.Qxe7 Qc8 26.Bh3 a6 27.Na4 Ka7 28.Nxb6 cxb6+ 29.Kb1 Qc4 30.Qxd7 Rg8 31.Bg4 Rh8 32.Qe6 Rh2 33.Qe4 Qb5 34.Qd4 Qa5 35.Rd1 Rh8 36.a3 Rd8 37.d6 Qb5 38.d7 Qc6 39.Qd6 Qa4 40.Rc1 Qb5 41.Rc8 Qf1+ 42.Ka2 Rxd7 43.Qb8#* 1-0 (43) rhungaski (2646)-whymilikow (2716) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Bh6 Bf5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.d5 Ne5 17.Qh6+ 1-0 Ward,C-Liss,E/ Isle of Man 1997/ (43);

C3c) Polivanov,Anatoliy: ', but as next famous game has shown, Black is OK:' 11...gxh5 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!'' It's generally recognized that it's necessary to eliminate the white h-pawn before it does any further damage.

C3c1) Krnic,Zdenko: 'The alternative is' The other approach involves 12.Rxh5 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)' RR: 'Ü 82/402 — 82/402' ChessBase II: 'is almost not fully equal. White is pressing here.' i.e. ChessBase II: 'is almost not

fully equal. White is pressing here.' Bf5 ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain: '!?' Edouard, Romain: 'was surely best.'' ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain: 'was surely best.'' *(12...e5* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian'' *13.d5 Nd4 14.Rg5 Kh8 15.fxe4 Bd7 16.Bd3 Bf6 17.Nf3!±)*

C3c11) 13.Bh6 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Qxd4!? 14.Qxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf8 Rxf8∓;

C3c12) 13.Nxe4 Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian'' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'N!?' Qd5?! *(13...Bxe4 14.fxe4 Nxd4 15.Kb1!⩱)* 14.g4 Nc4 15.Qf2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qxa2 17.gxf5 Qa1+ 18.Kd2! Qxb2+ 19.Ke1 Nxd4 20.Bc4+ Kh8 21.Qf4↑;

C3c13) 13.Nh3 Bg6 14.Rg5 exf3 15.Nf4 Rxf4 16.Bxf4 Qxd4 17.gxf3 Rf8 18.Qxd4 Nxd4 19.Be3 Nxf3 20.Ra5 a6 21.Nd5 Nxd5 22.Raxd5 Ne5 23.Rd8 Rxd8 24.Rxd8+ Kf7 25.b3 h5 26.Kd2 h4 27.Bg2 c6 28.Bf4 Bf5 29.Rb8 h3 30.Bh1 Ng6 31.Bg3 Bh6+ 32.Ke1 Be3 33.Rxb7 Be6 34.Bxc6 Nf4 35.Bxf4 Bxf4 36.Kf2 Kf6 37.Rb6 Ke5 38.Rxa6 Bd5 39.Bxd5 Kxd5 40.Ra4 e5 41.Ra8 h2 42.Rh8 Ke4 43.Ke2 Kd4 44.Rh3 e4 45.a4 Be5 46.Rh4 1-0 (46) benkonian (2694)-stockton_slap (2501) Rapid 2024;

C3c14) 13.fxe4?! Glenn Flear: 'This exchange sacrifice looks new.' Bg4?! 14.Rg5 Bxd1 15.Qxd1 Kh8?! *(15...h6! 16.Rg4 Ne5!* favours Black slightly*)* 16.Nf3 Kovalenko, I - Krasenkow, M Trzcianka rapid 2013, is far too optimistic from White's point of view, as then e6 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '1-0 (29) Kovalenko,I (2596)-Krasenkow,M (2643) Trzcianka 2013 Vidit,S: '1-0 (29) Kovalenko,I (2596)-Krasenkow,M (2643) Trzcianka 2013'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: '1-0 (29) Kovalenko,I (2596)-Krasenkow,M (2643) Trzcianka 2013 Vidit,S: '1-0 (29) Kovalenko,I (2596)-Krasenkow,M (2643) Trzcianka 2013'' *(16...Nxd4!* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' *17.Nxd4 Rxf1 18.Qxf1 Bxd4∓* is possible *19.Nd5 Bxe3+ 20.Nxe3 Qd6*

Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: ' ∓' '∓ ' ' ∓ ') 17.Rh5 Qe8 18.Ng5 h6 19.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'with attacking chances offering White good compensation, Kovalenko, I - K r a s e n k o w , M Trzcianka rapid 2013.' Nb4 20.Be2 Kovalenko, I-Krasenkow, M Trzcianka rapid 2013, and now I suggest Glenn Flear: 'Kovalenko, I-Krasenkow, M Trzcianka rapid 2013, and now I suggest' Kg8 with chances for both sides.;

C3c15) Glenn Flear: 'a risky exchange sac. Instead' 13.Rg5 Bg6 and now the game Vallejo-Navara, Corus-B 2009 where White played

C3c151) Glenn Flear: 'Previously everyone had played' 14.Be2 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' Ü 101/364 ' Mikhalchishin,A: '— 101/364' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Ü 101/364' Mikhalchishin,A: '— 101/364' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Ü 101/364' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: ' Ü 101/364 ' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 101/364' Mikhalchishin,A: '— 101/364 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Ü 101/364'' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 101/364 Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'' e5 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!' *(14...Qe8!? 15.fxe4 Rd8 16.d5 Ne5 17.Bd4 Nbc4 18.Qe1 Bh6 19.Qh4 Nf7=* Martirosyan, H - Low Zhen Yu Cyrus, Biel 2019, Black may be on the way to winning the exchange but, as his king is fragile, chances are still about even *20.Nh3 e5 21.Bc5 Ncd6 22.Bg4 b6 23.Be3 Bxg5 24.Nxg5 Qe7 25.Be6 Rde8 26.Rh1 Kh8 27.g4 Nd8 28.Bf5 Rg8 29.Qh6 Qg7 30.Qh2 Re7 31.b3 Rf8 32.Qh4 Kg8 33.Ne6 Nxe6 34.dxe6 Rfe8 35.Bh6 Qh8 36.Rf1 c6 37.Qg5 Rg7 38.Qf6 Rge7 39.Qg5 Rg7 40.Qd2 Nb7 41.Bxg6 hxg6 42.Bxg7* 1-0 (42) Martirosyan,H (2619)-Low,Z (2413) Biel SUI 2019) 15.d5 and now: Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: ' ∞ ' and now: Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Black has 15...exf3 or 15... ♘d4 here, both leading to unclear positions'

C3c1511) Glenn Flear: 'After'

15...exf3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor' RR: 'Ü 82/402' 16.Nxf3 Glenn Flear: 'Swati, M-Padmini, R Bhubaneswar 2011, and then' Nd4 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'seems fine, e.g.'

C3c15111) 17.Bd3 Nf5 18.Bc5 Rf7 Golod,V (2591)-Herrera,I (2404)/Linares/2001/ 19.Rh1!? *(19.g4 Nd6 20.Bxd6 cxd6 21.Bf5 Kf8 22.Rxg6 hxg6 23.Ng5 Nc4 24.Ne6+ Ke7 25.Qe2 Qb6* ½-½ Golod,V-Herrera,I/Linares 2001/ (66 *)* 19...Nd7 20.Ba3∞;

C3c15112) 17.Nxe5 Nxe2+ 18.Qxe2 Glenn Flear: '(0.5-0.5 Pliasunov, A-Vokarev, S St. Petersburg 2002)' Glenn Flear: '(0.5-0.5 Pliasunov, A-Vokarev, S St. Petersburg 2002)' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '½-½ Pliasunov,A-Vokarev,S/St Petersburg 2002/(18)' Glenn Flear: 'a draw was prematurely agreed in Pliasunov, A-Vokarev, S St. Petersburg 2002. Best play could be' Re8 19.Qg4 *(19.Nxg6 Qxg5 20.Bxg5 Rxe2 21.Nxe2 hxg6= 22.Nf4 Rf8* Glenn Flear: 'with balanced chances. ' *)* 19...Bxe5 20.Rxg6+ hxg6 21.Qxg6+ Bg7 22.Bd4 Qe7 23.Rh1 Nd7 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Rf1+ Bf6 26.Qh8+ Kf7 27.Qh7+ Kf8 ½,Baumgartner,U (2122)-Kopasov,E (2188)/corr/2006/ ½,Baumgartner,U (2122)-Kopasov,E (2188)/corr/2006/ ½,Baumgartner,U (2122)-Kopasov,E (2188)/corr/2006/ ½,Baumgartner,U (2122)-Kopasov,E (2188)/corr/2006/ Glenn Flear: 'with a draw, as analyzed by Kaufman.';

C3c1512) 15...Nd4!? doesn't develop White's knight and is more ambitious: RR: 'N' doesn't develop

White's knight and is more ambitious: 16.fxe4 c6 Glenn Flear: 'with a complex struggle that was fine for Black in Laznicka, V-Ponomariov, R 2007:' Glenn Flear: '*'

C3c15121)
17.dxc6
Glenn Flear: 'N'

C3c151211)
17...bxc6
Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'
18.Nf3 Qe7
19.Nh4 Rad8
20.Bd3 Rd6
21.Nf5?!
Laznicka,V (2596)-Jansa,V (2521)/CZE-chT/2006/
Rxf5! *(21...Bxf5 22.exf5 Qf7 23.Ne4 Qxa2 24.Bxd4 Rxd4 25.f6 Rf7 26.fxg7 Qa1+ 27.Kc2 Qa4+ 28.Kb1 Rxe4 29.Bc2)*
22.exf5 Nxf5
23.Rxg6 hxg6
24.Kb1∞
/∓ /∓ /∓ /∓ ;

C3c151212)
17...Nxc6! 18.Qe1 Qf6 and now 19. Qg3 was played a couple of times by Laznicka in 2007 (see the archives), but he lost both games. Instead,
19.Qg3
(19.Rg3!?∞ Krasenkow Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '(Stohl,Igor) Krasenkow' *Nd4 20.Bd3 Rac8 21.Kb1* gave White a small pull in Boehme, S - Johnson, H e-mail 2014, but the game ended as a draw. *)*

C3c1512121)
19...Rad8
Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'
20.Nf3 Nd4
21.Bd3 Nxf3
22.gxf3 Rc8
(Glenn Flear: 'If' *22...Qxf3*
Glenn Flear: 'White has' *23.Qxf3 Rxf3 24.Bc4+ Nxc4 25.Rxd8+*
Glenn Flear: 'winning the exchange but this isn't the end of the story as then after' *Rf8* Glenn Flear: 'White again has an unfortunate disposition with the bishop attacked on e3 and the rook on g5 prime for a skewer with ...Bh6, so simplest would thenbe' *26.Rxf8+*

Bxf8 27.Rxg6+ hxg6 28.Bxa7 Glenn Flear: 'with equality.') 23.Kb1 Qxf3 24.Qg1½ Laznicka,V (2608)-Krasenkow,M (2661)/Ostrava/ 2007/ Rc6 25.Rf1 Glenn Flear: 'Laznicka has, at least for the moment, seized the initiative for the pawn.' Qh3 26.Rff5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'What is Black going to do about his queen?' Bh6 27.Bf1 (Glenn Flear: 'White also has good play after' *27.Rg3* Glenn Flear: '!?' *Bxe3 28.Rxe3 Qh4 29.Ref3*) 27...Qh4 28.Bf2 Glenn Flear: 'Trapping the queen but Krasenkov is able to extract a reasonable price for her majesty.' Qxg5 29.Rxg5 Bxg5 30.Bb5 Rxf2 Glenn Flear: '!' 31.Qxf2 Rc7 Glenn Flear: 'The smoke clear and Black finds himself with rook, bishop and pawn for the queen. He seems to have just about enough compensation.' 32.a4 Glenn Flear: '?!' (Glenn Flear: 'White could keep some pressure with' *32.Qg3* Glenn Flear: '!' *Bf4 33.Qd3 Kg7 34.a4* Glenn Flear: 'as this avoids the following freeing manoeuvre.') 32...Nd5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Not waiting to be pushed!' 33.Qxa7 Nxc3+ 34.bxc3 Bxe4+ 35.Kb2 Re7 Glenn Flear: 'The position is extremely unbalanced, all three results being plausible.' 36.a5 Bg6 37.c4 Bf6 38.c5 e4+ Glenn Flear: 'The passed pawn has to be pushed.' 39.Ka3 e3 40.Be2 Kg7 41.c6 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Creating a passed pawn. Which one will be stronger?' bxc6 42.Qb6 Rd7

Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'Trying to increase the scope of his pieces.' 43.a6 Glenn Flear: '??' Glenn Flear: 'Too single-minded it seems. Instead' *(43.Qxe3* Glenn Flear: 'would give White any winning chances going.' *)* 43...Be7+ 44.Kb3 Bf7+ 45.Kc3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'After' *45.Ka4* Glenn Flear: 'Black wins the bishop with' *Rd2* Glenn Flear: 'due to the mate threat. ' *)* 45...Bf6+ 46.Kb4 Rd4+ 47.Kc5 Rd2 Glenn Flear: 'The main threats are ... Bd4+ and capturing the bishop on e2. Suddenly Black is winning.' 48.Qc7 Bd4+ 49.Kb4 Rxe2 50.Qg3+ Kh8 51.a7 Rb2+ 52.Ka3 Ra2+ 53.Kb4 e2 54.Qh4 c5+ 55.Kb5 Rxa7 56.Kb6 Ra1 57.Qd8+ Bg8 Wastfelt,T (2608)-Bolz,B (2661) ICCF 2007 Telechess CBM 89 [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: '0-1 (57) Laznicka,V (2608)-Krasenkow,M (2661) Ostrava CZE 2007 [Glenn Flear]'; **C3c1512122)** Glenn Flear: 'More to the point is' 19...Nd4! Glenn Flear: '=!' 'and Black went on to win.' Glenn Flear: 'as the natural' 20.Bh5 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *(20.Nf3* Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'would then fail to' *Nxe2+ 21.Nxe2 Nc4* Glenn Flear: 'with problems for White along the c1-h6 diagonal.' *)* 20...Bxh5 21.Rxh5 Rac8 22.Bh6 *(22.Kb1? Rxc3! 23.bxc3 Na4!-+* Laznicka,V (2594)-Ponomariov,R (2706)/Karlovy Vary/2007 *)* 22...Qg6!∓; **C3c15122)** 'After RR: 'Glenn Flear: 'After''' 17.Nf3!?

Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor"→99/314 Ü 99/314 RR: 'Ü 99/314 — 99/314 Ü 99/314' RR: 'Ü 99/314 — 99/314 Ü 99/314 Glenn Flear: 'Ü 99/314 Ü 99/314'"

C3c151221)

17...Nxf3 18.gxf3 cxd5 19.exd5 Rc8 20.d6 Rf7 21.Bxb6 *(21.Rxg6! hxg6 22.Kb1↑)* 21...axb6 22.Rxg6 hxg6 23.Qd5 e4 24.d7 Rc5 25.Qxe4 Quintin,N (2153)-Sanchez Ibern,M (2314)/Padrun/2011/ Kf8 26.Qg4 Rc7 27.Qb4+ Rc5=;

C3c151222)

17...cxd5 18.Nxe5 Nxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Bxe5 20.Rxe5 Qc7 21.Rg5 Na4 22.Qc2 Nxc3 23.bxc3 dxe4 24.Kb2⩲ Cabrera Pino,A-Aberbach,A/corr/2007/;

C3c151223)

17...Bf6 18.Rg3 Nxe2+ *(18...cxd5 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Bxd4 Qc7=)* 19.Qxe2 cxd5 20.exd5?! *(20.Bxb6!±)* 20...Rc8 21.Ng5 *(21.Bh6 RR: ' ∞!?' Nxd5!∓)* 21...Bxg5 22.Bxg5 Qd6↑ Moiseenko,A (2627)-Li,C (2504)/Moscow/2007/ RR: '∓' Glenn Flear: 'Black had a solid enough game and the safer king in Moiseenko, A-Li Chao Moscow 2007.';

C3c152) 14.Nxe4!? was annotated by GM Scherbakov in CT-3000 was unsuccessful in Vallejo Pons, F - Navara, D Wijk aan Zee 2009, as you can see in the archives 14...e5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikha'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!''' Ichishin,A: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' Mikhalchishin,A: '!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' '!' '!' Mikhalchishin,A: '!' Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 15.d5 *(15.dxe5* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian'' *Qxd2+ 16.Bxd2 Nxe5 17.Bc3 Rae8=)* 15...Nd4 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Vidit,Santosh

Gujrathi: '=' '=' '=' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vallejo Pons,F (2702)-Navara,D (2638) Wijk aan Zee 2009 Vidit,S: 'Vallejo Pons,F (2702)-Navara,D (2638) Wijk aan Zee 2009'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vallejo Pons,F (2702)-Navara,D (2638) Wijk aan Zee 2009 Vidit,S: 'Vallejo Pons,F (2702)-Navara,D (2638) Wijk aan Zee 2009" 16.Nc3

C3c1521)

Glenn Flear: 'A more solid alternative that looks playable is' 16...Nf5

Glenn Flear: 'when I would be quite happy with Black.' 17.Rg4?!

Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *(⌓17.Nh3!?∞* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'*)* 17...Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Rf4! 19.Rxf4 exf4 20.Qc5 *(20.Qxf4!? Qe7∓)* 20...Qg5 21.Nh3 Qe5 22.Qf2 Re8 23.Qd2 Qd6 24.Ng5 Bxc3 25.Qxc3 Re3 26.Qd4 c5 27.Qd2 Qe5 28.Ne4 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Rxe4 30.Bd3 Rd4∓ Giulian,P (2505)-Svacek,P (2454)/corr/2002/;

C3c1522) 16...Bf6 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' 17.Rg4 Kh8 18.f4 Bf5 19.fxe5 Bxg4 20.Qxd4 Bg5 21.e6+ Qf6 22.Bxg5 Qxd4 23.Rxd4 Rxf1+ 24.Kd2 h5 25.Nh3⩱ Kushnaryov,A (1872)-Correa de Almeida,C (1992)/corr/2009/;

C3c1523) 16...Rf5?! Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" 17.Rg4 Rf7 18.Bd3!±;

C3c1524) 16...Nxd5?? loses to 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Nxd5;

C3c1525) 16...c6!?N Black wants to activate his major pieces as soon as possible. Black wants to activate his major pieces as soon as possible. Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Navara continues to react vigorously as the initiative is so important here.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Glenn Flear:

'!' Glenn Flear: 'Navara continues to react vigorously as the initiative is so important here.' Stohl,Igor: 'N!?' Stohl,Igor: 'Black wants to activate his major pieces as soon as possible.'' Black wants to activate his major pieces as soon as possible.'' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Black wants to activate his major pieces as soon as possible.'' 17.dxc6 *(* Exchanging Black's main attacking piece with Exchanging Black's main attacking piece with *17.Bd3!?* deserves attention. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '(Stohl,Igor) deserves attention. ' deserves attention.*)* 17...Qc7 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?!' '?!' Mik'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?!''' halchishin,A: '?!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?!' Mikhalchishin,A: '?!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?!' '?!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?!' '?!' '?!' Mikhalchishin,A: '?!' *(17...Nxc6* Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" *18.Qf2 Qc7)*

C3c15251)

18.Bd3

Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Qxc6 *(18...Rad8?! 19.Bxg6 Nb3+ 20.axb3 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 hxg6 22.Rxg6≅)* 19.Bxg6 hxg6 20.Qd3 Kf7!?= /∓ /∓ /∓ /∓ is OK for Black, but still better than the game continuation. is OK for Black, but still better than the game continuation.;

C3c15252)

18.cxb7?

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C3c152521) 19.Ba6 Nc4↑ Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *(19...Rxb7!?⩱* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'*; 19...Nd5∓ 20.Rxg6* Mikhalchishin, Adrian *)*;

C3c152522) 19.Rxg6 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' hxg6 20.Ba6 Rxb7 *(20...Nd5∓* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '∓" *21.Qd3* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" *Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Rfd8 23.Kb1 Qc6∓; 20...Rfd8∓)* 21.Bxb7 Qxb7↑;

C3c152523) 19.f4 Glenn Flear: 'Aiming to undermine the strong knight on d4. ' 19...Rfd8 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'All Black's pieces are developed and active. White's king is definitely the least secure and his development/ piece co-ordination is lacking. So Black should be (and is!) better.' *(19...Rxb7* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" *20.fxe5 Ne6 21.Rxg6! hxg6 22.Qd6 Qf7 23.Bb5 Rd8∓)*

C3c1525231) 20.Ba6 Ne6 21.Qe2 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor' *(21.Qe1* Mikhalchishin,

Adrian *Nxg5 22.fxg5 Rxd1+)* 21...Rxd1+ 22.Qxd1 *(22.Kxd1 exf4↑)* 22...Nxg5 *(22...exf4 23.Rxg6! hxg6 24.Qb3⇄)* 23.fxg5 Be4!∓ Mikhalchishin,A: ' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin,A: ' ∓' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin,A: '∓';

C3c1525232)

20.Bd3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor' Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Na4!?∓ *(21...Ne6∓)* Δ Δ Δ Δ 22.fxe5 Nxb2 23.Kxb2 Qxb7+ 24.Nb5 Ne6! 25.Qb3 Rxd1 26.Qxe6+ Kh8 27.Kc2 Qxb5-+;

C3c1525233)

20.fxe5 Glenn Flear: 'Offering Black a choice.' 20...Ne6∓ Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '∓" *(* Navara settles for the exchange rather than the queen. Presumably *20...Nb3+ 21.axb3 Rxd2 22.Bxd2* didn't appeal as White will obtain sufficient material compensation.*)* 21.Qe2 Rxd1+ 22.Qxd1 *(22.Kxd1* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *Nxg5 23.Bxg5 Bxe5∓)* 22...Nxg5 Glenn Flear: 'It's not surprising that once White loses the initiative his awkwardly-placed rook on g5 gets picked off. The question is now whether White can keep his king on the board.' 23.Bxg5 Bxe5 White still has no time to activate his poor knight. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'White still has no time to activate his poor knight.'' White still has no time to activate his poor knight. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'White still has no time to activate his poor knight.'' *(23...Qxe5* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *24.Nf3 Qa5∓)* 24.Ba6 Glenn Flear: 'By

holding onto the b7-pawn Vallejo hopes to make it difficult for Black to activate both of his major pieces.' Bxc3 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' *(24...Be4* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" *25.Qg4 Bxb7 26.Bd8+ Qg7 27.Qe6+ Qf7 28.Qxe5 Bxa6 29.Qg3+ Kf8 30.Qxb8 Qf1+ 31.Kc2 Qf5+=;* Also possible is *24...Kh8* but when a forcing line looks good...*)* 25.Qb3+ Nd5!? Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Stohl, Igor: '!?'' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Or here' *25...Bf7!* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '!" *26.Qxc3 Nd5!* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '!" *27.Qxc7 Nxc7* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '' ∓ ' M'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '" ikhalchishin,A: ' ∓' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin,A: ' ∓' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: ' ∓ '' ∓ '' ∓ ' Mikhalchishin,A: ' ∓' *28.Bd3 Bxa2-+* Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'and as the b7-pawn is condemned, White won't even emerge with a pawn for the exchange.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'and as the b7-pawn is condemned, White won't even emerge with a pawn for the exchange. Stohl, Igor: '-+" *)*

C3c15252331)

Black should gradually win even after the more resilient Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Black should gradually win even after the more resilient'' Black should gradually win even after the more resilient Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor:

'Black should gradually win even after the more resilient'' ⌓26.bxc3 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '⌓" Bf7 27.Ne2 *(27.c4* Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor' *Qd6-+)* 27...Qc6

C3c152523311)

28.Qa3 Nb4! Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *(28...Nc7∓* Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian" *)*;

C3c152523312)

28.Qb5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl, Igor' 28...Qxb5 29.Bxb5 Rxb7∓ /-+;

C3c15252332)

26.Qxd5+ Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' '?' Mikha'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?'" Ichishin, A: '?' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' Mikhalchishin,A: '?' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' '?' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '?' '?' '?' Mikhalchishin,A: '?' 26...Bf7 27.Qf5 *(27.Qb5* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *Rd8!* Δ Δ Δ Δ *28.Bxd8 Qf4+ 29.Kb1 Bg6+-+)*

C3c152523321)

Black can also play 27...Bd4+ 28.Qc2 Bxb2+! *(but not here 28...Qxc2+? 29.Kxc2 Bxg1? 30.Bf4)* 29.Kd1 Qd6+ 30.Bd3 Bg6;

C3c152523322)

27...Bf6+ 28.Kd1 *(28.Kd2* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' *Qd8+-+; 28.Kb1?? Bg6)* 28...Qd6+ 29.Kc1 Bxb2+ Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 30.Kxb2 Qxa6-+ The rest is a matter of simple technique. The rest is a matter of simple technique. Glenn Flear: 'It's all over bar the shouting, but Vallejo manages to keep playing for quite some time.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Glenn Flear: 'It's all over bar the shouting, but Vallejo manages to keep

playing for quite some time.' Stohl, Igor: '-+' Stohl,Igor: 'The rest is a matter of simple technique.'' The rest is a matter of simple technique. Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'The rest is a matter of simple technique. " 31.Kc1 Qc6+ 32.Kd2 Qxg2+ 33.Ne2 Qd5+ Glenn Flear: 'White could consider resigning here but as Black has so few pawns there is always a glimmer of hope.' 34.Qxd5 Bxd5 35.a4 Rxb7 36.a5 Kf7 37.Be3 Rb2+ 38.Ke1 a6 39.Bb6 h5 40.Nf4 Bf3 41.Nd3 Re2+ 42.Kf1 h4 43.Bd4 Bh5 44.Bf2 h3 45.Nf4 h2 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 0-1 (45) Vallejo Pons,F (2702)-Navara,D (2638) Wijk aan Zee 2009 CBM 149 [Stohl, Igor];

C3c2) 12.Bh6 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Qxd4!∓;

C3c3) Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'The alternative line'' Glenn Flear: 'The other main move is' 12.d5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'N!?' RR: 'N!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'but this has also been shorn of it's terror e.g.' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Sakaev is trying to improve on the sharp variation, that was somehow holding for black in the praxis.' 12...Ne5 13.Bh6 RR: '*'

C3c31) 13...Rf7? Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?!' RR: '?!' 14.Bxg7 Rxg7 *(14...Kxg7 15.Qd4 Rf5 16.g4 hxg4 17.fxg4 Rg5 18.Nxe4 e6 19.Nf3 c5 20.Rxh7+ Kg8 21.Qg1 Rxg4 22.Qh1+-)* 15.Rxh5→ RR: '**±**' *(15.Nxe4 h4 16.Qd4 Ng6 17.Ne2±)* 15...Nbc4? Timofeev has simply not risen to the task of the defender, second weaker move will cost him a whole point. *(15...Nf7 16.Nxe4 e6 17.dxe6 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Bxe6 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Bd3 h6 21.b3 Rd8±)* 16.Qd4 b5 *(16...Qe8 17.Rxe5 Nxe5 18.Qxe5 exf3 19.Nxf3+-; 16...c5 17.Qxe4 Qe8 18.Rxe5+-)* 17.Rxe5 *(17.Nxb5 c6 18.Nc3 Ba6 19.Rxe5 Nxe5*

20.Qxe5+-) 17...Nxe5 18.Qxe5 exf3 *(18...Qd6 19.Qxe4 b4 20.Nb5 Qc5+ 21.Bc4+-)* 19.Nxf3 Qd6 20.Nxb5 Qxe5 21.Nxe5 White knights are very active, black stands no chance of defending all the weaknesses. Bf5 *(21...Ba6 22.Nxc7 Rc8 23.Bxa6 Rxc7+ 24.Bc4 Rg4 25.b3+-)* 22.Nd4 Be4 23.Bc4 Rxg2 *(23...Kh8 24.g4 Rgg8 25.Ne6+-)* 24.Re1 1-0 (24) Sakaev,K (2664)-Timofeev,A (2577) Istanbul 2003 CBM 096 [Ftacnik,Lubomir] *(24.Re1 Bg6 25.d6++-)*;

C3c32) 13...Bxh6?! This seems to be new, but has a suspicious feel about it, as White now obtains a kingside initiative. 14.Qxh6 Qd6 15.Qg5+ Ng6 16.Qxh5 Rf7 17.Nxe4 Qf4+ 18.Kb1 Bf5 19.Nh3 *(*Otherwise, *19.Bd3!?* also comes into consideration. I was wondering about how dangerous is the attack anyway? I'm not fully sure, as yet, but if you intend playing like this (with either colour!) then it's a question that could do with answering!*)* 19...Qe5 *(* Exchanging queens with *19...Qh4 20.Qxh4 Nxh4* has its points, but the engine is still enthusiastic about White's chances despite not being able to demonstrate anything concrete. *)* 20.Nhg5 Rg7 21.Ne6?! Rushing in! *(*The prophylactic *21.g3* avoids ...Nf4 ideas. If then *Nxd5 22.Bc4 e6 23.Nxe6! Bxe6 24.Bxd5 Bxd5 25.Rxd5* despite the exchanges, White's attacking chances remain undiminished.*)* 21...Na4 22.Rd2 Nf4 23.Nxf4 Qxf4 24.Rc2 Rf8 *(* Stockfish prefers the consolidating *24...Bg6! 25.Qh3 Nb6=)*

C3c321) If 25.Bc4 apart from calmly placing his king in the corner, Black can opt for murky complications: Nc5 *(25...Kh8!?)* 26.d6+ e6 27.g3 Qe3 which would be 'unclear' for you or me, but the engine is adamant that White is on top.;

C3c322) 25.Bd3 Nb6 26.Nc5?! *(* One should probably just keep the tension with *26.Ka1* after which the computer steers the game towards a repetition with *Bg6 27.Qh3 Bf5 28.Qh5*

Bg6 etc. So it looks like chances are equal then! *)* 26...Rg5! 27.Qh4 Qxh4 28.Rxh4 Bxd3 29.Nxd3 Nxd5 Black seems to emerge a pawn up, but the forcing play isn't over yet... 30.Nc5 Ne3 31.Ne6 Re5 32.Nxf8 Nxc2 33.Kxc2 Kxf8 34.Kd3 Kg7 Now it really is a clear pawn to the good. 35.Rb4 White seeks to maintain an active rook in order to boost his resistance. b6 36.Ra4 a5 37.Rc4 c5 38.a4 h5 *(* In practical terms, *38...Rg5* might be slightly better, as this forces White to make a committal decision immediately.*)* 39.Rh4 Kg6 *(* The problem with *39...Rg5!?* now, is that White can even opt for *40.g4 hxg4 41.Rxg4* when the extra pawn isn't enough to make the difference felt even in a 'pure King and Pawn endgame'.*)* 40.g4 Exchanging pawns is often a useful defensive ploy. hxg4 41.Rxg4+ Kf5 42.Rh4 e6 43.Rh8 Rd5+ 44.Kc3 Kf4 45.Re8 e5 *(* *45...Rd6* can be met by *46.Rf8+ Ke3 47.Rf6=* when Black runs out of useful ideas.*)* 46.Rf8+ Ke3 47.Rf5 Ke2 48.Kc2! *(* Avoiding the temptation to 'go positive' with *48.Kc4?* in view of *Rd4+ 49.Kc3 Rd3+ 50.Kc4 Re3* when it's already Zugzwang. *)* 48...Rd2+ 49.Kb1 Rd5 50.Kc2 Ke3 51.Kc3 Rd3+ 52.Kc2 Rd2+ 53.Kc3 Rd5 54.Kc2 Ke2 55.b3 *(* *55.Kb1* is plausible, but one can understand the desire to avoid facing the annoying *Kd3)* 55...Rd2+ 56.Kc1 Rd1+ 57.Kb2 Rd5 58.Kc2 Rd2+ 59.Kc1 Kd3!? Now Black can further 'activate' his king, but at the cost of the e-pawn. It soon becomes clear however that this offers no real winning chances. 60.Rxe5 Rf2 61.Kb1 Kc3 62.Re3+ Kb4 63.Kc1 Ka3 64.Rc3 Re2 65.Rd3 Kb4 66.Kb1 b5 67.axb5 Kxb5 68.Rc3 Rf2 69.Rc4 Rxf3 70.Kb2 Rd3 71.Rf4 Re3 ½-½ (71) Yakubboev,N (2621)-Chigaev,M (2639) Riga LAT 2021 [Flear, Glenn];

C3c33) Until now

13...Nec4! Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!" Stohl, Igor: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' has been thought of as critical: 14.Qg5 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' *(or 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Qg5* which will probably come to the same thing*)* 14...Rf7 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'and Black already has the better chances,'

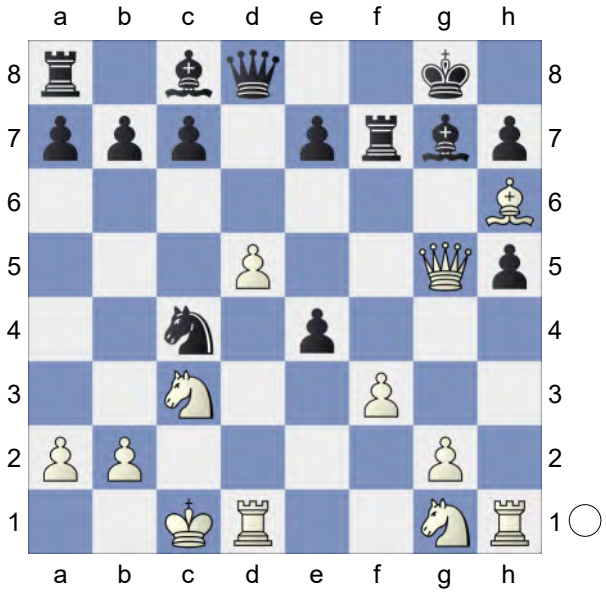
C3c331) 15.Rh4 Glenn Flear: 'looks dubious for White after Black's'

C3c3311) Glenn Flear: 'Sanikidze had earlier played' 15...Nxb2? Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Glenn Flear: 'but this was refuted in Rodshtein, M-Sanikidze, T Halkidiki 2003 by' 16.Rf4! Qe8 *(16...Qd6 17.Rxf7 Qxh6 18.Rxg7+ Qxg7 19.Qxg7+ Kxg7 20.Kxb2* Glenn Flear: 'when White's extra piece is more important than Black's loose pawns.' *)* 17.Rxf7 Qxf7 18.Kxb2 Na4+ 19.Ka3 Nxc3 20.Rc1 exf3 21.Rxc3 Qg6 22.Qxg6 hxg6 23.Bxg7 fxg2 24.Bxg2 Kxg7 25.Rxc7 Kf6∞;

C3c3312) 15...Nd6 16.fxe4 Bg4 17.Nf3 e5 18.dxe6 Qxg5+ 19.Bxg5 Bxe6∞;

C3c3313) 15...Qd6 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Aleskerov, F-Sanikidze, T Istanbul 2005.' Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' 16.Bxg7 Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor' Rxg7 17.Qxh5 Bd7 18.Rxe4 Qb4 Glenn Flear: 'with complications which finished in Black's favour Aleskerov, F-Sanikidze, T Istanbul 2005' 19.Rd2 Qc5 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Rd1 Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∞' *(21.Rdd4 Nd6 22.Rf4 Nf5-+* Aleskerov,F (2321)-Sanikidze,T (2411)/Istanbul/2005*/)* 21...Ne3 *(21...b5!?↑)* 22.Rd3 Nxg2 23.Nge2 Rf8∓ Def,P (1911)-Correa de Almeida,C (1992)/corr/2009/;

C3c332) Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'instead" 15.Bxc4 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-!' Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'This is possibly, not the best." 15...Nxc4 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '?' Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



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C3c3321) Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After" 16.Nxe4 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '(Meesen-Peschlow, Germany 2006) " Stohl,Igor: 'Glenn Flear: 'can be met with the cheeky" Nxb2 Krnic,Zdenko: '△' Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Go'→→→ Δ Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: '→ Δ'" lubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'must be checked." 17.Rd4 Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor" *(17.Rd2 Nc4)* 17...c5-+;

C3c3322) Black has decent play after 16.Bxg7 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor" Rxg7 17.Qxh5 Qf8!? *(17...exf3 18.gxf3 Qf8∞ /→/→/→/ ∓ 19.Nge2 Bf5=* Burmeister, F - Rodolfo Maser, L e-mail 2019. *)*;

C3c3323) 16.d6?! (Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)) is spectacular, but after Nxd6 17.Rxh5 Bf5 18.Bxg7 Rxg7 19.Rxd6 Qf8 20.Qxf5 Qxf5 21.Rxf5 cxd6∓ Black is better;

C3c3324) 16.Rd4? Krnic,Zdenko: '?' Krnic,Zdenko:

'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '∓?" Stohl,Igor: '?' Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor'' was refuted in the following: 16...Qd6! Krnic,Zdenko: 'N!' Stohl,Igor: '!' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!' Glenn Flear: 'and Black soon won in Mamedyarov, S-Kurnosov, I Moscow 2009. and Black soon won in Mamedyarov, S-Kurnosov, I Moscow 2009. ' *(* Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'In Rodshtein-Margelashvili, Budva 2003 Black played'' *16...Nd6* Krnic,Zdenko: 'Ü 89/(395) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?!' Ü 89/(395) Krnic,Z: '— 89/(395)''; The idea *16...Nxb2* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) Stohl,Igor: '!?' Stohl,Igor: '→→→ Δ' *17.Kxb2 c5!!* , regaining a piece, deserves to be mentioned *18.Rxe4 Qb6+∓)* 17.Bxg7 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '+-' *(* Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'If'' *17.Rxc4 Qxh6* Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ' ∓ " *18.Qxh6 Bxh6+ 19.Kd1 exf3 20.gxf3 Be3 21.Nge2 Rxf3* Krnic,Zdenko: '-+'; *17.Rxh5 Qb4 18.Nd1 Qc5 19.Ne2 exf3 20.gxf3 Ne5+ 21.Ndc3 Nxf3* Gubajdullin,A (2455)-Belov,I (2428)/Moscow/2009/) 17...Rxg7 18.Qxh5 Qf4+ Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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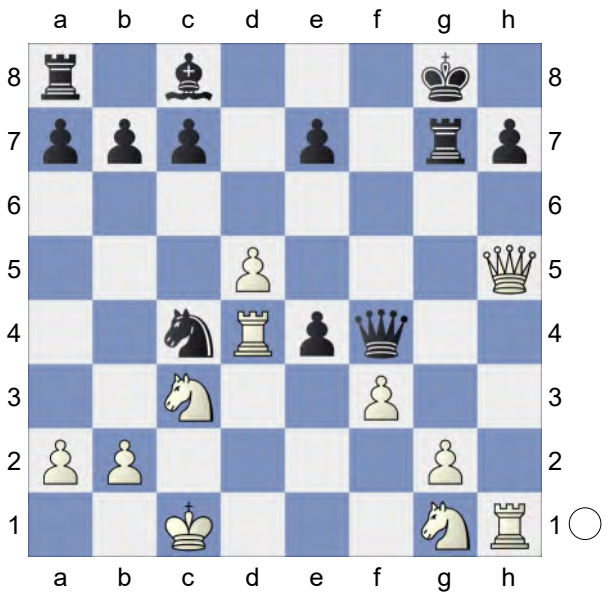

" 19.Kb1 (Or *19.Kc2* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *Ne3+ 20.Kb3 Bf5)* 19...Bf5-+ Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Natural and strong." Mamedyarov, S - Kurnosov, I Moscow 2009

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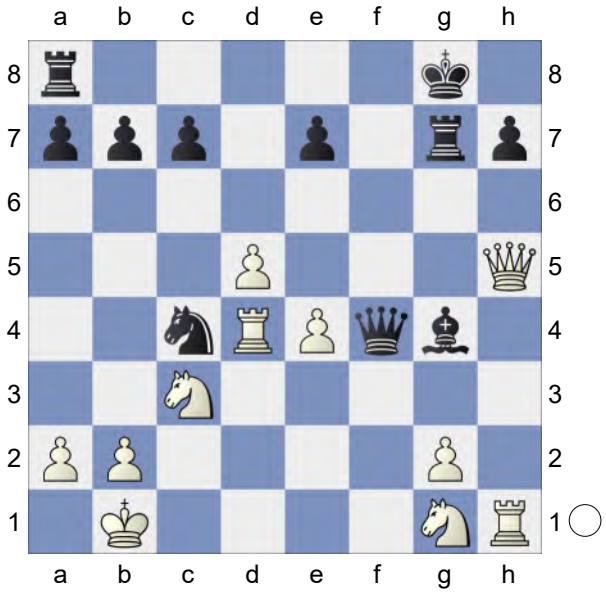
Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Or'' 20.Nge2 exf3+ 21.Ka1 Qg5 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '∓" Stohl,Igor: '∓' 22.Qxg5 (*22.Qxf3?* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *Ne3!)* 22...Rxg5 23.Rxc4 fxe2 24.Rxc7 Rxg2 25.Rxe7 Bd3 Krnic,Zdenko: '∓';

C3c33242) 20.fxe4 Bg4 Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



" 21.Nge2 Krnic,Zdenko: '?' (Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After'' *21.Qh6 Qf2 22.Rxc4 Qf1+ 23.Kc2 Qxc4* Krnic,Zdenko: ' ∓' Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+' Mikhail

Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black also wins the exchange'') Krnic,Zdenko: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After'' 21...Qd2 Glenn Flear: '0-1 Mamedyarov-Kurnosov, Moscow 2009' Krnic, Zdenko: '!' Stohl, Igor: '-+!' Stohl,Igor: '0-1,Mamedyarov,S (2724)-Kurnosov,I (2602)/Moscow/ 2009/' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: '0-1 (21) Mamedyarov,S (2724)-Kurnosov,I (2602) Moscow 2009 Vidit,S: '0-1 (21) Mamedyarov, S (2724)-Kurnosov, I (2602) Moscow 2009'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: '0-1 (21) Mamedyarov,S (2724)-Kurnosov,I (2602) Moscow 2009 Vidit,S: '0-1 (21) Mamedyarov, S (2724)-Kurnosov, I (2602) Moscow 2009'' Polivanov, Anatoliy: '!' Moradiabadi, Elshan: '0-1 (21) Mamedyarov,S (2724)-Kurnosov,I (2602) Moscow 2009 Remember the story?' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '0-1, Mamedyarov-Kurnosov, Aeroflot 2009' 22.Rxd2 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) Nxd2+ 23.Kc1 Bxh5 24.Rxh5 Nc4 Black has the exchange in the ending. 0-1 (24) Mamedyarov,S (2724)-Kurnosov,I (2602) Moscow 2009 CI1-130 [Krnic,Zdenko]]

[10.d5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Ne5

A) 11.Bd4 fxe4 12.fxe4 e6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' *(12...Bg4 13.Be2 Nbc4 14.Qc2 Bh6+ 15.Kb1 Ne3 16.Bxe3 Bxe3 17.h3 Bxe2 18.Ngxe2 Qd6 19.Nd4 Rf2 20.Qb3 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 c5 22.dxc6+* 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-whateverworks1 (2753) Blitz 2021 *)*;

B) 11.Bh6 fxe4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qd4 Nbd7 14.Nxe4 Kg8 15.h4 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.h5 Qb6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bc4+ Kg7 20.Qc3 Rb8 21.Rxd7 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2630)-BezMozga (2614) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.Bxb6 axb6 12.f4 Stohl,Igor: 'Natsidis,C (2175)-Linhart,W (2220)/Germany/2007/' Bh6 Stohl,Igor: '↑!']

[10.exf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '≤' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Bxf5 11.g4 Be6 12.h4 *(12.d5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *Bxc3 13.Qxc3 Nxd5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' *)* 12...Bc4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'V. Golod' *(12...Nd5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *13.h5 Nxe3 14.Qxe3* Krasenkow,Michal: '→' *)*]

[10.Bb5 fxe4 11.fxe4 e5 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.d5 Nc4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Qh4 16.Kb1 Bg4 17.Nf3 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Qh3 19.dxc6 Rxf3 20.Qc5 Qg2 21.Rhe1 Rf2 22.Qc4+ Kh8 23.Qb3 Raf8 24.Rd7 Rf1 25.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 26.Nd1 Qxe4+ 27.Ka1 Qxc6 28.Rd8+ Rf8 29.Rxf8+ Bxf8 30.a3 e4 31.Qf7 Qd6 32.Nc3 Qe7 33.Qd5 Bg7 34.Qa8+ Qf8 35.Qxe4 Bxc3 36.bxc3 Qxa3+ 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2636)-durakitodemedellin (2565) Blitz 2021]

10...f4

[The main move is 10...Nb4 35 Krnic,Zdenko: 'as in Motylev-Svidler, Wijk aan Zee 2007 and other games' which has featured several times on this site (also see Savchenko, B - Sviridov, Va Russian league 2022, elsewhere in this update), when the principal variation continues

A) 11.Kb1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' a5 *(11...N4d5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bh6 f4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.g3 c5 16.dxc5 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Ne3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 Lain,L-Flumbort,A/Saint Vincent 2002/CBM 090 ext (62)' *)* 12.h4 Be6 13.h5 N6d5 *(13...c5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Nh3 f4 16.Nxf4 Bf5+ 17.Ne4 N6d5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.b3 Bxe4+ 20.fxe4 Qxe4+ 21.Bd3 Nxd3 22.Qxd3 Qxd3+ 23.Rxd3 Rad8 24.d5 Bxe5 25.Bxc5 Rc8 26.Rc1 Bd6 27.Bxd6 exd6 28.Rdc3 Rxc3 29.Rxc3 Rf1+ 30.Kb2 Rf2+ 31.Rc2 Rxc2+ 32.Kxc2 Kf7 33.Kd3 Kf6 34.Ke4 Kg5 35.a3 Kg4 36.b4 axb4 37.axb4 b5 38.Ke3 Kf5 39.Kd4 Kf4 40.Kd3 Ke5 41.g4 Kxd5 42.g5 Ke5 43.Kc3 d5 44.Kd3 d4 45.Ke2 Ke4 46.Kd2 d3 47.Kc3 Ke3* 0-1 (47) JuicerKnight (2601)-yackobaby (2664) Blitz 2020*)* 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bc4 Qd7 16.Nh3 Nxc3+ 17.Qxc3 Nd5 18.Qd2 b5 19.Be2 Nb4 20.a3 Qd5 21.Qc3 Qa2+ 22.Kc1 Nd5 23.Qd3 f4 24.Bd2 Bf5 0-1 (24) doreality (2726)-KevinPaveto (2685) Blitz 2021;

B) Glenn Flear: 'Here' 11.h4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter: '-85/395' Svidler,P: '— 85/395' Svidler,Peter: 'Ü 85/395'' Glenn Flear: 'has been tried on several occasions: has been tried on several occasions:' Be6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(11...N4d5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *12.Nh3 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 Be6 14.h5* Krasenkow, Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Bakker,S-Bezemer,A/Amsterdam 2004/CBM 101 ext (31)' *)*

B1) 12.Kb1

B1a) 12...N4d5 13.Nh3 Nxc3+ 14.Qxc3 Nd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞';

B1b) 12...f4 13.Bxf4 a5

(13...c5 14.Nh3 cxd4 15.Qxd4 Qxd4 16.Rxd4 Nc6 17.Rd1 Bxh3 0-1 (17) HundimBuero (2604)-UzbekTiger63 (2720) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.h5 Bf5+ 15.Ne4 Qd5 16.Bd3 Qxa2+ 17.Kc1 Qa1+ 18.Bb1 Nc4 19.Qe2 Na2+ 20.Kc2 Qxb2+ 21.Kd3 Qb3# 0-1 (21) unitedff (2637)-AkibaRubinstein0 (2606) Blitz 2024;

B1c) 12...c5 13.dxc5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 N6d5 15.Bd4 Rfd8 16.Nh3 Nxc3+ 17.Bxc3 Nxa2 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Nf4 Nxc3+ 20.bxc3 Bb3 21.Kb2 Bf7 22.Nd3 Bc4 23.Nf4 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Bxe5 25.Ne6 Rd2+ 26.Kb3 Rxg2 27.Rd1 h6 28.Rd7 Kf7 29.Nd8+ Ke8 30.Rd3 Rg1 31.Kc4 Rb1 32.Ne6 Kf7 33.Nd8+ Kf6 34.Rd7 b5+ 35.Kd5 Rd1+ 36.Kc6 Rxd7 37.Kxd7 Bxc3 38.f4 Bd2 39.Ne6 Ba5 40.c6 b4 41.Nc5 Bb6 42.Na4 b3 43.Nxb6 axb6 44.c7 b2 45.c8Q Kg7 46.Kxe7 b1Q 0-1 (46) supertactic91 (2673)-SandyWexler (2691) Blitz 2021;

B2) Instead 12.h5 is too optimistic: Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Ü 85/395"Ü 85/395 Mikhalchishin,A: '- 85/395' Mikhalchishin,A: '- 85/395 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Ü 85/395'" Nxa2+ 13.Nxa2 Bxa2 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bh6 Qe8 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *(15...Qd5* Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' *16.Ne2 Nc4 17.Qc3* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Postny,E-Dub,Z/Israel 2002/Inf 85/[Dub,Z]'*; 15...Rf7 16.Bxg7 Rxg7 17.Qh6 Qe8 18.Nh3 Rh7 19.Qg5 Rd8 20.Bd3 Rxd4 21.Nf4 Rg7 22.Rd2 Bb3 23.Qh6 Qc6+ 24.Kb1 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 Qa4 26.Qh8+ Kf7 27.e6+ Bxe6 28.Ne5+ Kf6 29.Rh7 Qa2+ 30.Kc2 Qa4+ 31.Kb1 Qa2+ 32.Kc2 Qa4+ 33.Kb1* ½-½ (33) lordplayer64 (2629)-russianheacher (2587) Rapid 2022 *)* 16.Ne2 *(16.Bxg7? Qc6+)* 16...f4!? 17.Bxf4 Bb3 as seen in Bykhovsky, A-Dub, Z Tel Aviv 2002, favoured Black. 18.Bh6 Nc4 19.Qb4 Bxh6+ 20.Rxh6 Bxd1 21.Qxc4+ Kg7 22.Rh4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '½-½ Bykhovsky,A-Dub,Z/Tel Aviv 2002/Inf 85/[Dub,Z] (32)';

B3) 12.b3 a5 13.Nh3 a4 14.Nf4 Qc8 15.d5 Krasenkow, Michal: '?' Bxe5 16.Bd4 Bxf4 17.Qxf4 N6xd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '0-1 Gruenenwald,J-Georges,S/Switzerland 2003/EXT 2004 (26)';

B4) 12.a3 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'N' 'N' Glenn Flear: 'a clear improvement on the speculative' 12...a5 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'of Postny, E-Howell, D Greek league 2009' *(12...Na2+* Glenn Flear: '!' *13.Nxa2 Bxa2 14.h5 c5 15.dxc5 Bb3 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Rd3 Rxd3 18.Bxd3 Nd5 19.Bf2 Bxe5* Glenn Flear: 'Postny, E-Gopal, G Kolkata 2009 and Black was fine. Postny, E-Gopal, G Kolkata 2009 and

Black was fine.' *20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Ne2 Nf4 22.Kd2 Nxd3 23.Kxd3 Bxb2 24.Rb1 Rd8+ 25.Nd4 Bxd4 26.Bxd4 e5 27.Rxb3 Rxd4+ 28.Ke3 Rd7 29.Rb5 Rc7 30.g4 Kf7 31.gxf5 gxf5 32.c6 b6 33.Rxe5 Rxc6 34.Rxf5+ Ke6 35.Rh5 Rc3+ 36.Ke4 Rc4+ 37.Ke3 Ra4 38.Rh6+ Kf5 39.Rh5+ Ke6 40.Rh6+ Kd5 41.Rh5+ Kc6 42.Rh6+ Kb5 43.Rh5+ Kc6 44.Rh6+ Kd5 45.Rh5+ Ke6* ½-½ (45) Postny,E (2651)-Gopal, G (2598) Kolkata IND 2009 Glenn Flear: '1/2-1/2 Postny-Gopal, Kolkata 2009'*; 12...N4d5* looks sound but the text is tempting if you are young and ambitious! *)*

B4a) 13.axb4 axb4 14.Nb1 Ra1 15.Qxb4 c5! Computers will prefer White, but Black has excellent practical chances against White's slightly fragile king. *(15...Bxe5!?)* 16.Qxc5 *(16.dxc5?? Rxb1+)* 16...Nd5 17.Kd2 Seeking a safer haven elsewhere. *(17.Bc4!? Ra5 18.Ne2)* 17...Ra5! *(* Here *17...Bxe5* grabbing a key pawn is a plausible alternative. However the text seems the most pertinent as Black brings his other major pieces into play. *)* 18.Qc1 Qb6 19.Nc3 f4 20.Bf2 Nxc3 *(20...Bxe5 21.Nge2 Bg7 22.Ke1 Nxc3 23.bxc3+-)* 21.bxc3 Rfa8 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '!' '!' 22.Ke1 *(22.Qb1* can be well met by *Ra2+ 23.Ke1 Qxb1 24.Rxb1 Ra1* when Black wins his piece back very quickly. *)* 22...Ra1 Reacting before White can (start to!) develop his kingside! 23.Qxa1 Rxa1 24.Rxa1 Qb2 25.Rd1 Qxc3+ 26.Rd2 Qc1+ Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '=' '=' 27.Rd1 Qc3+ 28.Rd2 Qa1+ 29.Rd1 Black has a draw if he wants it, but David likes to 'go for gold'. Certainly it's a philosophy that may help one improve, but at times it turns out to be an easy way to throw away half-a-point! Qa5+ 30.Rd2 b5? 31.Bd3 Welcome to the game on move 31. b4 32.Nh3 How often do you see a king's knight make its entrance on move 32? Qa1+ 33.Rd1 Qc3+ 34.Ke2 The problem for Black is that White can gradually improve his position whereas the queen and b-pawn only have a limited effect. Bc4 35.Nxf4 Bh6 36.Be3 Bxf4 37.Bxf4 Qxd4 38.Be3 White has everything under control. Two rooks and a bishop are too much for a lone queen. Qc3 39.Bxc4+ Qxc4+ 40.Kf2 b3 41.Rd2 Kf7 42.g3 Qe6 43.Bf4 Kg7 44.Kg2 h6 45.Rb1 g5 Desperate. 46.hxg5 hxg5 47.Be3 *(47.Bxg5?* may be a blunder but White would still be winning! *Qf5 48.Rxb3 Qxg5 49.f4* etc. *)* 47...g4 48.fxg4 Qc6+ 49.Kf2 Qg6 50.Rdb2 Qxg4 51.Rxb3 Qh3 52.Bf4 Qh2+ 53.Ke3

Kg6 54.Rb6+ 1-0 (54) Postny,E (2647)-Howell,D (2614) Kallithea GRE 2009 [Glenn Flear] Glenn Flear: '1-0 Postny-Howell, Kallithea 2009';

B4b) 13.Nh3 N6d5 14.Ng5 Nxc3 15.bxc3 Na2+ 16.Kb2 Bd5 17.c4 b5 18.cxd5 Qxd5 19.Ra1 b4 20.Rxa2 bxa3+ 21.Ka1 Rab8 22.Qc2 Rb4 23.Rxa3 Rfb8 24.Rc3 Rxd4 25.Bxd4 Qxd4 26.Bc4+ Kh8 27.Rd1 Qc5 28.Ba2 Bxe5 29.Nf7+ Kg7 30.Nxe5 Qxe5 31.Rc1 Rb4 32.Qf2 a4 33.Qc5 Qf4 34.Qxe7+ Kh6 35.Qg5+ Qxg5 36.hxg5+ Kxg5 37.Rxc7 h5 38.R7c4 Rb6 39.Rxa4 Rd6 40.Bb1 Rd2 41.g3 Rf2 42.Rc3 Rg2 43.f4+ Kh6 44.Ra6 Kh7 45.Rc7+ Kh6 46.Bxf5 Rxg3 47.Rcc6 h4 48.Rxg6+ Kh5 49.Rh6# 1-0 (49) supertactic91 (2721)-Wea_pawn (2640) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.a3 N4d5 12.Nxd5 *(12.Nh3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Be6 14.Qc2 Nc4 15.Bg5 b5 16.d5 Bxd5 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.Nf4 c6 19.Ne6 Qa5 20.Nxg7 Qxa3+ 21.Kd2 Rfd8 22.Ke2 Kxg7 23.Ra1 Qb3 24.Qc1 Rdb8 25.Rd1 Qb2+ 26.Qxb2 Rxb2+ 27.Rd2 Rb7 28.Rda2 Kf7 29.Ke3 Rd7 30.h4 Be6 31.Kf2 Rc7 32.Be3 c5 33.Ra5 Bd7 34.Kg3 Ke8 35.Kf4 Kf7 36.Kg3 Ke8 37.Kf4 Kf7 38.Kg3 Bc8 39.R1a4 Be6 40.Ra1 Ke8 41.Kf4 Kf7 42.Kg5 Kg7* ½-½ (42) Khismatullin,D (2659)-Kurnosov,I (2676) Moscow RUS 2010*)* 12...Qxd5 *(12...Nxd5 13.Bc4 Be6 14.Ne2 Qd7 15.Kb1 b5 16.Bxd5 Bxd5 17.Rc1 a5 18.Nf4 Bf7 19.Qc2 g5 20.e6 Bxe6 21.Nxe6 Qxe6 22.Bxg5 Bxd4 23.Rhe1 Qg6 24.Bxe7 Rfe8 25.Qb3+ Qf7 26.Qxf7+ Kxf7 27.Rxc7 Ra7 28.Rxa7 Bxa7 29.Bh4 Rxe1+ 30.Bxe1 a4 31.Kc2 Ke6 32.Kd3 h5 33.h3 Bb8 34.g4 hxg4 35.fxg4 fxg4 36.hxg4 Bd6 37.Ke4 Be7 38.Bc3 Bg5 39.Bd4 Bh6 40.Bh8 Bc1 41.Kd3 Bg5 42.Kc3 Kd5 43.Bg7 Kc5 44.Kc2 Kc4 45.Bc3 Kc5 46.Bd2 Bd8 47.g5 Kd5 48.g6 Ke6 49.Bc3 Bb6 50.Kd3 Bc5 51.Ke4 Be7 52.g7 Kf7 53.Kd5* 1-0 (53) Gupta,A (2643)-Popilski,G (2389) New Delhi IND 2012 *)* 13.Ne2 *(13.Qc2 Be6 14.Nh3 Qa2 15.d5 Bxd5 16.Rxd5 Nxd5 17.Bc4 Qa1+ 18.Kd2 Qxh1 19.Bxd5+ Kh8* 0-1 (19) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-ARM__55555 (2803) Blitz 2022*)* 13...f4 14.Nxf4 Qa2 15.Qc2 Bh6 16.Nd5 Bf5 17.Nxe7+ 1-0 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-kira523 (2854) Blitz 2023;

D) 11.f4 Be6 12.Nf3 Nxa2+ 13.Nxa2 Bxa2 14.Qc2 Qd5 15.Rd3 Bc4 16.Rc3 Bxf1 17.Rxf1 c6 18.h3 a5 19.g4 a4 20.Nh4 fxg4 21.hxg4 a3 22.bxa3 Qb5 23.Rh1 Nd5 24.Rb3 Nxe3 25.Rxe3 Qd5 26.Reh3 Qxd4 27.Nxg6 Rfd8 28.Nxe7+ Kf7 29.Rxh7 Qa1+ 30.Qb1 Qc3+ 31.Qc2 Qxa3+ 32.Qb2 Qe3+ 33.Kb1 Qd3+ 34.Kc1 Qe3+ 35.Kb1 Qe4+ 36.Kc1 Qxf4+ 37.Kb1 Qe4+ 38.Kc1 Qc4+ 39.Qc2 Ra1+ 40.Kb2 Ra2+ 41.Kc1 Qxc2# 0-1 (41)

Consent_to_treatment (2648)-Rivuza (2658) Blitz 2021;
E) 11.d5 Bxe5 12.Bd4 Bf6 13.Bxf6 Rxf6 14.a3 Na6 15.Bxa6 bxa6 16.Nge2 Bb7 17.Nf4 c6 18.Ne6 Qc8 19.Qh6 Rf7 20.Ng5 Rg7 21.Ne6 Rf7 22.Ng5 Rg7 23.Ne6 Rf7 ½-½ (23) lordplayer64 (2613)-Apodex64 (2649) Rapid 2022;
F) 11.Nge2 Nc4 12.Nf4 Nxd2 13.Rxd2 e6 14.Bc4 c6 15.Nxe6 Bxe6 16.Bxe6+ Kh8 17.h4 f4 18.Bf2 h5 19.a3 Nd5 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Bh3 Rf7 22.Kb1 b5 23.Re1 a5 24.Rc2 Rc7 25.Rec1 Rxc2 26.Rxc2 Qb6 27.Bd7 Ra7 28.Rc8+ Kh7 29.e6 Bf6 30.Rf8 Rxd7 31.exd7 Kg7 32.Ra8 Qd6 33.Ra7 Bd8 34.Be1 b4 35.axb4 axb4 36.Bxb4 Qxb4 0-1 (36) erva20 (2610)-EmperorBundaloy (2642) Blitz 2021;
G) Glenn Flear: 'Another noteworthy try is' 11.Nh3 25 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: '! This is the key move for White to fight against the light squares. Be6 is now met by Ng5 and otherwise he intends to play Nf4 followed by launching an attack with h4-h5. DIAGRAM'" Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Diagram

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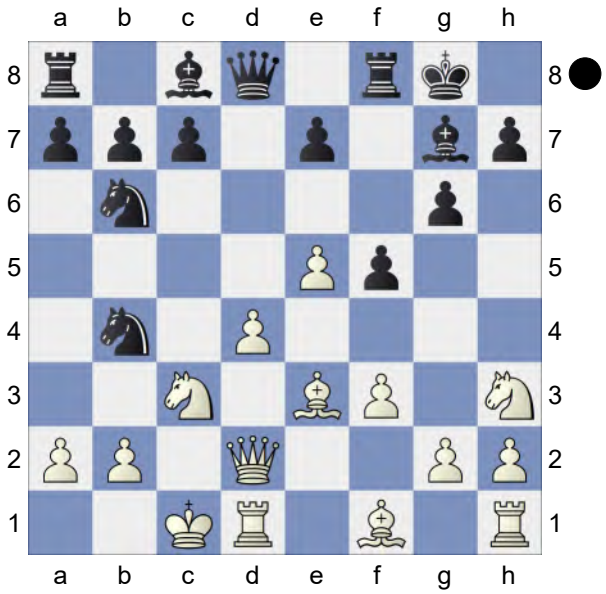

' (the whole way down the following line Stockfish prefers White, but Black has notably been holding his own) ChessBase II: '↑!'

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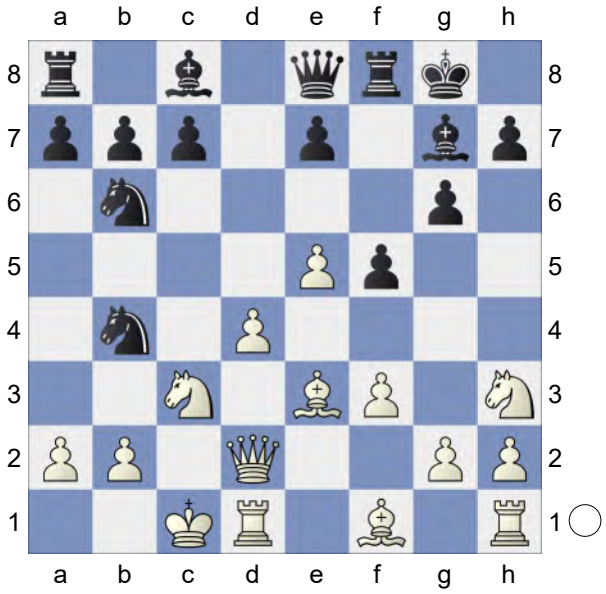

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G1a) 12.a3 N4d5 13.Nf4 Nxf4 14.Bxf4 Be6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' 15.d5

Nielsen,Peter Heine: '△' Rd8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '∓';

G1b) 12.Nf4 Qf7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '∞' *(12...g5 13.Nd3 Nc4 14.Qe1 Nxe3 15.Qxe3* Harikrishna, Penteala: '↑' *)* 13.Kb1 g5 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'looks unclear';

G1c) 12.Nf2 Qf7 13.a3 f4 14.Bxf4 Na2+ 15.Nxa2 Qxa2 16.Nd3 Nc4 17.Qc3 Bf5 18.g4 Bxd3 19.Bxd3 Qxb2+ 20.Qxb2 Nxb2 21.Kxb2 Rxf4 22.Be4 c5 23.dxc5 Bxe5+ 24.Kb3 Rc8 25.Rd5 Bf6 26.Rhd1 Kg7 27.g5 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-flo50 (2569) Blitz 2022;

G1d) 12.Kb1 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '!' '!' Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Just like in the Sicilian defenses, it is a very useful preparation on Black's attack. It also protects the a2 pawn.'" Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Typical Carlsen. First he wants to lead his king to safety (or a kind of safety) and then decide how to attack. There followed Typical Carlsen. First he wants to lead his king to safety (or a kind of safety) and then decide how to attack. There followed Sokolov, Ivan: 'Typical Carlsen. First he wants to lead his king to safety (or a kind of safety) and then decide how to attack. There followed" ChessBase II: ' ⩲' '⩲' 12...a5 'Black switches back to this move, the point of 12. Kb1 being that 12...Qf7 could now just be answered by 13. Ng5! and 13...Nxa2 no longer is check. In a way this position is a "mini zugzwang", in the sense that White would love to play Nf4 and h4 with a complete grip, but Black's concept with ...Qe8 is, that Nf4 can be answered strongly by ... g5! as h5 is protected. Thus Black do not want to play ... Be6, as this exactly allows Nf4 and h4, so both players try to bide their time, while making small improvements to their position. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'Black switches back to this move, the point of 12. Kb1 being that 12...Qf7 could now just be answered by 13.Ng5! and 13... Nxa2 no longer is check. In a way this position is a "mini zugzwang", in the sense that White would love to play Nf4 and h4 with a complete grip, but Black's concept with ... Qe8 is, that Nf4 can be answered strongly by ...g5! as h5 is protected. Thus Black do not want to play ...Be6, as this exactly allows Nf4 and h4, so both players try to bide their time, while making small improvements to their position. ' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Black switches back to this move, the point of 12. Kb1 being that 12...Qf7 could now just be answered by 13.Ng5! and 13... Nxa2 no longer is check. In a way this position is a "mini

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13.Be2 *(13.Nf4 g5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' *14.Nd3 Nc4* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '⇄' *15.Qe1* (Ganguly, Surya Shekhar) Nielsen,Peter Heine *Nxe3 16.Qxe3 f4 17.Qf2 Bf5* ! Black becomes very active *18.a3 c5* ! and this is the demonstration of the of the idea behind 12... a5. Black undermines the center to take the e5 pawn and let his Gruenfeld bishop enter to the game, while axb4 axb4 looks very dangerous for White as Qa4 arrives.*; 13.Bh6*

Be6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nf4 Qf7 16.d5 N6xd5 17.Nxe6+ Qxe6 18.Nxd5 Rad8 19.Bc4 c6 20.Nxb4 Qxc4 21.Nd3 Rd4 22.Qc2 1-0 (22) tornike_sanikidze (2603)-flo50 (2555) Blitz 2021*)* 13...c6 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Another useful move, strengthening the d5 square.'" ChessBase II: ' ±' '±' *(13...Be6* (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) (Nielsen,Peter Heine) is still met by *14.Nf4 Bc4 15.h4* ! and White has achieved what he wanted.*)* 14.Rc1 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Another deep waiting move. In some lines it could be useful to have the c2 square under control to avoid tricks like f4 and if Nxf4 Bf5 check and on Ka1 Nc2 works.'" ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain'

G1d1) 14...Be6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'seems preferable straight away, even if Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'seems preferable straight away, even if''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'seems preferable straight away, even if' 15.Ng5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?''still seems to give White a promising position. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: '!?' Nielsen,PH: 'still seems to give White a promising position.' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!?''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'still seems to give White a promising position.' Bc4 *(15...Nc4 16.Qe1* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *Nxe3 17.Nxe6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: ' ±'*)* 16.Bxc4+ Nxc4 17.Qe2 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '±';

G1d2) 14...a4 15.a3 N4d5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Bc4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '±';

G1d3) 14...Bd7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' 15.Ka1 Be6 16.Nf4 *(16.Ng5 Nc4* Nielsen,Peter Heine: ' ∞ '*)* 16...Qf7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '⇄';

G1d4) 14...Kh8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?!''A logical move, seen often in the Leningrad Dutch freeing the g8-square for the black bishop, but with hindsight it is easy to see that the king is very vulnerable in the h-file. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '?!' Nielsen,PH: 'A logical move, seen often in the Leningrad Dutch freeing the g8-square for the black bishop, but with hindsight it is easy to see that the king is very vulnerable in the h-file.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A logical move, seen often in the Leningrad Dutch freeing the g8-square for the black bishop, but with hindsight it is easy to see that the king

is very vulnerable in the h-file. The last preparation for Black to play Be6. Now after Ng5 he will be able to keep his bishop on the diagonal with Bg8, but on the other hand White wants to play Nf4 and then after h4-h5 the king will just stay in the motifs on the h-file.'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A logical move, seen often in the Leningrad Dutch freeing the g8-square for the black bishop, but with hindsight it is easy to see that the king is very vulnerable in the h-file.' 15.Ka1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''One could make the same argument here in reverse, that the white king is vulnerable due to the attack in the a-file, but there is a major difference. Partly in that there is no white pawn on b3, and thus the direct ...a4 is harmless, but especially as it becomes relevant in the game that ... Bxa2 is no longer check. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'One could make the same argument here in reverse, that the white king is vulnerable due to the attack in the a-file, but there is a major difference. Partly in that there is no white pawn on b3, and thus the direct ...a4 is harmless, but especially as it becomes relevant in the game that ...Bxa2 is no longer check.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'One could make the same argument here in reverse, that the white king is vulnerable due to the attack in the a-file, but there is a major difference. Partly in that there is no white pawn on b3, and thus the direct ...a4 is harmless, but especially as it becomes relevant in the game that ... Bxa2 is no longer check. ! Another great prophylactive move by the World Champion! Two moves later we will understand his idea!'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'One could make the same argument here in reverse, that the white king is vulnerable due to the attack in the a-file, but there is a major difference. Partly in that there is no white pawn on b3, and thus the direct ... a4 is harmless, but especially as it becomes relevant in the game that ... ♗xa2 is no longer check.' *(15.Nf4 g5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!*)* 15...Be6 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'Diagram

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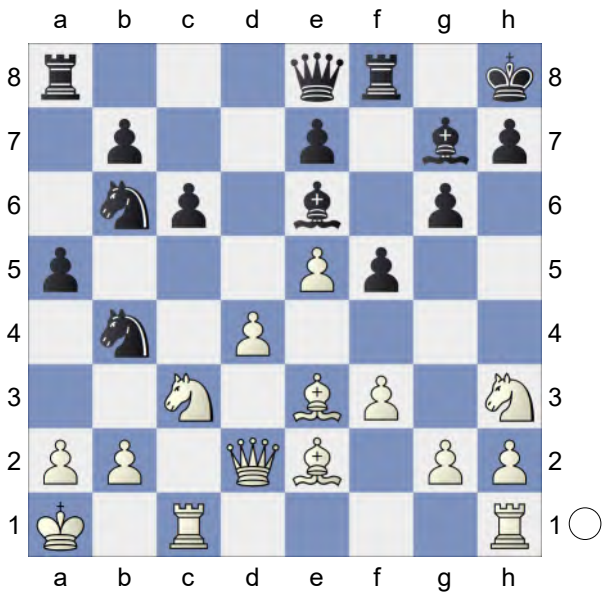

' ChessBase II: '±!' '±!'

G1d41) Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Without the inclusion of ...Kh8 Ka1 Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'Without the inclusion of ...Kh8 Ka1'" Harikrishna,Penteala: 'After' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Without the inclusion of ...♔h8 ♔a1' 16.Ng5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'was the move, here however it leads to Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'was the move, here however it leads to'''Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'was the move, here however it leads to' Nc4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''as Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '!' Nielsen,PH: 'as' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'as' 17.Qe1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '??' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'now fails to Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'now fails to'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'now fails to' *(17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.h4* Nielsen,Peter Heine: ' ∞' *Rd8* Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Black seems to be fine'*)* 17...Nxe3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'when Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'when'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'when' 18.Nxe6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is met by a deadly fork on c2, due to the king now being on a1. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'is met by a deadly fork on c2, due to the king now being on a1.'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is met by a deadly fork on c2, due to the king now being on a1.' Nbc2+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '-+';

G1d42) 16.Nf4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '!' '!'' ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'led to a model victory for Carlsen against Li Chao in the Qatar Masters, where White was just a little faster than Black.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'led to a model victory for Carlsen against Li Chao in the Qatar Masters,

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G1d421) Harikrishna, Penteala: 'but' 17...Rfd8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '!' '!' still seemed very decent, as the threat of 18... Bxe5 slows White down somewhat. Probably Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'still seemed very decent, as the threat of 18... Bxe5 slows White down somewhat. Probably'" Harikrishna,

Penteala: '!' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'might be an improvement' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'still seemed very decent, as the threat of 18...♗xe5 slows White down somewhat.'

G1d4211)

Nielsen,Peter Heine: ', and Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: ', and'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: ', and' 18.Nxe6 Qxe6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '- 17. h4" 19.f4 *(19.h5 g5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: ' ∞!' '∞!" *)* 19...h5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'leaves the position too blocked for White's liking. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'leaves the position too blocked for White's liking.'" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'leaves the position too blocked for White's liking.';

G1d4212)

Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The straightforward Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'The straightforward''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The straightforward' 18.h5 g5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '!' '!'' 19.Ng6+ Kg8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'leads nowhere Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'leads nowhere'" Harikrishna, Penteala: ' ∞ ' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'leads nowhere' 20.Nxe7+ Qxe7 21.Bxg5 Qd7 22.Bxd8 Qxd8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '∞';

G1d4213) 18.g4 c5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *(18...Bxe5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' *19.h5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-!' *)* 19.h5 g5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' 20.Ng6+ Kg8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '∓';

G1d4214) 18.Qe1 Bxa2 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' 19.h5 g5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!';

G1d4215)

Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Probably' 18.Nh3 Nielsen,Peter Heine:

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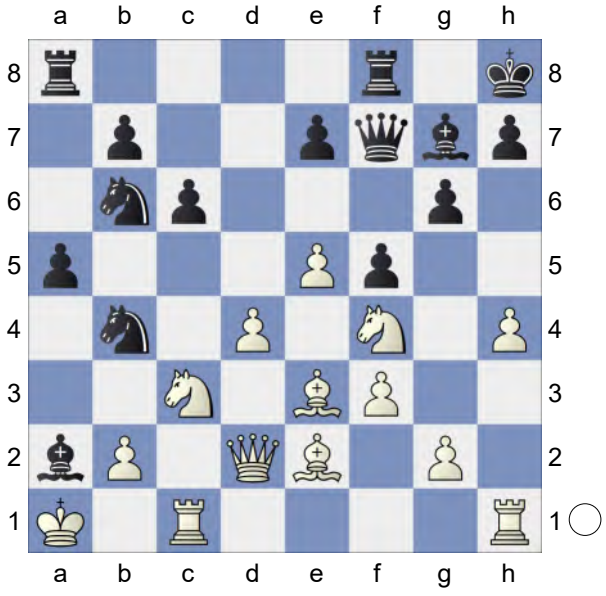
G1d422) 17...c5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?!' 18.h5

Nielsen,Peter Heine: '±!';

G1d423) 17...Nxa2 (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) (Nielsen, Peter Heine) is met by 18.Nxa2 Bxa2 19.h5 ! Black has taken a pawn, but he cannot make progress in the attack. g5 is always met by 20.Ng6+ ! and the knight cannot be taken.;

G1d424) 17...Bxa2 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?!''Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '?' '?' A very principled move. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '?!' Nielsen,PH: 'A very principled move.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?!''' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Diagram



was played' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A very principled move.' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'There followed' 18.h5 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!'"

G1d4241) 18...g5 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'loses again to''' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'being greedy might also work for White:' 19.Ng6+ 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' *(19.h6 gxf4 20.hxg7+ Kxg7 21.Bxf4* Harikrishna, Penteala: '→' *)* 19...Kg8 20.Nxf8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '±' Kxf8 21.Bxg5;

G1d4242) 18...Kg8 'Of course it can be seen as admitting that move 14 was wrong, but Black will claim he won the a2-pawn, and that White has to play energetically to prove Black's plan wrong: Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'Of course it can be seen as admitting that move 14 was wrong, but Black will claim he won the a2-

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G1d42421)

Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'as Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'as''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'as' 20...a4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is answered by the simple Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'is answered by the simple''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is answered by the simple' 21.gxf5 a3 22.b3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'when Black's attack comes much too late, despite winning the white queenside pawns. But now however should the black pawn reach a3, his threats are deadly, so Magnus has to act decisively. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,

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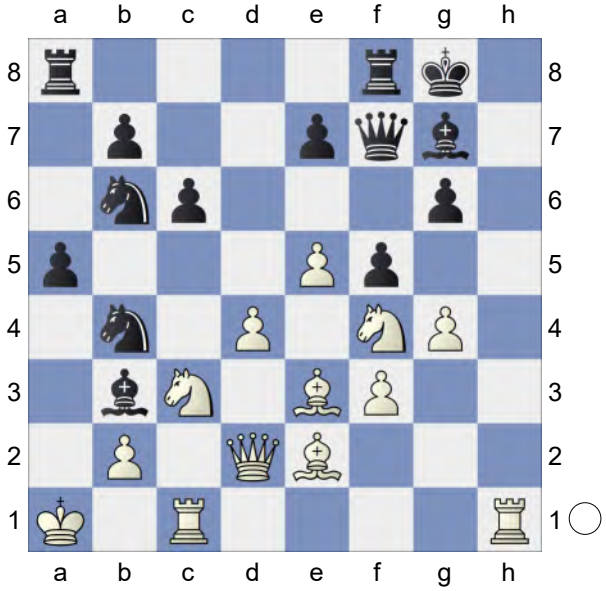
G1d42422) 20...g5 (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) (Nielsen, Peter Heine) trying to close the kingside with f4. However it is strongly met by 21.Nh3 ! *(21.gxf5* looks also tempting at first sight, but it does not work well *gxf4 22.Bxf4 Qxf5 23.Bh6* could be crushing after Rg1, but Black has *Bxh6* ! *24.Qxh6 Kf7* and runs away with his king on the light squares. *)* 21...f4 22.Bf2 and the g5 pawn cannot be protected Bh6 23.Nxf4 !;

G1d42423) 20...Bb3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Diagram



' Neccesary, Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Diagram {#} Nielsen,PH: '!' Nielsen,PH: 'Neccesary,' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'Neccesary, To be able to recapture the f5 pawn with the queen (to avoid opening of the g-

file), the bishop is not hanging anymore on a2.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Neccesary, ' 21.Bd1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''White wants to get his queen to h2 as soon as possible, creating mating threats against the black king, but in this way he maximises the pressure on Black's position, exploiting the fact that the bishop on b3 is vulnerable, which is more than Black's position can bear. Another move actually has a lot of logic too: Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'White wants to get his queen to h2 as soon as possible, creating mating threats against the black king, but in this way he maximises the pressure on Black's position, exploiting the fact that the bishop on b3 is vulnerable, which is more than Black's position can bear. Another move actually has a lot of logic too:' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'White wants to get his queen to h2 as soon as possible, creating mating threats against the black king, but in this way he maximises the pressure on Black's position, exploiting the fact that the bishop on b3 is vulnerable, which is more than Black's position can bear. Another move actually has a lot of logic too: ! Opening the second rank for the queen to h2.''' Harikrishna, Penteala: '+-!' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'White's queen will now go to h2, forcing Black's king to take flight: White's queen will now go to h2, forcing Black's king to take flight: Sokolov,Ivan: 'White's queen will now go to h2, forcing Black's king to take flight:'' Nielsen,Peter

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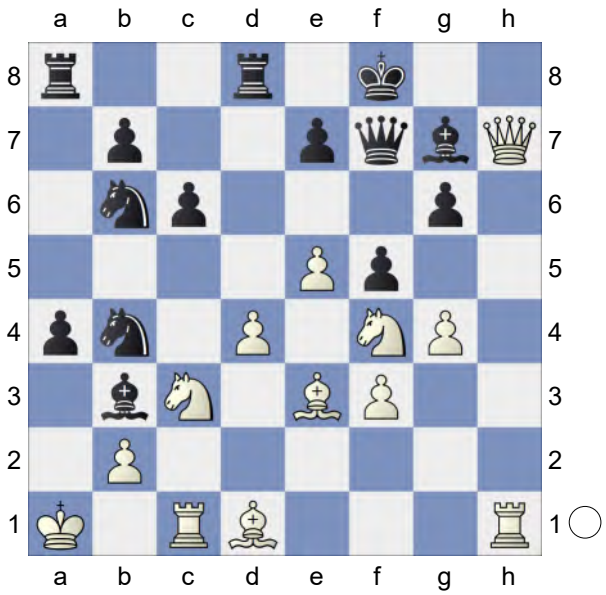
23.Qh2 *+→)*
22.Qh2 Rfd8
23.Qh7+ Kf8
'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Diagram



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Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'the counter-intuitive' 25.Bxb3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' *(25.d5 Nc4 26.Ne6+ Qxe6 27.dxe6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-') 25...axb3+ 26.Kb1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is completely winning for White, as his attack comes first. The main point is Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'is completely winning for White, as his attack comes first. The main point is''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is completely winning for White, as his attack comes first. The main point is' Ra5 27.Rcg1 Rda8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'and now Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'and now''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'and now' 28.Qh8+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''exploits the g-file which has been opened, and wins on the spot. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '!' Nielsen,PH: 'exploits the g-file which has been opened, and wins on the spot.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'exploits the g-file which has been opened, and wins on the spot.' Qg8 29.Ne6+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-'; **G1d424232)** 24.d5 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '!' '!' A good move, attacking the knight on b6, and if a knight takes on d5, allowing e6. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'A good move, attacking the knight on b6, and if a knight takes on d5, allowing e6.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A good move, attacking the knight on b6, and if a knight takes on d5,

allowing e6. !! A beautiful move to make! Black controls the d5 square with 6 pieces, but still White manages to make the break through work. The b6 knight is hanging and White is threatening again with e6!''' Harikrishna, Penteala: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A good move, attacking the knight on b6, and if a knight takes on d5, allowing e6. ' 24...Nc4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?''Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '!' '!' Setting up an unstoppable threat of ...a3. White's only chance it getting to the black king first, which requires very accurate calculation. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: '!?' Nielsen,PH: 'Setting up an unstoppable threat of ...a3. White's only chance it getting to the black king first, which requires very accurate calculation.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Setting up an unstoppable threat of ...a3. White's only chance it getting to the black king first, which requires very accurate calculation. ' *(24...N6xd5 25.e6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-''Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+→-''' *Qf6 26.Nxg6+ Ke8 27.Qg8+)* 25.Nxg6+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Reversing the order would be fatal. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'Reversing the order would be fatal.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Reversing the order would be fatal. ! Precise moveorder!''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Reversing the order would be fatal. ' (Nielsen,Peter

Heine: 'After Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'After''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'After' *25.e6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '??"Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '??' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '??' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '?? is less forcing and it allows Black to turn the game on his favor with''' *a3* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Black gives mate. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: '!' Nielsen,PH: 'Black gives mate.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Black gives mate.' *26.Nxg6+ Qxg6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '-+' *27.Qxg6* (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) Nielsen, Peter Heine *axb2+ 28.Kb1 Ra1#; 25.Ne6+* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' *Qxe6 26.dxe6 a3 27.bxa3 Rxa3+ 28.Kb1 Bxd1* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '-+') 25...Ke8 *(25...Qxg6 26.Qxg6 a3* 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'White mates first now with''' *27.Rh8+* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-"Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' *Bxh8* (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) Nielsen, Peter Heine *28.Bh6+ +−)* 26.e6 a3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?"Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '!' '!' Very close to being brilliant. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: '!?' Nielsen,PH: 'Very close to being brilliant.' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Very close to being brilliant. ! Only move again!''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Very close to being brilliant. ' *(26...Qf6* (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) (Nielsen, Peter Heine) leads to quick mate after *27.Qg8+ Bf8 28.Nxf8 Qxf8*

29.Qg6+ +−→)
27.exf7+
'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'A queen for free, but White needs to prevent the mate! There is no time to calm down, as there are quite many black pieces around his king.'''
Kd7 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Diagram Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'It looks like the black king has escaped, and being a queen down seems less important, than the speed of the mating attack. But:
' *(27...Kxf7* (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) (Nielsen, Peter Heine) is also met by *28.Ne5+*
! deflecting the c4 knight *Nxe5 29.Bxb3 +−→)*

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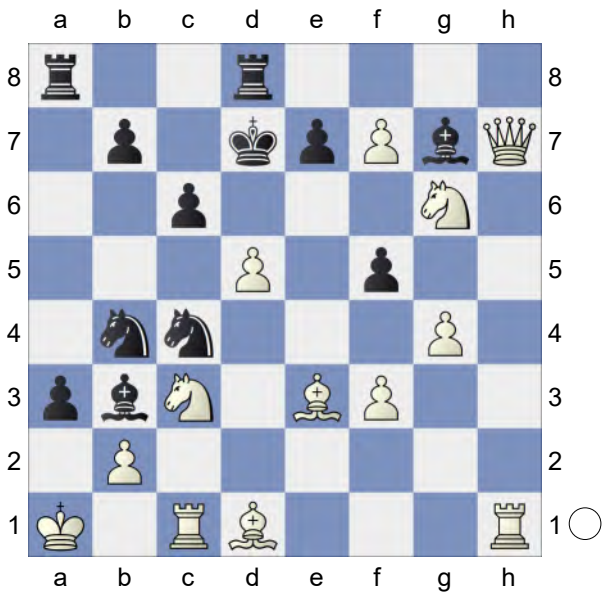

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DIAGRAM'''
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Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'That White is in grave danger is illustrated by Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'That White is in grave danger is illustrated by''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'That White is in grave danger is illustrated by' 28.bxa3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '??' Rxa3+ 29.Kb1 Bc2+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!!' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'which forces mate. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'which forces mate.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'which forces mate.' 30.Bxc2 *(30.Rxc2 Rb3+* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!''' *31.Kc1 Nd3#* 1-0 (54) Carlsen,M (2859)-Nakamura,H (2768) Chess.com INT 2022 Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '#' being the point. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '# Nielsen,PH: 'being the point.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'being the point.' *)* 30...Ra1+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!!' 31.Kxa1 Bxc3+ 32.Kb1 Na3# Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '#";
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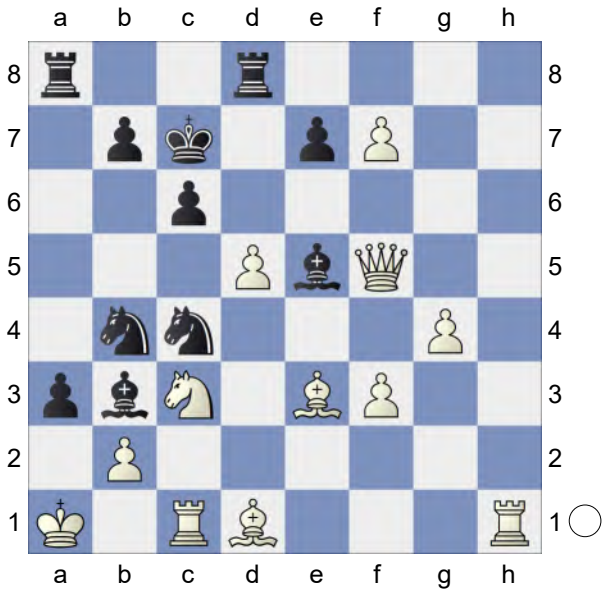
28.Kb1 axb2 29.Ne5+ Bxe5 30.Qxf5+ Kc7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '∓';
G1d4242323)
28.dxc6+ bxc6 29.Ne5+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-';
G1d4242324)
28.Ne5+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!!''Destabilising the knight on c4 is the key, as without it, Black has no forced mate. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'Destabilising the knight on c4 is the key, as without it, Black has no forced mate.'

Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Destabilising the knight on c4 is the key, as without it, Black has no forced mate. !! Perfect calculation! Everything works with tempo for White. Without the c4 knight, Black's attack would be completely harmless.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Destabilising the knight on c4 is the key, as without it, Black has no forced mate.' 28...Bxe5 *(* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'As Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'As''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'As' *28...Kc7 29.Nxc4* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '+-' '+-' puts an end to the black attack, Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'puts an end to the black attack,''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'puts an end to the black attack, '*;* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'or Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'or''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'or' *28...Nxe5 29.Bxb3* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: '+-' '+-' as well, Black has no choice. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'as well, Black has no choice.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'as well, Black has no choice.' *)* 29.Qxf5+ Kc7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Diagram



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the Nc4 to leave its post. As 30...Kc8 31. Qe6+ is curtains, Black has to take. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'Forcing the Nc4 to leave its post. As 30...Kc8 31. Qe6+ is curtains, Black has to take.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Forcing the Nc4 to leave its post. As 30...Kc8 31. Qe6+ is curtains, Black has to take. ! White was so much ahead materially, that he could already give back his queen just to remove two attacking pieces of his opponent.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Forcing the ♘c4 to leave its post. As 30...♔c8 31.♕e6+ is curtains, Black has to take.'

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30...Kc8 31.Qe6+ Kc7 *(31...Kb8* 1-0 (54) Marzouk,A (1745)-Seymour,A Batumi 2018 *32.Bf4+ Ka7 33.bxa3* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-')

32.Nb5+ cxb5 33.Qb6+ Kc8 34.Qxd8+ Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+-';

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30...Nxe5 31.Bxb3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The bishop on b3, did end up hanging! Materially Black is not in a hopeless situation, as he now wins an exchange, but the passed pawn on f7 makes White's edge decisive. Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'The bishop on b3, did end up hanging! Materially Black is not in a hopeless situation, as he now wins an exchange, but the passed pawn on f7 makes White's edge decisive.''' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'The smoke has cleared and White is a piece up.' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The bishop on b3, did end up hanging! Materially Black is not in a hopeless situation, as he now wins an

exchange, but the passed pawn on f7 makes White's edge decisive.' axb2+ *(31...Ned3 32.Nb5+ Kd7 33.Nxa3)* 32.Kxb2 Nbd3+ 33.Kb1 Nxc1 34.Rxc1 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'The complications are over and White is completely winning materially and positionally as well. '" Kc8 *(* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'If Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'If''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'If' *34...Nxf7* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'then Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen, PH: 'then''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'then' *35.dxc6* 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '+-' '+-' threatening on f7, as well as Nb5+ wins. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'threatening on f7, as well as Nb5+ wins.' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'threatening on f7, as well as Nb5+ wins. +⟶ and the f7 is hanging.''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'threatening on f7, as well as ♘b5+ wins.' *)* 35.dxc6

Vorgänger:

35...bxc6 36.f4 1-0 (36) Carlsen,M (2859)-Nakamura, H (2768) Chess.com INT 2022'And Black resigned. Magnus' trademark indeed is unique technical performances making him compared to Capablance, but in this game he shows he also has the ability to play like Tal. Ganguly, Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,PH: 'And Black resigned. Magnus' trademark indeed is unique technical performances making him compared to Capablance, but in this game he shows he also has the ability to play like Tal.' Nielsen, Peter Heine: 'And Black resigned.

Magnus' trademark indeed is unique technical performances making him compared to Capablance, but in this game he shows he also has the ability to play like Tal. Black resigned! What a great game!''' Harikrishna, Penteala: '1 : 0 Carlsen,Magnus 2834 - Li,Chao 2750, Doha 2015' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'And Black resigned. Magnus' trademark indeed is unique technical performances making him compared to Capablance, but in this game he shows he also has the ability to play like Tal.';

G2) Glenn Flear: 'The most popular is the straightforward' Glenn Flear: 'The theoretical line continues with' 11...Be6 2:09 '- 99/313 Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: 'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but White is considered to be better after''' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'has been a frequent guest in top level tournaments, RR Motylev,Alexander 2647 - Svidler,Peter 2728, Wijk aan Zee 2007 - 99/313 has been a frequent guest in top level tournaments, RR Motylev, Alexander 2647 - Svidler,Peter 2728, Wijk aan Zee 2007 - 99/313 Sokolov,Ivan: 'has been a frequent guest in top level tournaments, RR Motylev, Alexander 2647 - Svidler,Peter 2728, Wijk aan Zee 2007 - 99/313" Glenn Flear: '!' 'when' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Ganguly,Surya Shekhar: '- 99/313"

G2a) 12.a3 (Ganguly,Surya Shekhar) Nielsen,Peter Heine Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler,P'"

G2a1) 12...Na2+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler, Peter' 13.Nxa2 Bxa2 14.Qc2 *(14.Bh6 Qd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qc2 Bg8 17.Nf4 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.Qc5 Qxc5+ 20.dxc5 Rfd8 21.Bb5 Bb3 22.Rd2 c6 23.Be2 Rac8 24.f4 Rd5 25.Rxd5 cxd5 26.Kd2 Rxc5 27.Bd3 d4 28.Rg1 Kf7 29.h4 Be6 30.g3 a5 31.Rb1 b6 32.Rg1 Rc7 33.Bb5 Rc5 34.Bd3 Kg7 35.Re1 Bd5 36.h5 e6 37.hxg6 hxg6 38.Re2 b5 39.Rh2 b4 40.axb4 axb4 41.Re2 Rc8 42.Rh2 Ra8 43.Bb5 Ra1 44.Kd3 Rd1+ 45.Rd2 Rg1 46.Kxd4 Rxg3 47.Kc5 b3 48.Kd6 Re3 49.Bd7 Kf7 50.Rh2 Rd3 51.Rh7+ Kg8 52.Rh2 Kf8 53.Rh8+ Kg7 54.Rh2 Rd4 55.Bxe6 Bxe6+ 56.Kxe6*

Rxf4 57.Rd2 Re4 58.Rd7+ Kh6 59.Kf6 f4 60.Rg7 f3 61.Rxg6+ Kh5 62.Rg5+ Kh4 63.Rf5 Kg3 64.e6 f2 65.e7 Kg2 66.Rg5+ Kf3 67.Rf5+ Ke2 0-1 (67) Vitiugov,N (2722)-Wang,Y (2716) Ningbo CHN 2010*)*
14...Qd5 *(14...Bf7 15.Nf4 Nd5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5=)*
15.Nf4

G2a11) or 15...Qb3
16.Qxb3+ Bxb3 17.Rd3 Bf7 *(17...Bc4 18.Rc3 Bxf1 19.Rxf1 c6 20.h4 Kf7 21.Rd1 Bh6 22.Ne2 Bg7 23.Rb3 Rfb8 24.Nc3 Ke6 25.f4 Nd5 26.Nxd5 Kxd5 27.Kd2 e6 28.Kd3 Bf8 29.Bd2 b6 30.Rc1 Rc8 31.Rbc3 Be7 32.g3 Rc7 33.Rc4 a5 34.a4 Rd8 35.Be3 Rdc8 36.R4c3 Bb4 37.Rc4 Be7 38.R4c3 Bb4 39.Rc4 h6 40.Bd2 Be7 41.R4c3 c5 42.dxc5 Rxc5 43.Rxc5+ Rxc5 44.Rd1 Rc4 45.b3 Rd4+ 46.Ke2 Bc5 47.Rc1 Ke4 48.Be1 Rd7 49.Rc4+ Kd5 50.Bf2 Kc6 51.Bxc5 bxc5 52.Rc3 h5 53.Rd3 Rd5 54.Rc3 Kb6 55.Rc4 Kc6 56.Ke3 Kb6 57.Rc3 Kc6 58.Rc2 Kb6 59.Rc1 Kc6 60.g4 hxg4 61.Rc2 Rd4 62.Rh2 Re4+ 63.Kd3 Kd5 64.h5 Rd4+ 65.Kc3 gxh5 66.Rxh5 Rxf4 67.Rh8 Rf3+ 68.Kc2 Kxe5 69.Kb2 g3 70.Ka3 Kf4 71.Rf8 c4 72.Rg8 Rxb3+ 73.Ka2 Rb4 74.Re8 Kf3 75.Rxe6 f4 76.Ka3 g2 77.Rf6 Kf2 78.Re6 f3 79.Rf6 g1Q 80.Rxf3+ Kxf3 81.Ka2* 1 - 0 (8 1) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-CK-king-2024 (2847) Blitz 2024*)* 18.h4 Rfd8= Li Shilong-Gomez, Joh Manila 2013 Glenn Flear: 'Li Shilong-Gomez, Joh Manila 2013';

G2a12) 15...Qf7 16.d5 g5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 17.Nh3 Nxd5 18.Bd2 Nb6 19.Nxg5 Qb3 Glenn Flear: 'Bacrot, E-Fluvia Poyatos, Jor Bilbao 2014, and Black was comfortable.' 20.Bd3 h6 21.Nh3 Bxe5 22.Bxh6 Rf6 23.Qxb3+ Bxb3 24.Rde1 Bd4 25.Be3 Rd8 26.Nf2 Kf8 27.Kb1 c5 28.Bxd4 Rxd4 29.Re5 c4 30.Bxf5 Rfd6 31.Rhe1 Rd2 32.R5e2 e6 33.Be4 Na4 34.Kc1 R2d4 35.Bc2 Nc5 36.Ne4 Nd3+ 37.Bxd3 cxd3 38.Rf2 Rc6+ 39.Nc3 b5 40.Kd2 Bc4 41.Re5 Rf4 42.Ke3 Rf5 43.Re4 a5 44.Rd2 1-0 (44) Bacrot,E (2729)-Fluvia Poyatos,J (2446) Bilbao ESP 2014;

G2a2) 12...N4d5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler, P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 13.Ng5 Glenn Flear: 'played

in Sturua, Z-Krasenkow, M Batumi 2002. The game continuation didn't look particularly worrying for Black...' *(13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.Qc2 Rc8 15.Nf4 c6 16.Kb1 Qe8 17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.Qb3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.Qc3 f4 21.Bf2 Qf7 22.d5 Qf5+ 23.Ka2 Bxe5 24.Bd4 Bxd4 25.Rxd4 b5 26.Re1 Rf7 27.Qa5 c3 28.Ree4 c2* 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2664) - Sistematik_Antrenman (2630) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Qd7 14.Nxe6 *(14.f4 Nxc3 15.Qxc3 Bd5 16.h4 h5* (= I would judge at this point) *17.Rh3 a5 18.Kd2!? a4 19.Ke1* (uncastling by hand!?) *Bb3 20.Rc1 Nd5* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Sturua,Z-Krasenkow,M/ Batumi 2002/CBM 090 (44)' *21.Qd2 Rfd8* ...but White won a long manoeuvring game. *)* 14...Qxe6 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Kb1 Rfd8 17.Bc4 c6 18.h4 b5 19.Bb3 a5 20.h5 a4 21.Ba2 Rab8 22.Rc1 Rb6 23.Rc5 Bf8 24.Qc2 Kh8 25.Bd2 Ra6 26.Rc1 gxh5 27.Rxc6 Rxc6 28.Qxc6 Qxc6 29.Rxc6 f4 30.Ba5 Ra8 31.Bxd5 Rxa5 32.Rc8 Kg7 33.Be6 Ra6 34.d5 Rb6 35.Kc2 b4 36.Rc4 bxa3 37.bxa3 Kh6 38.Rxf4 Bg7 39.Re4 Rb3 40.d6 1-0 (40) Ivanchuk,V (2757)-Gabrielian,A (2558) Loo RUS 2013;

G2b) Glenn Flear: 'is the in-move, but it doesn't look like anything special to me. See instead the archives for examples of' Glenn Flear: 'is the in-move, but it doesn't look like anything special to me. See instead the archives for examples of' 12.Kb1 5:37 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and I believe White can get an edge here:'

G2b1) 12...N4d5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler, Peter'

G2b11) Glenn Flear: 'After' 13.Nf4 Nxf4 *(13...Nxc3+ 14.Qxc3 Nd5 15.Qc1 Nxf4 16.Bxf4 Qd5 17.b3±)* 14.Bxf4 c6 *(14...Qe8 15.Qc2 c6 16.h4 Qf7 17.h5 gxh5 18.Bd3 Nd5* Black was fine in Raceanu, V-Shishkin, Va Bucharest 2008.*)* 15.h4 Nd5 *(15...Qe8 16.h5 gxh5 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qg6 19.Rxh5 Qxh6 20.Rxh6 Bf7 21.Bd3 Bg6 22.g4 Rad8 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Rg1+ Kh8 25.Bxf5 Rxf5 26.Rgh1 Rxd4 27.Rxh7+ Kg8 28.Rxe7 Rd7 29.Re8+ Kf7 30.Rhh8 Kg6 31.Rhg8+ Rg7 32.Rxg7+ Kxg7 33.Rb8 Rf7 34.Ne4 Nc4 35.Ng5*

Re7 36.f4 Ne3 37.Ne4 Kf7 38.Nd6+ Ke6 39.Rxb7 Rxb7 40.Nxb7 Nd5 41.Nc5+ Kf5 42.Nd3 a5 43.a4 Ke4 44.Kc2 Kd4 45.Kd2 Ne7 46.b3 c5 47.Nc1 Nd5 48.Ne2+ 1-0 (48) Erdos,V (2640)-Bosiocic,M (2571) Hohenems AUT 2012*)*
16.h5 Nxc3+ 17.bxc3 Qa5 18.h6 Bh8 19.c4 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Rfd8 21.Be2 b5 22.Rc1 Rd7 23.cxb5 cxb5 24.Rc5 Rad8 25.Rxb5 Kf7 26.Be3 f4 27.Bxf4 Rxd4 28.Rxd4 Rxd4 29.g3 Rd5 30.a4 Rxb5+ 31.axb5 Bd5 32.Kc2 Ke6 33.Be3 Bxe5 34.f4 Bb8 35.Bd3 Kf6 36.Bd4+ e5 37.Bc3 Ke6 38.Bxg6 exf4 39.Bxh7 Kf7 40.Bd3 fxg3 41.h7 g2 42.h8Q g1Q 43.Qh5+ Ke6 44.Qe8+ 1-0 (44) Postny,E (2651)-Azarya,J (2186) Tromso NOR 2014;

G2b12) 13.Ng5 Nxc3+ 14.Qxc3

G2b121) Otherwise after 14...Nd5 15.Qb3 Bc8 16.Nh3! c6 *(16...Kh8 17.Bc4)* 17.Nf4 White retains some advantage, as the bishop on c8 will stay rather passive for now.;

G2b122) 14...Bd5 15.h4 Qd7 16.Bd3 *(* After *16.h5* Black has the option of 'blocking' the wing with *h6 17.Nh3 g5)* 16...Rac8 *(16...Na4 17.Qc2 b5 18.h5 h6 19.hxg6 hxg5 20.g4 f4 21.Rh7 Bxf3 22.e6 Qxe6 23.Qh2 Rf7 24.gxf7+ Qxf7 25.Rf1 fxe3 26.Rxg7+ Qxg7 27.Rxf3 Qh8 28.Qc2 Qh1+ 29.Rf1 Qh3 30.Qc6 Rd8 31.Qe6+ Kh8 32.Qxe7* 1-0 (32) Sethuraman,S (2647)-Hafiz,A (2348) Tashkent UZB 2016*)* 17.Bc2 *(* Instead *17.Rc1* comes into consideration as the ambitious reply *c5* fails to impress: *18.dxc5 Na4 19.Qd4 Rfd8 20.Rhd1* and Black cannot play the logical *Bxa2+ 21.Kxa2 Qxd4 22.Bxd4 Rxd4* because of *23.Bc4+* winning the exchange. *)* 17...Nc4 18.h5 h6 19.Nh3 g5 20.Nxg5 hxg5 21.h6 Bh8 22.h7+ Kf7 23.Bxg5 Ke8 *(* Some sort of counterplay has to be started, for example with *23...c5! 24.f4 cxd4 25.Qxd4 Nb6=* when White's king won't feel that safe

either. *)* 24.Rh6 c6 25.f4 b5 26.Qh3 Rc7 Black's manoeuvres are just too laborious. 27.Rg6! There are decisive threats involving Bh6 or some combination of Bxf5 and Rg8. e6 *(*Hopeless is *27...Kd8 28.Bxf5 Qxf5+ 29.Qxf5 Rxf5 30.Rg8+)* 28.Qh5 Qf7 29.Bh6 Winning material. Black's position is already resignable. Ne3 30.Bxf8 Nxd1 31.Bd6 Kd7 32.Bxc7 Ne3 33.Bd6 Nxg2 34.Qg5 Qxh7 35.Rh6 1-0 (35) Ivanisevic,I (2645)-Gabrielian,A (2554) Plovdiv BUL 2012 [Glenn Flear];

G2b2) 12...Nc4 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A rare try. This is only the third example of this natural move that I have found.' 13.Bxc4 *(* Glenn Flear: 'White wasn't particularly ambitious in the stem game:' *13.Qc1* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler, P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nd5 15.Nxd5 Bxd5 16.Qc3 e6* Krasenkow,Michal: '½-½ Bykhovsky,A-Golod,V/Tel Aviv 2001/CBM 081 ext' Glenn Flear: '0.5-0.5 Bykhovsky, A-Golod, V Tel Aviv 2001.' *)* 13...Bxc4

G2b21) Glenn Flear: 'A few days earlier White opted for' 14.a3 Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' Nd5 15.Nxd5 Qxd5 *(15...Bxd5 16.Nf4 e6 17.Qb4 Qd7 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.Rc1 Rf7 20.Rc5 Qd8 21.Qxb7 Bf8 22.Rc3 c5 23.Qa6 cxd4 24.Rd1 Rb8 25.Rxd4 Qe8 26.Rdc4 Rfb7 27.b4 Qd7 28.Rd4 Qf7 29.Rdc4 Rd7 30.Rc8 Rxc8 31.Rxc8 Kg7 32.Qc6 f4 33.Bc1 Qf5+ 34.Qc2 Qxc2+ 35.Kxc2 g5 36.h4 h6 37.hxg5 hxg5 38.Rc6 Kf7 39.Bb2 Bg7 40.b5 Re7 41.a4 Kg6 42.Bd4 Kf5 43.Ra6 Rd7 44.Bxa7 Bxe5 45.Bc5 g4 46.b6 Rd5 47.Ra5 g3 48.Rb5 Bb8 49.b7 e5 50.a5 e4 51.fxe4+ Kxe4 52.a6 f3 53.gxf3+ Kxf3 54.Rb3+ Kg4 55.Bg1 g2 56.a7 Bxa7 57.Bxa7 Ra5 58.b8Q Ra2+ 59.Kb1 Ra5 60.Qg8+ Rg5 61.Qf8 Rf5 62.Bg1 Rf1+* 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-SiroglanTalibov (2716) Blitz 2023 *)*

G2b211) 16.Qb4 Provoking a useful move, so perhaps White should seek an improvement here. a5

17.Qc3 *(17.Qxe7? Rfe8 18.Qh4 Qb5* and with the white queen being so distant Black has a light-squared attack*)* 17...Ra6 18.Nf4 Qb5 19.d5 g5 20.Ne6 Rxe6 21.dxe6 Heimann, An-Sreeves, C Rhodes 2013, and now f4! 22.Bf2 Bxe6 gives Black enough compensation.;

G2b212) Glenn Flear: 'one alternative idea being' 16.Nf4 Qb5 *(16...Qf7 17.h4)* 17.Qc3 c6 18.Rc1 Bb3 19.Qc5 Qxc5 20.Rxc5 Rfd8 21.h4 Bh6 22.Rc3 Bf7 23.Ne2 Bxe3 24.Rxe3 Bc4 25.Rd1 Bxe2 26.Rxe2 Kf7 27.Kc2 Ke6 28.g4 fxg4 29.fxg4 Rf8 30.Re4 Rf2+ 31.Rd2 Raf8 32.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 33.Kc3 Kd5 34.Re3 Rf4 35.Rd3 Rxg4 36.h5 gxh5 37.Rf3 Ke6 38.Rf8 h4 39.Kd3 h3 40.Ke3 h2 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-CK-king-2024 (2843) Blitz 2024;

G2b22) 14.b3 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Now we are on virgin territory.'

G2b221) 14...Bf7 15.Bh6 Nd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nxd5 Bxd5 18.Nf4 Simple chess from Shankland. He trades most of the minor pieces leaving himself with a 'good knight against bishop of uncertain value'. In particular, it's not clear that Black will be able to defend on the dark squares indefinitely, so he'll need to get some counterplay going. However this doesn't prove to be possible, so White is better. a5 *(* Against the slower *18...c6 19.h4 h6* White has two plans that meet the eye: Rhg1 and g2-g4, or simply R-c1-c5, as in the game. *)* 19.h4 h6 Intending to meet h4-h5 with ...g6-g5, but at the risk of having brittle pawns. 20.Rc1 c6 *(*Although *20...a4* is coherent, after *21.Rc5 Bf7 22.b4* it's not clear that pushing the a-pawn has benefited Black.*)* 21.Rc5 Bf7 *(* Black cannot stabilize the centre with *21...e6??* because of *22.Rxd5)* 22.d5! It turns out that White's pieces are more active after this thrust. cxd5 23.e6 Not really a

'thorn in Black's side', but more of a 'stake through the heart'! Be8 24.Qd4+ Kh7 25.Rxd5 Qb8 Domination of the centre enables White to keep control of events wherever they occur. It also means that Black's rooks lack prospects. 26.h5 *(More precise is 26.Re1! Rg8 27.h5 g5 28.Rd7!* when Black is defenceless.*)* 26...g5 27.Ng6 Bxg6 28.Rd7 Qe8 To stop Rxe7+. 29.Rc1 In order to renew the threat with Rcc7 and then Rxe7+. Ra6! Ftacnik resists, but White's superior activity is hard to cope with. 30.hxg6+ Kxg6 31.Qd5 Rd6 32.Rxd6 exd6 33.Rc7 Rf6 34.e7 Positions with just queen and rook each are rather special. They are neither endgames nor middlegames. One factor tends to be extremely important: the relative security of the kings. Here White's is safe whereas Black cannot rest assured about his monarch, as the presence of the passed e-pawn gives White additional attacking opportunities. The fact that Black has an extra pawn is of limited significance. b5 35.g4! Opening up Black's king whilst Ftacnik can only watch as his hopes of salvation are dashed. fxg4 36.Qe4+ Kg7

G2b2211)

Stronger, and certainly more sadistic, is 37.Qa8! Kf7 *(37...Qxa8 38.e8Q+)* 38.Qd5+ Kg6 39.Qd3+ Kg7 40.Qxb5!;

G2b2212) 37.Qxg4 a4 38.bxa4 bxa4 39.Qxa4!

This theme is again part of Black's undoing. Kf7 40.Qc4+ Kg6 41.Qe4+ Kf7 42.Rb7 h5 43.a4 Another weapon in the armoury is the passed a-pawn. h4 44.Qd5+ Kg6 45.Rb5! Moving in for the kill. Qxe7 46.Qg8+ Kh6 47.Qxg5+ Kh7 48.Qxh4+ Kg7 49.Rg5+ Kf7 50.Qh5+

Black loses his queen. 1-0 (50) Shankland,S (2605)-Ftacnik,L (2546) Barcelona ESP

2013 [Glenn Flear] *(50.Qh5+ Ke6 51.Qg4+ Kf7 52.Rg7+)*;

G2b222) Glenn Flear: 'After' 14...Bd3+ 15.Kb2 Glenn Flear: 'Black would have to immediately retreat his bishop as a2-a3 is coming.' c5 16.a3 cxd4 17.axb4 dxc3+ 18.Qxc3 Qb8 19.Rxd3 Bxe5 20.Bd4 Bxh2 21.Qc4+ Rf7 22.Ng5 1 - 0 (2 2) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Wea_pawn (2584) Blitz 2022;

G2b23) 14.Nf4 Qd7 15.a3 a5 16.h4 Bb3 17.h5 Bxd1 18.Qxd1 g5 19.h6 gxf4 20.hxg7 Rf7 21.Bxf4 Nd5 22.Bh6 Nxc3+ 23.bxc3 Ra6 24.d5 Qb5+ 25.Ka1 e6 26.dxe6 Rxe6 27.Qd8+ Re8 28.Rd1 Qc6 29.Kb2 Rfe7 30.Qd5+ Qxd5 31.Rxd5 Rxe5 32.Rd7 R5e7 33.Rd5 Re6 34.Bf4 Kxg7 35.Bxc7 Re2+ 36.Kb3 Rxg2 37.Rxf5 Rf8 38.Rxa5 Rxf3 39.Rb5 Rf7 40.Rxb7 Kg6 41.Rb6+ Kf5 42.Bd6 h5 43.Rb5+ Kg4 44.a4 h4 45.a5 h3 46.a6 Rd2 47.Rb4+ Kh5 48.Rd4 Rxd4 49.cxd4 Ra7 50.Be5 Rxa6 51.Kc4 Kg4 52.d5 Kf5 53.Bb8 Ra4+ 54.Kb5 Ra1 55.Kc6 Rc1+ 56.Kd7 Ke4 57.Bg3 Kxd5 58.Ke7 Ke4 59.Kf6 Kf3 60.Bh2 Kg2 61.Be5 Rf1+ 62.Bf4 Rxf4+ 63.Kg5 Rf2 64.Kg4 Rf3 65.Kh4 Rg3 66.Kh5 h2 67.Kh4 h1Q# 0-1 (67) MCjgp_Twitch (2790)-Evelone192 (2728) Blitz 2022;

G2b3) 12...a5 13.Nf4 Bf7 *(13...Bc4 14.Bxc4+ Nxc4 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qd7 17.d5 c6 18.Ne6 Rfc8 19.Nxg7 Kxg7 20.d6 e6 21.h4 h6 22.g4 Rf8 23.Rhg1 Kh7 24.a3 Nd5 25.Nxd5 cxd5 26.Rc1 Rac8 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.h5 Rg8 29.Ka2 Rg7 30.Rxg7+ Kxg7 31.Rg1+ Kf7 32.Qxh6* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-Wea_pawn (2631) Blitz 2022*)* 14.h4 e6 15.h5 g5 16.h6 gxf4 17.hxg7 fxe3 18.gxf8Q+ Qxf8 19.Qxe3 Qg7 20.Qh6 Bg6 21.Qxg7+ Kxg7 22.f4 N6d5 23.g3 Rd8 24.a3 Nxc3+ 25.bxc3 Nd5 26.Kb2 Ne3 27.Re1 Ng4 28.Bg2 c5 29.Rhf1 cxd4 30.Bxb7 Rb8 31.cxd4 Rxb7+ 32.Kc3 Rc7+ 33.Kd3 Be8 34.Rc1 Bb5+ 35.Kd2 Rd7 36.Rfd1 Rxd4+ 37.Kc3 Rc4+ 38.Kb3 a4+ 39.Kb2 Ne3 40.Rxc4 Nxd1+ 41.Kc2 Bxc4 42.Kxd1 Kg6 0-1 (42) Lucky1357924680

(2688)-Metadust (2601) Blitz 2024;
G2b4) Glenn Flear: 'The most popular move has been the non-committal' Glenn Flear: 'Black has been struggling to find a satisfactory way of handling his game after' 12...Qd7 2:24 ChessBase II: 'Edouard, Romain: '?!'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler, Peter: 'N' 'N' Svidler,P: 'N' 'N'' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.'

G2b41) for 13.Ng5?! Nc4!= see Nosenko, A - Cernousek, L Wroclaw 2012, in the archives *(13...a5 14.Nxe6 Qxe6 15.a3 Rfd8 16.f4 N6d5 17.axb4 axb4 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.Qc2 Qa5 20.Bc4+ Kh8 21.Qb3 b5 22.Be6* 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-gennadigleizerov (2860) Blitz 2024*; 13...Bd5 14.Nxd5 N4xd5 15.Bf2 a5 16.h4 h6 17.Nh3 a4 18.Bd3 a3 19.b3 Rad8 20.Rc1 e6 21.Rhd1 Qe7 22.Rc5 Nd7 23.Ra5 c5 24.Bc4 N5b6 25.Nf4 Nxc4 26.bxc4 cxd4 27.Nxg6 Qf7 28.Nxf8 Nxe5 29.Qe2 Qxf8 30.Rb5 d3 31.Qd2 Nxc4 32.Qb4 Qf6* 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-Nguyen,D (2357) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Qc1 *(14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.b3 Bd3+ 16.Kb2 f4 17.Bf2 Ba6⇄)* 14...Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Bh6 *(15...f4 16.Qc1 Bf5+ 17.Nge4±)* 16.h4 f4 17.Qc1 Bxg5 18.hxg5∞;

G2b42) 13.Nf4 23 ChessBase II: '±'

G2b421) 13...Rfd8

G2b4211) 14.Nxe6 Qxe6

G2b42111) 15.a3 N4d5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.f4 *(17.Qc1* Glenn Flear: '!' *Rac8 18.Be2* Glenn Flear: 'Lupulescu, C - Stella, A Skopje 2013, as Black has difficulty releasing the bind whilst White will continue with the alarming h2-h4-h5.' *Rd7 19.Qc3 e6 20.Rd2 c6 21.h4 Rdc7 22.h5 Qd7 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Bg5 Nd5 25.Qb3 a6 26.f4 b5 27.g4 c5 28.dxc5 Rxc5 29.gxf5 gxf5 30.Bf3 a5 31.Bxd5* 1-0 (31) Lupulescu, C (2614)-Stella,A (2477) Skopje MKD 2013*; 17.h4 c5 18.h5 cxd4 19.Bg5 Rd7 20.hxg6 hxg6*

21.g4 d3 22.Bxd3 Rad8 23.Qc2 Qxe5 24.Bc1 Rc8 25.f4 Qd5 26.Qh2 Rxc1+ 27.Kxc1 0-1 (27) Svetushkin, D (2612)-Stella,A (2477) Cappelle la Grande FRA 2013 *)* 17...e6 18.Rc1 c6 19.Rg1 Rac8 20.Be2 c5 21.Bf3 Qd7 22.dxc5 Qb5 23.Qf2 Nc4 24.Ka2 Rd2 25.Qxd2 Nxd2 26.Bxd2 Bf8 27.Be3 Rd8 28.Rc3 Rd3 29.Rgc1 Kg7 30.Be2 Rxc3 31.Bxb5 Rxe3 32.c6 bxc6 33.Rxc6 Re4 34.g3 g5 35.Rxe6 gxf4 36.gxf4 Rxf4 37.Rc6 Re4 38.e6 f4 39.Rc7+ Kh6 40.Bc4 Bd6 41.Rf7 Kg5 42.Kb3 h5 43.Bd5 Re3+ 44.Kc4 a5 45.Rd7 Be5 46.e7 Bf6 47.b4 axb4 48.axb4 Bxe7 49.b5 Bf6 50.b6 Rc3+ 51.Kb5 Be5 52.b7 Rc2 53.Re7 Rb2+ 54.Kc6 Kf5 55.Rf7+ Kg6 56.Rf8 Rc2+ 57.Kb6 Rd2 58.Rc8 Rxd5 59.b8Q Bxb8 60.Kc6 Rf5 61.Rxb8 Rf6+ 62.Kd5 f3 63.Ke4 f2 64.Rg8+ Kh7 65.Re8 f1Q 66.Re7+ Rf7 67.Re5 Qf4+ 68.Kd5 Rd7+ 69.Ke6 Re7+ 70.Kxe7 Qxe5+ 71.Kf7 Qg5 72.Ke8 Qh4 73.Kd7 Qh3+ 74.Ke8 Qxh2 75.Kf7 h4 76.Kf8 h3 77.Ke7 Qg2 78.Kf8 h2 79.Kf7 h1Q 80.Ke7 Qhf1 81.Ke8 Qge2+ 82.Kd8 Qfd1+ 83.Kc7 Qec2+ 84.Kb6 Qdb1+ 85.Ka5 Qca2# 0-1 (85) OnkelKonkel (2682)-RanchoWangdu (2647) Blitz 2022; **G2b42112)** 15.f4 c5 16.d5 N4xd5 17.Nxd5 Rxd5 18.Qc2 Rad8 19.Be2 Qc8 20.Rxd5 Nxd5 21.Qxc5 Qxc5 22.Bxc5 Nxf4 23.Bc4+ Kf8 24.g3 Rc8 25.b4 Nh3 26.Rd1 b6 27.Be6 Re8 28.Be3 Bxe5 29.Rd7 Kg7

30.Rxa7 Kf6 31.Bb3 Rb8 32.Ra6 Bc7 33.a4 Ke5 34.Ra7 Bd6 35.b5 Ke4 36.Bd2 Kf3 37.Bd5+ Ke2 38.Kc2 Rc8+ 39.Bc6 Nf2 40.a5 bxa5 41.Bxa5 Ne4 42.Kb3 g5 43.Kc4 Nd2+ 44.Kd5 f4 45.gxf4 gxf4 46.Ke6 f3 47.Bb6 f2 48.Bxf2 Kxf2 49.Kd7 Rb8 50.Ra2 Ke1 51.Ra1+ Ke2 52.Ra6 Ke3 53.b6 Nc4 54.b7 Ne5+ 55.Ke6 Nxc6 56.Rxc6 Rxb7 57.Rc3+ Kd4 58.Rh3 Rb5 59.Rxh7 Rb7 60.Rf7 Rb5 61.h4 Re5+ 62.Kd7 Rh5 63.Rf4+ Bxf4 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-RanchoWangdu (2700) Blitz 2022;

G2b4212) 14.h4 Bf7 Krasenkow, Michal: '∞' *(14...N4d5 15.Nxe6 Qxe6 16.h5 c5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bc4 b5 20.Bxb5 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 cxd4 22.Qd3 Rac8 23.f4 Qd5 24.g3 Rc5 25.Ba4 Qe4 26.Bc2 Qxd3 27.Bxd3 e6 28.Rdg1 g5 29.Rh5 g4 30.Rgh1 Rdc8 31.R5h2 Kf7 32.Rc2 Rxc2 33.Bxc2 Rd8 34.Bd3 Rc8 35.Rc1 Rxc1+ 36.Kxc1 Bf8 37.a3 Bc5 38.b4 Bb6 39.Kc2 Ke7 40.Kb3 Kd7 41.Kc4 Bd8 42.Kb5 Bb6 43.Ka6 Kc6 44.a4 Kd5 45.a5 Bd8 46.Kxa7 Be7 47.b5 Kc5 48.b6 Kc6 49.b7 Bc5+ 50.Ka8* 1-0 (50) gg-gm-gmg (2654)-Nguyen,D (2409) Blitz 2021*)*

15.a3 Krasenkow, Michal: '△' *(⩲15.h5 g5; 15.Qe1 N4d5 16.Nfxd5 Nxd5 17.Bc4 h6 18.Bxd5 Bxd5 19.Qd2 h5 20.Bh6 Qe6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qg5 Rd7 23.a3 Bc4 24.d5 Qxe5 25.Rhe1 Qf6 26.Qf4 b5 27.Re6 Qf7 28.Kc2 Rxd5 29.Nxd5 Qxe6 30.Qd4+ Kf7 31.Nxc7 Qc6 32.Nxa8 Be2+ 33.Qc3 Bxd1+ 34.Kxd1 Qxa8 35.Qb3+ e6 36.Qxb5 Qd8+ 37.Ke2 Qxh4*

38.Qd7+ Qe7 39.Qd4 e5 40.Qd5+ Qe6 41.Qb7+ Qe7 42.Qd5+ Qe6 43.Qb7+ Qe7 44.Qd5+ Kf6 45.b4 g5 46.Qc6+ Kg7 ½-½ (46) Onischuk, V (2629)-Darini,P (2479) Nakhchivan AZE 2015 *)* 15...a5

G2b42121) 16.h5 g5 17.e6 *(17.Nh3 f4 18.Nxg5 Qf5+ 19.Nce4 fxe3 20.Qxe3 N4d5 21.Qd2 Bh6 22.g4 Qf4 23.Qxf4 Nxf4 24.Nxf7 Kxf7 25.g5 Bf8 26.Rh4 Nbd5 27.Bc4 e6 28.Rg1 Be7 29.g6+ hxg6 30.hxg6+ Nxg6 31.Rh7+ Kg8 32.Rh6 Ndf4 33.Rhxg6+ Nxg6 34.Rxg6+ Kf8 35.Bxe6 Bh4 36.d5 b5 37.f4 b4 38.f5 bxa3 39.Rg8+ Ke7 40.f6+ Bxf6 41.exf6#* 1 - 0 (4 1) penguingim1 (2640)-Biranidun (2684) Blitz 2020*)*
17...Bxe6 18.Nxe6 Qxe6 19.Bxg5 Rxd4 20.Qc1 Rxd1 21.Qxd1 Bxc3 22.axb4 axb4 23.bxc3 Qa2+ 24.Kc1 Qa1+ 25.Kd2 Qxc3+ 26.Ke2 Ra2+ 27.Bd2 Nc4 0 - 1 (2 7) Lucky1357924680 (2 6 6 2) - AkibaRubinstein0 (2688) Blitz 2024;

G2b42122) 16.Qc1 Bb3 17.Rd2 e6 Glenn Flear: '=' Glenn Flear: 'Vitiugov, N-Ostenstad, B Rogaska Slatina 2011. In my opinion 12...Qd7 looks to be a more trustworthy option.' 18.Nd3 Nxd3 19.Bxd3 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.h5 b5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Bg5 Rf8 24.Na4 Qd5 25.Nc5 Kf7 26.Qc2 a4 27.Nd3 Rh8 28.Rc1 c6 29.Nf4 Qd7 30.g4 Bh6 31.Bxh6 Rxh6 32.gxf5 gxf5 33.Rh2 Rah8 34.Rxh6 Rxh6 35.Qg2 Qd8 36.Rg1 Qh8 37.Kc1 Ke8 38.Qg5 Rh1 39.Kd2 Rxg1 40.Qxg1 Kd7 41.Kc3 Kc7 42.Qg5 Qh2

43.Qe7+ Kb6
44.Qd8+ Kb7
45.Qd7+ Kb6
46.Nxe6 Bxe6
47.Qxe6 Qf4
48.Qg8 Qe3+
49.Kc2 Qe2+
50.Kb1 Qxf3
51.Qb8+ Ka6
52.Qa8+ Kb6
½-½ (52) Vitiugov, N (2726)-Ostenstad,B (2469) Rogaska Slatina SLO 2011;

G2b422) 13...Bc4 14.h4 Bxf1 15.Rhxf1 Rad8 16.Nh3 *(16.d5* (aiming for the weakened e6-square) *Bxe5 17.Bxb6 axb6 18.Ne6 Qxe6 19.dxe6 Rxd2 20.Rxd2 Kg7* and Black held comfortably despite his material deficit in Nikolov, Mo-Heimann, An Basel 2012*)* 16...c5 17.Qe2 Qe6 18.dxc5 Nc4 19.Ng5 Qa6 20.b3 Bxe5 21.Qxc4+ Qxc4 22.bxc4 Bxc3 23.Ne6 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Rc8 25.Rd7 Bf6 26.Rxb7 Nc6 27.Bg5 Kf7 28.Nf4 Bxg5 29.hxg5 Rb8 30.Rxb8 Nxb8 31.Nd3 Ke6 32.f4 Nc6 33.Kc2 Kd7 34.Kc3 Kc7 35.Nb4 Nxb4 36.Kxb4 Kc6 37.g3 a6 38.a3 e6 39.a4 Kb7 40.Ka5 1-0 (40) gg-gm-gmg (2675)-Rivuza (2566) Blitz 2020;

G2b423) 13...Nc4 49 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A new move in this position.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A new move in this position.' A new move in this position.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'A new move in this position.
' 14.Qc1 1:10 Edouard, Romain: '!' *(14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.h4 Rfd8⩱* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'was a possiblity, but I think the text was much simpler and more straightforward.'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'was a possiblity, but I think the text was much simpler and more straightforward.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit, S: 'was a possiblity, but I think the text was much simpler and more straightforward.' was a possiblity, but I think the text was much simpler and more straightforward.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'was a possiblity, but I think the text was much simpler and

more straightforward.') 14...Nxe3 17:28 15.Qxe3 2:43 c6 2:14 16.Nxe6 2:34 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'White has many tempting options here, but this move goes by force to a position in which White has a simple strategic advantage.'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'White has many tempting options here, but this move goes by force to a position in which White has a simple strategic advantage.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit, S: 'White has many tempting options here, but this move goes by force to a position in which White has a simple strategic advantage.' White has many tempting options here, but this move goes by force to a position in which White has a simple strategic advantage.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'White has many tempting options here, but this move goes by force to a position in which White has a simple strategic advantage.' (*16.h4 Bh6 17.h5± g5 18.Nxe6±* Edouard, Romain: '±' *Qxe6!* Edouard, Romain *19.a3 Nd5 20.Nxd5 Qxd5* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'is less clear than the text.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'is less clear than the text.' is less clear than the text.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'is less clear than the text.') 16...Qxe6 12 17.a3 5:04 Edouard, Romain: '!' Nd5 10:03 18.Nxd5 15:05 Edouard, Romain: '?' cxd5!? 9:53 Après 10 mns de réflexion, les Noirs choiissent de sacrifier la qualité en espérant que la paire de ♗ donne des compensations raisonnables Edouard, Romain: '?' (*18...Qxd5* would give Black some drawing chances. Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit, S: 'It seems a little dangerous to keep the a2-g8 diagonal exposed, especially with h4-h5 coming so swiftly.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'It seems a little dangerous to keep the a2-g8 diagonal exposed,

especially with h4-h5 coming so swiftly.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit, S: 'It seems a little dangerous to keep the a2-g8 diagonal exposed, especially with h4-h5 coming so swiftly.' It seems a little dangerous to keep the a2-g8 diagonal exposed, especially with h4-h5 coming so swiftly.' ChessBase II: 'would give Black some drawing chances. ' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'It seems a little dangerous to keep the a2-g8 diagonal exposed, especially with h4-h5 coming so swiftly.' *19.h4?* Edouard, Romain *Rac8!+- 20.Rc1* Edouard, Romain *)* 19.h4 4:53 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A very unpleasant move for Black. Black has made no obvious mistakes but his position is already strategically highly dubious.'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'A very unpleasant move for Black. Black has made no obvious mistakes but his position is already strategically highly dubious.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A very unpleasant move for Black. Black has made no obvious mistakes but his position is already strategically highly dubious.' A very unpleasant move for Black. Black has made no obvious mistakes but his position is already strategically highly dubious.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'A very unpleasant move for Black. Black has made no obvious mistakes but his position is already strategically highly dubious.'

G2b4231) 19...h5+- Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'I thought this was better, with the idea" Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'I thought this was better, with the idea' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'I thought this was better, with the idea' I thought this was better, with the idea' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'I thought this was better, with the idea' 20.Be2

(Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'But White still keeps the initiative with'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'But White still keeps the initiative with' But White still keeps the initiative with' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'But White still keeps the initiative with' *20.Rg1* Edouard, Romain Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' *Kh7 21.g4 Bh6 22.Qb3* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '↑' '↑' '↑') 20...Kh7 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' 21.g4 Edouard, Romain Bh6+- Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'forcing White to play g5.'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'forcing White to play g5.' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'forcing White to play g5.' forcing White to play g5.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'forcing White to play g5.'; **G2b4232)** 19...h6 10 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'looks a bit naive'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'looks a bit naive' looks a bit naive' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'looks a bit naive' 20.Qb3 3 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'The plan that follows is quite straightforward and simple - to break through with g4.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'The plan that follows is quite straightforward and simple - to break through with g4.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'The plan that follows is quite straightforward and simple - to break through with g4.' The plan that follows is quite straightforward and simple - to break through with g4.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'The plan that follows is quite straightforward and simple - to break through with g4.' Rfc8 26 Vidit,Santosh

Gujrathi: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A sub optimal move. Although It's not easy for Black to play maybe the best was to admit the mistake and play h5. '' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'A sub optimal move. Although It's not easy for Black to play maybe the best was to admit the mistake and play h5. ' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'A sub optimal move. Although It's not easy for Black to play maybe the best was to admit the mistake and play h5. ' A sub optimal move. Although It's not easy for Black to play maybe the best was to admit the mistake and play h5. ' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'A sub optimal move. Although It's not easy for Black to play maybe the best was to admit the mistake and play h5. ' 21.Bd3 1:36 Rc7 40 22.g4 40 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'White just crashes through on the kingside. Black has no counterplay on the other flank and he won't be able to defend on the light squares either.'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'White just crashes through on the kingside. Black has no counterplay on the other flank and he won't be able to defend on the light squares either.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'White just crashes through on the kingside. Black has no counterplay on the other flank and he won't be able to defend on the light squares either.' White just crashes through on the kingside. Black has no counterplay on the other flank and he won't be able to defend on the light squares either.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'White just crashes through on the kingside. Black has no counterplay on the other flank and he won't be able to defend on the

light squares either.' fxg4 1:19 Joué trop rapidement Edouard, Romain: '?' 23.fxg4 4:56 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'White is still much better but Rhg1 was just winning'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'White is still much better but ♖hg1 was just winning' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'White is still much better but Rhg1 was just winning' White is still much better but ♖ hg1 was just winning' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'White is still much better but ♖hg1 was just winning' *(23.Rhg1* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'was much more powerful'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'was much more powerful' was much more powerful' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'was much more powerful' *Rf8 24.Rxg4 Rxf3* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'I prematurely stopped my calculations here but after'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'I prematurely stopped my calculations here but after' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'I prematurely stopped my calculations here but after' I prematurely stopped my calculations here but after' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'I prematurely stopped my calculations here but after' *25.Rdg1* Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'Black has no defence!'' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Black has no defence!' Vidit, Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'Black has no defence!' Black has no defence!' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Black has no defence!'*)* 23...Rf8 40 24.h5 4 Qxg4 17 25.Qxd5+ 2:15 e6 9:02 26.Qb3 2:35 Rc6 1:49 *(26...g5* Edouard, Romain *27.Rhf1*

Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '+-' '+-' '+-') 27.Bxg6 1:19 Rf2 8:49 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'Black tries to struggle for some counterplay. Black's g7-bishop has no squares, and White's king is safe as the light squares are still out of reach for Black's rooks...'' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Black tries to struggle for some counterplay. Black's g7-bishop has no squares, and White's king is safe as the light squares are still out of reach for Black's rooks...' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'Black tries to struggle for some counterplay. Black's g7-bishop has no squares, and White's king is safe as the light squares are still out of reach for Black's rooks...' Black tries to struggle for some counterplay. Black's g7-bishop has no squares, and White's king is safe as the light squares are still out of reach for Black's rooks...' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Black tries to struggle for some counterplay. Black's g7-bishop has no squares, and White's king is safe as the light squares are still out of reach for Black's rooks... ' 28.Rhg1 13:36 Rb6 19 *(28...Qf4* 1:35 *29.Qxb7* 0 *Rxb2+* 3:42 *30.Qxb2* 0 *Rb6* 11 *31.Qxb6* 0 *axb6* Edouard, Romain *32.Bc2+-)* 29.Rxg4! 8 Sans les ♕, les compensations Noires seront insuffisantes et le ♗g2 va soutenir la poussée du ♙passé a Rxb3 2:09 30.Rdg1 4 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '!' '!' '!' Rbf3 9 *(30...Rbxb2+* 2:30 *31.Kc1* 31:44 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'c2 is defended, and g7 is doomed. A typical example of the strategic advantage White has in this position. Also, threats like Ra2-Ra1 are simply neutralised by Bb1.'' Vidit,Santosh

Gujrathi: 'c2 is defended, and g7 is doomed. A typical example of the strategic advantage White has in this position. Also, threats like ♖a2-♖a1 are simply neutralised by ♗b1.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'Vidit,S: 'c2 is defended, and g7 is doomed. A typical example of the strategic advantage White has in this position. Also, threats like Ra2-Ra1 are simply neutralised by Bb1.' c2 is defended, and g7 is doomed. A typical example of the strategic advantage White has in this position. Also, threats like ♖a2-♖a1 are simply neutralised by ♗b1.' Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: 'c2 is defended, and g7 is doomed. A typical example of the strategic advantage White has in this position. Also, threats like ♖a2-♖a1 are simply neutralised by ♗b1.' *Rb6* 2:58 *32.Bh7+* 0 Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi: '+-' '+-' '+-') 31.Bh7+ 4:29 Edouard, Romain: '!' Kh8 12:40 32.Rxg7 1:27 Rf1+ 27 33.Kc2 7 Rxg1 7 34.Rxg1+- 56 Kxh7 4 35.Rg6 32 Rf5 1:44 36.Rxe6 1:21 Rxh5 22 37.d5 24 Edouard, Romain: '!?' Rh4 52 38.d6 8 Rd4 2 39.Re7+ 7 Kg6 1 40.d7 1:15 1-0 (40) Eljanov,P (2661)-Edouard,R (2642) Brest 2019 CBM 190 Extra [ChessBase II];

G2b424) 13...a5 14.d5 N6xd5 15.Ncxd5 Bxe5 16.Bc4 Bxd5 17.Nxd5 Kh8 18.Bd4 Qd6 19.Rhe1 Bxd4 20.Qxd4+ e5 21.Qxe5+ Qxe5 22.Rxe5 Rad8 23.Ree1 b5 24.Nxb4 bxc4 25.Nc6 1-0 (25) Laznicka,V (2654)-Girish,A (2399) Pardubice CZE 2016;

G2b425) 13...Bf7 14.a3 *(14.h4→)*

G2b4251) Glenn Flear: 'after' 14...N4d5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter' 15.Ncxd5 *(15.Nfxd5 Nxd5 16.Bc4±* Glenn Flear: 'Svidler

prefers White slightly, probably because of his extra space but Black is of course very solid Svidler prefers White slightly, probably because of his extra space but Black is of course very solid') 15...Nxd5 16.Bc4 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ± ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'with better chances for White; h4-h5 to come, etc.' Rad8 *(16...Nxf4 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Bxf4 e6 19.h4 Qd5 20.h5 gxh5 21.Rxh5 Rd8 22.Rhh1 Bf8* Koegler, K - Laghetti, G e-mail 2020, and White's 'edge' was insufficient to make the difference.*)* 17.h4 Nxf4 18.Bxf7+ Rxf7 19.Bxf4 Qb5 20.h5 *(20.Qc3 e6 21.h5 gxh5 22.Rxh5 c5)* 20...g5 21.Bxg5 *(21.h6)* 21...Bxe5 22.Qc3 Qa4;

G2b4252) 14...a5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter: '!?' '!?' Svidler,P: '!?' '!?'' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' 'A typical piece sacrifice, which can hardly be accepted. A typical piece sacrifice, which can hardly be accepted. Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A typical piece sacrifice, which can hardly be accepted. A typical piece sacrifice, which can hardly be accepted. '" Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Svidler's idea, back in 2007, that gave him a quick win against Motylev, after:'

G2b42521) 15.d5 Krasenkow,Michal: '??''Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '??'" Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '?' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'Van Delft/Ris: '??' '??" 'A strange move giving up the important e5 pawn and opening up Black's g7 bishop. A strange move giving up the important e5-pawn and opening up the way for Black's g7 bishop. Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A strange move giving up the

important e5 pawn and opening up Black's g7 bishop. A strange move giving up the important e5-pawn and opening up the way for Black's g7 bishop.''' Bxe5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!''' Glenn Flear: 'looked unclear even after deep analysis Motylev, A-Svidler, P Wijk aan Zee 2007 (see Informator 99/313). looked unclear even after deep analysis Motylev, A-Svidler, P Wijk aan Zee 2007 (see Informator 99/313). '

G2b425211)
16.Bd4
G2b4252111)
16...Bxf4?
Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 17.Qxf4 N6xd5 18.Qe5 Nf6 19.axb4! axb4 20.Bc5!+-;
G2b4252112)
16...Nd3
Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 17.Bxe5 Nxe5 18.Qd4 Qd6 19.Nb5 c5 20.Nxd6 *(20.Qc3!? Qf6 21.Re1)* 20...cxd4 21.Nxf7 Kxf7 22.Rxd4±;
G2b4252113)
16...Bxd4 17.Qxd4 g5! 18.Bb5 Qd6 19.Ne6 Bxe6 20.dxe6 Qxd4 21.Rxd4 Na6 22.Bxa6 Rxa6 23.h4±;
G2b425212)
16.axb4
'White must now accept this sacrifice, otherwise his position is ruined. But then his king will be quickly mated along the a-file! Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White must now accept this sacrifice, otherwise his position is ruined. But then his king will be quickly mated along the a-file!'' 16...axb4 Glenn Flear: '→' Glenn Flear: 'Motylev-Svidler, Wijk aan Zee 2007' 17.Nb5
G2b4252121)
17...Ra4
Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 18.Bxb6 Svidler,Peter *(18.Bd4?* Svidler,Peter

Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' *Bxf4 19.Qxf4 Qxd5 20.Bd3 c5-+)* 18...cxb6 19.Qe3 Bxf4 20.Qxf4 Rfa8 21.Qe5□ Ra1+ 22.Kc2 Rc8+ 23.Kd2 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 Bxd5 25.Ke1 'Chess Informant: ' = ' Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P: '='" Rc5! 26.Qb8+ *(26.Nd4?!* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' *Bf7 27.Qe3 f4 28.Qe4 e5↑)* 26...Rc8 27.Qe5=;

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17...Ra5

G2b42521221)

18.Qxb4

G2b425212211)

18...Ra4

Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 19.Qd2 Rfa8 20.Be2 *(20.Na3? Rxa3! 21.bxa3 Qa4∓)*

G2b4252122111)

20...Bxf4 21.Bxf4 Nxd5 22.Na3! Rxa3 23.bxa3 Rxa3 24.Bc4+-;

G2b4252122112)

20...c6 21.Na3 *(21.Nc3!? cxd5 22.Bxb6 Bxf4 23.Be3)* 21...Nxd5 *(21...Rxa3 22.bxa3 Rxa3 23.Bd4±)* 22.Nxd5 *(22.Bc4 Rxa3! 23.bxa3 Rxa3-+)* 22...Bxd5 23.Bc4 Rxa3 24.bxa3 Rxa3 25.Bd4±;

G2b4252122113)

20...Ra1+ 21.Kc2 Bxb2! 22.Rxa1 Bxa1 23.Nc3! Ra3 24.Rxa1 Rxa1 25.Qd4±;

G2b425212212)

18...Rfa8

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∓' 19.Na3

G2b4252122121)

19...Ra4

Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 20.Qb5! *(20.Qe1 Rxa3)* 20...Qxb5 *(20...Bxf4? 21.Bxb6!)* 21.Bxb5 Rxf4 22.Bxf4 Bxf4⩲;

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19...Bd6

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: '!' '!' Svidler,Peter: '!'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '-+' 'etc. Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'etc.''' Polivanov, Anatoliy: ',

Gongora-Abreu, Albacete 2010' 20.Qd4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Svidler, Peter' Ra4 21.Qd2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'" *(21.Bb5 Rxd4 22.Bxd7 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Nxd7∓)* 21...Bxa3 22.bxa3 Rxa3 Krasenkow, Michal: '-+' 23.Bd4 Qa4;

G2b42521222)

18.Bd4?

Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" Bxf4 19.Qxf4 Qxd5-+ **Δ** 20... Ra1, 20...c5 Svidler,P: '**Δ** 20...♖a1, 20...c5' Svidler,Peter: ' **Δ** 20... Ra1, 20...c5';

G2b42521223)

18.Bxb6

'Black has a killing attack in any case, e.g. Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black has a killing attack in any case, e.g.'" 18...cxb6

G2b425212231)

19.Qe3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Svidler, Peter' Bf6!? Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *(19...Bxf4 20.Qxf4 Rxb5 21.Bxb5 Qxb5∓)* 20.Ne6! *(20.Qxb6? Rfa8 21.Bc4 R8a6! 22.Qc7 b3! 23.Kc1 Qxc7 24.Nxc7 Rc5! 25.Nxa6 Rxc4+ 26.Kb1 bxa6∓)* 20...Rfa8 21.Bc4! Rxb5 22.Bxb5 Qxb5 23.Nc7 Qa4 24.Nxa8 b3 25.Kc1 f4 26.Qe4 Qa1+ 27.Qb1 *(27.Kd2? Qxb2+ 28.Ke1 Qxg2!-+)* 27...Qxa8⩲ 28.Rd2 Qa5 29.Qe4 *(29.Kd1 Bxd5 30.Re1 e6⩱)* 29...Qa1+ 30.Qb1 Qa5=;

G2b425212232)

19.Bc4

Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" Rxb5 20.Bxb5 *(20.Qe2 Rc5 21.Qxe5 Rxc4∓)* 20...Qxb5 21.Ne6 Ra8→;

G2b425212233)

19.Qxb4

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter: '?' '?' Svidler,P: '?' '?'' 19...Rfa8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter: '-+' '-+' Svid'Chess Informant: 'Svidler,

P: '-+''' ler,P'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P: '-+' '-+''' : '-+'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'with hardly resistible attack, Motylev-Svidler, Wijk aan Zee 2007'

G2b4252122331)

20.Na3 Bd6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,P: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(20...Ra4* Svidler,Peter *21.Qb5 Qxb5 22.Bxb5 Rxf4 23.Nc4 Bf6∓)* 21.Qd4 Ra4 Krasenkow,Michal: '-+';

G2b4252122332)

20.Nc3 Svidler,Peter Bxc3! 21.bxc3 Ra4! 22.Qb5 Qc7-+;

G2b4252122333)

20.Nh3 Svidler,Peter Ra2 21.Qb3 Rxb2+ 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Kxb2 Qc8! 24.Rc1 Ra2+;

G2b4252122334)

20.Rd4 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Ra1+ 22.Kc2 Rxf1 23.Rxf1 Qxb5 24.Rc1 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Svidler, Peter: ' □ '' □ ' Svidler,P: '□' '□''

G2b42521223341)

24...Ra4? Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 25.Qe5! Qc4+? 26.Kb1 Ra1+ 27.Kxa1 Qxc1+ 28.Ka2∓;

G2b42521223342)

24...g5 Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 25.Ne6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Qe2+ *(26...Rc8+? 27.Kd2 Rxc1? 28.Qd8+!)* 27.Kb1 Qxe6 28.Rc7∓;

G2b42521223343)

24...Rc8+ Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P'' 25.Kb1 Rxc1+ 26.Kxc1 g5 *(26...Qc5+ 27.Qxc5 bxc5 28.Nd3 b6 29.Ne5! Bxd5 30.Nd7!∓)* 27.Nd3 *(27.Ne6 Bxe6 28.dxe6 Qc5+-+)* 27...Qxd5 28.Qc3∓;

G2b42521223344)

24...Rd8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter: '!' '!' Svidler,Peter: '[Δ 25...g5, 25...Bd5]' Svidler,P: '!' '!' Svidler,P: '[Δ 25... g5, 25...♗d5]''

25.Qe5 Bxd5
26.Nxd5 Rxd5
27.Qe6+ Kf8
28.Qc8+ Kf7
0-1 (28) Novik (2647)-Wohl,R (2728) Barcelona ESP 2007 CBM 014 [Zsolt Karacsony] 29.Kb1 Svidler,Peter Qd3+
30.Qc2 Qxc2+
31.Rxc2 Rc5
32.Rd2 Ke6-+
0-1 (32) Motylev,A (2647)-Svidler,P (2728) Wijk aan Zee 2007 CBM 117 [Krasenkow, Michal];

G2b42522) 15.h4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow, Michal: '» Svidler,P: '(Krasenkow, Michal) »'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!?' Glenn Flear: '→';

G2b42523)
15.axb4? Svidler,Peter Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" axb4 16.Nce2? Ba2+ 17.Kc1 Qc6+ 18.Qc2 Bb3!-+;

G2b42524)
Glenn Flear: 'Svidler's main line goes' Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'but the 17-year old Indian player showed Kokarev why 14...a5? is no longer playable:' 15.Bb5 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' 15...c6 *(15...Qc8?* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *16.axb4 axb4 17.Nce2 c6 18.Bd3+-)* 16.d5 Bxe5 *(16...N6xd5* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *17.axb4±; 16...Qc7* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *17.e6 Be8 18.d6! exd6 19.Qxd6 Qxd6 20.Rxd6±)* 17.Bxb6 cxb5

G2b425241)
18.axb4 axb4 19.Nce2 Qd6 20.Qe3! *(20.Bd4* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *b3!* (Δ Ra1) Svidler,P: '(Δ ♖a1)' *21.Qe3 Rfc8! 22.Qxb3 Bxf4∓)* 20...b3!? 21.Nd3! Bxb2 22.Nxb2 *(22.Kxb2* Svidler,P: 'Chess Informant: 'Svidler, P" *Ra2+-+)* 22...Rfc8!? 'Chess Informant:

'Svidler,P: '!?''' *(22...Qa3 23.Kc1 Rfc8+ 24.Kd2 Qxb2+ 25.Ke1±)* 23.Qxb3 Qxb6 24.Rc1 Rc6 25.Rhd1± Glenn Flear: 'with an edge to White. This could do with testing! with an edge to White. This could do with testing!';

G2b425242) 18.Rhe1 Bf6 19.Bd4 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'White's big positional edge becomes clear slowly' Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Na6 21.d6 exd6 *(21...Qxd6* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '??' *22.Ncd5* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '+-' *Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Qc5 24.Nxe7+ Kf7 25.Qh4 Kg7 26.Nxg6 hxg6 27.Re6)* 22.Ncd5 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Qg7 24.Qb6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ± ' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '♖e 7 coming, [X ♔g8]' b4;

G2c) 12.Ng5 Nxa2+ *(12...Bxa2 13.Nxa2 Nxa2+ 14.Kb1 Qd5 15.f4 a5 16.Be2 Nb4 17.Qc3 c5 18.Qxc5 Qa2+ 19.Kc1 Rac8 20.Kd2 Rxc5 21.dxc5 Qxb2+ 22.Ke1 Nc2+ 23.Kf2 Nxe3 24.Kxe3 Qc3+ 25.Kf2 Qxc5+ 26.Kg3 Bxe5 27.Ne6 Qe3+ 28.Bf3 Bb8 29.Rhe1 Qc3 30.Nxf8 Kxf8 31.Rd8+ Kf7 32.Rb1 Bxf4+ 33.Kh3 g5 34.Rxb6 g4+ 35.Kh4 gxf3 36.gxf3 Bc7* 0-1 (36) erva20 (2642)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Kb1 Nxc3+ 14.Qxc3 Bd5 15.h4 h6 16.Nh3 Bf7 17.Qd2 Kh7 18.Nf4 Nd5 19.e6 Nxf4 20.exf7 Nd5 21.h5 g5 22.Bxg5 hxg5 23.Qxg5 Qd6 24.Qxf5+ Kh8 25.Bd3 Qh6 26.Qxd5 Rad8 27.Qf5 Rxd4 28.g4 Rb4 29.Rh2 e6 30.Qg6 1-0 (30) Lucky1357924680 (2651)-CK-king-2024 (2771) Blitz 2024;

G2d) 12.Nf4 Nxa2+ 13.Kb1 Nxc3+ 14.bxc3 *(14.Qxc3 Nd5 15.Nxd5 Qxd5 16.b3 Qxb3+* 0-1 (16) Consent_to_treatment (2604)-durakitodemedellin (2608) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Bb3 15.h4 c5 16.Rc1 Na4 17.h5 g5 18.h6 Bh8 19.Nd3 f4 20.Bf2 Qb6 21.Nb2 Bxe5 22.dxe5 Rad8 23.Nxa4 Qg6+ 24.Qc2 Bxc2+ 25.Rxc2 Rd2 26.Bc4+ Kh8 0-1 (26) sber1 (2845)-kira523 (2827) Blitz 2023;

G3) 11...N4d5 12.Nf4 *(12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Nf4 Nxf4 14.Bxf4 c6*

15.Bc4+ e6 16.h4 b5 17.Bb3 a5 18.a3 Qe7 19.h5 b4 20.a4 Bd7 21.Bg5 Qf7 22.Kb1 Rfc8 23.Rc1 c5 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Bf6 cxd4 26.Qxd4 Rxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Rc8 28.Rxc8+ Bxc8 29.Qd8+ Qf8 30.Qxa5 Bxf6 31.exf6 Kf7 32.Qe5 Qd8 33.a5 Ba6 34.Qxe6+ 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-Odessacoach (2685) Blitz 2023*)* 12...Nxf4 *(12...Nxe3 13.Qxe3)* 13.Bxf4 c6 14.Bh6 Be6 15.h4 Harikrishna,Penteala: '→' Harikrishna,Penteala: 'was Gustafsson, Jan 2627 - Gopal, Geetha Narayanan 2584, Gibraltar 2010 was Gustafsson, Jan 2627 - Gopal,Geetha Narayanan 2584, Gibraltar 2010 Sokolov,Ivan: 'was Gustafsson, Jan 2627 - Gopal,Geetha Narayanan 2584, Gibraltar 2010"

G3a) However I wonder how bad is 15...Nd5!? e.g. 16.h5 *(16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.b3 Rac8 18.h5 c5 19.Bxg7 cxd4+ 20.Kb1 Kxg7 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Qh6+ Kf7* and Black can perhaps survive*)* 16...Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qa5 with counterplay.;

G3b) 15...f4?! The philosophy behind this move being 'better to be a pawn down and alive rather than just being hacked to death!'. The philosophy behind this move being 'better to be a pawn down and alive rather than just being hacked to death!'. 16.Bxf4 Nd5 17.Bg5 Rc8 18.h5 The game continues with Black just a pawn down, but not in immediate danger. The game continues with Black just a pawn down, but not in immediate danger. Nxc3 19.Qxc3 A practical decision in order to keep his own king secure. A practical decision in order to keep his own king secure. *(19.bxc3)* 19...Qd5 20.h6 So there isn't going to be an attack, just a big grip. Van Delft/Ris: '!?' '!?' So there isn't going to be an attack, just a big grip. *(20.Bxe7)* 20...Bh8 21.Bxe7! *(*Instead *21.b3* would be somewhat slow after *c5! 22.dxc5 Qxc5 23.Qxc5 Rxc5+ 24.Bc4!* when matters are far from clear.*)* 21...Rf7 22.Bd6 Qxa2 23.Bd3 Rd8 24.Kd2 Aiming to exploit the a-file as there are no open lines for his rooks elsewhere. Aiming to exploit the a-file as there are no open lines for his rooks elsewhere. Qb3 *(* If *24...a6* then Black will have to trade queens anyway following then Black will have to trade queens anyway following *25.Ra1 Qd5 26.Ra5; 24...Qd5)* 25.Qxb3 Bxb3 26.Ra1 a6 27.Kc3 Be6 28.Bc4 Bxc4 29.Kxc4 The smoke is starting to clear and Black is always a pawn down and, furthermore, has a bishop locked out of play. The smoke is starting to clear and Black is always a pawn down and, furthermore, has a bishop locked out of play. Bf6!

One problem solved, but Black is still a pawn light. One problem solved, but Black is still a pawn light. 30.f4 Rfd7 31.g4 Be7 32.Bxe7 Rxe7 33.f5 The pawns advance leaving Black with even less space. Red7 34.Rad1 Rd5 35.b4 Kf7 36.Rhf1 a5 37.bxa5 Rxa5 38.Ra1 Rad5 Exchanging a pair of rooks is even more hopeless. Exchanging a pair of rooks is even more hopeless. 39.Rf4 Rb5

G3b1) I know it's the fortieth move (so there probably wasn't much time to work it out), but White could have broken through with I know it's the fortieth move (so there probably wasn't much time to work it out), but White could have broken through with 40.e6+! Ke7 *(40...Kf6 41.g5+! Kxg5 42.e7 Re8 43.f6!* and promotes and promotes *)* 41.f6+ Kxe6 42.Re1+ and Black is out of good moves.;

G3b2) 40.Ra7 Rb1 41.Rf3 Rb2 42.Rfa3 Rd5 43.R3a5 Rxa5 44.Rxa5 gxf5 45.gxf5 Rf2 46.f6 Ke6 47.Ra8 b5+ 48.Kd3 c5 49.Ra6+ Kf5 50.f7 1-0 (50) Gustafsson,J (2627)-Geetha Narayanan Gopal (2584) Caleta ENG 2010 [Glenn Flear];

G4) 11...Kh8 12.Nf4 N4d5 13.Nfxd5 Nxd5 14.Bc4 Be6 15.Bxd5 Bxd5 16.Kb1 b5 17.h4 b4 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.h5 Kg8 20.Bh6 f4 21.Bxf4 c5 22.Bh6 Qf7 23.Bxg7 Qxg7 24.hxg6 Qxg6+ 25.Qd3 Qxd3+ 26.Rxd3 c4 27.Re3 Rad8 28.Rd1 Rf4 29.d5 a5 30.Re4 Rxe4 31.fxe4 Kg7 32.Rd4 Rc8 33.d6 Kf7 34.Kc2 Ke6 35.Rd5 c3 36.dxe7 cxb2+ 37.Kxb2 Kxe7 38.Rxa5 Rg8 39.Ra7+ Ke6 40.Rxh7 Rxg2+ 41.Kb3 Kxe5 42.Re7+ Kd4 43.Re8 Re2 44.Rb8 Kc5 45.Rxb4 Rxa2 46.Rc4+ Kb5 47.Rb4+ Kc5 48.Rc4+ Kb5 49.Rd4 Re2 50.Kc3 Kc5 51.Rd5+ Kc6 52.Kd4 Rh2 53.Ke5 Rh5+ 54.Ke6 Rh6+ 55.Ke7 Rh7+ 56.Kf6 Rh4 57.Rd4 Rh6+ 58.Kf5 Rh2 59.e5 Rf2+ 60.Ke6 Re2 61.Rc4+ Kb6 62.Rc1 Rc2 63.Rxc2 Kb5 64.Kf6 Kb4 65.e6 Kb3 66.Rc7 Kb4 67.e7 Kb3 68.e8Q 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-notmagnus15 (2579) Blitz 2023;

G5) 11...a5 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'was played by Li Chao earlier in the year was played by Li Chao earlier in the year Sokolov,Ivan: 'was played by Li Chao earlier in the year'' Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'N' Polivanov, Anatoliy: 'Diagram

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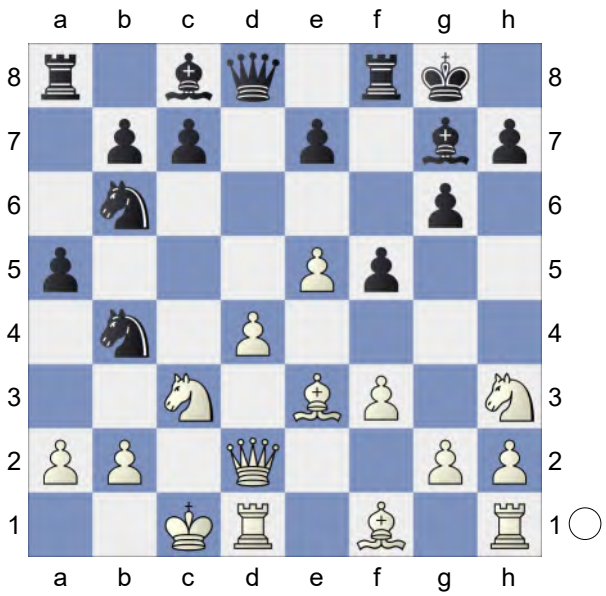

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G5a) 12.Nf4 Harikrishna, Penteala: 'might be an improvement, as' g5 13.Nh5 f4 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'looks better for White, e.g.' 14.Bf2 Bf5 15.h4 *(15.a3 Qd5 16.Nxg7 Kxg7 17.axb4 axb4 18.Ne4 Ra1+ 19.Kc2 b3+ 20.Kc3 Qa5+ 21.Kd3 Qb5+* 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-Metadust (2660) Blitz 2021 *)* 15...Qd5 16.b3 Qc6 17.Kb2;

G5b) 12.a3

G5b1) 12...N4d5 13.Nf4 Nxf4 *(13...Nxe3 14.Qxe3)* 14.Bxf4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '±'

G5b11) Glenn Flear: 'Varying from' 14...c6 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'RR' Harikrishna, Penteala: 'Ding,Liren 2637 - Li,Chao 2646, China 2011 Ding,Liren 2637 - Li,Chao 2646, China 2011 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Ding,Liren 2637 - Li, Chao 2646, China 2011" Glenn Flear: 'which Li Chao-b had played in a previous game:' 15.h4

G5b111) just as in the present game, Glenn Flear: 'just as in the present game,' 15...h5 could be Black's best way of stemming the tide 16.Bh6 Be6 17.Qg5 Kh7 *(⌓17...Qe8)* 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.g4! fxg4 20.Bd3 Qe8 21.fxg4 Bxg4 22.Rdf1 Nd7 23.Ne2!+-;

G5b112) 15...Be6 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!' 16.h5 Nd5 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Bh6 Nxc3 *(* Attempt to cut the connection between queen and bishop *18...f4* fails in view *19.Bc4!)* 19.bxc3 *(* White won't have any attack after *19.Qxc3 Bxh6+ 20.Rxh6 Kg7; 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qh6+ Kf7* leads to the same, as further. *)* 19...Qb6 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!' Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'Black answers with a snarl - now Ding also should take care of own king.' 20.Bxg7 *(* an improvement for White seems to be Glenn Flear: 'an

improvement for White seems to be' Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'Such feeling, that brave' *20.Qg5!* as Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'is stronger -' *Qb3 21.Kd2 Qb2+ 22.Ke1 Qxc3+ 23.Kf2* as then only Black's king is in danger Glenn Flear: 'as then only Black's king is in danger' *f4 24.Be2! Rf7 25.Qxg6 Bf5 26.Qh5 Raf8 27.Bxf4* with pawn up, though position remains complicated.*)* 20...Kxg7 21.d5!? cxd5 *(21...Bxd5 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.Qh7+ Ke8 24.Qxg6+ Bf7 25.Qxf5 Qe3+ 26.Kb2 Qf2+ 27.Qc2+-)* 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.Qh7+ Ke8 24.Qxg6+ Kd7 Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'Diagram

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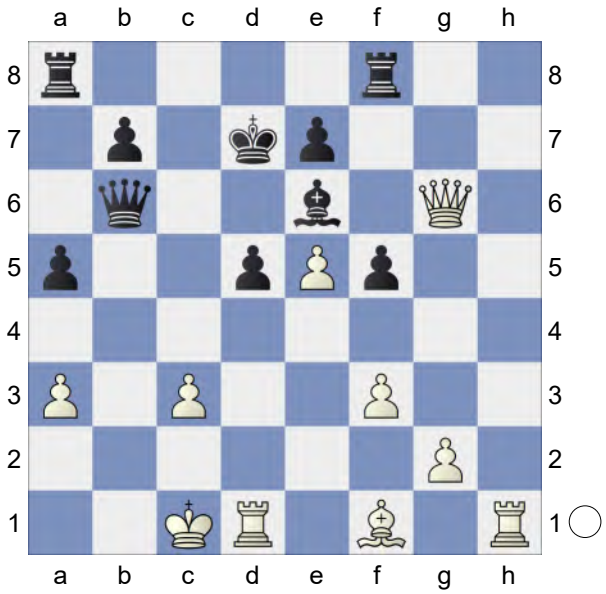

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G5b1121)

White decided to refrain from 25.Rxd5+ Kc7 26.Qg5! , and after Bxd5 *(26...Rfe8 27.Rb5)* 27.Qxe7+ Kb8 28.Qxf8+ Ka7 he may choose among 29.Qxf5 with draw and more risky 29.Qh6!? Qc5 30.Qd2 (probably, draw anyway).;

G5b1122) 25.Rh6 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '!?' 25...Qe3+!

G5b11221)

Wrong square! 26.Kb2! Qxe5 27.Bb5+ Kd6 28.f4! Qe3 , and now fantastic 29.Qg7!! Rg8 30.Qe5+ leads to equality: Qxe5 31.fxe5+

Kc5 *(31...Kxe5 32.Re1+)* 32.Rxe6 Kxb5 33.Rxd5+ Kc4=;

G5b11222) 26.Kc2 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '?' 26...Qxe5 Ding Liren-Li Chao b, Chinese League 2011, and Black had somehow staved off the attack. Glenn Flear: 'Ding Liren-Li Chao b, Chinese League 2011, and Black had somehow staved off the attack.' 27.Bb5+ *(27.f4* is pointless already - *Qe4+* and Rf6. *)* 27...Kd6 28.c4 Rf6□ 29.Qg7 Rc8 *(29...Rxh6? 30.c5+)* 30.Rh8 d4 Black has rebuted all threats, so now a phase of realization will come. 31.Rxc8 Bxc8 32.Qh8 *(32.Qg8 Kc7 33.Qd5 Qxd5 34.cxd5 Kb6!)* 32...Kc7 33.Qh4 Rd6 *(33...f4* even better.*)* 34.Qe1 Diagram

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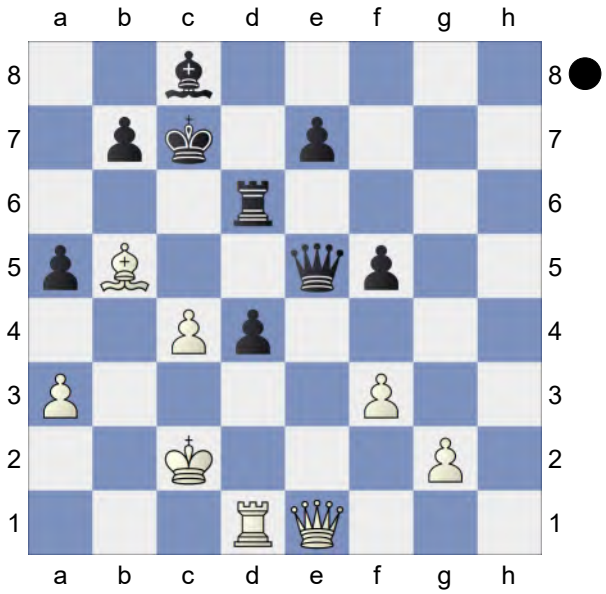


White is seeking for salvation in ending, but black ♙ are too advanced. d3+ 35.Kb3 Qxe1 36.Rxe1 e5! 37.Kc3 e4 38.Kd2

G5b112221) 38...Rg6 leaves more questiones: 39.fxe4 fxe4 40.Rxe4 Rxg2+ 41.Ke3 *(41.Kxd3? Bf5)*;

G5b112222) 38...Re6 39.c5 Bd7 40.Bc4 Re8 41.g4 White tries to break ♙ pair, but now another passed pawn will form. fxg4 42.fxe4 Kc6 43.e5 Bf5! *(43...Kxc5?! 44.Bf7 Re7 45.e6)* 44.Bf7 Re7 45.e6 Kd5 Of course, ♙e6 is more important

than c5 one. 46.Rh1 Bxe6 47.Bxe6+ Rxe6 48.Kxd3 Rg6 The rest doesn't require any comments - pawn "g" constrains white forces. 49.Rh5+ Kc6 50.Ke2 g3 51.Kf1 g2+ 52.Kg1 Rg3 0-1 (52) Ding,L (2637)-Li,C (2646) Ningbo CHN 2011 The Week in Chess 858 [Polivanov, Anatoliy];

G5b12) 14...Nd5 Harikrishna,Penteala: 'N' 15.h4 h5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' *(*Following *15...Be6 16.h5!* White doesn't seem to need his dark-squared bishop to create serious problems for his opponent: Glenn Flear: 'White doesn't seem to need his dark-squared bishop to create serious problems for his opponent:' *Nxf4 17.Qxf4 c6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qg5 Bf7 20.Qh4! Re8 21.Qh7+ Kf8 22.e6* with a strong attack. Glenn Flear: 'with a strong attack.'*)* 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Bg5 c6

G5b121) Here White could instead opt for a more positional continuation: Glenn Flear: 'Here White could instead opt for a more positional continuation:' 18.Bxd5 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 cxd5 *(19...Qxd5? 20.Bxe7)* 20.Kb1 when, with a nice space advantage, White hopes to keep a bind. However Glenn Flear: 'when, with a nice space advantage, White hopes to keep a bind. However' Qd7 21.Rc1 b5 22.Rc5 b4!? would then create counter-chances.;

G5b122) 18.Kb1 Nxc3+ 19.Qxc3 Qd7 Harikrishna,Penteala: '0 : 1 (52) Le,Quang Liem 2676 - Li,Chao 2721, Ho Chi Minh City 2015' 20.Rd3 Rfd8

G5b1221) Instead the calm 21.Rhd1 was to be preferred. White retains more space, but Black's defences are in place and he is quite solid. Then Glenn Flear: 'was to be preferred. White retains more space, but Black's defences are in place and he is quite solid. Then' Bd5 *(21...Bf8* is however too slow because of *22.d5!)* 22.Bxd5+ cxd5

23.Qc5! is somewhat better for White who can probe away.;

G5b1222) 21.g4 Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: 'A risky attempt to carve open the wing.' Glenn Flear: 'A risky attempt to carve open the wing.' 21...fxg4 22.fxg4 hxg4 23.Rg3 b5 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' 24.Bxe6+ Qxe6 25.Rhg1 b4 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Le Quang Liem's attacking chances on the kingside are shown to be too slow, as White's monarch is the one most likely to toppled.' Glenn Flear: 'Le Quang Liem's attacking chances on the kingside are shown to be too slow, as White's monarch is the one most likely to toppled.' 26.Qc5 bxa3 27.Rxa3 Rab8 28.Rc3 Glenn Flear: 'Switching over to a 'defend at all costs' philosophy.' Glenn Flear: 'Switching over to a 'defend at all costs' philosophy. *(The a-pawn could be taken, but only at a heavier cost...* Glenn Flear: 'The a-pawn could be taken, but only at a heavier cost...' *28.Rxa5 Qf5+ 29.Ka1 Qf2 30.Rb1 Rd5 31.Qa7 Rxa5+ 32.Qxa5 Qxd4* and Black dominates proceedings.*)* 28...Qf5+ 29.Rc2

G5b12221) The strongest however could be 29...Rd5 e.g. 30.Qa7 *(30.Qxc6 Rxd4; 30.Qc3 c5)* 30...Rdb5 31.Bc1 c5! and Black's bishop will join in and intensify the attack. Glenn Flear: 'and Black's bishop will join in and intensify the attack.';

G5b12222) 29...Rb4 Glenn Flear: 'Promising.' 30.Be3 Rdb8 31.Bc1 a4 32.Ka1 *(*If *32.Rg3* then Black decisively introduces his bishop into the attack with Glenn Flear: 'then Black decisively introduces his

bishop into the attack with' *Bh6!)* 32...a3 Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Opening the a-file will make White's king feel rather draughty.' 33.bxa3 Rxd4 34.Bb2 *(* Following *34.Qxd4 Qxc2 35.Bb2* Black can finish off with a nice combination: Glenn Flear: 'Black can finish off with a nice combination:' *Qe2 36.Rxg4 Rxb2! 37.Qxb2 Bxe5)* 34...Re4 *(*Or *34...Bxe5!* as *35.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 36.Qxd4 Qxc2* is unplayable for White. *)* 35.Qxc6 Rxe5 36.Qc4+ Kh7 Glenn Flear: 'Black's king is perfectly safe, whilst White's is facing its doom. So Le Quang Liem decides to at least try to confuse Li Chao-b.' Glenn Flear: 'Black's king is perfectly safe, whilst White's is facing its doom. So Le Quang Liem decides to at least try to confuse Li Chao-b.' 37.h5 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Rxb2 *(* There is nothing wrong with *37...gxh5)* 38.hxg6+ Kh6 Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' 39.Rxb2 Glenn Flear: 'Le,Q (2676)-Li,C (2721) Ho Chi Minh City 2015 0-1' Rc5?! *(*Better is *39...Rb5! 40.Rh1+ Kxg6 41.Rhb1 Rxb2 42.Rxb2 g3* and the g-pawn wins the game.*)* 40.Rh1+ Kxg6?! *(40...Kg5!* avoids the following pin. Glenn Flear: 'avoids the following pin.'*)* 41.Qg8! The time control has been reached, and things are now no longer clear. Glenn Flear: 'The time control has been reached, and things are now no longer clear.' Qf6 *(41...e6!* keeps some advantage as this secures Black on the light squares. Glenn Flear: 'keeps some advantage as this secures

Black on the light squares.' *)* 42.Rhh2 g3 43.Rhg2 Rc3 44.Ka2 Qd6 45.Qe8+? *(* White misses an opportunity to save himself: *45.Rb3! Rxb3 46.Qxb3 Be5 47.a4* and Black is OK, the point being that *Qd4 48.Rxg3+* is just equal.*)* 45...Kh6 46.Qa4 Now Black gains control of the key a2-g8 diagonal. Qd5+ 47.Kb1 Rc4 48.Qa6+ Rc6 49.Qb5 Qe4+ 50.Rbc2 *(50.Ka2 Bxb2 51.Qxb2 Rc3!* and wins by combining threats against White's king with the advance of the g-pawn. Glenn Flear: 'and wins by combining threats against White's king with the advance of the g-pawn.' *)* 50...Qe1+ 51.Ka2 Rxc2+ 52.Rxc2 Qa1+ It's noticeable that White never regained his 'temporary' pawn sacrifice played on move 21! 0-1 (52) Le Quang Liem (2676)-Li,C (2721) Ho Chi Minh City VIE 2015 [Glenn Flear] Glenn Flear: 'It's noticeable that White never regained his 'temporary' pawn sacrifice played on move 21!';

G5b2) Polivanov,Anatoliy: 'Compensation after' 12...Be6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Svidler,Peter' Polivanov, Anatoliy: '!?' 13.axb4 *(13.Ng5 Qd7 14.Nxe6 Qxe6 15.axb4 axb4 16.Nb1 f4 17.Bf2 Ra1 18.Qxb4 c5 19.dxc5 Rc8 20.Bd3* 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2656)-ffl0 (2600) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...axb4 Polivanov, Anatoliy: 'is probably not enough:' 14.Nb1 Ra1 *(14...Qd7⩱ 15.Nf4 Bb3 16.Qxb4 Bxd1 17.Bb5! c6 18.Bc4+ Nd5 19.Rxd1±; 14...Nd5 15.Bc4)* 15.d5 Bf7 16.f4 Qxd5 17.Qxd5 Nxd5 18.Bf2 Bh6 19.g3 Nb6 20.Bc5 Bb3 21.Bd3 Rc8 22.Bc2 Bd5 23.Bxb6 Bxh1 24.Bb3+ Kf8 25.Rxh1 cxb6+ 26.Kd2 e6 27.Ke2 g5 28.fxg5 Bg7 29.Kf3 Rc6 30.Nf4 Bxe5 31.Nxe6+ Ke7 32.Nf4 Bxb2 33.Re1+ Kd6 34.Rd1+ Ke7 35.Re1+ Kd6 36.Rd1+ Ke7 37.Nd3 Bc3 38.Ke2 Ra8 39.Nf4 Rd8

40.Rxd8 Kxd8 41.Bd5 Bh8 42.Nd2 Rc1 43.Be6 Bc3 44.Bxf5 Ra1 45.Ne4 Ra2+ 46.Kf1 Bh8 47.h4 b3 48.Bxh7 Rc2 49.Ke1 Rc1+ 50.Kf2 Rd1 51.Ne2 Rd7 52.Bf5 Rd3 53.N4c3 Rxc3 54.Nxc3 Bxc3 55.Kf3 1 - 0 (5 5) the_magnificent_bob (2969)-ArasanX (2954) Rapid 2024]

[10...Nd5 11.Nh3 Nxe3 12.Qxe3 e6 13.Nf4 Qe7 14.h4 Bd7 15.Kb1 a5 16.Bb5 Rfd8 17.g4 Nb4 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.Bxd7 Rxd7 20.Rdg1 Kh8 21.h5 Rad8 22.h6 Bf8 23.Nh5 Rxd4 24.Nf6 1-0 (24) So,W (2744)-Haessel, D (2168) Edmonton CAN 2014]

[10...e6 11.h4 Nd5 *(11...Ne7 12.h5 Ned5 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bh6 Qe7 15.Bxg7 Qxg7 16.Nh3 Kf7 17.Ng5+ Ke8 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Rh7 Qg8 20.Bc4 Ne7 21.Qb4* 1-0 (21) Zhou Jianchao (2609)-Lai,C (1826) Zaozhuang CHN 2012*)* 12.Nxd5 *(12.Bg5 Qe8 13.Bc4 Nxc3 14.Qxc3 Ne7 15.h5 c6 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.f4 Kf7 18.Nf3 Bd7 19.Rh7 Rg8 20.Bh6 Kf8 21.Bxg7+ Rxg7 22.Rh8+ Ng8 23.Rdh1 Qe7 24.Ng5 Rc8 25.Qb3 c5 26.Kb1 b5 27.Bxe6 c4 28.Bxg8 Rxg8 29.Rxg8+ Kxg8 30.Qh3 Qg7 31.d5 b4 32.Qh7+ Qxh7 33.Rxh7 Bb5 34.Rb7 a6 35.d6 c3 36.bxc3 bxc3 37.e6 Kf8 38.Nh7+ Kg8 39.Nf6+ Kf8 40.Rf7#* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-TheOneTrapMan (2559) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Qxd5 13.Kb1 a5 14.Ne2 Nb4 15.Nc3 Qd8 16.Bc4 c6 17.h5 Nd5 18.hxg6 f4 19.gxh7+ Kh8 20.Bf2 b5 21.Bxd5 exd5 22.Ne2 Qg5 23.Rdg1 b4 24.Ka1 c5 25.dxc5 a4 26.Bd4 a3 27.b3 Ba6 28.g3 Bxe2 29.Qxe2 fxg3 30.Rh3 Qf4 31.Qe3 Qxe3 32.Bxe3 Bxe5+ 33.Kb1 Rxf3 34.Bd2 Rf2 35.Bxb4 g2 36.Re3 Rf1+ 37.Re1 Raf8 38.Rxg2 Rxe1+ 39.Bxe1 Rf1 40.Re2 Bg3 41.c6 Bxe1 42.c7 Ba5+ 43.Kc2 Rf8 44.Re5 Rc8 45.Rxd5 Rxc7+ 46.Kd3 Be1 47.Rd8+ Kxh7 48.Ra8 Bc3 49.Rxa3 Bb2 50.Ra4 1-0 (50) Poirot_Hercule (2724)-aljalad (2613) Blitz 2023]

[10...a5 Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian'' 11.Nh3 a4 12.Nf4 Na5 13.Qc2 Nac4 14.Bxc4+ Nxc4 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3±]

11.Bxf4

[The stem game with 10...f4 continued with 11.Bf2

A) 11...Nb4 (see Harsha, B - Sutovsky, E Douglas 2018, in the archives) but more recently the World Champion showed some interest:

A1) 12.Kb1 Bf5+ 13.Kc1 *(13.Ne4 a5 14.a3 Qd5 15.axb4 axb4 16.Qxb4 c5 17.Qxb6 cxd4 18.b3 d3 19.Bxd3 Qxe5 20.Bc4+ Kh8 21.Bd4 Bxe4+ 22.Kb2 Rfd8 23.Ne2 Rxd4 24.Nxd4 Bf5 25.Rhe1 Qb8 26.Rxe7 Qf8 27.Qxb7 Rb8 28.Rxg7 Rxb7 29.Rxb7* 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-flo50 (2450) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Qd5 14.b3 Qa5 15.Kb2 c5 16.a3 cxd4 17.axb4 dxc3+ 18.Qxc3 Qxe5 19.Bd4 Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Rad8 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Ne2 Rd6 23.Rhd1 Rfd8 24.Ka2

Bxd4 25.Rxd4 1-0 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-flo50 (2550) Blitz 2022;

A2) 12.Nge2 Nc4 13.Qe1 Ne3 14.Bxe3 fxe3 15.a3 Nd5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Nc3 Qb3 18.Qxe3 c5 19.dxc5 Bf5 20.Bd3 Rac8 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.f4 b6 23.c6 Rxc6 24.Kb1 Rfc8 25.Rc1 e6 26.Qg3 Kh8 27.Na2 Qd5 28.Rxc6 Qxc6 29.Nc3 Bf8 30.Rc1 b5 31.Qf3 Qb6 32.Na2 Rxc1+ 33.Nxc1 a5 34.g3 b4 35.axb4 axb4 36.Qd3 Qf2 37.h4 Kg7 38.Nb3 Be7 39.Nd4 Kf7 40.Qc4 Qe1+ 41.Ka2 b3+ 42.Nxb3 Qxg3 43.Nd4 Qxf4 44.Qxe6+ Ke8 45.Qc8+ Bd8 46.Qe6+ Be7 47.Qc8+ Bd8 48.Qc6+ Kf7 49.Qd5+ Kg6 50.Qxd8 Qe4 51.Qg5+ Kf7 52.Qxf5+ Qxf5 53.Nxf5 Ke6 54.Nh6 Kxe5 55.b4 Kf6 56.b5 Ke6 57.Kb3 Kd6 58.Kb4 Kc7 59.Kc5 Kb7 60.Kd5 Kb8 61.Ke6 Kc7 62.Kf6 Kd7 63.Kg7 Ke7 64.Kxh7 Kf6 65.Ng4+ Kf5 66.h5 Kf4 67.h6 Kg3 68.Kg7 Kf4 69.h7 Kg5 70.Nf6 Kf4 71.h8Q Kg3 72.Qh5 Kg2 73.Qe5 Kf2 74.Qc3 Ke2 75.b6 Kf2 76.b7 Kg2 77.b8Q Kh1 78.Qb1+ Kg2 79.Qbb2+ Kf1 80.Qcc1# 1-0 (80) VanuatuLover (2695)-Mavi_Alpha (2576) Blitz 2025;

A3) 12.a3! a5 *(12...N4d5± is objectively better, but Blitz is Blitz!)* 13.h4 Be6 14.Nh3 Na2+ 15.Nxa2 Bxa2 16.d5?? A blunder...did So forget the bishop on a2? *(* the superior *16.h5! Qd5 17.hxg6±* gives White excellent kingside play *)* 16...Qxd5 17.Qxd5+ Nxd5 18.Re1 Rf5 19.Bd3 Rxe5-+ and although White had lost the plot, he still went on to draw in So, W - Carlsen, M Stavanger blitz 2019. 20.Rxe5 Bxe5 21.h5 gxh5 22.Ng5 Nf6 23.Nxh7 Rd8 24.Bc2 Bf7 25.Ng5 Bd4 26.Be1 b6 27.Bh4 Be3+ 28.Kb1 Rd2 29.Nxf7 Kxf7 30.Bxf6 Kxf6 31.Rxh5 Rxg2 32.Rh6+ Ke5 33.Rh5+ Kd6 34.Rh6+ Ke5 35.Rh5+ Kd6 36.Rh6+ ½-½ (36) So,W (2754)-Carlsen, M (2875) Stavanger NOR 2019;

B) 11...Qe8 12.h4 *(12.Bd3 Be6 13.Kb1 Rd8 14.Nge2 Nb4 15.Qc1 Nxd3 16.Rxd3 Bxe5 17.Ne4 Qf7 18.Ra3 Bd6 19.Rxa7 Ra8 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.a3 Qf5 22.Qc2 Nc4 23.Nxd6 exd6 24.Qxf5 Bxf5+ 25.Kc1 g5 26.h4 Re8 27.Re1 h6 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Nc3 Rxe1+ 30.Bxe1 Kf7 31.g3 fxg3 32.Bxg3 Ke6 33.Be1 c6 34.Bd2 Kf6 35.a4 Na5 36.Be3 Bg6 37.b4 Nc4 38.Bd2 d5 39.b5 Bh5 40.bxc6 bxc6 41.a5 Nxa5 42.Nxd5+ cxd5 43.Bxa5 Kf5 44.Kd2 Kf4 45.Ke2 Bxf3+ 46.Kf2 g4 47.Bc7+ Ke4 48.Be5 Kd3 49.Kg3 Kd2 50.Bf6 Kd3 51.Be5 Kd2 52.Bf6 Kd3 53.Be5* ½-½ (53) Iqevsll (2871)-Federer_Roger1981 (2887) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Be6 13.Nh3 Rd8 14.Ng5 Bf5 15.Qe1 h6 16.Nge4 Qf7 17.Nc5 Nb4 18.a3 Na2+ 19.Nxa2 Qxa2 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Nxd3 Nd5 22.Qe4 Ne3 23.Bxe3 fxe3 24.Qxe3 Qc4+ 25.Kb1 Rxd4 26.Nc5 Rff4 27.Rc1 Qd5 28.Ne4 Qxe5 29.Qb3+ Qd5

30.Qxd5+ Rxd5 31.Rxc7 Rb5 32.b4 a5 33.Rd1 axb4 34.a4 Ra5 35.Rxe7 Rxa4 36.Rd8+ Rf8 37.Rxf8+ Kxf8 38.Rxb7 Ra1+ 39.Kc2 Ra2+ 40.Kd3 Rxg2 41.Rxb4 Rg1 42.Rb6 Kf7 43.Rb7+ Kg8 44.Rb8+ Kh7 45.Rb7 Kg8 46.Rb8+ Kh7 47.Ke2 Ra1 48.Rb7 Kg8 49.Rb6 Kh7 50.Rb7 Kg8 51.Rb5 Kf7 52.Rb7+ Kg8 ½-½ (52) PetersBot (2987)-ArasanX (3061) Rapid 2024]

11...Qe8 White is slightly better.

[11...Be6

A) 12.Be3 Nb4 13.a3 Na2+ *(13...N4d5 14.Bd3 Nxc3 15.Qxc3 Nd5 16.Qd2 c5 17.Bc4 cxd4 18.Qxd4 Qc7 19.Kb1 Bxe5 20.Qc5 Qxc5 21.Bxc5 Nc3+ 22.bxc3 Bxc4 23.Nh3 Bxc3 24.Rc1 Bd3+ 25.Ka2 Bf6 26.Nf4 Bf5 27.Rhe1 Kf7 28.Nd5 Be6 29.Rxe6 Kxe6 30.Nc7+ Kf7 31.Nxa8 Rxa8 32.Bb4 a5 33.Be1 Ra6 34.a4 Re6 35.Bxa5 Re2+ 36.Ka3 Bb2+ 0-1 (36) WhiteBishop4761 (2627)-BrittaBagels (2819) Blitz 2023)* 14.Nxa2 Bxa2 15.Bd3 Black put all his eggs in the 'direct attack' basket in the following: c5? *(⌓15...Nc4!* with two-bishop compensation for the pawn *)* 16.dxc5 Bxe5 17.cxb6 Rc8+ 18.Bc2+- Niemann, H - Gledura, B Philadelphia 2021, and the attack was clearly not good enough.;

B) 12.Kb1 Nb4 13.Bh6 Bf5+ 14.Kc1 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 N6d5 16.Bc4 b5 17.Bb3 a5 18.g4 Be6 19.h4 a4 20.h5 Qe8 21.Ne4 axb3 22.Ng5 Rf7 23.hxg6 Qc6+ 24.Kd2 Qc2+ 25.Ke1 Qxg6 26.axb3 Nf4 27.Qxg6+ hxg6 28.Nxf7 Bxf7 29.Kf2 Ra2 30.Kg3 Nbd5 31.Nh3 Nxh3 32.Rxh3 Rxb2 33.Rdh1 Kf8 34.Ra1 Nb6 35.Ra7 Rc2 36.Rb7 Bd5 37.Rb8+ Kf7 38.Rh7+ Ke6 39.Re8 Bxb3 40.Rexe7+ Kd5 41.Rxc7 Rxc7 42.Rxc7 Kxd4 43.f4 Bd5 44.e6 Bxe6 45.Rc6 Nc4 46.Rxe6 b4 47.f5 b3 48.fxg6 b2 49.Re1 Nd2 50.g7 Ne4+ 51.Rxe4+ Kxe4 52.g8Q b1Q 53.Qh7+ Ke3 54.Qxb1 1-0 (54) dmitry-lavrik (2658)-alexandar71 (2642) Blitz 2021;

C) 12.Nh3 Nb4 13.a3 N4d5 14.Ne4 Nxf4 15.Nxf4 Bh6 16.g3 Nd5 17.Kb1 Nxf4 18.gxf4 Bxf4 19.Qc2 Qd5 20.Nc3 Qxf3 21.Bd3 Qh5 22.Rhg1 Kh8 23.d5 Bf5 24.Rde1 Rad8 25.Bxf5 Qxf5 26.e6 Be5 27.Ne4 Rxd5 28.Rgf1 Qxf1 29.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 30.Ka2 c6 31.Ng5 Kg7 32.h4 Rf6 33.a4 Bf4 34.Qb3 b5 35.Qb4 Bd6 36.Qa5 bxa4 37.Qxa4 a5 38.Qxc6 Rc5 39.Qe8 h6 40.Nf7 Rxe6 41.Nd8 1-0 (41) Lucky1357924680 (2623)-rakolfpac (2377) Blitz 2024;

D) 12.h4 Nb4 13.h5 *(13.a3 N4d5 14.Bh6 Nxc3 15.bxc3 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qd5 17.Bd3 Qb3 18.Qd2 Na4 19.Qc2 Qxa3+ 20.Kd2 c5 21.h5 Bb3 22.Qb1 Bxd1 23.hxg6 Qxc3+ 24.Kxd1 Nb2+ 25.Ke2 Nxd3 26.gxh7+ Kh8 27.Qxd3 cxd4 0-1 (27) MothToTheFlame (2681)-Agler (2775) Blitz 2023)* 13...c5 14.hxg6 Qc7 15.Bh6 cxd4 16.gxh7+ Kh8 17.Bxg7+ Kxg7 18.h8Q+ Rxh8 19.Qg5+ Kf7 20.Qf4+ Kg7 21.Rxh8 Rxh8 22.Rxd4 Nxa2+ 23.Kd2 Nxc3 24.bxc3 Rh5

25.Qg3+ Kf8 26.Rf4+ Rf5 27.Bd3 Rxf4 28.Qxf4+ Ke8 29.Qd4 Nc4+ 30.Bxc4 Qxc4 31.Ne2 a5 32.Qxc4 Bxc4 33.Nd4 a4 34.Nc2 Kd7 35.Ke3 Ke6 36.Ke4 Bd5+ 37.Kd4 Bc6 38.Na3 Kf5 39.Nc4 Kf4 40.e6 Kf5 41.Ke3 Kxe6 42.Na3 Kf5 43.g4+ Kg5 44.Nc2 e5 45.Na3 Bd5 46.Nb5 Kf6 47.Na3 Ke6 48.Nc2 Kd6 49.Na3 Kc5 50.Ke2 b5 51.Kd2 b4 52.cxb4+ Kxb4 53.Nc2+ Kb3 54.g5 Bxf3 0-1 (54) elconceto (2886)-Federer_Roger1981 (2885) Blitz 2022]

[11...Nb4

A) 12.Be3 Bf5 13.g4 Be6 14.a3 Nc6 15.d5 Na5 16.Kb1 Nac4 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Qe2 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Bd7 20.Nge2 b5 21.Nd4 Qb8 22.Ne6 Bxe6 23.dxe6 c6 24.Ne2 Qxe5 25.Qxe5 Bxe5 26.f4 Bxf4 27.Nxf4 Rxf4 28.Rd7 Re8 29.Rc7 Rc4 30.Rf1 Rf8 31.Rd1 Re8 32.Rdd7 Rxg4 33.Rxa7 Rg2 34.Rxe7 Rxe7 35.Rxe7 Re2 36.h4 h5 37.b3 Kf8 38.Rf7+ Kg8 39.Re7 Kf8 40.Rf7+ Ke8 41.Rf6 Re4 42.Rxg6 Ke7 43.Kb2 Rxh4 44.Rh6 Re4 45.Rxh5 Rxe6 46.Rh7+ Kd6 47.Rh3 Kc5 48.Rc3+ Kb6 49.Rc2 c5 50.Rc3 c4 51.bxc4 bxc4 52.Rxc4 Re5 53.Kb3 Re3+ 54.Rc3 Re1 55.Kb2 Re2+ 56.Rc2 Re4 57.Rc3 Re1 58.Kb3 Rb1+ 59.Kc2 Rf1 60.Kb2 Rf2+ 61.Rc2 Rxc2+ 62.Kxc2 Ka5 63.a4 Kxa4 ½-½ (63) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-flo50 (2578) Blitz 2022;

B) 12.a3 Nc6 *(12...a5 13.Bh6 Be6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Kb1 N6d5 16.Nge2 Nxc3+ 17.Nxc3 Bf5+ 18.Ne4 Qd5 19.axb4 axb4 20.Qxb4 Qa2+ 21.Kc2 Bxe4+ 22.fxe4 Rf2+ 23.Rd2 Ra4 24.Qxe7+ Rf7 25.Qc5 Qa1 26.Bb5 Qxh1 27.Bxa4 Rf1 28.Qxc7+ Kh6 29.Qe7 Rc1+ 30.Kb3 Qf1 31.Qh4+ Kg7 32.Qf6+ Kh6 33.Qxf1* 1-0 (33) yackobaby (2614)-TemurKuybokarov (2701) Blitz 2020 *)* 13.g3 Na5 14.Qd3 Qe8 15.Bh3 c5 16.dxc5 Nb3+ 17.Kb1 Nxc5 18.Qb5 Nca4 19.Qb3+ Kh8 20.Nxa4 Nxa4 21.Bxc8 Rxc8 22.h4 Rc6 23.Qd3 Rc5 24.Rh2 Nb6 25.Rc2 Rxc2 26.Qxc2 Qb5 27.Rd4 Qf1+ 28.Ka2 Re8 29.Rd1 Qc4+ 30.Qxc4 Nxc4 31.Rd7 Nxe5 32.Rxb7 Nd3 33.Rb8 Rg8 34.Rxg8+ Kxg8 35.Be3 Bxb2 36.Bxa7 Be5 37.f4 Bd6 38.Nf3 e5 39.Nxe5 Nxe5 40.fxe5 Bxe5 41.Bf2 Kf7 42.Kb3 1-0 (42) ravestdev (2655)-ArasanX (3000) Blitz 2025;

C) 12.Bh6 Three games have reached this position so far, and in each case Black chose a different move.

C1) Developing the light-squared bishop looks better: 12...Bf5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.g4 Be6 15.Kb1 Qe8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Ne4 *(*maybe *17.Nh3!?* with development in mind!*)* 17...Bg8 18.Nc5 Rd8⩱ Sjugirov, S - Puranik, A Moscow 2019, and Black has achieved a nice-looking coordination. 19.e6 Nxd4 20.Ne2 Qc6 21.Qg5 Nxe6 22.Qxe7+ Bf7 23.Rxd8 Nxd8 24.Qe5+ Kg8 25.Ne4 Nd7 26.Qe7 Bd5 27.N2c3 Nb6

28.Ng5 Nf7 29.Nxh7 Rc8 30.Bb5 Qd6 31.Nf6+ Kg7 32.Ncxd5 Nxd5 33.Ne8+ Rxe8 34.Qxe8 Ne5 35.f4 Nxg4 36.Bc4 Nge3 37.Bxd5 Qxd5 38.Qe5+ Qxe5 39.fxe5 Ng4 40.Re1 Nxh2 41.e6 Kf8 42.Rh1 Ng4 43.Rh7 1-0 (43) Sjugirov,S (2663)-Puranik,A (2538) Moscow RUS 2019;

C2) Otherwise there is 12...Be6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Kb1 c5! 15.Nge2 *(15.dxc5?* fails to *Bf5+* the point being that *16.Ne4?? Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxe4+ 18.fxe4 Rxf1+* is curtains*)* 15...Nc4 16.Qc1 Qa5 17.a3 Rad8 (exciting stuff. Black has all the fun, all for the price of a mere pawn!) 18.Ne4? *(18.h4 h6 19.h5 g5 20.Ng3∞* would have been a better idea*)* 18...Na2!-+ Abdisalimov, A - Hakobyan, A PNWCC online rapid 2020, with a vicious attack.;

C3) 12...Bxh6?! Despite the result of this game, this could be the worst of the three. 13.Qxh6 N6d5 *(13...Bf5 14.g4 Be6 15.Nh3 Nxa2+ 16.Nxa2 Bxa2 17.Ng5 Rf7 18.Nxf7 Bxf7 19.d5 Nxd5 20.Bc4 c6 21.Rhe1 Be6 22.Qd2 Qb6 23.Qd4 Qa5 24.Kb1 Rd8 25.h3 Rd7 26.f4 Bf7 27.e6* 1-0 (27) unitedff (2610)-flo50 (2545) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Bc4 b5 15.Bb3 The bishop is a handy extra defender for White's king while he gets his kingside play up and running. a5 16.h4! a4 17.Bxd5+ Nxd5 18.Ne4 *(* Why didn't Sam Shankland opt for *18.h5!* I wonder? It's the sort of move that your hand wants to play and it increases the threats on the kingside. In fact, there doesn't seem to be a defence. The g6 and h7 squares just can't be defended in a convenient manner. *)* 18...Qe8 19.Ng5 Rf7 20.Nxf7 Qxf7 So White has won the exchange, but Black's king is no longer in any danger. 21.Qd2? A fatal error! Coming back is rather slow and hands the initiative to Black. *(*The engine way involves *21.h5 Bf5 22.Kd2!*+- and then walking the king to the kingside. Not exactly the most natural idea in the world!*)* 21...Ra6! 22.Kb1 Bf5+ 23.Ka1 Rc6 24.Nh3 *(* If *24.Rc1* then *Nb4!*-+ is decisive.*)* 24...Rc2 25.Ng5 *(* Otherwise *25.Qa5* loses to *Nc3!)* 25...Rxd2 26.Nxf7 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Kxf7 Two well-installed pieces beat a rook and pawn, especially when the rook can't stir up any mischief. 28.Rc1 Bd7 29.Rc5 c6 30.Kb1 Nf4 31.Kc2 Nxg2 0-1 (31) Shankland,S (2718)-Grandelius,N (2635) chess24.com INT 2022 [Flear,Glenn]]

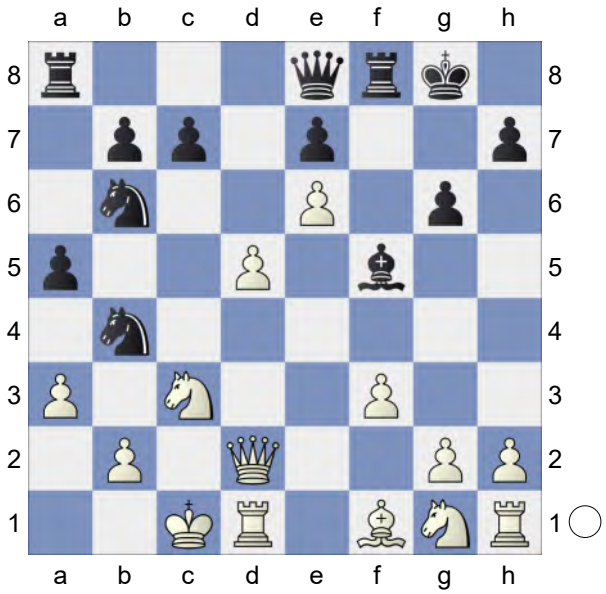
12.Bh6 &Bianco is more active. Kitty Kat: ' &Bianco is more active.' 12...Nb4 1.13/18

[⌓12...Be6 0.77/20]

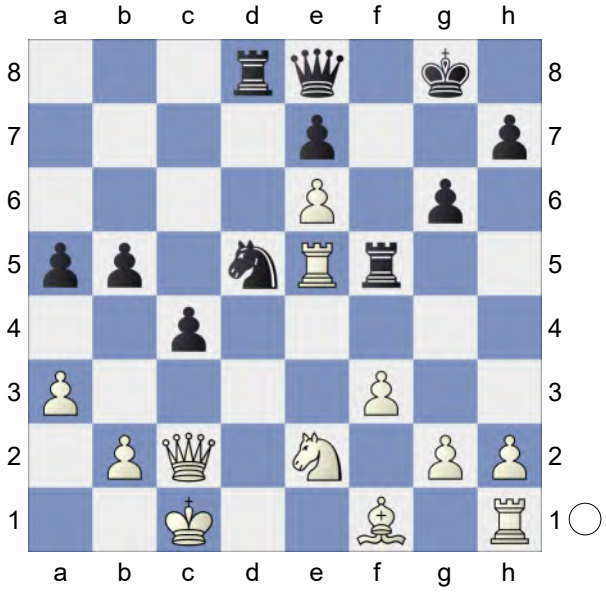
13.a3± Black must now prevent Bxg7. Kitty Kat: ' Black must now prevent Bxg7.' 13...a5 14.Bxg7

[14.axb4 axb4 15.Bxg7 bxc3 16.Qxc3 *(16.Qh6 Ra1+ 17.Kc2 Qa4+ 18.Kd3 Rxd1+ 19.Ke3 Qxd4+ 20.Ke2 Rd2+ 21.Ke1 Qf2#)*

16...Kxg7∓]
14...Kxg7 15.d5 Prevents Qc6. Kitty Kat: ' Prevents Qc6.'
[15.axb4 axb4 16.Nb1 *(16.Ne4? Ra1+ 17.Kc2 Qa4+ 18.b3 Ra2+ 19.Kd3 Qxb3+ 20.Ke2 Nc4-+)* 16...Nd5]
15...Bf5 16.e6 0.93/19
[16.axb4? axb4 17.Nb1 Bxb1 18.Qxb4 *(18.Kxb1? Qa4-+)* 18...Bf5-+]
[⌓16.Qd4 1.41/18]
16...Kg8



17.Qd4
[17.axb4? axb4 18.Nb1 Bxb1 19.Qxb4 *(19.Kxb1? Qa4-+)* 19...Bf5-+]
17...Bc2 2.09/20 18.Re1+-
[18.axb4 Bxd1 19.bxa5 *(19.Kxd1 axb4 20.Qxb4 Ra1+ 21.Ke2 Qd8=)* 19...Rxa5 20.Kxd1 *(20.Qxd1? Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Rxd5-+)* 20...Qd8=]
18...c5 19.Qh4
[19.Qxc5 N6xd5 20.Bb5 *(20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Rc8±; 20.axb4 Nxc3 21.bxc3 Qa4=)* 20...Qd8 21.axb4 *(21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Bd7 Bb3±)* 21...Nxc3 22.bxc3 *(22.Kxc2 axb4 23.Bd7 Rf5∓)* 22...axb4=]
19...N6xd5 2.19/20
[19...Bb3± 1.31/18 might work better. Kitty Kat: ' might work better.']
20.Nxd5
[20.axb4 Nxc3 21.b5 *(21.Kxc2 Qa4+ 22.Kxc3 axb4+ 23.Kd2 Qb3=; 21.bxc3? axb4 22.Kd2 b3-+; 21.bxc5 Nd5∓)* 21...Nxb5 22.Kxc2 a4 23.Bxb5 Qxb5=]
20...Nxd5 21.Qc4 b5 2.22/19
[21...Nb4 1.81/22 is a better defense. Kitty Kat: ' is a better defense.']
22.Qxc2 c4 23.Re5 1.11/20
[23.h4+- 2.36/19 has better winning chances. Kitty Kat: ' has better winning chances.']
23...Rd8 1.77/19
[23...Qc6± 1.11/20 24.Ne2 Qd6]
24.Ne2 Rf5



25.Re4 And now Nd4 would win. Kitty Kat: ' And now Nd4 would win.'
[25.Rxf5 Ne3 26.Rc5 Nxc2 27.Kxc2 b4 28.Rxa5 b3+ 29.Kc3 Qc6=]
25...Nf6 26.Rd4 b4 27.axb4
[27.Qxc4? Rc8 28.axb4 Rxc4+ 29.Rxc4 axb4 30.Rxb4 Qa8-+]
27...axb4 28.Kb1

[28.Qxc4? Rc8 29.Ng3 Rd5 30.Rxd5 Nxd5-+]
28...c3 29.Rxb4
[29.bxc3?! bxc3 30.Kc1 *(30.Rxd8 Qxd8 31.Nxc3 Rc5±)* 30...Rc5±]
29...Nd5 30.Re4
[30.bxc3 Nxb4 31.cxb4 Rb5-+]
30...cxb2 31.Nd4 Inhibits Qb5. Kitty Kat: ' Inhibits Qb5.'
[31.Qxb2? Rb8 32.Qxb8 Qxb8+ 33.Kc2 Qc7+ 34.Kd3 Qb6-+]
31...Rc8 32.Bc4
[32.Qxb2? Nc3+ 33.Qxc3 Rxc3-+]
32...Rf8 3.12/20 This costs Black the game. Kitty Kat: ' This costs Black the game.'
[32...Rh5± 1.52/19 was called for. Kitty Kat: ' was called for.']
33.Qb3
[33.Kxb2 Nb6 34.Nb3 *(34.Ne2? Nxc4+ 35.Rxc4 Qb5+ 36.Qb3 Qxc4-+)* 34...Rc6+-]
33...Nf6 34.Re2 Strongly threatening Bb5. Kitty Kat: ' Strongly threatening Bb5.'
[Not Kitty Kat: ' Not' 34.Kxb2 Nxe4 35.fxe4 Rf2+ 36.Kc3 *(36.Kb1 Qd8∓)* 36...Rxg2∓]
34...Rc5 35.Rxb2 Qd8 36.Qd3 Qc7 37.Bb3 Nd5 aiming for ...Nc3+. Kitty Kat: ' aiming for ...Nc3+.' 38.Rc2 Rxc2 39.Qxc2 White is clearly winning.
[Less strong is Kitty Kat: ' Less strong is' 39.Nxc2 Nf4 40.Qc4 Qxc4 41.Bxc4 Nxg2+-]
39...Qb6 40.Qb2 Rb8 41.Rc1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.30 1-0 (41) TheMatrix2029 (3043)-ArasanX (3075) Rapid 2025 [Kitty Kat] Kitty Kat: '
Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.30'

9...a5 Sakaev JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sakaev'' Glenn Flear: '!?''A rare move, but a logical one. If White's king is already on the queenside, why not push this pawn and see what happens! ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A rare move, but a logical one. If White's king is already on the queenside, why not push this pawn and see what happens!'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'A rare move, but a logical one. If White's king is already on the queenside, why not push this pawn and see what happens!'' A rare move, but a logical one. If White's king is already on the queenside, why not push this pawn and see what happens!' 10.h4
[10.f4 Bg4 11.Nf3 Nb4 12.a3 Na6 13.Kb1 Qc8 14.d5 Nd7 15.Bd4 e5 16.fxe5 Bxf3 17.gxf3 Nxe5 18.Be2 c5 19.Be3 c4 20.f4 Nd3 21.Bxd3 cxd3 22.e5 Nc5 23.Bxc5 Qxc5 24.Qxd3 Rfd8 25.d6 Kh8 26.Ne4 Qb6 27.Ng5 Rd7 28.h4 Rad8 29.h5 Kg8 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Rh2 Qc6 32.Rdh1 b5 33.Rh8+ Bxh8 34.Rxh8+ Kg7 35.Rh7+ Kg8 36.Qh3 f6 37.Rh8+ Normal 1-0 (37) Superfm1 (2685)-RAHiM2887 (2507) Rapid 2024]
[10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Nge2 Nb4 12.Bxd7 Qxd7 13.Kb1 Nc4 14.Qc1 a4 15.a3 Nc6 16.h4 N6a5 17.Bh6 Nb3 18.Qf4 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qc6 20.h5 Ra6 21.Nd5 Re8 22.hxg6 Qxg6 23.Qh4 Ra5 24.Nef4 Qg7 25.Rh3 Ncd2+ 26.Ka2 Kf8 27.Qxh7 Qxh7 28.Rxh7 f6 29.Ne6+ Kg8 30.Rg7+ Kh8 31.Rh1# 1-0 (31) Superfm1

(2654)-ALkHIN2021 (2416) Rapid 2023]

10...a4

[Glenn Flear: 'Not many subscribers will remember the following:' 10...e6 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: '(passive)' 11.h5 a4 12.g4 Glenn Flear: 'Evans, L-Byrne, D New York 1964, which turned out well for White.']

[10...h5 11.g4 hxg4 12.h5 gxh5 *(12...gxf3 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Qh2 e5 15.Qh7+ Kf7 16.Bh6 Qf6 17.Nxf3 Rh8 18.Ng5+ Qxg5+ 19.Bxg5 Rxh7 20.Rxh7 Kg8 21.Rh4 Nxd4 22.Nb5 Be6 23.Kb1 Rc8 24.Nxd4 exd4 25.Bh3 Bxh3 26.Rxh3 c5 27.Rb3 Rc6 28.Bd8 Nc4 29.Rxb7 Ne3 30.Rc1 d3 31.Bxa5 c4 32.Bd2 Nc2 33.Rxc2 dxc2+ 34.Kxc2 Re6 35.Bc3 Bxc3 36.Kxc3 Rxe4 37.Rc7 g5 38.Rxc4 Re3+ 39.Kd2 Rg3 40.a4 Kf7 41.a5 Rg2+ 42.Kc3 Rg1 43.Ra4 Rc1+ 44.Kd2 Rc7 45.a6 Ra7 46.b4 g4 47.b5 g3 48.Ke3 Ke6 49.Kf3 Kd6 50.b6 Rg7 51.Kg2* 1-0 (51) mate-in-three (2657)-Jackfaster_2006 (2483) Rapid 2021*)* 13.Rxh5 f6 14.Bh6 Rf7 15.Bxg7 Rxg7 16.Qh6 gxf3 17.d5 Bg4 18.dxc6 Bxh5 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Qxh5 f2 21.Nf3 Rg1 22.Qh3 Nc4 23.Qe6+ Kg7 24.Qxc4 Rh8 25.cxb7 Rhh1 26.Nd2 1-0 (26) Knightindiandefence (2672)-marskum (2556) Blitz 2021]

[10...e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.f4 Bg4 13.Re1 c5 14.Nh3 Qd7 15.Nf2 h5 16.fxe5 Bxe5 17.Nd3 Nc4 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.Bxd4 cxd4 20.Qxd4 Qd6 21.Kb1 f5 22.exf5 Bxf5+ 23.Ka1 Nc6 24.Qd2 Nb4 25.Rc1 Rfd8 26.Be2 Rac8 27.a3 Na6 28.Nb5 Qg3 29.Nd4 Nc5 30.Bc4 Ne4 31.Qxa5 Ra8 32.Nxf5 gxf5 33.d6+ Kh8 34.Qxf5 Rxa3+ 35.bxa3 Qg7+ 36.Kb1 Nd2+ 37.Ka2 Nxc4 38.Qxh5+ Kg8 39.Qd5+ 1-0 (39) Xiong,J (2646)-Dhyana,P (2010) Chesterfield MO USA 2024]

[10...f5 11.h5 f4 12.Bf2 a4 13.a3 *(13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Nh3 a3 15.b3 Bxh3 16.Rxh3 e5 17.dxe5 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Bxe5 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Bb2+ 21.Kb1 Nb4 22.Rd7* 1-0 (22) AM0R_FATI (2604)-jeromeovich (2619) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Na5 14.Kb1 Nac4 15.Bxc4+ Nxc4 16.Qe2 Nd6 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nh3 c6 19.Ng5 Ra5 20.e5 Nf5 21.Qc4+ Rd5 22.Nxd5 cxd5 23.Qxa4 e6 24.Nh3 Ng3 25.Bxg3 fxg3 26.Qc2 Rf5 27.Ng1 Bd7 28.Ne2 Qg5 29.Rh3 Qe3 30.Nxg3 Rg5 31.Nf1 Qg1 32.g4 Bc6 33.Qh2 1-0 (33) MaLeKkoNihli (2611)-j_Villanueva (2639) Blitz 2021]

11.h5 'The logical follow-up. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'The logical follow-up.'"

[Glenn Flear: 'White has however tried a couple of alternatives: White has however tried a couple of alternatives:' 11.Kb1 Na5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: '(the plan to land on c4 is one of the ideas behind ...a5-a4) (the plan to land on c4 is one of the ideas behind ...a5-a4)' *(11...h5 12.g4 Na5 13.gxh5 Nbc4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Qe2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 gxh5 17.Nge2 Kh7 18.Qg5 Qd6 19.Rdg1 Qh6 20.Qxe7 a3 21.Nd5 Qd2 22.Rxg7+ Kxg7 23.Rg1+ Kh7 24.Nf6+* 1-0 (24) Poirot_Hercule (2667)-Akylbek2021 (2551) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Bh6 Nac4 *(12...e5 13.d5 Nac4 14.Qc1 a3*

15.b3 Nb2 16.Re1 f5 17.h5 Qf6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Nb5 c6 20.Bxg7 Qxg7 21.dxc6 fxe4 22.fxe4 bxc6 23.Qxc6 Rb8 24.Nf3 Bd7 25.Qc5 Rfc8 26.Qxa3 N2c4 27.bxc4 Nxc4 28.Bxc4+ Rxc4 29.Ka1 Rxb5 30.Rc1 Rxc1+ 31.Rxc1 Qf8 32.Qxf8+ Kxf8 33.Rc7 Ke7 34.Rc4 Kd6 35.Rc2 Bc6 36.Nd2 Ra5 37.Kb2 Ra8 38.Rc4 Rb8+ 39.Kc3 Bb5 40.Rb4 Rc8+ 41.Kb2 Bd7 42.Nb3 Rd8 43.Rb6+ Ke7 44.Ra6 Rf8 45.Ra7 Rf2+ 46.Ka3 Kd6 47.Nc5 Bc6 48.Ra6 Kxc5 49.Rxc6+ Kd4 50.Kb4 Kxe4 51.Rc3 Rf3 52.Rc4+ Kf5 53.Rc5 Rf4+ 54.Rc4 Re4 55.Kb5 Rd4 56.Rc5 Ke4 57.Rxe5+ 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-ytchess07 (2666) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Qc1 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Qd6 Glenn Flear: '!?' *(*Glenn Flear: 'or' *14...f6)* 15.a3 Qf6 Glenn Flear: '?' '0-1 Wang Hao-Aronian, L Beijing 2012.' *(*Glenn Flear: 'now' *15...f6* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'is clearly better, as White's attack is then kept in check is clearly better, as White's attack is then kept in check'*)* Glenn Flear: 'White didn't obtain any advantage after' 16.Bxc4 Nxc4 Glenn Flear: '!?' 17.Nd5 Qd6 18.h5 Glenn Flear: 'Kislik, E-Wagener, CI Pardubice rapid 2013, with a strong attack. Kislik, E-Wagener, CI Pardubice rapid 2013, with a strong attack.']

[11.d5 Glenn Flear: 'in Sokolov, I-Brkic, A Croatian league 2012' Glenn Flear: 'Wang Hao, playing Black, obtained a decent game with' 11...Ne5 Glenn Flear: 'in Biel 2012, see the archives' 12.Bd4 Nbc4 *(12...a3 13.b3 c5 14.Bxc5 Qc7 15.Bd4 Bd7 16.Nge2 Rfc8 17.Kb1 e6 18.f4 Nec4 19.bxc4 Nxc4 20.Qc2 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Ne3 22.Qd2 Nxd1 23.Nxd1 Ra4 24.e5 Rxd4* 0-1 (24) supertactic91 (2668)-NGUYENANHDUNG (2705) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qf2 Glenn Flear: '=' Bh6+ Glenn Flear: '!?' 15.f4 Glenn Flear: '?!' *(15.Kb1* Glenn Flear: 'would hold the balance'*)* 15...Qd6 16.Nce2 Glenn Flear: 'and now Black played the surprising' e5 Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'in Tremblay, A-Rousseau, D Montreal 2006, and obtained the advantage despite offering the exchange. Essentially the key point is that White's king is the one in the firing line. in Tremblay, A-Rousseau, D Montreal 2006, and obtained the advantage despite offering the exchange. Essentially the key point is that White's king is the one in the firing line. ' *(* Glenn Flear: 'for the record' *16...Bg4* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'was even stronger' *)*]

Glenn Flear: 'Here' 11...e5 Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'doesn't work as'

[11...Na5 Glenn Flear: 'I recently faced this move myself and, having been surprised, was unable to find a good line for White. In fact three games had already been played (on my database) so I should have at least seen the move before!' 12.hxg6 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'I didn't dare to play this move (White's king looks draughty at first sight), but this seems to be best. Bacrot had no doubt already prepared this at home.' *(12.Bh6 Nac4 13.Qf4 a3 14.b3 Nb2*

15.Bxg7 Nxd1 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6 Nxc3 18.Qxh7+ Kf7 19.Bxf8+ Ke6 20.Qxg6+ Kd7 21.Rh8 Nxa2+ 22.Kd2 Qe8 23.Qf5+ Kd8 24.Bxe7+ Kxe7 25.Qe5+ Be6 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8 27.Qxc7+ Nd7 28.d5 Kf8 29.Qd6+ 1-0 (29) MrAble (2619)-furace-chess-coach (2378) Rapid 2022 *)* 12...fxg6

A) 13.Bg5 Glenn Flear: 'There is some merit in the alternative' Glenn Flear: 'with only a nominal space advantage for White Elsness, F-Kolas, T Norwegian league 2012.' Glenn Flear: 'e.g.' c6 14.g4 Rf7 Glenn Flear: '?!' 'is suggested by Rybka, but is frankly hard to believe, for example' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Houdini's favourite line is' *14...a3* Glenn Flear: '!' *15.Qh2 axb2+ 16.Kb1 Nbc4* Glenn Flear: 'Stohl, I-Csiba, D Slovakia 2013, and now' Glenn Flear: 'with a wild position (which may well lead to a draw e.g.' *17.Bxc4+* Glenn Flear: 'is the simplest way to maintain an advantage.' *Nxc4 18.Qxh7+ Kf7* Glenn Flear: 'also looks promising for White' Glenn Flear: 'instead of' *19.Bh6* Glenn Flear: 'when I quite like White' Glenn Flear: 'For those who like a more solid game then' *19...Rg8* Glenn Flear: 'could be ideal. White's recent efforts haven't been very successful and I'm at a loss to find any sort of an edge for White (see other recent games in the archives). The latest encounter featured one of the World's few 2800+ players:' *20.Nh3 Qb6 21.Ng5+ Kf8 22.Bxg7+ Rxg7 23.Qh8+ Rg8* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'A surprising shot.' *24.Nh7+ Kf7 25.Ng5+ Kf8* Glenn Flear: '=' '!' *)* 15.e5 *(15.Qh2* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'gives White more punch to his kingside play gives White more punch to his kingside play' *)* 15...a3 Glenn Flear: '!' 16.Qh2 Glenn Flear: '?!' 'leaves Black with only vague and insufficient compensation' *(16.b3* Glenn Flear: '=' *)* 16...axb2+ Glenn Flear: '!?' Glenn Flear: 'also looks about equal' 17.Kb1 Glenn Flear: '?' h5 18.gxh5 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 Glenn Flear: 'Yang, Dar-Young, An Saint Louis 2011, and now the computer comes up with the mysterious move Yang, Dar-Young, An Saint Louis 2011, and now the computer comes up with the mysterious move' Bxe5 Glenn Flear: '!' 'left Black on top in Flear, G-Aksharyaj, K Cannes 2013' Glenn Flear: 'with advantage as' Glenn Flear: 'After' 20.Qxe5 Nac4 21.Qc5 Glenn Flear: 'A new idea.' Bxd3+ 22.Rxd3 Ra5 23.Qb4 Rxg5 Glenn Flear: 'should be winning for Black. I'm not sure how many mere mortals would have found this idea in a practical game! should be winning for Black. I'm not sure how many mere mortals would have found this idea in a practical game!';

B) 13.Bh6 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Black's aggression has a downside in that the knight on b4 is insecure.' 13...Nac4 Glenn Flear: '!''ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!''' Arsovic,Goran: 'N' *(* Glenn Flear: 'Instead' *13...Rf7* Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'is too timid:' *14.Bxg7*

Rxg7 15.g4 Be6 16.d5 Bf7 17.e5 Glenn Flear: 'Magalashvili, D-Ates, E Budva 2003, and Black's pieces are clumsily placed. Magalashvili, D-Ates, E Budva 2003, and Black's pieces are clumsily placed.' *)*

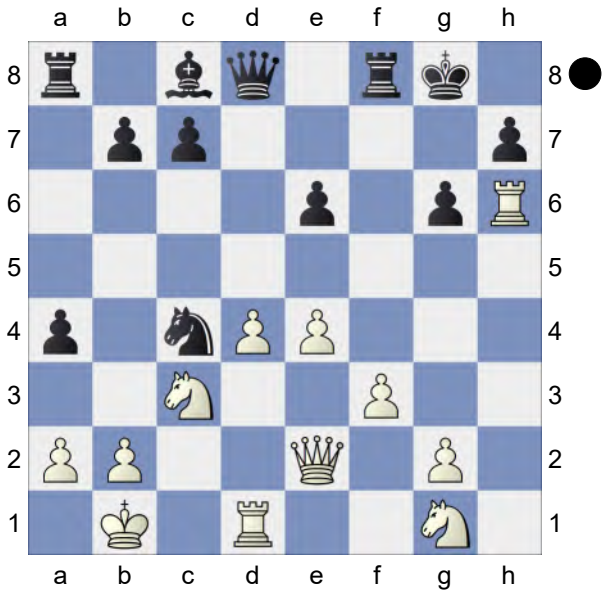
B1) 14.Qg5 e5 *(14...Ra5 15.e5 Rf5 16.Qg3 Bxh6+ 17.Rxh6 Ne3 18.Rxg6+ Kh8 19.Qh4 Nxd1 20.Rh6 Rf7 21.Bd3 Qg8 22.Kxd1 Bf5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞') 15.dxe5 Qxg5+ 16.Bxg5 Bxe5 Arsovic,Goran: '⇄';

B2) 14.Bxc4+ Nxc4 15.Qe2 Bxh6+ 16.Rxh6 e6

B2a) 17.f4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Kg7 *(17...b5 18.Nf3 Rxf4 19.Rdh1 Rf7 20.e5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ±'*; 17...Qd6 18.Nh3 Kg7 19.Rh4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ±'*)* 18.Rh3 b5 19.g4 Arsovic,Goran: ' ±!' Qf6 20.f5 exf5 21.gxf5 Qg5+ *(21...gxf5* Arsovic,Goran: '?' *22.Qg2+ Kh8 23.e5* Arsovic,Goran: '+-'*)* 22.Kb1 Arsovic,Goran: '±';

B2b) 17.Kb1 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram

(Diagram)



' 17...b5 Glenn Flear: 'ChessBase II: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Arsovic,Goran: '!' 18.Nxb5 Glenn Flear: 'Etienne Bacrot continues to play the best moves suggesting that he is both a good player and that he was still following his home analysis. White has won a pawn, but the position continues to be messy.' Glenn Flear: 'ChessBase II: 'N?' 'N?' 'N?' 'N?' 'N?' 'N?' 'N?' ChessBase II: 'Une baisse de concentation pour le français"

(18.Rh1 Glenn Flear: '?!' 'etc''(slow) ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' Glenn Flear: '(slow)'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '?!' '?!' Glenn Flear: '(slow)''' 'Glenn Flear: 'The direct' *18...Ba6* Glenn Flear: 'can't be considered acceptable, as after' *19.Qf2 a3 20.b3 Nb2 21.Rd2* Glenn Flear: 'both of Black's knights are in trouble.' Glenn Flear: 'Black could

consider' *21...b4* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'putting pressure on e5. Then a possible continuation would be' *22.Nd1 Bd3+ 23.Ka1 c5* Glenn Flear: '!''Simantsev, M-Shishkin, Va Police 2015, with the initiative for Black. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Simantsev, M-Shishkin, Va Police 2015, with the initiative for Black.'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Simantsev, M-Shishkin, Va Police 2015, with the initiative for Black.''' *24.Nxb2 axb2+ 25.Rxb2 c4 26.bxc4 Bxc4* Glenn Flear: 'when despite the difference in material I'm not sure that White is really better. Look at the relative security of the kings!' Glenn Flear: 'The stem game with 11...Nb4 continued with' *27.Nh3 b3 28.Qd2 Rf7 29.Qc3 Ra4 30.Rd1 Qa8 31.Rdd2 Rfa7 32.Kb1 bxa2+ 33.Ka1 Rc7 34.d5* Glenn Flear: 'Garzo marco, S-Hracek, Z Benasque 2012, and now' *exd5* Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'would be very good for White.' *35.exd5* Glenn Flear: 'leaves White's king more exposed' Glenn Flear: 'The aggressive' *35...Re7* Glenn Flear: 'allows' *36.Rd1* Glenn Flear: '!' *Bxd5 37.Rbd2 Rc4 38.Qd3* Glenn Flear: 'when white seems to maintain control.' Glenn Flear: 'The safer-looking' *38...Bf7* Glenn Flear: 'doesn't seem to give much hope for an advantage:' *39.Rc2 Rxc2 40.Qxc2 Qb8* Glenn Flear: '0-1 (40) Simantsev,M (2462)-Shishkin, V (2507) Police 2015'*; 18.d5 Qf6* Glenn Flear: '⇄' *)* 18...Nxb2 Glenn Flear: '!''An excellent combination to open up White's king. The knight on b5 will soon be regained, so the sacrifice is only temporary. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'An excellent combination to open up White's king. The knight on b5 will soon be regained, so the sacrifice is only temporary.'' An excellent combination to open up White's king. The knight on b5 will soon be regained, so the sacrifice is only temporary.'

B2b1) 19.Kxb2 Ba6 20.Ka1 Rb8 21.Qc4 Rf7

B2b11) 22.Qxe6 Rb6 Arsovic,Goran: '!' *(22...Bxb5* Arsovic,Goran: '??' *23.Rxh7* Arsovic,Goran: '+-' *)* 23.Qe5 Rxb5 24.d5 Rc5 Arsovic,Goran: '⩲';

B2b12) 22.Rh1 Rxb5 23.Qxe6 Rb6 24.Qe5 a3 Arsovic,Goran: '⩲';

B2b2) 19.Qxb2 Rb8 20.Ka1 Ba6 21.Rh1 Rxb5 22.Qc3 Glenn Flear: 'Freeing the rook, but enabling Black to get close to equality.''Material is equal, but White's attack has come to a halt and his king is the more exposed. So Bacrot

will have to be careful. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'Material is equal, but White's attack has come to a halt and his king is the more exposed. So Bacrot will have to be careful.'' Material is equal, but White's attack has come to a halt and his king is the more exposed. So Bacrot will have to be careful.' Qd6 Arsovic,Goran: '⇄' 23.Nh3 Rfb8

B2b21) 24.e5 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'is necessary when is necessary when'

B2b211) 24...Qb4 25.Rc1 Glenn Flear: 'isn't dangerous for White' c5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 26.Qxb4 *(26.dxc5 Rxc5 27.Qxb4 Rxc1+ 28.Rxc1 Rxb4 29.Ng5 Rc4* Arsovic,Goran: '=' *)* 26...cxb4 27.Rc6 R8b6 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B2b212) 24...Qe7 25.Nf2 Rb3 Glenn Flear: '!?' 26.Qc5 Glenn Flear: 'is an analogous line to the game continuation. However the small difference (the e-pawn is on e5 rather than e4) turns out to be significant, as then is an analogous line to the game continuation. However the small difference (the e-pawn is on e5 rather than e4) turns out to be significant, as then' Qxc5 Glenn Flear: 'with reasonable play for Black. The d-pawn is strong, but Black can both blockade and remain active.' 27.dxc5 Glenn Flear: '?!' Rb2 28.Ne4 Glenn Flear: '?' h5 29.Nf6+ Glenn Flear: 'gives White at least a draw as the knight is well-anchored on f6. gives White at least a draw as the knight is well-anchored on f6.';

B2b22) 24.Nf2 Glenn Flear: '?''Missing Black's next move. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'Missing Black's next move.'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '?' '?' Glenn Flear: 'Missing Black's next move.''' Arsovic, Goran: '?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram

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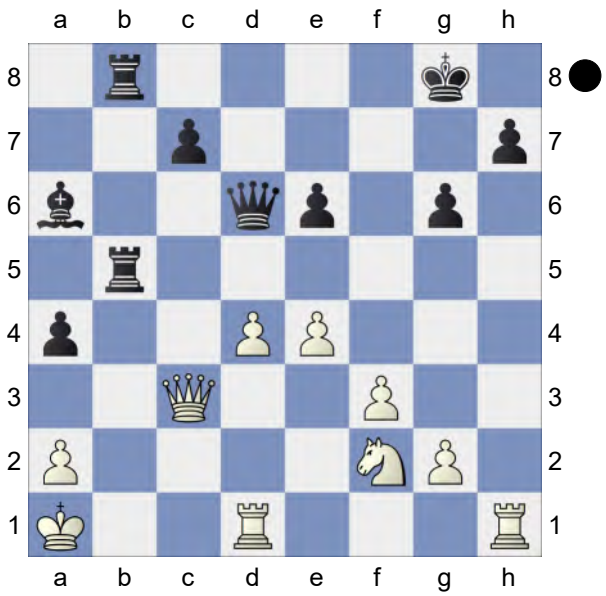

' 24...Rb3 Glenn Flear: '!''ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'" Arsovic, Goran: ' ! ' 25.Qc5 *(25.axb3* Glenn Flear: 'transposes to the previous note.' Glenn Flear: 'goes down to goes down to' Arsovic, Goran: '?' Glenn Flear: 'After' *25...Qa3+* Glenn Flear: 'White can't advance his d-pawn, so he would probably opt for' Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *26.Kb1 Rxb3+* Glenn Flear: 'and only now' *)* 25...Qxc5 Glenn Flear: 'Material is balanced, but the bishop may be a shade better than the knight on such an open board.' 26.dxc5 Rb2 Arsovic,Goran: '∓' 27.Ng4 h5 28.Nf6+ *(28.Ne5 a3 29.Nc6 Ra8 30.Rhg1 Bc4 31.Rd7 Rxa2+ 32.Kb1 h4 33.Rxc7 Rb2+ 34.Ka1 g5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' *)* 28...Kg7 'Now (unlike in the note to White's 24th) the knight is undefended and White cannot pursue his attack. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'Now (unlike in the note to White's 24th) the knight is undefended and White cannot pursue his attack. '' Now (unlike in the note to White's 24th) the knight is undefended and White cannot pursue his attack.' 29.Nd7 Glenn Flear: 'This just leads to further simplification.' *(*Glenn Flear: 'If' *29.e5* Glenn Flear: 'then' *Bc4* Glenn Flear: 'Otherwise' *30.Rd7+ Kh6* Glenn Flear: 'and White is mated first.'*)* 29...R8b4 30.Ne5 *(30.e5 Bc4* Glenn Flear: 'is as hopeless as above. is as hopeless as above.'*)* 30...Rf2 31.g3 *(* Glenn Flear: 'Instead' *31.Rb1 Rxb1+ 32.Kxb1 Rxg2* Glenn Flear: 'is just a thoroughly rotten endgame for White. is just a thoroughly rotten endgame for White.'*; 31.g4 Kf6 32.f4 Rxf4 33.Nd7+ Kg5* Arsovic,Goran: '-+'*)* 31...Bc4 Arsovic,Goran:

'-+' 32.Rd7+ Kf6 Glenn Flear: 'Negi naturally avoids any danger of White bringing his rook to the seventh rank.''The king is quite safe here, as there is no time for f4 in view of the threat of mate in one. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'The king is quite safe here, as there is no time for f4 in view of the threat of mate in one.'' The king is quite safe here, as there is no time for f4 in view of the threat of mate in one.' 33.Nxc4 Rxc4 34.Rxc7 Rcc2 Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'This attempt at counterplay leads to an equal game.''Two rooks on the seventh (here it's the second) is a great asset in such positions. The presence of an advanced a-pawn gives Black mating possibilities. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'Two rooks on the seventh (here it's the second) is a great asset in such positions. The presence of an advanced a-pawn gives Black mating possibilities.'' Two rooks on the seventh (here it's the second) is a great asset in such positions. The presence of an advanced a-pawn gives Black mating possibilities.' 35.Rb7 Rxf3 36.Rb8 Kg5 'Avoiding the cheapo! ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: 'Avoiding the cheapo!'' Avoiding the cheapo!' 37.Rb5 Rxg3 38.Kb1 Rgc3 39.Rg1+ Kh6 40.Rb6 a3 Glenn Flear: '!''The key move creating a mating net. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'The key move creating a mating net.'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'The key move creating a mating net.'' The key move creating a mating net.' 41.Rxe6 Glenn Flear: '?' Glenn Flear: 'allows' Rb2+ 42.Ka1 Rg2 Glenn Flear: '!' 'when White is lucky t'Of course! ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'Of course!'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Of course!'" o have the saving move' Arsovic, Goran: '!' 43.Re1 Glenn Flear: 'with good chances to equalize.' Glenn Flear: 'A better chance to keep an edge involves' 43...Rxc5 Glenn Flear: '!' 44.Ra6 Rc3 Glenn Flear: 'as' 45.Kb1 Glenn Flear: 'allows' Rb2+ Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn

Flear: 'with pressure.' 46.Ka1 Re2 Glenn Flear: '!''ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!'' ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!'" 47.Rg1 Glenn Flear: 'limits White's pull, but there are winning chances after the forcing line' Rg3 0-1 (47) Mateo,R (2704)-Kuzmin,V (2610) corr 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [05: Queen Against Rook and Bishop/Knight] Glenn Flear: '!''How annoying for Bacrot. After the rook moves along the first rank Krasenkow would have captured on e4, so resignation came at the right time. ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' Glenn Flear: 'How annoying for Bacrot. After the rook moves along the first rank Krasenkow would have captured on e4, so resignation came at the right time." ChessBase II: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'How annoying for Bacrot. After the rook moves along the first rank Krasenkow would have captured on e4, so resignation came at the right time." How annoying for Bacrot. After the rook moves along the first rank Krasenkow would have captured on e4, so resignation came at the right time.']

[11...a3 12.b3 f5 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.e5 Nb4 15.Bh6 f4 16.Bd3 Nxd3+ 17.Qxd3 Bf5 18.Qd2 Nd5 19.Nge2 c5 20.Nxd5 Qxd5 21.Nxf4 Qxd4 22.Qxd4 cxd4 23.Bxg7 Rfc8+ 24.Kd2 Rc2+ 25.Ke1 Kxg7 26.g4 Rxa2 27.gxf5 Rb2 28.Nd3 Rxb3 29.Kd2 a2 30.fxg6 Raa3 31.Ke2 Kxg6 32.Nc5 Rb2+ 33.Rd2 Rxd2+ 34.Kxd2 a1Q 35.Rxa1 Rxa1 36.Nxb7 Kf5 37.Nc5 Kxe5 38.Nd3+ Kd6 39.Nf4 Ra3 40.Nd3 e5 41.Ke2 Ra2+ 42.Ke1 Rh2 43.Nf2 Kd5 44.Ng4 Ra2 45.Nf2 Kc4 46.Ne4 Kd3 47.Nc5+ Ke3 48.Kf1 Ra1+ 49.Kg2 Rc1 50.Kg3 d3 51.Nxd3 Kxd3 52.f4 Ke3 53.fxe5 Rg1+ 54.Kh4 Rg7 55.Kh5 Re7 56.Kh6 Rxe5 57.Kg6 Re6+ 58.Kf7 Re4 59.Kf6 Rf4+ 60.Kg6 Kf3 61.Kg5 ½-½ (61) Dr-CRO (2683)-IMFAR (2585) Blitz 2020]

12.d5

[12.hxg6 fxg6 13.d5 Na5 14.Bxb6 cxb6 15.Nxa4 Glenn Flear: '(Black is already on top)' Qd6 Glenn Flear: '??' Glenn Flear: '(a blunder under pressure)' 16.Qe3 Glenn Flear: 'Varga, Z-Luecke, N Borsodtavho 1991, favours White. Grabbing the a-pawn is a curious way to obtain an advantage, but it does show that Black has to be careful about the timing of ...e5 when it's combined with ...a5-a4. Varga, Z-Luecke, N Borsodtavho 1991, favours White. Grabbing the a-pawn is a curious way to obtain an advantage, but it does show that Black has to be careful about the timing of ...e5 when it's combined with ...a5-a4.']

12...Na5!?

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9...Na5 10.b3 e6

[10...Qd6 11.Nb5 Qc6+ *(11...Nxb3+ 12.axb3 Qd8 13.d5 Bd7 14.Bd4 e5 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qc3+ Qf6 18.Qxf6+ Kxf6 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Bd3 a6 21.f4 Rfd8 22.e5+ Ke7 23.Ngf3 h6 24.Rhe1 Bg4 25.Kb2 Nd5 26.g3 Nb4 27.Be4 c6 28.Rd2 a5 29.Nc2 Bxf3 30.Rxd8 Rxd8 31.Bxf3 Nd3+ 32.Kc3 Nxe1 33.Nxe1 b5 34.Nd3 h5 35.Kc2 c5 36.Bc6 c4 37.bxc4 bxc4 38.Nb2 Rd4 39.Bb5 c3 40.Kxc3 Rb4 41.Bc4 h4 42.Nd3 Rb1 43.gxh4 Rh1 44.Kd4 Rxh2 45.Nc5 Rxh4 46.Ke4 g5 47.Kd5 Rxf4 48.Bb5 Rb4 49.Ne4 Rxb5+* 0-1 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-michellopezabreu (2459) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Kb1 Nac4 13.bxc4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.Qd3 Qb4+ 16.Qb3 Qa5 17.Ne2 c6 18.Na3 b5 19.Nc2 Be6 20.d5 cxd5 21.exd5 Bf5 22.Ned4 Bd7 23.Nc6 Qa6 24.Nxe7+ Kh8 25.Bd4 f6 26.Rhe1 Rfe8 27.Qb2 Qd6 28.Nc6 a5 29.g4 b4 30.g5 Kg8 31.Bxf6 Bf8 32.Be5 Qc5 33.Qd4 Qb5 34.Qd3 Qa4 35.Qb3 Qb5 36.N6d4 Qb6 37.d6+ Re6 38.Nxe6 a4 39.Qd5 Ra5 40.Nc5+ 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-gaho2005 (2605) Blitz 2022]

[10...Be6 11.h4 Bxb3 0-1 (11) Koalanaattor (2696)-ourchesslife (2492) Blitz 2024]

[10...Nd7 11.h4 c5 12.dxc5 Qc7 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Bb5 Nc6 15.h5 e6 16.Nb4 Qf6 17.Kc2 Nxb4+ 0-1 (17) Garoy (2690)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2821) Blitz 2021]

[10...c5 11.dxc5 Qxd2+ 12.Bxd2 Nd7 13.Nd5 Nc6 14.Bb5 Nxc5 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.Nxc8 Rfxc8 18.Be3 Ne6 19.Ne2 a5 20.Nd4 Nxd4 21.Bxd4 a4 22.Kb2 axb3 23.axb3 Rd8 24.Bxg7+ Kxg7 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Kc3 Kf6 27.Ra1 Ke6 28.Ra6 Rd1 29.Rxc6+ Kd7 30.Rc4 Rg1 31.Rd4+ Kc6 32.Rd2 Rh1 33.h3 Rg1 34.Kd4 f6 35.e5 fxe5+ 36.Kxe5 Rb1 37.Rd3 Rb2 38.g4 Rh2 39.f4 Re2+ 40.Kf6 Rf2 41.f5 gxf5 42.gxf5 Rf4 43.Ke5 Rf2 44.f6 Kc7 45.Ke6 h5 46.f7 Re2+ 47.Kf6 Rf2+ 48.Ke7 Re2+ 49.Kf8 Rf2 50.Rd5 h4 51.Rd4 Rf3 52.Rxh4 Rxb3 53.Kg7 Rg3+ 54.Rg4 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-AttackSparrow (2603) Blitz 2023]

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45.Nxg6+ Kg7 46.Nxf8 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2623)-TERMINATOR_2010 (2623) Blitz 2021]
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11.h4 Qe7 12.h5 Qa3+ 13.Kb1 Rd8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bd3 a6 16.Nge2 c5 17.Bh6 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Rxd4 19.Bg5 Nd7 20.e5 Nxb3 21.axb3 Qxb3+ 22.Qb2 Qxb2+ 23.Kxb2 Kg7 24.Ne4 b5 25.Nf6 Nxe5 26.Rh7+ Kf8 27.Rh8+ Ke7 28.Nd5+ Kd6 29.Be7+ Kxd5 30.Be4+ Kc4 31.Rc1+ Kb4 32.Bxc5+ Ka5 33.Bxd4 Nc4+ 34.Rxc4 bxc4 35.Bxa8 1-0 (35) forgiants (2779)-MarcKevinLabog (2685) Blitz 2023
9...Ne5 10.dxe5 Qe8 11.f4 Qc6 12.Bb5 Qe6 13.Nf3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.f5 gxf5 16.Bh6 f6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.exf6+ Rxf6 19.Qg5+ Kf8 20.Rd8+ 1-0 (20) supertactic91 (2723)-sh20032006 (2697) Blitz 2021
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Kg4 38.Ne3+ Nxe3 39.Kxe3 Bc4 40.Nc3 Kxg3 41.d5 g5 42.fxg5 f4+ 43.Kd4 f3 44.g6 f2 45.Ne4+ Kf4 46.Nxf2 exd5 47.g7 c5+ 48.Kxc5 d4 49.Kxc4 d3 50.Nxd3+ Ke4 51.g8Q Ke3 52.Qd5 b5+ 53.Kc5 Kd2 54.Nb4+ Kc1 55.Qa2 Kd2 56.Nd3 Kxd3 57.b4 Ke4 58.Kxb5 a6+ 59.Kxa6 Kf5 60.Qc2+ Kxe5 61.Qc5+ Ke4 62.Qb6 Kd3 63.Qb5+ Kd2 64.Qc5 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-Sinlimites (2613) Blitz 2022

10.d5 Nd4 Sanikidze,Tornike: 'when White has a relatively good score in the complications following Glenn Flear: 'when White has a relatively good score in the complications following'' Krnic, Zdenko: 'the continuation'

[10...Na5 11.b3 *(11.Bxb6 axb6 12.b4; 11.Qc2 Nac4 12.Bf2 c6 13.dxc6 Qg5+ 14.Kb1 bxc6 15.h4 Qe7 16.Na4 Be6 17.Nxb6 Nxb6 18.Bc5 Qb7 19.Bxf8 Bxf8 20.Ne2 Nc4 21.Ka1 Rb8 22.Nc3 Ne3 23.Qc1 Nxd1 24.Nxd1 Qb4 25.Qc3 Qa4 26.b3 Bxb3* 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2606)-Adeeel (2557) Blitz 2021*)* 11...c6 12.h4 *(12.Nb1 cxd5 13.Qxa5 d4 14.Bd2 Qc7+ 15.Kb2 Be6 16.Rc1 Qd7 17.Bb5 Qd8 18.Ne2 a6 19.Bd3 Re8 20.Na3 Bf8 21.Kb1 Qd6 22.Nc2 Rec8 23.Bb4 Qd8 24.Bxf8 Kxf8 25.Na3 f6 26.Rxc8 Rxc8 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Nxc1 Kf7 29.Nc4 Bxc4 30.Bxc4+ Kg7 31.Nd3 Qd6 32.Qc5 Qd8 33.Bd5 h5 34.Bxb7 Nd7 35.Qd6 Qa5 36.Qxd7+ Kh6 37.Qc6 Qd2 38.Qc1* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-Oleg946 (2578) Blitz 2024*)* 12...cxd5 13.exd5 Bd7 14.Bh6 Rc8 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h5 Qf6 17.Kb2 e4 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.fxe4 h5 20.Nf3 Bg4 21.e5 Qe7 22.Qd4 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rxf3 24.Bd3 Nac4+ 25.bxc4 Qb4+ 26.Ka1 Nxc4 27.e6+ Kh6 28.Rb1 Qa3 29.Rb3 Qa6 30.Rg1 Rg8 31.e7 1-0 (31) casuallychess (2668)-ThanksForNothing (2662) Blitz 2021]

[10...Ne7 11.g4 Bd7 12.h4 Nec8 *(12...c6 13.d6 Nec8 14.Bh6 Be6 15.h5 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 g5 17.Nge2 Nd7 18.Ng3 Qf6 19.Qxf6 Nxf6 20.h6 Rd8 21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.gxf5 Rxd6 23.Rg1 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 Ne7 25.Rxg5+ Kf8 26.Bc4 Neg8 27.f4 Rd8+ 28.Kc2 exf4 29.e5 Nd5 30.Bxd5 cxd5 31.f6 Nxh6 32.Rh5 Ng4 33.Rxh7 Ke8 34.Rh5 f3 35.Kd3 Kd7 36.Rg5 Nf2+ 37.Ke3 Nh3 38.Rf5 f2 39.Nb5 Ke6 40.Nd4+ Kd7 41.Ke2 Rg8 42.Rf3 Rg1 43.e6+ fxe6 44.f7 Re1+ 45.Kd2 f1Q 46.f8Q Rd1+ 47.Kc2 Qc4+ 48.Kxd1 Qxd4+ 49.Kc2 Qc4+ 50.Rc3 Qe2+ 51.Kb1 Qe4+ 52.Kc1 Qe1+ 53.Kc2 Qe2+ 54.Kb1 Qe1+ 55.Rc1 Qe4+ 56.Ka1 Nf4 57.Qc8+ Ke7 58.Rc7+ Kf6 59.Qh8+ Kf5 60.Rf7+ Kg4 61.Rg7+ Kf3 62.Qh1+ Ke3 63.Rg3+ Kd4 64.Qd1+ Ke5 65.Rg1 Kd6 66.Re1 Qc4 67.Qg4 e5 68.Qg5 Qd4 69.Qf6+ Ne6 70.a3 b5 71.Rh1 Qc4 72.Qf3 a5 73.Qe3 d4 74.Qe4 Qd5 75.Qh4 b4 76.Qh8 bxa3 77.Qb8+ Ke7 78.Rh7+ Kf6 79.Qh8+ Kf5 80.Rh5+ Ke4 81.Qh7+ Ke3 82.Rh3+ Kf2 83.Rh2+ Kf3 84.Qh3+ Kf4 85.Rf2+ Kg5 86.Qg3+ Kh6 87.Rh2#* 1-0 (87) Superfm1 (2642)-tka3 (2300) Blitz 2024*)* 13.h5 Nd6 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Bh6 Qf6 16.Bg5 Qf7 17.Qh2 Bh8 18.Nge2 Rac8 19.Ng3 c6 20.dxc6 Rxc6 21.Kb1 Nbc4 22.Nf5

gxf5 23.gxf5 h5 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rdg1 Bg7 26.f6 Rxf6 27.Bxf6 Qxf6 28.Qxh5 Be8 29.Qh7+ Kf7 30.Nd5 Rh8 31.Nxf6 Rxh7 32.Nxh7 Nd2+ 33.Ka1 Nxf3 34.Rf1 Kg6 35.Rxf3 Bc6 36.Rg3+ Kf7 37.Rf1+ Ke7 38.Rxg7+ Kd6 39.Rf6+ Kc5 1-0 (39) MaLeKkoNihli (2644)-LaVoieLactee (2615) Blitz 2022]

11.f4 Sanikidze,Tornike: '!' Krnic,Zdenko: 'has brought White excellent results. ' Stohl,Igor: '- see Acs-Ftacnik.' Stohl,Igor: '- see Acs-Ftacnik.'

[11.Nb5

A) 11...c5 12.dxc6

A1) 12...bxc6 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 *(14...Be6 15.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Kxg7 17.b3 a5 18.Ne2 a4 19.b4 Nc4 20.Rd4 Ne5 21.Nc3 c5 22.bxc5 Rfc8 23.Rxa4 Rab8 24.Ra5 Bc4 25.Bxc4 Nxc4 26.Rb5 Rxb5 27.Nxb5 Rxc5 28.Nd4 Ne3+ 29.Kd2 Nxg2 30.Ra1 Rc4 31.Nb3 Nh4 32.Kd3 Ra4 33.f4 Ng2 34.f5 Nf4+ 35.Ke3 Ng2+ 36.Kd3 gxf5 37.exf5 Nf4+ 38.Ke3 Nd5+ 39.Kd3 Nb4+ 40.Kd2 Rxa2+ 41.Rxa2 Nxa2 42.Ke3 Nb4 43.Nc5 Kf6 44.Ke4 Nc6 45.Nd7+ Kg7 46.Ne5 Nb4 47.Ng4 Na6 48.h4 Nc5+ 49.Ke5 Nd7+ 50.Kd6 Nf6 51.Ne3 Ne4+ 52.Ke5 Ng3 53.Kf4 Nh5+ 54.Kg5 Nf6 55.Ng4 h6+ 56.Kf4 Nd5+ 57.Ke5 Ne7 58.f6+ Kf8 59.fxe7+ Kxe7 60.Kf5 h5 61.Nh6 Kf8 62.Kg5 Kg7 63.Kxh5 f5 64.Nxf5+ Kf6 65.Ng3 Kg7 66.Kg4 Kh7 67.h5 Kg7 68.Kh4 Kh7 69.Kg5 Kg8 70.h6 Kh8 71.Kh5 Kg8 72.Kg6 Kh8 73.Nh5 Kg8 74.Nf4 Kh8 75.Ne6 Kg8 76.Ng5 Kh8* ½-½ (76) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-Aloneking10 (2498) Blitz 2024 *)* 15.Qxd4 Qe7 *(15...Qg5+ 16.Qd2 Qe5 17.Qc3 Qxc3+ 18.bxc3 Be6 19.Ne2 Bxa2 20.Nd4 c5 21.Nb5 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Bxc4 23.Nd6 Bb3 24.Rd2 a5 25.Kb2 Rfb8 26.Ka3 Be6 27.c4 Rb4 28.Rc1 Rab8 29.Rc3 a4 30.e5 h5 31.Ne4 Bxc4 32.Nxc5 R8b5 33.Rd4 Rb1 34.Kxa4 Rb8* 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-Chess_KingGGWP (2838) Blitz 2021 *)* 16.Ne2 Be6 17.Qd6 Qg5+ 18.Qd2 Qc5+ 19.Qc3 Qg5+ 20.f4 Qe7 21.b3 Rab8 22.Nd4 Bg4 23.Re1 Rfc8 24.Nc2 a5 25.Ba6 Rd8 26.h3 Bd7 27.e5 a4 28.Rd1 axb3 29.axb3 Bf5 30.Bd3 Nd5 31.Qc4 Nb6 32.Qb4 c5 33.Qc3 Nd5 34.Qc4 Nb6 35.Qc3 Nd5 36.Qb2 Nxf4 37.Bxf5 gxf5 38.Kb1 c4 39.b4 Nd3 40.Qc3 Nxb4 41.Rxd8+ Qxd8 42.Nxb4 Qa5 43.Kc2 Rxb4 44.Ra1 Qb5 45.Ra8+ Kg7 46.e6+ f6 47.Ra7+ Kg6 48.Qg3+ Kh6 49.Qg7+ Kh5 50.Qxh7+ Kg5 51.Rg7+ Kf4 52.Qh4+ Ke5 53.Qe1+ Kd6 54.Rd7+ Kc6 55.Rc7+ 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-BreatEastonEllis (2596) Blitz 2023;

A2) 12...Qe7 13.c7 *(13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bh6 Rd8 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h4 Be6 17.Kb1 Na4 18.h5 bxc6 19.h6+ Kg8 20.Ne2 Rab8 21.b3 Bxb3* 0-1 (21)

Consent_to_treatment (2669)-smihir6 (2587) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Be6 14.Kb1 Rfc8 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Qxc7 18.Bd3 Rd8 19.Qc3 Qe7 20.Ne2 Rac8 21.Qa3 Qg5 22.g3 Qe3 23.Nf4 Qxf3 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Rhf1 Qe3 26.Rfe1 Qf2 27.Qb3 Rc6 28.Rf1 Qe3 29.Rfe1 Qc5 30.e5 Nd5 31.Be4 Rb6 32.Bxd5 Rxb3 33.Bxe6+ Kg7 34.Rxd8 Re3 35.Rd7+ Kh6 36.Rxe3 Qxe3 37.Bb3 Qe1+ 38.Rd1 Qxe5 39.Rc1 Qe4+ 40.Bc2 Qf3 41.a3 a5 42.b3 b5 43.Kb2 b4 44.axb4 axb4 45.Rd1 Qf6+ 46.Kb1 Qc3 47.Rd3 Qe1+ 48.Rd1 Qe5 49.Rd3 Qa5 50.Rd1 Qa3 51.Rd3 Kg5 52.h4+ Kh6 53.Rd5 Qa8 54.Rd3 Qh1+ 55.Rd1 Qh3 56.Rd3 Qg4 57.Rd1 Qh5 58.Rd3 Qf5 59.Rd1 Qg4 60.Rd3 Qh3 61.Kb2 Qh2 62.Rd1 Qxg3 63.Rd3 Qxh4 64.Rd4 Qxd4+ 65.Kc1 Qc3 66.Kd1 Kg5 67.Ke2 h5 68.Bd3 h4 69.Bc4 h3 70.Kf2 h2 71.Kg2 Qf3+ 72.Kxh2 Kf4 73.Kg1 Kg4 74.Kh2 Qg3+ 75.Kh1 Qf3+ 76.Kh2 Qf4+ 77.Kg1 Qg3+ 0-1 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-smihir6 (2592) Blitz 2023;

A3) 12...Nxc6 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8 15.Nxa7

A3a) 15...Rxa7 16.Bxb6 Rxa2 17.Kb1 Ra4 *(17...Ra6 18.Bxa6* 1-0 (18) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-smihir6 (2567) Blitz 2023*)* 18.b3 Rb4 19.Bxd8 Rxb3+ 20.Kc2 Ra3 21.Ne2 Be6 22.Ng3 Ra2+ 23.Kb1 Bf8 24.Bf6 Ra5 25.Bd3 h5 26.Rc1 b5 27.Bxe5 b4 28.Bb2 h4 29.Ne2 Ba2+ 30.Kc2 Bh6 31.f4 Ra8 32.Kd2 Rd8 33.Ke3 Be6 34.g3 h3 35.Nd4 Bg4 36.Nc6 Ra8 37.Nxb4 Bf8 38.Nd5 Be6 39.Nf6+ Kg7 40.Nd7+ Kh6 41.Nxf8 Rxf8 42.Bf6 Ra8 43.f5 gxf5 44.exf5 Bd5 45.Rc5 Bb3 46.Rb5 Bd1 47.Rb4 Ra4 48.Rxa4 Bxa4 49.Bf1 Bd7 50.Kf4 Kh5 51.Bxh3 Kh6 52.g4 Kh7 53.g5 Kg8 54.Bg2 Kh7 55.Be4 Be8 56.h4 Bd7 57.h5 Be8 58.Bc3 Bd7 59.f6+ Kg8 60.g6 Bb5 61.Kg5 Bc4 62.Bc6 Be6 63.Be8 Bc4 64.Kh6 Be6 65.Bxf7+ Bxf7 66.gxf7+ Kxf7 67.Kh7 Kf8 68.Kg6 Ke8 69.f7+ Ke7 70.Bb4+ Ke6 71.f8Q Kd5 72.Be1 Kc4 73.Bg3 Kd3 74.Bh2 Ke4 75.h6 Ke3 76.h7 Kd3 77.h8Q Ke4 78.Qhf6 Ke3 79.Q6e7+ 1-0 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-I_aM_The_BulleT (2697) Blitz 2021;

A3b) 15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 1-0 (16) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2682) Blitz 2022;

B) 11...c6 12.Nxd4 exd4 13.Bxd4 cxd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Qd4+ Kg8 17.e5 Rc8 18.Bd3 Qc7 19.Ne2 Qc5 20.Qxc5 Rxc5 21.Nd4 a6 22.Rc1 Rfc8 23.Rxc5 Rxc5 24.f4 Nc4 25.Rd1 Ne3

26.Rd2 b5 27.b3 Bc8 28.Kb2 b4 29.Nc2 Nxc2 30.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 31.Kxc2 f6 32.exf6 Kf7 33.Kd2 Kxf6 34.Ke3 Bf5 35.Bxa6 Ke6 36.Kd4 Kd6 37.Bd3 Be6 38.g3 Bf7 39.Be2 Be6 40.Bf3 Bf7 41.g4 Be6 42.h4 h6 43.g5 hxg5 44.fxg5 Bf7 45.Bd1 Be6 46.h5 gxh5 47.Bxh5 Bg8 48.Bf3 Bf7 49.Bg4 Bg8 50.g6 Kc6 51.Ke5 Kc5 52.Be6 Bxe6 53.Kxe6 d4 54.g7 d3 55.g8Q d2 56.Qd8 1-0 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-Mart_Chess (2486) Blitz 2024;

C) 11...Nxb5 12.Bxb5

C1) 12...c6 13.dxc6 Qf6 *(13...Qxd2+ 14.Rxd2 bxc6 15.Bxc6 Rb8 16.b3 Ba6 17.Bd5 Rfc8+ 18.Kd1 Nxd5 19.Rxd5 Bf1 20.Rd2 Rd8 21.Ne2 Bxg2 22.Re1 Bxf3 23.Bxa7 Rxd2+ 24.Kxd2 Ra8 25.Be3 Rxa2+ 26.Kd3 f5 27.Nc3 Rxh2 28.Rf1 fxe4+ 29.Kc4 Rc2 30.Rc1 Rxc1 31.Bxc1 h5 32.Bg5 Kf7 33.b4 Bf6 34.Bxf6 Kxf6 35.b5 e3 36.Nd5+ Bxd5+ 37.Kxd5 e2 38.b6 e1Q 0-1 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-BreatEastonEllis (2589) Blitz 2023)* 14.Bc5 bxc6 15.Bxf8 Bxf8 16.Bd3 Be6 17.Kb1 Rb8 18.Ne2 c5 19.Nc3 c4 20.Bc2 Bb4 21.h4 Qe7 22.h5 Qb7 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Ka1 Nd7 25.Rxh7 Kxh7 26.Rh1+ Kg8 27.Qh6 Nf8 28.Qh8+ Kf7 29.Qxe5 Be7 30.Nd5 Bxd5 31.exd5 Bf6 32.Bxg6+ Nxg6 33.Rh7+ Kg8 34.Qxf6 Kxh7 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-smihir6 (2632) Blitz 2023;

C2) 12...Bd7

C2a) 13.Bxd7

C2a1) 13...Nc4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Qxd7 16.Ne2 *(16.Kb1 f5 17.Ne2 fxe4 18.Qxe4 Qf5 19.Nc3 Qxe4+ 20.Nxe4 Rf7 21.Rd3 h6 22.Rc1 Re8 23.Rb3 b6 24.Rc6 Kh7 25.Rbc3 Rd8 26.Rxc7 Rfd7 27.Rxd7 Rxd7 28.d6 Kg8 29.Rc7 Kf7 30.Rxd7+* 1 - 0 (3 0) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-LaVoieLactee (2613) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Qd6 17.Kb1 f5 18.Rc1 fxe4 19.Qxe4 Rad8 20.Rhd1 Rf7 21.Rc3 Bh6 22.Rcd3 Kg7 23.Qc4 Re8 24.Nc3 Qa6 25.Qxa6 bxa6 26.Ne4 Rb8 27.Kc2 Bf4 28.h3 h5 29.Rb3 Rb6 30.Rc3 Rd7 31.Rc6 Be3 32.Rxb6 axb6 33.d6 Bd4 34.dxc7 Rxc7+ 35.Kb3 h4 36.Rd2 b5 37.Rc2 Rxc2 38.Kxc2 Kf7 39.b3 Ke6 40.Kd3 Kd5 41.a4 bxa4 42.bxa4 Bb6 43.Kc3 Ba5+ 44.Kd3 Be1 45.Nf6+ Kc5 46.Ng4 Kb4 47.Nxe5 g5 48.Nf7 Kxa4 49.Kc2 Kb4 50.Nxg5 a5 51.f4 a4 52.Nf3 Bc3 53.Ne5 Bxe5 54.fxe5 Kc5 55.Kb2 Kd5 56.Ka3 Kxe5 57.Kxa4 Kf4 58.Kb4 Kg3 59.Kc4 Kxg2 60.Kd4 Kxh3 61.Ke5 Kg2 62.Ke6 h3 63.Ke7 h2 64.Ke6 h1Q 65.Kd6 Qh5 66.Ke6 Qg5 67.Kf7 Kf3 68.Ke6 Ke4 69.Kd6 Kd4

70.Kc7 Qg6 71.Kb8 ½ - ½ (71) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-matikoza (2763) Blitz 2023;

C2a2) 13...Qxd7 14.Ne2 *(14.Qc2 Nc8 15.Kb1 Nd6 16.Rc1 Rac8 17.g4 f5 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.Ne2 fxe4 20.fxe4 Rf3 21.Bc5 Bh6 22.Rcg1+ Kh8 23.Ng3 Bf4 24.Qe2 Qb5 25.Qxf3 Nc4 26.Qc3 Qxc5 27.Rg2 b5 28.Nh5 b4 29.Qh3 Rf8 30.Qd7 Bh6 31.Rg7 Qf2 32.Rxh7+ Kg8 33.Rg7+ Kh8 34.Rh7+ Kg8 35.Rh8+ Kxh8 36.Qg7+ Bxg7 37.Nf4* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-NoahSkyler (2559) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nc4 15.Qc3 Nd6 16.Qd3 f5 17.Nc3 b5 18.Bc5 Rfb8 19.h4 b4 20.Ne2 fxe4 21.fxe4 Qg4 22.Bxd6 cxd6 23.Qf3 Qxf3 24.gxf3 Rf8 25.Rdf1 Rac8+ 26.Kd2 Bh6+ 27.Kd3 a5 28.h5 Kg7 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Rh3 Rh8 31.Rfh1 a4 32.b3 a3 33.R1h2 Rc7 34.Rh1 Rcc8 35.R1h2 Rh7 36.Rh1 Rc7 37.f4 exf4 38.Nxf4 Rc3+ 39.Kd4 Rxh3 40.Ne6+ Kf6 41.Rxh3 Rh8 42.Rf3+ Ke7 43.Rh3 Bg7+ 44.Nxg7 Rxh3 45.Ne6 Rh1 46.Kc4 Rd1 47.Kxb4 Rc1 48.Kxa3 g5 49.Kb2 g4 50.Kxc1 g3 51.Nf4 g2 52.Nxg2 Kf6 53.Ne3 Ke5 54.Nc4+ Kd4 55.Nxd6 Ke5 56.Nc4+ Kxe4 57.d6 Kd5 58.d7 Kc6 59.d8Q Kb5 60.Qd2 Kc6 61.Qb4 Kd5 62.Qb5+ Ke4 63.Kd2 Kf3 64.Kc2 Kg4 65.Kc3 Kf4 66.Qc5 Kf3 67.Qd4 Kg3 68.Qd3+ Kg2 69.Kd4 Kh1 70.Qe4+ Kh2 71.Ke3 Kg1 72.Qf3 Kh2 73.Qg4 1-0 (73) MCjgp_Twitch (2748)-ScareCCrow06PL (2689) Blitz 2021;

C2b) 13.Bd3 Rc8 14.Kb1 c6 15.dxc6 Bxc6 16.Ne2 Qe7 17.Qa5 Rfd8 18.Qxa7 Na4 19.Qa5 Ra8 20.Qd2 Bb5 21.Qc2 Rdc8 22.Qb3 Bd7 23.Rc1 Rd8 24.Bb5 Be6 25.Bc4 Bxc4 26.Rxc4 b5 27.Rcc1 h6 28.Rhd1 Kh7 29.Nc3 Nxc3+ 30.Qxc3 Qe6 31.Qb3 Qe7 32.Rd5 Rdc8 33.Rdc5 Rd8 34.Rd5 Rdc8 35.Rxc8 Rxc8 36.Qxb5 Qh4 37.Qf1 Qxh2 38.Rc5 Rb8 39.Rc2 h5 40.Qg1 Qh4 41.Qf2 Qh1+ 42.Qg1 Qh4 43.b3 Qe7 44.Qc1 f5 45.Rc7 Qd6 46.Bh6 Rg8 47.Bxg7 Rxg7 48.Rxg7+ Kxg7 49.exf5 Qd3+ 50.Qc2 Qf1+ 51.Kb2 gxf5 52.b4 Kg6 53.a4 h4 54.b5 Qg1 55.Qc6+ Kg5 56.b6 Qxg2+ 57.Qc2 Qxc2+ 58.Kxc2 h3 59.b7 h2 60.b8Q h1Q 61.Qxe5 Qg2+ 62.Kc1 Qf1+ 63.Kd2 Qxf3 64.Qe3+ Qxe3+ 65.Kxe3 Kg4 66.Kf2 Kf4 67.a5 Ke5 68.a6 Kd6 69.a7 Kc7 70.a8Q Kd6 71.Qa3+ Kd5 72.Qa2+ Ke5 73.Qb2+ Ke4 74.Qc2+ Kf4 75.Qc1+ Ke4 76.Qd1 Kf4

77.Qe1 Kg4 78.Qe2+ Kf4 79.Qf3+ Ke5 80.Ke3 f4+ 81.Qxf4+ Kd5 82.Qe4+ Kd6 83.Qd4+ Kc6 84.Ke4 Kc7 85.Qd5 Kb6 86.Ke5 Ka6 *(86...Kc7 87.Kd4 Kb6 88.Qc5+ Kb7 89.Kd5 Kb8 90.Qc6 Ka7 91.Qb5 Ka8 92.Kc6 Ka7 93.Qb7#* 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-satlan (2728) Blitz 2024 *)* 87.Qd6+ Kb5 88.Kd5 Ka4 89.Qc5 Kb3 90.Kd4 Kb2 91.Qc3+ Ka2 92.Qc4+ Kb1 93.Qb5+ Ka2 94.Qc4+ Kb1 95.Qb5+ Ka2 96.Qa6+ Kb2 97.Qc6 Kb1 98.Qb6+ 1-0 (98) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-SALVA-DALI-07 (2562) Blitz 2022;

C2c) 13.Be2 c6 14.dxc6 Bxc6= 15.Qxd8 Rfxd8 16.Rxd8+ *(16.Nh3 Bf8 17.Rxd8 Rxd8 18.Rd1 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1* ½-½ (19) SouthAfricanWolf (2629)-Banelevich (2648) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Rxd8 17.Nh3 f6 18.Nf2 Kf7 19.b3 Bf8 20.Kb2 Be7 21.a4 Bd7 22.Rd1 Be6 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Bc4 Rc8 25.Bxe6+ Kxe6 26.Nd3 h5 27.Rc1 Rd8 28.Rd1 f5 29.Nf2 Rc8 30.Rd2 Bc5 31.Re2 Bd4+ 32.Ka2 Rc1 33.b4 f4 34.Nd3 Rc3 35.Ne1 g5 36.Nc2 g4 37.fxg4 hxg4 38.Rd2 Bg1 39.Kb2 Rc4 40.Kb3 Rxe4 41.Rd8 f3 42.gxf3 gxf3 43.Rf8 Rf4 44.Rxf4 exf4 45.Nd4+ Bxd4 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-bambumaster (2620) Blitz 2023]

[11.h4 c6

A) 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.h5 Be6 *(13...f5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bh6 f4 16.Nge2 Nc4 17.Qd3 Ne3 18.Nxd4 Nxd1 19.Qc4+ Rf7 20.Nxc6 Qd6 21.Bxg7 Nxc3 22.Qxc3 Kxg7 23.Nxe5 Rc7 24.Nc4+ Qf6 25.Rh7+ Kxh7 26.Qxf6 Bb7 27.Qh4+ Kg7 28.Qxf4 Rac8 29.b3 Ba6 30.Kb2* 1-0 (30) MaLeKkoNihli (2677)-Khanhvy21 (2622) Blitz 2022*)* 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Nh3 Bxa2 *(15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Ng5 Rb8 18.Rxh7 Qa5 19.Bxd4* 1-0 (19) AM0R_FATI (2608)-smihir6 (2658) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Bxd4 Bb3 17.Bc5 Bxd1 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.Qxd1 a5 1-0 (19) orhanilu (2681)-Khem (2677) Blitz 2024;

B) 12.h5 cxd5 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Bc4 Be6 16.Nh3 Rc8 17.Bxd5 0-1 (17) Fastchess2345 (2729)-smihir6 (2667) Blitz 2024]

[11.Nge2

A) 11...c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 *(12...Nxc6 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8 15.Bxb6 axb6 16.a3 Be6 17.Kc2 Nc6 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Ne7 20.Nc3 Rc8 21.Kb3 Nf5 22.Bd3 Nd6 23.Ne4 Bf8 24.Nxd6 Bxd6 25.h4 Kg7 26.g4 Bc5 27.h5 Bd4 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Be4 Kf6 30.Rd1 Ke7 31.Rh1 Rc5 32.Ka2 b5 33.Rh7 Kf6 34.g5+ Kxg5 35.Rxf7 b6 36.d6 Rc8 37.d7 Rd8 38.Rg7 Kf4 39.Bc6 b4 40.Re7 b5 41.Re8 Bb6 42.Rxd8 Bxd8 43.Bxb5 Kxf3 44.a4 e4 45.Bc6 Kf4 46.Kb3 g5 47.Kxb4 g4 48.Bb5 g3 49.Bf1*

Kf3 50.a5 e3 51.a6 e2 52.Bxe2+ Kxe2 53.a7 g2 54.a8Q g1Q 55.Qxd8 Qd4+ 56.Kb5 Qxb2+ 57.Kc6 Qc3+ 58.Kd6 Qd4+ 59.Ke6 Qe4+ 60.Kf7 Qf5+ 61.Ke7 Qg5+ 62.Ke8 Qg8+ 63.Ke7 Qg5+ 64.Ke8 Qg8+ 65.Ke7 Qg5+ ½-½ (65) MaLeKkoNihli (2601)-Rolla-tsport (2680) Blitz 2022*)*
13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Qe7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h4 h5 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 Rh8 19.Be2 Rxh5 20.fxg4 Rh4 21.Qd4+ Kh7 22.Bf3 g5 23.e5 Nd5 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Bxd5 Bb7 26.Rxh4+ gxh4 27.Qe4+ Kg7 28.Bxb7 Rb8 29.Bd5 Rb4 30.Qf5 Qc5+ 31.Kb1 Qb6 32.Qxf7+ Kh6 33.Qf6+ Qxf6 34.exf6 Rf4 35.f7 h3 36.Rh1 a5 37.Rxh3+ Kg5 38.Rf3 Rd4 39.f8Q a4 40.Qf6+ Kxg4 41.Qxd4+ Kg5 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-HardDrive54 (2620) Blitz 2021;

B) 11...Nc4 12.Qd3 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 c5 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Nc1 Qa5 17.N3e2 Rab8 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Qd3 c5 20.Qd2 Qc7 21.Qc2 c4 22.Nd3 Rfc8 23.Nc1 d3 24.Nxd3 cxd3 25.Qxc7 Rxb2+ 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Yotto (2680) Blitz 2021]

[11.Bd3 c6 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.h4 Be6 14.h5 Nb4 15.a3 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3 Qxd3 17.Rxd3 Rfd8 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Bg5 f6 20.Be3 Nc4 21.Bxa7 b6 22.b3 Ra8 23.bxc4 Rxa7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Kb2 Bxc4 26.Nge2 Bf8 27.Ra1 Bc5 28.a4 Rd7 29.Kc2 Bd3+ 30.Kb3 Ba6 31.Nc1 Rd2 32.Ra2 Rd4 33.N1e2 Bc4+ 34.Kc2 Rd7 35.Rb2 Kf7 36.Nc1 Ke6 37.Nd5 Bxd5 38.exd5+ Rxd5 39.Nd3 Kd6 40.Rb3 Kc6 41.Kc3 Rd4 42.Nxc5 Kxc5 43.Rb5+ Kc6 44.Kb3 Rd2 45.g4 Rd3+ 46.Kb4 Rxf3 47.a5 Rf4+ 48.Kb3 Kxb5 0-1 (48) licg (2628)-vb2006 (2600) Blitz 2024]

[11.Bh6 c6 12.h4 f6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.h5 g5 15.h6+ Kh8 16.Nge2 c5 17.g4 Nxf3 18.Qe3 Nd4 19.Bh3 Bd7 20.Rdf1 Rc8 21.Ng3 Nc4 22.Qd3 b5 23.Nh5 b4 24.Nd1 Bb5 25.Qg3 Qe7 26.Kb1 Nd6 27.Re1 c4 28.Rh2 a5 29.Ng7 a4 30.Rd2 a3 31.Rxd4 exd4 32.Ne6 c3 33.bxc3 dxc3 34.Kc1 b3 35.Nxc3 Rxc3+ 36.Qxc3 Rc8 37.Nc5 Qe5 38.Qxe5 fxe5 39.axb3 Rxc5+ 40.Kd2 a2 41.Bf1 Nxe4+ 42.Ke3 Bxf1 43.Rxf1 Nc3 44.Rf8# 1-0 (44) tactinhos2900 (2622)-Endgamegenious (2641) Blitz 2022]

11...c5

[11...Bg4

A) 12.Nf3 c5 13.fxe5 Nxf3 14.gxf3 Bxf3 15.Be2 Bxh1 16.Rxh1 Bxe5 17.h4 *(17.Bxc5 Re8 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Qg5+ 20.Kb1 Qe5 21.Qb4 Rac8 22.Bb5 Red8 23.h4 Nd7 24.h5 Nf6 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Bd3 Kg7 27.Rf1 b6 28.Nb5 a5 29.Qb3 Rh8 30.d6 Rh3 31.a4 Rd8 32.Qc4 Rxd6 33.Nxd6 Qxd6 34.Qc3 Qxd3+ 35.Qxd3 Rxd3 36.e5 Nd7* 0-1 (36) rafael1938 (2610)-Swetlove (2607) Blitz 2020*)* 17...h5 18.Bxc5 Rc8 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Kb1 Qb4 21.Rh3 Na4 22.Ka1 Nxc3 23.bxc3 Rxc3 0-1 (23) Orlando_Gloom (2651)-lucliasco (2615) Blitz 2019;

B) 12.fxe5 Bxd1 13.Bxd4 Bg4

14.h3 Bd7 15.Nf3 Qe7 16.Qf2 Rfe8 17.g4 Na4 18.Rg1 Nxc3 19.Bxc3 c6 20.d6 Qd8 21.h4 Be6 22.Kb1 Qb6 23.Bd4 Qa5 24.a3 Qa4 25.Ng5 Qd1# 0-1 (25) tornike_sanikidze (2651)-Swetlove (2640) Blitz 2020;

C) 12.Re1 c5 13.h3 exf4 *(13...Bd7 14.Nf3 Nxf3 15.gxf3 exf4 16.Bxf4 Na4 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qf6 20.Qe3 Rfe8 21.h4 Rad8 22.Qc3 Qxc3+ 23.bxc3 b5 24.Bd3 Kg7 25.Bc2 Bxc2 26.Kxc2 Rd6 27.c4 Ra6 28.cxb5 Rxa2+ 29.Kb3 Rf2 30.Rhf1 Rh2 31.Ra1 Rb8 32.Rxa7 Rxb5+ 33.Kc4 Rbb2 34.Kxc5 Rxh4 35.Rd1 Rh3 36.Rd3 Rb8 37.d6 Rh1 38.e5 Kf8 39.Kd5 Rhb1 40.Rc3 R1b5+ 41.Rc5 Rb3 42.Rcc7 Rxf3 43.d7 Rd8 44.e6 Ke7 45.exf7 Rf5+ 46.Kc6 Rf6+ 47.Kd5 Rxf7 48.Ke4 Kd6 49.Rcb7 Rdxd7 50.Rb6+ Ke7 51.Raa6 Kf8 52.Rb8+ Kg7 53.Raa8 Rde7+ 54.Kd4 h5 55.Rg8+ Kh6 56.Rh8+ Rh7 57.Rhg8 Reg7 58.Rgf8 h4 59.Ke3 Kg5 60.Kf3 Kh5 61.Kg2 g5 62.Ra2 Rc7 63.Re8 Rhf7 64.Rh8+ Kg4 65.Ra4+ Rf4 66.Ra2 Rc3 67.Rd8 Rfc4 68.Rdd2 h3+ 69.Kh2 Kh4 70.Ra8 Rc2 71.Rh8+ Kg4 72.Rhd8 Rxd2+ 73.Rxd2 Kh4 74.Rd8 Rc2+ 75.Kg1 g4 76.Rd1 g3 77.Kh1 Kg4 78.Ra1 Kf3 79.Rb1 Re2 80.Rf1+ Ke3 81.Ra1 Rd2 82.Kg1 Ke2 83.Rf1 Rd1 84.Re1+ Rxe1# 0-1 (84) papasi (2700)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2893) Blitz 2022)* 14.Bxf4 Bd7 15.Nf3 Rc8 16.Bh6 *(16.Kb1 Na4 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.Be3 Be5 20.Bf4 Bd4 21.Be3 Bh8 22.Rc1 Re8 23.Bd3 c4 24.Bxc4 Rxe4 25.Bd3 Re8 26.Rxc8 Qxc8 27.Bxa7 Qd7 28.Bc4 Bb5 29.Rc1 Bxc4 30.Rxc4 Qb5 31.Rc2 Qf1+ 32.Rc1 Qf5+ 33.Ka1 Ra8 34.d6 Rxa7 35.d7 Bf6 36.d8Q+ Bxd8 37.Qxd8+ Kg7 38.Qd4+* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2636)-smihir6 (2665) Blitz 2024*)* 16...Bxh6 17.Qxh6 f6 18.Bd3 Na4 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.Nxd4 cxd4+ 21.Kb1 Qd6 22.Rhf1 Qe5 23.Qd2 b6 24.g4 Bd7 25.Rf3 a5 26.Rd1 a4 27.Qb4 b5 28.a3 Rc7 29.Rdf1 g5 30.Ka1 Rf7 31.Qd2 Rf8 32.Bb1 Rc4 33.Ba2 Rc5 34.h4 d3 35.Qxd3 Bxg4 36.R3f2 Rfc8 37.d6+ Kg7 38.hxg5 Rc1+ 39.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 40.Bb1 Rd1 41.gxf6+ Kf8 42.Rd2 Rxd2 43.Qxd2 Be6 44.d7 Bxd7 45.Qh6+ Ke8 46.Qg7 Kd8 47.Qg8+ Be8 48.f7 b4 49.f8Q h6 50.Qxb4 Kc7 51.Qgc4+ Bc6 52.Qxa4 Qd6 53.Qa5+ Kd7 54.Qf7+ Kc8 55.Qg8+ Be8 56.Qxe8+ Qd8 57.Qexd8+ Kb7 58.Qab6# 1-0 (58) JOKER_BOT (2795)-Velvet-Engine (2606) Rapid 2022]

12.fxe5

[12.Nf3 exf4 13.Bxf4 Bg4 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Be2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 Na4 17.Nxa4 Qxa4 18.b3 Qa3+ 19.Kb1 Rfe8 20.Bc1 Qb4 21.Rhe1 Rxe4 22.Qxe4 Bf5 23.Qxf5 gxf5 24.d6 Qc3 25.d7 Qa1+ 26.Kc2 Qxa2+ 27.Kd3 Qxb3+ 28.Ke2 Rd8 29.Kf2 Bf6 30.Bh6 Qa4 31.Rd6 Qb5 32.Rxf6 Qxd7 33.Kg3 c4 34.Ne5 Qc7 35.Rxf7 Qxf7 36.Nxf7 Kxf7

37.Rb1 b6 38.Rc1 Rc8 39.Kf4 b5 40.Kxf5 b4 41.Rd1 Rc5+ 42.Ke4 c3 43.Kd3 c2 44.Ra1 b3 45.Rxa7+ Kg6 46.Bc1 b2 47.Bxb2 c1Q 48.Bxc1 Rxc1 49.Ke2 Rc2+ 50.Kf3 h5 51.h4 Rc4 52.Kg3 Rg4+ 53.Kh3 Rc4 54.Ra5 Kh6 55.Rg5 Rd4 56.g3 Rc4 57.Rf5 Rd4 58.Rf4 Rc4 59.Rf6+ Kg7 60.Rf4 Rc2 61.Rf5 Kg6 62.Rg5+ Kh6 63.Rf5 Rb2 64.Rg5 Rc2 65.Rf5 Rb2 66.Rg5 Rc2 ½-½ (66) anand68 (2777)-JFDRR (2723) Blitz 2021]

[12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8 15.fxe5 *(15.Nf3 exf4 16.Bxf4 Ne6 17.Be3 Bd7 18.Be2 Rc8 19.e5 Bc6 20.Rd1 Na4 21.Kb1 Nxc3+ 22.bxc3 Bxf3 23.Bxf3 Bxe5 24.Bxa7 Rxc3 25.Rd7 b5 26.Rb7 Bd6 27.Kb2 b4 28.Rb5 h5 29.h3 Nf4 30.Be4 f5 31.Bc2 Kf7 32.a4 Nxg2 33.a5 Ne3 34.Rb7+ Kf8 35.Bb3 Be5 36.Ka2 Rd3 37.Be6 Nd5 38.Bxd5 Rxd5 39.Bb6 Rd2+ 40.Kb3 Bd6 41.a6 Rd3+ 42.Kc4 Rxh3 43.a7 Ra3 44.Rb8+ Kf7 45.a8Q Rxa8 46.Rxa8 g5 47.Bd4 h4 48.Rd8 Be7 49.Rd7 Ke6 50.Rb7 h3 51.Rb6+ Kf7 52.Rh6 g4 53.Be5 Bg5 54.Rh7+ Kg6 55.Rh8 Bf6 56.Kxb4 Bxe5 57.Rg8+ Kh7 58.Re8* 1-0 (58) nastroyani (2653)-Dede-Liu39 (2637) Blitz 2021*)* 15...Bxe5 16.Nf3 Bg7 17.Bb5 Be6 18.Nd4 Bc4 19.Rd1 a6 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Bf2 Rc8 22.Kb1 b5 23.Nce2 h5 24.a3 Nb7 25.Ka2 Nc5 26.Nc3 Rd8 27.Ndxb5 Rxd1 28.Nxd1 Nxe4 29.Nbc3 Ned6 30.Ne3 Nd2 31.Be1 N2e4 32.Nxe4 Nxe4 33.b4 Be5 34.g3 Kf8 35.Kb3 Ke7 36.Nc4 Bc7 37.a4 Ng5 38.Bd2 Ne6 39.Bc3 Kd7 40.Nd2 Bb6 41.Ne4 f5 42.Nf6+ Kc6 43.Kc4 Bd8 44.b5+ axb5+ 45.axb5+ Kb7 46.Nd5 Ng5 47.Bd2 Ne4 48.Bf4 g5 49.Be5 f4 50.gxf4 g4 51.f5 h4 52.Nf4 Ng5 53.Nd5 Nf3 54.Bd4 Nxh2 55.Nb4 Nf3 56.Nc6 Bg5 57.f6 Bxf6 58.Bxf6 h3 59.Nd8+ Kc8 60.Ne6 Nd2+ 61.Kd5 Ne4 62.Kc6 Nxf6 63.b6 Ne8 64.b7+ Kb8 65.Nc5 Nd6 66.Na6+ Ka7 67.b8Q+ Kxa6 0-1 (67) alumno (2724)-salih_mohammad-ali (2731) Blitz 2023]

12...Bg4 Stohl: '!?'

[12...Bxe5 13.Nf3 *(13.h3 Bd7 14.Nf3 Bg7 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Rc8 18.Kb1 Re8 19.e5 Bf5+ 20.Bd3 Rc4 21.Qf2 Rxe5 22.g4 Bxd3+ 23.Rxd3 Qd6 24.Rhd1 a6 25.Rf3 Rc7 26.Rf6* 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-Jogun_kabser (2523) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Nxf3 *(13...Qf6 14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.Bxd4 cxd4 16.Qxd4 Qf4+ 17.Qd2 Qe5 18.Be2 Bd7 19.h4 Rac8 20.Kb1 Na4 21.Nxa4 Qxe4+ 22.Bd3 Qxa4 23.h5 Bg4 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Qh6 Qxd1+ 26.Rxd1 Bxd1 27.b3 Rf2 28.Qe3 Rff8 29.Qe6+ Kg7 30.Qe7+ Kh6 31.Qe3+ Kg7 32.d6 Rcd8 33.Qd4+ Kh6 34.Bc4 Bh5 35.g4 Bxg4 36.Qxg4 Rf6 37.Qh4+ Kg7 38.d7 h6 39.Qd4 g5 40.Qe5 Kg6 41.Qe7 Rff8 42.Qe6+ Kg7 43.Qe7+ Kg6 44.Qe6+ Kg7 45.Qe7+ Rf7 46.Qxf7+ Kh8 47.Qf6+ Kh7 48.Qg6+ Kh8 49.Qf6+ Kh7 50.Qf7+ Kh8 51.Qf6+* ½-½ (51) Superfm1 (2631)-MightBeDecent (2666) Blitz 2023*; 13...Bg7 14.Nxd4 cxd4 15.Bxd4 Bg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Kb1 Nc4 20.Rd4 Ne5 21.Rhd1 Qb6 22.Ka1 Qa5 23.Qb5 Qxb5 24.Nxb5*

a6 25.Nc3 Rfd8 26.h3 h5 27.Kb1 Rd6 28.Ne2 Rc7 29.Rc1 Rxc1+ 30.Kxc1 Kf6 31.a4 Nd7 32.Ng1 g5 33.Kc2 g4 34.hxg4 hxg4 35.Ne2 Ke5 36.Rc4 f5 37.exf5 Kxf5 38.Nc3 Nf6 39.Rc7 Nxd5 40.Nxd5 Rxd5 41.Rxb7 Kf4 42.Rb3 Rd4 43.g3+ Ke4 44.Ra3 a5 45.Ra1 Kf3 46.Ra3+ Kf2 47.Kc3 Rb4 48.Kc2 Rd4 49.Rc3 Rxa4 50.Kb3 Rb4+ 51.Ka3 Re4 52.b3 Re3 53.Rc5 Kxg3 54.Rxa5 Kh3 55.Rh5+ Kg2 56.Ka4 g3 57.b4 Kg1 58.b5 g2 59.b6 Re7 60.Kb5 Rb7 61.Kc6 Rxb6+ 62.Kxb6 Kf2 63.Rf5+ Ke2 64.Re5+ Kf2 65.Rf5+ Ke2 66.Rg5 Kf2 67.Rxg2+ Kxg2 ½-½ (67) Superfm1 (2611)-Jai Sankar Subramanian (1755) Rapid 2023*)* 14.gxf3

A) 14...f5 15.f4 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 fxe4 17.h4 Bg4 18.Bh3 Bxh3 19.Rxh3 Qf6 20.Qb3 c4 21.Qb5 c3 22.d6 cxb2+ 23.Kb1 Rad8 24.d7 Qe6 25.Bxb6 axb6 26.Rg3 Rxf4 27.h5 Rf3 28.Rg5 e3 29.Re5 Qf6 30.h6 e2 31.Re8+ Kf7 32.Qd5+ 1-0 (32) Violet_Pride (2718)-MihaiEdward (2565) Blitz 2023;

B) 14...Nd7 15.f4 *(15.h4 a6 16.h5 b5 17.f4 Bg7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qh2 h5 20.d6 Bb7 21.Bh3 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Bxe4 23.Be6+ Kg7 24.Rhg1 Re8 25.f5 Qa5* 1-0 (25) Itinerant69 (2640)-Nruter (2635) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Bg7 16.e5 a6 17.Kb1 b5 18.d6 Bb7 19.Bg2 Bxg2 20.Qxg2 b4 21.Nd5 c4 22.h4 h5 23.Rhg1 Re8 24.Ne7+ Rxe7 25.dxe7 Normal 1-0 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-emperorswatchman (2594) Blitz 2024;

C) 14...c4 15.h4 *(15.Bd4 Qf6 16.Bxe5 Qxe5 17.h4 Bd7 18.f4 Qc7 19.h5 Na4 20.d6 Qc5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qd5+ Qxd5 23.Nxd5 b5 24.Bh3 Bxh3 25.Rxh3 Nc5 26.e5 Kg7 27.Nc7 Rac8 28.e6 Rxc7 29.dxc7 Nxe6 30.Rd7+ Kf6 31.Rhxh7* 1-0 (31) Navara,D (2691)-Pribyl,J (2235) Prague CZE 2021*)* 15...h5 16.f4 Bg7 17.f5 gxf5 18.Rg1 Kh7 19.Rg5 f6 20.Rxh5+ Kg8 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.Be2 Bd7 23.Rg1 Qe7 24.d6 Qf8 25.exf5 Re8 26.Bf3 Re5 27.Nd5 Qxd6 28.Bxg7 Rxg7 29.Rxg7+ Kxg7 30.Qg2+ Kf7 31.Rh7+ Ke8 32.Rh8+ Kf7 33.Qg8# 1-0 (33) Lucky1357924680 (2696)-hacked_brain (2672) Blitz 2024;

D) 14...Bd4 15.Bxd4 cxd4 16.Qxd4 Bd7 17.Kb1 Qh4 18.a3 Rac8 19.e5 Bf5+ 20.Ka2 Qh5 21.f4 Rxc3 22.bxc3 Rc8 23.Bb5 Nxd5 24.Bc4 Rxc4 25.Qxc4 Ne3 26.Rd8+ Kg7 27.Qd4 Be6+ 28.Ka1 Qe2 29.Qd2 Qc4 30.Rb1 a5 31.Rxb7 Qxf4 32.Rd6 Qe4 33.Rxe6 Qxb7 34.Rd6 Nc4 35.Qe2 Qb3 36.Rc6 Qxa3+ 37.Kb1 Qb3+ 38.Kc1 Qxc3+ 39.Kd1 Ne3+ 40.Qxe3 Qxe3 41.Rc5 Qxc5 0-1 (41) OnkelKonkel (2679)-Endgamegenious (2648) Blitz 2022;

E) 14...Bd7 15.h4 *(15.f4 Bg7 16.e5 Na4 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.b3 Bd7 19.h4 Bf5 20.Bh3 Bxh3 21.Rxh3 c4 22.bxc4 Qd7 23.Rhh1 b6 24.h5 Rac8 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Kb1 Rxc4 27.Rc1 Qb5+ 28.Ka1 Rfc8 29.Rxc4 Qxc4*

30.Rc1 Qxc1+ 31.Qxc1 Rxc1+ 32.Bxc1 h5 33.Be3 h4 34.Bf2 g5 35.Kb1 gxf4 36.e6 h3 37.Bg1 f3 38.d6 h2 39.Bxh2 f2 40.d7 f1Q+ 41.Kc2 Qe2+ 42.Kb3 Bf6 43.Bd6 Qxe6+ 44.Kb4 Qxd6+ 45.Kb5 Qxd7+ 46.Ka6 b5 47.Ka5 Be7 48.a4 b4 49.Ka6 Qxa4+ 50.Kb7 b3 51.Kc7 Qc4+ 52.Kb7 a5 53.Ka7 a4 54.Kb7 a3 55.Ka7 a2 56.Kb7 b2 57.Kb8 b1Q+ 58.Ka8 Qbb3 59.Ka7 Qca4# 0-1 (59) Superfm1 (2602)-metallica72 (2573) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Na4 16.Nxa4 Bxa4 17.b3 Bd7 18.f4 Bg7 19.h5 c4 20.Bxc4 Rc8 21.Kb1 Re8 22.e5 Bf5+ 23.Bd3 Bg4 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Rdg1 Qxd5 26.Bxg6 Bf3 27.Bh7+ Kf8 28.Qxd5 Bxd5 29.Rh2 Rc3 30.Bd2 Rd3 31.Bb4+ 1-0 (31) Lucky1357924680 (2678)-Shukh_Nikolay (2609) Blitz 2024;

F) 14...Re8 15.Bxc5 Bd7 16.Bd4 Rc8 17.Kb1 Na4 18.Nxa4 Bxa4 19.b3 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Bd7 21.h4 Qa5 22.h5 Qc3 23.Qxc3 Rxc3 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Rd3 Rc5 26.Bh3 Bb5 27.Rd2 Rc3 28.Bg4 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Kb2 Rce3 31.Bxf5 Rxf3 32.Bc2 Re2 33.Rxe2 Bxe2 34.Rh7 Bd3 35.Rxb7 Rf2 36.Rc7 Kf8 37.d6 Ke8 38.b4 Kd8 39.Kb3 Bxc2+ 40.Rxc2 Rxc2 41.Kxc2 Kd7 42.Kc3 Kxd6 43.Kd4 Kc6 44.Kc4 Kb6 45.a4 Kc6 46.b5+ Kb6 47.Kb4 a6 48.a5+ Kb7 49.b6 Kb8 50.Kc4 Kb7 51.Kc5 Kb8 52.Kd6 Kb7 53.Kd7 Kb8 54.Kc6 Kc8 55.Kd5 Kb7 56.Kd6 Kb8 57.Ke7 Kb7 58.Kd8 Kb8 59.Kd7 Kb7 60.Ke6 Kb8 61.Kd6 Kb7 62.Kd7 Kb8 63.Kc6 Kc8 64.b7+ Kb8 65.Kb6 ½-½ (65) slowsmokingturtle (2628)-Atakishiyev04 (2731) Blitz 2024;

G) 14...Bg7 15.Bxc5 Re8 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Bd7 18.Kb1 Rc8 19.f4 Na4 20.Nxa4 Rxe4 21.Qxe4 Bf5 22.Qxf5 gxf5 23.Bd3 Qxd5 24.Nc3 Qd4 25.Bxf5 1-0 (25) penguingim1 (2816)-satranc777 (2597) Blitz 2024]

13.Re1

[13.Bxd4 cxd4 14.Nce2 Rc8+ 15.Kb1 Nc4 16.Qxd4 Bxe5 17.Qd3 Nxb2 0-1 (17) pedromari99 (2672)-reallyAnonym (2552) Blitz 2021]

13...Bxe5 14.h3 Stohl: 'Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Risky, but maybe more promising is'' 14...Qh4 Stohl: '!?' RR: 'Ü 82/(402) →82/(402)' Stohl: 'e.g.'

[For 14...Bd7 one can find Psakhis, L - Llobel Cortell, E Andorra 2003, in the archives. In addition, here's a recent example: Stohl: 'JvR: 'Risky, but maybe more promising is'' Stohl: 'Risky, but maybe more promising is Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'Stohl,I: 'Risky, but maybe more promising is'' JvR: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Risky, but maybe more promising is'" 15.Nf3 Nxf3 16.gxf3 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and White's central flexibility, added to the h4-h5 advance give him a solid advantage;'

A) 16...Qh4 17.f4 Bg7 18.Bf2 Qe7 19.e5 Bf5 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Rfd8 22.h4 c4 23.Qe4 Qb4 24.h5 Na4 25.Nxa4 Qxa4 26.hxg6 fxg6 27.Kb1 Qb5 28.d6 c3 29.b3 Rac8 30.Kc2 Qa5 31.a4 b5 32.Qd5+ Kf8 33.Rxh7 Qb4

34.e6 1-0 (34) C9C9C9C9C9 (2871)-TFAF2020 (2680) Blitz 2022;

B) 16...Re8 Stohl: '!?'

B1) 17.f4 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rxe4 19.Bd3 Nc4 20.Qf2 Rxe3 21.Rxe3 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qa5 23.Kb2 Re8 24.Qd2 b5 25.f5 b4 26.cxb4 cxb4 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.Bc4 Qa3+ 29.Ka1 Qc3+ 30.Qxc3 bxc3 31.h4 Bf5 32.Rc1 Re3 33.d6 Kf8 34.a4 Ke8 35.Bb5+ Kd8 36.Ka2 Be6+ 37.Ka3 c2+ 38.Kb2 Bf5 39.Rg1 Re6 40.h5 Rxd6 41.h6 Rd1 42.h7 c1Q+ 0-1 (42) gg-gm-gmg (2671)-Rivuza (2569) Blitz 2020;

B2) 17.Bg5

B2a) Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: 'Da Costa Junior,L: 'a)" 17...Qc7 18.f4 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '±' *(18.h4* Da Costa Junior, Luiz Roberto: '±' *)*;

B2b) 17...f6 18.Be3 f5 *(18...Qc7 19.h4* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' ±'*)* 19.Bg5 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '±';

B3) 17.h4 h5 *(17...Qf6 18.Be2 h5 19.Bg5 Qg7 20.Bf4 Bd4 21.Kb1 Rac8 22.Rc1 a6 23.Be3 Bf6 24.Bd3 Kh7 25.f4 Bxc3 26.bxc3 f5 27.exf5 Bxf5 28.Bxf5 gxf5 29.Rhg1↑* Bykhovsky,A-Liss,E/Tel Aviv ASA/1996/*; 17...Rc8 18.h5 Qf6 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Be2 Rf8 21.Ref1 Rce8 22.Bg5 Qxg5 23.Qxg5 Bf4+ 24.Qxf4 Rxf4 25.Rh6 a6 26.Rfh1 Re7 27.R1h4 Rxh4 28.Rxh4 Kg7 29.f4 h6 30.e5 g5 31.Rh1 Bf5 32.Rg1 Kh7 33.e6 Kg6 34.Kd2 Nc8 35.Bd3 Nd6 36.Nd1 Bxd3 37.Kxd3 Kf6 38.Nc3 Kf5 39.fxg5 hxg5 40.Rf1+ Ke5 41.Re1+ Kf5 42.Ne4 Nxe4 43.Rxe4 g4 44.Re1 b5 45.b4 c4+ 46.Kd4 g3 47.Rf1+ Kg4 48.Ke5 g2 49.Rg1 Kf3 50.d6 Rh7 51.d7* 1-0 (51) Kozul,Z (2602)-Rogulj,B (2390) Zagreb CRO 2012 *)* 18.Kb1 Qf6 19.Bg2 Nc4 20.Qd3 b5 21.f4 Bxf4 22.Bxf4 Qxf4 23.Ka1 Qd2 24.Qxd2 Nxd2 25.e5 Rad8 26.b3 c4 27.b4 a5 28.a3 axb4 29.axb4 Bf5 30.Kb2 Bg4 31.d6 Bf3 32.Rh2 Bxg2 33.Rxg2 Nf3 34.Rd1 Nxe5 35.Nxb5 Rb8 36.Rd5 Nd3+ 37.Kc3 Nf4 38.Rgd2 Nxd5+ 39.Rxd5 Red8 40.Kxc4 Kg7 41.Na7 Rd7 42.Nc6 Re8 43.b5 Re1 44.b6 Rc1+ 45.Kb5 Rb1+ 46.Nb4 Kf6 47.Kc5 Ke6 48.Rd4 Rc1+ 49.Kb5 Rxd6 50.b7 Rxd4 51.b8Q Rxb4+ 0-1 (51) anand68 (2811)-JFDRR (2727) Blitz 2021;

C) 16...Qe7 JvR: '∞' JvR: 'The ECO says Black is better here, but objectively the 'Ü 85/(395) Da Costa Junior,L: '— 85/(395) Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: 'Ü 85/(395)'" position is at best unclear.' The ECO says Black is better here, but objectively the position is at best unclear. Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: 'The ECO says Black is better here, but objectively the position with the strong pawn centre favours White - see the notes to Acs-Ftacnik. Stohl,I: 'The ECO says Black is better here, but

objectively the position is at best unclear." JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'The ECO says Black is better here, but objectively the position is at best unclear."

C1) 17.Bd3 f5!? *(17...Rac8 18.Kb1 Na4 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.Rc1 b5 21.f4 Bg7 22.e5 c4 23.Be4 Rfd8 24.d6 Qh4 25.Bd5 Qh5 26.Ka1 Qf5 27.Bf3 h5 28.Rhg1 Qxh3 29.Be4 b4 30.Rh1 c3 31.bxc3 Qe6 32.Bd5 Qd7 33.Bd4 bxc3 34.Bxc3 Bc6 35.Rhg1 Bxd5 36.Qxd5 Qc6 37.Qxc6 Rxc6 38.Bb2 Rb6 39.Rc2 a5 40.a3 Kf8 41.Ka2 Bh6 42.Rc4 Rb5 43.Rd1 Bg7 44.Bc3 g5 45.a4 Rbb8 46.f5 Ra8 47.e6* 1-0 (47) Lenderman, A (2614)-Kharashuta,E (2331) St Petersburg RUS 2012*)* 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.Re2? Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Qh4 22.Bd2 Qd4∓ Barbero,G-Stohl,I/HUN-chT/ 1997/;

C2) 17.h4 Kramnik,Vladimir; Dolmatov,Sergey: ' ↑!' Stohl, Igor: '↑!' h5 *(17...c4N 18.Bd4 Na4 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.f4 Qc7 21.e5 Nc5 22.h5 Bf5 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Bxc4 Na4 25.Qd4±* Sokolov,I (2659)-Krasenkow,M (2632) Wijk aan Zee 2002 CI1-130 [RR]*)* 18.Bd3 Na4 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.f4 c4 21.fxe5 cxd3 22.Bd4 Rac8+ 23.Kb1 Bc2+ 24.Ka1 Rc4 25.Bc3 Ra4 26.Re3 b5 27.Rxd3 Bxd3 28.Qxd3 b4 29.b3 bxc3 30.bxa4 Qxe5∓ Enevoldsen,H-Bolbochan,J/Dubrovnik olm/ 1950/;

C3) 17.Bh6 Rfe8 18.f4 Bd4 19.Bd3∞;

D) 16...Na4 17.Nxa4 Bxa4 18.f4 *(18.Kb1 Rc8 19.f4 Bg7 20.Rc1* Postny, E-Atakisi, U Litohoto 1999, with a pull due to White's central preponderance.*)* 18...Bg7 *(18...Bd4 19.Kb1 Qb6 20.h4 Rad8 21.Bg2 Bd7 22.h5 Rfe8 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Ka1 Bb5 25.Rh3 Rd7 26.Rd1 Bg7 27.e5 Ba4 28.Rc1 Rc8 29.d6 Kh8 30.Rch1 h5 31.Be4 Rcd8 32.Bxg6 Rxd6 33.exd6 Rxd6 34.Rxh5+ Kg8 35.Bh7+ Kf7 36.Qc1* 1-0 (36) Wojtaszek,R (2711)-Wittke,C (2168) Basel SUI 2014*)* 19.h4 c4 *(19...Rc8 20.h5 c4 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Qc7 23.Qf6 Qd8 24.Qc3 Qd6 25.Bh3 Qxf4+ 26.Kb1 Rce8 27.Qxc4 b5 28.Qd4 Qf3 29.e5±* Yrjola,J-Ebeling,M/FIN-ch/1988*/)* 20.h5 c3 21.bxc3 Bxc3 22.Qxc3 Rc8 23.Bc4 b5 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Rxh7 Qf6 26.Qxf6 Rxc4+ 27.Kb2 Rxf6 28.Reh1 1-0,Laine,H-Holmsten,A/Tampere op/1989/;

E) 16...Bg7 17.h4 c4 18.h5 Na4 19.Bd4 Nxc3 20.Qxc3 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 f6 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Bxc4 Kf7 24.d6+ Ke8 25.Rh7 Rc8 26.Rxg7 Bb5 27.Re7+ Kd8 28.Qa5+ b6 29.Qxb5 1-0 (29) masterofpuppets2 (2615)-Mischuk_D (2638) Blitz 2021;

F) 16...f5!? Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' N 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'an interesting idea found by me over the board against Leitao back in 2008.'

F1) 17.Bg5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ! 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Postny's idea when I repeated the same ...f5 some

months later' Qc7 18.f4 Bxc3 19.Qxc3 fxe4 *(19...Rae8 20.Bh6 Rf7 21.Bg2 fxe4 22.Rxe4* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' ± *')* 20.Rxe4 Rf7 *(20...Qd6 21.Qe5 Qxe5 22.Rxe5 Rae8 23.d6* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '± *')* 21.Re5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Black's position seems dangerous - a plan like h4-h5 would simply destroy the kingside.' c4 22.Qd4 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Glenn Flear: 'finished in White's favour (bishop pair in the endgame) Postny, E-Mekhitarian, K Barcelona 2008. finished in White's favour (bishop pair in the endgame) Postny, E-Mekhitarian, K Barcelona 2008.' *(22.h4* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '±"→h5 Da Costa Junior,L: '→h5 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' Δ h5'" Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *Na4 23.Qd4 c3 24.b4±)* 22...Qd6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' *(22...c3* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '=!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *23.b4 Qd6∞* with a5 to come*)* 23.Rh2 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' *(23.h4* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' ±"→h5 Da Costa Junior,L: 'Δ h5 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' Δ h5'" Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *Re8 24.Rxe8+ Bxe8 25.Bg2±)* 23...Rc8 24.Rc2 Glenn Flear: 'Postny, E-Mekhitarian, K Barcelona 2008, and White's bishop pair ensured him a continuing edge' Qc5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' *(24...Qf8* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∞!' *25.d6 h6 26.Be7 Rxf4 27.Bxf8 Rxd4 28.Bxh6 Rxd6 29.Re7* Da Costa Junior, Luiz Roberto: '=') 25.Qxc5 Rxc5 26.Bg2 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±' Kg7 Da Costa Junior, Luiz Roberto: '?!' *(26...Ra5 27.a3 Rb5 28.d6* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' ±*')* 27.d6 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '±!' Rxe5 28.fxe5 Rf5 29.Be3 Be6 *(29...Kf7 30.Bd4* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '± *')* 30.Bxb7 Da Costa Junior, Luiz Roberto: '+-' Kf7 31.Rf2 Rxf2 32.Bxf2 Nd7 33.Bxa7 Nxe5 34.a4 Bxh3 35.a5 Bd7 36.Bd5+ Be6 37.Bg2 Bc8 38.Bd4 Nd3+ 39.Kd2 Nf4 40.Bc6 Ke6 41.a6 1-0 (41) Rognon,R (2661)-Move Sidelines (2504) Delft 2008 Telechess CBM 89 [Dragon 3.1 by Komodo(10sec.)(Fischer,S)];

F2) 17.Bxc5

F2a) 17...Qc7 18.Bxf8 *(18.Bd4 Bf4 19.Be3 Be5* Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '"→fe4 Da Costa Junior,L: '→ fe4 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: ' Δ fe4'" *)* 18...Bf4 19.Re3 Rxf8 20.Kb1 Qc5 21.Nd1 fxe4 22.fxe4 Na4 Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '"→Da Costa Junior,L: '→Da Costa Junior,Luiz Roberto: '";

F2b) 17...Rc8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.Kb1 Qb4 20.Rc1 Na4 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment

(2659)-smihir6 (2653) Blitz 2024;
F2c) 17...fxe4 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' 18.Rxe4 *(18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.Rxe4 Bg7⩱* when Black gets pretty decent compensation,½-½ Leitao,R (2604)-Mekhitarian,K (2466) Sao Paulo Hebraica 5th 2008 (2) *20.Bd3 Rc8 21.Kb1 Bf5* ½-½ (21) Leitao,R (2604)-Mekhitarian,K (2466) Sao Paulo BRA 2008*)* 18...Qc7 19.Bxb6 *(19.Bxf8* is playable*)* 19...axb6 20.d6 Qxd6 *(*or *20...Qc5 21.Qd5+ Qxd5 22.Nxd5 Bxd6 23.Nxb6 Rad8 24.Nxd7 Rxd7 25.Be2±* but with opposite bishops this would probably be tenable for Black *)* 21.Rxe5 Socko, B - Mulet, P Suwalki 2021, and White was on top. Qxe5 22.Qxd7 Rxf3 23.Bc4+ Kh8 24.Qxb7 Qe3+ 25.Kb1 Rd8 26.Ka1 Rd2 27.Bb3 Rd3 28.Nd5 Qe2 29.Qc8+ Kg7 30.Qc7+ Kh6 31.Qc1+ Qd2 32.Qxd2+ Rxd2 33.Nxb6 Rh2 34.Rc1 Rfxh3 35.Bd5 Rd2 36.a4 Rhd3 37.a5 Rxd5 38.Nxd5 Rxd5 39.b4 Rd4 40.Rb1 g5 41.a6 Rd6 42.b5 Rd4 43.Rb2 Rd1+ 44.Ka2 Rd4 45.b6 Ra4+ 46.Kb1 1-0 (46) Socko,B (2619)-Mulet, P (2215) Suwalki POL 2021]

15.Bd3

[15.Kb1 Bh5 *(15...Rfe8 16.Bd3 Bd7 17.Nf3 Nxf3 18.gxf3 Rac8 19.f4 Bd4 20.Bxd4 cxd4 21.Nb5 Qe7 22.d6 Qe6 23.e5 Qd5 24.Nc7 Rxc7 25.dxc7 Rc8 26.Be4 Qb5 27.Qxd4 Rxc7 28.Rc1 Rxc1+ 29.Rxc1 Qe2 30.h4 h5 31.b3 Qg4 32.Bxb7 Qxh4 33.a4 Qg3 34.Kb2 Be6 35.Rc3 Qh2+ 36.Ka3 Qh4 37.Bc6 Qe1 38.a5 Nc8 39.Kb4 Kg7 40.Qd8 a6 41.Qf6+ Kh7 42.f5 gxf5 43.Qg5 h4 44.Qh5+ Kg7 45.Qg5+ Kh7 46.Qh5+ Kg7 47.Qg5+* ½-½ (47) Topalov,V (2728)-Mamedyarov,S (2759) Zagreb CRO 2022 *)* 16.Bg5 Qg3 17.h4 Qg4 18.Bh6 Rad8 19.Nh3 Rfe8 20.Nf2 Qd7 21.Nd3 Nc4 22.Qf2 Qd6 23.Nxe5 Nxe5 24.Bg5 Ng4 25.Qd2 f6 26.Bf4 Qd7 27.b3 b5 28.b4 cxb4 29.Qxd4 bxc3 30.Rh3 g5 31.hxg5 Bf7 32.Rxc3 Bxd5 33.Ka1 Qe6 34.Bc7 Rd7 35.Rd1 Qxe4 36.Qxe4 Rxe4 37.Bxb5 Ne3 38.Rd2 Rf7 39.gxf6 Rxf6 40.Rxe3 Rxe3 41.Rxd5 Rf2 42.Bc4 Kf8 43.Rd8+ Kg7 44.Ba5 Re4 45.Bd5 Rh4 46.Bc3+ Kh6 47.Rb8 Rc2 48.Bf6 Rf4 49.Bh8 Rf1+ 50.Rb1 Rxb1+ 51.Kxb1 Rc5 52.Bf3 Kg6 53.Bd4 Ra5 54.Bc3 Rg5 55.Kc2 Kf5 56.a4 Ke6 57.Bd2 Rg8 58.Be3 a6 59.Kc3 Kd7 60.Kb4 Re8 61.Bb6 Re5 62.Bd4 Rg5 63.Be3 Rg6 64.Ka5 Kc7 65.Bf4+ Kc8 66.Be4 Rf6 67.Bg5 Rd6 68.Bf5+ Kb7 69.Be4+ Kc8 70.Be3 h5 71.Bf5+ Kb7 72.Be4+ Kc8 73.Bb6 Kb8 74.Kxa6 h4 75.Kb5 Re6 76.Bf3 Rf6 77.Be4 Rf4 78.Bc6 Rf1 79.a5 Rb1+ 80.Kc5 Ra1 81.Bd5 Ra3 82.Be6 h3 83.gxh3 Re3 84.Kd6 Ra3 85.Kc6 Ra1 86.Kc5 Ra3 87.Kb5 Rg3 88.a6 Rg5+ 89.Bc5 Kc7 90.a7 Kb7 91.Kc4 Re5 92.Bd5+ Rxd5 93.Kxd5 Ka8 94.h4 Kb7 95.h5 Ka8 96.h6 Kb7 97.a8Q+ Kxa8 98.Kc6 Kb8 99.h7 Kc8 100.h8Q# 1-0 (100)

Shineshou90_BOT (2848)-FrozenightEngine (2658) Rapid 2023]
[15.Bf2 Qh5 16.Bd3 Rac8 17.Kb1 f5!?⇄ a hoci ma cierny damu mimo hry, jeho protihra je dostatocne realna. JvR: 'and despite the misplaced ♕h5 Black has counterplay. Stohl,Igor: 'a hoci ma cierny damu mimo hry, jeho protihra je dostatocne realna.'' and despite the misplaced ♕h5 Black has counterplay. JvR: 'Stohl,Igor: 'and despite the misplaced ♕h5 Black has counterplay."]
[15.Bf4 Bg7 16.hxg4 Qxh1 17.Nh3 c4 18.e5 Nf3 19.gxf3 Qxf3 20.Ng5 Qxg4 21.Bh3 Qh4 22.Rh1 Rad8 23.d6 h6 24.Bg2 Qg4 25.Bf3 Qf5 26.Be4 Qg4 27.Nf3 h5 28.Rg1 Qd7 29.Bh6 f5 30.Rxg6 fxe4 31.Rxg7+ 1-0 (31) DaSepp (2641)-DANIELSEVILLANO1973 (2372) Rapid 2021]

15...Rac8 Polivanov,Anatoliy: '⇄'
[15...Rfe8 16.Rf1 Bh5 17.Bf2 Bg3 18.Nf3 Bxf3 19.Bxg3 Qxg3 20.gxf3 Qh4 21.f4 Rad8 22.Rhg1 Qh6 23.Kb1 Re5 24.Rg3 Rh5 25.Qe3 Qg7 26.a4 a5 27.Qf2 Qf8 28.Qg2 Kh8 29.e5 f6 30.f5 Nxf5 31.Bxf5 gxf5 32.e6 f4 33.Rd3 Qg7 34.Qxg7+ Kxg7 35.d6 Re5 36.Rg1+ Kh6 37.e7 Re8 38.Rf3 Rg5 39.Rgf1 Kg7 40.Rxf4 Nd7 41.Nb5 Kf7 42.Re1 Re5 43.Rxe5 Nxe5 44.Nc7 Rh8 45.e8R Rxe8 46.Nxe8 Kxe8 47.Rxf6 Ng6 48.d7+ Kd8 49.Rf7 h5 50.Rf6 Ne5 51.Rf5 Nxd7 52.Rxh5 b6 53.Rd5 Ke7 54.Rxd7+ Kxd7 55.Kc2 Ke6 56.h4 Kf5 57.Kd3 Kf4 58.Kc4 Kg4 59.h5 Kxh5 60.Kb5 Kg6 61.Kxb6 Kf5 62.Kxc5 Ke4 63.Kb5 Kd5 64.Kxa5 Kc6 65.b4 Kb7 66.Kb5 *(66.b5)* 66...Kc7 67.Kc5 Kc8 68.a5 Kd7 69.a6 Kc7 70.b5 Kc8 71.b6 Kb8 72.Kd6 Kc8 73.b7+ Kb8 74.Kd7 Ka7 75.Kc7 Kxa6 76.b8Q Ka5 77.Qb3 Ka6 78.Qb6# 1-0 (78) Vaxim2000 (2856)-FrozenightEngine (2582) Rapid 2023]

16.Rf1
[In their other encounter, after 16.Kb1 Black also placed his bishop on h5 e. g.

A) instead I don't think that 16...f5 is 'sound' (whatever that means in such a wild and wonderful position!): 17.Bg5 Qh5 18.hxg4 Qxh1 19.exf5 Qh2

A1) 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.Nh3 Qg3 22.d6 Rc6 23.Ne4 Qxg4 24.Be7 *(24.Nef2! Qe6 25.Be7!* is a better move order, when White keeps an advantage*)* 24...c4 25.Nef2 Qg3∞ Thaler, T - Knobel, R Correspondence 2002;

A2) 20.Nh3! Rce8? *(20...c4!?* is a lesser and messier evil*)* 21.fxg6 hxg6 22.Bxg6 Qg3 23.Ne4 Qxg4 24.Bxe8 Rf1 25.Nhf2+- Postny, E - Greenfeld, A Givataim 2000;

B) 16...Bh5!? but in this case it wasn't new (I found three e-mail games): 17.Bg5 Qg3 18.h4 f6 19.Bh6 Rf7 A novelty. *(* previously, *19...Rfe8 20.Nh3 Bf3 21.gxf3 Nxf3 22.Qe3 Nxe1 23.Rxe1 Qxh4 24.Rh1* favoured White in Sarakenidis, N - Husak, J e-mail 2015 *)* 20.Re3 Qg4 (for OTB humans this would be 'unclear', as Black has been able to 'dig in' and find stable squares for his pieces) 21.Nf3 Nd7

B1) White also has some

pressure following 22.Bf1 e.g. a6 *(22...Bf4 23.Bxf4 Qxf4 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Qxd4±; 22...Bd6 23.Re1 a6 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Qxd4±)* 23.Nd1! and the black queen turns out to be in danger;

B2) 22.Nb5 Nxb5 23.Bxb5 Bf4 24.Bxf4 Qxf4 25.Qc3 Nb6 LCZero 0.28-dev+ 69626 (3623) - Stockfish 14 202107131735 (3639) computer tournament 2021, and despite the engine consistently preferring White, Black was able to hold in the actual game. 26.Rd1 c4 27.Qd4 Kg7 28.a4 a6 29.Qxb6 Bxf3 30.gxf3 axb5 31.axb5 Qxh4 32.Rc3 Qf4 33.Qe6 Ra8 34.Qg4 Qd6 35.Rxc4 h5 36.Qg1 Rc7 37.Rxc7+ Qxc7 38.Rc1 Qa5 39.Qc5 Qd2 40.Qc3 Qe2 41.d6 Qxb5 42.Qd4 Kh6 43.Rd1 Kg7 44.Rc1 Kh6 45.Qe3+ g5 46.Rc5 Qf1+ 47.Kc2 b6 48.Rd5 Rc8+ 49.Qc3 Rxc3+ 50.bxc3 Qxf3 51.d7 Qxe4+ 52.Rd3 Qa4+ 53.Kc1 Qa1+ 54.Kd2 Qb2+ 55.Kd1 Qb1+ 56.Ke2 Qb2+ ½-½ (56) Lczero Dev (3623)-Stockfish (3639) tcec-chess.com INT 2021]

16...Bh5! This seems to be new.

[Alternatives are probably in White's favour, but most games were played before the present generation of super-computer engines had come onto the scene. So maybe there are a few surprises still waiting to be discovered? 16...f5 17.Bg5 Qh5 18.hxg4! Qxh1 19.exf5

A) 19...gxf5 20.gxf5 *(20.Nh3!? is a decent alternative)* 20...Qh5 21.Nh3 *(21.Nf3!?)* 21...Rf7 *(21...Rce8!∞* makes it more difficult for White to get his pieces working *)* 22.Qe3 Bf6 23.g4! (with the queen on e3 this move becomes feasible and White thus seizes the initiative) Bxg5 24.Nxg5 Qh6 25.Qf4**±** Gregor, J - Postupa, P Prague 2013;

B) 19...Qh2 20.Nh3 *(20.Qf2 Nd7)* 20...Qg3 21.Bf4 Bxf4 22.Rxf4 Nd7 *(22...gxf5 23.gxf5 Nd7 24.Ne4 Qg7 25.Nhg5 c4 26.Bb1 Rxf5 27.Rxf5 Nxf5)* 23.Ne4 Qh2 *(23...Qh4 24.g5 Qh5 25.Ng3)*

B1) 24.Nd6? Rcd8 *(24...Rb8 25.Nb5 Rbd8)* 25.Nxb7 Rb8 26.Nxc5 Nxc5 27.Rxd4-+ Gasanov, E - Kurnosov, I Minsk 2006, opened up White's king too much;

B2) 24.f6! Ne5!? occurred in Khismatullin, D - Timofeev, A Tomsk 2004, see the archives. *(24...Rce8!?∞)*

B2a) 25.Kb1= ½-½ (41) Kovalyov,A (2616)-Caruana,F (2808) Baku 2015 Rcd8 *(25...Nxd3 26.Qxd3 Qxg2 27.Nhg5 Ne2 28.f7+ Kh8 29.Qf3)* 26.d6 Nxd3 27.Qxd3 Qxg2 28.Nhg5 b6 29.Qd1;

B2b) 25.Bf1 Qh1 *(25...Nf7 26.g5)* 26.d6 b5 *(26...Nf7 27.Nhg5 Nxg5 28.Nxg5 Kh8 29.f7 h6 30.Ne4)* 27.b3 Nf7 28.Kb2 Rcd8 *(28...Rfd8? 29.g3-+)* 29.Qc1 *(29.g5 Nxd6 30.Nxc5 Nf7 31.Bd3 Rd5; 29.g3∓* 0-1 (72) Huang,Q (2450)-Ju,W (2558) Huaian

2016 *Nxd6 30.Nxd6 Rxd6 31.Bg2 Ne6 32.Qxd6 Qxg2+ 33.Rf2 Qe4 34.Qe7= Qd4+? 35.Kc2)* 29...Ne6 30.Rf2 Nxd6 31.Neg5 *(31.Nxd6 Rxd6⇄* 0-1 (43) Yuferev,O (2270)-Cvek,R (2516) Pardubice 2014 *32.Bxb5* is also fine for Black. *Qxc1+ 33.Kxc1 g5 34.Bc4 h6)* 31...Qh2 *(31...Nxg5 32.Nxg5 Qh2)* 32.Qe3 *(32.Nxe6 Qe5+=* ½-½ (40) Navara,D (2724)-Eljanov,P (2723) Biel 2015 *33.Qc3 Qxe6)* 32...Nxg5 A sad position for White, but Kuzubov managed to squeeze half a point with a tenacious defence.

33.g3 *(33.Nxg5 Rde8 34.Qxc5 Qe5+ 35.Qxe5 Rxe5)*

B2b1) 33...Rde8 34.Qd3 *(34.Qxe8 Qxf2+ 35.Nxf2 Rxe8; 34.Qxg5 Qxg3 35.Qd5+ Nf7; 34.Qxc5 Qxg3)* 34...Qxf2+ 35.Nxf2 Rxf6;

B2b2) 33...Qh1 34.Nxg5 Nf7 *(34...Qb7 35.Bg2 Qd7 36.Bd5+)* 35.Nxf7 Rxf7 36.Bxb5 Qd5 37.g5 *(37.Bc4* and Black can already dream about more than equality. *Qd4+?? 38.Qxd4 cxd4 39.g5-+ Kf8 40.Bxf7 Kxf7!=* would transpose to the current game Kuzubov-Greenfeld. *41.Rc2 Rd7 42.Rc6)* 37...Rb7 *(37...Kf8= 38.Bc4 Qd4+ 39.Qxd4 cxd4 40.Bxf7 Kxf7 41.Rc2)*

B2b21) 38.f7+ Kg7 *(38...Kf8 39.Qe8+; 38...Rxf7 39.Bc4)* 39.Bc6= Qxc6 40.Qe5+ Kf8 ½-½ (15) Arnaudov,P (2490)-Paravyan,D (2373) Albena 2013 41.Qh8+ Ke7 42.f8Q+ Rxf8 43.Qxf8+;

B2b22) 38.Qc3 Kf8 *(38...Qxg5! 39.f7+ Rxf7 40.Bc4 Rd5 41.Rxf7 Kxf7 42.Qa5)* 39.Bc4 *(39.f7 Qd4 40.Qxd4* was still equalising. *cxd4)* 39...Qd4 40.Re2 Rbd7 41.Re5 Qf2+

B2b221) 42.Re2 Rd2+ 43.Ka3 Rxe2 44.Bxe2

B2b2211) 44...Qxe2 45.Qxc5+ Ke8 *(45...Kg8 46.Qxa7)* 46.Qc6+-+ Kf8! 47.Qc5+;

B2b2212) 44...Qd4 45.Qa5 Qb4+ 46.Qxb4? cxb4+! 47.Kxb4 Rd5;

B2b222) 42.Ka3 Rd2 43.Ka4 *(43.Qa1 Rc2 44.Re7 Rxc4 45.bxc4 Qf3+ 46.Ka4 Rb8; 43.b4 Rc2 44.Qb3 Rxc4 45.Qxc4 Qxg3+ 46.Ka4 Qxe5)* 43...Rxa2+ 44.Kb5 Qg2 45.Re7 Rb8+ 46.Kxc5 Rc8+ 47.Kd4 *(47.Kb4 a5+ 48.Kb5 Qc6#)* 47...Rd2+ 48.Ke3 *(48.Ke5 Rc5+*

49.Kf4 Rf5+ 50.Kg4 Rd4+ 51.Qxd4 Qf3+ 52.Kh3 Qh1+ 53.Kg4 Qh5#) 48...Qf2+ 49.Ke4 Qf5+ 50.Ke3 Qxg5+ 51.Kf3 Qf5+ 52.Ke3 Qf2+ 53.Ke4 Re2+ ½-½ (53) Kuzubov,Y (2641)-Greenfeld,A (2534) Douglas 2015 CBM 168 Extra [Postny, Evgeny]]

[16...Bd7 17.Bh6?! *(*instead *17.Bg5! Qg3 18.Nf3 f6 19.Be3* favours White*)* 17...c4! 18.Bb1 Rfe8? *(*Stockfish suggests *18...Na4!* noting that *19.Bxf8 Rxf8 20.Nge2 Nxe2+* leaves White's king in danger*)* 19.Bg5 (finally coming to the 'right' square!) Qg3 20.Nf3 f6 21.Nxe5 fxe5 22.Be3 Na4 (too late!) 23.Bxd4 *(23.Rf2* threatening to 'double up', is maybe even stronger*)* 23...exd4 24.Qxd4 Dao Thien Hai - Isaev, J Doha 2003, and White was better even if matters remained complicated.]

[16...c4 17.Bxd4 *(17.Bb1!* is simpler*)* 17...Bxd4 *(17...cxd3 18.Bxe5 Nc4 19.Qxd3 Nxe5 20.Qd4±)* 18.hxg4! Bxc3 19.bxc3 Qxh1 20.Nf3 (trapping the queen) Qxf1+ 21.Bxf1+- Svetushkin, D - Nadig, K Dubai 2005.]

17.Bf2

[After 17.Bg5 Qg3 Black's pieces are not inconvenienced.]

17...Bg3

[Clearly not 17...Qe7?? in view of 18.g4]

18.Nf3 Bxf3 The bishop on h5 plays it's role, whereas on d7 is often finds itself out of the action. 19.Bxg3 Qxg3 20.gxf3 f5 21.Rhg1 Qd6 22.exf5 Nxf5 23.h4 Black has navigated the first wave but now has to live with a more vulnerable king. Still, the game shows that he has resources. 23...c4 24.Be4 Nxh4 With a storm coming, it's best to be ahead on material! 25.f4 Rf7 26.f5 Rcf8 27.Qg5 The only move to trouble the black defences. 27...Qf6 28.Qg4 Rg7 29.fxg6 Again the only try. 29...Qxf1+ 30.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 31.Kd2 Nxg6 32.Qe6+ 'Queen versus two rooks and open kings' can often be quite exciting. If this was a game between mortals then, with matters so tricky, either side could make a mistake, but engines don't blunder! 32...Kh8 33.d6 Rf2+ 34.Kc1 Nf8

[I presume that the computers decided that throwing in 34...Rf1+ 35.Nd1 benefitted White, but I can't see any obvious reason why.]

35.Qh3 Rf6 36.Qe3 Nc8

[If 36...Rxd6 then 37.Bxb7 is possible. The engines still consider White to be on top, but matters don't look at all clear from a human's perspective.]

37.Qd4 Nd7

[Otherwise 37...Rxd6 38.Qxc4 Rd8 leaves Black slightly passive, but perhaps this doesn't matter too much.]

38.Bxb7 Nxd6 39.Bc6 Rf1+ 40.Nd1 Nf5 41.Qxa7 Now White obtains a passed pawn, but Black's knights will be easier to keep out of trouble on the kingside. 41...Nf8 42.Qb6 Rgg1 43.Bf3! Keeping his nose ahead, even if it's only just. 43...Rg6

[43...Rxf3? 44.Qxg1+-]

44.Qb7 Nd4 45.Bg2 Ne2+ 46.Kd2
[It's also possible to wriggle with 46.Kc2!? Nd4+ 47.Kd2 when after Rf4!? the result stays in doubt.]
46...Rd6+ 47.Kxe2 Rfxd1 48.Be4 Nd7 49.a4
[49.Qc8+ Kg7 50.Qxc4 R6d2+ 51.Ke3 Nf6 52.Bf3 Nd5+ 53.Bxd5 Rxd5 should be drawn, that is with both kings prone to facing multiple checks.]
49...Kg7 50.a5 Kf6 51.Qb4
[51.a6 is met by the active idea Nc5! when White has no good checks (this explains Black's previous couple of moves).]
51...R1d4 52.Ke3 Ne5 53.Qb8 Ng4+ 54.Kf3 Ne5+ 55.Ke3 ½-½ (55) Waddingham,G (3639)-Kossin,H (3623) Turkish Super League, Konya 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Frutstaert,Roger]

45 **4.Nc3** d5
[4...e5 5.dxe5 Nh5 6.Nh3 Bxe5 7.Bg5 Bf6 8.Bxf6 Nxf6 9.Qd2 d6 10.Nf4 Nc6 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.e4 Be6 13.Ncd5 Bxd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Qf6 16.Bb5+ c6 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Ba4 Ke7 19.Bb3 g5 20.Kb1 a5 21.Qd4 Rhb8 22.Rd2 Rb4 23.Qc3 Rab8 24.Rhd1 a4 25.Rxd6 Qxd6 26.Rxd6 Kxd6 27.Bc2 Rxb2+ 28.Kc1 Rxa2 29.Qd4+ Ke6 30.Bxa4 Rxg2 31.Bxc6 Nxc6 32.Qd5+ Ke7 33.Qxc6 Rbb2 34.Qc5+ Ke8 35.Qc8+ Ke7 36.Qc5+ Kf6 37.Qf5+ Kg7 38.Qe5+ Kg6 39.Qf5+ Kh6 40.Qf6+ Kh5 41.Qxf7+ Kh4 42.Qxh7# 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-dfsocial (2673) Blitz 2024]
[4...0-0 5.b3 d6 6.Bb2 c6 7.Qc2 Nbd7 8.0-0-0 a5 9.e4 a4 10.Bd3 axb3 11.axb3 b5 12.Nge2 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Nb6 14.d5 Nxc4 15.bxc4 Ba6 16.dxc6 Bxc4 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.exd5 Ra1+ 0-1 (19) chesssink (2612)-Tottenham-Hotspur (2552) Blitz 2025]
5.e4 dxe4 6.fxe4 0-0 7.Nf3 Bg4 8.Be2 c5 9.d5 Nbd7 10.0-0 e6 11.Bf4 exd5 12.cxd5 Re8 13.Nd2 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 a6 15.a4 Nh5 16.Be3 Bd4 17.Qf2 Qf6 18.a5 Qxf2+ 19.Bxf2 Nhf6 20.h3 Kg7 21.Ra4 Be5 22.Rc4 Bf4 23.Nb3 Bd6 24.Nxc5 Bxc5 25.Bxc5 Rac8 26.b4 b6 27.axb6 Nxb6 28.Rd4 Nbd7 29.Na4 Nxe4 30.Nb6 Nxb6 31.Bxb6 Ng3 32.d6 Nxf1 33.Kxf1 Red8 34.d7 Ra8 35.Bxd8 Rxd8 36.Rd6 Kf8 37.Rxa6 Rxd7 38.Ke2 Ke7 39.Ra2 Rb7 40.Rb2 Kd6 41.Kd3 Kd5 42.g4 Rb5 43.Rb1 f5 44.gxf5 gxf5 45.Ke3 Kc4 46.Kf4 Kd3 47.h4 Kc2 48.Rh1 Rxb4+ 49.Kxf5 h6 50.h5 Ra4 51.Re1 Ra5+ 52.Ke4 Rxh5 53.Ra1 Rh4+ 54.Ke3 Rh3+ 55.Ke2 Kb2 56.Rd1 Ka2 57.Rc1 Kb2 58.Rd1 Rb3 59.Re1 Ka2 60.Rc1 Kb2 61.Rd1 Kc2 62.Ra1 Rh3 63.Re1 Rc3 64.Ra1 Rc4 65.Rd1 Ra4 66.Re1 Ra6 67.Rf1 Rd6 68.Ra1 Rd8 69.Re1 Rd5 70.Ra1 Rd8 71.Re1 Rd2+ 72.Kf1 Rh2 73.Re2+ Rxe2 74.Kxe2 Kc1 75.Ke1 h5 76.Kf1 Kd2 77.Kg1 Ke1 78.Kh1 Kd2 79.Kg1 Kc3 80.Kf1 Kc4 81.Ke1 Kb3 82.Kd1 Ka3 83.Ke1 Ka4 84.Kd1 Ka5 85.Ke1 Ka6 86.Kd1 Kb5 87.Ke1 Ka4 88.Kd1 Ka5 89.Ke1 Kb5 90.Kd1 Ka4 91.Ke1 Kb3 92.Kd1 Ka4 93.Ke1 Ka3 94.Kd1 Kb4 95.Ke1 h4 96.Kf1 Ka4 97.Ke1 Ka3 98.Kf1 Ka2 99.Ke1 h3 100.Kf1 Ka3 101.Kg1 Kb4 102.Kf1 Kb5 103.Kg1 Kc4 104.Kf1 Kb5 105.Kg1 Kb4 106.Kf1 Ka5 107.Kg1 Kb5 108.Kf1 Kc5 109.Kg1 Kb4

½-½ (109) PetersBot (3019)-RaspFish (3048) Rapid 2024

4.c5 d6 5.cxd6 exd6 6.Nc3 0-0 7.e4 c5 8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 b6 12.Nge2 Ba6 13.Nf4 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 Nc6 15.Kf2 Nb4 16.a3 g5 17.axb4 cxb4 18.Nfd5 bxc3 19.Nxc3 Nh5 20.Rfd1 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Rc8 23.Bd4 Ng7 24.g3 Ne6 25.Ke3 Nxd4 26.cxd4 Rc3+ 27.Rd3 Rxd3+ 28.Kxd3 b5 29.d5 a5 30.Kc3 Kf8 31.f4 g4 32.e5 Ke7 33.f5 Kd7 34.f6 Kc7 35.e6 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-JelenaZ (2609) Blitz 2023

[46] **4...Nc6** 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nge2
[6.dxe5]
6...0-0 7.Be3
[7.d5 Nd4 8.Bg5 h6 9.Be3 c5 10.Qd2 Kh7 11.Nc1 d6 12.Bd3 a6 13.0-0 Nh5 14.a3 f5 15.b4 b6 16.exf5 gxf5 17.N3e2 Ra7 18.Nxd4 cxd4 19.Bf2 Re7 20.g4 Nf4 21.Bxf5+ Rxf5 22.gxf5 Bxf5 23.Bg3 Nh3+ 24.Kh1 e4 25.Qg2 e3 26.Nd3 Bxd3 27.Qxh3 Bg6 28.Rg1 d3 29.Bf4 e2 30.Rxg6 Kxg6 31.Rg1+ Kh7 32.Qf5+ Kh8 33.Bxh6 Bxh6 34.Qf6+ Bg7 35.Rxg7 e1Q+ 36.Rg1+ Kh7 37.Qf5+ Kh8 38.Qf6+ Kh7 39.Qg6+ Kh8 40.Qf6+ ½-½ (40) chessisinmyblood (2724)-Nadigraj (2727) Blitz 2021]
7...Re8
[7...exd4 8.Nxd4
A) 8...Nh5
A1) 9.Be2 Nf4 10.Bxf4
A1a) 10...Nxd4 11.Be3
(11.Qd2 d6 12.h4 h5 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.Kb1 a6 15.g4 Nxe2 16.Nxe2 hxg4 17.h5 gxf3 18.Nd4 Bg4 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Bh6 Qf6 21.Bxg7 Qxg7 22.Rdg1 f2 23.Rf1 c5 24.Nb3 Bf3 25.Rh4 g5 26.Rh2 Bxe4+ 27.Ka1 g4 28.Rhxf2 Rxf2 29.Qxf2 Rf8 30.Qe1 Rxf1 31.Qxf1 g3 32.Nd2 g2 33.Qg1 Qd4 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-Nadigraj (2727) Blitz 2023)
11...c5 12.0-0 d6 13.b3 Nxf3+ 14.Rxf3 Bxc3 15.Bh6 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Bg4 17.Bxf8 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 Qxf8 19.Rc1 Qh6 20.g3 Qe3 21.Rc2 a6 22.Kg2 Be5 23.Qd2 Qxd2+ 24.Rxd2 b5 25.Be2 Rb8 26.Rc2 Kg7 27.Bg4 h5 28.Bd7 b4 29.Bc6 Rh8 30.h3 a5 31.Kf3 f6 32.Ba4 g5 33.Rg2 Kf7 34.Bc6 Ke7 35.Rg1 Kd8 36.Rh1 Kc7 37.Ba4 Rf8 38.g4 Rh8 39.Kg2 Bf4 40.Bb5 Rh7 41.Ba4 Re7 42.Kf3 h4 43.Bb5 Be5 44.Rd1 Bd4 45.Rf1 Kb6 46.Re1 d5 47.Re2 dxc4 48.Bxc4 Ra7 49.Rd2 a4 50.Kg2 axb3 51.axb3 Ra3 52.Re2 Be5 53.Kf3 Ra1 54.Rd2 Rg1 55.Rd5 Rg3+ 56.Kf2 Rxh3 57.Rd7 Rg3 58.Bd5 h3 59.Rb7+ Ka6 60.Rh7 Rc3 61.Rh6 Rc2+ 62.Ke1 Rc3 63.Kd1 h2 64.Ke2 Bf4 65.Rxh2 Rc2+ 66.Kd3 Rxh2 67.Kc4 Rh3 68.Kxc5 Rg3 69.Kc6 Ka5 70.Kd7 Rxb3 71.Bc4 Rc3 72.Ke6 Rxc4 73.Kf5 Rc6 74.Kg6 Rc5 75.e5 Rxe5 76.Kg7 f5 77.Kg6 fxg4 78.Kg7

½-½ (78) supertactic91 (2738)-Nadigraj (2794) Blitz 2021;

A1b) 10...Bxd4 11.Qd2 d6 12.0-0-0 Be6 13.h4 f6 14.Nb5 Be5 15.Be3 a6 16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 c5 18.Be3 f5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Qb6 22.Rd2 Qc6 23.Qd5+ Qxd5 24.Rxd5 b5 25.Kc2 bxc4 26.Bxc5 Rab8 27.Ba3 Rfc8 28.Rhd1 Rc6 29.Ra5 Rcb6 30.Rb1 Kf7 31.Ra4 d5 32.Ra5 Rb5 33.Rxa6 d4 34.Rc6 d3+ 35.Kd2 Bxb2 36.Rxc4 Bxa3 37.Rxb5 Rxb5 38.Kxd3 Rb7 39.Ra4 Be7 40.g3 Rb2 41.Ke3 Rg2 42.g4 Bxh4 43.Ra7+ Be7 44.a4 h5 45.gxh5 gxh5 46.Kf4 h4 47.Ra6 h3 48.Ke4 Kg7 49.Ra5 Kg6 50.Ra6+ Bf6 0-1 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2746)-Nadigraj (2763) Blitz 2023;

A2) 9.Nxc6 dxc6 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.Be2 f5 12.exf5 Re8 13.Kf2 gxf5 14.Rad1 Be6 15.Bd4 Bf8 16.g3 Rad8 17.f4 Rxd4 18.Rxd4 Bc5 19.Rhd1 Rd8 20.Ke3 Nf6 21.b4 Bxd4+ 22.Rxd4 Re8 23.Kf2 Nd7 24.c5 Nf6 25.Bf3 Kf7 26.a3 h5 27.h3 a5 28.bxa5 Nd7 29.Na4 Ra8 30.Bxh5+ Ke7 31.Rb4 Rxa5 32.Bd1 Nxc5 33.Nxc5 Rxc5 34.Rxb7 Kd6 35.Rb2 Rc4 36.Bb3 Rc3 37.Rd2+ Bd5 38.Bd1 Rxa3 39.h4 Ra8 40.h5 Rh8 41.Be2 c5 42.Bf3 c6 43.Be2 Ke6 44.Rb2 c4 45.Rc2 Kd6 46.Bxc4 Rxh5 47.Be2 Rh2+ 48.Ke3 Rh1 49.Rd2 Rh2 50.Bd1 Rxd2 51.Kxd2 c5 52.Bc2 Be6 53.Ke3 Kd5 54.Bd3 Kd6 55.g4 c4 56.Bxf5 Bxf5 57.gxf5 c3 58.Kd3 c2 59.f6 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2602)-Nadigraj (2711) Blitz 2021;

A3) 9.g4 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Nf4 11.h4!;

A4) 9.Qd2

A4a) 9...d6 10.0-0-0 Be6 *(10...f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qg5+ 15.Kb1 Nf6 16.Bd3 c5 17.Qf2 Rb8 18.Rhe1 Bd7 19.Qg3 Qxg3 20.hxg3 Nh5 21.Re7 Rf7 22.Rxf7 Kxf7 23.Rh1 Nf6 24.Nd5 Nxd5 25.Rxh7+ Kg6 26.Rxd7 Nb4 27.Bc2 Re8 28.Kc1 Re2 29.Bd1 Nd3+ 30.Kb1 Rxb2+ 31.Ka1 Rxg2 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-ReluctantCannibal (2848) Blitz 2022)* 11.g4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Nf4 14.h4 Qe7 15.h5 Qg5 16.Kb1 Qe5 17.Ne2 g5 18.Nxf4 Qxf4 19.h6 f6 20.Be2 Rfd8 21.c5 d5 22.exd5 Qxd4 23.Rxd4 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 Bxd5 25.Rd1 c6 26.Rd4 Kf7 27.Bd3 Re8 28.Bxh7 Rh8 29.Be4 Ke6 30.Bxd5+ cxd5 31.Rb4 Rh7 32.Kc2 Ke5 33.Kd3 Rc7 34.Ke3 Rh7 35.a3 a6 36.Rb6 Rxh6 37.Rxb7 d4+ 38.Kd3 Rh3 39.c6 Kd6 40.c7 Kd7 41.Kxd4 Rxf3 42.Rb6 a5 43.b4 axb4 44.axb4 Rf4+ 45.Kc5 Kxc7 46.Re6 Kd7 47.b5 Kxe6 48.b6 Rf1 49.b7

Rc1+ 50.Kb6 Rb1+ 51.Kc7 f5 52.gxf5+ Kxf5 53.Kd6 Rxb7 0-1 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2730)-Nadigraj (2798) Blitz 2022;

A4b) 9...Qh4+ 10.Bf2 Qf4 11.Ndb5 *(11.Qxf4 Nxf4 12.Ndb5 Ne6 13.Nd5 Bxb2 14.Rb1 Be5 15.g3 a6 16.Na3 d6 17.f4 Bg7 18.Bh3 b5 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nxc7 Ra7 21.Bxa7 Nxa7 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Naxb5 Nxb5 24.Nxb5 Rd8 25.0-0 d5 26.Rfd1 Kf7 27.exd5 exd5 28.Nd4 Bd7 29.Rb7 Bf8 30.Nc6 Bc5+ 31.Kg2* 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-Nadigraj (2708) Blitz 2022 *)* 11...Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 Be5 13.Nd5 Bxb2 14.Rb1 Be5 15.Nbxc7 Rb8 16.g3 d6 17.f4 Bg7 18.Bg2 Be6 19.Rhc1 b6 20.h3 Rfc8 21.g4 Nxf4 22.Na6 Nxg2 23.Nxb8 Rxb8 24.Rg1 Bh6+ 25.Kc2 Nf4 26.g5 Nxh3 27.Nf6+ Kg7 28.gxh6+ Kxf6 29.Rgf1 Nxf2 30.Rxf2+ Ke7 31.Kc3 Ne5 32.c5 Rc8 33.Rd1 Rxc5+ 34.Kd2 Ra5 35.Ke1 Bxa2 36.Ra1 Nd3+ 37.Ke2 Nxf2 38.Kxf2 Be6 39.Re1 Ra2+ 40.Ke3 b5 41.Kf4 b4 42.Kg5 b3 43.e5 dxe5 44.Rxe5 a6 45.Kf4 Ra4+ 46.Ke3 b2 47.Re4 Rxe4+ 48.Kxe4 b1Q+ 49.Ke5 Qb5+ 50.Kd4 a5 51.Ke3 a4 52.Kd2 a3 53.Kc3 a2 54.Kd2 a1Q 55.Ke3 Qae5+ 56.Kd2 Qbb2+ 57.Kd3 Bf5+ 58.Kc4 Qbc3# 0-1 (58) jposthuma (2785)-Nadigraj (2715) Blitz 2022;

B) 8...Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6 *(9...c6 10.Be2* runs up against *d5! 11.exd5* has no sense in view of *cxd5 12.c5 Nh5* but *13.Bxg7!?* might be a better move: if *13...Qh4+ 14.g3 Nxg3* then *15.Qd4 Qxd4 16.Bxd4* and Black's pieces wake. *Nxh1* isn't good because of *17.Kd2)*

B1) 10.Bd3 d6 11.0-0 Bf4 *(11...Nh5 12.Ne2 Ng7 13.Kh1 Ne6 14.Bc3 b6 15.f4 Bb7 16.f5 Nc5 17.Bc2 Re8 18.Ng3 Qh4 19.Qd4 Re5 20.Qf2 Bg7 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Qf7+ Kh8 23.Qxc7 Re7 24.Qxd6 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Rae8 26.Rae1 Rd7 27.Rf8+ Kg7 28.Qxd7+ Nxd7 29.Rxe8 Nf6 30.Re7+ Kh6 31.Rxb7 Ng4 32.Kg1 Qxh2+ 33.Kf1 Qxg3 34.Re2 Nh2+ 35.Kg1 Nf3+ 36.Kf1 Nh2+ 37.Kg1 Ng4 38.Kf1 Qxc3 39.e5 Qa1+ 40.Re1 Qd4 41.Re2 Qf4+ 42.Ke1 Qc1+ 43.Bd1 Qc3+ 44.Kf1 Ne3+ 45.Rxe3 Qxe3 46.e6 Qf4+* 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-Nadigraj (2763) Blitz 2022*)* 12.g3 Be5 13.Bf2 Re8 14.Qd2 Nd7 15.Nd5 c6 16.Ne3 Nc5 17.Rab1 a5 18.b3 Bg7 19.a3 Qe7 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Na4 22.Rb3 Be6 23.Ra3 Nb2 24.Rxa8 Rxa8 25.Be2 Ra3 26.Rb1 Qf6 27.Qxd6 Ra8 28.f4 Qc3 29.e5 Bf8 30.Qc7 Qd2 31.Bf1 Nd3 32.Bxd3 Qxd3 33.Rd1 Qe2 34.Qxb7 Ra2 35.Rf1 Bh3 36.Ng2 Qf3 37.Nh4 Qe2 38.Qb6 Qxf1# 0-1 (38)

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B2) 10.Nd5 Nh5 11.g4 c6 12.gxh5 cxd5 13.cxd5 Qh4+ 14.Bf2 Qxh5 15.Qd3 d6 16.Be2 Re8 17.0-0 Bh3 18.Rfe1 Bf4 19.Bg3 Qg5 20.Kf2 h5 21.Bf1 Bd7 22.Bxf4 Qxf4 23.Kg1 Rac8 24.Qe3 Qxe3+ 25.Rxe3 Rc2 26.Re2 Rec8 27.Rae1 Kg7 28.Kf2 Bb5 29.Kg3 Bxe2 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-Nadigraj (2750) Blitz 2021;

B3) 10.Be2 d6 11.0-0 Nh5 12.g3 Bh3 13.Re1 Ng7 14.Nd5 f5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxe5 c6 17.Nf4 Bxf4 18.Bxf4 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Rad8 20.Qc2 Qf2 21.Rg1 Rfe8 22.Bd1 Bg2+ 23.Rxg2 Re1+ 24.Rg1 Rxg1# 0-1 (24) MCjgp_Twitch (2724)-Nadigraj (2728) Blitz 2021;

C) 8...Re8 9.Be2 d6 *(9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 c6 11.0-0 d5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.e5 Nd7 14.f4 f6 15.Bf3 fxe5 16.Bxd5+ Kh8 17.fxe5 Nxe5 18.Kh1 Bg4 19.Qb3 Re7 20.Rae1 Qd7 21.Bc5 Ree8 22.Ne4 Rac8 23.Bxa7 b6 24.Bxb6 Rb8 25.a4 Rxb6 26.Qxb6 Qxd5 27.Nf6 Bxf6 28.Qxf6+ Kg8 29.b4 Bc8 30.Rd1 Nd3 31.Rxd3 1-0 (31)* tornike_sanikidze (2694)-zuro22 (2617) Blitz 2020*)* 10.Qd2 Nh5 *(10...Bd7 11.0-0-0 a6 12.h4 b5 13.g4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 c5 15.Be3 b4 16.Qxd6 bxc3 17.g5 cxb2+ 18.Kb1 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Rxe4 20.Qxc5 Rc8 21.Qa7 Re7 22.Bd3 Bc6 23.Qxa6 Bxh1 24.Bc2 Rxe3 25.Rxh1 Ra8 26.Qb7 Rxa2 27.Be4 Ra1+ 28.Kc2 Rxh1 29.Bxh1 Re2+ 30.Kb1 Re1+ 31.Kc2 Qd1# 0-1 (31)* Superfm1 (2663)-UGabTabliganU (2322) Rapid 2023*; 10...a6 11.0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.Rac1 h5 14.Rfd1 h4 15.Nd5 h3 16.g3 b5 17.Qc3 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Nxd5 19.Qc6 Nb4 20.Qxc7 Nxa2 21.Qxd8 Rexd8 22.Rc7 Nb4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Bf1 d5 25.e5 Rac8 26.Rb7 Rb8 27.Rxb8 Rxb8 28.Bxh3 Re8 29.f4 f6 30.Rd4 a5 31.exf6+ Kxf6 32.Kf2 Rh8 33.Kg2 Rh7 34.Bg4 Rc7 35.Rd2 Rc2 36.Rxc2 Nxc2 37.Kf2 b4 38.Ke2 Nd4+ 39.Kd3 Ne6 40.Bf3 Nc7 41.Kd4 a4 42.Bd1 a3 43.bxa3 bxa3 44.Bb3 Ke6 45.g4 Kd6 46.h4 Nb5+ 47.Kd3 Kc5 48.h5 gxh5 49.gxh5 Nd4 50.Ba2 Nf5 51.Kc3 d4+ 52.Kd2 Nh6 53.Kc2 Kd6 54.Kd3 Ke7 55.Kxd4 Kf6 56.Ke4 Ng4 57.Kf3 Nh6 58.Kg3 Nf5+ 59.Kg4 Nh6+ 60.Kh4 Nf5+ 61.Kh3 Nh6 62.Kg2 Nf5 63.Kf3 1-0 (63)* Consent_to_treatment (2661)-kasparik_garik (2628) Blitz 2021*)* 11.0-0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.g4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Nf4 15.h4 c5 16.Qd2 Qf6 17.g5 Qe5 18.Kb1 Red8 19.Bd3 a6 20.Ne2 Nxe2 21.Bxe2 b5 22.Qc3 Qxc3 23.bxc3 bxc4 24.Kc2 d5 25.exd5 Rxd5 26.Rxd5 Bxd5 27.Rd1 Be6 28.Rd6 Kg7 29.Rc6 h6 30.Rxc5 hxg5 31.hxg5 Rh8 32.Bxc4 Rh2+ 33.Kb3 Bxc4+ 34.Rxc4 Rf2 35.f4 f6 36.Rc7+ Kf8 37.gxf6 Rxf4 38.Rc6 a5 39.Ra6 Kf7 40.Rxa5 Kxf6 41.c4 g5 42.c5 g4 43.c6 Ke6 44.Rg5 Kd6 45.Rg6+ Kc7 46.a4 g3 47.a5 g2 48.a6 g1Q 49.Rxg1 Kxc6 50.Ra1 Kb6 51.a7

Rf8 52.a8Q 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-Brrock (2471) Blitz 2025;

D) 8...d6

D1) 9.Qd2

D1a) 9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

D1a1) 11.Be2 c6 12.0-0 *(12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfd8 14.g4 d5 15.cxd5 cxd5 16.g5 Ne8 17.Bxg7 Nxg7 18.exd5 Bf5+ 19.Bd3 Bxd3+ 20.Qxd3 a6 21.Ne4 Nf5 22.Nf6+ Kg7 23.h4 h6 24.f4 hxg5 25.hxg5 Rh8 26.Qe2 Qc7 27.Rxh8 Rxh8 28.d6 Qc5 29.d7 Nd4 30.Qe4 Ne6 31.Ne8+ Kf8 32.Qxe6 fxe6 33.d8Q Qe7 34.Nf6+ Qxd8 35.Rxd8+ Kg7 36.Rxh8 Kxh8 37.Kc2 Kg7 38.Kd3 Kf7 39.Ke4 Ke7 40.Ke5 b5 41.Ne4 Kd7 42.Nc5+ Kc6 43.Nxe6 a5 44.f5 b4 45.fxg6 Kb5 46.g7 Ka4 47.g8Q b3 48.Qe8+ Kb4 49.a3+ Kc4 50.Qc6+ Kd3 51.Qc3+ Ke2 52.Qxb3 Kf1 53.Qc2 Kg1 54.Ke4 Kh1 55.Kf3 Kg1 56.Qg2# 1-0 (56) Superfm1 (2609)-EinsteinTheGreat (2429) Rapid 2023)* 12...d5 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.e5 Nd7 15.f4 Nb6 16.b3 Qd7 17.Rac1 Rac8 18.Nb5 Rxc1 19.Rxc1 Rc8 20.Nxa7 Rxc1+ 21.Qxc1 Qd8 22.Nb5 Nd7 23.Nd6 b6 24.Qc8 Qxc8 25.Nxc8 Nxe5 26.Nxb6 Nf3+ 27.Bxf3 Bxd4+ 28.Kf1 Bxb6 29.Ke2 Kf8 30.b4 d4 31.a4 Bc4+ 32.Kd2 Ke7 33.Be2 Bd5 34.g3 Kd6 35.Bb5 Bc6 36.Bxc6 Kxc6 37.Kd3 Kd5 38.a5 Bc7 39.a6 Bb6 40.b5 Kc5 41.f5 gxf5 0-1 (41) VanuatuLover (2657)-nocnypako (2618) Blitz 2025;

D1a2) 11.0-0-0 a6 *(11...c5 12.Be3 Qa5 13.Kb1 a6 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Rxd2 Rfd8 17.Be2 b5 18.Rhd1 bxc4 19.Rxd6 Rdb8 20.Bc1 c3 21.b3 c4 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Bxc4 Rd8 24.Bxe6+ Kg7 25.Bd5 Rac8 26.Kc2 Be5 27.g3 a5 28.Be3 a4 29.b4 a3 30.f4 Bd6 31.Rb1 Rb8 32.b5 Rdc8 33.b6 Bc5 34.Bxc5 Rxc5 35.b7 Kf6 36.Rb3 Ke7 37.Rxc3 Rxc3+ 38.Kxc3 Kd6 39.Kb4 Kc7 40.Kxa3 Rd8 41.Kb4 Rd6 42.a4 Rb6+ 43.Kc3 Ra6 44.e5 Rxa4 45.e6 Ra1 46.Kd4 Re1 47.Be4 Rd1+ 48.Ke5* 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Nadigraj (2754) Blitz 2022 *)* 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Bd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qc3+ Kg8 16.Kb1 c5 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Bc4 Qg5 19.h4 Qe5 20.Qb3 Rac8 21.h5 Kg7 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Bd5 Rc7 24.Rd2 Rfc8 25.Rhd1 Be8 26.a3 b5 27.Be6 Rd8 28.Qd5 Qf6 29.Qd4 Re7 30.Bb3 Red7 31.f4 Qxd4 32.Rxd4 Bf7 33.Bd5 Bxd5 34.Rxd5

Kf6 35.g4 Ke6 36.f5+ Ke7 37.Rh1 Kf6 38.Kc2 Re8 39.Kd3 Re5 40.Kd4 Rxd5+ 41.Kxd5 Re7 42.Re1 Rd7 43.b4 h5 44.gxh5 gxf5 45.exf5 Rh7 46.Re6+ Kxf5 47.Rxd6 Rxh5 48.Rxa6 Kf4+ 49.Kc6 Ke4 50.Ra5 Rh3 51.Kxb5 Rxa3 52.Rxa3 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2737)-LelegVinna (2622) Blitz 2022;

D1b) 9...a5 10.Be2 a4 *(10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Nd7 12.0-0 Nc5 13.Rad1 b6 14.Nd5 Bb7 15.b3 Bxd5 16.cxd5 Qe7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bb5 f6 19.Rfe1 Rf7 20.f4 g5 21.e5 fxe5 22.fxe5 dxe5 23.Qc3 Qf6 24.Rxe5 h6 25.Rf1 Ne4 26.Qd4* 1-0 (26) Edouard,R (2657)-Maze,S (2550) Bastia FRA 2013 *)* 11.0-0 a3 12.b3 Nd7 13.Rac1 Nc5 14.Rfd1 Ne6 15.Ndb5 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nd5 Kh8 18.Bd3 Ne5 19.Nf4 c6 20.Nd4 Nxd4 21.Bxd4 Nxf3+ 22.gxf3 Bxd4+ 23.Kh1 Qh4 24.Ng2 Qh5 25.Bxf5 Bb2 26.Bxc8 Bxc1 27.Qc3+ Qe5 28.Qxe5+ dxe5 29.Bxb7 Rab8 30.Bxc6 Bb2 31.Bd5 Bd4 32.Ne1 Rg8 33.Nc2 Rge8 34.Nxd4 exd4 35.Rxd4 Re1+ 36.Kg2 Rxb3 37.c5 Rb2+ 38.Kg3 Rg1+ 39.Kf4 Rxh2 40.Ra4 Rh4+ 41.Ke5 Rxa4 42.c6 Rc1 43.Kd6 Ra6 44.f4 h5 45.f5 Kg7 46.f6+ Kxf6 47.Kd7 Ra7+ 48.Kd6 Rxc6+ 49.Bxc6 Ra6 50.Kc5 Rxc6+ 51.Kxc6 h4 52.Kb5 h3 53.Kb4 h2 54.Ka4 h1Q 55.Kxa3 Qg2 56.Kb3 Qg3+ 57.Kb2 Qf3 0-1 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-oynakbeyy (2768) Blitz 2022;

D1c) 9...Bd7 10.Be2 *(10.0-0-0 a6 11.Be2 b5 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.c5 dxc5 14.Qxd8 Rfxd8 15.Bxc5 Bf8 16.Bd4 Bg7 17.Be3 b4 18.Nb1 a5 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Rd1 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Nd7 22.b3 Be5 23.h3 a4 24.Nd2 a3 25.Nc4 Bc3 26.Bd2 Bxd2 27.Kxd2 Nc5 28.Bd1 Bb5 29.Ne3 c6 30.Nc2 Na6 31.Be2 Kf8 32.Bxb5 cxb5 33.Kd3 Ke7 34.Kd4 Kd6 35.e5+ Kc6 36.f4 h6 37.g4 h5 38.f5 hxg4 39.hxg4 gxf5 40.gxf5 Kd7 41.Kd5 Kc7 42.e6 fxe6+ 43.Kxe6 Kd8 44.Kf7 Kd7 45.Kg7 Nc5 46.Nxb4 Kd6 47.Nc2 Ke5 48.Nxa3 b4 49.Nc2 Kxf5 50.Nxb4 Ke4 51.Kf6 Kd4 52.Nc6+ Kc3 53.b4 Na4 54.b5 Kb2 55.Ke5 Kxa2 56.Nd4 Ka3 57.Kd6 Kb4 58.Kc6 Ka5 59.Nb3+ Kb4 60.Nd2 Kc3 61.Ne4+ Kd4 62.Nf6 Ke5 63.Nd5 Ke6 64.Nc3 Nxc3 65.b6 Na4 66.b7* 1-0 (66) Superfm1 (2634)-fdpo95 (2576) Blitz 2021 *)* 10...a6 11.0-0 Re8 12.Rad1 *(12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Rac1 Nf4 14.Bf1 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qg5 17.Kh1 Be6 18.g3 Nh5 19.f4 Nxg3+ 20.hxg3 Qxg3 21.Ne2*

Qf3+ 22.Kg1 Bg4 23.e5 dxe5 24.fxe5 Rad8 25.Qf2 Rxd1 26.Qxf3 Bxf3 27.Rxd1 Rxe5 28.Rd8+ Kg7 29.Kf2 Bg4 30.Nc3 c6 31.Rb8 b5 32.Rb6 Bd7 33.Rxa6 b4 34.Ne2 c5 35.Rd6 Be6 36.Nf4 Bxc4 37.Bxc4 Re4 38.b3 Rxf4+ 39.Ke3 Rf5 40.Bd3 Rg5 41.Rd7 h5 42.Be4 h4 43.Bd5 Rf5 44.Be4 Rf6 45.Rd5 Rf1 46.Rxc5 h3 47.Rc2 Re1+ 48.Re2 Ra1 49.Rh2 f5 50.Bf3 g5 51.Rxh3 g4 52.Bxg4 fxg4 53.Rg3 Rxa2 54.Rxg4+ Kf6 55.Rxb4 Rh2 56.Kd3 Rh3+ 57.Kc4 Rh2 58.Kb5 Rh5+ 59.Ka4 Rh1 60.Rb6+ Ke5 61.Rb4 Kd6 62.Rb5 Kc6 63.Kb4 Ra1 64.Rc5+ Kb6 65.Rb5+ Kc6 66.Ra5 Kb6 67.Rxa1 Kc6 68.Ra5 Kb6 69.Rb5+ Kc6 70.Ka4 Kc7 71.b4 Kc6 72.Rc5+ Kb6 73.Kb3 Ka6 ½ - ½ (7 3) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-Denishev,M (2111) Blitz 2024 *)* 12...Nh5 13.Nd5 Ne7 14.Bg5 f6 15.Be3 f5 16.Bg5 Bf8 17.exf5 gxf5 18.g4 Ng7 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Nxe8 Qxe8 21.Bd3 Qf7 22.Qc2 c5 23.Nxf5 Nexf5 24.gxf5 Nxf5 25.Kh1 Bg7 26.Bxf5 Bxf5 27.Qd2 Qxc4 28.Qxd6 Rf8 29.Bh6 Bg6 30.Bxg7+ Kxg7 31.Qe7+ Rf7 32.Qe5+ Kh6 33.Rf2 Qxa2 34.Qe3+ Kg7 35.Qe5+ Kh6 36.Qe3+ Kg7 37.Qxc5 Qb3 38.Qc3+ Qxc3 39.bxc3 Rc7 40.Rc1 b5 41.Rb2 Kf6 42.Kg2 Ke5 43.Rd2 b4 44.Re1+ Kf6 45.cxb4 Rb7 46.Rb2 a5 47.b5 Be8 48.b6 Bc6 49.Rc1 Bd5 50.Rc7 Rb8 51.Rc5 Ke6 52.Rxa5 Bb7 53.Rc5 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2763)-CRBorn (2653) Blitz 2022;

D2) 9.Be2 Nh5 *(9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.0-0 Nd7 12.Rc1 a6 13.Nd5 c6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ f6 16.Nf4 Bf7 17.Qxd6 Ne5 18.Qxd8 Rfxd8 19.Rc2 Rd4 20.b3 Rad8 21.Kf2 g5 22.Nh3 Rd2 23.Rfc1 Nd3+ 24.Ke3 Rxc2 25.Rxc2 Ne1 26.Rc1 Nxg2+ 27.Kf2 Nh4 28.Rd1 Rxd1 29.Bxd1 Be6 30.Ng1 Ng6 31.Ne2 h6 32.c5 Ne5 33.Ke3 Kf7 34.Nd4 Bd7 35.f4 gxf4+ 36.Kxf4 Nd3+ 37.Ke3 Nxc5 38.b4 Ne6 39.Bb3 h5 40.Nf5 Kg6 41.Nd6 b6 42.a4 c5 43.Nc4 cxb4 44.Nxb6 Nc5 45.Bd1 Bc6 46.Bc2 Kg5 47.Kd4 b3 48.Bb1 Nxa4 49.Nd5 Bxd5 50.exd5 Nb6 51.d6 a5 52.Kc5 Nd7+ 53.Kb5 Kf4 54.Kxa5 Ke5 55.Kb4 Kxd6 56.Kxb3 Ke5 57.Kc2 Kf4 58.Kd2 Kf3 59.Bf5 Ne5 60.Kc3 Kg2 61.h3 Kg3 62.Kd4 h4 63.Kd5 Nf3 64.Ke6 Ng1 65.Kxf6 Nxh3 66.Bd7 Nf2 67.Bc6 h3 68.Bb7 h2 69.Bc8* Time forfeit 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-DomagojBegic (2418) Blitz 2024 *)* 10.0-0 *(10.Qd2 Nf4 11.Bf1 Ne6 12.Nb3 a5 13.a4 Nb4 14.Be2 b6 15.0-0 Nc5 16.Nxc5 bxc5 17.Rad1 Rb8*

18.Bxc5 Qf6 19.Ba7 Rb7 20.Bd4 Qxd4+ 21.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 22.Rxd4 Be6 23.Rd2 Nc6 24.Nb5 Ne5 25.b3 c6 26.Nxd6 Rxb3 27.f4 Nxc4 28.Bxc4 Rb4 29.Bxe6 fxe6 30.Rc2 Rxa4 31.Rxc6 e5 32.fxe5 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-Akylbek2021 (2627) Blitz 2023*)*
10...Nf4 *(10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Nf4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qd4+ Kg8 14.Rfd1 Nxe2+ 15.Nxe2 b6 16.Nc3 Bb7 17.b4 a5 18.a3 axb4 19.axb4 Qg5 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rxa1 22.Rxa1 f5 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5 Qd8 25.Qe6+ Kg7 26.Re1 Rf7 27.Qe5+ Qf6 28.f4 Kg8 29.g3 Qd8 30.Kf2 Qa8 31.d6 cxd6 32.Qxd6 Qa7 33.Qd8+ Rf8 34.Qd5+ Kg7 35.Re6 b5+ 36.Kg2 Rc8 37.Kh3 Qf2 38.Qd7+ Kh6 39.Qxc8 Kh5 40.Qc1 Qf3 41.Qe1 g5 42.fxg5 Qg4+ 43.Kg2 f4 44.Qe2 f3+ 45.Qxf3* 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-Kakorin_123 (2568) Blitz 2022*)*
11.Bxf4 *(11.Nxc6 Nxe2+ 12.Qxe2 bxc6 13.Qd2 Be6 14.b3 c5 15.Rad1 a5 16.f4 Bg4 17.Rde1 Re8 18.f5 Bxc3 19.Qxc3 Rxe4 20.Bh6 Rd4 21.Re4 Qh4 22.Rxd4 cxd4 23.Qxd4 Qxh6 24.Qxg4 Qe3+ 25.Kh1 a4 26.bxa4 Qd3 27.f6 Qxf1#* 0-1 (27) Lucky1357924680 (2602)-NewTwist (2687) Blitz 2024*)*
11...Bxd4+ 12.Kh1 f5 13.Bh6 Re8 14.Bd3 Qh4 15.Bd2 Be5 16.f4 Bxc3 17.Bxc3 fxe4 18.Be2 Be6 19.b4 Rad8 20.b5 Ne7 21.g4 c5 22.bxc6 Nxc6 23.f5 Bf7 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Bf6 Qh3 26.Bxd8 Rxd8 27.Qd2 e3 28.Qc3 d5 29.Qf6 Rf8 30.Rf3 Qxg4 31.Rg1 Qd4 32.Rxg6+ Bxg6 33.Qxf8+ Kh7 34.Rh3+ Bh5 35.Rxh5+ Kg6 36.Qh6+ Kf7 37.Rf5+ Ke7 38.Qg5+ Ke8 39.Bh5+ 1-0 (39) Iqevsll (2807)-Nadigraj (2767) Blitz 2022]
8.d5 Ne7 9.g4 d6 10.Ng3 c6 11.Qd2 cxd5 12.cxd5 Kh8 13.h4 Nfg8 14.h5 a6 15.hxg6 Nxg6 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.exf5 Nf4 18.Ne4 h6 19.g5 Rc8 20.f6 Bf8 21.Bh3 Nxh3 22.Rxh3 Qd7 23.Qh2 Qf5 24.Qg2 Rc2 25.Qxc2 Qxh3 26.Qf2 Qh1+ 27.Qf1 Qxf1+ 28.Kxf1 hxg5 29.Ke2 Kh7 30.Rg1 g4 31.Rxg4 Bh6 32.Nxd6 Rd8 33.Nxf7 Rxd5 34.Nxh6 Nxf6 35.Rc4 Rd7 36.Ng4 1-0 (36) CaliforniaBeaST (2890)-hamidebh001 (2712) Blitz 2023

4...c5 Schipkov,Boris: 'White can consider' 5.Ne2 Schipkov,Boris: 'with a possible transposition to Maroczy lines.'

[5.Nc3 cxd4 6.Qxd4 *(6.Nb5 0-0 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.Be3 d6 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.Nge2 Rc8 11.Nc3 a6 12.Be2 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Be6 14.b3 Re8 15.0-0 Qc7 16.Kh1 Qa5 17.Rfd1 Qa3 18.Rac1 Red8 19.Na4 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.f4 Nf6 22.Bf3 b5 23.Nb6 Rb8 24.Nd5 Bxd5 25.cxd5 Rdc8 26.h3 a5 27.e5 Ne8 28.Bg4 Rxc1 29.Rxc1 a4 30.b4 Rd8 31.Rc6 dxe5 32.fxe5 Qg3 33.Qd4 Kg8 34.Rc1 Ng7 35.Rf1 h5 36.Be2 Nf5 37.Rxf5 gxf5 38.Bxb5 h4 39.Kg1 Qe1+ 40.Bf1 Qg3 41.b5 a3 42.b6 Qe1 43.b7 Qb1 44.Qxh4 Qxb7 45.Qg5+ Kf8 46.Qh6+ Ke8 47.e6 Qb6+ 48.Kh1 fxe6 49.dxe6*

1-0 (49) Superfm1 (2647)-MrCamalion12 (2515) Blitz 2024) 6...Nc6 7.Qf2 0-0 8.Be3 e6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.cxd5 exd5 11.exd5 Nb4 12.Bc5 Bh6+ 13.f4 Ng4 14.Qd4 Bf5 15.Bxb4 Re8 16.Nf3 Bg7 17.Ne5 Rxe5 18.fxe5 Nxe5 19.Qd2 Rc8 20.g4 Nxg4 21.Bd3 Bh6 22.Bxf5 Bxd2+ 23.Rxd2 gxf5 24.h3 a5 25.Ba3 b5 26.hxg4 b4 27.d6 bxc3 28.bxc3 Rxc3+ 29.Kb2 Rf3 30.d7 Rxa3 31.Kxa3 Qe7+ 32.Kb2 Qb4+ 33.Kc2 Qc4+ 34.Kb2 Qb4+ 35.Kc2 Qa4+ 36.Kb2 Qb5+ 37.Kc2 Qc6+ 38.Kb2 Qf6+ 39.Kc2 Qc6+ 40.Kb2 Qf6+ 41.Kc2 Qc6+ ½-½ (41) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-ErickShneider2006 (2791) Blitz 2022]

4...c6 5.Nc3 d5 6.cxd5

[6.e5 Nfd7 7.f4 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Nb6 9.Bb3 Na6 10.Be3 Nc7 11.h3 Be6 12.Nf3 Bxb3 13.Qxb3 Ncd5 14.Bd2 a5 15.Nxd5 Qxd5 16.Qxb6 Qe4+ 17.Kf2 0-0 18.Rhe1 Qd3 19.Rac1 Kh8 20.g4 f6 21.Re3 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-ErikSantarius (2691) Blitz 2023]

6...cxd5 7.e5 Nfd7 8.Nxd5 0-0 9.Nc3 Nc6 10.f4 Kh8 11.Nf3 f6 12.Be2 fxe5 13.dxe5 Qb6 14.Nd5 Qa5+ 15.Qd2 Qxd2+ 16.Bxd2 Nb6 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.a3 Bg4 19.Be3 b5 20.Bxb5 Bxf3 21.gxf3 g5 22.Bxc6 bxc6 23.Kf2 gxf4 24.Bd4 Rf5 25.Rae1 Ra5 26.Rhg1 Rd5 27.Bc3 e6 28.a4 Kg8 29.a5 Kf7 30.a6 Bxe5 31.Rxe5 Rfxe5 32.Bxe5 Rd2+ 33.Ke1 Rd5 34.Bc3 1-0 (34) penguingim1 (2738)-yanekirillshubin (2746) Blitz 2023

4...d5 5.cxd5 0-0 6.Nc3 c6 7.dxc6 Nxc6 8.Be3 Ne8

[8...e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Nge2 Nh5 11.Nxd4 exd4 12.Bxd4 Qh4+ 13.g3 Qe7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ Kg8 16.Bg2 f5 17.e5 f4 18.g4 Ng7 19.0-0 h5 20.h3 Qh4 21.Rfe1 hxg4 22.hxg4 Bxg4 23.Qf2 Qxf2+ 24.Kxf2 Bf5 25.Rad1 Rad8 26.Bf1 Rfe8 27.Bc4 Kf8 28.Bb5 Bd7 29.Bd3 Bf5 30.Bb5 Bd7 31.Bxd7 Rxd7 32.Rd4 g5 33.Rdd1 Nf5 34.e6 Rh7 35.Rh1 Nh4 36.Ne4 Rc8 37.Rd2 Nxf3 38.Rxh7 Kg8 39.Kxf3 Kf8 40.Rh8+ 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-emiliooo (2618) Blitz 2022]

9.Nge2 Nd6 10.b3 f5 11.e5 f4 12.Bxf4 Nf5 13.Qd2 Nfxd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.0-0-0 Nc6 16.Bc4+ Kh8 17.Qxd8 Nxd8 18.Bg5 Nc6 19.Rhe1 h6 20.Bh4 g5 21.Bg3 Bf5 22.Nd5 Rac8 23.Kb2 h5 24.h3 e6 25.Nf6 h4 26.Bf2 Nxe5 27.Rxe5 Bxf6 28.Bd4 Rcd8 29.Rxf5 Bxd4+ 30.Rxd4 exf5 31.Rxd8 Rxd8 32.Kc3 Kg7 33.b4 Kf6 34.a4 Ke5 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-MarcKevinLabog (2650) Blitz 2023

4...Kf8 5.Nc3

[5.Ne2 d6 6.Be3 h6 7.Nbc3 Kg8 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.g4 Nbd7 10.h4 c5 11.0-0-0 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Ne5 13.Be2 Be6 14.g5 Nfd7 15.f4 Nxc4 16.Nxe6 Nxd2 17.Nxd8 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Rhxd8 19.h5 1-0 (19) TalBaron-YouTube (2604)-IMAndrasToth (2713) Blitz 2016]

5...d6 6.Be3 c6 7.Nge2 h6 8.Qd2 Qa5 9.g4 a6 10.Ng3 b5 11.h4 b4 12.Nd1 c5 13.e5 Nfd7 14.exd6 exd6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Nf2 Qc7 17.Nfe4 Nc6 18.Nxc5 Nce5 19.Qd5 Rb8 20.g5 Nb6 21.Qe4 hxg5 22.hxg5 Rxh1 23.Nxh1 Bf5 24.Qf4 Kg8 25.Ng3 Bc8 26.0-0-0 Nbd7 27.Nge4 Nxc5 28.Bxc5 Bf5 29.Bd6 Qc8 30.Bxb8 Qxb8 31.Nd6 a5 32.Qh4 Be6 33.f4 Nc6 34.Bh3 Nd4

35.Bxe6 Nxe6 36.f5 gxf5 37.Nxf5 Qe5 38.Qf2 Bf8 39.Re1 Qc7 40.b3 a4 41.g6 axb3 42.gxf7+ Qxf7 43.Rg1+ Kh8 44.Qh2+ Qh7 45.Qe5+ Ng7 46.Qb8 Qxf5 47.Qh2+ Kg8 48.axb3 Be7 49.Rxg7+ Kxg7 50.Qg3+ Kf6 51.Qh4+ Ke6 52.Qh6+ Kf7 53.Qe3 Bf6 54.Qa7+ Kg6 55.Qg1+ Bg5+ 56.Qxg5+ 1-0 (56) Lucky1357924680 (2617)-Dapsay (2502) Blitz 2024

[47] **5.e5** Ne8 6.Nc3 d6 7.exd6 [7.f4 c5 8.dxc5 Qa5 9.cxd6 exd6 10.Bd2 dxe5 11.Nd5 Qd8 12.Nf3 Nc6 13.Bc3 exf4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd2 Be6 16.Qxf4 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Qxd5 18.Bc4 Qa5+ 19.Qd2 Qxd2+ 20.Kxd2 Nd6 21.Bb3 Ne4+ 22.Ke3 Rfe8 23.Rhe1 Nc5+ 24.Kf4 Nd3+ 25.Kg3 Nxe1 26.Nxe1 Nd4 27.Bc4 Rac8 28.Bd3 Re3+ 29.Kf2 Rce8 30.Rd1 Nc6 31.Nf3 R3e7 32.Bf1 Rd8 33.Rc1 Ne5 34.Nxe5 Rxe5 0-1 (34) bodoque50 (2611)-alexandr_gorokhov (2586) Blitz 2022] 7...Nxd6 8.g4 e5 9.dxe5 Qh4+ 10.Kd2 Bxe5 11.Kc2 Nc6 12.Be3 h5 13.c5 Ne8 14.h3 Nf6 15.Bg2 Be6 16.Nge2 Rad8 17.Qe1 Qxe1 18.Rhxe1 Nb4+ 19.Kb1 Bc4 20.Nc1 Rfe8 21.f4 Bxf4 22.Bf2 Rxe1 23.Bxe1 Bxc1 24.Kxc1 Nd3+ 25.Kc2 hxg4 26.Bh4 Kg7 27.b3 Rh8 28.Bxf6+ Kxf6 29.bxc4 Nf4 30.Rf1 Kg5 31.Ne4+ Kf5 32.Ng3+ Kg5 33.Ne4+ Kf5 34.hxg4+ Kxg4 35.Nf6+ Kg3 36.Ne4+ Kxg2 37.Rxf4 f5 38.Rf2+ Kg1 39.Rf4 fxe4 40.Rxe4 Rg8 41.Re7 g5 42.Rxc7 g4 43.Rxb7 g3 44.c6 g2 45.c7 Rc8 46.Rb8 Rxc7 47.Rg8 Rxc4+ 48.Kd3 Rf4 49.Ke3 Rf7 50.Ke2 Re7+ 51.Kf3 Kf1 52.Rb8 g1Q 0-1 (52) mindSet2020 (2806)-Soham0705 (2649) Blitz 2021

5.Ne2 c6 6.Nec3 [6.Nbc3 d5

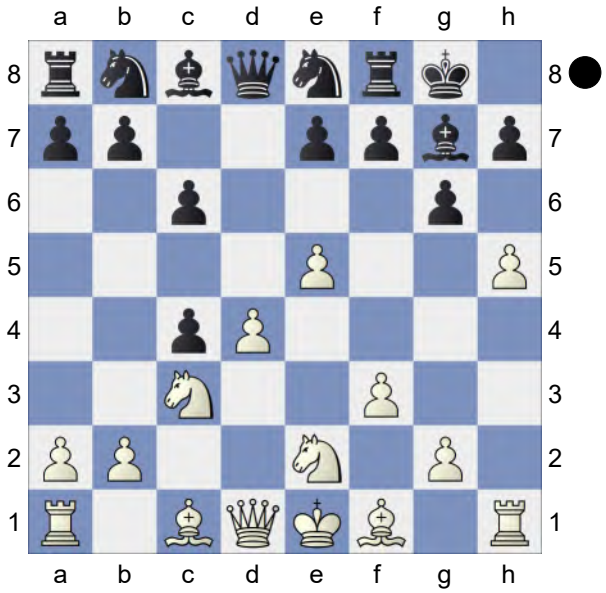
A) 7.e5 Ne8 8.h4 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Typically of GM Ivanisevic's hyperactive style.'

A1) 8...h5

A1a) 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.Nf4 Nc7 *(10...Nc6 11.g4)* 11.g4;

A1b) 9.g4 hxg4 10.h5 gxf3 11.Nf4→;

A2) 8...dxc4 9.h5 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



' c5N *(* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'In Rowson-Moser, Olympiad 2004 there was' *9...Nd7 10.hxg6* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *fxg6 11.Ne4 Nb6 12.Ng5 h6 13.Ne4 g5 14.N2g3 Nc7 15.Be3⩲* with compensation for the pawn. *)* 10.hxg6

A2a) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'It would have been curious to know what White had planned after'

⌓10...hxg6 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '- White obviously can try to get his queen to h7, but it is not so easy to achieve.'

A2a1) 11.Bh6 Bxh6! *(11...Nc6 12.Bxg7 Nxg7 13.Qd2)* 12.Rxh6 Nc6 13.Qd2 *(13.dxc5 Ng7 14.Nf4 Nf5∓; 13.d5 Nxe5 14.Nf4 Nf6 15.Qd2 Kg7 16.0-0-0 Qd6 17.Be2 Bd7)* 13...cxd4 14.Ne4 Nxe5 *(14...d3 15.Rh8+ Kxh8 16.Qh6+ Kg8 17.Ng5 Qa5+ 18.Kf2 Qc5+ 19.Ke1=)* 15.Nxd4 Nd3+ 16.Bxd3 Qxd4 17.Bxc4 Qxd2+ *(17...Qxc4 18.Rh4+-)* 18.Kxd2 Kg7 19.Rah1 Nf6∓;

A2a2) 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Qd2 *(12.dxc5)* 12...cxd4 13.Nxd4 Bxe5 *(13...Nxe5 14.0-0-0)* 14.Qf2!∞;

A2b) 10...fxg6 11.Nf4 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' e6 12.Bxc4 Nc7 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram *(12...Qe7)*

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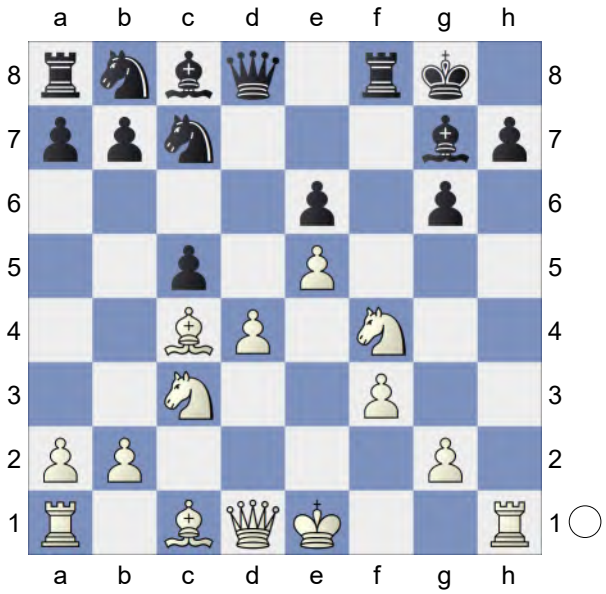

' 13.Qc2 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'A creative approach.' *(* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Simpler was' *13.d5 Bxe5 14.Nxe6±* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'with an advantage.' *)*

A2b1) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Obviously dangerous for Black is also' 13...cxd4 14.Nxg6

A2b11) 14...hxg6 15.Qxg6 dxc3 16.Rh7 Rf7 *(16...Qe7 17.Bd3 Rf5 18.Bh6+-)* 17.Bd3 Kf8□ 18.Bh6→;

A2b12) 14...Rf7 15.Nf4 Bxe5 16.Nce2 Nc6 17.Bd2↑;

A2b2) After 13...Nc6 (Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)) there

could follow 14.Nxg6! hxg6 *(if 14...Nxd4? 15.Ne7+ Qxe7 16.Qxh7+ Kf7 17.Qh5+ Kg8 18.Bg5 Qd7 19.Ne4* and White prevails*)* 15.Qxg6 Qxd4 16.Ne4 Nxe5 17.Qh7+ Kf7 18.Bh6 Nd3+ *(*not *18...Rg8? 19.Rd1+-)* 19.Bxd3 Rh8 20.Ng5+ Ke7 21.Bxg7 Rxh7 22.Rxh7 Qxd3 and here, possibly, even 23.Ne4!;

A2b3) 13...Qxd4 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' 14.Nce2 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Qxe5 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' 15.Rxh7 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Kxh7

A2b31) 16.Qxg6+? Kg8 17.Nh5 *(17.Bd3)* 17...Rf7 *(17...Nc6 18.f4 Ne7 19.Qg4+-)* 18.Bd3 *(18.Bh6 Qf5 19.Qxf5 Rxf5 20.Nxg7 Rf6-+)* 18...Nd7 19.Qh7+ Kf8 20.Nxg7 Rxg7 21.Bh6 Ne8 22.0-0-0 Ndf6-+;

A2b32) 16.Nxg6 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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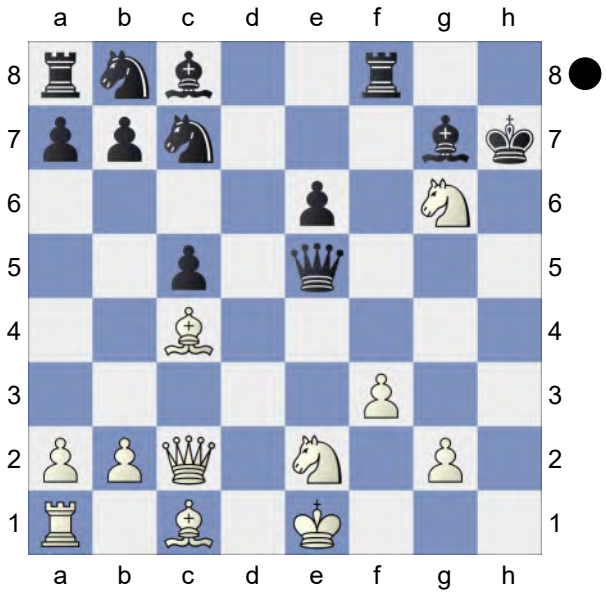

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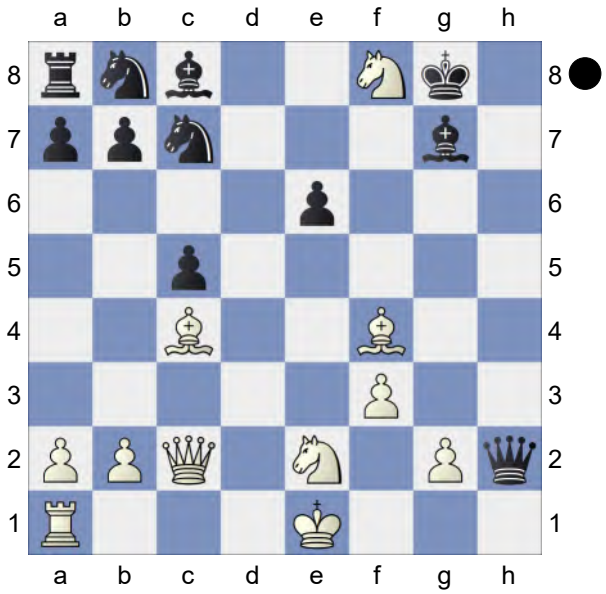
A2b321) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After the correct' 16...Qf6 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' 17.Nxf8+ *(*or *17.Ne7+* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net*) Kh8 18.Nf4 Qh4+ 19.Ke2 Rxf4! 20.Ng6+ Kg8)* 17...Kg8 18.Ng6 Nc6 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'White's task would not have been easy. The position is rather unclear, possibly.' 19.Qe4 *(19.Ngf4)* 19...Bd7∞;

A2b322) While 16...Qf5? (Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)) is even worse than the move in the game: 17.Nxf8+ Kh8

(otherwise Black loses his queen) 18.Ng6+ Kh7 19.Bd3+-;

A2b323) 16...Qh2? Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'An aggressive but wrong move.' 17.Nxf8+ Kg8 18.Bf4! Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ' ±!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



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A2b3231) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The most stubborn was, possibly,' 18...Qh4+ 19.Bg3 Qh6 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net);

A2b3232) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Winning the rook,' 18...Qh1+ 19.Kf2 Qxa1 *(19...Qh4+* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *20.Bg3!+-)* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ', results in a White mating attack:' 20.Qh7+ Kf7 *(20...Kxf8* Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *21.Bd6+ Kf7 22.Qh5+ Kg8 23.Bd3* and so on.*)* 21.Qg6+ Kxf8 22.Bd6+ Kg8 23.Be5 Kf8 24.Qxg7+ Ke8 25.Bf6 Nc6 26.Bd3+-;

A2b3233) 18...Qxg2 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?!' 19.0-0-0+- Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '+-!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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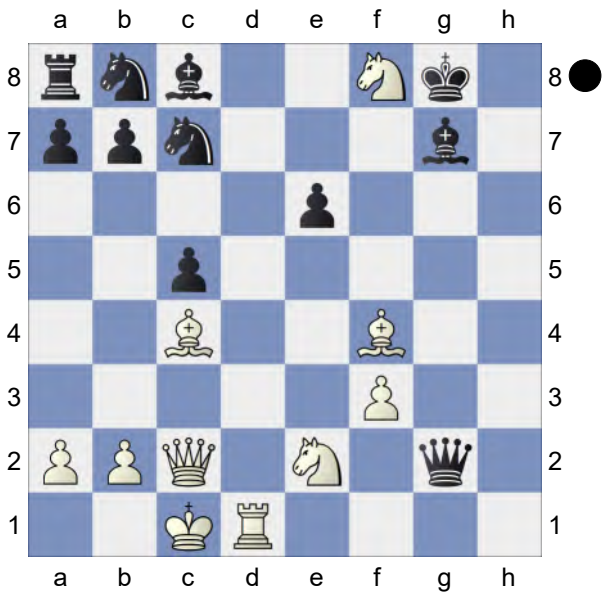
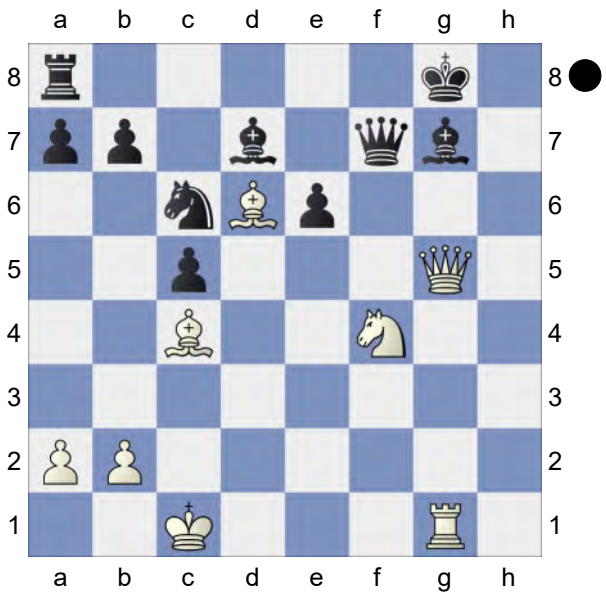


White's development advantage decides the game inevitably.' Kxf8 20.Bxc7 Nc6 21.Rg1 Qxf3 22.Bd6+ Kg8 23.Qg6 Qf7 24.Qg5 Bd7 25.Nf4 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



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B) 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5

B1) 8...Nfd7 9.f4 *(9.Nxd5 Nc6 10.Ndc3 Nb6 11.g3 f6 12.exf6 Bxf6 13.Bh6 Rf7 14.Ne4 Bxd4 15.Nxd4 Qxd4 16.Bg2 Bf5 17.Nf2 Qe5+ 18.Qe2 Qxe2+ 19.Kxe2 Nd4+ 20.Kf1 Rc8 21.Rd1 e5 22.f4 Rc2 23.Nd3 Bg4 24.Re1 Be2+ 25.Rxe2 Nxe2 26.Nxe5 Rfc7 27.Be4 Rxb2 28.Kf2 Nc3+ 29.Kf3 Nxe4 30.Kxe4 Nc4 31.Rd1 Nxe5 32.Kxe5 Rb5+ 33.Ke4 Re7+ 34.Kf3 Kf7 35.a4 Rb3+ 36.Kg4 Rb4 37.a5 Ra4 38.Rd5 a6 39.Bg5 Rc7 40.h4 Ke6 41.Re5+ Kd6 42.h5 Kc6 43.hxg6 hxg6 44.Re6+ Kd5 45.Rxg6 Ra3 46.Bd8 Rcc3 47.Kf5 Rxg3 48.Rb6 Rxa5 49.Rxb7 Rb5 50.Ra7 Kc4+ 51.Kf6 Rh3 52.Kg6 a5* 0-1 (52) Karthikeyan,M (2606)-Aldokhin,I (2413) chess.com INT 2021 *)* 9...e6 10.Be3 a6 11.a4 Nc6 12.Nc1 f6 13.Be2 fxe5 14.fxe5 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qe7 16.Nd3 b6 17.Bf3 Bb7 18.0-0 Rad8 19.Qd2 Ndxe5 20.Nxe5 Nxe5 21.dxe5 d4 22.Bg5 dxc3 23.Bxe7 cxd2 24.Bxf8 Bxf3 25.Bxg7 d1Q 26.Raxd1 Rxd1 27.Rxd1 Bxd1 28.Bf6 Bxa4 29.Kf2 Kf7 30.Ke3 Ke8 31.Kf4 h5 32.h3 Kd7 33.g4 hxg4 34.hxg4 Kc6 35.Ke4 Bd1 36.g5 Kc5 37.Bd8 b5 38.Kd3 Kb4

39.Kd2 Bg4 40.Kc1 a5 41.Kb1 Bf5+ 42.Ka2 a4 43.Be7+ Kc4 44.Ka3 Bc2 45.Bb4 Kd4 46.Bc3+ Ke3 47.Kb4 Bd3 48.Kc5 Kf4 49.Kd6 Kxg5 50.Kxe6 Bc4+ 51.Kd6 Kf5 52.Bd2 g5 53.Kc5 g4 54.Be1 Kxe5 55.Bg3+ Ke4 56.Bb8 Kf3 57.Kb4 g3 58.Ba7 g2 59.Ka3 Ke2 60.Bc5 Kf1 61.Bd4 g1Q 62.Bxg1 Kxg1 63.Kb4 Kf2 64.b3 axb3 65.Ka3 Ke2 66.Kb2 b4 67.Ka1 Kd3 68.Kb2 Kd2 69.Ka1 Kc3 70.Kb1 Bd3+ 71.Ka1 b2+ 0-1 (71) Minarque (2610)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2692) Blitz 2022;

B2) 8...Ne8 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Qd2 Nc7 11.g3 f6 12.f4 Bf5 13.Bg2 Qd7 14.0-0 Bh3 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Bxh3 Qxh3 17.Nd1 Qd7 18.Nf2 Ne8 19.Nd3 Nd6 20.Ne5 Qe8 21.Nc3 e6 22.Bf2 Rd8 23.Rac1 Rf8 24.Rfe1 g5 25.Nxc6 bxc6 26.fxg5 Qg6 27.b3 e5 28.dxe5 Nf7 29.Qc2 Qh5 30.Qe2 Qxg5 31.Bc5 Nxe5 32.Bxf8 Rxf8 33.Rf1 Rf3 34.Kh1 Re3 35.Qg2 h6 36.Rc2 Nd3 37.Nd1 Ne1 38.Nxe3 Nxg2 39.Nxg2 Qg6 40.Re2 c5 41.Nh4 Qh5 42.Re6 d4 43.Rf5 Qd1+ 44.Kg2 d3 45.Re8+ Kh7 46.Rf7 Qc2+ 47.Rf2 d2 48.Ree2 Bc3 49.Nf3 Qxa2 50.Nxd2 Bxd2 51.Rxd2 Qxb3 52.Rd7+ Kg6 53.Rxa7 Qd5+ 54.Rf3 c4 55.Raa3 Qd2+ 56.Rf2 Qd5+ 57.Raf3 Qe4 58.h3 h5 59.h4 c3 60.Kh2 Qc6 61.Rxc3 Qxc3 62.Rf4 Qd2+ 63.Kg1 Qe3+ 64.Kg2 Kg7 65.Kh2 Kg6 66.Kg2 Kg7 67.Kh2 Kg6 ½-½ (67) Granda Zuniga,J (2679)-Vocaturo,D (2536) Benasque ESP 2013]

[6.Be3 d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5 Ne8 9.Ng3 Nc6 10.Nc3 f6 11.f4 Bh6 12.Qd2 Ng7 13.0-0-0 Bf5 *(13...Nf5 14.Nxf5 Bxf5 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 fxe5 17.fxe5 Bxe3+ 18.Qxe3 Rc8 19.Kb1 Qd7 20.Rhf1 Qe6 21.h3 Rf5 22.g4 Rxf1 23.Rxf1 Rf8 24.Rxf8+ Kxf8 25.Qf3+ Qf7 26.Qxf7+ Kxf7 27.Ne2 g5 28.Kc2 e6 29.a3 h6 30.b4 Ke7 31.Kc3 b5 32.Nc1 a6 33.Nd3 a5 34.bxa5 Nxa5 35.Kb4 Nc6+ 36.Kc5 Kd7 37.Nb4 Na5 38.Kxb5 Nc4 39.a4 Kc7 40.a5 Na3+ 41.Kc5 Nc4 42.a6* 1-0 (42) miki_train (2608)-Bendzalo (2581) Blitz 2022*)* 14.exf6 Rxf6 15.Nxf5 Nxf5 16.g3 Rc8 17.Kb1 Na5 18.Qd3 Rfc6 19.Bc1 Bg7 20.Bh3 e6 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.Rhe1 Qb6 23.Ne2 Nc4 24.g4 Nd6 25.Rg1 Ne4 26.Be3 Rc2 27.Qxc2 Rxc2 28.Kxc2 Qa5 29.Nc1 Qa4+ 30.Nb3 Qc4+ 31.Kb1 fxg4 32.Rxg4 Qe2 33.Rdg1 Qd3+ 34.Ka1 Qxe3 35.Rxg7+ Kf8 36.R7g2 b5 37.Rc1 a5 38.Rc7 a4 39.Rgg7 Nc5 0-1 (39) Galkin,A (2626)-Tomic,B (2447) Kragujevac SRB 2013]

[6.h4!?]

6...a6

[6...d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Nd2 Ndxe5 11.dxe5 d4 0-1 (11) Saaker (2653)-gmcyborek (2685) Blitz 2020]

7.Be3 b5 8.a3 d6 9.Nd2 Nbd7 10.Be2 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nh5 13.g3 f5 14.b4 Nf4 15.Kf2 Nxe2 16.Nxe2 f4 17.gxf4 exf4 18.Bd4 Qh4+ 19.Kg2 Ne5 20.h3 Bd7 21.Qe1 Qh5 22.h4 Rac8 23.Bxe5 Bxe5 24.Rc1 Rxc1 25.Nxc1 g5 26.hxg5 Qxg5+ 27.Kf1

Bd4 28.Nd3 Be3 29.Nf2 Kh8 30.Qa1+ Qg7 31.Qxg7+ Kxg7 32.Nb3 Rc8 33.Nd1 Rc2 34.Ke1 Bb6 35.Rf1 h5 0-1 (35) deagle_1903 (2711)-Misi_95 (2734) Blitz 2023

[48] **5...Nc6** 6.Be3
[6.d5 Nb4
A) 7.Bg5 d6 8.Qd2 c6 9.Nge2 Qa5 10.Nd4 c5 11.Nb3 Qb6 12.Be2 a5 13.Na4 Qc7 14.a3 Bd7 15.Nc3 a4 16.Nc1 Na6 17.0-0 Qa5 18.f4 h6 19.Bh4 Rfe8 20.e5 Nh7 21.Nd3 Bf5 22.Rae1 Qc7 23.Nb5 Qd7 24.Bf3 Nc7 25.e6 fxe6 26.dxe6 Nxe6 27.g4 Bxd3 28.Qxd3 Nxf4 29.Qe4 g5 30.Bg3 d5 31.Qc2 dxc4 32.Qxc4+ Kh8 33.Rd1 Qe6 34.Qxe6 Nxe6 35.Rfe1 Nd4 36.Nxd4 Bxd4+ 37.Kg2 e5 38.Bxb7 Rab8 39.Bc6 Rxb2+ 40.Kh3 Re7 41.Bxa4 Nf6 42.Rb1 Ra2 43.Rb8+ Kg7 44.Bc6 Rxa3 45.Rf1 Be3 46.Rf5 Bf4 47.Kg2 Nxg4 48.Bd5 Ne3+ 0-1 (48) Violet_Pride (2727)-Nadigraj (2764) Blitz 2023;
B) 7.a3 Na6 8.Nge2 *(8.Be3 d6 9.Bd3 e6 10.Nge2 c6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Nd4 Nc5 13.Nxe6 Nxe6 14.0-0 Nd7 15.Qd2 Nd4 16.Bc2 c5 17.Nd5 Ne5 18.b3 Nec6 19.Rab1 a6 20.b4 Ne5 21.Bd3 b5 22.cxb5 axb5 23.bxc5 Nxd3 24.Qxd3 dxc5 25.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 26.Kh1 Qa5 27.Qxb5 Qxb5 28.Rxb5 Rxa3 29.h4 Kg7 30.Kh2 Rc8 31.Nb6 Rb8 32.Nc4 Rc3 33.Rxb8 Rxc4 34.Rc8 Rc2 35.Kh3 h5 36.Rd1 Ra2 37.Rb1 Ra7 38.Rbb8 Ra1 39.Kg3 Be5+ 40.Kf2 Bxb8 41.Rxb8 Ra2+ 42.Kg3 c4 43.Rb7 Rc2 44.Rc7 Kf6 45.Kf4 Ke6 46.Rc6+ Kd7 47.Rc5 Rxg2 48.Rxc4 Ke6 49.Ra4 Kf6 50.Ra6+ Kg7 51.Ra7 Kf6 52.Ra6+ Kg7 53.e5 Re2 54.Rb6 Kf8 55.Rb4 Ke7 56.Ra4 Ke6 57.Ra6+ Ke7 58.Ra7+ Ke6 59.Ra6+ Ke7 60.Ra5 Ke6 61.Rb5 Rc2 62.Rb6+ Ke7 63.Rb4 Ke6 64.Ra4 Rc6 65.Rb4 f6 66.Re4 Rc5 67.exf6+ Kxf6 68.Ra4 Rf5+ 69.Kg3 Re5 70.Ra6+ Re6 71.Ra4 Re5 72.Rf4+ Rf5 73.Rb4 Re5 74.Rb6+ Re6 75.Rb4 Re5 76.Rc4 Re6 77.Kf4 Re5 78.Rc6+ Re6 79.Rc7 Re5 80.Rc8 Rf5+ 81.Kg3 Ke5 82.Re8+ Kf6 83.Re2 Kg7 84.Rd2 Rf7 85.Rd6 Rf6 86.Rd5 Rf7 87.Rd4 Rf6 88.Re4 Rf7 89.Re5 Rf6 90.Re7+ Rf7 91.Re6 Rf6 92.Re3 Rf7 93.Re4 Rf6 94.f4 Rf7 95.Kf3 Rf6 96.Re5 Rf5 97.Rxf5 gxf5 98.Ke3 Kf6 99.Kd4 Ke6 100.Kc5 Ke7 101.Kd5 Kf6 102.Kd6 Kf7 103.Ke5 Ke7 104.Kxf5 Kf7 105.Kg5 Ke6 106.Kxh5 Kf5 107.Kh6 Kf6 108.h5* 1-0 (108) ChessTheory64 (2607)-Nadigraj (2782) Blitz 2022*)* 8...d6 9.Be3 c5 *(9...c6 10.Ng3 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nc5 12.Be2 a5 13.0-0 Qb6 14.Na4 Qc7 15.Nxc5 dxc5 16.Rc1 Nd7 17.b4 axb4 18.axb4 b6 19.Bb5 Ba6 20.Qe2 Bxb5 21.Qxb5 Rfc8 22.Rc2 Ra3 23.Bf2 h5 24.Ne2 Qb8 25.Qxd7* Normal 1-0 (25) licg (2627)-Ropatsch (2494) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Ng3 Nc7 11.Be2 a6 12.0-0 b5 13.cxb5 Nxb5 14.Nxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Rxa6 17.Qc2 Nd7 18.Bd2 Qb6 19.Bc3 Ne5 20.Kh1 Rb8 21.b4 cxb4 22.axb4 Rxa1 23.Rxa1 Rc8

24.Qb3 Nd3 Normal 0-1 (24) MothToTheFlame (2684)-Ropatsch (2490) Blitz 2024;

C) 7.Be3 d6 8.Qd2 *(8.Nge2 Re8 9.Ng3 e6 10.Be2 c6 11.a3 Na6 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Qxd6 Ne5 15.Qxd8 Rexd8 16.Bg5 Rd7 17.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 18.Rxd1 Bxc4 19.Kf2 Nc5 20.Kf1 Ned3 21.Be3 Nxb2 22.Bxc4 Bxc3 23.Rc1 Nca4 24.Bb3 b5 25.Ne2 Bf6 26.Rxc6 Be7 27.Nd4 a6 28.Rc7 Bxa3 29.Bxf7+ Kh8 30.Nxb5 Bf8 31.Bd4+ Bg7 32.Bxg7+ Kxg7 33.Bd5+ Kf6 34.Bxa8 axb5 35.Rxh7 b4 36.Rb7 Nd3 37.Ke2 Nac5 38.Rb6+ Ke5 39.Bd5 Kd4 40.g3 Kc3 41.e5 b3 42.e6 Nc1+* 0-1 (42) Aczgego (2672)-Nadigraj (2685) Blitz 2022*)* 8...c6 9.Nge2 cxd5 10.cxd5 e6 11.a3 Na6 12.Nf4 exd5 13.Nfxd5 Nc5 14.Bc4 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Be6 16.0-0 Nb3 17.Bxb3 Bxb3 18.Bd4 Bxd4+ 19.Qxd4 Qc7 20.Nb5 Qc5 21.Qxc5 dxc5 22.Rac1 b6 23.Nd6 Rad8 24.e5 f6 25.f4 fxe5 26.fxe5 Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 Kg7 28.Rf3 Bd5 29.Rd3 1-0 (29) mysterious_expert (2795)-Nevaljahka (2830) Blitz 2023]

6...e5 7.d5 Nd4 8.Nge2 c5 9.dxc6 dxc6 10.Nxd4 exd4 11.Bxd4

[11.Qxd4 Nd5 12.Qd2 *(12.Qxg7+ Kxg7 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.exd5 Bd7 16.Bd4+ f6 17.h4 Rc8 18.g4 b5 19.Kb1 Qc7 20.Bd3 Qf4 21.Ne4 Kg8 22.Rhf1 Rce8 23.g5 fxg5 24.hxg5 Bf5 25.Nf6+ Rxf6 26.Bxf6 Bxd3+ 27.Rxd3 Qf5 28.Rfd1 Re3 29.Kc2 h5 30.d6 Rxd3 31.Rxd3 Qd7 32.Be5 h4 33.Kc3 Qc6+ 34.Kd2 Qd7 35.Ke3 h3 36.Rc3 Qe6 37.Kd4 Qf5 38.Rc7 Qxg5 39.d7 h2 40.Bxh2 Qd2+ 41.Ke4 Qe2+ 42.Kd5 Qxf3+ 43.Kd6 Qd3+ 44.Kc6 Qe4+ 45.Kxb5* 1-0 (45) bodoque50 (2648)-Nadigraj (2787) Blitz 2023*; 12.cxd5 Bxd4 13.Bxd4 Be6 14.Rd1 cxd5 15.Bf2 Qa5 16.exd5 Bd7 17.Bc4 Rfe8+ 18.Kf1 Rac8 19.Bb3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qxc3 21.h4 a5 22.Bd4 Qb4 23.d6 a4* 0-1 (23) Clovis1088 (2603)-Nadigraj (2724) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Nxe3 13.Qxe3 f5 *(13...Qe7 14.Bd3 Be6 15.0-0 Rad8 16.Kh1 Qb4 17.Nd1 Bxc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Rf2 Rd3 20.Qc1 Qd4 21.Rc2 Rd8 22.Nf2 Rd2 23.Rxd2 Qxd2 24.Qxd2 Rxd2 25.Ng4 Rxb2 26.Rd1 h5 27.Ne3 Rxa2 28.g3 Ra1* 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-hamidebh001 (2718) Blitz 2023*)* 14.Bd3 f4 15.Qe2 Qa5 16.Qc2 Qb6 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Kb1 Rad8 19.h4 Rd4 20.h5 Rfd8 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.e5 Bxe5 23.Bxg6 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 25.Qxd1 Bxc3 26.Qe2 Qg1+ 27.Kc2 Qe1 28.Qd3 Bf6 29.Bh7+ Kf8 30.Qd6+ Be7 31.Qxf4+ Kg7 32.Be4 Qe2+ 33.Kb3 Qxc4# 0-1 (33) Lucky1357924680 (2732)-ML_coach (2541) Blitz 2025]

11...Nxe4

[11...Qa5 12.Qa4 Qh5 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.Be2 Rfd8 15.Qc2 Qa5 16.Be3 Nd7 17.Kb1 Nb6 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Rd1 Nxc4 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.Qd2 Qxd2 23.Bxd2 Bf1 24.g3 b5 25.a3 a5 26.Kc1 b4 27.axb4 axb4 28.Na4 Bf8 29.e5 c5 30.Be3 c4 31.f4 h5 32.Bc5 h4 33.Bxf8 Kxf8 34.Kd2 Ke7 35.Nc5 f6 36.exf6+ Kxf6 37.Na6 c3+ 38.bxc3 bxc3+ 39.Kxc3 Bxa6 40.Kd4 Kf5

41.Ke3 Kg4 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-sh20032006 (2656) Blitz 2021]
12.Bxg7 Qh4+ 13.Ke2
[13.g3 Nxg3 14.Bf6 Re8+ 15.Be2 Nxe2+ 16.Bxh4 Nxc3+ 17.Kf2 Nxd1+ 18.Raxd1 Be6 19.b3 a5 20.Bf6 a4 21.Kg3 b5 22.Rd4 bxc4 23.bxc4 c5 24.Re4 Rab8 25.Rd1 Rb4 26.Rd6 Rc8 27.Ra6 h6 28.a3 Rb3 29.Rxa4 g5 30.Ra7 g4 31.Rxe6 fxe6 32.Kxg4 Rcb8 33.Ra5 Kf7 34.Be5 R8b7 35.h4 h5+ 36.Kxh5 Rxf3 37.Rxc5 Rf5+ 38.Kg4 Kg6 39.a4 Rb1 40.a5 Rg1+ 41.Kh3 Re1 42.Bd4 e5 43.Rc6+ Kh5 44.Bb6 Rf3+ 45.Kg2 Ra3 46.Rc8 Re2+ 47.Kf1 Rc2 48.Rh8+ Kg4 49.Rg8+ Kf5 50.Rf8+ Ke4 51.Bf2 Rxa5 52.h5 Ra6 53.c5 Rh6 54.Kg2 Rxh5 55.Kf1 Rf5 56.Kg2 Rxf8 0-1 (56) Lucky1357924680 (2693)-Negocia (2853) Blitz 2024]
13...Qf2+ 14.Kd3 Nc5# 0-1 (14) zetsumicornstarchtie (2865)-Nadigraj (2753) Blitz 2024
5...Na6 6.Be3 d6 7.Qd2
[7.Nge2 c5 8.d5
A) 8...Nc7 9.Ng3 a6 *(9...b5 10.cxb5 a6 11.a4 Rb8 12.Bc4 e6 13.0-0 exd5 14.exd5 Bd7 15.Qd3 axb5 16.axb5 Re8 17.Bf4 Bc8 18.Nge4 Bf5 19.Rfe1 Nh5 20.Bxd6 Bxe4 21.Nxe4 Rxe4 22.Bxc7 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Qxc7 24.d6 Qa5 25.Re7 Bd4+ 26.Kh1 Qa1+ 27.Qf1 Qxf1+ 28.Bxf1 Bxb2 29.Bc4 Rf8 30.d7 Bf6 31.Re8 Bd8 32.Re5 Nf6 33.Rxc5 Nxd7 0-1 (33) MrAble (2615)-BanaleKralen (2413) Rapid 2023)* 10.a4 *(10.Qd2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Nxb5 13.Bxb5 Qb6 14.a4 Ba6 15.Bxa6 Qxa6 16.Kf2 Nd7 17.Ra3 Rfb8 18.b3 Rb4 19.h4 Rab8 20.Bh6 Bd4+ 21.Be3 Be5 22.Qc2 c4 23.Rb1 Qb7 24.a5 cxb3 25.Qe2 Qc7 26.a6 Nc5 27.Nf1 b2 28.Nd2 Qb6 29.Nc4 Qb5 30.Nxe5 dxe5 31.Qxb5 R4xb5 32.a7 Ra8 33.Bxc5 Rxc5 34.Rxb2 Rc7 35.Rb8+* 1-0 (35) jgeg (2613)-Romsta (2587) Blitz 2021*)* 10...Rb8 11.Ra3 Bd7 12.Rb3 b6 13.Be2 e6 14.dxe6 Nxe6 15.0-0 Nd4 16.Ra3 Be6 17.Bd3 Nd7 18.f4 f5 19.Nce2 fxe4 20.Nxe4 Qe7 21.Nxd4 cxd4 22.Bc1 Nc5 23.Re1 Nxd3 24.Rxd3 Bf5 25.Nf2 Qf6 26.Rd2 Rfe8 27.b3 Rxe1+ 28.Qxe1 d5 29.Bb2 dxc4 30.Bxd4 Qxd4 31.Rxd4 Bxd4 32.bxc4 Kf7 33.Kf1 Re8 34.Qd1 Bc5 35.g4 Bc8 36.Ne4 Rxe4 37.Qd5+ Re6 38.f5 gxf5 39.gxf5 Kf6 40.fxe6 Bxe6 41.Qe4 Bf5 42.Qc6+ Kg5 43.a5 Bd3+ 44.Kg2 Bxc4 45.axb6 Bb5 46.Qxc5+ 1-0 (46) estudiante2008 (2645)-Romsta (2578) Blitz 2022;
B) 8...Rb8 9.g4 Nc7 10.a4 Na6 11.h4 h5 12.gxh5 Nxh5 13.Qd2 Nb4 14.Nc1 e6 15.Bg5 Qe8 16.Be2 exd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 Qe5 19.Nd3 Qg3+ 20.Kd1 f5 21.Kc2 fxe4 22.fxe4 c4 23.Nc1 Rf2 24.Ra3 Qg2 25.Re1 Qxe4+ 26.Kd1 Bg4 27.Re3 Qg2 28.Kc2 Bf5+ 29.Kd1 Ng3 30.Rxg3 Qxg3 31.Be3 Rg2 32.Bf4 Qxh4 33.Qe3 Qf6 34.Qd2 Re8 35.Na2 Re4 36.Nc3 Rd4 0-1 (36) SouthAfricanWolf (2642)-Wea_pawn (2601) Blitz 2022;
C) 8...e6 9.g3 exd5 10.cxd5 b5

11.Nxb5 Rb8 12.Nec3 Re8 13.Be2 Nc7 14.a4 a6 15.Nxc7 Qxc7 16.Qd2 Bh3 17.g4 h5 18.g5 Nd7 19.Kf2 h4 20.Bxa6 c4 21.Bb5 Ne5 22.f4 Nd3+ 23.Kf3 Qe7 24.Bxe8 Rxb2 25.Bb5 Rxd2 26.Bxd2 Nxf4 27.Bxf4 Bxc3 28.Rac1 Be5 29.Be3 c3 30.Rhg1 Bxh2 31.Rh1 Bg4+ 32.Kf2 Bg3+ 33.Kg1 Qxe4 34.Rxc3 Kh7 35.a5 Qxd5 36.Bf1 Qxa5 37.Bd4 Be5 38.Rxh4+ Bh5 39.Rxh5+ gxh5 40.Bd3+ Kg7 41.Bxe5+ Qxe5 42.Rb3 Qxg5+ 43.Kf1 d5 44.Ke2 Qe5+ 45.Kd2 d4 46.Kc2 Qe3 47.Rb5 Qf2+ 48.Kb3 h4 49.Rg5+ Kf6 50.Rf5+ Qxf5 51.Bxf5 Kxf5 52.Kc4 Kg4 53.Kxd4 Kg3 54.Ke5 h3 55.Kf6 h2 56.Kxf7 0-1 (56) OnkelKonkel (2658)-Marb2020 (2575) Blitz 2021]

7...e5

[7...c5

A) 8.0-0-0 Qa5 *(8...Be6 9.Kb1 Rc8 10.b3 Qa5 11.Nge2 Rfe8 12.Nf4 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Bd7 14.Ncd5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Bxd4 17.Rxd4 Nc5 18.Be2 a5 19.Rhd1 Bc6 20.Nc3 Ne6 21.R4d2 g5 22.Kb2 Kg7 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 f6 25.Rxa5 b6 26.Ra7 Rc7 27.Rxc7 Nxc7 28.b4 Ra8 29.Kb3 Kf7 30.a4 Ke6 31.Ra1 Na6 32.a5 bxa5 33.Rxa5 Nc5+ 34.Ka3 Rxa5+ 35.bxa5 Kd7 36.Kb4 Kc6 37.g3 Na6+ 38.Kc3 Nc5 39.Bd3 h6 40.Bc2 e5 41.Bd3 Kc7 42.Bf1 Kc6 43.Bh3 h5 44.Bf5 Na6 45.h4 gxh4 46.gxh4 Nc5 47.Bg6 Nb7 48.a6 Nc5 49.a7 Kb7 50.Bxh5 Kxa7 51.Bf7 Nd7 52.h5 f5 53.exf5* 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Maat39 (2558) Blitz 2023*; 8...b6 9.h4 Re8 10.g4 Bxg4 11.fxg4 Nxg4 12.d5 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 h5 14.Bh3 Nc7 15.Nf3 a6 16.e5 dxe5 17.Nxe5 Qd6 18.Rde1 e6 19.Qf4 exd5 20.Qxf7+ Kh7 21.Nxg6 Rxe1+ 22.Rxe1 Qg3 23.Re7 Qg1+ 24.Nd1 Ne8 25.Bf5* 1-0 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-BanaleKralen (2530) Blitz 2024*) 9.Kb1 Be6 10.Nd5 Qd8 11.Ne2 Rc8 12.Nef4 Bxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 cxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qa5 17.Bxa6 Qxa6 18.Qd3 b5 19.Rc1 Rc4 20.b3 Rcc8 21.h4 Qb6 22.h5 gxh5 23.Qd2 f6 24.Rxh5 Rxc1+ 25.Qxc1 Qd4 26.Rh1 a5 27.Rd1 Qf2 28.Qd2 Qxd2 29.Rxd2 Rc8 30.Rc2 Rxc2 31.Kxc2 Kg7 32.Kc3 Kg6 33.a4 bxa4 34.bxa4 Kg5 35.Kc4 Kf4 36.Kb5 Kg3 37.Kxa5 h6 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2733)-drawingchest (2674) Blitz 2022;

B) 8.Nge2

B1) 8...Re8 9.d5 *(9.Rd1 Qa5 10.a3 Nc7 11.Nd5 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 Nfxd5 13.cxd5 b6 14.Nc3 a6 15.Be2 Bd7 16.0-0 Nb5 17.Nxb5 Bxb5 18.Kf2 Bf6 19.Rc1 Kg7 20.dxc5 bxc5 21.b4 Bxe2 22.Kxe2 cxb4 23.axb4 Reb8 24.Rb1 Rb5 25.Ra2 Bc3 26.Bd2 Bxd2 27.Kxd2 a5 28.Ra4 Rab8 29.Kc3 Rc8+ 30.Kd3 Rcb8 31.Kc4 axb4 32.Raxb4 Rxb4+ 33.Rxb4 Ra8 34.Rb2 Kf6 35.Kd4 Ra4+ 36.Ke3 g5 37.Kf2 h5 38.Kg3 Ra3 39.h4 g4 40.Kf4 e5+ 41.dxe6 fxe6*

42.fxg4 e5# 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-BanaleKralen (2501) Blitz 2024*)* 9...Nc7 10.Ng3 a6 11.a4 b6 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 Bd7 14.Rfb1 b5 15.b4 cxb4 16.Rxb4 a5 17.Rxb5 Nxb5 18.Nxb5 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 Bxa1 20.c5 Bf5 21.c6 Rc8 22.Nec3 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 e6 24.g4 Bb1 25.c7 Qh4 26.Bf2 Qe7 27.dxe6 Qxe6 28.Bf1 Ba2 29.Qxa5 Bd5 30.Qc3 Qe5 31.Bd4 Qe7 32.a5 f5 33.Bc4 Bxc4 34.Qxc4+ Qe6 35.Qxe6+ Rxe6 36.gxf5 gxf5 37.a6 Re1+ 38.Kf2 Rb1 39.Nxd6 Rxc7 40.a7 Rxa7 41.Bxa7 f4 42.Bd4 Rd1 43.Be5 Rd2+ 44.Kg1 Rd1+ 45.Kg2 Rd2+ 46.Kh3 Rd3 47.Kg4 Rd5 48.Bxf4 h5+ 49.Kg3 Kh7 50.Ne4 Kg6 51.h4 Kf5 52.Ng5 Rd8 53.Ne4 Ra8 54.Kf2 Ke6 55.Be3 Kd5 56.Nf6+ Ke6 57.Nxh5 Ra2+ 58.Kg3 Kf5 59.Bf4 Ra8 60.Ng7+ Kg6 61.Nh5 Kxh5 62.Kh3 Rg8 63.Bg3 Kg6 64.Bf4 Kf5 65.Bg5 Ra8 66.Kg3 Ra4 67.h5 Ra3 68.Bf4 Ra8 69.Be3 Ra7 70.Bh6 Rh7 0-1 (70) AgressiveMode (2718)-Salvaged_Dirt (2555) Blitz 2021;

B2) 8...Bd7 9.g4 Qa5 10.g5 Nh5 11.Nd5 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 Rfe8 13.Rc1 Bc6 14.Bh3 e6 15.Ndc3 b6 16.Rhd1 Nc7 17.Kc2 a6 18.Kb1 Rad8 19.Bf2 Bb7 20.Bg4 cxd4 21.Nxd4 Nf4 22.Nde2 Nxe2 23.Nxe2 b5 24.cxb5 Nxb5 25.Nd4 Nxd4 26.Bxd4 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 d5 28.Rc7 Rb8 29.e5 Rec8 30.Rxc8+ Bxc8 31.f4 Kf8 32.Be2 Ke7 33.Kc2 Kd7 34.Kc3 Kc6 35.b4 Kb6 36.Rd3 Bd7 37.Rh3 Rh8 38.Kd4 Bb5 39.Bxb5 axb5 40.a3 Kc6 41.Rc3+ Kb6 42.Rh3 Kc6 43.Kc3 Kb6 44.Kb3 Kc6 45.Rc3+ Kb6 46.a4 bxa4+ 47.Kxa4 h5 48.b5 Ra8+ 49.Kb4 Ra2 50.Rc6+ Kb7 51.Rd6 Kc7 52.b6+ Kc8 53.Kb5 Rxh2 54.Rc6+ Kd8 55.Rc7 d4 56.Rxf7 d3 57.Kc6 Rc2+ 58.Kd6 Kc8 0-1 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-DorukSarp17 (2601) Blitz 2023;

B3) 8...b6 9.h4 h5 10.d5 Nc7 11.Bh6 a6 12.g4 b5 13.Ng3 e6 14.gxh5 exd5 15.cxd5 Re8 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.h5 b4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qg5 bxc3 20.Qxg6+ Kf8 21.Qh6+ Kf7 22.Qg6+ Kf8 23.h6 Re7 24.h7 Nxh7 25.Rxh7 Rxh7 26.Qxh7 Qf6 27.Nh5 cxb2 28.Rb1 Qc3+ 29.Kf2 Ne8 30.Be2 Qd4+ 31.Kf1 Bh3+ 32.Ke1 Qg1+ 33.Kd2 Qxb1 34.Bd3 Qc1+ 35.Ke2 Bf1+ 36.Kf2 Bxd3 37.Qf5+ Ke7 38.Qe6+ Kd8 39.Nf6 Qd2+ 40.Kg3 Qg5+ 41.Ng4 b1Q 0-1 (41) gogotaniye (2777)-comicsclub (2571) Blitz 2024]

8.Nge2 exd4 9.Nxd4 Nc5 10.0-0-0 a5 11.h4 h5 12.Bg5 a4 13.Be2 a3 14.b3 Ne6 15.Nc2 Nxg5 16.hxg5 Nh7 17.f4 Qe7 18.g4 b5 19.gxh5 bxc4 20.hxg6 cxb3 21.Rxh7 bxa2 22.Rdh1 Be6 23.Rxg7+ Kxg7 24.Qd4+ f6 25.Rh7+ Kxg6 26.Rxe7 Rab8 27.f5+ Kxg5 28.Qe3+ 1-0 (28) Alexandr_KhleBovich (2802)-Noliferis (2665) Blitz 2022

5...c6 6.e5

[6.Bd3 d5
A) 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.f4 Nc6 10.Nf3 Nb6 11.0-0 *(11.h3 Bd7 12.0-0 Qc8 13.Rf2 Nb4 14.Bf1 a5 15.a3 Nc6 16.Be3 a4 17.Rc1 Qd8 18.g4 Na5 19.Qe1 e6 20.Rg2 Nbc4 21.Bf2 Nb3 22.Rc2 Qa5 23.Bd3 Rfc8 24.f5 Nxb2 25.Bf1 Nc4 26.Bh4 Nxa3 27.Bf6 Nxc2 28.Rxc2 Bf8 29.Qh4 Nxd4 30.Ng5 h6 31.Rf2 exf5 32.e6 Bxe6 33.Nxe6 fxe6 34.Bxd4 Qd8 35.Qg3 Bd6 36.Qe3 Qe7 37.Qxh6 Qh7 38.Qg5 Rf8 39.gxf5 exf5 40.Nxd5* 1-0 (40) Adianto,U (2610)-Koeller,O (2250) Biel SUI 1997*)* 11...Bg4 12.Be3 Nc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Kh1 Bf5 15.a3 Na5 16.Nd2 Rc8 17.d5 Bd3 18.Rf3 a6 19.Qe1 b5 20.Qh4 f6 21.e6 f5 22.Rh3 h5 23.Nf3 Nb3 24.Rd1 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Qxd5 26.Qxe7 Rce8 27.Qa7 Rxe6 28.Ng5 1-0 (28) tornike_sanikidze (2662)-gmcyborek (2575) Blitz 2019;
B) 7.e5 Ne8 8.Nge2 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Nc7 10.0-0 Nd7 11.Bg5 Nb6 12.Bb3 Be6 13.Ne4 f6 14.exf6 exf6 15.Bd2 Bxb3 16.Qxb3+ Qd5 17.Nc5 Qxb3 18.axb3 Rfb8 19.Bf4 Nbd5 20.Bg3 Bf8 21.Nc3 Bxc5 22.dxc5 Re8 23.Bxc7 Nxc7 24.Rfd1 Ne6 25.Ne4 Rf8 26.b4 f5 27.Nd6 a5 28.Rxa5 Rxa5 29.bxa5 Nxc5 30.b4 Na6 31.Nxb7 Nxb4 32.Rb1 Nd5 33.a6 Ra8 34.Nc5 Nc7 35.Rb6 Kf7 36.Rb7 Ke7 37.Rxc7+ Kd6 38.Rxh7 Kxc5 39.a7 Kb6 40.Rg7 Rxa7 41.Rxg6 Kb5 42.Rf6 c5 43.Rxf5 Kb4 44.Rf8 Rc7 45.Kf2 c4 46.Ke2 Kc3 47.Kd1 Ra7 48.Rc8 Ra2 49.g4 Rxh2 50.Ke1 Kd3 51.g5 c3 52.f4 c2 53.f5 Ke3 54.Kf1 Kf4 55.g6 Rh3 56.Rxc2 Rf3+ 57.Rf2 Kxf5 58.Rxf3+ Kxg6 59.Kf2 Kg5 60.Ke3 Kg4 61.Rf4+ Kg5 62.Ke4 Kg6 63.Rf5 Kg7 64.Ke5 Kg6 65.Rf6+ Kg5 66.Ke6 Kg4 67.Rf7 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2753)-JelenaZ (2657) Blitz 2022]
[6.Bg5 Qa5 7.Bd2 *(7.Qd2 d6 8.Nge2 e5 9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 a6 11.Ng3 Nbd7 12.Be2 b5 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Rfc1 Rac8 15.Kh1 Rfe8 16.Be3 Qd8 17.a4 b4 18.Na2 a5 19.Bb5 Qe7 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Rc1 Qd8 22.Rxc8 Qxc8 23.Nc1 Ba6 24.Bc6 Bb7 25.Bxb7 Qxb7 26.Nb3 Qa6 27.Qe2 Qc8 28.Nxa5 Nc5 29.Nc6 Bf8 30.a5 Nfd7 31.Qb5 b3 32.Ne2 h5 33.Nc1 h4 34.Nxb3 Nxb3 35.Qxb3 Qa6 36.h3 Qe2 37.Qc3 f5 38.Qd2 Qf1+ 39.Kh2 fxe4 40.fxe4 Bg7 41.Qf2 Qd3 42.Ne7+ Kh7 43.Qxh4+* 1-0 (43) VanuatuLover (2646)-KleinerHundebengel (2682) Blitz 2025*)* 7...Qb6 8.c5 Qc7 9.Bc4 d6 10.cxd6 exd6 11.Bb3 Nbd7 12.Nge2 a5 13.0-0 b5 14.a3 Nb6 15.Bf4 Qe7 16.d5 b4 17.axb4 axb4 18.Rxa8 Nxa8 19.dxc6 bxc3 20.Bxd6 Qa7+ 21.Kh1 Rd8 22.Nxc3 Qb6 23.e5 Ne8 24.Nd5 Qa6 25.Ne7+ Kh8 26.Bxf7 Nxd6 27.exd6 Rxd6 28.Qa1 Qxa1 29.Rxa1 Nb6 30.h4 Bxb2 31.Ra6 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2676) Blitz 2022]
6...Ne8 7.Be3
[7.f4 d6 8.Nf3 Bg4
A) 9.Be2 Nd7 *(9...Bxf3 10.Bxf3 dxe5 11.dxe5 Qxd1+ 12.Bxd1 Nc7 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Bg4 Nb6*

15.Be2 Rfd8 16.0-0 Ne6 17.Rad1 f6 18.Bg4 Kf7 19.b3 Nc7 20.Ne4 f5 21.Ng5+ Kg8 22.Be2 h6 23.Nf3 e6 24.Rd6 Bf8 25.c5 Nbd5 26.Bd2 Bxd6 27.exd6 Ne8 28.Ne5 Kg7 29.Bc4 Nef6 30.Bc1 Nd7 31.Bb2 Nxe5 32.Bxe5+ Kf7 33.Rc1 g5 34.g3 gxf4 35.gxf4 Rg8+ 36.Kf2 Rg4 37.Be2 Rxf4+ 38.Bxf4 Nxf4 39.Bf3 e5 40.Rd1 Kf6 41.Ke3 Ne6 42.Rg1 e4 43.Bh5 Ke5 44.b4 f4+ 45.Kd2 Rf8 46.Kc3 0-1 (46) js20000 (2611)-Bendzalo (2591) Blitz 2022*)* 10.0-0 c5 11.exd6 Nxd6 12.d5 e5 13.Nxe5 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Re8 15.Qd3 Nxe5 16.fxe5 Bxe5 17.Bd2 Qh4 18.g3 Qd4+ 19.Qxd4 cxd4 20.Nb5 Nxc4 21.Bf4 d3 22.Bxe5 Rxe5 23.b3 Ne3 24.Rf2 a6 25.Nc7 Rd8 26.Rd2 Rd7 27.Rc1 Nxd5 28.Na8 Re3 29.Kf2 Rde7 30.Rcd1 Nc3 31.Rc1 Re2+ 32.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 33.Kf3 d2 0-1 (33) GRXbullet (2628)-sina_iran (2732) Blitz 2021;

B) 9.Be3 a6 10.Be2 b5 11.b3 f6 12.0-0 Nd7 13.h3 b4 14.Na4 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 fxe5 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.Bxc6 Rb8 18.d5 Nd6 19.Qg4 Nf5 20.Ba7 Nf6 21.Qe2 Ng3 22.Qxe5 Nxf1 23.Bxb8 Nd2 24.Ba7 Nfe4 25.Qe6+ Kh8 26.Re1 Rf6 27.Qg4 Qf8 28.Qe2 Rf2 29.Bxf2 Nxf2 30.Qxf2 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-maybe_cakes (2582) Blitz 2023]

7...d6 8.f4 dxe5

[8...f6 9.Nf3 Bh6 10.Qd2 Ng7 11.Bd3 Nf5 12.Bxf5 Bxf5 13.0-0-0 d5 14.h3 dxc4 15.g4 Bd3 16.Ne1 Na6 17.Nxd3 cxd3 18.Qxd3 Nb4 19.Qc4+ Nd5 20.Nxd5 Qxd5 21.Qxd5+ cxd5 22.g5 fxg5 23.fxg5 Bg7 24.Rhf1 e6 25.Kd2 Rac8 26.Rxf8+ Bxf8 27.Rc1 Rxc1 28.Kxc1 Kf7 29.Kd2 Ke8 30.Kd3 Kd7 31.Kc2 Kc6 32.Kb3 b5 33.a4 a6 34.Bc1 Be7 35.Be3 Bd8 36.Bc1 Ba5 37.Be3 Be1 38.Ka3 Kb6 39.Kb3 Ka5 40.axb5 Kxb5 41.Kc2 a5 42.b3 a4 43.bxa4+ Kxa4 44.Kd3 Kb3 45.Ke2 Bb4 46.Kd3 Be1 47.Bc1 Bf2 48.Bf4 Kb2 49.Bd2 Kb1 50.Bf4 Be1 51.Be3 Bb4 52.Bf4 Ba3 53.Kc3 Bb2+ 54.Kd3 Ba3 55.Kc3 Bb2+ 56.Kd3 Ka2 57.Be3 Kb3 58.Bf4 Ba3 59.Be3 Bb4 60.Bc1 Be1 61.Bf4 Bf2 62.Bc1 Bg1 63.Bd2 Ka4 64.Bc1 Kb5 65.Bd2 Kc6 66.Bc1 Bf2 67.Bf4 Be1 68.Ke3 Kb5 69.Kd3 Bb4 70.Bc1 Bf8 71.Bf4 Kc6 72.Bc1 Kd7 73.Bf4 Ke7 74.Bc1 Kf7 75.Bf4 Kg8 76.Kc3 Kf7 77.Kd3 Bb4 78.Bc1 Kg8 79.Bf4 h6 80.gxh6 Kh7 81.Bg5 Bf8 82.Ke3 Bxh6 83.Kf4 Bf8 84.Ke3 Bb4 85.Kd3 Kg8 86.Bc1 Kf7 87.Bg5 Ke8 88.Bf4 Kd7 89.Be3 Kc6 90.Bf4 Kb5 91.Be3 Ka4 92.Ke2 Kb3 93.Kd3 Be1 94.Bf4 Bh4 95.Bc1 Ka2 96.Be3 Kb1 97.Bd2 Bg3 98.Bc3 Bf4 99.Bd2 Bxd2 100.Kxd2 Kb2 101.Ke3 Kc3 102.Kf4 Kxd4 103.Kg5 Kxe5 104.Kxg6 d4 105.h4 d3 106.h5 d2 107.Kf7 d1Q 108.h6 Qg4 109.h7 Qf5+ 110.Kg7 Qxh7+ 111.Kxh7 Kf4 112.Kg6 e5 113.Kf7 e4 0-1 (113) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-Eyesless18 (2797) Blitz 2022]

9.fxe5 f6 10.Nf3 fxe5 11.dxe5 Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 Bg4 13.Be2 Nd7 14.Ng5 Bxe2 15.Kxe2 Nxe5 16.Ne6 Rf6 17.Nxg7 Nxg7 18.b3 Nf5 19.Bf4 Re6 20.Bxe5 Rxe5+ 21.Kd2 Rd8+ 22.Kc1 Nd4 23.Rhe1 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 Kf7

25.Ne4 h6 26.Rf1+ Kg7 27.Rf2 b5 28.Kb2 bxc4 29.bxc4 e5 30.Kc3 Rf8 31.Rb2 g5 32.Rb7+ Rf7 33.Rb8 Rf4 34.Rb7+ Kg6 35.Nd6 Rf2 36.Rxa7 Rxg2 37.a4 Rxh2 38.a5 Ra2 39.a6 g4 40.Ra8 Kh5 41.Ne4 Kh4 42.a7 h5 43.Kb4 g3 44.Nxg3 Kxg3 45.Rg8+ Kf2 46.a8Q Rxa8 47.Rxa8 e4 48.Rf8+ Nf3 49.Rh8 e3 50.Rxh5 e2 51.Rh1 Ng1 52.Rh2+ Ke3 53.Rxe2+ Nxe2 54.Kc5 Nd4 55.Kd6 Kd3 56.Kc5 Kc3 57.Kd6 Kxc4 58.Ke5 c5 59.Ke4 Kc3 60.Ke3 c4 61.Kf4 Kd2 62.Ke4 c3 63.Kd5 c2 64.Kxd4 c1Q 65.Ke5 Qc4 66.Kf6 Ke3 67.Ke7 Qc6 68.Kf8 Qd7 69.Kg8 Ke4 70.Kf8 Kf5 71.Kg8 Kf6 72.Kh8 Qg7#

0-1 (72) mysterious_expert (2800)-Genious0 (2705) Blitz 2023

5...b6 6.Be3 Bb7 7.Qd2 e6 8.Nge2 d6 9.h4 c5 10.d5 exd5 11.cxd5 Re8 12.Bh6 Nbd7 13.h5 Nxh5 14.0-0-0 Ne5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 Nxf3 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Qxg5 Nxg5 19.gxh5 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.Nc3 Re5 22.h6+ Kh8 23.Bg2 f5 24.Nb5 Rd8 25.Rhe1 a6 26.Nxd6 1-0 (26) So, W (2767)-Mamedyarov,S (2767) chess.com INT 2019

5...a6 6.h4

[6.Be3 Nc6 7.Qd2 Rb8 *(7...e5 8.Nge2 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Bxd4 Re8 11.Be2 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Rb8 14.0-0 c6 15.Bc4 d5 16.exd5 cxd5 17.Bb3 Rb4 18.Rfe1 Ne4 19.fxe4 Rxd4 20.Qf2 Rd3 21.Kh1 Bd4 22.Qf1 Rd2 23.Rad1 Rf2 24.Rxd4 Rxf1+ 25.Rxf1 Qb6 26.Rdd1 Bg4 27.Nxd5 Qb8 28.Nf6+ Kg7 29.Nxg4 Rxe4 30.Rxf7+* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-Dragonator_Chess (2538) Blitz 2024 *)* 8.Nh3 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Nf2 c5 11.Bd3 d6 12.0-0 Nh5 13.Ne2 b5 14.Nxd4 cxd4 15.Bg5 f6 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 bxc4 18.Bxc4 Rxb2 19.Nd3 Rc2 20.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 21.Qxc1 f5 22.Nf2 Nf4 23.g3 Nh5 24.Be2 Nf6 25.Rb1 fxe4 26.fxe4 Qa5 27.Rb8 Bd7 28.Rxf8+ Kxf8 29.a3 Qc3 30.Qxc3 dxc3 31.Bf3 Bb5 32.Bd1 Ke7 33.Bc2 Be2 34.Kg2 g5 35.h3 h5 36.Nh1 Kd7 37.Kf2 Bc4 38.Ke3 Kc7 39.Nf2 h4 40.gxh4 gxh4 41.Nd1 Nh5 42.Nxc3 Nf4 43.Ne2 Nxh3 44.Nc3 Ng5 45.Kf2 Nh3+ 46.Kg2 Nf4+ 47.Kf2 Bd3 48.Kf3 Bxc2 49.Ne2 Bxe4+ 50.Kxe4 Nxe2 51.Ke3 Nf4 52.Kf3 Nxd5 53.Kg4 Nc3 54.Kh3 Nb5 55.Kxh4 Nxa3 56.Kg3 Nb5 57.Kf2 a5 58.Ke2 a4 59.Kd2 Kc6 60.Kc2 e4 61.Kb2 e3 62.Ka2 e2 63.Kb2 e1Q 64.Kc2 Qe3 65.Kb2 Qc3+ 66.Kb1 Qd2 0-1 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021]

6...d6 7.Nge2 c5

[7...b5 8.cxb5 axb5 9.Nxb5 c6 10.Nbc3 Nbd7 11.h5 e5 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.Bg5 exd4 14.Nxd4 Qb6 15.Qd2 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxd4 17.0-0-0 Be5 18.f4 Rxa2 19.fxe5 Qb3 20.Bd3 f5 21.Nc3 Ra1+ 22.Bb1 Nxe5 23.Qxd6 Re8 1-0 (23) unitedff (2646)-Partake (2622) Blitz 2024]

8.d5 b5 9.h5 e6 10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Bg5 bxc4 12.Qd2 Nbd7 13.dxe6 Ne5 14.exf7+ Rxf7 15.Nf4 Qb6 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nfd5 Qb4 18.Nxb4 cxb4 19.Nd5 Bg7 20.Qxb4 Be6 21.Qxd6 Re8 22.Nc3 Rd7 23.Qxa6 Kf7 24.Rd1 Rc7 25.Nd5 Rd7 26.Nf4 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Rd8+ 28.Ke1 Bc8 29.Qa7+ Rd7 30.Qc5 Ba6 31.Rh7 Nd3+ 32.Bxd3 cxd3 33.Qc6 d2+ 34.Kd1

1-0 (34) povadingo (2697)-

realNomenNescio (2583) Blitz 2024
5...a5 6.Be3 d6
[6...a4 7.Qd2 a3 8.b3 d6 9.Nge2 c5 10.dxc5 Nc6 11.cxd6 exd6 12.Nd4 Nb4 13.Be2 Qa5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Rfd1 Rfd8 16.Rac1 h5 17.Ncb5 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 h4 19.Bd4 h3 20.Bc3 Qb6+ 21.Bd4 Qa5 22.g4 Ne8 23.Bf1 Bxd4+ 24.Nxd4 Qc5 25.Bxh3 Nf6 26.Bf1 Re8 27.Kg2 Nxe4 28.fxe4 Rxe4 29.Be2 Rae8 30.Bf3 Re3 31.Nc2 Nxa2 32.Nxe3 Rxe3 33.Qxa2 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-Woodtree (2598) Blitz 2024]
[6...d5 7.cxd5 c6 8.dxc6 bxc6 9.Bc4 Ba6 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.Nge2 Qb8 12.Qd2 Rd8 13.0-0 e5 14.d5 cxd5 15.exd5 Nb4 16.Rfd1 Nfxd5 17.Bg5 Qa7+ 18.Kh1 f6 19.Bh6 Nxc3 20.Qxd8+ Rxd8 21.Rxd8+ Kf7 22.bxc3 Nc2 23.Rad1 g5 24.R8d7+ Kg6 25.Rxg7+ Qxg7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Rd7+ Kg6 28.Ra7 h5 29.Rxa5 g4 30.Ra8 gxf3 31.gxf3 Ne1 32.f4 exf4 33.Nxf4+ Kf5 34.Ng2 Nf3 35.a4 h4 36.a5 h3 37.a6 hxg2+ 38.Kxg2 Ne1+ 39.Kh1 Nd3 40.a7 Nf2+ 41.Kg2 Ne4 42.Rc8 Nd6 43.a8Q Nxc8 44.Qxc8+ Normal 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2617)-Woodtree (2673) Blitz 2024]
7.Qd2
[7.Bd3 Nbd7 8.Nh3 c5 9.Nf2 Ng4 10.Bd2 Nxf2 0-1 (10) TMB2023 (2609)-Woodtree (2597) Blitz 2023]
7...a4 8.Bd3 a3 9.b4 Nc6 10.Rb1 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Nge2 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 c5 16.bxc5 dxc5 17.Bxc5 Nh5 18.Nd5 Be6 19.0-0 Rc8 20.Bxa3 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 Bxd5 22.cxd5 Qh4 23.Qe1 Qf6 24.Bxf8 Kxf8 25.g3 Kg7 26.Kg2 Ra8 27.Qd2 Bc3 28.Qc2 Be5 29.f4 Bd4 30.e5 Qd8 31.Be4 g5 32.Qd2 Ra4 33.Rb4 Qa5 34.Rxd4 Rxa2 35.Bc2 Qc5 36.Rf2 gxf4 37.Qd3 Kf8 38.Rc4 Qe3 39.Qxe3 fxe3 40.Re2 f6 41.g4 Ng7 42.exf6 Ne8 43.Rc8 h5 44.Rxe8+ Kxe8 45.Bg6+ Kd7 46.Rxa2 hxg4 47.Re2 Kd6 48.Rxe3 Kxd5 49.Re1 Kd4 50.f7 Kc3 51.f8Q g3 52.Qc8+ Kd4 53.Qd7+ Kc3 54.Rc1+ Kb2 55.Rc2+ 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-woodtree (2625) Blitz 2023
5...Re8 6.Be3 c5 7.Nge2 cxd4 8.Nxd4 e6 9.e5 Nh5 10.g4 Bxe5 11.gxh5 Qh4+ 12.Bf2 Qxh5 13.Be2 Qh6 14.Ndb5 Nc6 15.Nd6 Re7 16.Nce4 f5 17.Nxc8 Rxc8 18.Nd6 Rf8 19.h4 Bxb2 20.Rb1 Bc3+ 21.Kf1 b6 22.c5 Qf4 23.cxb6 axb6 24.Rxb6 Bd4 25.Rxc6 Bxf2 26.Rc4 Qg3 27.a4 Ba7 28.a5 Qf2# 0-1 (28) Hard-Training (2656)-Nozdrachev,V (2866) Blitz 2024
5...e5 6.dxe5 Ne8 7.Bf4 d6 8.exd6 cxd6 9.Qd2 Nc6 10.0-0-0 Be6 11.Kb1 Rc8 12.Nd5 Ne5 13.Bh6 Nf6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Ne3 b5 16.cxb5 Qb6 17.Qd4 Qa5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bf5+ 20.Ka1 Rc2 21.Ne2 Rfc8 22.f4 R8c4 23.fxe5 Rxd4 24.Nxd4 Rd2 25.Nxf5+ gxf5 26.Bc4 dxe5 27.d6 Kf6 28.Bb3 e4 29.Rxd2 Qxd2 30.Rd1 Qa5 31.d7 Qd8 32.a4 f4 33.Ka2 e3 34.Rd4 Ke5 35.Rd5+ Ke4 36.Rd6 e2 37.Bxf7 e1Q 38.Re6+ Kf5 39.Rxe1 Qxd7 40.Be6+ Qxe6+ 41.Rxe6 Kxe6 42.a5 Kd5 43.b6 axb6 44.a6 Kc6 45.Kb3 b5 46.Kb4 Kb6 47.a7 Kxa7 48.Kxb5 f3 49.gxf3 Kb7 50.f4 Kc7 51.f5 Kd7 52.Kc5 Ke7 53.b4 Kf6 54.b5 Kxf5 55.b6 Kg4 56.b7 Kh3 57.b8Q Kg2 58.Qg3+ Kh1 59.h4 h5 60.Qg5 Kh2 61.Kd4 Kh1 62.Ke3 Kh2

63.Kf2 Kh3 64.Qg3# 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2629)-BessmertniLev (2642) Blitz 2024

49 **6.Nge2** Nc6
[6...cxd4 7.Nxd4
A) 7...Nc6 8.Be3 e6 9.Nxc6 *(9.Be2 d5 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.e5 Ne8 13.f4 f6 14.exf6 Nxf6 15.0-0 Re8 16.Bd4 Ne4 17.Bf3 Bf5 18.Rc1 Rc8 19.g4 Nxc3 20.Rxc3 Be4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd4+ Qf6 23.Qxf6+ Kxf6 24.Rfc1 Bxf3 25.Rxf3 Ke6 26.b4 Kd6 27.Kf2 Re4 28.a3 Rf8 29.Kg3 d4 30.h3 Rfe8 31.f5 gxf5 32.gxf5 Re3 33.Rc4 Kd5 34.Rc5+ Ke4 35.Rxe3+ Kxe3 36.Rxc6 Rd8 37.f6 d3 38.f7 d2 39.Re6+ Kd3 40.Re8 Rd4 41.f8Q d1Q 42.Qf3+ Qxf3+ 43.Kxf3 Kc4 44.Re4* 1-0 (44) JoseAvelino2002 (2618)-xurramid77 (2636) Blitz 2023*)* 9...bxc6 10.e5 Ne8 11.f4 d6 12.Be2 Ba6 13.exd6 Nxd6 14.Bc5 Nxc4 15.Bxf8 Qxf8 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Qa4 Qc5 18.0-0-0 Rb8 19.Qc2 Bxa2 20.Rd7 Bb3 21.Qd2 Bf6 22.Kb1 Qa5 23.Re1 Kg7 24.Kc1 Qa1+ 25.Nb1 Rb4 26.Rd3 Rc4+ 27.Rc3 Ba2 28.Qc2 Rxc3 29.bxc3 Bxb1 30.Qxb1 Qxc3+ 31.Kd1 a5 32.Qc2 Qd4+ 33.Ke2 a4 34.Rd1 Qxf4 35.g3 Qe5+ 36.Kf2 a3 37.Kg2 Qb2 38.Rd2 a2 39.Qd3 Qxd2+ 40.Qxd2 a1Q 41.Qd7 Qb2+ 42.Kh3 Qd4 43.Qc8 Qd5 44.Qa8 h5 45.Qa4 c5 46.Qa7 Qf5+ 47.Kg2 Qd5+ 48.Kf2 c4 49.Ke2 Qd3+ 50.Ke1 Bd4 51.Qb7 Bc3+ 52.Kf2 Qd2+ 53.Kf3 Qd3+ 54.Kg2 Bd4 55.Kh3 Bf6 56.Qg2 Qf5+ 57.g4 Qxg4+ 58.Qxg4 hxg4+ 59.Kxg4 c3 60.h3 c2 61.Kf3 c1Q 62.Kg4 Qc4+ 63.Kf3 Qd4 64.Kg3 Qe5+ 65.Kf3 Qf5+ 66.Kg3 Qh5 67.Kg2 Bg5 68.Kg3 Qh4+ 69.Kg2 e5 70.Kf3 e4+ 71.Kg2 e3 72.Kf3 Qxh3+ 73.Ke4 Qg2+ 74.Kd3 Qg3 75.Ke4 e2 76.Kd4 Qf2+ 77.Ke4 e1Q+ 78.Kd5 Qd1+ 79.Kc4 Qfd2 80.Kc5 Q1c2+ 81.Kb5 Qdc1 82.Kb4 Q1b1+ 83.Ka5 Qca2# 0-1 (83) superfm1 (2632)-Ballsy_Binge (2674) Blitz 2024;
B) 7...e6 8.Be3 d5 9.e5 Nfd7 10.f4 Nc5 11.Qd2 b6 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Bb5 Ba6 14.0-0 Ne4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Qe2 Bb7 17.Rfd1 Qe7 18.Rac1 a6 19.Bc4 Kh8 20.Bb3 Rc8 21.Rxc8+ Bxc8 22.Qc2 Bb7 23.h4 Bf8 24.h5 Qh4 25.Qc7 Qe7 26.Qxb6 a5 27.f5 Ra6 28.Qb5 gxh5 29.f6 1-0 (29) SimhatTora (2688)-Ballsy_Binge (2683) Blitz 2023]
7.d5 Ne5 8.Ng3 d6 9.Be2
[9.f4 Neg4 10.h3 Nh6 11.Be3 e6 12.Qd2 exd5 13.cxd5 Nh5 14.Nxh5 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxh5 16.Be2 Bg4 17.0-0-0 Bxe2 18.g4 Qh4 19.Nxe2 f5 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Qc4+ 23.Nc3 f4 24.Bf2 Bxe5 25.Rhg1+ Kh8 26.Rde1 Bd4 27.Re4 Bxf2 28.Qxf2 Qd3 29.Qxc5 Rac8 30.Qe7 Rxc3+ 31.bxc3 Qxc3+ 32.Kd1 Qd3+ 33.Ke1 Qb1+ 34.Kf2 Qb2+ 35.Re2 Qd4+ 36.Kf1 Qd1+ 37.Kf2 Qd4+ 38.Kf1 Qd1+ 39.Kf2 Qd4+ ½-½ (39) Killerkaz (2647)-DrErfindung (2623) Rapid 2022]
9...h5 10.f4
[10.0-0 h4 11.Nh1 e6 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.f4 Neg4 14.Bxg4 Nxg4 15.Qxg4 exd5 16.Qxh4 dxe4 17.Nd5 f5

18.Nf6+ Bxf6 19.Bxf6 Kf7 20.Bc3 Ke6 21.Rad1 b6 22.Nf2 Bb7 23.Nh3 Kd7 24.Be5 Kc8 25.Rxd6 Bc6 26.Rfd1 Kb7 27.Ng5 e3 28.Qe1 Qe7 29.Qxe3 Rad8 30.Ne6 Qxe6 31.Rxe6 Rxd1+ 32.Kf2 Rfd8 33.Re7+ Ka8 34.Bc3 R1d7 35.Rxd7 Rxd7 36.Qe6 Kb7 37.Qxg6 Be4 38.h4 a6 39.h5 b5 40.h6 b4 41.Be1 Bd3 42.h7 Rxh7 43.Qxh7+ Kc6 44.b3 Be4 45.g4 Kb6 46.gxf5 Bd3 47.Qg6+ Kb7 48.Qe6 Bxf5 49.Qxf5 Kc6 50.Qd3 Kb6 51.Qb1 Ka5 52.Qb2 Kb6 53.a3 Ka5 54.axb4+ Kb6 55.bxc5+ Kc6 56.Qc1 Kxc5 57.Qd1 Kc6 58.Qd2 Kb6 59.Qc3 Kc6 60.Qa5 Kd6 61.f5 Kd7 62.Kf3 Ke7 63.Kf4 Kf7 64.Qe5 Kg8 65.Qe6+ Kg7 66.Ke5 Kh7 67.Kf4 Kg7 68.Kg5 Kh7 69.f6 Kh8 70.Qd7 Kg8 71.Qg7# 1-0 (71) slowchessplayer2001 (2674)-mrchesswhizz (2708) Blitz 2022]

10...Ned7 11.0-0 a6 12.e5 dxe5 13.f5 h4 14.Nge4 h3 15.fxg6 hxg2 16.gxf7+ Rxf7 17.Kxg2 Nxe4 18.Rxf7 Kxf7 19.Nxe4 Nf6 20.Ng5+ Kg8 21.Be3 Bf5 22.Qf1 Qd7 23.Qf2 Ne4 24.Qh4 Nxg5 25.Bxg5 Rf8 26.Bxe7 Bh3+ 27.Qxh3 Qxe7 28.Qe6+ Qxe6 29.dxe6 Rf4 30.Rd1 Bf6 31.Rd7 e4 32.e7 1-0 (32) Poirot_Hercule (2699)-QuCq (2633) Blitz 2023

6.Be3 cxd4 7.Bxd4 Nc6

[7...d6 8.Qd2 a6 9.Be3 b6 10.Nge2 Bb7 11.Nd4 Nbd7 12.Be2 Rc8 13.0-0 Re8 14.Rfd1 Ne5 15.b3 e6 16.Rac1 Qc7 17.Bf1 Red8 18.Qf2 Ned7 19.Rc2 Qb8 20.Rcd2 b5 21.Bg5 h6 22.Be3 bxc4 23.bxc4 Nc5 24.Nb3 Nfd7 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Qxd4 Rc6 27.Qe3 Kh7 28.Nd4 Rcc8 29.Nb3 Rc6 30.Nd4 Rcc8 31.h4 Ne5 32.Nb3 Nxb3 33.axb3 Bc6 34.Ne2 Qc7 35.Nd4 Be8 36.h5 g5 37.f4 gxf4 38.Qxf4 Qe7 39.Nf3 Nxf3+ 40.gxf3 Bc6 41.Rg2 Rg8 42.Qxd6 Rxg2+ 43.Bxg2 Qg5 44.Qd2 Qxh5 45.Qf4 Rg8 46.Rd6 Be8 47.Kf2 Qg6 48.Qh2 Qf6 49.Rd1 Qb2+ 50.Kg1 Qxb3 51.Rf1 Qe3+ 52.Kh1 Qg5 53.f4 Qg7 54.f5 exf5 55.Rxf5 Bd7 56.Rf2 Be6 57.Qf4 Qd4 58.e5 1-0 (58) nicksecreto (2607)-ak61 (2616) Blitz 2022]

8.Be3 e6 9.Nge2 d5 10.cxd5 exd5 11.exd5 Nb4 12.Qd2 Nbxd5 13.Nxd5 Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Nxd5 15.Bd4 Re8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Kf2 b6 18.Nd4 Bb7 19.Rc1 Red8 20.Bb5 Nf4 21.Rhd1 a6 22.Bc6 Bxc6 23.Rxc6 b5 24.g3 Nd5 25.a3 Rd7 26.Nb3 Nf6 27.Rxd7 Nxd7 28.f4 Nf6 29.Nc5 a5 30.Rb6 Rc8 31.Nd3 Rc2+ 32.Kf3 Rxh2 33.Rxb5 h5 34.Ne5 a4 35.Rb7 Ng4 36.Nxf7 Rf2+ 37.Ke4 Re2+ 38.Kd3 Rg2 39.Ng5+ Kg8 40.Rb8+ Kg7 41.Rb7+ Kg8 42.Ne4 Nf2+ 43.Nxf2 Rxf2 44.Ke3 Rg2 45.Kf3 Rc2 46.Rb6 Kg7 47.Rb4 Kf6 48.Rxa4 Rxb2 49.Ra6+ Kf5 50.Ra5+ Kf6 51.Rc5 Rb3+ 52.Kg2 Rxa3 53.Kh3 Ra6 54.Rb5 Re6 55.Rb8 Re7 56.Rf8+ Rf7 57.Re8 Re7 58.Rh8 Rf7 59.Ra8 Re7 60.Ra6+ Re6 61.Ra5 Re3 62.Rg5 Rd3 63.Ra5 Rd1 64.Ra6+ Kf5 65.Ra5+ Kf6 66.Kg2 Rd2+ 67.Kf3 Rd3+ 68.Kf2 Rd2+ 69.Ke3 Rb2 70.Ke4 Rb3 71.Ra6+ Kg7 72.Ra7+ Kh6 73.f5 Rxg3 74.f6 Rg4+ 75.Ke5 Rg5+ 76.Ke6 Rf5 77.Ra8 h4 78.f7 Kg5 79.Rh8 Kg4 80.f8Q 1-0 (80) Lucky1357924680 (2646)-Koshechka22 (2654) Blitz 2024

[50] **6...Na6** 7.Be3 b6

[7...Qc7 8.Rc1 *(8.Nb5 Qc6 9.Nd4 Qxc5 10.Nf5 gxf5 11.Bxc5 Nxc5 12.e5 Nh5 13.Qd4 d6 14.f4 Ne6 15.Qd2 dxe5 16.0-0-0 Nhxf4 17.g3 Ng6 18.Bg2 e4 19.g4 Nc5 20.Kb1 f4 21.h3 Be6 22.Qc2 f3 23.Nxf3 exf3 24.Bxf3 Rab8 25.Bd5 b5 26.Bxe6 fxe6 27.b3 Ne5 28.cxb5 Rfc8 29.Rc1 Ned3 30.Rcd1 Nb4 31.Qc4 Ncd3 32.Qxe6+ Kh8 33.Rd2 Rc3 34.Rhd1 Rbc8 35.Qxe7 Rc1+* 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-Woodtree (2696) Blitz 2022*; 8.Nge2 Nxc5 9.Nf4 e6 10.Qd2 a6 11.Be2 d6 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Rfd1 Bc6 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Nfd7 16.Rc1 Rfc8 17.Nd3 Nxd3 18.Rxd3 Ne5 19.Rd2 Be8 20.b3 b5 21.c5 b4 22.Nd1 Nc6 23.h4 a5 24.h5 a4 25.h6 Bf6 26.Bc4 Kf8 27.f4 e5 28.f5 Nd4 29.Nf2 Rxc5 30.Ng4 Bd8 31.Nxe5 Rxe5 32.Bxd4 Rxe4 33.fxg6 fxg6 34.Bc5+* 1-0 (34) Lucky1357924680 (2626)-peahuelle (2617) Blitz 2024 *)* 8...Nxc5

A) 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.cxd5 Qa5+ 11.Qd2 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2

A1) 12...d6 13.b4

A1a) 13...Nd7 14.Ne2 *(14.Nh3 a5 15.b5 Nc5 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.Rxc5 Bxh3 18.gxh3 Bh6+ 19.Kd3 Rac8 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Be2 Bf4 22.h4 Kg7 23.h5 Be5 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Bd1 Rc3+ 26.Ke2 Ra3 27.Bb3 a4 28.Bc4 Rc3 29.Bd3 Ra3 30.Bc4 Rc3 31.Bd3 Bf4 32.h3 a3 33.Rb1 b6 34.Rb4 Bd6 35.Rc4 Rxc4 36.Bxc4 g5 37.Ke3 Kf6 38.Kd4 Bc5+ 39.Kd3 Ke5 40.d6 Bxd6 41.Bxf7 Kf4 42.Be6 Bc5 43.Bg4 e5 44.Kc4 Bd4 45.Kd5 Ke3 46.Ke6 Kd2 47.Kf5 Kc2 48.Kxg5 Kb2 49.Be6 Kc3 50.h4 Kb4 51.Bd7 Kc3 52.h5 Kb2 53.Be6 Kc3 54.h6 Be3+ 55.Kg6 Bxh6 56.Kxh6 Kd4 57.Kg5 Ke3 58.Kf5 Kd4 59.Bb3 Kc5 60.Kxe5 Kxb5 61.Kd4 Kb4 62.Kd3 b5 63.e5 Kc5 64.e6 Kb4 65.Kd4 Ka5 66.Kc5 Ka6 67.Kb4 Kb7 68.Kxa3 Kc7 69.Kb4 Kd6 70.f4 Ke7 71.f5 Kf6 72.Kxb5 Kxf5 73.Kb4 Kf6 74.e7 Kxe7 75.Kb5 Kd6 76.Kb6 Kd7 77.Kb7 Kd6 78.a4 Kc5 79.a5 Kb4 80.a6 Kxb3 81.a7 Kc3 82.a8Q Kd3 83.Qa6+ Ke3 84.Qc6 Kd3 85.Kb6 Ke3 86.Qc5+ Kd3 87.Kc6 Ke4 88.Qd5+* 1-0 (88) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-sina_iran (2635) Blitz 2021*)* 14...f5 15.Nd4 fxe4 16.fxe4 Nf6 17.Bd3 Ng4 18.Rc7 Nxe3 19.Kxe3 Bh6+ 20.Ke2 Bg4+ 21.Nf3 e6 22.h3 Bxf3+ 23.gxf3 exd5 24.exd5 Rf7 25.Rc4 Re8+ 26.Be4 Ree7 27.Kd3 Rc7 28.Rh2 Rxc4 29.Kxc4 Rc7+ 30.Kd3 Kf7 31.h4 Kf6 32.h5 g5 33.Rb2 Ke5 34.b5 b6 35.a4 Kf4 36.a5 Bg7 37.Ra2 Rc3+ 38.Kd2 Rb3 39.axb6 axb6 40.Ra7 Bd4 41.Rxh7 Rxb5 42.Kd3 Be5 43.h6 Kg3 44.Re7 g4 45.h7 Ba1 46.fxg4 Rb3+ 47.Kc4 Rc3+ 48.Kb5 Re3 49.Kxb6 Bd4+ 50.Kc6 Rc3+ 51.Kxd6 Kxg4 52.Ke6 Bc5 53.h8Q Bxe7

54.Kxe7 Re3 55.Qe5 Re1 56.Kd6 Kh3 57.Qh5+ Kg3 58.Qf5 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-WhatWouldMorphyDo (2646) Blitz 2023;

A1b) 13...Na6 14.Bxa6 bxa6 15.Ne2 a5 16.b5 Bd7 17.Nd4 Bxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxb5 19.Rc7 Rfc8 20.Rhc1 Rxc7 21.Rxc7 Kf8 22.Bxa7 Ke8 23.Be3 Bd7 24.Kc3 f6 25.Bb6 a4 26.Bd4 Rb8 27.Kc2 Bb5 28.g3 Bf1 29.f4 Rb4 30.Kc3 Rb1 31.Ra7 Bg2 32.e5 fxe5 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Bxe5 Bxd5 35.Rxa4 Kf7 36.Ra7 Ke6 37.Bf4 Rc1+ 38.Kd4 Rc4+ 39.Kd3 Rc8 40.Bg5 Re8 41.a4 Kd6 42.a5 e5 43.Be3 Kc6 44.Rxh7 Kb5 45.Rg7 Bc6 46.Rxg6 Rd8+ 47.Ke2 Bd5 48.Rg5 Bc4+ 49.Ke1 Rd5 50.Bf4 exf4 51.Rxd5+ Bxd5 52.gxf4 Be4 53.Kf2 Kxa5 54.Ke3 Kb6 55.Kd4 Kc6 56.Ke5 Bh7 57.Ke6 Kc5 58.f5 Kd4 59.f6 Bg6 60.f7 Bxf7+ 61.Kxf7 Ke4 62.h4 Kf5 63.h5 Kg5 64.Kg7 Kxh5 ½ - ½ (6 4) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-jokechess (2764) Blitz 2022;

A2) 12...b6 13.b4 Na4 14.Ne2 a5 15.b5 d6 16.Rc6 e6 17.Bd4 exd5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.exd5 Bd7 20.Rxd6 Bxb5 21.Nd4 Bxf1 22.Rxf1 Rad8 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Rc1 Rxd5 25.Ke3 Rc5 26.Rxc5 Nxc5 27.Nc6 Kf6 28.Kd4 Ke6 29.Nxa5 Nd7 30.Nc4 f5 31.f4 h6 32.g3 g5 33.fxg5 hxg5 34.h3 g4 35.hxg4 fxg4 36.Ne3 Nf6 37.Kc4 Ke5 38.Kb5 Ke4 39.Nxg4 Nxg4 40.Kxb6 Ne5 41.a4 Kf3 42.Kb5 Nd7 43.a5 Nb8 44.Kb6 Nd7+ 45.Kc7 Nc5 46.Kc6 Na6 47.Kb5 Nb8 48.Kb6 Kxg3 49.Kc7 Na6+ 50.Kc6 Kf4 51.Kb6 Nb8 52.Kb7 Nd7 53.Kc7 Nc5 54.Kb6 Nd7+ 55.Kb7 Nc5+ 56.Kb6 Nd7+ 57.Kb5 Nb8 58.a6 Nxa6 ½-½ (58) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-positionaloldman (2623) Blitz 2022;

B) 9.b4 Ne6 10.Nd5 Qd8 11.Bd3 d6 12.Ne2 b6 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Qd2 Nc7 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Rfd1 Bg7 17.c5 bxc5 18.bxc5 dxc5 19.Bxc5 Ne6 20.Be3 Nd4 21.Nxd4 Bxd4 22.Bc4 Bxe3+ 23.Qxe3 Qe8 24.h4 h5 25.Qg5 e6 26.Qe5 Rd8 27.Bb3 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Qe7 29.Qg5 Qxg5 30.hxg5 Bc6 31.Rc1 Rc8 32.Ba4 Bb7 33.Rxc8+ Bxc8 34.e5 Kf8 35.Kf2 Ke7 36.Ke3 Bd7 37.Bc2 Bb5 38.g3 Kd7 39.Kd4 Kc6 40.Be4+ Kb6 41.f4 Be2 42.Bc2 Bb5 43.a3 a5 44.Bb3 Bc6 45.Bc4 Bb5 46.Bb3 Bc6 47.Bd1 Bb5 48.Bf3 Bc6 49.Bd1 Bb5 50.g4 hxg4 51.Bxg4 Bc6 52.Bd1 Bb5 53.a4 Bc6 54.Bc2 Be8 55.Kc4 Bd7 56.Kd4 Bc6 57.Kc3 Bd7 58.Kc4 Bc6 59.Kb3 Bd7 60.Bd3 Bc6 61.Bc2 Kc5 62.Kc3 Bd5 63.Bd3 Bc6 64.Bb1 Kd5 65.Kd3 Kc5 66.Kc3 Bxa4 67.Bd3 Bc6 68.Ba6 a4 69.Bc8 a3 70.Kb3 Kd4 71.Kxa3 Ke3 72.Kb4 Kxf4 73.Kc5 Kxe5 74.Kxc6 Kf5 75.Kd6 Kxg5 76.Ke5 f5 77.Kxe6 f4 78.Ke5 f3

79.Bb7 f2 80.Bg2 Kh4 81.Ke4 Kg3 82.Bf1 g5 83.Ke3 g4 84.Ke2 Kh2 85.Kxf2 g3+ 86.Kf3 g2 87.Bxg2 ½-½ (87) Consent_to_treatment (2758)-Gligoric16 (2671) Blitz 2022]

[7...Ne8 8.Qd2 *(8.Bd3 Nec7 9.Nge2 Ne6 10.0-0 Naxc5 11.Bc2 d6 12.b4 Nd7 13.Rb1 Ne5 14.Bb3 Bd7 15.Nd5 Rc8 16.Rc1 b5 17.c5 dxc5 18.bxc5 Bc6 19.Qd2 a5 20.a3 Nc7 21.Rfd1 Na6 22.Qe1 Bxd5 23.exd5 Qc7 24.d6 exd6 25.cxd6 Qd7 26.Rxc8 Rxc8 27.Qxa5 Nc5 28.Bxc5 Rxc5 29.Qa8+ Rc8 30.Qd5 Nc4 31.Bxc4 bxc4 32.Rc1 c3 33.Qd3 Rc6 34.Nxc3 Rxd6 35.Qf1 Qa7+ 36.Kh1 Qxa3 37.Ne4 Rd8 38.h3 h6 39.Rd1 Re8 40.Qd3 Qxd3 41.Rxd3 Ra8 42.g3 Ra2 43.Rd2 Ra3 44.Kg2 Be5 45.Re2 Bg7 46.Nf2 Rb3 47.Rd2 Bc3 48.Rd3 Ra3 49.f4 Kg7 50.Kf3 f5 51.Nd1 Bb4 52.Rxa3 Bxa3 53.Ne3 Be7 54.Nd5 Bf6 55.g4 fxg4+ 56.hxg4 Bd8 57.Ke4 h5 58.g5 Kf7 59.Ne3 Ke6 60.Nc4 Bc7 61.Nd2 h4 62.Nf3 h3 63.Nh2 Bb8 64.Nf3 Bc7 65.Nd4+ Kd7 66.Nf3 Ke6* ½-½ (66) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-shuriks91 (2704) Blitz 2021*)* 8...Qa5 9.a3 Nxc5 10.b4 Nb3 11.bxa5 Nxd2 12.Bxd2 Nd6 13.Rb1 1-0 (13) Consent_to_treatment (2749)-CavaloVoador (2615) Blitz 2023]

8.cxb6 axb6 9.Nge2

[9.Nh3 d5 10.Nf4 *(10.cxd5 Bxh3 11.gxh3 Nd7 12.Bg2 Nac5 13.0-0 Ne5 14.Qe2 Qb8 15.f4 Ned7 16.e5 Na4 17.Nxa4 Rxa4 18.b3 Ra5 19.Rad1 Qa7 20.Rd2 Rd8 21.h4 Nf8 22.h5 Qd7 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Rfd1 Rb8 25.d6 exd6 26.Rxd6 Qf5 27.Rxb6 Rxb6 28.Bxb6 Ra3 29.Bc5 Ra5 30.Bb6 Ra3 31.Bc5 Ra5 32.b4 Ra3 33.b5 Rc3 34.Bd4 Rc2 35.Qd3 Rxg2+ 36.Kxg2 Qxf4 37.b6 Ne6 38.Qf3 Qg5+ 39.Kh1 Nxd4 40.Rxd4 Bxe5 41.Rd5 Qc1+ 42.Qd1 Qb2 43.Rxe5 Qxe5 44.Qd8+ Kg7 45.Qc7 Qf5 46.Kg2 Qe4+ 47.Kf2 Qd4+ 48.Kf3 Qd3+ 49.Kf2 Qd2+ 50.Kf3 Qxa2 51.b7 Qa3+ 52.Ke4 Qa4+ 53.Kd5 Qd1+ 54.Kc6 Qf3+ 55.Kd7 Qf5+ 56.Kd8 Qf6+ 57.Kc8 Qe6+ 58.Qd7 Qc4+ 59.Kd8 Qb4 60.Kc7 Qc5+ 61.Qc6 Qe5+ 62.Qd6 Qc3+ 63.Kd8 Qb2 64.b8Q Qc2 65.Qe5+ f6 66.Qbc7+ Kh6 67.Qxc2 g5 68.Qg2 fxe5 69.Qg4 e4 70.h4 gxh4 71.Qxh4+ Kg6 72.Qxe4+ Kg5 73.Kd7 Kf6 74.Kd6 Kg5 75.Qf3 Kg6 76.Ke5 Kg7 77.Qg4+ Kf8 78.Qg5 Kf7 79.Qf5+ Kg8 80.Qd7 Kf8 81.Kf6 Kg8 82.Qg7#* 1-0 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-Mischuk_D (2770) Blitz 2023*)* 10...dxe4 11.fxe4 Qc7 12.Nfd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Qe5 14.Bf4 Qxb2 15.Rb1 Qxa2 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.Be2 Bc3+ 18.Kf2 Nc5 19.Qd5 Be6 20.Be5+ f6 21.Bxc3 Bxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxe4+ 23.Ke3 Nxc3 24.Nxc3 Ra3 25.Rbc1 Re8+ 26.Kd4 Rxc3 27.Rxc3 Qxe2 28.Kd5 Qe4+ 29.Kd6 Qd4+ 30.Kc6 Qxc3 0-1 (30) Lucky1357924680 (2728)-lwl2014 (2688) Blitz 2024]

[9.Bd3 Nc5 10.Nge2 e6 *(10...Ba6 11.0-0 Rc8 12.b3 e6 13.Rc1 d5 14.Bxc5 Rxc5 15.cxd5 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 exd5 17.Nxd5 Ra5 18.Nxf6+ Qxf6 19.a4 Rd8 20.Qc3 Qg5 21.Qc7 Rd2 22.Ng3 h5 23.Rcd1 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 h4 25.Rxd2*

Qxd2 26.Qd8+ Kg7 27.Qxh4 Rc5 28.Qd8 Rc2 29.Rg1 Rc1 30.Qxd4+ Qxd4 31.Rxc1 Qb2 32.Rf1 Qxb3 33.f4 Qxa4 34.f5 Qc4 35.f6+ Kh6 36.Rf3 b5 37.h4 b4 38.h5 b3 39.hxg6 Kxg6 40.Nf5 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2643)-felipeporrasmateo (2577) Blitz 2022*)*
11.0-0 d5 12.cxd5 exd5 13.e5 Nfd7 14.f4 Bb7 15.Nd4 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Nc5 17.Qd2 Qe7 18.b4 Ne4 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.a4 Rfd8 21.Rfd1 f6 22.exf6 Bxf6 23.a5 bxa5 24.Rxa5 Rd7 25.Qa2+ Kh8 26.Rxa8+ Bxa8 27.Qxa8+ Rd8 28.Qc6 Bg7 29.Qc4 h5 30.b5 Kh7 31.Rb1 Qb7 32.b6 Rc8 33.Qe2 Rb8 34.f5 Qd5 35.fxg6+ Kxg6 36.Qb5 Qxb5 37.Nxb5 Be5 38.b7 Kf5 39.Na3 Rd8 40.b8Q Bxb8 41.Rb7 Be5 42.Rb5 Kf6 43.Nc4 Rd1+ 44.Kf2 Bc3 45.Rb6+ Kf5 46.Rb5+ Ke6 47.Bf4 Bd4+ 48.Ke2 Ra1 49.Nd2 Ra2 50.Rb4 Kd5 51.Rb3 Bc5 52.Rh3 Kc6 53.Be3 Bb4 54.Rxh5 Ra3 55.Rh6+ Kd7 56.Rh3 Ra2 57.g4 Ke6 58.g5 Kf5 59.Rg3 Kg6 60.h4 Ra8 61.Rg2 Bc3 62.Nxe4 Be5 63.Kf3 Kh5 64.Nf6+ Kg6 65.Kg4 Ra4+ 66.Kf3 Kf5 67.h5 Rh4 68.g6 Bxf6 69.Ke2 Rxh5 70.Bf2 Bg7 71.Be3 Ke6 72.Bd2 Rh3 73.Be3 Rh1 74.Bd2 Ra1 75.Be3 Ra2+ 76.Kf3 Ra3 77.Rg4 Bh6 78.Re4+ Kf6 79.Ke2 Kxg6 80.Kf3 Kf5 81.Rd4 Rxe3+ 0-1 (81) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Mischuk_D (2676) Blitz 2023]

[9.Qd2 Nc5 10.Rd1 d6 *(10...Bb7 11.Nh3 e6 12.Be2 d5 13.exd5 exd5 14.0-0 Re8 15.Bd4 Ne6 16.Bf2 d4 17.Nb5 Rxa2 18.Nxd4 Nc5 19.Rfe1 Nfd7 20.Qc1 Qa8 21.b4 Nb3 22.Nxb3 Raxe2 23.Rxe2 Rxe2 24.Rxd7 Bc6 25.Qd1 Bxd7 26.Qxe2 Be6 27.Nf4 Qa2 28.Qxa2* 1-0 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2644)-rfelgaer (2686) Blitz 2023*)*
11.Nge2 Be6 12.Nd4 Nfd7 13.Nc6 Qe8 14.Be2 Rc8 15.Nd4 Ne5 16.b3 Bd7 17.0-0 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Nd5 Rb8 20.f4 Nc6 21.Bf3 e6 22.Nc7 Qc8 23.Nxc6 Qxc7 24.Qxd6 Qxd6 25.Rxd6 Bxc6 26.Rxc6 Rfd8 27.Rd1 Rxd1+ 28.Bxd1 Rd8 29.Be2 Ne4 30.Kf1 Bd4 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.Rxe6 Nc3 33.Bf3 Rxf4 34.Rxb6 Rd4 35.c5 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Kartvelii (2653) Blitz 2024]

9...e6 10.Qd2 d5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nc5 14.Nd4 Qxd5 15.Be2 Rd8 16.Rd1 Qxa2 17.0-0 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Qxa6 19.Qc2 Qa4 20.Qxa4 Nxa4 21.Rd2 Rd5 22.b3 Nc5 23.b4 Re8 24.Bf2 Na6 25.b5 Nc7 26.Rfd1 Red8 27.Nb3 Rxd2 28.Rxd2 Rxd2 29.Nxd2 Nxb5 ½-½ (29) So,W (2767)-Mamedyarov,S (2767) chess.com INT 2019

6...b6 7.cxb6

[7.Be3 bxc5 8.Bxc5 Nc6 9.Be3 Rb8 10.Qd2 Qa5 11.Rd1 Rxb2 12.Qxb2 Nxe4 13.Qc2 Bxc3+ 14.Ke2 Nd6 15.Kf2 Bg7 16.Qd2 Qa3 17.Bd3 Nb4 18.Ne2 Ba6 19.Nf4 Bxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.Qe2 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qxa2+ 23.Ne2 d6 24.Qxe7 Be5 25.f4 Bxf4 26.Qe4 Be5 27.g3 Re8 28.Kf3 Kf8 29.Nf4 Bxf4 30.Qxf4 Qe2# 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2611)-Lance5500 (2617) Blitz 2023]

7...Qxb6

[7...axb6 8.Be3 e6 9.Qd2 Ba6 10.Nh3 Re8 11.Nf2 Qc7 12.Rc1 Nc6 13.Be2 Ne5 14.b3 Qb7 15.0-0 d5 16.cxd5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 exd5

18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Qxd5 20.Rfd1 Qb7 21.Ne4 Qa7 22.a4 Nd7 23.Qf2 f5 24.Nd6 Re7 25.Nb5 Qb8 26.Rc7 Qe8 27.Nd6 Qd8 28.Nb5 Qe8 29.Bf4 Re2 30.Qg3 Nc5 31.h4 Rd8 32.Rxd8 Qxd8 33.Bd6 Nd3 34.Qg5 Re1+ 35.Kh2 Qxg5 36.hxg5 Re8 37.b4 Bb2 38.a5 bxa5 39.bxa5 Bc1 40.a6 Be3 41.a7 Nb4 42.Bxb4 Bf4+ 43.g3 Be3 44.Nd6 Bxa7 45.Rxa7 Rd8 46.Kh3 Rb8 47.Bc3 Rc8 48.Rg7+ Kf8 49.Rf7+ Kg8 50.Rc7 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-SmokedGray (2608) Blitz 2022]

8.Bd3

[8.Nge2

A) 8...e6 9.Qd4 Qa5 10.Be3 Nc6 *(10...Re8 11.Qd2 d5 12.e5 Nfd7 13.f4 dxc4 14.Nd4 Ba6 15.Be2 Nc5 16.0-0 Qb6 17.Rfd1 Rd8 18.b4 cxb3 19.axb3 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Qb7 21.Ndb5 Nbd7 22.b4 Na6 23.Nd6 Qxb4 24.Nce4 Nc7 25.Rab1 Qa4 26.Ra1 Qc6 27.Ng5 Nb6 28.Rac1 Qd7 29.Ndxf7 Ncd5 30.Nxd8 Rxd8 31.Bc5 Nxf4 32.Qf3 Nfd5 33.Ne4 Bxe5 34.Bd4 Bxd4+ 35.Rxd4 Qg7 36.Qd3 Rf8 37.Nc5 Qf6 38.h3 Qf2+ 39.Kh1 Nf4 40.Qd2 Ne2 41.Rd3 Ng3+ 42.Kh2 Nf1+ 43.Rxf1 Qxf1 44.Nxe6 Re8 45.Rd8 Qf7 46.Rxe8+ Qxe8 47.Nf4 Nd7 48.Qd5+ Qf7 49.Qd6 Kg7 50.Nd3 Kh6 51.Qg3 Nf6 52.Qh4+ Kg7 53.Qg3 Qe7 54.Ne5 Qe6 55.Ng4 Qf5 56.Ne3 Qe6 57.Nf1 Qf7 58.Qe5 Kg8 59.Qb8+* 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-Lance5500 (2567) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Qd1 Rb8 12.Rb1 d5 13.Bd2 dxc4 14.Nd5 Qxa2 15.Nec3 Qb3 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Qxb3 cxb3 18.Ra1 Rd8 19.Bc4 Rb4 20.Ba6 Nd4 21.Bxc8 Nc2+ 22.Ke2 Nxa1 23.Nd5 exd5 24.Rxa1 Rb8 25.Ba6 dxe4 26.Rb1 exf3+ 27.gxf3 Be5 28.h3 Rd6 29.Bc4 Rd4 30.Ba6 Rd6 31.Bc4 Rc6 32.Bd3 Re6 33.Be4 Ree8 34.Be3 a5 35.Bc6 Rec8 36.Bd5 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-Lance5500 (2552) Blitz 2023;

B) 8...Nc6 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.cxd5 Ne5 11.Nc3 d6 12.Qb3 Qd4 13.Nb5 Qb6 14.Be3 Qa5+ 15.Bd2 Qb6 16.Qe3 Qb7 17.Bc3 Bd7 18.Nd4 Rfc8 19.Be2 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.0-0 Rac8 22.Rfd1 a5 23.h3 a4 24.a3 Qb6 25.Kf2 h5 26.Ne2 Qb3 27.Bxg7 Qxe3+ 28.Kxe3 Kxg7 29.Rac1 Rc2 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.Rd2 Rc7 32.Nd4 Kf6 33.Rc2 Rb7 34.Nc6 Rb3+ 35.Kd4 g5 36.Na5 Rb5 37.Nc6 g4 38.hxg4 hxg4 39.Nb4 gxf3 40.gxf3 Kg5 41.f4+ Kg4 42.Rg2+ Kf3 43.Rg7 Be8 44.Rg8 Rb8 45.f5 Rc8 46.e5 dxe5+ 47.Kxe5 Rc4 48.f6 Re4+ 49.Kf5 Bd7+ 50.Kg5 Rg4+ 51.Kh6 Rxg8 52.fxe7 Ke4 53.Kh7 Re8 54.Kg7 f5 55.d6 f4 56.Nc2 f3 57.b3 f2 58.bxa4 f1Q 59.Nb4 Qg2+ 0-1 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-MagicFerrari (2484) Blitz 2024]

[8.Qe2 Nc6 9.Be3 Qa5 10.Qd2 e6 11.Nb5 Qxd2+ 12.Bxd2 d5 13.exd5 exd5 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.Nc7 Rac8 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.cxd5 Nxd5 18.Kb1 Rb8 19.b3 a5 20.Bc4 a4 21.Ne2 axb3 22.axb3 Ne5 23.Bxd5 exd5

24.Nc1 Nc4 25.Kc2 Nb2 26.Bg5 Rfc8+ 27.Kd2 Nxd1 28.Rxd1 Rb4 29.Ke2 Rc2+ 30.Kf1 d4 31.Bd2 Rb8 32.Be1 Re8 33.Bd2 h5 34.b4 Kh7 35.Nd3 Rb8 36.Bf4 Rb7 37.Bd6 Rc3 38.Bc5 Rb3 39.Nf4 h4 40.Ne2 h3 41.Kf2 hxg2 42.Kxg2 Rb2 43.Kf1 Rd7 44.Nxd4 Bxd4 45.Rxd4 Rxd4 46.Bxd4 Rxh2 47.Bf2 Rh1+ 48.Bg1 Rh5 49.Bc5 Rd5 50.Ke2 Rd7 51.Ke3 Rb7 52.Kd4 Kh6 53.Kc4 Kg5 54.b5 Kf4 55.Bd4 Kxf3 56.b6 Rxb6 57.Kd5 g5 58.Be5 g4 59.Bg3 Time forfeit 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-Ballsy_Binge (2586) Blitz 2024]

8...e6

[8...Nc6 9.Qe2 Ne5 10.Nh3 Ba6 11.Nf2 Nxd3+ 12.Qxd3 Rfc8 13.b3 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Qe6+ 16.Qe4 Bxa1 17.Qxe6 fxe6 18.Nxe7+ Kf7 19.Nxc8 Rxc8 20.0-0 Bb7 21.Be3 Be5 22.Rd1 Bc6 23.Ne4 a5 24.Ng5+ Ke7 25.Bc5+ Kf6 26.Nxh7+ Kf5 27.Be3 Bxh2+ 28.Kf2 Bf4 29.Bxf4 Kxf4 30.Nf6 Kf5 31.Ng4 Rb8 32.Ne3+ Kf6 33.Rd6 Be8 34.Ra6 a4 35.Nd5+ Ke5 36.Nc7 Bd7 37.f4+ Kxf4 38.Nxe6+ Bxe6 39.Rxe6 axb3 40.axb3 Rxb3 41.Rxg6 Rb2+ 42.Kg1 Rc2 43.Rc6 Kg3 44.Rg6+ Kf4 45.Rh6 Kg3 46.Rg6+ Kf4 ½-½ (46) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2765) Blitz 2022]

9.Nge2 d5 10.Qb3 Qc5 11.Qb5 Qc7 12.cxd5 Ba6 13.Qxa6 Nxa6 14.Bxa6 exd5 0-1 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2746)-Fighter89 (2596) Blitz 2022

6...e6 7.Be3 Na6 8.a3 b6 9.cxb6 axb6 10.b4 Nd5 11.Nxd5 Bxa1 12.Qxa1 exd5 13.Bh6 Qh4+ 0-1 (13) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-nobodybelive (2639) Blitz 2023

51 **7...b6** 8.cxb6 d5

[8...axb6 9.Qd2 Na6 10.Nge2 Nc5 11.Rd1 d6 12.Nd4 Bd7 13.Be2 Na4 14.Nxa4 Qxa4 15.a3 Rfc8 16.0-0 Ne8 17.Rc1 Rab8 18.Qb4 Qa8 19.Nb5 Nc7 20.Nxc7 Rxc7 21.Rc2 h5 22.b3 b5 23.c5 dxc5 24.Rxc5 Rxc5 25.Bxc5 Be6 26.Bxb5 Bd7 27.a4 Qb7 28.Bxe7 Bxb5 29.axb5 Qxb5 30.Qxb5 Rxb5 31.b4 Bf8 32.Bxf8 Kxf8 33.Rb1 Ke7 34.Kf2 Kd6 35.Ke3 f5 36.exf5 Rxf5 37.b5 Kc7 38.b6+ Kb7 39.g3 g5 40.h3 Ra5 41.g4 h4 42.Rb3 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-estrelladelnorte2024 (2579) Blitz 2024]

9.bxa7 Nc6 10.cxd5 Nxa7 11.Qd2 Ba6 12.Bxa6 Qxa6 13.Nge2 Rfb8 14.0-0 Nb5 15.Rfb1 Nd6 16.b3 Nd7 17.Bd4 Ne5 18.Kh1 f5 19.f4 Nd3 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.e5 Ne4 22.Nxe4 fxe4 23.Ng3 Qb6 24.Nxe4 Qd4 25.Rd1 Rxb3 26.axb3 Rxa1 27.h3 Rxd1+ 28.Qxd1 Qxe4 29.Qf3 Qxf3 30.gxf3 Nxf4 31.d6 exd6 32.exd6 Kf7 33.Kh2 Ke6 34.Kg3 Ne2+ 35.Kg4 Nd4 36.b4 Nf5 37.Kg5 Kf7 38.d7 h6+ 39.Kf4 Ke7 40.Ke5 Kxd7 41.Kf6 Nh4 42.f4 Kd6 43.Kg7 Ke6 44.Kxh6 Kf5 45.b5 Ng2 46.b6 Nxf4 47.b7 Nxh3 48.b8Q Nf4 49.Qc8+ Ke5 50.Qc7+ Kf5 51.Qd7+ Kf6 52.Qd8+ Kf5 53.Qa5+ Kg4 54.Qg5+ Kf3 55.Qg1 Ke4 56.Qh1+ Kf5 57.Qb1+ Kg4 58.Qb3 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-elkadi74 (2631) Blitz 2024

52 **8...d6** 9.cxd6 exd6 10.b4

[10.Bd3 Nc5 11.b4 *(11.Nge2 Qb6 12.b4 Nxd3+ 13.Qxd3 Qc7 14.0-0 Be6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 Bd7 18.Bh6 Rfc8 19.h4 Qd8 20.Bg5 Qb6+ 21.Kh2 Bb5 22.Qd2 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Qd4 24.Rd1 Qg7 25.Qd2 f6 26.Bf4 Qe7 27.Qf2 Rc7 28.Qg3 Rd8 29.h5 g5 30.Be3 b6 31.Bd4 Kf7 32.Qg4 Qd7 33.Qg3 Rc2 34.f4 Rg8 35.e5 Qf5 36.e6+ Ke7* 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-Kivurawnuru (2796) Blitz 2023 *)* 11...Nxd3+ 12.Qxd3 Qa6 13.Nge2 Be6 14.b5 Qa5 15.0-0 Rac8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Bxa1 18.Rxa1 Bd7 19.Rb1 Qa4 20.Bf4 Qc2 21.Qxc2 Rxc2 22.Nd4 Rc4 23.Rb4 Rxb4 24.axb4 Rc8 25.Bxd6 Rc4 26.Nb3 Bxb5 27.Na5 Rc2 28.Nxb7 f6 29.Bc5 Kf7 30.Nd6+ Kg7 31.Nxb5 a5 32.bxa5 Rxc5 33.Nd4 Rxa5 34.d6 Ra1+ 35.Kf2 Rd1 36.Ke3 Kf7 37.f4 Re1+ 38.Kd3 Rd1+ 39.Kc4 f5 40.Kd5 Rxd4+ 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-K_akbss (2552) Blitz 2021]

10...Qd8

[10...Qc7 11.Rc1 Be6 12.Nd5 Qd7 13.Bd3 Rfe8 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Ne2 Nc7 16.0-0 b5 17.Nd4 Bxc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Bf2 d5 20.Ne2 Rad8 21.exd5 Qxd5 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Ng3 c3 24.Ne4 Bg7 25.Rfd1 Nf4 26.Kf1 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Rc8 28.Bc5 a5 29.g3 axb4 30.axb4 c2 31.Rc1 Nd3 32.Rxc2 Nxb4 33.Rd2 Nc6 34.Ke2 Ne5 35.Bd4 f5 36.Bxe5 Bxe5 37.Ng5 Re8 38.Kf2 Bf6 39.Nh3 Kg7 40.Re2 Re7 41.Rxe7+ Bxe7 42.Kg2 Kf6 43.Nf2 Bc5 44.Nd3 h6 45.h3 Bd4 46.g4 Ke6 47.Nf4+ Kf6 48.Nd5+ Ke5 49.Nb4 fxg4 50.fxg4 Kf4 51.Nd3+ Ke3 52.Nb4 h5 53.gxh5 gxh5 54.Nd5+ Ke4 55.Ne7 Ke5 56.Nc6+ Kf6 57.Nxd4 Kg5 58.Kg3 h4+ 59.Kf3 Kh5 60.Kf4 1-0 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-MrMatesM (2647) Blitz 2022]

11.Rc1 Re8 12.Bd3 Nh5 13.Nge2 f5 14.0-0 Nc7 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 fxe4 17.Bxe4 Bf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Bf2 a5 20.Qd2 axb4 21.axb4 Qd7 22.Nd4 Bxd4 23.Bxd4 f4 24.Qf2 Qe7 25.Bb2 Qe3 26.Rfe1 Qxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Rxe1 28.Rxe1 Ra2 29.Re2 Kf7 30.Bd4 Ra4 31.Rb2 b5 32.Ke2 Ra3 33.Rc2 Rb3 34.Rc7+ Kg6 35.Rd7 Rxb4 36.Rxd6+ Kg5 37.Kd3 Rb3+ 38.Kc2 Rb4 39.Kc3 Rc4+ 40.Kd3 Ra4 41.Rb6 Ra3+ 42.Kc2 Ra4 43.Kc3 Rc4+ 44.Kd3 Rb4 45.d6 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2761)-CRBorn (2668) Blitz 2022

8...Qc7 9.Rc1

[9.b4 b6 *(9...Ng4 10.Bd4 Nxh2 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Qd4+ Kg8 13.Kf2 Nxf1 14.Rxf1 d6 15.cxd6 Qxd6 16.Qxd6 exd6 17.Ke3 Be6 18.Kd4 Rac8 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Rfe8 21.Nh3 Re2 22.Rf2 Re7 23.Rc1 Nc7 24.Rfc2 b6 25.Nf4 Re5 26.Nd3 Rg5 27.g4 h5 28.Nf2 Kg7 29.Ne4 Re5 30.Nxd6 Rd8 31.Kxe5 f6+ 32.Kd4 Rxd6 33.Re2 Kf7 34.Rce1 Rd7 35.gxh5 gxh5 36.a4 a6 37.b5 h4 38.Rh2 Ne8 39.Rxh4 Ng7 40.Rh7 Kg6 41.Rxg7+ Kxg7 42.Re6 axb5 43.axb5 Rb7 44.d6 Kf7 45.Kd5 Rb8 46.Re7+ Kg6 47.Kc6 Rc8+ 48.Kxb6 Rxc4 49.d7 Rd4 50.Kc6 Kf5 51.Re8 Rc4+ 52.Kb6 Kf4 53.d8Q f5 54.Qd2+ Kxf3 55.Qe2+ Kg3 56.Qxc4 f4 57.Rg8+ Kh3 58.Qf7 f3 59.Qh7#* 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2611)-ihmelnyk (2666) Blitz 2021*)* 10.cxb6

axb6 11.Rc1 d6 12.Bd3 Be6 13.Nd5 *(13.Nge2 Qb7 14.0-0 Nc7 15.a4 Rfc8 16.Nd5 Nfxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.b5 Ra5 19.Bd4 Rca8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Bc2 Ne8 22.Qd4+ Kg8 23.Bb3 Nf6 24.Rc3 Rc8 25.Rfc1 Rc5 26.Nf4 Be8 27.Nd3 Nd7 28.Nxc5 Nxc5 29.Bc2 Bd7 30.e5 Qb8 31.Re1 Ra7 32.Rce3 Qf8 33.exd6 exd6 34.Re7 Ra8 35.Qf6 Be8 36.Qxd6* 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-ThunderWarrior (2670) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Bxd5 14.cxd5 Qd8 15.Ne2 Nc7 16.Qb3 Qb8 17.0-0 e5 18.Rc6 b5 19.Rxd6 Ncxd5 20.Rxd5 Nxd5 21.exd5 f5 22.d6+ Kh8 23.Bc5 Qb7 24.Nc3 Rad8 25.Qd5 Qa6 26.Nxb5 e4 27.fxe4 fxe4 28.Rxf8+ Rxf8 29.d7 Qf6 30.Bxf8 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-Frutek (2601) Blitz 2022]

9...Nxc5 10.Nd5 Qd6 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.Qxd6 exd6 13.b4 Ne6 14.Rd1 Bb2 15.a4 Bc3+ 16.Bd2 Bd4 17.Ne2 Bg7 18.a5 b6 19.axb6 axb6 20.Nc3 Nd4 21.Bd3 Bb7 22.Nb1 Ra1 23.0-0 Nb3 24.Bc3 Bxc3 25.Nxc3 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Ra8 27.Nb5 Bc6 28.Nxd6 Ra1 29.Rxa1 Nxa1 30.Nc8 Nb3 31.Nxb6 d6 32.Kf2 Kf8 33.Ke3 Ke7 34.Bc2 Na1 35.Bd1 Kd8 36.Kd4 Kc7 37.Nd5+ Kd8 38.Kc3 f5 39.exf5 gxf5 40.Kb2 Kd7 41.Nf6+ Ke6 42.Nxh7 Ke5 43.Kxa1 Kd4 44.c5 dxc5 45.bxc5 Kxc5 46.Bc2 Kd4 47.Bxf5 Ke3 48.Be4 Be8 49.Nf6 Bf7 50.g4 Kf4 51.h4 Ke5 52.Nh5 Kd4 53.Ng3 Ke3 54.Nf5+ Kf4 55.h5 Kg5 56.Kb2 Bg8 57.Kc3 Ba2 58.Kd4 Kf6 59.Ke3 Kg5 60.Nd6 Be6 61.Nb7 Bd7 62.Nc5 Bc8 63.Kf2 Kh4 64.Nd3 Kg5 65.Kg3 Kh6 66.f4 Kg7 67.g5 Ba6 68.h6+ Kh8 69.Nf2 Bc8 70.Ng4 Be6 71.f5 Bf7 72.g6 Be8 73.Nf6 Bxg6 74.Ng4 Bf7 75.Kf4 Bb3 76.Kg5 Bf7 77.f6 Bg8 78.Bg6 Bc4 79.Ne5 Bd5 80.f7 Bxf7 81.Nxf7+ Kg8 82.h7+ Kf8 83.h8Q+ Ke7 84.Qf6+ Ke8 85.Nh6+ Kd7 86.Qf5+ Kc6 87.Qf6+ Kc5 88.Bf5 Kc4 89.Qe6+ Kc3 90.Qe5+ Kd2 91.Kf4 Kd1 92.Qe4 Kd2 93.Bg4 Kc1 94.Qd5 Kc2 95.Qc5+ Kd2 96.Qa5+ Kc2 97.Qe5 Kc1 98.Qe2 1-0 (98) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-Name554 (2499) Blitz 2024

8...Nxc5 9.b4 Qc7 10.Bxc5 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Qe5 12.Bd4 Qxd4 13.Qxd4 Bxd4 14.0-0-0 Bg7 15.Bd3 d6 16.Ne2 a5 17.b5 Be6 18.Nf4 Bh6 19.g3 Rfc8 20.Kb2 Bxf4 21.gxf4 Bxc4 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.Rc1 Rac8 24.Rxc4 Rxc4 25.Rc1 Rd4 26.Rc7 d5 27.Nc3 Rxf4 28.Rxb7 d4 29.Nd5 Rxf3 30.Nxe7+ Kf8 31.Nc6 a4 32.Rb8+ Kg7 33.Nb4 Rf2+ 34.Kc1 Rf6 35.b6 g5 36.b7 Rb6 37.Kd2 h5 38.Na6 g4 39.Nc5 h4 40.Re8 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Pendos666 (2728) Blitz 2022

8...Nxe4 9.fxe4 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Qxc3+ 11.Kf2 Qb2+ 12.Be2 Rd8 13.Bd4 1-0 (13) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Biriyani (2669) Blitz 2024

8...Nh5 9.Rc1

[9.Bd4 Bxd4 10.Qxd4 Qxc5 11.Qxc5 Nxc5 12.b4 Ne6 13.Nd5 Re8 14.c5 d6 15.cxd6 exd6 16.g4 Nhf4 17.Nf6+ Kf8 18.Nxe8 Kxe8 19.Bb5+ Bd7 20.Bxd7+ Kxd7 21.Ne2 Rc8 22.Nxf4 Nxf4 23.Kd2 d5 24.Rac1 Rd8 25.Rhd1 Ke6 26.Ke3 g5 27.h4 h6 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Rc7 Rh8 30.exd5+ Nxd5+ 31.Rxd5 Kxd5 32.Rxb7 f6 33.Rxa7 Rh1 34.Ra5+ Ke6 35.Ra6+ Ke5 36.Ra5+ Ke6 37.b5 Re1+ 38.Kf2

Rb1 39.a4 Ke5 40.Ra6 f5 41.gxf5 Kf4 42.f6 Rb2+ 43.Ke1 Ke3 44.Re6+ Kxf3 45.f7 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2644) Blitz 2023]

[9.Nge2 d6 *(9...Qd8 10.Rc1 b6 11.cxb6 axb6 12.b4 d6 13.Nd4 Bb7 14.Be2 Nf6 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Qb3 Ne5 17.Rfd1 Rc8 18.Nd5 Nd7 19.Nb5 Nab8 20.Bg5 Nc6 21.Nxd6 Nd4 22.Qa2 Bxd5 23.Nxc8 Qxc8 24.cxd5 Qb7 25.Be3 Nxe2+ 26.Qxe2 h5 27.Qb5 Ra8 28.Qc6 Qa7 29.a4 h4 30.h3 Ne5 31.Qb5* 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2639)-Koshechka22 (2657) Blitz 2023*)* 10.cxd6 exd6 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Nd4 Rad8 13.Be2 Qc7 14.Rc1 Nc5 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.cxd5 Qe7 17.b4 Bxd4 18.bxc5 Qh4+ 19.Kd1 Bxe3 20.Qxe3 Ng3 21.Qf2 Nf5 22.Qxh4 Nxh4 23.g3 Ng2 24.Kd2 f5 25.Rhg1 fxe4 26.f4 dxc5 27.Rxg2 Rxd5+ 28.Ke3 Rd4 29.Rxc5 Ra4 30.Rc3 Re8 31.Rg1 Kf8 32.Rb1 b6 33.Rb4 Re7 34.Rxa4 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-QuCq (2685) Blitz 2023]

9...Nxc5 10.Nge2 Ne6 11.Qd2 d6 12.g4 Nf6 13.Nd5 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Nc5 16.Rc2 Bd7 17.Nd4 Ba4 18.Rc3 Rac8 19.Be2 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Nb3+ 21.Ke3 Nxd4 22.Kxd4 Rxc3 23.bxc3 Rc8 24.Rb1 b6 25.f4 Bd7 26.e5 Rc5 27.c4 Ra5 28.Rb3 Kf8 29.g5 Bf5 30.Bd3 Bxd3 31.Kxd3 Ke8 32.Kd4 Kd7 33.Rh3 Ra4 34.Rxh7 b5 35.Rxf7 Rxc4+ 36.Ke3 dxe5 37.fxe5 Rc3+ 38.Kd4 Rxa3 39.d6 Ra1 40.Rxe7+ Kc6 41.Rc7+ Kb6 42.Rc8 Rd1+ 43.Ke4 b4 44.Rb8+ Ka5 45.e6 Rxd6 46.Ke5 Rd1 47.e7 Re1+ 48.Kf6 Ka4 49.e8Q+ Rxe8 50.Rxe8 b3 51.Rb8 Ka3 52.Ra8 b2 53.Rxa7+ Kb3 54.Rb7+ Kc3 55.Rxb2 Kxb2 56.Kxg6 Kc3 57.Kf7 Kd4 58.g6 Ke4 59.g7 Kf5 60.g8Q Ke5 61.h4 Ke4 62.h5 Kf4 63.h6 Ke4 64.h7 Ke5 65.h8Q+ Kd5 66.Qg6 Kc4 67.Qhh5 Kc3 68.Qg3+ Kd2 69.Qhh2+ Kd1 70.Qd3+ Kc1 71.Qc3+ Kd1 72.Qg1+ Ke2 73.Qgg3 Kf1 74.Qc1+ Ke2 75.Qc2+ Kf1 76.Qf3+ Kg1 77.Qfd1# 1-0 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-BENED7707 (2672) Blitz 2022

8...b6 9.cxb6 axb6 10.Qd2 d6 11.Bd3 Be6 12.Nge2 Nc5 13.Bc2 Bxc4 14.b4 Qa6 15.bxc5 Nxe4 16.Bxe4 d5 17.Bxd5 Rfd8 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Qc2 Rd3 20.Bd2 Rad8 21.Rd1 Qxc5 22.Qc1 f5 23.Nb1 Qe5 24.0-0 Qxe2 25.Qc4+ Kf8 26.Rfe1 Bd4+ 27.Kh1 Qf2 28.Qxd3 Rd6 29.Qe2 Qh4 30.Be3 Be5 31.Bg1 Re6 32.Qf2 Qh5 33.f4 Rd6 34.fxe5 Rxd1 35.Rxd1 Qxd1 36.Nd2 Qc2 37.Nf3 Qb3 38.Qxb6 Qxa3 39.Qd8+ Kf7 40.Qd5+ Kg7 41.e6 Kh6 42.Qe5 g5 43.Qxf5 Kh5 44.Qf7+ Kg4 45.Qg7 Qa5 46.h4 h6 47.Qxh6 Kf4 48.Qxg5+ Qxg5 49.hxg5 Kf5 50.Nd4+ Kg6 51.Nc6 Kxg5 52.Bc5 Kg6 53.Bxe7 Kf5 54.Bd6 Kxe6 55.g4 Kd7 56.Bf4 Kxc6 57.Kg2 Kd7 58.Kf3 Ke8 59.Kg3 Kf8 60.g5 Kg8 61.Kg4 Kf8 62.Kf5 Kg8 63.g6 Kf8 64.Kf6 Kg8 65.g7 Kh7 66.Kf7 ½-½ (66) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-notkevich (2719) Blitz 2024

8...Rd8 9.Kf2 d6 10.b4 Nxb4 11.axb4 Qxb4 12.Nd5 Qb2+ 13.Be2 Nxd5 14.Rb1 Nxe3 15.Kxe3 Bd4+ 16.Kf4 Qc3 17.Qd3 Qxd3 18.Bxd3 dxc5 19.Ne2 Bf2 20.Rhd1 f6 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment

(2649)-girafik (2589) Blitz 2022

53 **9.Rc1** Nxc5 10.Bd3 [10.Nge2 Ne6 11.Qd5 Qd8 12.Qd2 d6 13.Ng3 Bd7 14.Be2 Rc8 15.0-0 a6 16.Rfd1 Nc5 17.Rc2 Nb3 18.Qe1 Nf6 19.Nh1 Qa5 20.Nf2 Rfe8 21.Nd3 Be6 22.c5 dxc5 23.Nf4 c4 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Nb1 Qxe1+ 26.Rxe1 b5 27.a4 Red8 28.axb5 axb5 29.Nc3 Rb8 30.Nxb5 Rxb5 31.Bxc4 Rbb8 32.Bxe6+ Kh8 33.Rc7 Ng8 34.Ba7 Bd4+ 35.Bxd4+ Nxd4 36.Bxg8 Kxg8 37.Rxe7 Rxb2 38.h4 Ne2+ 39.Kh2 Nf4 40.Kg3 Nh5+ 41.Kh2 Rdd2 42.Rc1 Rxg2+ 43.Kh1 Ng3# 0-1 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2623)-axelb99 (2576) Blitz 2022] 10...d6 11.Nge2 f5 12.0-0 Qd8 13.Bb1 fxe4 14.Bxc5 exf3 15.Rxf3 Rxf3 16.gxf3 Bh3 17.Be3 e5 18.Ne4 h6 19.Nf2 Be6 20.Bxg6 Qf6 21.Be4 Rc8 22.Qd3 Qh4 23.Bxb7 Rxc4 24.Rxc4 Bxc4 25.Bd5+ Bxd5 26.Qxd5+ Kh8 27.Qe4 Qd8 28.b4 Nf6 29.Qg6 d5 30.Bxh6 Bxh6 31.Qxh6+ Kg8 32.Qg6+ Kf8 33.Ng4 Qb6+ 34.Kg2 Nxg4 35.Qxb6 Ne3+ 36.Qxe3 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2720)-aryamannkid (2550) Blitz 2022

54 **9...f5** 10.b4 Qd8 11.Bd4 Nf6 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxg7 Ne3 15.Qd2 Nxg2+ 16.Bxg2 Kxg7 17.f4 e6 18.0-0-0 Qf6 19.Qc3 Qxc3+ 20.Nxc3 Rb8 21.Rd6 b6 22.c6 dxc6 23.Bxc6 Nc7 24.Ne2 Ne8 25.Bxe8 Rxe8 26.Nd4 Kf6 27.Nc6 Rb7 28.Rg1 Rc7 29.Kb2 a5 30.Kc3 axb4+ 31.axb4 Bb7 32.Ne5 Bd5 33.Kd4 Be4 34.Rxb6 Rd8+ 35.Kc3 Bd5 36.Rd1 Rdc8 37.Rd4 Ra8 38.Rxd5 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-BezMozga (2612) Blitz 2021

10.b4 Qc7 [10...Qd8 11.Rc1 Be6 12.cxd6 Bxc4 13.dxe7 Qxe7 14.Nd4 Bxf1 15.Kxf1 Rd8 16.Nce2 Nec7 17.Qb3 Kh8 18.Kf2 f5 19.exf5 Nd5 20.Rhe1 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Qh4+ 23.g3 Qxd4 24.Qxd4+ Rxd4 25.fxg6 Rd7 26.gxh7 Rxh7 27.h4 Nc7 28.Re5 Rd7 29.Rce1 a6 30.Re7 Rf7 31.Rxf7 Rxf7 32.Re5 Nb5 33.a4 Nd4 34.f4 Nc6 35.Re4 Kg7 36.Kf3 Rd7 37.h5 Rd4 38.Rxd4 Nxd4+ 39.Ke4 Nc6 40.b5 axb5 41.axb5 Na7 42.g4 Nxb5 43.g5 Nd6+ 44.Ke5 Ne8 45.f5 b5 46.f6+ Kf8 47.Kd4 Nd6 48.g6 b4 49.h6 Nf5+ 50.Kc4 Nxh6 51.Kxb4 Ng4 52.g7+ Kf7 53.g8Q+ Kxg8 54.f7+ Kf8 55.Kb5 Ne5 56.Kb4 Nxf7 ½-½ (56) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2808) Blitz 2022] 11.cxd6 Nxd6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Bd4 f6 14.Nec3 Be6 15.c5 Nf7 16.Be2 Nc7 17.Be3 f5 18.0-0 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Bxa1 21.Qxa1 Qxd5 22.Rc1 Qe5 23.Bc4 Qxe3+ 24.Kh1 Rfd8 25.Re1 Qd4 26.Qa2 Qf6 27.h3 e5 28.Bd5 Rd7 29.Be6 Re7 30.Bd5 Rd8 31.b5 Kg7 32.Rc1 e4 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.c6 bxc6 35.bxc6 Qf4 36.Re1 e3 37.Bf3 Ne5 38.Be2 Nxc6 0-1 (38) DaiChangLonGG (2883)-Biriyani (2757) Blitz 2023

55 **5...Nc6** 6.Ne2 a6 [6...e5 7.d5 **A)** 7...Ne7 8.g4 d6 9.Ng3 Ne8 10.Nc3 f5 11.gxf5 *(11.exf5 gxf5 12.Bg5 Qd7 13.h3 c6 14.Bd3 f4 15.Nge4 cxd5 16.cxd5 a6 17.Bc2*

h6 18.Bh4 Ng6 19.Bf2 Rf7 20.h4 Nf8 21.h5 b5 22.g5 b4 23.Na4 Rb8 24.Rg1 Kh8 25.Nb6 Qc7 26.Ba4 Bf5 27.Rc1 Qe7 28.g6 Rf6 29.Bxe8 Bxe4 30.fxe4 Qxe8 31.Rc7 f3 32.Rg3 Rf4 33.Rxf3 Rxe4+ 34.Kf1 Rf4 35.Rxf4 exf4 36.Bd4 Be5 37.g7+ Kg8 38.gxf8Q+ Kxf8 39.Qg4 Bxd4 40.Qxf4+ Kg8 41.Qxd4 Qf8+ 42.Kg1 Re8 43.Qf2 Qxf2+ 44.Kxf2 Re4 45.Nd7 Kg7 46.Nc5+ Kf8 47.Nxe4 b3 48.axb3 Ke8 49.Kf3 Kd8 50.Ra7 Kc8 51.Nxd6+ Kb8 52.Rb7+ Ka8 53.Re7 a5 54.Nc4 a4 55.d6 Kb8 56.d7 Kc7 57.Ne5 Kd8 58.Re8+ 1-0 (58) dmitry-lavrik (2606)-zakramnika (2579) Blitz 2021*)* 11...gxf5 12.Nh5 fxe4 *(12...Ng6 13.Nxg7 Nxg7 14.Qd2 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Rxf3 16.0-0-0 Qh4 17.Bd3 Nf4 18.Bc2 Bf5 19.Rhg1 Kh8 20.Ng5 Rxe3 21.Qxe3 Rf8 22.Kb1 Bxc2+ 23.Kxc2 Nf5 24.Qe4 h6 25.Ne6 Nxe6 26.Qxh4 Nxh4 27.dxe6 Re8 28.Rdf1 e4 29.Rf7 Rxe6 30.Rxc7 e3 31.Rf1 Ng6 32.Rff7 e2 33.Rc8+ Re8 34.Rxe8+ Nf8 35.Rexf8#* 1-0 (35) supertactic91 (2631)-sina_iran (2735) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nxg7 Nxg7 14.fxe4 Ng6 15.Qd2 Bg4 16.h3 Bh5 17.Be2 Qh4+ 18.Kd1 Bxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Nh5 20.Qg4 Qxg4+ 21.hxg4 Ng3 22.Rg1 Rf3 23.Kd2 Raf8 24.Rg2 Nf1+ 25.Rxf1 Rxf1 26.Bxa7 Nh4 27.Re2 Nf3+ 28.Ke3 b6 29.Nb5 Rd1 30.Nxc7 Nd4 31.Rf2 Re1+ 32.Kd2 Rxf2+ 33.Kxe1 Rxb2 34.Ne8 Nc2+ 35.Kd1 Ne3+ 36.Kc1 Rxa2 37.Bb8 Nxc4 38.Nxd6 Nxd6 39.Bxd6 Ra4 40.Bc7 Rc4+ 0-1 (40) supertactic91 (2745)-Bakayoyo (2765) Blitz 2021;

B) 7...Nb8 8.d6 Ne8 9.dxc7 Nxc7 10.Nec3 Nc6 11.Nd2 Ne6 12.Nb3 f5 13.Be2 a6 14.0-0 Ned4 15.Nd5 d6 16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Bd3 f4 19.b4 Be5 20.a4 Be6 21.a5 Bxd5 22.exd5 b6 23.Qa4 bxa5 24.Qxa5 Qd7 25.c5 dxc5 26.bxc5 Qxd5 27.Be4 Qb3 28.Bxa8 Rxa8 29.Qa2 Qxa2 30.Rxa2 a5 31.Rfa1 Bc7 32.Rd1 Rd8 33.Ra4 d3 34.Kf1 Rd5 35.Rc4 Kf7 36.Rc3 d2 37.Ke2 a4 38.Rc4 Ba5 39.Rxf4+ Ke6 40.Rxa4 Rxc5 41.Re4+ Kf5 42.Re7 h5 43.Re4 g5 44.Ra1 g4 45.Rea4 Re5+ 46.Re4 Rd5 47.Rd1 Rc5 48.h3 g3 49.h4 Rd5 50.Ra1 Bc3 51.Rd1 Be5 52.Rxd2 1-0 (52) supertactic91 (2793)-Nadigraj (2780) Blitz 2022]

7.Nbc3 Rb8 8.a4 a5 9.Qd2 d6 10.d5 Nb4 11.Nd4 Nd7 12.Ra3 Nc5 13.Be2 e5 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.Rd1 b6 17.b3 Qe7 18.Na2 Nxa2 19.Qxa2 d5 20.exd5 exd5 21.Bf2 dxc4 22.Bxc4+ Kh8 23.Re1 Qd6 24.Rd1 Rbd8 25.h3 Be6 26.Bf1 Bxb3 27.Rxb3 Nxb3 28.Qxb3 c5 0-1 (28) dmitrijiiiGM (2831)-Nadigraj (2740) Blitz 2024

5...c6 6.Nc3 d5

[6...a6 7.a4 *(7.Nge2 b5 8.Ng3 bxc4 9.Bxc4 d5 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.e5 Ne8 12.f4 Nc7 13.f5 c5 14.e6 cxd4 15.exf7+ Rxf7 16.fxg6 hxg6 17.Bxg6 Rf6 18.Qh5 Rxg6 19.Qxg6 Ne5 20.Qxg7+ Kxg7 21.Bxd4 Qd6 22.0-0 Kg8 23.Rae1 Nf7 24.Nf5 Bxf5 25.Rxf5 e5 26.Bf2 Nb5 27.Bg3 Nxc3 28.bxc3 Re8 29.Ref1 Re7*

30.Bh4 Rd7 31.Rf6 Qc5+ 32.Kh1 Qxc3 33.Rg6+ Kf8 34.Bf6 Qd3 35.Bg7+ Kg8 0-1 (35) Nikolaj_6 (2611)-Odessacoach (2669) Blitz 2022 *)* 7...d6 8.a5 c5 9.dxc5 Nc6 10.cxd6 exd6 11.Bb6 Qe7 12.Bd3 Nh5 13.Nge2 Be6 14.0-0 Rac8 15.Qd2 Nb4 16.Bd4 Nf6 17.b3 Nc6 18.Bb6 Nd7 19.Be3 Nc5 20.Bc2 f5 21.Bg5 Qc7 22.exf5 gxf5 23.Nf4 Nd4 24.Rab1 Bf7 25.Ncd5 Bxd5 26.Nxd5 Qf7 27.Ne7+ Kh8 28.Nxc8 Rxc8 29.b4 Nce6 30.Bd3 Qg6 31.Be3 Rg8 32.Kh1 Be5 33.f4 Bf6 34.g3 Qh5 35.Qg2 Nc6 36.b5 Nxa5 37.Bd2 Bh4 38.Qe2 Qxe2 39.Bxe2 Nd4 40.Bxa5 Nxe2 41.gxh4 Rc8 42.Rbe1 Nd4 43.Rg1 h5 44.Bc3 Rxc4 45.Re8+ Kh7 46.Re7+ Kh6 47.Reg7 1-0 (47) squat2depth (2680)-Shant7777777 (2783) Blitz 2020]

7.e5

[7.cxd5 cxd5 8.e5

A) 8...Ne8

A1) 9.Bd3 Nc6 10.f4 Nc7 11.Nf3 *(11.h3 Bf5 12.Nf3 Bxd3 13.Qxd3 e6 14.0-0 f6 15.exf6 Qxf6 16.Rac1 Rac8 17.Ne5 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Qe7 19.Bxa7 Ra8 20.Qe3 Rfc8 21.a3 Qd7 22.Bd4 Bf8 23.g4 Na6 24.f5 Rc4 25.fxg6 Rxd4 26.Rxf8+ Kxf8 27.Qxd4 hxg6 28.Rf1+ Kg7 29.Rf6 Rf8 30.Ne2 Qe7 31.Nf4 Rxf6 32.exf6+ Qxf6 33.Nxe6+ Kf7 34.Qxf6+ Kxf6 35.Nf4 d4 36.Kf2 g5 37.Nd3 Ke6 38.Kg3 Kd5 39.h4 gxh4+ 40.Kxh4 Ke4 41.Nf2+ Ke3 42.Kg3 d3 43.g5 Nc5 44.g6 Ne6 45.a4 d2 46.b4 Ng7 47.Kg2 Ke2 48.a5 Nh5 49.Kg1 Nf4 50.g7 Nh3+ 51.Kg2 Nxf2 52.g8Q d1Q 53.Qe6+ Kd2 54.Kxf2 Qh1 55.Qe3+ Kc2 56.Qc5+ Kb3 57.Ke3 Qg1+ 58.Kd3 Qd1+ 59.Ke4 Qg4+ 60.Ke5 Qd7 61.Qd5+ Qxd5+ 62.Kxd5 Kxb4 63.a6 bxa6 64.Kd4 a5 65.Kd3 Kb3 66.Kd2 Kb2 67.Kd3 a4 68.Kc4 a3* 0-1 (68) Vantablack_Chess (2636)-Constantine83 (2646) Blitz 2023*)* 11...Bg4 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 e6 14.g4 f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.0-0-0 Rf7 17.Rhg1 Rb8 18.Rg2 b5 19.Rdg1 b4 20.Ne2 Nb5 21.Qh5 Qe7 22.Qh6 Kh8 23.Rxg7 Rxg7 24.Rxg7 Qxg7 25.Qxe6 Ne7 26.Bf2 Rb6 27.Qd7 Ng6 28.Bxb5 Qxd7 29.Bxd7 Rb7 30.Bxf5 Rf7 31.Bxg6 hxg6 32.Bh4 Kh7 33.Bf6 Rc7+ 34.Kd2 a5 35.Ng1 a4 36.Nf3 b3 37.axb3 axb3 38.e6 Kg8 39.Ng5 Kf8 40.e7+ Ke8 41.Ne6 Rc2+ 42.Kd3 Rc8 43.Ng7+ Kf7 44.e8Q+ Rxe8 45.Nxe8 Kxe8 46.Kc3 Kf7 47.Be5 Ke6 48.Kxb3 Kf5 49.Kc3 g5 50.fxg5 1-0 (50) Lucky1357924680 (2667)-fhdfard (2486) Blitz 2024;

A2) 9.Be2 Nc7 10.f4 Bf5 11.Nf3 e6 12.0-0 Nc6 13.a3 a5 14.Rc1 Rb8 15.Nb5 Nxb5 16.Bxb5 Qb6 17.Qa4 Na7 18.Rc5 Rfc8 19.Rfc1 Bf8 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Rxc8 Nxc8 22.Bd2 Na7 23.Be8 Nc6 24.Bxc6 bxc6 25.b3 Bc2 26.Bxa5 Qb7 27.Bb4 Bxb4 28.Qxb4 Qxb4 29.axb4 Bxb3 30.Nd2 Ba4 31.Kf2 Bb5 32.g3 h6 33.Ke3 Kg7 34.h4 g5 35.hxg5 hxg5 36.fxg5 Kg6

37.Kf4 Be2 38.Nb3 Kg7 39.Nc5 Kf8 40.g6 fxg6 41.Nxe6+ Ke7 42.Nc5 Kd8 43.Kg5 1-0 (43) amiraitowa (2686)-Chess_Nomad (2557) Blitz 2023;

B) 8...Nfd7 9.f4 *(9.Bd3 Nxe5 10.dxe5 d4 11.Bd2 dxc3 12.Bxc3 Nc6 13.f4 Bg4 14.Qxg4 Qxd3 15.Qe2 Qd5 16.Nf3 Qc5 17.Qf2 Qc4 18.Nd2 Qa6 19.Qe2 Qxe2+ 20.Kxe2 Rfd8 21.Rad1 b5 22.Nf3 e6 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rd1 Rxd1 25.Kxd1 Kf8 26.Ke2 Ke8 27.Kd3 Kd7 28.Ng5 Bh6 29.Nxf7 Bxf4 30.g3 Ke7 31.gxf4 Kxf7 32.b3 Ke7 33.a4 a6 34.axb5 axb5 35.Ke4 Kd7 36.Bd2 Ne7 37.Bb4 Nf5 38.Bc5 Kc6 39.Bf2 Ne7 40.Be3 Nd5 41.Bd4 Nb4 42.Bc3 Nd5 43.Bd4 Nc7 44.Be3 Na6 45.Bd4 Nc5+ 46.Bxc5 Kxc5 47.Kd3 Kb4 48.Kc2 Kc5 49.Kc3 b4+ 50.Kd3 Kd5 51.Ke3 Kc5 52.Kd3 Kd5 53.Ke3 h6 54.Kd3 g5 55.Ke3 gxf4+ 56.Kxf4 Kd4 57.h4 Kc3 58.Kg4 Kxb3 59.Kh5 Kc2 60.Kxh6 b3 61.Kg6 b2 62.h5 b1Q 63.h6 Qg1+ 64.Kf6 Qh2 65.Kxe6 Qxh6+ 66.Kf7 Kd3 67.e6 Qh5+ 68.Kf8 Qf5+ 69.Ke7 Ke4 70.Kd6 Qf6 71.Kd7 Ke5 72.e7 Qd6+ 73.Ke8 Kf6 74.Kf8 Qxe7+ 75.Kg8 Qg7#* 0-1 (75) grandmatt (2602)-purzelbaumer (2558) Blitz 2016 *)* 9...Nb6 10.Nf3 Nc6 11.Be2 Bg4 12.0-0 Rc8 13.Rc1 *(13.Nd2 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 e6 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.Rac1 a6 17.Nd6 Rb8 18.Nb3 Nc8 19.Nxc8 Rbxc8 20.Rc3 Rc7 21.Rfc1 Rfc8 22.Qc2 Qd8 23.a3 Bf8 24.Bf2 Be7 25.g3 h5 26.h3 Kg7 27.Kg2 Qd7 28.g4 Rh8 29.Rh1 Rcc8 30.Qe2 hxg4 31.hxg4 Rxh1 32.Kxh1 Rh8+ 33.Kg2 Na7 34.Nc5 Bxc5 35.Rxc5 Qa4 36.Qc2 Qxc2 37.Rxc2 Nc6 38.b4 Rc8 39.Bh4 Kf8 40.Bf6 Ke8 41.Kg3 Kd7 42.Rd2 Na7 43.Rd3 Nb5 44.f5 gxf5 45.gxf5 Rc3 46.Rxc3 Nxc3 47.fxe6+ fxe6 48.Kf4 Nb5 49.Ke3 Nxa3 50.Kd3 Nc4 51.Bg5 Kc6 52.Bc1 Kb5 53.Kc3 b6 54.Kb3 a5 55.bxa5 Nxa5+ 56.Kc3 Nc6 57.Bb2 Ka4 58.Bc1 b5 59.Be3 b4+ 60.Kc2 b3+ 61.Kc3 Na5 62.Bd2 Nc4 63.Bc1 Na5 64.Bb2 Nc6 65.Bc1 Na7 66.Bb2 Nb5+ 67.Kd3 Kb4 68.Bc1 Nc7 69.Bb2 Na8 70.Bc1 Nb6 71.Bb2 Nc4 72.Bc3+ Ka3* 0-1 (72) pipita09 (2609)-chessiando (2566) Blitz 2020 *)* 13...e6 14.b3 a6 15.Bf2 Qe7 16.Qd2 Rc7 17.Bh4 Qb4 18.Nb1 Rfc8 19.Qxb4 Nxb4 20.Rxc7 Rxc7 21.Bd8 Rc6 22.a3 Nc2 23.Rc1 Bxf3 24.Bxf3 Nd7 25.Rd1 Bf8 26.b4 Nb6 27.Bxb6 Rxb6 28.Rd2 Rc6 29.Bd1 Ne3 30.Kf2 Nc4 31.Rc2 Be7 32.Be2 b5 33.Bxc4 bxc4 34.Nc3 f6 35.Ke3 fxe5 36.dxe5 Bd8 37.Ne2 Bb6+ 38.Nd4 Kf7 39.g4 Rc8 40.a4 Ba7 41.Rc1 Rb8 42.Rb1 Ke7 43.h4 Kd7 44.Rb2 Kc7 45.Rb1 Rf8 46.Rd1 a5 47.b5 Bc5 48.Kf3 Bxd4 49.Rxd4 Kb6 50.Rd1 Kc5 51.Ke3 Kb4 52.Rb1+ Kxa4 53.b6 Rb8 54.Kd4 Ka3 55.Kc3 Ka2 56.Rb5 a4 57.f5 gxf5 58.gxf5 exf5 59.b7 a3 60.e6 Ka1 61.e7 a2 62.e8Q Rxe8 63.b8Q Rxb8 64.Rxb8 f4 65.Kc2 d4 66.Re8 d3+ 67.Kc1 c3 68.Re5 d2+ 69.Kc2 f3 70.Rd5 f2 71.Rxd2

cxd2 72.Kxd2 f1Q 73.Kc3 Qh1 74.Kb4 Qxh4+ 75.Kb5 Qh5+ 76.Ka6 Qg6+ 77.Ka7 h5 78.Ka8 h4 79.Kb8 h3 80.Ka8 h2 81.Kb8 ½-½ (81) jposthuma (2700)-chessiando (2813) Blitz 2021]

[7.h3 dxe4 8.fxe4 e5 9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 Nh5 11.Nge2 Nd7 12.Qd2 a6 13.0-0-0 b5 14.Kb1 Nb6 15.Bc5 Nc4 16.Qc1 Re8 17.g4 Nf4 18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.Qxf4 Be5 21.Qf2 Rb8 22.Bd4 Qd6 23.Rhf1 Rb7 24.Bxe5 Qxe5 25.Qd4 Qg3 26.Qxc4 Bd7 27.Qd3 Qe5 28.Qd4 Qg3 29.Rd3 Qg2 30.Qf2 Qxf2 31.Rxf2 Kg7 32.Re2 f6 33.Rf2 g5 34.Rdf3 Rb6 35.Rd3 Kg6 36.Rd4 h5 37.gxh5+ Kxh5 38.d6 Kg6 39.Nd5 Rxd6 40.Ne7+ Rxe7 41.Rxd6 Be6 42.b4 Bxh3 43.Rdxf6+ Kh5 44.Re2 g4 45.e5 g3 46.Rf8 Bg4 47.Re1 g2 48.Rh8+ Kg5 49.Rg8+ Kf4 50.Rg1 Kg3 51.Rxg2+ Kxg2 52.Rxg4+ Kf3 53.Rg6 Rxe5 54.Rxa6 Rb5 55.a3 Ke3 56.Rc6 Kd4 57.Kb2 Rd5 58.Kb3 Re5 59.Rc4+ Kd5 60.Rc3 Kd6 61.a4 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-chessiando (2815) Blitz 2021]

7...Nfd7

[7...Ne8 8.f4 *(8.c5 f6 9.f4 fxe5 10.fxe5 Nc7 11.Nf3 b6 12.cxb6 axb6 13.Be2 Ne6 14.0-0 Ba6 15.Qd2 Bxe2 16.Nxe2 c5 17.Rad1 Rxa2 18.dxc5 Nxc5 19.Nc3 Ra8 20.Qxd5+ Qxd5 21.Nxd5 Nc6 22.Nxb6 Ra5 23.Nd5 Ne4 24.b4 Rb5 25.Nd4 Rxf1+ 26.Rxf1 Rxd5 27.Nxc6 Bxe5 28.Nxe7+* 1-0 (28) alexkaspi (2625)-shakhan-shakh (2577) Blitz 2022*)* 8...Nc7 *(8...e6 9.Nf3 b6 10.Qd2 Nd7 11.Be2 Bb7 12.0-0 Nc7 13.Rac1 Rc8 14.Rfd1 Qe7 15.a3 Rfd8 16.b4 a6 17.c5 b5 18.a4 Ra8 19.Ra1 f6 20.Ra2 f5 21.Bf2 h6 22.Bh4 Qf7 23.Bxd8* 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2639) Blitz 2023*; 8...b6 9.Nf3 Bb7 10.Be2 Nc7 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 Qxd5 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Ng5 e6 15.Bf3 Qd7 16.Ne4 c5 17.dxc5 bxc5 18.Nxc5 Qxd1 19.Bxd1 Bd5 20.Bb3 Bxb3 21.axb3 Nc6 22.Ne4 Rcb8 23.Nd2 a5 24.Rfc1 Ra6 25.Bc5 g5 26.g3 f6 27.Ne4 fxe5 28.fxg5 Rxb3 29.Rf1 Rxb2 30.Rad1 Nd4 31.Nf6+ Kh8 32.Bxd4 exd4 33.Rxd4 Ra8 34.Rfd1 Bxf6 35.gxf6 Rf8 36.Rf4 Rb5 37.Rd7 Rf5 38.Rh4 h5 39.g4 Rg5 40.Rxh5+ Rxh5 41.gxh5 Rxf6 42.Ra7 Rf5 43.h6 Rb5 44.h7 Rf5 45.Kg2 Rh5 46.Kg3 Rxh7 47.Rxa5 Rd7 48.Re5 Rd6 49.Rg5 Kh7 50.Kf4 Rd2 51.Rg3 Re2 52.Kg5 Rf2 53.Re3 Rf5+ 54.Kg4 Rf6 55.Re5 Kg6 56.Rg5+ Kf7 57.h3 Ke7 58.h4 Rf1 59.Kh5 Kf6 60.Rg7 Kxg7* 0-1 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-filmer75 (2574) Blitz 2023*; 8...f6 9.Nf3 fxe5 10.Nxe5 e6 11.Be2 Nd7 12.0-0 Nd6 13.Qd2 Nf5 14.Bf2 Nxe5 15.fxe5 Bd7 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.Bd3 Bh6 18.Qe2 a6 19.Bxf5 Rxf5 20.Be3 Rxf1+ 21.Rxf1 Bg7 22.Qd2 Qb6 23.Bg5 Bxe5 24.Be3 Bg7 25.Kh1 Rf8 26.Rxf8+ Bxf8 27.h4 Bg7 28.Ne2 Qd8 29.Bg5 Qf8 30.Ng3 h6 31.Be3 Kh7 32.Qd3 Bb5 33.Qc2 Qb4 34.h5 Qe1+ 35.Kh2 Qxe3 36.Qxg6+ Kg8 37.a4 Bd7* 0-1 (37) Jakob19 (2626)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2625) Blitz 2021*)* 9.Nf3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nd7 *(10...b5 11.Bb3 a5 12.a3 a4 13.Ba2 Nd7 14.d5 cxd5 15.Nxd5*

Bb7 16.0-0 e6 17.Nc3 Qe7 18.Qd6 Qxd6 19.exd6 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Nd5 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.Rfb1 Bc6 23.Nd4 Rac8 24.Nxc6 Rxc6 25.Bxd5 exd5 26.Rxb5 Nc5 27.Rd1 Rdxd6 28.Be1 Ne4 29.Rbxd5 Rxd5 30.Rxd5 Nxc3 31.Ra5 Ne2+ 32.Kf1 Nxf4 33.Rxa4 Ne6 34.Ra8+ Kg7 35.a4 Kf6 36.a5 Nc5 37.Rb8 Nd7 38.Rb5 Ke6 39.Ke2 Nc5 40.Bf2 Na6 41.Rb6 Kd5 42.Rxc6 Kxc6 43.Kd3 Kd5 44.Bb6 f5 45.Ke3 Ke5 46.Kf3 g5 47.g4 f4 48.Bd8 h6 49.h4 gxh4 50.Bxh4 Nc5 51.Bd8 Ne6 52.Bb6 Ng5+ 53.Kg2 Ne4 54.a6 Ng5 55.a7 f3+ 56.Kf1 Ne4 57.a8Q Kf4 58.Qb8+ Kxg4 59.Bf2 Ng3+ 60.Qxg3+ Kf5 61.Qxf3+ Ke6 62.Qh3+ Ke7 63.Qxh6 Kd7 64.Ke2 Kc7 65.Kd3 Kd7 66.Kd4 Ke7 67.Be1 Kf7 68.Kd5 Kg8 69.Ke5 Kf7 70.Qh7+ Ke8 71.Ke6 Kd8 72.Qb7 Ke8 73.Qc8# 1-0 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Heart_of_Fire_Cat (2483) Blitz 2024*)* 11.0-0 Nb6 12.Bb3 Nbd5 13.Bd2 f6 14.Qe2 Kh8 15.h3 Be6 16.Ne4 Bg8 17.Nc5 fxe5 18.fxe5 b6 19.Nd3 Ne6 20.Qe4 Qd7 21.Rac1 Rfd8 22.Rc2 a5 23.Ba4 Rac8 24.Rfc1 b5 25.Bb3 a4 26.Bxd5 cxd5 27.Qh4 Rc4 28.b3 Rxc2 29.Rxc2 Rc8 30.Rxc8 Qxc8 31.Nb4 axb3 32.axb3 Qa8 33.Kh2 Bf8 34.Bh6 Bxh6 35.Qxh6 Qa1 36.Nc6 Qa3 37.Ng5 Ng7 38.Nd8 1-0 (38) Dreev,A (2698)-Zhigalko,A (2466) Rethymnon GRE 2003]

8.cxd5

[8.h4 c5 9.f4 cxd4 10.Qxd4 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Nc6 12.Qe4 Nb6 13.Bb3 Bf5 14.Qf3 Nd4 15.Qf2 Nxb3 16.axb3 Qd3 17.Rd1 Qc2 18.Nge2 Qxb2 19.0-0 Qxb3 20.Rc1 Nc4 21.Bc5 Rfc8 22.Bxe7 Nd2 23.Rfd1 Ne4 24.Nxe4 Bxe4 25.Qd4 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Qd5 27.Qxd5 Bxd5 28.Rc7 a5 29.Nd4 a4 30.Nb5 Bc6 31.Na3 Bf8 32.Bxf8 Kxf8 33.g4 Rd8 34.f5 Rd3 35.f6 Rxa3 36.Rc8+ Be8 37.Kf2 Rh3 38.Ra8 Rxh4 39.Kf3 Rh3+ 40.Kf4 a3 41.Kg5 h6+ 42.Kf4 g5+ 43.Ke4 Rg3 44.Kd5 Rd3+ 45.Ke4 Rc3 46.e6 fxe6 47.Ke5 Kf7 48.Rb8 Rc5+ 49.Ke4 Rb5 50.Ra8 Rb4+ 51.Ke5 Ra4 52.Rd8 a2 53.Rc8 a1Q+ 54.Kd6 Qd4+ 55.Kc7 Rc4+ 56.Kb8 Rxc8+ 57.Kxc8 Qd7+ 58.Kb8 b5 59.Ka8 Qc6+ 60.Kb8 Bd7 61.Ka7 Qc7+ 62.Ka6 b4 ½-½ (62) tornike_sanikidze (2669)-Dgita35492 (2551) Blitz 2021]

[8.f4 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Nb6 10.Bb3 Na6 11.Nf3 Bg4 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 e6 14.0-0 Nd5 15.Bd2 Qb6 16.Qf2 Rad8 17.Rad1 Ndb4 18.Bc1 c5 19.d5 exd5 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Bxd5 Nb4 22.Bc4 Nc6 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.f5 Nxe5 25.fxg6 Nxc4 26.Qxf7+ Kh8 27.Qxc4 Qxg6 28.Be3 b6 29.b3 Qd3 30.Qxd3 Rxd3 31.Bf4 Bd4+ 32.Kh2 Kg7 33.g4 Rc3 34.Rd1 Rf3 35.Bg3 Kg6 36.Kg2 Rc3 37.Rd2 h5 38.gxh5+ Kxh5 39.Bf2 Bxf2 40.Rxf2 b5 41.Rf7 Rc2+ 42.Kg3 Rxa2 43.Rf5+ Kg6 44.Rxc5 a6 45.Kg4 Ra3 46.Rc6+ Kf7 47.b4 Ra4 48.Kf5 Rxb4 49.Rxa6 Rh4 50.Ra7+ Ke8 51.Ke6 Kf8 52.Rb7 Rxh3 53.Rb8+ Kg7 54.Rb7+ Kg6 55.Rxb5 Re3+ 56.Re5 Rxe5+ 57.Kxe5 ½-½ (57) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-Dgita35492 (2508) Blitz 2024]

8...Nb6 9.dxc6 Nxc6 10.Bb5

[10.Qd2 Be6 *(10...Bf5)* 11.Rd1!? Exploring less charted territory.

Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. *(11.h4 Nc4 12.Bxc4 Bxc4 13.h5 Qa5 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Nge2 Rad8 16.f4 g5 17.g3 Nb4 18.0-0 gxf4 19.gxf4 Qa6)* 11...Nb4 12.b3 Rc8 13.Bd3 N6d5 14.Nxd5 Nxd3+ 15.Qxd3 Qxd5N 16.Ne2 Bf5 17.Nf4 Qa5+ 18.Qd2 Qa3 19.Nd3 Bxd3 20.Qxd3 Qxa2 21.0-0 Rc2 22.Rd2 *(22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Bxf2 Rc8 24.f4 Rc2 25.Qf3 e6 26.h3 Rd2 27.Be1 Rxd1 28.Qxd1 Bf8 29.d5 exd5 30.Qxd5)* 22...Rxd2 23.Bxd2 Rd8 24.f4 e6 25.Bb4 *(25.Qc3 Qa6 26.Ra1 Qb6 27.Be3 Rd5 28.Ra4 Bf8 29.Rc4 h5 30.h3 Be7)* 25...Qb2 26.Rd1 Bf8 27.Bxf8 Kxf8 28.Qc4 Kg7 29.h3 b5 30.Qb4 *(30.Qd3 b4)*

A) 30...Qc2 31.Rf1 *(31.Rd2 Qe4)* 31...Qd3;

B) 30...Qe2 31.Qd2 Qe4 32.Kh1 Rc8 33.Qd3 Qxf4 34.Qxb5 Rc2 35.Qd3 Qf2 36.Qe4 Re2 37.Qb7 *(37.Qf3 Qxf3 38.gxf3 Rf2 39.Rd3 Kf8)* 37...h5 38.b4 Rb2 39.b5 g5 40.Qe4 Rxb5 41.d5 Rxd5 42.Rxd5 exd5 43.Qxd5 Qf1+ 44.Kh2 Qf4+ 45.Kh1 g4 46.Qd1 *(46.e6 g3 47.Qd1 fxe6* 1-0 (46) Bettalli,F (2317)-Meyling,L (2072) Cattolica 2022 *48.Qd7+ Qf7)* 46...gxh3 47.gxh3 Qe4+ 48.Kg1 Qxe5 49.Qf3 Predecessor: 49...a5 50.Qg2+ Kh8 51.Qa8+ Kh7 52.h4 Qd4+ 53.Kg2 a4 1-0 (53) Donchenko,A (2636)-Karolczuk,I (2327) Katowice 2022]

10...Nb4 11.Nge2 Bf5 12.Rc1 N6d5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Bd2 Qb6 15.Qb3 Rfd8 16.Bc4 Qxb3 17.Bxb3 Nb6 18.Be3 a5 19.a4 Nd5 20.Bxd5 Rxd5 21.Kf2 Rd7 22.Rc3 1-0 (22) Lunaticxxx (2796)-gmcyborek (2665) Blitz 2021

[56] **7...Nc6** 8.d5 Ne7 9.g4 a5 10.h4 Nd7 11.h5 Nc5 12.Nbc3 f5 13.hxg6 fxg4 14.gxh7+ Kh8 15.f4 exf4 16.Nxf4 Qe8 17.Bd3 Nxd3+ 18.Qxd3 Nf5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Qd2 Be4 21.Nxe4 Qxe4 22.0-0-0 Qxc4+ 23.Kb1 Qe4+ 24.Ka1 a4 25.a3 Rae8 26.Ne6 Be5 27.Rhe1 Rf3 28.Bd4 Qf5 29.Bxe5+ dxe5 30.Nxc7 Rc8 31.d6 g3 32.d7 Rd8 33.Qd5 g2 34.Ne6 g1Q 35.Rxg1 Rxd7 36.Qxd7 1-0 (36) Indjic,A (2613)-Fernandez Guillen,E (2467) chess.com INT 2023

[57] **8.d5** cxd5

[8...b5!?]

9.cxd5 Nbd7 10.g4

[10.Na3!?±]

10...h5 11.g5 Nh7 12.h4

[12.Na3!?]

12...f6 13.Bg2 fxg5 14.hxg5 b5 15.Na3 Nb6 16.Rc1 Bd7 17.Kf2?!

[17.b3!?]

17...Rf7?!

[17...Na4!?]

18.Bh3?!

[18.Ng3]

18...Bxh3 19.Rxh3 b4 20.Qxb4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5 Qxg5= 1/2 (36) Popov,V (2582)-Chuprov,D (2400) Tula 1999

[58] **8...Nbd7** 9.0-0-0

[9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5

A) 10...Ne8 11.g4 f5 12.g5 f4 13.Bf2 Qxg5 14.0-0-0 a6 15.h4 Qd8 *(15...Qf6 16.Kb1 b5 17.Nc1 Nc5 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.d6 Be6 20.d7 Nc7 21.Qd6 Qd8 22.Qxc5 Rf7 23.a4 Rxd7 24.Rxd7 Qxd7 25.axb5 axb5 26.Nxb5 Nxb5 27.Bxb5 Qa7 28.Qxa7 Rxa7 29.Rd1 Bf8 30.Rd8 Rb7 31.Bc6 Rb6 32.Bd5 Bxd5 33.Rxd5 Be7*

34.Nd3 Bxh4 35.Rxe5 Bg3 36.Kc2 h5 37.Ra5 h4 38.Ne5 h3 39.Ra8+ Kg7 40.Ra7+ Kf6 41.Ng4+ Kg5 42.Rh7 Bh4 43.Ne5 Rf6 44.Ng4 Rc6+ 45.Kd3 Rb6 46.Kc3 Rc6+ 47.Kd3 Rb6 48.Kc2 Rc6+ 49.Kb1 Rd6 50.b4 Rd2 51.b5 Rd3 52.Kc2 Rxf3 53.Ne5 Re3 54.Nf7+ Kg4 55.Nh6+ Kg3 56.Nf7 Rxe4 57.Ne5 Rxe5 58.Kd3 Rc5 59.Kd4 Rxb5 60.Ke4 Rg5 61.Kd3 Rg4 62.Kc4 h2 63.Kc5 Kg2 64.Kc6 h1Q 65.Kd6 Kh2 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-beast2020 (2619) Blitz 2024 *)* 16.Kb1 b5 17.Nc1 Nc5 18.Nd3 Nxd3 19.Bxd3 Nf6 20.Rc1 Bd7 21.a3 Qe8 22.Qe2 Rb8 23.Na2 a5 24.Rc7 b4 25.axb4 axb4 26.Rhc1 Nh5 27.Qd2 b3 28.Nb4 Ra8 29.Na6 Bb5 30.R7c6 Bxd3+ 31.Qxd3 Qe7 32.Qxb3 Ng3 33.Qa3 Qxh4 34.Qxd6 Qh5 35.Qe6+ Kh8 36.R1c3 Ne2 37.Ra3 Qh1+ 38.Ka2 Nc1+ 39.Rxc1 Qxc1 40.Bc5 Qc4+ 41.Ka1 Rxa6 42.Qxa6 Qxc5 43.Qc6 Qxc6 44.dxc6 Rc8 45.Rc3 Bf8 46.Ka2 h5 47.Kb3 h4 48.Ka4 h3 49.Kb5 Bd6 50.Rc1 Rb8+ 51.Ka6 Rxb2 52.Rd1 h2 53.Rh1 Kg7 54.Ka5 g5 55.Ka6 g4 56.fxg4 f3 57.Ka5 f2 58.Ka4 Re2 59.Kb3 Bc7 60.Rxh2 f1Q 61.Rxe2 Qxe2 62.Kb4 Qxe4+ 63.Kb5 Qxg4 64.Kc5 Qe6 65.Kb5 Qd5+ 66.Kb4 Qxc6 67.Kb3 Qb5+ 68.Kc2 Bd6 69.Kd2 Qc4 70.Kd1 Bc5 0-1 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2735)-satlan (2675) Blitz 2022;

B) 10...a6 11.Nc1 *(11.Nd1 Nh5 12.g4 Nf4 13.Nxf4 exf4 14.Bxf4 Ne5 15.Be2 Bd7 16.0-0 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.g5 Ng6 19.Bxd6 Qb6+ 20.Bc5 Qxc5+* 0-1 (20) supertactic91 (2716)-PierreEPL (2777) Blitz 2021 *)*

B1) 11...Nh5 12.Nd3 f5 13.Be2 *(13.0-0-0 b5 14.Kb1 Nf4 15.g3 Nxd3 16.Bxd3 Nc5 17.Bc2 b4 18.Bxc5 bxc3* 0-1 (18) TargetGM (2690)-Naaas (2575) Blitz 2019*)* 13...b5 *(13...fxe4 14.fxe4 Nf4 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.Bxf4 Ne5 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Be3 Qh4 19.Bf4 Bg4 20.Bg3 Qh5 21.Bxg4 Nxg4 22.Bxd6 Be5 23.Bxe5 Qxe5 24.g3 Qh5 25.h4 Ne5 26.Kg2 Rf3 27.Qg5 Rxc3 28.bxc3 Qe2+ 29.Kh3 Nf3 30.Rxf3 Qxf3 31.Qf4 Qxc3 32.Rf1 Qg7 33.e5 Rd8 34.d6 Qd7+ 35.Qg4 Qe8 36.Qc4+ Kg7 37.Qf4 Qe6+ 38.Kh2 Qxa2+ 39.Rf2 Qe6 40.Rc2 Rf8 41.Qe3 Rf7 42.Rd2 Rd7 43.Qd4 b5 44.Rf2 b4 45.Rf6 Qa2+ 46.Kh3 b3 47.e6 b2 48.Rf7+ Kh6 49.Qg7+ Kh5 50.Qxh7#* 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-Jain Kashish Manoj (2110) Blitz 2021 *)* 14.0-0 f4 15.Bf2 g5 16.g4 fxg3 17.hxg3 Nb6 18.g4 Nf4 19.Nxf4 exf4 20.Kg2 Nd7 21.Rh1 Ne5 22.Bd4 Qf6 23.Bxe5 Qxe5 24.Rh5 Bd7 25.Nd1 h6 26.Rh1 Rac8 27.Rb1 Rc7 28.Nf2 Rfc8 29.Rhc1 Rxc1 30.Rxc1 Qxb2 31.Rxc8+ Bxc8 32.Qxb2 Bxb2 33.Nd3 Bc3 34.Kf2 a5 35.Nc1 b4 36.Bc4 Kg7 37.Ke2 Kg6 38.Kd3 h5 39.gxh5+ Kxh5 40.Nb3 a4 41.Nd4 Bxd4 42.Kxd4 g4 43.fxg4+ Kxg4

44.e5 dxe5+ 45.Kxe5 f3 46.Kd4 Kg3 47.Kc5 b3 48.axb3 a3 49.b4 f2 0-1 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-Karl0choa (2786) Blitz 2021;

B2) 11...b5 12.Nd3 Nh5 13.g4 Nf4 14.Nxf4 exf4 15.Bxf4 Ne5 16.Be2 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.0-0-0 b4 19.Na4 Bd7 20.b3 fxe4 21.fxe4 Qf6 22.Bg5 Rac8+ 23.Kb1 Nc4 24.Bxf6 Na3+ 25.Ka1 Bxf6+ 26.Nb2 Rc2 27.Rhg1+ Kh8 28.Qxc2 Nxc2+ 29.Kb1 Na3+ 30.Kc1 Rc8+ 31.Nc4 Bb5 32.Kd2 Nxc4+ 33.Bxc4 Bxc4 34.bxc4 Rxc4 35.Rc1 Bc3+ 36.Kd3 Rd4+ 37.Ke3 Rc4 38.Rgd1 a5 39.e5 dxe5 40.d6 Rc8 41.d7 Rd8 42.Ke4 Kg7 43.Kd5 Kf7 44.Kc6 Ke7 45.Rd5 e4 46.Rg1 e3 47.Rg4 Kf6 48.Re4 Bd2 49.Re8 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-MassterofMayhem (2610) Blitz 2024;

C) 10...Nh5 11.g4 Nf4 *(11...Nhf6 12.0-0-0 h5 13.h3 a6 14.Kb1 b5 15.Nc1 Nb6 16.Qf2 Rb8 17.Nb3 Bd7 18.Rc1 Na4 19.Bd3 h4 20.Qd2 Nh7 21.Ne2 Bf6 22.Qa5 Qxa5 23.Nxa5 Bg5 24.Bxg5 Nxg5 25.Ng1 Rfc8 26.Rh2 Nc5 27.Bf1 Kf8 28.Rhc2 b4 29.Nc4 Ke7 30.Nxe5 dxe5 31.Rxc5 Rxc5 32.Rxc5 f5 33.exf5 gxf5 34.Bxa6 Kd6 35.Rc1 f4 36.Bd3 Kxd5 37.Be4+ Kd6 38.Rd1+ Ke6 39.Bf5+ Kf6 40.Rxd7 Rb6 41.Rd1 b3 42.a3 e4 43.Bxe4 Ke5 44.Rd3 Nxe4 45.fxe4 Kxe4 46.Rc3 Rd6 47.Kc1 Re6 48.Nf3 Kd5 49.Nxh4 Re1+ 50.Kd2 Rh1 51.Rxb3 Rh2+ 52.Kc1 Rh1+ 53.Kc2 Rh2+ 54.Kb1 Ke4 55.Ka2 Rh1 56.a4 Rd1 57.a5 Rd6 58.Ra3 Ra6 59.Nf3 Ra8 60.Nd2+ Kd5 61.Nb3 Kc4 62.Nd2+ Kb5 63.Nf3 Ka6 64.b4 Re8 65.b5+ Kxb5 66.a6 Ra8 67.a7 Kb6 68.Nd4 Kb7 69.Ne6 f3 70.Nc5+ Kc6 71.Nd3 Kd5 72.Nf2 Ke5 73.Kb2 Kf4 74.Kc2 Kg3 75.Ne4+ Kg2 76.Nd6 Rd8 77.a8Q Rxa8 78.Rxa8 f2 79.Ra1 Kg3 80.Rf1 Kg2 81.Rxf2+ Kg3 ½-½ (81) Consent_to_treatment (2714)-feederman (2811) Blitz 2022)* 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Ne5 14.Be2 f5 *(14...Bd7 15.0-0-0 b5 16.Rdg1 b4 17.Nd1 Qa5 18.Kb1 Rfc8 19.Ne3 Bb5 20.Rc1 Rcb8 21.h4 Qa6 22.Bxe5 Bxe5 23.Rc6 Rb6 24.Bxb5 Qxb5 25.Rhc1 Kg7 26.Nc4 Rxc6 27.dxc6 Re8* 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Jain Kashish Manoj (2162) Blitz 2021*)* 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.0-0-0 fxe4 *(16...b5 17.Rhg1 Ng6 18.Bh6 b4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ Kg8 21.Qxb4 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Bf5 23.Qxd6 Rc8+ 24.Kd2 Rc2+ 25.Ke3 Qh4 26.Qg3 Qd8 27.Qd6 Qe8 28.Bd3 Rxb2 29.h4 Bxe4 30.Bxe4 Kh8 31.Qa3 Qb5 32.Qc3+ Kg8 33.Rd2 Qb6+ 34.Qd4 Rxd2 35.Qxb6* 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-Mikheev01 (2568) Blitz 2023*)* 17.fxe4 Kh8 18.Rhg1 Qh4 19.Bg3 Qh3 20.Kb1 Bd7 21.Rgf1 Rxf1 22.Rxf1 Rf8 23.Rxf8+ Bxf8 24.Qg5 Ng6 25.Bxd6 Bxd6 26.Qf6+ Kg8 27.Qxd6 Be8 28.Qg3 Qd7 29.e5 Qf5+ 30.Bd3 Qxe5 31.Bxg6 Bxg6+ 32.Kc1 Qf5

33.Qb8+ Kg7 34.Qxb7+ Kh6 35.Qb3 Qf4+ 36.Kd1 Qf1+ 37.Kd2 Qd3+ 38.Kc1 Qe3+ 39.Kd1 Qg1+ 40.Kd2 Qxh2+ 41.Ne2 Qc7 42.Qe3+ Kh5 43.Nf4+ Kg4 44.Nxg6 hxg6 45.Qd4+ Kf3 46.d6 Qa5+ 47.Kc2 Qd8 48.d7 g5 49.Qd5+ Kf4 50.Qd6+ Kf5 51.Qc5+ Ke6 52.Qc8 Qxd7 53.Qxd7+ Kxd7 54.Kd3 Kd6 55.Ke4 Kc5 56.Kf5 Kc4 57.Kxg5 Kd3 58.Kf4 Kc2 59.b4 Kc3 60.Ke3 Kxb4 61.Kd2 Ka3 62.Kc2 Kxa2 63.Kc1 a5 64.Kc2 a4 65.Kc1 Kb3 66.Kb1 a3 *(66...Kc3 67.Ka1 Kc4 68.Kb1 Kb4 69.Ka1 Ka3 70.Kb1 Kb3 71.Ka1 Kc3 72.Kb1 Kc4 73.Ka1 Kb4 74.Ka2 Kb5 75.Ka1 Ka5 76.Kb1 Kb6 77.Ka1 Kc6 78.Ka2 Kd5 79.Ka1 Kc4* ½-½ (100) Itinerant69 (2665)-Surreptitiously421 (2613) Blitz 2023 *)* 67.Ka1 Kc3 68.Kb1 Kb4 69.Ka2 Ka4 70.Ka1 Kb3 71.Kb1 Kc3 72.Ka1 Kc4 73.Ka2 Kb4 74.Ka1 Kb3 75.Kb1 Kb4 76.Ka1 Ka5 77.Kb1 Kb5 78.Ka1 Kc4 79.Kb1 Kb3 80.Ka1 a2 ½-½ (80) Consent_to_treatment (2736)-Mariano,N (2784) Blitz 2022]

[9.Rd1

A) 9...a6 10.Ng3 b5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 *(12.Nxd5 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Ne8 14.0-0 Bb7 15.Bg5 Ndf6 16.Bb3 a5 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Be3 a4 19.Bd5 Qb8 20.Bxb7 Qxb7 21.Rf2 Rb8 22.Qd5 Be7 23.Qxb7 Rxb7 24.Rc2 Nc7 25.Ne2 Rfb8 26.Rdd2 Nb5 27.Kf2 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Ke1 Kf7 30.Rc4 a3 31.b3 Ke6 32.Rdc2 d5 33.Rc6+ Kd7 34.Bc1 d4 35.Ra6 Rc7 36.Rxc7+ Nxc7 37.Ra7 Bc5 38.Ra4 Nb5 39.Bd2 e4 40.fxe4 fxe4 41.Bb4 Bb6 42.Bxa3 Rc8 43.Bb2 d3 44.Rxe4 dxe2 45.Rxe2 Ba5+ 46.Kd1 Bc3 47.Bxc3 Nxc3+ 48.Kd2 Nxe2 49.Kxe2 Rc2+* 0-1 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-SouthAfricanWolf (2686) Blitz 2022*)* 12...h5 13.Bg5 *(13.Bd3 Nc5 14.Bc2 h4 15.Nge2 Nh5 16.0-0 Nd7 17.b4 Nb6 18.Bb3 Bd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Rc2 f5 21.Rfc1 f4 22.Bf2 Nc4 23.Bxc4 Rxc4 24.Nd1 Rxc2 25.Rxc2 Ng3 26.hxg3 hxg3 27.Ba7 Qh4 28.Kf1 g5 29.Ng1 g4 30.Rc7 Rf7 31.Qc2 gxf3 32.Nxf3 Qh1+ 33.Bg1 Bg4 34.Ng5 Rxc7 35.Qxc7 f3 36.Qf7+ Kh8 37.Qe8+* 1-0 (37) positinal_style (2645)-MrSuccess (2642) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Nb6 14.b3 b4 15.Nce2 a5 16.Nc1 Ba6 17.Bxa6 Rxa6 18.0-0 Qd7 19.Nd3 Rc8 20.Rc1 Raa8 21.Qf2 Qb5 22.Qe3 Rc3 23.Rxc3 bxc3 24.Rc1 Rc8 25.Ne2 c2 26.Qd2 a4 27.Rxc2 axb3 28.axb3 Qxb3 29.Rb2 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-MassterofMayhem (2695) Blitz 2022;

B) 9...Qa5 10.b3 Re8 11.d5 c5 12.h4 a6 13.Bh6 Bh8 14.h5 b5 15.Ng3 bxc4 16.Bxc4 Nb6 17.Be2 Ra7 18.Nf1 c4 19.bxc4 Rc7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Ne3 Nbd7 22.Rb1 Nc5 23.g4 Rf7 24.Ncd1 Qa3 25.Nf2 Bg7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Nfd1 h5 28.g5 Nh7 29.Rg1 Ref8 30.Qb4 Nd3+ 31.Bxd3 Qxd3 32.Rb3 Qd4 33.c5 dxc5 34.Qxd4 exd4 35.Nc4 Rxf3 36.Ndb2 h4

37.Nd6 Bh3 38.e5 Rf1+ 39.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 40.Ke2 Nxg5 41.Rxh3 Rb1 42.Rb3 h3 43.Rb7+ Kh6 44.Nd3 Rxb7 45.Nxb7 c4 46.Nf2 h2 47.Ng4+ Kh5 48.Nxh2 Ne4 49.d6 Ng5 50.Nc5 Ne6 51.Nxe6 1-0 (51) Maghsoodloo,P (2721)-Weetik,V (2423) chess.com INT 2022]

[9.g4 d5 10.g5 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nh5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Nxd5 Nb6 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.Bc4 Bh3 16.Bb3 Qd6 17.0-0-0 Rfd8 18.Kb1 Qe5 19.Qf2 Nf4 20.Rd2 Ne6 21.Rhd1 Nxg5 22.f4 Qxe4+ 23.Bc2 Qd5 24.Nb3 Ne4 25.Rxd5 1-0 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Pblu35 (2692) Blitz 2023]

[9.h4 Re8 10.h5 d5 11.hxg6 hxg6 12.Bh6 Bh8 13.0-0-0 Nb6 14.dxe5 Nxc4 15.Qc2 Nxe5 16.Bg5 Bg7 17.Ng3 Qa5 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.exd5 Bg7 20.Kb1 Rd8 21.d6 Be6 22.Nge4 Qb4 23.Ng5 Rxd6 24.Rxd6 Qxd6 25.Nxe6 Qxe6 26.f4 Ng4 27.Be2 Ne3 28.Qd2 Qe4+ 29.Nxe4 Nf5 30.Qd7 Nd4 31.Ng5 Rf8 32.Bc4 Rd8 33.Qxf7# 1-0 (33) brianthegreat (2624)-drawingchest (2561) Blitz 2021]

[9.Ng3 exd4 10.Bxd4 Re8 11.Be2 a5 12.0-0 h5 13.Rfe1 h4 14.Nh1 Ne5 15.Nf2 Be6 16.b3 a4 17.Nxa4 Rxa4 18.bxa4 Nxc4 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Qb2 Ba6 21.Rad1 Qe7 22.e5 Nd7 23.Ng4 dxe5 24.Nxe5 Nxe5 25.f4 Nf3+ 26.gxf3 Qxe1+ 27.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 28.Kf2 Re2+ 29.Qxe2 Bxd4+ 30.Qe3 Bxe3+ 31.Kxe3 Kf8 0-1 (31) cant_handle_h5 (2600)-sotirakis (2588) Blitz 2024]

9...a6

[9...Nb6 10.Ng3 h5 11.h4 Qe7 12.Kb1 Be6 13.d5 cxd5 14.exd5 Bd7 15.Bg5 Rac8 16.b3 Qe8 17.Nge4 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Bd3 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Nd7 21.g4 hxg4 22.h5 gxh5 23.Rxh5 f6 24.Rdh1 Qg6 25.Bh6 Rf7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qh2 Rg8 28.Rh6 Qg5 29.Rh5 Qf4 30.Rh7+ Kf8 31.Rxf7+ Kxf7 32.Qh5+ Kf8 33.Rf1 Qg5 34.Qh7 Rg7 35.Qh8+ Ke7 36.Be2 g3 37.Bh5 Nf8 38.Bf3 Rh7 39.Qxh7+ Nxh7 40.Rh1 Nf8 41.Rg1 Qe3 42.Rxg3 Qe1+ 43.Kb2 Qxg3 44.Bd1 Qf2+ 45.Bc2 Qd4+ 46.Kb1 Nd7 47.b4 Qxc4 48.a3 Qc3 49.a4 Nb6 50.a5 Nc4 51.Kc1 Qd2+ 52.Kb1 Qxb4+ 53.Kc1 Qe1+ 54.Bd1 Qd2+ 55.Kb1 Qb2# 0-1 (55) jposthuma (2750)-PawarCHESS11 (2731) Blitz 2021]

[9...Qc7 10.Kb1 a6 11.d5 c5 12.g4 Re8 13.Ng3 Nf8 14.h4 Bd7 15.h5 Reb8 16.Bh6 b5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.gxf5 Nxh5 19.Rxh5 gxh5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qg5+ Ng6 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Bxb5 Qa5 24.a4 Qb4 25.f6+ Kh8 26.Rh1 Rg8 27.Rxh5 Nf8 28.Qh4 Rg2 29.Be2 Rb8 30.Nb5 c4 31.Rg5 Rxg5 32.Qxg5 Ng6 33.Qh6 Rg8 34.Nc3 Nf4 35.Bf1 Rg1 36.Qf8+ Rg8 37.Qxf7 Nd3 38.Bxd3 cxd3 39.Qa7 Rg1+ 40.Qxg1 1-0 (40) jposthuma (2732)-justuskoehler (2434) Rapid 2022]

[9...Qa5 10.Kb1 a6 *(10...b5 11.cxb5 cxb5 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Nc3 Nb6 15.Bg5 Qe6 16.d5 Qe8 17.Nxb5 Qd7 18.Rc1 f6 19.Be3 Rf7 20.Rc7 Qxc7 21.Nxc7 Rxc7 22.Bb5 Bd7 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Bxd7 Rxd7 25.Rc1 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Rc6 Ra4 28.Rc8+ Kf7 29.Qg5* 1-0 (29) Jones,G (2648)-

Murray,D (2162) Bunratty IRL 2014*)* 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.Nc1 Bb7 14.Nb3 Qc7 15.Be2 Rfc8 16.Rc1 Nc5 17.Nd1 Nxb3 18.axb3 Qxc1+ 19.Qxc1 Rxc1+ 20.Kxc1 Rc8+ 21.Kb1 Nd7 22.b4 f5 23.Nc3 h5 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Bd3 f4 26.Bf2 Nf6 27.Bf5 Rc4 28.Rc1 Rxb4 29.Na2 Rc4 30.Rxc4 bxc4 31.Nc3 Kf8 32.Be6 Ne8 33.Bf5 Ke7 34.Ka2 Nc7 35.Be4 Bf6 36.Ka3 Bc8 37.Kb4 h4 38.h3 Bd7 39.Kxc4 Nb5 40.Bd3 Nxc3 41.Kxc3 e4+ 42.Kc2 exd3+ 43.Kxd3 Bb5+ 44.Ke4 Bf1 45.Kxf4 Bxg2 46.b4 Bxh3 47.Bg1 Bd7 48.Bf2 Be5+ 49.Ke4 h3 50.Bg1 h2 51.Bxh2 Bxh2 52.f4 Bg1 53.f5 Kf6 54.Kf4 Bxf5 55.Kf3 Bd3 56.b5 Bxb5 57.Ke4 Bc5 58.Kf4 a5 59.Ke4 a4 60.Kf3 a3 61.Ke4 a2 62.Kf4 a1Q 63.Ke4 Qe5+ 64.Kf3 Qxd5+ 65.Kg4 Qf5+ 66.Kh4 Bf2# 0-1 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-Jain Kashish Manoj (2110) Blitz 2021]

10.dxe5

[10.Kb1 b5 11.c5 exd4 *(11...Qe7 12.cxd6 Qxd6 13.dxe5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Nxe5 15.Nc1 a5 16.Nb3 a4 17.Nc5 Re8 18.Be2 Nfd7 19.Rhd1 Nxc5 20.Bxc5 Be6 21.Kc2 Bh6 22.Rd6 Bf8 23.f4 Bxd6 24.Rxd6 Nd7 25.Bg1 b4 26.Nb1 Nf6 27.e5 Nd5 28.g3 a3 29.b3 Rad8 30.Bc5 Rxd6 31.Bxd6 c5 32.Bf3 Ne3+ 33.Kd2 Nf1+ 34.Kc1 Nxh2 35.Bc6 Rd8 36.Nd2 Ng4 37.Ne4 c4 38.bxc4 Bxc4 39.Bxb4 Bxa2 40.Nd6 Ne3 41.Bxa3 Bd5 42.Bxd5 Nxd5 43.Kd2 Rb8 44.Bc5 Rb3 45.Ne4 h5 46.Bd4 h4 47.gxh4 Nxf4 48.Nf6+ Kg7 49.Bf2 Rd3+ 50.Ke1 Rf3 51.Bd4 Ng2+ 52.Ke2 Rf5 53.Nd7 Nf4+ 54.Ke3 Ne6 55.Bc3 Rf1 56.Ke2 Rh1 57.Be1 Nd4+ 58.Kf2 Rxh4 59.Bb4 Ne6 60.Be7 g5 61.Kg3 Kg6 62.Nf6 Rd4 63.Ng4 Kf5 64.Nh6+ Kg6 65.Ng4 Ng7 66.Kh3 Nh5 67.Bc5 Rd3+ 68.Kh2 Kf5 69.Nh6+ Ke6 70.Kg1 Nf4 71.Ng4 Rg3+* 0-1 (71) Edouard, R (2686)-Moranda,W (2559) Warsaw POL 2012 *)* 12.Bxd4 dxc5 13.Bxc5 Re8 14.Bd6 Qa5 15.Nd4 Bb7 16.Nb3 Qb6 17.Qd4 Qxd4 18.Rxd4 a5 19.Be2 a4 20.Nc5 Nxc5 21.Bxc5 a3 22.Bxa3 Nd5 23.Nxd5 Bxd4 24.Nc7 Rxa3 25.Nxe8 Re3 26.Rd1 Be5 27.Bf1 Kf8 28.f4 Bxf4 29.Nf6 c5 30.Bxb5 Bxe4+ 31.Nxe4 Rxe4 32.g3 Be5 33.a4 Rb4 34.Rd2 Bd4 35.Ka2 Kg7 36.Rc2 f5 37.Ka3 g5 38.b3 f4 39.gxf4 gxf4 40.Rc4 Rxc4 41.Bxc4 Bc3 42.Ka2 Kf6 43.Kb1 Ke5 44.Kc2 Kd4 45.Kd1 Ke3 46.Kc2 Bb4 47.Bd3 h6 48.Bc4 f3 49.Kd1 Kf2 50.Kc2 Kg1 51.h4 f2 52.Be2 f1Q 53.Bxf1 Kxf1 54.Kd3 Kg2 55.Kc4 Kg3 56.a5 Bxa5 57.Kxc5 Kxh4 58.Kb5 Bd8 59.Kc4 Kg3 60.Kd3 Kg2 61.Ke2 h5 62.b4 h4 63.b5 Bb6 64.Kd3 h3 65.Ke4 h2 66.Kd5 h1Q 67.Kc6 Qg1 68.Kb7 Qc5 69.Ka8 Qxb5 70.Kb7 Ba5+ 71.Ka8 Bb4 72.Ka7 Qc4 73.Ka8 Qb3 74.Ka7 Bc3 75.Ka8 Bb2 76.Ka7 Ba1 77.Ka8 Qa2+ 78.Kb7 Qa3 79.Kc6 Qb2 80.Kd7 Qb1 81.Ke8 Qc1 82.Kf7 Qd1 83.Kg8 Qe1 84.Kh7 Qe2 85.Kg8 Qd3 0-1 (85) jposthuma (2767)-MassterofMayhem (2695) Blitz 2021]

[10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.Kb1 Nb6 13.Nc1 b4 14.Bxb6 Qxb6 15.Na4 Qa5 16.b3 Nd7 17.Nd3 Rb8 18.Nab2 f5 19.a4 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nf6 21.Nc4 Qc7 22.Nf2 Nd7 23.Bd3

Nc5 24.Kb2 Bd7 25.Rhf1 Bxa4 26.bxa4 Nxa4+ 27.Kb3 Nc5+ 28.Kb2 Na4+ 29.Kb3 Nc3 30.Ra1 Nb5 31.Ng4 Nd4+ 32.Kb2 h5 33.Nge3 Bh6 34.Rxa6 Rxf1 35.Bxf1 Rf8 36.Bd3 Qe7 37.Qxb4 Qh4 38.Qxd6 Qf2+ 39.Nc2 Kh8 40.Qxg6 Rb8+ 41.Rb6 Rxb6+ 42.Qxb6 Qxg2 43.Qxh6+ Kg8 44.Nxe5 Nxc2 45.Bxc2 Qf2 46.Qg6+ Kh8 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Orlando_Gloom (2659) Blitz 2023]

[10.Ng3 b5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.c5 Re8 13.h4 h5 14.Be2 Qe7 15.Qd6 Bb7 16.Kb1 Bf8 17.Rd2 Qd8 18.Qd3 Nxc5 19.Qc2 Qc8 20.Bg5 Nh7 21.Rhd1 Ne6 22.Be3 Bg7 23.Nh1 Nd4 24.Qc1 Qd8 25.g3 Qe7 26.Nf2 c5 27.a4 c4 28.Nd5 Bxd5 29.exd5 Nb3 30.Qc2 Nxd2+ 31.Rxd2 f5 32.Nh3 Rad8 33.Ng5 Nxg5 34.hxg5 e4 35.f4 Qb4 36.Bb6 Rd6 37.Bc7 Rd7 38.d6 c3 39.Rd1 cxb2 40.a5 Qa3 41.Bc4+ bxc4 42.Qxc4+ Kh7 43.Kc2 Rc8 44.Qc6 Rcxc7 45.dxc7 Rxd1 46.c8Q b1Q# 0-1 (46) Superfm1 (2641)-The_main_event003 (2696) Blitz 2024]

[10.g4 h5 11.h3 b5 12.Ng3 h4 13.Nf5 gxf5 14.gxf5 Kh7 15.Rg1 Rg8 16.Bg5 Bh6 17.Be2 Rxg5 18.Rxg5 b4 19.Nb1 Nxe4 0-1 (19) Superfm1 (2619)-MassterofMayhem (2615) Blitz 2024]

10...Nxe5

[10...dxe5 11.Bc5 Re8 12.Bd6 b5 13.c5 Qa5 14.Qc2 Bf8 15.a3 Nxc5 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.Kb1 b4 18.axb4 Qxb4 19.Nc1 Be6 20.N3a2 Qb6 21.Bc4 Rab8 22.Bxe6 Nxe6 23.Qc3 Nd4 24.Nd3 Rfe8 25.Nc5 Nb5 26.Qe3 Nd4 27.Qc3 Red8 28.Nd3 Nd7 29.Nab4 a5 30.Nc2 c5 31.Ne3 Nb5 32.Qb3 a4 33.Qc2 Na3+ 34.Kc1 Nxc2 35.Kxc2 Qb3+ 36.Kc1 c4 37.Nf2 Qxb2# 0-1 (37) Matin_Shams (2611)-MassterofMayhem (2706) Blitz 2021]

11.Ng3 Be6

[11...b5 12.Qxd6 Qxd6 13.Rxd6 bxc4 14.Be2 Ne8 15.Rd8 Nc7 16.Rxf8+ Bxf8 17.Rd1 Be6 18.f4 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.f5 Bc8 21.Rxd3 Nb5 22.Rd8 Nxc3 23.bxc3 Bb7 24.Rxa8 Bxa8 25.Kc2 Bd6 26.Ne2 c5 27.Kd3 c4+ 28.Kd4 gxf5 29.exf5 Bxg2 30.Bf4 Bf1 31.Ng3 Bxf4 32.Nxf1 Kg7 33.Kxc4 Kf6 34.Ng3 Kg5 35.Kd5 h5 36.Ke4 h4 37.Nf1 Bc1 38.h3 Kf6 39.Nh2 Bd2 40.c4 Be1 41.Nf3 Bf2 42.a4 a5 43.Ne5 Be1 44.c5 1-0 (44) Superfm1 (2653)-Lapin1982 (2514) Rapid 2023]

12.Qxd6 Qxd6 13.Rxd6 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.Rhd1 Rfc8 16.Bd4 Ne8 17.Rd7 Bh6+ 18.Kb1 b5 19.e5 Be6 20.Rb7 c5 21.Bf2 Bf4 22.Nge4 Bxe5 23.Nd5 Rcb8 24.Rxb8 Bxb8 25.Ne7+ Kf8 26.Bxc5 Kg7 27.Rd8 Nc7 28.Rg8+ Kh6 29.Be3+ Kh5 30.Nf6+ Kh4 31.Rh8 h5 32.Ne4 Bxa2+ 33.Kxa2 Ne6 34.Bf2+ Bg3 35.Nf5+ gxf5 36.Bxg3# 1-0 (36) mysterious_expert (2804)-drawingchest (2602) Blitz 2023

8...Re8 9.0-0-0 Nfd7 10.d5 c5 11.g4 a6 12.h4 b5 13.h5 bxc4 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Ng3 Nb6 16.Kb1 Ra7 17.Bg5 f6 18.Be3 N8d7 19.Qh2 Nf8 20.hxg6 Nxg6 21.Nf5 Nf8 22.Be2 Rb7 23.Rdg1 Bg7 24.Bh6 Bxh6 25.Qxh6 Bxf5 26.gxf5+ Kh8 27.f4 Qe7 28.Bh5 Reb8 29.Bg6 Na8 30.Rg2 Qg7 31.Qh4 Nc7 32.Rhg1 Nxg6 33.Rxg6 Qe7 34.R1g2

exf4 35.Qxf6+ Qxf6 36.Rxf6 Nb5 37.Nxb5 axb5 38.Rxd6 b4 39.Rf2 c3 40.Kc2 b3+ 41.axb3 Rxb3 42.bxc3 Rb2+ 43.Kd3 Rxf2 44.Kc4 Rf3 45.Kxc5 Rxc3+ 46.Kd4 Rcc8 47.Ke5 Rb4 48.Re6 Rxe4+ 49.Kxe4 f3 50.Kxf3 Rg8 51.Kf4 Rf8 52.Ke5 Rf6 53.Re8+ 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-foo0k (2585) Blitz 2022

8...Na6 9.d5

[9.0-0-0 exd4 10.Nxd4 Re8 11.Nb3 d5 12.Bg5 Qc7 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.Bb5 Bd7 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Bxd7 Qxd7 17.Nxd5 Qc6+ 18.Kb1 Bg7 19.Rc1 Qe6 20.g4 Rad8 21.Rhe1 h6 22.Qf2 b6 23.h4 Rc8 24.g5 hxg5 25.hxg5 Nc5 26.Nxc5 bxc5 27.Rxc5 Rxc5 28.Qxc5 Qe5 29.Re2 Qxg5 30.Qxa7 Qg3 31.Qf2 Qd6 32.a3 Rb8 33.Rc2 Re8 34.Qb6 Qe5 35.Ka2 Qg3 36.Nf6+ 1-0 (36) Banikas,H (2628)-Azis,A (2232) Paleochora GRE 2015]

9...Qa5 10.Nc1 Nc5 11.Be2 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.a3 Qc7 14.b4 Na4 15.N1a2 Nxc3 16.Qxc3 Qd8 17.0-0 Nh5 18.Qd2 f5 19.Rac1 Nf4 20.Nc3 Rc8 21.Nb5 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Bxb5 23.Bxb5 Bh6 24.Bf1 Qg5 25.Kh1 fxe4 26.g3 Qh5 27.gxf4 exf4 28.Bd4 Qxf3+ 29.Bg2 Qxa3 30.Bxe4 Qh3 31.Bg2 Qh5 32.Qe1 Qf5 33.Be4 Qh5 34.Rc7 f3 35.Qf2 Qg4 36.Re7 Bg5 37.Re6 Bh4 38.Qf1 Rf4 39.h3 Qg3 40.Bg1 f2 41.Bh2 Qe3 42.Bxf4 Qxf4 43.Bf3 Qxf3+ 44.Kh2 Bg3# 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-strongmama1 (2639) Blitz 2024

8...Qa5 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 b4 11.dxe5 bxc3 12.Nxc3 dxe5 13.g4 Be6 14.h4 Na6 15.h5 Rfd8 16.Qc1 Rxd1 17.Qxd1 Rd8 18.Qc1 Qb4 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Bh6 Bxc4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.g5 Nh5 24.Rxh5 gxh5 25.g6 hxg6 26.Qxg6+ Kf8 27.Qf6+ Ke8 28.Qxc6+ Rd7 29.Bxc4 Nc5 30.Qc8+ Ke7 31.Nd5+ Rxd5 32.Bxd5 Qe1+ 33.Kc2 Qe2+ 34.Kc3 Qd3+ 35.Kb4 Qd4+ 36.Kb5 a6+ 37.Kc6 Qa4+ 38.Kxc5 Qb5# 0-1 (38) CowardHunterr (2624)-Gevorg_Harutjunyan (2638) Blitz 2021

[59] **9.d5** cxd5

[9...c5 10.g4 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.Nec3 h5 14.h3 Ne8 15.Bd3 Nd7 16.0-0 Qh4 17.Kg2 Qe7 18.a4 Rc8 19.b3 Ra8 20.Na3 Bc8 21.Nc4 Kh8 22.Nb5 Rg8 23.Rh1 f5 24.Bg5 Bf6 25.Be3 Bh4 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Bxf5 Ndf6 28.Bxc8 Rxc8 29.Rag1 e4 30.f4 Rd8 31.g5 Qf7 32.Nc3 Nc7 33.Rd1 Bxg5 34.fxg5 Nfxd5 35.Nxd5 Qf3+ 36.Kh2 Nxd5 37.Qxd5 Qe2+ 38.Kg1 Rdf8 39.Qd2 Qf3 40.Rh2 Qg3+ 41.Kh1 d5 42.Qxd5 Qf3+ 43.Kg1 Rd8 44.Qxd8 Rxd8 45.Rxd8+ Kh7 46.Rd7+ Kg8 47.Rf2 Qg3+ 48.Rg2 Qxh3 49.Rd8+ Kg7 50.Rdd2 Qe6 51.Rdf2 h4 52.g6 h3 53.Rg3 Qd5 54.Kh2 Kg8 55.g7 Qd8 56.Rf8+ Qxf8 57.gxf8Q+ Kxf8 58.Kxh3 Kf7 59.Rg4 Ke6 60.Rxe4+ Kd5 61.Re5+ Kc6 62.Rxc5+ Kb7 63.b4 Ka6 64.Kg4 Kb7 65.Kf5 Ka6 66.Ke6 Kb7 67.Kd5 Ka6 68.Kc6 Ka7 69.Ra5+ Kb8 70.Bf4+ Kc8 71.Ra8# 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-Nikson135 (2721) Blitz 2022]

[9...b5 10.cxb5 cxd5 11.Nxd5 axb5 12.Nec3 Nc6 13.Bg5 Be6 14.Bxb5 Nd4 15.Bc4 Rc8 16.b3 h6 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bxh6 Bxc4 19.bxc4 Re8 20.0-0 Rxc4 21.Rfc1 Qb6 22.Be3

Rec8 23.Nd5 Qd8 24.Bxd4 exd4 25.Rxc4 Rxc4 26.Qd3 Ra4 27.Qb3 Ra8 28.a4 Bg7 29.Qd3 Qb8 30.Rb1 Qa7 31.Rb4 Qc5 32.h4 Qc1+ 33.Kh2 Be5+ 34.g3 Qe1 35.f4 Bg7 36.Rb2 Rxa4 37.h5 Ra1 38.Qf3 d3 39.Rb8+ Kh7 40.hxg6+ fxg6 41.Rb7 Qe2+ 42.Qxe2 dxe2 43.Nf6+ Kh6 44.g4 Bxf6 45.g5+ Bxg5 46.fxg5+ Kxg5 47.Rb5+ Kf4 0-1 (47) XThepunisherX (2644)-Mikheev01 (2555) Blitz 2022]

10.cxd5 b5

[10...Nh5 11.g4 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Nd7 14.Rg1 Ne5 15.Be2 Re8 16.0-0-0 b5 17.Kb1 b4 18.Na4 Bd7 19.Qc2 Qa5 20.b3 Rec8 21.Qd2 Bxa4 22.bxa4 Qxa4 23.Rc1 b3 24.Rxc8+ Rxc8 25.Rc1 bxa2+ 26.Qxa2 Rb8+ 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2721)-MassterofMayhem (2600) Blitz 2022]

11.Nc1

[11.Ng3

A) 11...Nbd7 12.Bd3 *(12.a4 b4 13.Na2 a5 14.Nc1 Nc5 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Nb3 Qd6 17.Bc4 Ba6 18.Qe2 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 Nd7 20.0-0 Rfc8 21.Rfc1 Nb6 22.Qb5 c4 23.Nxa5 c3 24.bxc3 bxc3 25.Nc6 Nd7 26.Rxc3 Bf8 27.a5 Rab8 28.Nxb8 Rxb8 29.Qc6 Qb4 30.a6 Bc5+ 31.Rxc5 Nxc5 32.Ne2 Qb2 33.Re1 Nd3 34.a7 Nxe1 35.axb8Q+ Qxb8 36.Qc1 Qb6+ 37.Kf1 Nd3 38.Qc8+ Kg7* Time forfeit 0-1 (38) licg (2627)-Logmann72 (2445) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Nc5 *(12...Nb6 13.b3 b4 14.Nd1 a5 15.Nb2 Rb8 16.0-0 Nbxd5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bg5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Nc3 20.Nc4 Qc7 21.Rac1 d5 22.Nb2 Re8 23.Bh6 Bh8 24.Na4 d4 25.Bc4 Be6 26.Bxe6 Rxe6 27.Ne4 f5 28.Ng5 Rc6 29.Nb2 Rd8 30.Nc4 Bf6 31.Rce1 a4 32.Qf2 a3 33.Rc1 Rxc4 34.bxc4 Qxc4 35.Rc2 d3 36.Rd2 Qd4 37.Qxd4 Rxd4 38.Nh3 Bg7 39.Bxg7 Kxg7 40.Re1 e4 41.Nf2 Kf6 42.fxe4 fxe4 43.Ng4+ Ke6 44.Ne3 Nd5 45.Ng4 Kd6 46.Kg1 h5 47.Ne3 Nxe3 48.Rxe3 Kd5 49.Kf2 Rc4 50.Re1 Kd4 51.Red1 e3+ 52.Kf3 exd2 53.Rxd2 Rc2 54.Rf2 Rxf2+ 55.Kxf2 b3 56.axb3 a2 57.b4 a1Q* 0-1 (57) slowchessplayer2001 (2629)-mbojan23 (2618) Blitz 2022 *)* 13.Bc2 b4 14.Na4 Nxa4 15.Bxa4 a5 16.0-0 Nd7 17.Rfc1 f5 18.Bf2 Nc5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.d6 Be6 21.Rxc5 Qh4 22.d7 Bh6 23.Qd6 Be3+ 24.Kh1 Bxc5 25.Qxe6+ Kh8 26.Qxe5+ 1-0 (26) runittwice (2681)-pierrotb (2638) Blitz 2018;

B) 11...h5 12.Bd3 h4 13.Nge2 Nh5 14.g4 Nf4 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.Bxf4 Nd7 17.Bxd6 Ne5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.f4 Bd4 20.Ne2 Ba7 21.f5 Qf6 22.0-0-0 Bd7 23.Kb1 Qe5 24.Qc3 Bb8 25.Qxe5 Bxe5 26.Bc2 g5 27.Nd4 Rac8 28.Bb3 Rc5 29.h3 Re8 30.Rhe1 Kg7 31.Nf3 Kf6 32.Nxe5 Kxe5 33.Rc1 Rec8 34.Rxc5 Rxc5 35.Bc2 f6 36.Kc1 b4 37.Kd2 Ra5 38.Bb3 Kd4 39.e5 fxe5 40.f6 Be8 41.d6 Rc5 42.f7 Bxf7 43.Bxf7 Rc8 44.d7 Rd8 45.Be8 Kd5 46.Rc1 Kd6 47.Rc8 Rxd7 48.Rd8 Rxd8 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-MassterofMayhem (2734) Blitz 2024]

[11.g4 h5
A) 12.g5 Nfd7 *(12...Ne8 13.h4 Nd7 14.0-0-0 Nb6 15.Ng1 f5 16.gxf6 Bxf6 17.Kb1 Bxh4 18.Qg2 Rb8 19.Qxg6+ Ng7 20.Bh6 Qf6 21.Qxg7+ Qxg7 22.Bxg7* 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-mr_kaos (2606) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Rg1 *(13.0-0-0 Nb6 14.Bxb6 Qxb6 15.Kb1 Nd7 16.Nc1 b4 17.Na4 Qa5 18.b3 Nb6 19.Nb2 Qa3 20.Qe3 Qa5 21.Qd2 Qa3 22.Qf2 Qa5 23.Ncd3 Rb8 24.Rc1 Bd7 25.Qd2 Na8 26.Nc4 Qc7 27.Nxb4 Bb5 28.Nc6 Bxc6 29.dxc6 Rfd8 30.Ne3 Nb6 31.Nd5 Nxd5 32.Qxd5 Kh7 33.Bxa6 Rb4 34.Rhd1 Ra8 35.Bc4 Qa5 36.Qxa5 Rxa5 37.c7 Ra8 38.Bxf7* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-MassterofMayhem (2755) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Nb6 14.Nc1 N8d7 15.Qf2 Bb7 16.Nb3 Rc8 17.Na5 Ba8 18.a3 Nc5 19.b4 Nca4 20.Nd1 Bxd5 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Bh3 Rc7 23.Ra2 Nxe3 24.Nxe3 d5 25.Kf1 d4 26.Nd1 Rc1 27.Kg2 Qxg5+ 28.Kh1 Qf4 29.Qd2 Bh6 30.Qxf4 Bxf4 31.Nb7 Kg7 32.Nd6 Kh6 33.Ne4 f5 34.Nd6 Rf6 35.Nb7 Rfc6 36.Nc5 Nxc5 37.bxc5 R6xc5 38.Re2 R5c2 39.Reg2 Rxg2 40.Kxg2 e4 41.fxe4 fxe4 42.Nf2 Rc2 43.Kf1 e3 44.Nd3 Bxh2 45.Rg2 Rxg2 46.Kxg2 Bd6 47.Kf3 Bxa3 48.Ke4 Bc5 49.Nxc5 e2 50.Nd3 a5 51.Kxd4 a4 52.Kc3 a3 53.Kb3 b4 54.Ka2 g5 55.Kb3 g4 56.Bg2 Kg5 57.Be4 Kh4 58.Bd5 Kg3 59.Bc6 h4 60.Bf3 h3 61.Bg2 h2 62.Bh3 Kxh3 63.Ne1 h1Q 64.Nf3 Qh2 65.Ng1+ Kh4 66.Ka4 Kh5 67.Kb5 Kh6 68.Kb6 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-MassterofMayhem (2614) Blitz 2021;
B) 12.gxh5 Nxh5 13.Ng3 Nf4 14.Nce2 Nd7 15.h4 Nc5 16.0-0-0 *(16.Nxf4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Qf6 18.Rb1 Na4 19.h5 Nxb2 20.h6* 1-0 (20) Lucky1357924680 (2664)-MassterofMayhem (2614) Blitz 2024*)* 16...f5 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Na4 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bh6 Bf6 21.Bxf8 Qxf8 22.h5 g5 23.h6 Kh7 24.Nh5 Bh8 25.Ng7 Qf6 26.Bd3 Bd7 27.Kb1 Re8 28.Qc2 Bxg7 29.hxg7+ Kxg7 30.Rdg1 e4 31.fxe4 fxe4 32.Be2 Bf5 33.Rh5 Rc8 34.Rhxg5+ Kh6 35.Rh5# 1-0 (35) Lucky1357924680 (2675)-MassterofMayhem (2667) Blitz 2024]
11...h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nd3 Nh5 14.0-0-0 f5 15.Kb1 f4 16.Bf2 g5 17.h3 Ng3 18.Rhe1 Bd7 19.Rc1 Nxe2 20.Nxe2 a5 21.Rc2 b4 22.Rec1 Bb5 23.Rc7 Ba6 24.Bb6 Qe8 25.R7c6 Rf6 26.Bxa5 Nxc6 27.dxc6 Bxd3+ 28.Qxd3 Rxa5 29.c7 Ra8 30.Qd5+ Kh7 31.Qxa8 Qxa8 32.c8Q Qxc8 33.Rxc8 d5 34.exd5 Rd6 35.Rc5 Kg6 36.Rc6 Bf8 37.Rxd6+ Bxd6 38.Kc2 e4 39.fxe4 g4 40.Nxf4+ Bxf4 41.hxg4 Kg5 42.Kd3 Kxg4 43.Kd4 Kg3 44.e5 Kxg2 45.e6 Bd6 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2754)-JelenaZ (2665) Blitz 2023

9.Rd1 exd4 10.Nxd4 b5 11.a3 Bb7 12.Be2 bxc4 13.Bxc4 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Be2 Re8 16.0-0 Nbd7 17.Rfe1 Ne5 18.Bf1 Rc8 19.Nc2 Nc4 20.Bxc4 dxc4 21.Qxd8 Rexd8 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Bd4 h5 24.Re7 Nd5 25.Rxb7 Bxd4+ 26.Nxd4 Nxc3

27.bxc3 1-0 (27) sjakk98765 (2710)-aZaMaT86 (2662) Blitz 2022

60 **10.0-0-0**
[10.dxe5 dxe5 11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Bc5 Re8 13.b4 Qa3+ 14.Qb2 Qxb2+ 15.Kxb2 bxc4 16.Na4 Nbd7 17.Nec3 Nxc5 18.bxc5 Rb8+ 19.Kc2 Bf8 20.Bxc4 a5 21.Nb6 Bxc5 22.Nxc8 Rbxc8 23.g5 Nh5 Kobrin,M-Mchedlishvili,M/Tallinn 1997/LesEchecs.com/½-½ (46)]
[10.Ng3 Nbd7 11.g5 Ne8 12.h4 Nc7 13.0-0-0 Ne6 14.d5 cxd5 15.Nxd5 Bb7 16.Kb1 Nd4 17.f4 bxc4 18.Bxc4 Rc8 19.Bb3 Nc5 20.f5 gxf5 21.Bxd4 exd4 22.Nxf5 Nxe4 23.Qf4 Nc5 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Qxd4+ 1-0 (25) benkonian (2629)-Karl0choa (2649) Blitz 2022]
[10.d5 bxc4 11.Ng3 cxd5 12.exd5 e4 13.g5 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Bxc4 Nd3+ 16.Bxd3 exd3 17.Qxd3 Bh3 18.0-0-0 Nd7 19.Kb1 Nc5 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Rhe1 Rb8 22.Rd2 c4 23.Qxc4 Qa5 24.Rc1 Rfc8 25.Qd3 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 Bxc3 27.Rc2 Bxb2 28.Rxb2 Qe1+ 29.Kc2 Qf2+ 30.Ne2 Rc8+ 31.Kb3 Qb6+ 32.Ka3 Qa5+ 33.Kb3 Bf5 34.Qd4 Rb8+ 35.Kc4 Qa4+ 36.Kc5 Rc8+ 37.Kd6 Qd7+ 38.Ke5 Qe7# 0-1 (38) MaLeKkoNihli (2601)-EchiquierChalonnais (2744) Blitz 2023]
10...Nbd7 11.h4 Qa5 12.h5 Rb8 13.Bh6 bxc4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Qh6+ Kg8 17.g5 Nh5 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Ng3 Rf7 20.Bxc4 d5 21.g6 hxg6 22.Qxg6+ Rg7 23.Qe8+ Nf8 24.Nxh5 Qb4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Rh1+ 1-0 (26) littleplotkin (2811)-anonymouse777 (2661) Blitz 2022

61 **6...a6** 7.Nec3
[7.Nd2 Nbd7 8.Nc3 c5 9.d5 Re8 10.Be2 Ne5 11.0-0 e6 12.a4 exd5 13.cxd5 Rb8 14.a5 *(14.h3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 c4 17.Na3 Rxb2 18.Naxc4 Nxc4 19.Nxc4 Rb8 20.Bf4 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Bxa1 22.Rxa1 Qf6 23.Qxd6 Qxa1+ 24.Kh2 Be6 25.Ne3 Rbd8 26.Qc5 Qg7 27.Bb5 Rc8 28.Qb6 Red8 29.Ba6 Ra8 30.Bb7 Rab8 31.Bxb8 Rxb8 32.Qc7 Rf8 33.Bd5 Qf6 34.Qd6 h5 35.Nc4 Kg7 36.Nb6 Rd8 37.Qc7 Bxd5 38.Nxd5 Qd6+ 39.Qxd6 Rxd6 40.h4 Ra6 41.Kg3 f6 42.Kf4 Kf7 43.g3 Ra3 44.Ne3 g5+ 45.hxg5 fxg5+ 46.Kxg5 Rxe3* 0-1 (46) gg-gm-gmg (2610)-Anuar_Is (2627) Blitz 2020*)*
14...b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.Qc2 h5 17.h3 Qc7 18.f4 Ned7 19.Bf3 Rb4 20.Bf2 Qb6 21.Ra2 Qc7 22.b3 Nh7 23.Nc4 Nb6 24.Na5 Bd7 25.Rd1 Bd4 26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Ne2 Qxc2 28.Rxc2 Nf6 29.Nxd4 Nxe4 30.Ndc6 Rb5 31.Nc4 Rxd5 32.Rxd5 Nxd5 33.Bxe4 Rxe4 34.Nxd6 Rxf4 35.Ne5 Be6 36.Rc6 a5 37.Ra6 Ne3 38.Rxa5 h4 39.Nf3 Bd5 40.Kf2 Bxf3 41.Kxe3 Rf6 42.gxf3 Rxd6 43.b4 Rd1 44.Rb5 Kg7 45.Rb8 Kf6 46.b5 Kf5 47.b6 Rb1 48.b7 f6 49.Rh8 Rxb7 50.Rxh4 Rb3+ 51.Kf2 g5 52.Re4 Rd3 53.h4 Rd2+ 54.Ke3 Rh2 55.hxg5 Kxg5 56.Ra4 f5 57.Ra8 Rh4 ½-½ (57) Mischuk_D (2637)-Ute-Manfred (2643) Blitz 2021]
7...Nc6
[7...e5
A) 8.dxe5!? Since Black does not control the central d5-square this continuation is also interesting.
dxe5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Nd5!

White seizes the initiative in the endgame. Nxd5 *(10...Rd7 11.Nbc3±)* 11.cxd5 c6 12.Bb6 Re8 13.Nc3 Nd7 14.Be3 c5 15.g4± 1-0 (50) Dubov,D (2627)-Szelag,M (2456) Germany 2014;

B) 8.d5 Nh5 9.Nd2!? Sometimes this move is very good, because the knight defends from the d2-square the two pawns c4 and e4, then White can play ♕c2 and castle long. c5 *(9...c6 10.Qc2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Bxb5 Nd4 14.Qd3 f5 15.0-0 Kh8 16.a4 Be6 17.Bc4 Qd7 18.b4 Rfc8 19.Bxe6 Qxe6 20.Nd5 Ra7 21.b5 Rc5 22.b6 Rb7 23.a5 Nf6 24.Bxd4 exd4 25.a6 Rxb6 26.Nxb6 Rc3 27.Qb5 fxe4 28.Nxe4* 1-0 (28) Aravindh,C (2723)-Tikhonov,V (2183) chess.com INT 2025 *)* 10.Qc2 Nd7 11.g3 f5 12.Be2 *(12.exf5!* This typical move in such positions leads to nice play for White. *gxf5 13.0-0-0±)* 12...f4 *(12...Ndf6!?)* 13.Bf2 fxg3 14.hxg3 Qg5 15.Rg1± Bh6!? 16.Nf1?! *(16.0-0-0!?±* is more precise.*)* 16...Qe7 17.Ne3 Rf7 18.0-0-0!? b5! Black counter-attacks on the queenside.

19.cxb5 axb5 20.Nxb5 Rxa2 21.Kb1 Ra5?! *(21...Bxe3!* is better. *22.Bxe3 Ra6⇄)* 22.Nxd6! A powerful blow. Qxd6 23.Nc4 Qa6 24.Nxa5 Qxa5 25.Rd3± Nhf6 26.Be3?! White trades his strong bishop. *(26.Rgd1!±* is correct, and White can push the d-pawn forward and try to grab the c5-pawn.*)* 26...Bxe3 27.Rxe3 Ne8! 28.Ra3 Qb6 29.Ra8 Nd6 30.Rc1 Kg7= 31.Qc3 Bb7 *(31...h5)* 32.Ra3 Qd8 33.Qe3 h5 34.Ba6 Bxa6 35.Rxa6 Qf8 36.f4?! *(36.Rc3=)* 36...Kh7?! *(36...exf4! 37.gxf4 Rxf4 38.Ra7 Rf7 39.e5 Qb8 40.Rxd7 Rxd7 41.exd6 Qxd6 42.Rxc5∓)* 37.fxe5?! *(37.f5 gxf5 38.Rh1 fxe4 39.Rxh5+ Kg8 40.Rg5+ Kh8 41.Rh5+=)* 37...Nxe5 38.Qxc5

B1) 38...Nxe4 39.Qe3 *(39.Qxf8 Rxf8 40.Re6 Nc4 41.b3 Ncd6∓)* 39...Qb4 40.Ra7 Nd2+ 41.Ka2∓;

B2) 38...Rf1?! 39.Ra7+ *(39.Qc7+ Kg8 40.Ka2 Rxc1 41.Qxc1 Nef7=)* 39...Kh6 40.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 41.Ka2

B2a) 41...Nd3! 42.Qxd6 Nc1+ 43.Ka3 *(43.Kb1 Nb3+=)* 43...Qd3+ 44.Ka4 Qd4+ 45.Kb5 Qxa7 46.Qf4+ g5 47.Qxc1 Qb7+ 48.Ka4 Qa6+=;

B2b) 41...Nec4 42.Qd4! Qe2? *(42...Kg5 43.Ra6 Qe2 44.Rxd6 Nxd6 45.Qe5+ Nf5 46.Qf4+ Kf6 47.exf5 Qa6+ 48.Kb1 g5⇄)* 43.e5? *(43.Qf6! Qxe4 44.Ra8+-)* 43...Ne4? *(43...Qxe5 44.Qxe5 Nxe5 45.Re7 Nef7=)* 44.e6+- *(44.d6+-)* 44...Ncd2 *(44...Nxb2 45.Qg7+ Kg5 46.Qe5+ Kg4 47.Qxb2 Qd3 48.Ra3 Qxd5+ 49.Kb1+-)* 45.Ra8 *(45.e7 Qf3 46.Ra3 Qf1 47.Qd3+-)* 45...Qd1 46.Qe3+ Kg7 47.Ra7+ Kg8 48.Qd3 Nc3+ 49.bxc3 Qb3+ 50.Ka1 Qd1+ 51.Kb2 Qb3+ 52.Kc1 Nc4 53.Qxg6+ 1-0 (53) Wojtaszek,R (2744)-Kovalenko,I (2653) Wroclaw

2014 CBM 166 [Schipkov, Boris]]

[7...Nbd7 8.Be2 *(8.Na3 c6)* 8...c5 *(8...e5 9.d5 Nh5 10.g3 f5 11.Nd2 f4 12.Bf2 fxg3 13.hxg3 Qg5 14.Nf1 Qf6 15.Ne3 Nb6 16.Rh2 Qg5 17.Nf1 Bd7 18.Qd2 Qxd2+ 19.Nxd2 Bh6 20.b4 Na4 21.Nxa4 Bxa4 22.c5 Bb5 23.a4 Bxe2 24.Kxe2 Bxd2 25.Kxd2 Rxf3 26.b5 axb5* 0-1 (26) SKlimov (2669)-Jabloco (2550) Blitz 2022 *)* 9.d5

A) 9...Ne5 10.a4 e6 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5 Rb8 *(12...Bd7 13.h3 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.Nxb5 Bxb5 17.Bxb5 Rb8 18.Nc3 Qa5 19.Qe2 Nh5 20.Rb1 f5 21.f4 Nf7 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Bxe5 24.Bxc5 Ng3 25.Qe3 Rxb5 26.Nxb5 Qxb5 27.Ra1 Qxb2 28.Ra8+ Kg7 29.Bf8+ Kf6 30.Ra6+ Nd6 31.Rxd6+ Bxd6 32.Bxd6 Qb1+ 33.Kf2 Ne4+ 34.Ke2 Qb5+ 35.Ke1 Qxd5 36.Ba3 Qa5+ 37.Kf1 Qe5 38.Qb6+ Kg5 39.Bc1+ Kh5 40.Qe3 g5 41.Qf3+ Kg6 42.g4 f4 43.Qd3 h5 44.Qa6+ Nf6 45.Qd3+ Kh6 46.gxh5 Nxh5 47.Qa6+ Nf6 48.Qe2 Qc3 49.Qe1 Qxh3+ 50.Kg1 Ng4 51.Qe6+ Kh7 52.Qf7+ Kh6 53.Qf8+ Kg6 54.Qe8+* 1-0 (54) Fastchess2345 (2695)-sibuna1 (2534) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Na3 Ne8 1-0 (53) Bischoff,K (2561)-Schmaltz,R (2527) playchess.com INT 2004 *(13...h5 14.Qd2 h4 15.Bh6 Nh5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.h3 Bc8 20.Nc4 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Na5 Bd7 23.Nc6 Bxc6 24.dxc6 Ng3 25.Rfd1 b4 26.Nd5 Nxe4 27.Qe3 Qe8 28.f5 Rc8 29.c7 Qe5 30.f6+ Nxf6 31.Qxe5 dxe5 32.Ra7 Nxd5 33.Rxd5 Rfe8 34.Rxc5 e4 35.Kf2 Re7 36.Ke3 f5 37.Rb7 Kf7 38.Rc6 Re6 39.Rc5 Ke7 40.Rxb4 Kd7 41.Rbc4 Rd6 42.Rc3 Rb6 43.b3 Rd6 44.b4 Rb6 45.b5 Rd6 46.Kf4 Rd1 47.b6 Rb1 48.Rc6* 1-0 (48) Mischuk_D (2607)-NoPrep (2583) Blitz 2021*)* 14.f4! Nd7 15.Qd2±;

B) 9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Bxb5 Qa5 12.0-0 Ba6 13.a4 Rfb8 14.Nd2 Ne5 15.Qc2 Qb4 16.h3 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 c4 18.f4 Nd3 19.Nxc4 Nc5 20.Bd2 Qb3 21.Qxb3 Nxb3 22.Ra3 Nxe4 23.Rxb3 Rxa4 24.Nc3 Rxb3 25.Nxa4 Bd4+ 26.Kh2 Rd3 27.Bc1 h5 28.Re1 f5 29.Be3 Bf6 30.g3 h4 31.g4 g5 32.gxf5 gxf4 33.Bxf4 Rf3 34.Rxe4 Rf2+ 35.Kg1 Rf3 36.Kg2 Rb3 37.Bd2 Rd3 38.Bc3 Bg5 39.Nab6 Kf7 40.Nd7 Rg3+ 41.Kh2 Bh6 42.f6 Rf3 43.fxe7 Ke8 44.Nxd6+ Kxd7 45.e8Q+ Kxd6 46.Qc6# 1-0 (46) Dispecher (2687)-MrCrusher (2517) Blitz 2024;

C) 9...Ne8 10.0-0 Nc7 11.a4 f5 12.exf5 gxf5± 1/2 (22) Nordahl,H (2340)-Kvisvik,B (2316) Norway 2013]

8.Na3

[8.d5 Ne5 9.Na3 *(9.Be2±)* 9...c5 10.Be2 h5 11.0-0 e6 12.Nc2 exd5 13.cxd5 b5 14.b4 cxb4 15.Nxb4 Bb7 16.Qd2 Rc8 17.Rfc1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.a3 Re8 20.Bh6 Qb6+ 21.Kh1 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Rec8 23.Qd2 Nd7 24.Nd3 Qd4 25.Ne2 Qb6 26.Rxc4 bxc4 27.Ne1 Nc5 28.Qd4 Qb5 29.Nc3 Qa5 30.Qf6

Nb3 31.Ra2 Re8 32.Nc2 Qb6 33.Qh4 a5 34.h3 Nd4 35.Qf2 1-0 (35) chess_lover2020 (2745)-strizibuba (2618) Blitz 2024]

[8.Be2 Re8 9.d5 Ne5 10.0-0 e6 11.Nd2 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Nb3 b6 14.Qe1 Bb7 15.Qf2 Nd7 16.Rfd1 Qb8 17.Rd2 Nc5 18.Rad1 Rd8 19.h4 Qc7 20.h5 Qe7 21.Qg3 Bxc3 22.bxc3 e5 23.Bg5 f6 24.Be3 Kg7 25.Rb1 Rab8 26.Nc1 Bc8 27.Nd3 Be6 28.Nb4 Na5 29.Nd5 Bxd5 30.cxd5 b5 31.Kf2 Rdc8 32.Rh1 Na4 33.hxg6 hxg6 34.Bh6+ Kf7 35.Bg5 Rh8 36.Rxh8 Rxh8 37.Be3 Nxc3 38.Rc2 Nxe2 39.Kxe2 Nc4 40.Qg4 Qd8 41.Bf2 Qc8 42.Qxc8 Rxc8 43.g4 a5 44.Be1 Ke7 45.Kd3 Ra8 46.a4 Kd7 47.axb5 Nb6 48.Rc6 Na4 49.Kc4 Nb2+ 50.Kc3 Na4+ 51.Kb3 Nc5+ 52.Kc4 a4 53.Bb4 a3 54.Bxc5 dxc5 55.Rxf6 a2 56.Kxc5 Ke8 57.Rf7 a1Q 58.Rh7 Qc3+ 59.Kd6 Qb4+ 60.Ke6 Ra6+ 61.d6 Qxd6# 0-1 (61) Rikikits (2737)-RafaelloPL (2649) Blitz 2020]

[8.Nd2 e5 9.Nb3 Nh5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Qd2 c6 12.0-0-0 c5 13.Kb1 Bd7 14.Bd3 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Qb6 17.Na3 Rfb8 18.Nc4 Qa7 19.Nc1 Nc8 20.Qc2 Ba4 21.b3 Nb6 22.Nxb6 Rxb6 23.Bc4 Bb5 24.Rd2 Nf4 25.g3 Nh3 26.Rf1 Bf6 27.f4 exf4 28.gxf4 Bxc4 29.Qxc4 Rb4 30.Qxb4 Qe7 31.Qc4 Rb8 32.e5 dxe5 33.Bxc5 Qd7 34.f5 g5 35.Ne2 Rc8 36.Ng3 Nf4 37.Ne4 Qxf5 38.Qc2 Be7 39.d6 Bd8 40.Ng3 Qe6 41.d7 Rc6 42.Rfd1 h5 43.b4 1-0 (43) EnglishLongbow (2699)-TemurKuybokarov (2685) Blitz 2020]

8...e5 9.Nc2

[9.d5 Nd4 10.Nc2 Nxc2+ 11.Qxc2 Nh5 12.0-0-0 f5 13.Kb1 Bd7 14.c5 Qe7 15.Bc4 b5 16.Bb3 b4 17.c6 bxc3 18.cxd7 Qxd7 19.Qxc3 Rfb8 20.Rd2 a5 21.Rc1 a4 22.Bd1 Rb7 23.Qc6 Qc8 24.Bxa4 Rab8 25.b3 Nf4 26.g3 Nh5 27.Qd7 Qf8 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Qe6+ Kh8 30.Rdc2 f4 31.gxf4 Nxf4 32.Bxf4 exf4 33.Rxc7 Rxc7 34.Rxc7 Be5 35.Bd7 Qg7 36.Qg4 Qe7 37.Rc8+ Rxc8 38.Bxc8 Bg7 39.Ba6 Qe1+ 40.Kc2 Qf2+ 41.Kd1 Qd4+ 42.Ke2 Qe3+ 43.Kf1 Bd4 44.Kg2 Qg1+ 45.Kh3 Qf1+ 46.Kh4 Qxa6 47.Qxf4 Bg7 48.Qf5 Qa8 49.f4 Qd8+ 50.Kh5 Qe8+ 51.Kh4 Qe7+ 52.Kh3 h6 53.Kg4 Bf6 54.Qe6 Qg7+ 55.Kf5 Bd4 56.Qg6 Qd7+ 57.Qe6 Qh7+ 58.Qg6 Qd7+ 59.Qe6 Qh7+ 60.Qg6 Qd7+ ½-½ (60) Ac1000 (2617)-Diamond111 (2574) Blitz 2020]

9...Bd7 10.Qd2 Rb8 11.d5 Ne7 12.c5 Nh5 13.b4 f5 14.Bc4 Nf4 15.a4 g5 16.g3 Nh3 17.c6 Bc8 18.b5 axb5 19.axb5 f4 20.gxf4 Nxf4 21.0-0-0 bxc6 22.dxc6+ Kh8 23.h4 g4 24.fxg4 Bxg4 25.Rdg1 h5 26.Nb4 Ra8 27.Kc2 d5 28.Nbxd5 Nexd5 29.exd5 Bf5+ 30.Kb3 Qd6 31.Ra1 Rfb8 32.b6 Bf8 33.Nb5 Qe7 34.b7 Rxa1 35.Rxa1 Ng2 36.Ba7 Nxh4 37.Bxb8 Nf3 38.Qc3 Nd4+ 39.Nxd4 1-0 (39) NIndja64 (2882)-Nikotheo (2879) Blitz 2021

Schipkov,Boris: 'Black has previously tested two other alternatives.' **6...Nc6** Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal'' 7.Qd2

[7.Nd2 a6 8.Rc1 Bd7 9.Nb3 a5 10.d5 Ne5 11.Ng3 a4 12.Nd4 c5 13.Nc2 h5 14.Be2 h4 15.Nf1 b5 16.Bg5 h3 17.Nfe3 hxg2 18.Nxg2 Nxc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.Nce3 Qa5+

21.Kf2 c3 22.bxc3 Rab8 23.Nf4 Rb2+ 24.Kg3 Nh7 25.Bxe7 Be5 26.Nc4 Bxf4+ 27.Kxf4 Qb5 28.Nxb2 Qxb2 29.Bxf8 Qf2 30.Be7 f6 31.h4 g5+ 32.hxg5 fxg5+ 33.Bxg5 Nxg5 34.Rc2 1-0 (34) WhiteBishop4761 (2624)-Betomarcico (2600) Blitz 2022]

7...a6 8.Na3 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vitiugov, N (2733) - Ezat, M (2430) Ningbo 2011. Vigorito, D: 'Vitiugov, N (2733)-Ezat, M (2430) Ningbo 2011."

[8.Nec3 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Ne2 c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Nxd4 exd4 13.Bxd4 d5 14.cxd5 cxd5 15.e5 Nd7 16.f4 f6 17.exf6 Nxf6 18.Nc3 Re8+ 19.Be2 Ne4 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.Bxg7 Bg4 22.0-0 Bxe2 23.Rf2 Qb6 24.Be5 d4 25.Bxd4 Qe6 26.Be5 Bb5 27.h3 h5 28.b3 Kh7 29.Rc1 Ra7 30.Qd8 Qg8 31.Rc7+ Rxc7 32.Qxc7+ Kh6 33.f5 Qd5 34.Qg7+ Kg5 35.Bf6# 1-0 (35) NIndja64 (2858)-Kaldas90 (2820) Blitz 2022]

8...Rb8

[8...e5 9.d5! Ne7? 10.c5 Ne8 11.Nc3!± f5 12.Be2 f4 13.Bf2 g5! 14.0-0-0? Ng6 15.Nc4 dxc5 16.Bxc5 Nd6! 17.Kb1 Rf7 18.Nxd6 cxd6 19.Bf2 b6 20.Rc1]

[8...Re8

A) 9.Rc1?! e5! 10.d5 Nd4 11.Nxd4? *(11.Nc2 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc2+ 13.Rxc2 bxc6 14.Nc3 Bb7=)* 11...exd4 12.Bxd4? *(12.Bg5 c5∓)* 12...Nxe4! 13.fxe4 Qh4+ 14.Kd1 Qxe4-+ 15.Rc2 Bg4+ 16.Be2 Bxd4 17.Re1 Bf2 18.Rf1 Qxg2 0-1 (18) Dudas,J (2290)-Babula,V (2335) Pardubice 1991;

B) 9.Nc2 b5 10.Nc3 b4 11.Nd5 a5 12.Be2 e5 *(12...Nd7!?)* 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.d5 Nb8 15.c5 clearly favoured White in Volkov-Kurnosov, Ulan Ude 2009. dxc5 16.Bxc5 c6 17.d6

B1) 17...Bg7 18.h4 h5 19.g4 *(19.0-0-0!?±)* 19...hxg4 20.h5 gxf3 21.Bxf3⩲;

B2) 17...Bh4+?! 18.g3 Bg5 19.Be3 Bxe3 20.Nxe3 Ra7 21.0-0-0 Be6 22.Bc4?! (The correct move is *22.Kb1! Qf6 23.Rhf1 Nd7 24.f4±* and White is better thanks to the passed pawn on d6.) 22...Qf6?! *(22...Nd7!? 23.Kb1 Nb6 24.Be2±)* 23.Ng4! Qxf3? *(23...Qg7 24.Bxe6 Rxe6 25.Kb1 h5 26.Ne3 Nd7 27.Nc4±)* 24.Be2 Qxg4 25.Bxg4 Bxg4 26.Qe3 *(26.Rdf1+-)* 26...Rb7 27.Rd2+- Nd7 28.Kb1 Rc8 29.Rf2 Kg7 30.Rhf1 Be6 31.g4 c5 32.h4 *(32.Qg5!? c4 33.Rf3+-)* 32...h6 33.g5 h5 34.Rf6 Nxf6?! *(34...Rb6!?)* 35.gxf6+ Kh7 36.Rg1? *(36.Rf5! Bxf5 37.exf5 Re8 38.Qxc5 Rd7 39.Qb5 Rdd8 40.Qb7 Rf8 41.Qd5+-)* 36...Rd7! 37.Rg5 Bg4= 38.Qd2? *(38.Rxe5 Rxd6 39.Rxc5 Rxf6=)* 38...Rc6 39.Rxe5 Rcxd6? *(39...Rdxd6! 40.Rd5 Rxf6 41.Qe1 Rf4 42.e5 Bf5+ 43.Kc1 Rc4+ 44.Kd1 Rd4+ 45.Rxd4 cxd4-+)* 40.Rd5 Rxd5 41.exd5 Rd6 42.Qe3 Rxf6 43.Qxc5 Rf4 44.Kc1± a4 45.Kd2 b3?! *(45...Rf5)* 46.axb3 axb3 47.Kc3 Rf3+ 48.Kc4 *(48.Kb4+-)* 48...Bf5 49.Qf8 Bg4 50.Kb4 Bh3 51.Qe7 Kg7 52.Qe4 Bg4 53.d6+- Rh3

54.Ka3 Be6 55.d7 Bxd7 56.Qd4+ Kg8 57.Qxd7 Rf3 58.Qe8+ Kg7 59.Qe4 Rh3 60.Qd4+ Kg8 61.Kb4 Rf3 62.Kc4 Kf8 63.Kd5 Kg8 64.Kd6 Rh3 65.Qe4 Kf8 66.Kd7 Kg8 67.Ke7 Rh2 68.Qf3 1-0 (68) Volkov,S (2616)-Kurnosov,I (2669) Ulan Ude 2009 CBM 166 [Schipkov,Boris]]

[8...Bd7 9.g3 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Bg2 Ne8 12.g4 f5 13.g5 c6 14.Rc1 c5 15.b4 b6 16.Rb1 Nc8 17.h4 Rf7 18.Nc2 Qc7 19.0-0 f4 20.Bf2 Qd8 21.Kh2 h6 22.gxh6 Bf6 23.Qe1 Rh7 24.Rh1 Rxh6 25.Kg1 Ra7 26.Nc3 Rc7 27.Na3 Ng7 28.Kf1 Ne8 29.Ke2 cxb4 30.Rxb4 Rc5 31.Kd3 Ra5 32.Rb3 Kg7 33.Kc2 Qc7 34.Kb1 Qd8 35.Kb2 Be7 36.Nc2 Nf6 37.Bh3 Qc7 38.Qf1 Bxh3 39.Rxh3 Nd7 40.Nb4 Na7 41.Ka1 Rh8 42.h5 g5 43.Rh1 Nc5 44.Bxc5 Qxc5 45.Qh3 Qc8 46.h6+ Kh7 47.Qh5 Qe8 48.Qxe8 Rxe8 49.Nc6 Nxc6 50.dxc6 Bd8 51.Nd5 Rc5 52.c7 Rxc7 53.Rxb6 Rd7 54.Rxa6 Rg8 55.Ra8 Rg6 56.Kb2 Rxh6 57.Rxh6+ Kxh6 58.Kc2 g4 59.fxg4 Kg5 60.Kd2 Kxg4 61.Ke2 Kg3 62.Kd3 Kf3 63.a4 Bh4 64.a5 Rb7 65.a6 Rb3+ 66.Kc2 Ra3 67.Nc3 Ra5 68.Nb5 Ke2 69.Nc3+ Ke3 70.a7 Bf2 71.c5 Rxc5 72.Rd8 Be1 73.a8Q Bxc3 74.Rxd6 Bd4+ 75.Kd1 Rc3 76.Rc6 Rd3+ 77.Kc2 f3 78.Qf8 Rd2+ 79.Kc1 Ra2 80.Rf6 f2 81.Qh6+ Kxe4 82.Qg6+ Ke3 83.Qg3+ Ke2 84.Qf3+ 1-0 (84) Bocharov,D (2602)-Belyakov,B (2495) Voronezh RUS 2016]

9.Nc3

[9.Rc1 Bd7 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nc3 c5 12.f4 Neg4 13.Bg1 Nh5 14.g3 e6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Qd3 f5 17.Bg2 fxe4 18.Bxe4 Ngf6 19.Bf3 Re8 20.Kf2 Bf5 21.Qd2 Ng4+ 22.Kg2 Bxc3 23.Rxc3 Be4 24.Bxe4 Rxe4 25.Qd5+ Kg7 26.Qxe4 Nhf6 27.Qf3 Qd7 28.h3 Nh6 29.Bf2 Nf5 30.g4 Nd4 31.Bxd4 cxd4 32.Rd3 b5 33.cxb5 axb5 34.Nc2 Re8 35.Nxd4 d5 36.Re3 Ne4 37.f5 Qa7 38.Rd1 Qxa2 39.Re2 Qc4 40.Ne6+ Kg8 41.b3 Qc6 42.Ra1 gxf5 43.gxf5 Kh8 44.Kh1 Rg8 45.Rg1 Rxg1+ 46.Kxg1 Qc1+ 47.Kg2 Qh6 48.Qe3 Qf6 49.Qxe4 dxe4 50.Rd2 h5 51.Rd8+ Kh7 52.Rd7+ Kh6 53.Rd6 Qb2+ 54.Kg3 Qxb3+ 55.Kf4 Qf3+ 56.Ke5 Qg3+ 57.Nf4+ Kh7 58.Rg6 Qc3+ 59.Ke6 Qc2 60.Rg5 Qc6+ 61.Ke5 Qc5+ 62.Kf6 b4 63.Ne6 Qc3+ 64.Kf7 b3 65.Rxh5# 1-0 (65) sber1 (2829)-rosagasa (2868) Blitz 2021]

[9.Nc2 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.b4 Bd7 12.Nc3 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 c6 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.Be2 d5 18.e5 Nh5 19.0-0 Qh4 20.f4 Bh6 21.Bxh5 Qxh5 22.Rac1 Rfc8 23.Ne2 Ra8 24.Ng3 Qg4 25.Rc3 Bd7 26.h3 Qe6 27.Rfc1 Rc4 28.Ne2 Rac8 29.Be3 Bf8 30.Nd4 Qa6 31.a3 R8c7 32.Kh2 Qc8 33.Ne2 Be6 34.Rxc4 bxc4 35.Nd4 Qa6 36.Qc3 Ra7 37.Nxe6 fxe6 38.Bxa7 Qxa7 39.b5 Bh6 40.Qf3 Qd4 41.Rf1 c3 42.Qg4 Kf7 43.Qh4 Bg7 44.Qf2 Qxf2 45.Rxf2 Bf8 46.b6 Bc5 47.b7 Ba7 48.Rc2 d4 49.Kg3 Ke7 50.Kf3 Kd7 51.Ke4 Kc7 52.g4 Kxb7 53.Kd3 Kc7 54.Rf2 Kc6 55.f5 exf5 56.gxf5 gxf5 57.Rxf5 Kd5 58.Rf7 Bc5 59.Rc7 Bxa3 60.e6 Kxe6 61.Kxd4 Bb2 62.Kd3 h5 63.Rh7 Kf5 64.Rxh5+ Kf4 65.Rc5

Kg3 66.Kc2 Ba1 67.Rc4 Bb2 68.Rc6 Kxh3 69.Rd6 Kg4 70.Rd5 Kf4 71.Rc5 Ke4 72.Rc4+ Kd5 73.Rb4 Kc5 74.Rb3 Kc4 75.Rb8 Ba3 76.Rc8+ Bc5 77.Rd8 Kb4 78.Re8 Bd4 79.Re3 Bc5 80.Re2 Kc4 81.Rf2 Kb4 82.Rf3 Kb5 0-1 (82) Fastchess2345 (2693)-Vizhma7 (2643) Blitz 2024]

[9.Rd1 Re8 10.Nc2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.b4 e6 13.Nc3 Bd7 14.Be2 Ne7 15.0-0 with an edge for White in Vitiugov-Ezat, Ningbo 2011.]

[9.g3 Bd7 10.Bg2 b5 11.Rc1 bxc4 12.Nxc4 d5 13.Ne5! Na7 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.e5 and White got the upper hand in Ivanisevic-Nestorovic, Kragujevac 2011. Ne8 16.h4 Qb5 17.b3 Qb4 18.h5 Qxd2+ 19.Kxd2 c6 20.h6 Bh8 21.Rc5 Nc7 22.Rhc1 f6 23.f4 g5 24.Bh3 Kf7 25.Bf5 e6 26.Bxh7 g4 27.Bd3 f5 28.Ra5 Kg6 29.Bxa6 Nxa6 30.Rxa6 Rf7 31.Kd3 Kxh6 32.Bd2 Bg7 33.Ba5 Rfb7 34.Nc3 Kg6 35.Rh1 Bf8 36.Na4 Ba3 37.Bb6 Nb5 38.Bc5 Bxc5 39.Nxc5 1-0 (39) Ivanisevic,I (2630)-Nestorovic,L (2323) Kragujevac SRB 2011]

9...e5 10.Nc2

[10.d5± Adorjan Nd4 11.Nc2 Nxc2+ 12.Qxc2!!]

10...exd4 11.Nxd4 Ne5 12.Rd1 c6 13.Be2 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.b4

[15.a3]

15...c5!?N

[15...Bd7 16.0-0]

16.Nc2!

[16.bxc5 b4 17.Na4 Qa5!]

16...cxb4□ 17.Nxb4 Be6 18.0-0!

[18.f4+- Nc4 *(18...Neg4 19.Bd4±)* 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Nc6 Qe8 21.Nxb8 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Qxe4 23.Nd7 Bc3 *(23...Re8 24.Kf2!* 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.Bxe7 *)* 24.Qxc3 Qxg2 25.Nf6++-]

18...Qa5 19.Qxd6 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Nc6! Qxc3 22.Bd4 Nxe4 23.Bxc3

[23.fxe4 Bxd4+ 24.Rxd4 Rb2 *(24...Rb7)* 25.Ne7+]

23...Nxd6 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Nxb8! Nf5 26.Nc6!+- Ne3 27.Nd4 Bd7 28.Rc1 Nxf1? 29.Kxf1! Rc8 30.Ke2 Kf6+- 31.Kd2□ 29... Rc1! 31...Ra8 32.Rxc4

1-0 (32) Barreras Garcia,A (2875)-Real Naranjo,C (2065) corr 1996 UltraCorr3a [CADAP 152]

6...e5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 7.d5 c6

[7...Nh5 8.Nd2 f5 9.Nc3 Na6 *(9...Nd7 10.Qc2 a5 11.0-0-0 Nc5 12.Kb1 b6 13.Nb3 Na6 14.a3 Bd7 15.Qd2 a4 16.Nc1 Nc5 17.Bd3 Qc8 18.N1e2 Nf6 19.h3 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nh5 21.Rhf1 Qa6 22.Nb5 Qb7 23.Bc2 Nf4 24.Nxf4 exf4 25.Bxf4 Bxb5 26.cxb5 Qc8 27.Qe2 Qd7 28.Bd2 Qe7 29.Rf3 Rae8 30.Re1 Qe5 31.Bc3 Qh2 32.Bxg7 Kxg7 33.Ref1 Qe5 34.Qc4 Rxf3 35.gxf3 Qg3 36.Bxa4 Nxa4 37.Qxa4 Qxh3 38.Qc4 Re7 39.Qd4+ Kf7 40.Qf2 h5 41.Rg1 Kg7 42.Rg3 Qh1+ 43.Rg1 Qh3 44.Qd4+ Kh7 45.Qf6 Rg7 46.Ka2 Qd7 47.a4 Qf7 48.Qc3 Qf4 49.Rh1 Rf7 50.Rh3 Qg5 51.Qc2 Kh6 52.Qe2 Qg1 53.Qd2+ Kh7 54.Qe2 Qd4 55.Kb3 Kh6 56.Rh1 Qf6 57.Rh3 Qd4 58.Rh1 Qf6 59.Rh3* ½-½ (59) Granda Zuniga,J (2657)-Comas Fabrego,L (2514) Erts-La Massana AND 2012*; 9...Bf6 10.g3 Bg5 11.Bf2 Bh6 12.c5 Nd7 13.cxd6 cxd6 14.Be2 fxe4 15.Ndxe4 Ndf6 16.0-0 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf6 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Bf5 20.Re1 Qa5 21.Qb3 Rf7 22.Rad1 Rc8 23.Kg2*

b5 24.Bxf5 Rxf5 25.Re4 Rf7 26.Be1 Qb6 27.Rd3 Rc1 28.Rc3 Rc7 29.Rxc7 Rxc7 30.Rb4 a6 31.a4 Be3 32.axb5 Bc5 33.Rc4 Qxb5 ½-½ (33) Granda Zuniga,J (2628)-Cuenca Jimenez,J (2475) Madrid ESP 2025 *)* 10.a3 *(10.Be2 Nf4 11.0-0 Qg5 12.Bxf4 exf4 13.Kh1 Nc5 14.Qc2 a5 15.Rab1 Bd7 16.b3 Be5 17.a3 Kh8 18.b4 axb4 19.axb4 Na4 20.Nxa4 Bxa4 21.Qc1 Bd7 22.Bd3 Ra2 23.Rd1 h5 24.Bf1 h4 25.h3 Kg7 26.c5 Ba4 27.Re1 Bc2 28.Nc4 Bxb1 29.Nxe5 Bxe4 30.Nc4 Bxd5 31.Qc3+ Qf6 32.Qxf6+ Kxf6 33.cxd6 cxd6 34.Nxd6 Rd2 35.Ne8+ Kg5 36.Nc7 Bg8 37.Re7 Rfd8* 0-1 (37) Vyka (2622)-Molt7n (2853) Blitz 2021*)* 10...fxe4 11.Ndxe4 Bf5 12.b4 Nb8 13.g3 a5 14.Bd3 axb4 15.axb4 Rxa1 16.Qxa1 Bh3 17.Be2 h6 18.Rg1 Na6 19.Qa5 Qc8 20.c5 dxc5 21.bxc5 Nb8 22.Qa7 Kh7 23.Kf2 Bf5 24.Rb1 Bxe4 25.Nxe4 Qh3 26.Kg1 Nd7 27.Rxb7 Ndf6 28.Nxf6+ Rxf6 29.Rxc7 e4 30.f4 Nxg3 31.Rxg7+ Kh8 32.Rh7+ 1-0 (32) Crest64 (2682)-Experto_Crede (2579) Blitz 2023]

8.Nec3 a6

[8...cxd5 9.cxd5 Nh5 10.Nd2 Nf4 11.Nc4 Na6 12.g3 Nh5 13.Nb5 f5 14.Nbxd6 f4 15.Bf2 fxg3 16.hxg3 Qg5 17.Qd2 Qxd2+ 18.Nxd2 Nb4 19.Kd1 Rd8 20.N2c4 b5 21.Nxb5 Nxd5 22.exd5 Rxd5+ 23.Nd2 Bh6 24.Bc4 Be6 25.Bxd5 Bxd5 26.Nc3 Bc6 27.Kc2 Normal 1-0 (27) SuriusPlaya (2620)-chesslee0420 (2560) Blitz 2024]

9.a4 cxd5 10.cxd5 Nbd7 11.Be2

[11.a5 Nh5 12.Nd2 f5 13.Nc4 Qe7 14.Qd2 Ndf6 15.Bd3 Nf4 16.0-0 Bd7 17.exf5 Nxd3 18.Qxd3 Bxf5 19.Qd2 h5 20.Rae1 Rac8 21.h3 Rxc4 0-1 (21) Ac1000 (2601)-RL12 (2587) Blitz 2020]

11...Nh5 12.0-0 Nf4 13.Rf2 f5 14.Bf1 Nf6 15.Nd2 Bd7 16.Nc4 fxe4 17.Bb6 Qe7 18.fxe4 Ng4 19.Rf3 Rac8 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bf2 g5 22.Nb6 g4 23.Nxc8 Bxc8 24.Rg3 N4h5 25.Rd3 gxh3 26.gxh3 Bh6 27.Kh1 Kh8 28.Rf3 Rg8 29.Bh4 Qg7 30.Bf2 Nf4 31.Qc2 Qg6 32.Re1 Qh5 33.Ree3 Ng4 0-1 (33) forgiants (2776)-Violet_Pride (2736) Blitz 2023

6...Nbd7 7.Nec3 c6 8.Nd2

[8.Be2 a6 9.0-0 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.a4 b4 13.Na2 a5 14.Nd2 Nb6 15.Nc4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Nd7 17.Nc1 Nb6 18.Bb5 Bd7 19.Qe2 Bxb5 20.Qxb5 Nd7 21.Nb3 f5 22.Rac1 Rf7 23.Rc6 Bf8 24.Nd2 Qh4 25.g3 Qh3 26.Bf2 Bh6 27.Qe2 Bxd2 28.Qxd2 fxe4 29.fxe4 Nf6 30.Be3 Qxf1+ 31.Kxf1 Nxe4+ 32.Ke2 Nxd2 33.Kxd2 Rd8 34.Ra6 Rfd7 35.Rxa5 Rc8 36.Rb5 Rc4 37.a5 Rdc7 38.a6 Rc2+ 39.Kd3 Rxb2 40.a7 Rxa7 41.Bxa7 Rxh2 42.Bb8 Rh3 43.Bxd6 Rxg3+ 44.Ke4 b3 45.Bxe5 Rg4+ 46.Kf3 Rg5 47.Kf4 Rf5+ 48.Ke4 h5 49.Rxb3 Kf7 50.Rb7+ Ke8 51.d6 h4 52.Rh7 1-0 (52) bodoque50 (2680)-mr_kaos (2573) Blitz 2021]

8...a6 9.c5 b5 10.cxb6 Nxb6 11.Be2 Nfd7 12.0-0 e5 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.f4 Ned7 15.Nb3 Qe7 16.Bd4 Bh6 17.Na5 c5 18.Be3 Nf6 19.Bf3 Be6 20.Qe2 d5 21.exd5 Nfxd5 22.Bd2 Qd7 23.f5 Nxc3 24.Bxc3 Bxf5 25.Bxa8 Nxa8 26.Rad1 Qb5 27.Qe5 f6 28.Qe7 Qe8 29.Bxf6 Be3+ 30.Kh1 Qxe7 31.Bxe7 Re8 32.Rd8 Rxd8 33.Bxd8 Bd4 34.b3 h5

35.Nc6 Be4 36.Ne7+ Kg7 37.Rf4 Bb7 38.h4 Be5 39.Rf1 Nc7 40.Bxc7 Bxc7 41.Rd1 1-0 (41) Ajedrezactivo (2784)-Guachipey (2824) Blitz 2020

6...b6 7.h4 c5 8.d5 e6 9.Nbc3 exd5 10.cxd5 a6 11.a4 Nbd7 12.g4 Ne5 13.Ng3 Nfxg4 14.fxg4 Bxg4 15.Be2 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bg5 Qd7 18.Qc2 f4 19.Nge4 f3 20.Bd1 f2+ 21.Nxf2 Bxd1 22.Rxd1 Rae8 23.Nce4 c4 24.Kf1 b5 25.Rg1 Kh8 26.Kg2 h6 27.Nh3 0-1 (27) Fastchess2345 (2703)-Garnik95 (2568) Blitz 2024

6...Na6 7.Nd2 c5 8.d5 Nb4 9.Nc3 Nd7 10.a3 Na6 11.h4 Nc7 12.h5 a6 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.a4 Rb8 15.a5 b6 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Qc2 Ne5 18.Be2 Bd7 19.b3 Qb8 20.Ra3 a5 21.Rxa5 Na6 22.0-0 Nb4 23.Qc1 Ned3 24.Bxd3 Nxd3 25.Qc2 Nb4 26.Qc1 Nd3 27.Qb1 Bxc3 28.Qxd3 Bxa5 29.e5 Bxd2 30.Qxd2 Rxb3 31.e6 Be8 32.Bg5 Qb7 33.Qe1 Rf5 34.Qh4 Rxg5 35.Qxg5 Rb1 36.Rxb1 Qxb1+ 37.Kh2 Qb7 38.f4 Qc7 39.f5 Qd8 40.g4 Kh8 41.Qh6 Kg8 42.Qg5 Kg7 43.Qh4 h6 44.g5 h5 45.Qd4+ Kh7 46.Qf4 gxf5 47.Qxf5+ Bg6 48.Qf4 Kg7 49.Qd2 Qf8 50.Qb2+ Kh7 0-1 (50) Crest64 (2692)-Baryshnikov1974 (2316) Blitz 2024

[62] **7.d5** 'with idea ♘e2-c3 and ♘b1-d2 is another option. Schipkov,Boris: 'is logical too.''is logical too. Krasenkow,Michal: 'with idea ♘e2-c3 and ♘b1-d2 is another option. Schipkov,Boris: 'is logical too.''' ' Schipkov,Boris: 'A logical move.'

7...a6

[7...b5 8.cxb5 a6 9.Nec3

A) 9...axb5 10.Bxb5 Ba6 11.Bxa6 *(11.0-0 Bxb5 12.Nxb5 Qb6 13.N1c3 Na6 14.a4 Nc7 15.b4 Nxb5 16.Nxb5 Nd7 17.Rb1 Rfb8 18.h4 h5 19.Qc2 Bd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Bf2 Qa6 22.a5 d3 23.Qd2 Ne5 24.Rfc1 Qb5 25.Bd4 Rc8 26.Kh2 Rxc1 27.Rxc1 Rb8 28.Rc3 Qxb4 29.Bxe5 dxe5 30.Rxd3 Qxd2 31.Rxd2 Ra8 32.Ra2 Ra6 33.g3 Kf8 34.f4 exf4 35.gxf4 Ke8 36.e5 Kd7 37.Kg3 f6 38.Kf3 fxe5 39.fxe5 e6 40.d6 Kc6 41.Kf4 Ra8 42.a6 Kd5 43.a7 Rf8+ 44.Kg5 Ra8 45.Kxg6 Kc6 46.Kxh5 Kd7 47.Kg5 1-0 (47) Lagarde,M (2626)-Bolat,I (2088) chess.com INT 2023)*

A1) 11...Nxa6 12.0-0 Rb8 *(12...Nd7 13.Na3 Qa5 14.Bd2 Rfb8 15.Qc1 Nb4 16.Nc4 Qa6 17.b3 Nd3 18.Qc2 N7e5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Rab1 Qd3 21.Qxd3 Nxd3 22.a4 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nf2+ 24.Rxf2 Bxf2 25.Nb5 Bh4 26.g3 Bf6 27.Na3 c4 28.Nxc4 Rxa4 29.bxa4 Rxb1+ 30.Kg2 Ra1 31.Kf2 Rxa4 32.Ne3 Ra2 33.Ke1 Bd4 34.Nc4 Rc2 35.Na5 Bc3 36.Bxc3 Rxc3 37.Kf2 Rc2+ 38.Kg1 h5 39.Nc6 Kf8 40.h4 Ra2 41.Kf1 Rb2 42.Kg1 Ke8 43.Nd4 Kd7 44.Kf1 e6 45.dxe6+ fxe6 46.Ne2 e5 47.Kf2 Ke6 48.f4 d5 49.exd5+ Kxd5 50.fxe5 Kxe5 51.Kf3 Rb3+ 52.Kf2 Ke4 53.Nf4 Rf3+ 54.Kg2 Rxf4 0-1 (54) edgelorde (2721)-Koshechka22 (2692) Blitz 2021)* 13.Qe2 Qb6 14.a4 Qxb2 15.Qxb2 Rxb2 16.Na3 Nd7 17.Nab5 Nb4 18.a5 Nc2 19.Bg5 Nxa1 20.Bxe7 Ra8 21.Rxa1 Rxb5 22.Nxb5 Bxa1 0-1 (22) supertactic91 (2736)-

posoplyam (2746) Blitz 2021;
A2) 11...Rxa6 12.Na3 Nbd7 13.Nc4 Nb6 14.Nd2 Qa8 15.0-0 Na4 16.Nc4 Rb8 17.Nxa4 Rxa4 18.Na3 Rxb2 19.Nb1 Raxa2 20.Nd2 Nd7 21.Rc1 Bd4 0-1 (21) supertactic91 (2780)-kaumandur01 (2745) Blitz 2021;
B) 9...e6 10.bxa6 exd5 11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.Qxd5 Ra7 13.Nc3 Nxa6 14.Be2 Be6 15.Qd2 Nb4 16.0-0 Nc6 17.Nb5 Rd7 18.Rfd1 Qb6 19.a4 Na5 20.b4 Nb3 21.bxc5 dxc5 22.Qe1 Nxa1 23.Rxa1 Ra8 24.a5 Qd8 25.Ra4 c4 26.Bb6 Qc8 27.Ra3 Qc6 28.Nc3 Bf8 29.Ra1 Bb4 30.Qc1 Qd6 31.Be3 Qe5 32.Nd1 Rxa5 33.Rb1 Bc5 34.f4 Qxf4 35.Bxc5 Qxc1 36.Rb8+ Kg7 37.Bf8+ Kf6 38.e5+ Rxe5 0-1 (38) supertactic91 (2663)-wallywally (2663) Blitz 2021;
C) 9...Qa5 10.Nd2 axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Nc4 Qc7 13.0-0 Nbd7 14.a4 Rfb8 15.Qc2 Nb6 16.Bxa6 Rxa6 17.Nb5 Qc8 18.b3 Nfd7 19.Rab1 Nxc4 20.Qxc4 Ne5 21.Qc2 h5 22.h3 Nd7 23.Rfc1 Qd8 24.Qe2 Qa5 25.Bd2 Qb6 26.Bg5 Kf8 27.Re1 Ra5 28.Bd2 Rxb5 29.axb5 Qxb5 30.Qxb5 Rxb5 31.b4 c4 32.Rec1 Nb6 33.Be3 c3 34.Bxb6 Rxb6 35.b5 Bd4+ 36.Kf1 e6 37.Ke2 f5 38.dxe6 fxe4 39.fxe4 Ke7 40.Kd3 Be5 41.Rxc3 Bxc3 42.Kxc3 Kxe6 43.Kd4 g5 44.g3 Kf6 45.Kd5 Ke7 46.e5 dxe5 47.Kxe5 g4 48.h4 Re6+ 49.Kf5 Re3 50.b6 1-0 (50) Tal-Baron (2864)-cn_ua (2688) Blitz 2023]

[7...Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" 8.Bc1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(8.Nbc3 Qxb2 9.Na4 Qa3 10.Nec3 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Qxe3+* 0-1 (11) supertactic91 (2717)-daubon (2646) Rapid 2021 *)*]

[7...Nbd7 8.Nec3 e6 *(8...h5 9.Be2 h4 10.Qd2 h3 11.g3 Ne5 12.0-0 e6 13.a4 exd5 14.cxd5 Nh7 15.Na3 f5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg4 fxg4 18.Nc4 b6 19.Nb5 Ba6 20.Ncxd6 Nf6 21.e5 Ne8 22.Nxe8 Rxe8 23.Rfd1 Qd7 24.Ra3 Rad8 25.Qe2 Qf5 26.Rad3 Qe4 27.b3 c4 28.Rd4 Qf5 29.bxc4 Bf8 30.Qd3 Qf7 31.f5 gxf5 32.Rf4 Rxe5 33.Bd4 Bc5 34.Bxc5 bxc5 35.Rdf1 Bc8 36.Rxg4+ Kf8 37.Rh4 Kg8 38.Rxh3 Rde8 39.Nd6 Re3 40.Qxe3 Rxe3 41.Nxf7 Kxf7 42.Rh7+ Kg6 43.Rxa7 Re2 44.Rc7 Ba6 45.Rc6+* 1-0 (45) supertactic91 (2672)-AndreiMacovei (2720) Blitz 2021*; 8...a6 9.a4 b6 10.Be2 Ne5 11.0-0 Rb8 12.h3 e6 13.f4 Ned7 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Qxd6 Bb7 16.e5 Ne4 17.Nxe4 Bxe4 18.Qxe6+ Kh8 19.Bg4 Nxe5 20.fxe5 Rxf1+ 21.Kxf1 Qd3+ 22.Kf2 Rf8+ 23.Bf3 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Bh6* 0-1 (24) Tg_63 (2600)-mpustylnik2021 (2352) Rapid 2021*)*
9.Qd2 exd5 10.cxd5 Nh5 11.g4 Ne5 12.Bg2 Nf6 13.h3 Nc4 14.Qf2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 b5 16.Nxb5 Nxd5 17.Qd2 Qh4+ 18.Kf1 Ba6 19.a4 Nc7 20.N1c3 Rab8 21.Qxd6 Bd4 22.Nd1 Rxb5 0-1 (22) supertactic91 (2729)-sina_iran (2782) Blitz 2021]

[7...Na6 8.Nec3
A) 8...Nc7 9.Nd2 *(9.Qd2 Re8 10.Be2 Nd7 11.0-0 b5 12.cxb5 a6 13.Na3 Rb8 14.Rab1 Nxb5 15.Naxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Ba6*

17.Na3 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Qa5 19.Bd2 Qa4 20.Qc4 Ra8 21.Qxa4 Rxa4 22.Rfc1 Rb8 23.Bc3 Ne5 24.Rd1 g5 25.Kf1 h5 26.h3 Kh7 27.Ke2 Kg6 28.Kd2 f5 29.Kc2 fxe4 30.fxe4 Rxe4 31.Re1 Rf4 32.Re2 g4 33.Rbe1 g3 34.Re3 h4 35.R1e2 Rbf8 36.Bxe5 Bxe5 37.Nb5 Rf2 38.Nc7 Rxe2+ 39.Rxe2 Rf2 40.Kd3 Bxb2 41.a4 c4+ 42.Ke3 Bc1+ 0-1 (42) HoangNam_ChessCoach (2603)-BanaleKralen (2523) Blitz 2024*)*
9...Bd7 10.a4 Na6 11.Be2 Nb4 12.0-0 e5 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.cxd5 Re8 16.Nc4 b6 17.Bf2 a6 18.Qd2 Rb8 19.Rfe1 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Na5 Qd7 22.Bf1 h5 23.h3 Nh7 24.Red1 Be5 25.Kh1 g5 26.Nb3 Qe7 27.Nd4 Bxd4 28.Bxd4 Nxd5 29.exd5 cxd4 30.Qxd4 Qe5 31.Qxe5 Rxe5 32.Ra6 Rd8 33.Bxb5 Nf6 34.Bc6 h4 35.b4 Nh5 36.b5 Re2 37.b6 Rb2 38.b7 Nf4 39.Ra8 Rf8 40.Rda1 Ne2 41.Rxf8+ Kxf8 42.Ra8+ Kg7 43.b8Q Ng3+ 44.Kh2 1-0 (44) Saaker (2646)-dalmatinac101 (2814) Blitz 2020;

B) 8...Bd7 9.Qd2 Re8 *(9...Nc7 10.a4 a6 11.Na3 Qe8 12.a5 Rb8 13.e5 dxe5 14.Bxc5 Rc8 15.Bb6 e6 16.d6 Na8 17.Be3 Qd8 18.Nc2 Bc6 19.Be2 e4 20.f4 Re8 21.0-0 Nd7 22.c5 f5 23.b4 e5 24.Ra3 exf4 25.Bxf4 Ne5 26.Nd4 Qd7 27.Nxc6 Nxc6 28.Nd5 Kh8 29.Bg5 Re6 30.Kh1 Nd4 31.Nf4 e3 32.Rxe3 Rxe3 33.Qxe3 Re8 34.Be7 Nc6 35.Nxg6+* 1-0 (35) Granda Zuniga,J (2644)-Cimer,E (2220) Florianopolis BRA 2017*)*
10.Be2 e6 11.dxe6 Rxe6 12.0-0 Nc7 13.Rd1 a6 14.a4 Qe8 15.a5 Rb8 16.Na3 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Kh1 Qb8 19.Ra2 Bc6 20.Nd5 Rb3 21.Bg5 Nce8 22.Qc2 Rb7 23.Nb1 h6 24.Bc1 Ra7 25.Nbc3 Bxd5 26.cxd5 Ree7 27.Rxa6 Rxa6 28.Bxa6 Nc7 29.Bf1 Nd7 30.Bd2 Re8 31.Rb1 Rc8 32.Nd1 Ne5 33.b4 c4 34.b5 Qb6 35.f4 Ng4 36.Qxc4 Qb8 37.b6 Ne6 38.Qe2 1-0 (38) Bruzon Batista,L (2679)-Santos Filho,T (2074) Praia da Pipa BRA 2014]

8.a4 e6 9.Nec3 exd5

[9...Qe7 10.Be2 Nbd7 11.0-0 Rb8 12.Nd2 Re8 13.a5 b6 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Qc2 Ne5 16.h3 Qb7 17.Ra2 Nh5 18.f4 Ng3 19.fxe5 Nxf1 20.Bxf1 Bxe5 21.Nf3 Bg7 22.e5 exd5 23.Nxd5 Rb3 24.Nd2 Rxe3 25.Nxe3 Bxe5 26.Nd5 Bd4+ 27.Kh1 Be6 28.Qb3 Bxd5 29.cxd5 Qe7 30.Nf3 Bf6 31.Rxa6 h5 32.Qa2 Kg7 33.b3 g5 34.Qa4 Rb8 35.Ra7 Qe3 36.Qd7 Rf8 37.Qf5 Qc1 38.Kg1 Re8 39.h4 g4 40.Qxh5 Qe3+ 41.Kh1 1-0 (41) Ricky_Zhou (2876)-vaynetop (2875) Blitz 2022]

[9...Nh5

A) 10.Be2 f5 11.Qd2 f4 12.Bf2 exd5 13.cxd5 Nd7 14.Na3 Ne5 15.Rb1 Nf6 *(15...Bd7 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 Rc8 18.Bd4 Qa5 19.Rxb7 Rb8 20.Rxb8 Rxb8 21.0-0 Rb3 22.Nab1 g5 23.Rd1 Bxa4 24.Qa2 Rb4 25.Bf2 Nf6 26.Rd4 Nfd7 27.Rxb4 Qxb4 28.Qxa4 Qb2 29.Qa3 Qc2 30.Qxd6 g4 31.Qe6+ Kf8 32.Qf5+ Ke8 33.Qxf4 gxf3 34.gxf3 Bf8 35.Qf5 Be7 36.Bxa6 Nf7 37.Bb5 Qc1+ 38.Kg2 Nfe5 39.Qxe5 Kd8*

40.Qf5 Qh6 41.Qxd7# 1-0 (41) supertactic91 (2627)-General-Disarray (2661) Blitz 2021*)* 16.b4 Nfd7 17.bxc5 Nxc5 18.0-0 Qa5 19.Rfc1 Bd7 20.Bd4 Rac8 21.Bxe5 Bxe5 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Qb2 Rf6 25.Qa3 Qa5 26.d6 Rxd6 27.Nd5 Kf7 28.Qb2 Re8 29.Bc4 Kg7 30.Nxf4 Nxa4 31.Qa1 Qd2 32.Nd5 b5 33.Bb3 Bc6 34.Rd1 Qg5 35.h4 Qxh4 36.Nc7 Rxd1+ 37.Rxd1 Re7 38.Ne6+ Kf6 39.Nd8 Bd7 40.Rd6+ Kg7 41.Ne6+ Bxe6 42.Bxe6 Qf6 43.Qa2 Nc5 44.Bd5 1-0 (44) supertactic91 (2669)-Jaguar_92 (2685) Blitz 2021;

B) 10.g4 Nf6 11.Bg2 h5 12.h3 exd5 13.cxd5 Nbd7 14.Na3 Ne5 15.g5 c4 16.0-0 Nfd7 17.f4 Nd3 18.Nxc4 Nxb2 19.Nxb2 Bxc3 20.Qb3 Bg7 21.Nc4 Nc5 22.Bxc5 Bxa1 23.Bxd6 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Bxf8 bxc4 27.Qxc4 Bh8 28.Qc6 Bd7 29.Qd6 Bxh3 30.Bxh3 Qxf8 31.Qxf8+ Kxf8 32.e5 Ke8 33.Rb1 Bg7 34.d6 1-0 (34) supertactic91 (2740)-MrTactic2008 (2707) Blitz 2021]

[9...Re8 10.Be2 Qb6 11.a5 Qxb2 12.Ra2 Qb4 13.Ra4 Qb2 14.Bc1 1-0 (14) Jakob19 (2600)-fankasp (2562) Blitz 2021]

10.cxd5 Nbd7

[10...h5 11.Qd2 Nh7 12.Na3 Nd7 *(12...h4 13.Nc4 f5 14.Be2 Qf6 15.0-0 f4 16.Bf2 h3 17.g3 Bh6 18.e5 dxe5 19.Ne4 Qg7 20.g4 Bxg4 21.fxg4 f3 22.g5 fxe2 23.Rfe1 Qd7 24.Qxe2 Bg7 25.Nb6 Qd8 26.Nxa8 Nd7 27.Qg4 Rf4 28.Qe6+ Kh8 29.Qxh3 Ndf8 30.Bg3 Rf5 31.Rf1 Rxf1+ 32.Rxf1 Qxa8 33.d6 b6 34.Qg2 Qd8 35.Qh3 Kg8 36.Rd1 Qd7 37.Qf1 Ne6 38.Qxa6 Nhxg5 39.Qa8+ Kh7 40.Nxg5+ Nxg5 41.Qd5 Bf6 42.Kg2 e4 43.Rf1 Qh3+ 44.Kf2 Bd4+ 45.Ke1 Nf3+ 46.Rxf3 exf3 47.d7 f2+ 48.Bxf2 Bf6 49.Qf7+ Kh6 50.Qxf6 Qxd7 51.Qh4+ Kg7 52.b3 Qe6+ 53.Kf1 Qxb3 54.Qe7+ Qf7 55.Qxf7+ Kxf7 56.a5 bxa5 57.Bxc5 Ke6 58.Kg2 a4 59.Bf8 Kf5 60.Kg3 g5 61.h3 Kf6 62.Ba3 Kf5 63.Kf3 Kg6 64.Kg4 Kf6 65.Bc1 Ke6 66.Bxg5 a3 67.Bc1 a2 68.Bb2 Kd5 69.Ba1 Ke6 70.h4 Kf7 71.h5 Kg8 72.Kh4 Kh7 73.Kg4 Kh6 74.Kh4 Kh7 75.Kg4 Kh6 76.Bb2 Kh7 77.Ba1* ½-½ (77) supertactic91 (2723)-swimmerchess (2771) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Be2 h4 14.0-0 Qe7 15.f4 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nc4 Rb8 18.a5 b5 19.axb6 Nxb6 20.Na5 Re8 21.Kf2 Bd7 22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6 d5 24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Qxd5+ Kh8 26.Ra3 Rxb2 27.Re1 Nf6 28.Qxf5 c4 29.Kf1 Qxa3 30.Bxc4 Rxe3 31.Qc8+ Ne8 0-1 (31) supertactic91 (2748)-swimmerchess (2835) Blitz 2021]

[10...Nh5

A) 11.Be2 Qh4+ *(11...Be5 12.Qd2 Qh4+ 13.Bf2 Qf6 14.g3 Bh3 15.f4 Bd4 16.Bf3±)* 12.g3 Qe7 13.f4 Nf6 14.Nd2 Bh3 15.Bf3 h5 16.Nc4 Nbd7 17.Qe2 Ng4 18.Bd2 b5 19.Na5 b4 20.Nd1 f5 21.exf5 Rae8 22.Qe6+ Qf7 23.Ne3 Rxe6 24.dxe6 Qf6 25.exd7 Qxb2 26.Rd1 Nxe3 27.Bxe3 Bc3+ 28.Bd2 Bxf5 29.Nc4 Bxd2+ 30.Rxd2 Qc3 31.Bd5+ Kg7 32.0-0 Bxd7 33.Re1 Re8 34.Rxe8 Bxe8 35.Rd1 Bxa4 36.Re1 0-1 (36) benkonian (2662)-

anand68 (2780) Blitz 2022;
B) 11.g4 Nf6 12.Na3 h5 *(12...Nbd7 13.Nc4 Nb6 14.Na3 Re8 15.Be2 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxe4 17.Qd3 Qh4+ 18.Kd1 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Nxd5* 0-1 (19) supertactic91 (2726)-TheRedKing89 (2761) Blitz 2021*)* 13.g5 Nfd7 14.h4 f6 15.Bh3 Ne5 16.Bxc8 Qxc8 17.f4 Ng4 18.Qe2 fxg5 19.hxg5 Bd4 20.Bd2 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Qxb5 Na6 23.Nc4 Nb4 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Qd7 Qa1+ 26.Nd1 Nd3+ 27.Ke2 Nxf4+ 28.Bxf4 Rxf4 29.Nxd6 Rf2+ 30.Ke1 Qa5+ 0-1 (30) supertactic91 (2729)-CaptainSploosh (2629) Blitz 2021]

[10...Re8

A) 11.Na3 Nbd7 12.Be2 Ne5 13.0-0

A1) 13...Bd7 14.h3 Schipkov, Boris: ' ± 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White obtains a small advantage and threatens f4 to trap the knight.'

A1a) 14...Rb8 15.f4 *(15.Qd2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ± !?' *)* 15...Neg4 16.Bxg4 Nxe4 17.Qd3 Bxg4 18.hxg4 Ng3 19.Bf2 Nxf1 20.Rxf1 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

A1b) 14...c4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' 15.Nxc4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Schipkov,Boris: ' ± 'Schipkov, Boris: 'White grabs a pawn.' Nh5 17.Rf2 *(17.Qd2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!?'*)* 17...Rc8 *(17...f5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 18.Bf1 *(18.Qb3* Schipkov, Boris: ' ± '*)* 18...f5 *(18...Be5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 19.Bd4 Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(19...Ng3* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 20.Qb3 Schipkov,Boris: '±!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Here White has a clear advantage.' Rb8

A1b1) 21.Ba7 Schipkov, Boris: '!?' Ng3 22.Qb4 Ra8 23.Qxd6 Rxa7 *(23...Nxf1 24.Bb6* Schipkov,Boris: '+-'*)* 24.Qxg3 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

A1b2) 21.Re1 Bf4 22.Ne2 Bd2 23.Rd1 Bh6 24.exf5 *(24.g4* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 24...gxf5 25.f4 b5 26.Qf3 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Nf6 27.Ng3 bxa4 28.Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(* Schipkov,Boris: 'White can win the f5-pawn with' *28.Bd3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *Rb3 29.Bc3* Schipkov, Boris: '+-'*)* 28...Nxh5 29.Qxh5 Bg7 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Rd3 Qf6 Schipkov,Boris: ' ± ' 32.Rg3+ Kh8 33.Bd3 Rf8 34.Rg5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(34.Kh2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ± '*)* 34...Rxb2 35.Rxb2 Qxb2 36.Qh6 Qf6 Schipkov, Boris: '=' 37.Rg6 Qd4+ 38.Kh2 Rg8 39.Rxd6 Qb2 40.Bf1 Bb5 41.Rb6 Qg7 42.Qxg7+ Kxg7 43.Bxb5 axb5 44.Rxb5 Ra8 45.Rb2 a3 46.Ra2 Kf6 47.Kg3 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(47.g4* Schipkov,Boris: '='*)* 47...Ra4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(47...Ke7* Schipkov,Boris: '∓!' *)* 48.Kf3 Ke7 49.g4 Kd6 50.gxf5 Kxd5 Schipkov, Boris: ' ∓ ' 51.Kg4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(51.Ke3*

Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓') 51...Kc4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' (51...Kd6 52.Kg5 Ke7 Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓') 52.f6 Schipkov,Boris: '=' Kb3 53.Ra1 Kb2 54.Rh1 a2 Schipkov,Boris: '?' (54...Ra7 Schipkov,Boris: '=') 55.f7 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Ra8 56.Kf5 a1Q 57.Rxa1 Kxa1 58.Kf6 Kb2 59.Kg7 Kc3 60.Kxh7 Kd4 61.Kg7 Ke4 62.h4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-!' Kxf4 63.h5 Kg5 64.h6 Ra7 65.h7 Ra6 66.f8Q Rg6+ 67.Kh8 1-0 (67) Wastfelt,T (2679)- ♘d7 10.d4 (2724) Karlsruhe 2014 Catastrophe Open File [Chess May 1947 p254];

A2) 13...b6 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' 14.h3 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

A3) 13...Rb8 14.h3 Nh5 15.f4 Nd7 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.Qxh5 Nf6 18.Qf3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Naxb5 Nxe4 21.Na7 Nxc3 22.Nc6 Qc7 23.bxc3 Bxc3 24.Rad1 Rb3 25.Rd3 Ba6 26.Qg3+ Kh8 27.Rxc3 Rxc3 28.Re1 f6 29.Qf2 Bb7 30.Bd2 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Rd3 32.Bc3 Bxc6 33.Bxf6+ Kg8 34.dxc6 Kf7 35.Qh4 Qxc6 36.Qxh7+ Kxf6 37.Qxd3 d5 38.Qc3+ d4 39.Qd3 Qd5 40.g4 c4 41.g5+ Ke6 42.Qg6+ Kd7 43.Qg7+ Kc6 44.Qf6+ Kb5 45.g6 c3 46.Qe5 Qxe5 47.fxe5 c2 48.g7 c1Q+ 49.Kf2 Qg5 50.e6 Qf5+ 51.Ke2 Qxe6+ 52.Kd2 Qg8 53.h4 Qxg7 54.h5 Kc5 55.h6 Qxh6+ 56.Kd3 Qh4 57.Kd2 Qg4 58.Kc2 Qg3 59.Kb2 Qe3 60.Ka2 d3 61.Kb2 d2 62.Ka2 Qe2 63.Kb2 d1Q+ 64.Ka3 Qdd3+ 65.Ka4 ½-½ (65) Saaker (2691)-Aciboba (2706) Blitz 2020;

B) 11.Be2 h5 12.0-0 Nbd7 13.Nd2 b6 14.Nc4 Qc7 15.Bf4 Bf8 16.Qe1 Ne5 17.Nxe5 dxe5 18.Bg5 Nh7 19.Be3 Bd6 20.Rc1 Bd7 21.b4 f5 22.bxc5 bxc5 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Qh4 Re7 25.Qxh5 Rg7 26.Bh6 Nf6 27.Qh4 Rg6 28.f4 Kf7 29.Bg5 Rag8 30.Bxf6 Rxf6 31.Bh5+ Ke7 32.Rfe1 1-0 (32) Fastchess2345 (2710)-gaho2005 (2611) Blitz 2024]

[10...Qa5 11.Qd2 b5 12.Be2 Re8 13.0-0 c4 14.axb5 Qxa1 15.Na3 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Bxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxf1+ 18.Bxf1 axb5 19.Nxb5 Rxe4 20.Nxd6 Bf5 21.Bh6 1-0 (21) supertactic91 (2661)-MagnusChessFan (2585) Blitz 2021]

[10...b6 11.Na3 Nbd7 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 Re8 14.Kh1 Qe7 15.Bg1 h5 16.Re1 Kh7 17.f4 Qf8 18.Bf3 Bh6 19.g3 Qg7 20.Nc4 Qf8 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Ng4 23.e6 Ndf6 24.exf7 Rxe1 25.Qxe1 Qxf7 26.Bg2 Bf5 27.Nd6 Qd7 28.Nxf5 Qxf5 29.Qe7+ Bg7 30.Rf1 Qc2 31.h3 Re8 32.Qf7 Ne3 33.Bxe3 Rxe3 34.Rxf6 Rxg3 35.Rf2 Qc1+ 36.Rf1 Qxb2 37.Qf2 Qxc3 38.Rd1 Bd4 39.Qf7+ Kh6 40.Qf4+ g5 41.Qd6+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kg6 43.Be4+ 1-0 (43) Saaker (2660)-RL12 (2631) Blitz 2020]

[10...Ne8 11.Qd2 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be2 Nd7 14.Na3 Ne5 15.Nc4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Qh4+ 0-1 (16) GUNNE_USER (2617)-alexandr_gorokhov (2556) Blitz 2022]

11.Nd2
[11.Be2 'Δ ♘d2-c4, Δ ♘a3-c4 Schipkov,Boris: 'Δ ♘d2-c4, Δ ♘a3-c4 Sundararajan,Kidambi: ' Δ Nd2-c4, Δ Na3-c4'"
A) 11...Re8 12.0-0 Qc7 *(12...Rb8 13.Na3 Nh5 14.Nc4 Ne5 15.Na3 Nd7 16.Re1 f5 17.Bf1 f4 18.Bf2 Be5 19.Nc4 g5 20.a5 Ng7 21.g4 h5 22.h3 Qe7 23.Na4 Nf6 24.Nab6 Bd7 25.Nxd7 Nxd7 26.Rb1 Bf6 27.b4 cxb4 28.Rxb4 Rec8 29.e5 Nxe5 30.Nxe5 Bxe5 31.Bd3 hxg4 32.hxg4 Qf6 33.Rb1 Re8 34.Bc2 Kf8 35.Qd3 Re7 36.Kg2 Kf7 37.Rh1 Rc8 38.Rh7 Rc3 39.Qd1 Rec7 40.Be4 Re3 41.Rc1 Rec3 42.Rxc3 Rxc3 43.Qb1 Rc7 44.Qb6 Qe7 45.Bb1 Kf6 46.Qb3 Kf7 47.Qd3 Qf6 48.Bb6 Rc3 49.Qe4 Kg8 50.Rh1 Kf7 51.Qe2 Bd4 52.Bxd4 Qxd4 53.Rd1 Qe3 54.Qb2 Rc7 55.Be4 Ne8 56.Rh1 Nf6 57.Rh7+ Nxh7* 0-1 (57) benkonian (2668)-CcJBerserkTout (2633) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Na3 Rb8 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Rab1 h5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 Nfd7 18.Rc1 Nc5 19.h3 f5 20.f4 Nf7 21.e5 Qa5 22.Rcb1 Nxe5 23.fxe5 Bxe5 24.Nc4 Bxc3 25.Qxc3 Qc7 26.Bf3 Ne4 27.Bxe4 Rxe4 28.Qf6 Kh7 29.Bd4 1-0 (29) chess_lover2020 (2739)-TheBigGreek (2689) Blitz 2024;
B) 11...Rb8 12.0-0 Ne8 13.Na3 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.Rab1 Qh4 17.Kh1 f4 18.Bf2 Qh6 19.b4 Rf5 20.Ne4 Rh5 21.Bg1 Bf5 22.bxc5 dxc5 23.Rbd1 b6 24.d6 Rd8 25.Nc4 Nf7 26.g4 Bxe4 27.gxh5 Bc6 28.Nxb6 Nexd6 29.Qc2 Re8 30.Qxc5 Nb7 31.Qc2 Ne5 32.Nc4 Ng4 33.Nd6 1-0 (33) Zubov,A (2606)-Mihajlov,S (2356) Fornebu NOR 2016;
C) 11...Nh5 12.0-0 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.f4 Nhf6 15.Nd2 Nb6 *(15...Re8 16.Bf2 Ne4 17.Ndxe4 fxe4 18.Be3 Nf6 19.g4 Qd7 20.f5 h6 21.h4 Nh7 22.g5 Be5 23.Bh5 Rf8 24.Bg6 Qe7 25.Qh5 Bg7 26.Bxh7+ Kxh7 27.Qg6+ Kh8 28.f6* 1-0 (28) rafael1938 (2687)-kirill_kopyonkin (2563) Blitz 2020*)* 16.Bf2 Ng4 17.Bxg4 fxg4 18.a5 Nd7 19.Nc4 Nf6 20.Qd3 Nh5 21.g3 Bf5 22.Qd2 Nf6 23.Rfe1 Qc7 24.Ne3 Bd7 25.Qd3 Rae8 26.Nc4 Bb5 27.b3 Bxc4 28.bxc4 Rxe1+ 29.Bxe1 Re8 30.Kf1 Ne4 31.Rb1 Bxc3 32.Bxc3 Nxc3 33.Qxc3 Re4 34.Qf6 Qe7 35.Qf5 Re3 36.Qxg4+ Kh8 37.Qc8+ Kg7 38.Rxb7 1-0 (38) sber1 (2840)-rosagasa (2870) Blitz 2021]
[11.Qd2 Ne8 12.Na3 Nc7 13.Be2 Rb8 14.0-0 f5 15.Nc4 Ne5 16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.f4 Bxc3 18.bxc3 fxe4 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Rxb6 21.Ra4 Bb7 22.c4 Bc8 23.Rfa1 Qf6 24.g3 Rb2 25.Qe1 Bd7 26.R4a2 Rfb8 27.Qa5 Rxa2 28.Rxa2 Rb7 29.Kf2 Kg7 30.Bd2 Qd4+ 31.Be3 Qf6 32.Bd2 Qd4+ 33.Kg2 Kf7 34.Bc3 Qe3 35.Be1 h5 36.Bf2 Qb3 37.Rd2 Bg4 38.Bf1 Bf3+ 39.Kh3 Bg4+ 40.Kh4 Qb1 41.h3 Qxf1 42.hxg4 Qh1+ 43.Kg5 hxg4 44.f5 Qh5+ 45.Kf4 Qxf5+ 46.Ke3 Qf3# 0-1 (46) supertactic91 (2734)-Kesha01 (2732) Blitz 2021]
[11.Na3 Ne5 *(11...Ne8 12.Be2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.0-0 Qf6 16.Nc4 f4 17.Bf2 Qg6 18.Kh1*

Nxc4 19.Bxc4 Qh5 20.Rfe1 Be5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.d6+ Kg7 23.Qd5 Rf5 24.d7 Nf6 25.d8Q Nxd5 26.Nxd5 Qg5 27.Qe8 Bd6 28.Nb6 Rf8 29.Qe4 Rb8 30.Rad1 Bf5 31.Qd5 Rfd8 32.Qf7+ Kh8 33.Rxd6 Rxd6 34.Re8+ Rxe8 35.Qxe8+ Kg7 36.Qf7+ Kh6 37.Qf8+ 1-0 (37) Tabatabaei,M (2605)-Arjun,K (2397) Sharjah UAE 2018*)* 12.Be2 Bd7 13.h3 Nh5 14.f4 Qh4+ 15.Bf2 Qxf4 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.0-0 Qg5 18.Kh1 f5 19.Qe1 f4 20.Bh4 Qg6 21.Qe2 Rae8 22.a5 Kh8 23.Rf2 Ng4 24.hxg4 hxg4 25.g3 Qh5 26.Kg1 Bd4 27.Rd1 fxg3 28.Bxg3 Rf3 29.Rd3 Ref8 30.Bxd6 Rxf2 31.Rxd4 Rxe2 32.Nxe2 Rf3 33.Rd2 Qh4 34.Be5+ Kg8 35.Ng3 Rxg3+ 36.Bxg3 Qxg3+ 0-1 (36) supertactic91 (2663)-muisback (2867) Blitz 2021]

11...Re8

[11...Ne5 12.Be2 Nh5 *(12...Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Qc2 Nh5 16.h3 Ng3 17.Rg1 f5 18.f4 Nxe2 19.Kxe2 Nd7 20.Nc4 fxe4 21.Nxb6 Qxb6 22.Nxe4 Re8 23.Kf3 Rf8 24.Kg3 Re8 25.Rge1 Qb4 26.Nxd6 Rf8 27.Nxc8 Rxc8 28.Bd2 Qxb2 29.Qxb2* 1-0 (29) Vyka (2606)-randy_segarra (2591) Blitz 2021*)* 13.0-0 f5 14.f4 Ng4 15.Bxg4 fxg4 16.Nc4 g3 17.h3 Qe7 18.e5 dxe5 19.d6 Qe6 20.Nd5 exf4 21.Bxc5 Qe4 22.Ncb6 Bxh3 23.gxh3 f3 24.Rxf3 Rxf3 25.Nxa8 Rf2 26.Ne7+ Kh8 27.Qd5 Rg2+ 28.Kh1 Rh2+ 0-1 (28) Crimson_walker95 (2727)-maseratti9 (2640) Blitz 2022]

12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 Nh5

[13...Nb6 14.Bf2 Na8 15.Nc4 Nh5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.Nxb6 Qxb6 18.a5 Qd8 19.Rfe1 b5 20.axb6 Rxb6 21.Bf1 Be5 22.g3 Bg7 23.f4 Nf6 24.h3 Nd7 25.Bg2 Qc7 26.Kh2 Qb8 27.Ra2 Rb4 28.Re2 Nb6 29.e5 Nc4 30.Qe1 dxe5 31.Bxc5 Rxb2 32.Rexb2 Nxb2 33.Qe2 Qc7 34.Ne4 f5 35.d6 Qf7 36.Rxb2 fxe4 37.Bxe4 exf4 38.Qg2 fxg3+ 39.Kg1 Be6 40.Re2 Bc4 41.Bd5 Bxd5 42.Rxe8+ Qxe8 43.Qxd5+ Qf7 44.d7 Qxd5 0-1 (44) Saaker (2631)-Mwamba1409 (2607) Blitz 2020]

14.f4 Bd4 15.Nc4 Bxe3+ 16.Nxe3 Ndf6 17.Bxh5 Nxh5 18.Qf3 f5 19.Nxf5 gxf5 20.Qxh5 Rf8 21.e5 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.e6 Kh8 24.Ra7 Rb7 25.Ra8 Qf6 26.h3 Rg8 27.Kh2 b4 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Nd1 Rg8 30.b3 Rbg7 31.Rf2 Qd4 32.Qf3 Rg3 33.Qxg3 Rxg3 34.Kxg3 Qg7+ 35.Kf3 Qd4 36.Ne3 Qe4+ 37.Ke2 Kg7 38.Rf1 Kf6 39.Ra1 c4 40.bxc4 b3 0-1 (40) sber1 (2881)-qwz123 (2939) Blitz 2021

7.dxc5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' Schipkov,Boris: 'is dubious.'

7...dxc5

[7...Qa5+ Schipkov,Boris: '?' 8.Qd2 Nc6 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(8...Qxd2+ 9.Nxd2 dxc5 10.Bxc5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲'*)* 9.cxd6 exd6 10.Qxa5 *(10.Nbc3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 10...Nxa5 11.Nd2 Nd7 12.0-0-0 Ne5 13.Nd4 Bd7 14.Kb1 Rfc8 15.Rc1 a6 16.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (36) Roumegous,E (2100)-Gastal,L (1992) France 2007']

8.Qxd8

[8.Nbc3 Schipkov,Boris: '!?']

8...Rxd8 9.Bxc5 Nxe4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Schipkov,Boris: '!' 10.Bxe7 Re8

[10...Bxb2 11.Bxd8 Nc6 12.Bh4 Nd6 13.Bf6 Bxf6 14.Nbc3 Nxc4 Schipkov,Boris: '⩱']

11.Ba3 Nc5 Arsovic,Goran: '⩲!' Arsovic, Goran: 'is possible' 12.Nbc3 Bxc3+ Schipkov,Boris: '?!'
[12...Nd3+ 13.Kd2 Rd8 14.Nd5 Nxb2 15.Nec3 Na4 16.Nxa4 Bxa1 17.Be7 Schipkov,Boris: '=']
13.bxc3 Na4 14.0-0-0
[14.Kf2 Schipkov,Boris: '⩱!?']
14...Na6
[14...Nc6 Schipkov,Boris: '=']
15.Nf4 Nxc3 16.Nd5
[16.Rd6 Schipkov,Boris: '!?']
16...Nxd5 17.cxd5 Bf5 Schipkov,Boris: '=' Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (45) Roumegous,E (2130)-Vallet,M (2225) Clichy 1997'

63 **7...Nbd7** 8.d5 b5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'"
[8...a6 9.a4 Rb8 10.Nec3 Ne5 11.Na3 h5 12.h3 h4 13.Bg5 Nh5 14.Bxh4 Qe8 15.Be2 Bd7 16.f4 Nxf4 17.Qxf4 Bxa4 18.0-0 Bd7 19.Nc2 b5 20.cxb5 axb5 21.Ra7 b4 22.Nd1 f6 23.Qf2 Ra8 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Nde3 Qa4 26.Bg3 b3 27.Na3 Qxe4 28.Rd1 c4 29.Nb1 Nd3 30.Bxd3 cxd3 31.Nc3 Qd4 32.Qf4 f5 33.Qxd4 Bxd4 34.Rxd3 Bc5 35.Bf4 g5 36.Bxg5 f4 37.Ne4 Bxe3+ 38.Kh2 Bf5 39.Rxb3 Bxe4 40.Bxe7 Rf7 41.Bxd6 Rg7 42.Rb8+ Kh7 43.g4 fxg3+ 44.Bxg3 Bd4 45.Rc8 Bxd5 46.Rc7 Rxc7 47.Bxc7 Bxb2 48.Bg3 Bg7 49.h4 Kg6 50.h5+ Kxh5 51.Bf4 Be6 52.Bg3 Bf8 53.Kg2 Kg4 54.Kf2 Bd5 55.Bh2 Bc5+ 56.Kf1 Bc4+ 57.Ke1 Kf3 58.Bg1 Bb4+ 59.Kd1 Bb3+ 60.Kc1 Ba3+ 0-1 (60) supertactic91 (2701)-Yusup_Atabayev (2700) Blitz 2022]
9.cxb5 a6 10.Nec3 axb5 11.Nxb5 Ne8 12.N1c3
[12.a4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
12...Nc7 13.Be2
[13.a4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" Nxb5 14.Bxb5 Ba6 15.0-0 Bxb5 16.axb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱']
13...Nxb5 14.Nxb5 Qa5
[14...f5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
15.Qxa5 Rxa5 16.Bd2 Ra4
[16...Ra8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
17.Bc3 Krasenkow,Michal: '±"1/2 (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek,Z (2613) Ostrava 2007 Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!"Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek,Z (2613) Ostrava 2007 Schipkov,Boris: '!''' ' 17...f5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱"(Schipkov, Boris) 1/2 (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek,Z (2613) Ostrava 2007 Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek,Z (2613) Ostrava 2007 Krasenkow,Michal: '(Schipkov, Boris) 1/2 (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek,Z (2613) Ostrava 2007'"
18.b3 Bxc3+ 19.Nxc3 Ra5 20.0-0-0 fxe4 21.fxe4 Ba6 22.Bxa6 Rxa6 23.Kc2 Ne5 24.h3 Rb8 25.Rhf1 Kg7 26.Ra1 c4 27.Rab1 cxb3+ 28.axb3 Rab6 29.Rfe1 Kh6 30.Ne2 Rb4 31.Nf4 ½-½ (31) Laznicka,V (2608)-Hracek, Z (2613) Ostrava CZE 2007

64 **8.dxc5** dxc5 9.Bxc5 'needs checking; the following

game is not convincing: Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'needs checking; the following game is not convincing:'" 9...Nd7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal"
[9...Qc7 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" 10.Nec3 b6 11.Ba3 Rd8 12.Nd5 Qb7 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲']
10.Be3 Qa5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!'
[10...Nde5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 11.Nec3 f5 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲']
11.Qxa5 Nxa5 12.Nec3
[12.Nd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?']
12...Ne5 13.Nd2 Be6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (34) Latorre Lopez Moreira,L (2093)-Zacarias,M (2184) Asuncion 2011' 15.exd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '±'
8.Na3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!?'" 8...cxd4 9.Nxd4 Nd7
[9...Nxd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
10.Nac2 Nc5 11.Be2 a5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal"
[11...Ne6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '?!'" 12.0-0 Nexd4 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 *(15...Qa5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" *)* 16.Qxb6 axb6 17.a4 Bd7 18.b3 Bc6 19.Kf2 Kg7 20.Rad1 Ra5 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ± ' '±' '±' Schipkov, Boris: '1-0 (41) Indjic,A (2502)-Vovk,A (2564) Cappelle la Gr'1-0 (41) Indjic,A (2502)-Vovk,A (2564) Cappelle la Grande 2013 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (41) Indjic,A (2502)-Vovk,A (2564) Cappelle la Grande 2013'" ande 2013'' 21.Bd3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal" f6 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (41) Indjic,A (2502)-Vovk,A (2564) Cappelle la Grande 2013']

65 **8...Na5** 9.Nec3
[9.Nc1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal" e6 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (33) Kohlweyer,B (2440)-Kerigan,D (2257) Vlissingen 2013' b5 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!']
[9.Na3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal"]
9...a6 10.Na3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!'"
[10.Bh6 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!'" ' b5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!'" ' 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Qg5 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!''' ' *(12.cxb5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal" *axb5; 12.b3* 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" *)* 12...bxc4 *(12...e6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓!?''Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'") 13.Na3 'Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (40) Rowson,J (2586)-Hebden,M (2540) England

2013''1/2 (40) Rowson,J (2586)-Hebden,M (2540) England 2013 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (40) Rowson,J (2586)-Hebden,M (2540) England 2013''' 'Nd7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(13...Rb8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris''' *14.Rb1 e6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓') 14.h4 Ne5 15.h5 f6 16.Qe3 g5 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (40) Rowson,J (2586)-Hebden,M (2540) England 2013']

10...Nxc4

['looks nice but Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'looks nice but''' 10...e6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 'is probably more to the point Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'is probably more to the point'"]

11.Bxc4 b5 12.Be2

[12.Naxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal" *(13.Nxb5* 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris''' *Nd7 14.0-0 Ba6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱') 13...Ba6 14.a4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?']

12...b4 13.Nc4 bxc3 14.bxc3 Rb8 15.0-0 Qc7 16.a4 Krasenkow,Michal: '±"Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±'" 16...a5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''' 17.Na3 Bd7 18.Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '±"1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau 2014 Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau 2014''' 18...Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±"(Schipkov,Boris) 1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau 2014 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau 2014 Krasenkow,Michal: '(Schipkov,Boris) 1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau 2014''' 19.Rab1 Rfd8 20.Rfd1 Ne8 21.Na3 Qa7 22.Bb5 e6 23.dxe6 Bxe6 24.Bg5 Rdc8 25.Bf4 Be5 26.Bxe5 dxe5 27.Bc4 Qe7 28.Bxe6 Qxe6 29.Qd5 Nc7 30.Qxe6 Nxe6 31.Nc4 f6 32.Rb5 Nf4 33.Kf1 Rd8 1-0 (33) Ivanisevic,I (2624)-Rombach,M (2103) Deizisau GER 2014

66 **9.Ng3** Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 9...e6 10.Nc3 exd5 11.cxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to a position from Modern Benoni when White develops his g1 knight to e2 too early; it is quite favorable for Black.' 11...a6 12.a4 h5 13.h4 Re8 14.Be2 Rb8 15.Bg5 Bd7 16.0-0 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.b3 Qc7 19.Rfc1 Nh7 20.Nh1 Nxg5 21.hxg5 c4 22.b4 Qd8 23.Nf2 f6 24.f4 Nf7 25.gxf6 Qxf6 26.Ra6 Bh6 27.g3 h4 28.e5 Nxe5 29.Nfe4 Qf5 30.Nxd6 Qh3 31.Nce4 hxg3 32.Bd1 Bxf4 33.Nf6+ Kh8 34.Qxf4 Qh2+ 35.Kf1 Bh3+ 36.Ke1 Nd3# 0-1 (36) bodoque50 (2600)-Hollow07 (2593) Blitz 2023

67 **9...Nh5** 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?''' "Schipkov,Boris: 'A good idea: Black plans to counterattack on the kingside with ...f7-f5 at once. ''A good idea: Black plans to

counterattack on the kingside with ... f7-f5 at once. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'A good idea: Black plans to counterattack on the kingside with ...f7-f5 at once.''' ' 'In the present game Black doesn't insert ...a7-a6 a2-a4 and obtains a decent position, too.
Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'In the present game Black doesn't insert ...a7-a6 a2-a4 and obtains a decent position, too.
''' 10.Be2 f5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!''' ' 11.Na3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''''It was not a good idea to allow a blockade. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'It was not a good idea to allow a blockade.'''

[11.exf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '⩲''' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'this is what I had in my calculations and stopped here. I missed' gxf5 Shevchenko, Kirill: '!' 12.Bh6 'trading Black's strong bishop and keeping the position semi-open. In that case Black's king will be unsafe, which gives White good chances although the position requires further exploration. Schipkov,Boris: 'M. Krasenkow wrote in CBM 165: "trading Black's strong bishop and keeping the position semi-open. In that case Black's king will be unsafe, which gives White good chances although the position requires further exploration".''M. Krasenkow wrote in CBM 165: "trading Black's strong bishop and keeping the position semi-open. In that case Black's king will be unsafe, which gives White good chances although the position requires further exploration". Krasenkow,Michal: 'trading Black's strong bishop and keeping the position semi-open. In that case Black's king will be unsafe, which gives White good chances although the position requires further exploration. Schipkov,Boris: 'M. Krasenkow wrote in CBM 165: "trading Black's strong bishop and keeping the position semi-open. In that case Black's king will be unsafe, which gives White good chances although the position requires further exploration".''' ' f4 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris''' 13.Bxg7 Nxg7 14.Na3 Qe8 15.0-0-0 Bd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and computer sows Black has some compensation here. Still, I'd like to play with a pawn up rather than pawn down :)']

11...f4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!''' 12.Bf2 Bd7 13.Nc2

[13.Rb1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris''']

13...a6 14.a4 g5 'Schipkov,Boris: '⇄!' '⇄ !' ' ⇄ !''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ !''' ' 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Black has sufficient counterplay.''Black has sufficient counterplay. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Black has sufficient counterplay.''' ' 15.a5 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!''' '

[Krasenkow,Michal: 'White can stop

Black's storm on the kingside with' 15.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄"Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris"']

15...Qe8 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!''' 'Shevchenko, Kirill: 'logical move, but computer shows it's not best. The main reason is Black's queen here gets under pawns attack'

['Schipkov,Boris: 'Now Black can attack on the kingside with''Now Black can attack on the kingside with Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Now Black can attack on the kingside with"' ' 15...g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⌓ ↑!"Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓!' ' ∓!' '∓!"Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⌓↑ !' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '∓!"' ']

16.Rb1 b5 'A logical continuation of Black's plan but it is less dangerous for White than a kingside break. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A logical continuation of Black's plan but it is less dangerous for White than a kingside break. "'

[16...Qg6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris"' 17.b4 Qh6 18.Rg1 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and g5 falls' cxb4 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'I was worrying about this such a nice move, trying to immediately use weaken b6 square' 19.Rxb4 Rab8 20.Ba7 Rbc8 Krasenkow, Michal: '=']

17.axb6 a5 18.Na3 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'Last idea of I would think about'

18...Qb8 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!''' "Schipkov,Boris: 'A dubious move. The alternatives are better.''A dubious move. The alternatives are better. Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'A dubious move. The alternatives are better.'" '

[18...g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?"Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ !?' ' ⇄ !?' '⇄ !?"Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ !?"' ' 'still deserved attention Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'still deserved attention"']

['or Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'or"' 18...Rb8 'Schipkov,Boris: '⇄ ' '⇄ ' '⇄ "Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ "' ' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'Black proves he is solid, and weaknesses will start tell about themselves soon, let's say' 19.Ra1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Rxb6 20.Nab5 g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?']

19.Nab5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!"' 'Shevchenko, Kirill: 'I think Fabi's idea is very deep. It's about not mainly attack the king, it's difficult to imagine I can be mated on g7, but to defend pawn e3 safety and give him space and time to create his own counterplay. That was I think really amazing manoeuvre' 19...Qxb6 20.Ra1 Rfb8 21.Ra3 'Schipkov,Boris: '± ' '± ' '±"Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ±"' ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White consolidates the position and obtains a small advantage.''White consolidates the position and obtains a small advantage. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris:

'White consolidates the position and obtains a small advantage.''' ' 21...Qd8 22.Kd1 h6 23.Kc2 'White's king is safe, and now he seizes initiative on the kingside, too. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's king is safe, and now he seizes initiative on the kingside, too. '" 23...Nf6 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'It is the first line of engine, but from practical point not the best, in my opinion' 24.h4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White opens the game on the kingside to try to attack Black's king.

''White opens the game on the kingside to try to attack Black's king.

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White opens the game on the kingside to try to attack Black's king.

'" ' 24...Be8 25.hxg5 hxg5 Shevchenko, Kirill: '?' 26.g3 Nh5 27.Rg1 'Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' '⩲' '⩲"Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ⩲'" ' 27...Rb7 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!"Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!'" '

[27...Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]

28.gxf4 gxf4 29.Bh4 Shevchenko, Kirill: '?' 29...a4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '?!'"The pawn will be weak here. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'The pawn will be weak here. '"

[29...Bg6 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩓"Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⩓'" 30.Bg5 Krasenkow, Michal: '△' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(30.Raa1* 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" Shevchenko, Kirill: 'was a decent alternative, but objectively worse than Fabiano's move' *Qf8 31.Rg2* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'but with cold-blooded' *)* 30...Qf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'leads to nowhere for Black']

30.Bg5 Ng6 31.Rga1 'Schipkov,Boris: '?' '?' '?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?'" '

[Krasenkow,Michal: 'White didn't like the mess after' 31.Rxa4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal" Shevchenko, Kirill: ' ∓!?' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'I considered only' 31...Rxa4 32.Nxa4 Shevchenko, Kirill: '!' Shevchenko, Kirill: ',preparing d4' Ng3 33.Bd3 Bxb5 34.cxb5 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and computer agrees that position is better for me. One of ideas I have here is Bd3-b5 and then maybe Bb4' c4 Shevchenko, Kirill: '!' 35.Bxc4 Qc7]

[31.Bf1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?"Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!"Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!''' "was a good positional decision, with a clear advantage for White. Schipkov,Boris: 'is better.''is better. Krasenkow, Michal: 'was a good positional decision, with a clear advantage for White. Schipkov,Boris: 'is better.'" ' Ne5 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is very cool idea, leaving queen on c7 to attack e3 pawn' 32.Qg2 Bg6 33.Rxa4 Rxa4 34.Nxa4 Qf8 35.Bh4 Be8

Shevchenko, Kirill: 'with pleasant advantage' 36.Nac3 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ± 'Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is very overoptimistic']

31...Qc8 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!''' "Schipkov,Boris: 'A strong response. Black intends to counterplay on the king's wing.''A strong response. Black intends to counterplay on the king's wing. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'A strong response. Black intends to counterplay on the king's wing.''' ' 32.Bf1

[32.Rxa4 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris''' Rxa4 33.Rxa4 Bxb5 34.Nxb5 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is brilliant, if we look at Black pieces,their coordination is amazing' Qh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄']

32...Ng3 'Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' '⇄' '⇄"Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ⇄ ''' 33.Bd3 Krasenkow, Michal: '?''Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!''' ' 'A positional error. White should not allow Black's queen to h3. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'A positional error. White should not allow Black's queen to h3.'''

[33.Qh2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!''

A) 33...Bxb5 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris''' 34.cxb5 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is very easy to play , if you look engine! But after' *(34.Nxb5 Nxf1* Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and Bc3 still impossible, knight on b6 is going to fall' *35.Rxf1 Rxb5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!'Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and' *36.cxb5* Shevchenko, Kirill: 'impossible because of' *Qb7 37.Qe2* Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is better' *c4* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black's bishop is a monster here.'*)* 34...Nxf1 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'it looked dangerous. However, Black can deal with that by means of' 35.Rxf1 Qd7 36.Bxf4 Bxc3 37.Rg1 *(37.Rxc3 Qxb5 38.Rb1 a3 39.b3* Shevchenko, Kirill: 'Black is still happy with it's position, but I don't like White got counterplay' *e5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'was easier'*)* 37...Bg7 38.Rxg6 Qxb5 39.Rxg7+ Shevchenko, Kirill: 'probably more precise,to not weaken king. Anyway, I don't like anymore the way of game' Kxg7 40.Qh6+ Kg8 41.Qg6+ Kh8 Krasenkow,Michal: '=';

B) 33...Nxf1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal'' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'with very scary attack' 34.Rxf1 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and the initiative still belongs to White.']

[33.Bxf4 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris''' Nxf1 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and if' 34.Rxf1 Shevchenko, Kirill: '?' Qh3 35.Rf2 Rab8 36.Bh2 Krasenkow, Michal: '=']

33...Bxb5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!''' ' 34.Nxb5 Qh3 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,

Boris: '?!"' '
[34...Rxb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!'" ' Shevchenko, Kirill: '!''Schipkov,Boris: 'is stronger.''is stronger. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is stronger.'" ' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'He had to go for it' 35.cxb5 c4 36.Be2 Rb8 Krasenkow, Michal: '↑''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: ' ↑"'(indicated by the Chesspro.ru website) Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '(indicated by the Chesspro.ru website)''' 37.Rxa4 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" *(37.R1a2* 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" *Kf7* Shevchenko, Kirill: '=' *38.Bd1 Nf1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓'*)* 37...c3 38.bxc3 Nxe2 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'with pressure' 39.e5 Bxe5 40.Qd3 Kg7 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and white achieves nothing' 41.Rc4 Qh3 42.Qxe2 Qf5+ 43.Re4 Qxg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓']
35.Bxf4 Nxf4 36.Qxf4 Rf8 37.Qd2 Rxf3 38.Rxa4 Bh6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' 'This allows White to simplify the game and obtain an endgame with an extra pawn (however too hard to convert). Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This allows White to simplify the game and obtain an endgame with an extra pawn (however too hard to convert). '"
[38...Qh4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!'" 39.Ra8+ Kf7 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱'" 'Black's king is safer than White's. Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black's king is safer than White's.'" 40.R8a3 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" Qf6 Shevchenko, Kirill: '∓' 41.e5 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'loses to' Qxe5 42.Rb3 Shevchenko, Kirill: '!' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'was winning' Nf5 43.Re1 Qg3 44.Kb1 Krasenkow, Michal: ' = 'Shevchenko, Kirill: 'with easy endgame']
39.Ra8+ Kf7 40.Rh8 'Schipkov,Boris: '±!' ' ±!' ' ±!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!'" ' 'Schipkov, Boris: 'White has an extra pawn. ''White has an extra pawn. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White has an extra pawn.''' ' 40...Bxd2 41.Rxh3 Bf4 42.Rh7+ Kg6 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'sets a small trap' 43.Rh2 Be5 44.Ra8 Kg5
[44...Kf7 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'']
45.Be2 Rf7
[45...Nxe2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
46.Rg8+ Rg7 Shevchenko, Kirill: '?!' 47.Rf8 Rg6 48.Bd3
[48.Bd1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
48...Rf6 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!?"' ' 49.Rf2
[49.Rg8+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'" Shevchenko, Kirill: ''m not sure Black is winning here, but he probably keep some chances in the game' Rg6 50.Ra8 Krasenkow,Michal: '±']

49...Rxf2+ 50.Rxf2 Shevchenko, Kirill: '!' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'Last precision' 50...Rb8 51.Kb3
[51.b4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
51...Bd4 'Schipkov,Boris: '=' '=' '=''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '='" ' 52.Rf3 Kg4 53.Rf7 Bf6 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'Very tense game and very complicated dymanic struggle' 54.Kc2 ½-½ (54) Deslandes,P (2811)-Campos (2711) Slovenija 104/(125) 2015 LEX-CD [Zsolt Karacsony]
9...a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '!?'" 10.a4
[10.Bg5 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'"]
[10.Na3 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" Ne8 *(10...e6)* 11.h3 *(11.Be2)* 11...f5 12.f4 Nf7 13.exf5 *(13.Bd3)* 13...gxf5?! *(13...Bxf5!?)* 14.Bd3 Nc7 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Rab1± e6?! *(16...e5±)* 17.b4! cxb4 18.Rxb4 e5 19.fxe5 Nxe5 20.Be2 Qf6± 1-0 Perunovic,M (2415)-Radovanovic, N (2348)/Kraljevo 2014/CBM 162 Extra (38)]
10...Nh5
[10...Ne8 11.Be2 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.0-0 Nf6 14.h3 Bd7 15.f4 Nf7 16.Na3 Rb8 17.Bd3 e6 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Rae1 Bf5 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.Qd3 Qd7 22.b3 Rfe8 23.Nab1 Ne4 24.Nd5 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Nd2 Nxd2 27.Bxd2 bxc4 28.bxc4 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Re8 30.Rb1 Nd8 31.Bc3 Ne6 32.Bxg7 Nxg7 33.Nf6+ 1-0 (33) mbchessmaster (2642)-avchessplayer (2314) Rapid 2022]
11.Be2 f5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!?'" ' 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Na3
[13.Bh6 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" f4 14.Bxg7 Nxg7 15.0-0 Qe8 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄']
13...Qe8
[13...f4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!?"Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"]
14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qg6 'Schipkov, Boris: '⇄' '⇄' '⇄' Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (42) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Damljanovic,B (2566) Sk'1/2 (42) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Damljanovic,B (2566) Skopje 2014 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ ' Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (42) Ivanisevic, I (2633)-Damljanovic,B (2566) Skopje 2014'" opje 2014" 16.Qxg6+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal" 16...hxg6 17.g3 f4 18.g4 Nf6 19.0-0-0 Kg7 20.Nab1 Bd7 21.Nd2 Rh8 22.h4 Rh7 23.Rh2 Rah8 24.Rdh1 g5 25.h5 Kh6 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (42) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Damljanovic,B (2566) Skopje 2014' 26.Kc2 Rf7 27.Re1 Nfxg4 28.fxg4 f3 29.Bxf3 Nxf3 30.Nxf3 Rxf3 31.Rxe7 Bxg4 32.Ne4 Bf5 33.Kd2 Bxe4 34.Re6+ Kg7 35.Rxe4 Rhf8 36.Re6 R3f6 37.Rhe2 Rh6 38.a5 Rf4 39.Re7+ Rf7 40.R7e6 Rf4 41.Re7+ Rf7 42.R7e6 ½-½ (42) Ivanisevic,I (2633)-Damljanovic,B (2566) Skopje MKD 2014
10.Be2 exd5
[10...h5 11.0-0 h4 12.h3 exd5 13.cxd5 Re8 14.a4 b6 15.Na3 a6 16.f4 Ned7 17.Bf3 Bb7 18.Nc4 Qc7

19.Bf2 Qb8 20.Rae1 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Nxb5 Ra6 23.Bxh4 Bxd5 24.Nbxd6 Nxe4 25.Qxd5 Nxd6 26.Nxd6 Rxe1 27.Qxf7+ Kh7 28.Rxe1 Qxd6 29.f5 Ne5 30.fxg6+ Qxg6 31.Qxg6+ Nxg6 32.Bf2 Ra5 33.Re6 Nf4 34.Be4+ Kg8 35.Rc6 Bd4 36.Bxd4 cxd4 37.Rd6 Ra4 38.Kf2 Rb4 39.Kf3 Nh5 40.g4 Ng7 41.Bd5+ Kf8 42.b3 Ne8 43.Bc4 Nxd6 44.Bd5 Nb5 45.Ke4 Nc3+ 46.Ke5 Nxd5 47.Kxd5 d3 48.Kc5 Rxb3 49.Kc4 Ra3 50.Kd4 d2 51.Ke5 d1Q 52.Kf6 Qd3 53.g5 Ra6+ 54.Ke5 Qd4+ 55.Kxd4 Ra5 56.Ke4 Kg7 57.Kf4 Kg6 58.Kg4 1-0 (58) sber1 (2851)-sina_iran (2827) Blitz 2021]

11.cxd5 'is is not easy for Black to equalise: Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'is is not easy for Black to equalise:'" 11...b5 [11...h5 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!''' ' 12.0-0 *(12.h3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±!?"Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 12...Nh7 *(12...Kh7 13.a4 Ng8 14.Na3 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.Bg5 Qe8 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 hxg4 19.Rae1 Qh5 20.Ncb5 Kg6 21.Nxd6 Bd4+ 22.Kh1 Nf6 23.g3 Bd7 24.Nc2 Nxd5 25.Nxd4 cxd4 26.Qxd4 Qh3 27.Kg1 Rh8 28.Rf2 Bc6 29.Re6+ Kh5 30.Nxf5* 1-0 (30) mbchessmaster (2641)-bobbythekingofchess (2581) Rapid 2021*)* 13.a4 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'and I considered this position slightly worse for me. However, after the' *(13.Bh6* Krasenkow,Michal: '±!?"Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" *)* 13...f5 14.exf5 *(14.Na3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 14...Bxf5 15.Na3 Re8 16.Rae1 a6 17.h3 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!"Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!'" ' *(17.Bf4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 17...Qh4 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!"Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!''' ' Shevchenko, Kirill: 'even if position is better for White, it's very double-edged' 18.Bf2 Shevchenko, Kirill: 'is easier' Qb4 19.f4 Nf7 20.Nc4 Nf6 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!"Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!'" ' *(20...b5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!?"Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 21.a5 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!"Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!'" ' *(21.Bd3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 21...Ne4 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!"Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!'" ' 22.Nxe4 Rxe4 23.Qxb4 cxb4 24.g4 hxg4 25.hxg4 'Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (45) Laznicka,V (2594)-Mamedov,R (2587) Pardubice 2007"1-0 (45) Laznicka,V (2594)-Mamedov,R (2587) Pardubice 2007 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: '1-0 (45) Laznicka,V (2594)-Mamedov,R (2587) Pardubice 2007'" ' Rxe2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(25...Bd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!?"Schipkov, Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'"*)* 26.gxf5 Rxe1 27.Bxe1 gxf5 28.Bxb4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,

Michal: '⊥ 1-0 (45) Laznicka,V (2594)-Mamedov,R (2587) Pardubice 2007']
[11...Nh5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 12.0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(12.g4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ≤' *Nf6 13.h3 Re8 14.0-0 h5 15.Bg5 Qc7 16.a4 hxg4 17.hxg4 Nh7 18.Bh6 Qe7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Na3* Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (36) Ward,C (2498)-Mortensen,E (2450) Copenhagen 2002' *g5* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' *)*]
[11...Ne8 12.0-0 *(12.Bg5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'''*)* 12...f5 13.a4 Nf6 14.exf5 Bxf5 *(14...gxf5 15.Na3 Nh5 16.Bg5 Qe8 17.f4 Ng4 18.Ncb5 Qg6 19.Nc4 Bd7 20.Nbxd6 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 Nhf6 22.Bxg4 Nxg4 23.Ra3 h6 24.Be7 Rf7 25.Nxf7 Qxf7 26.Bh4 Qxd5 27.Ne5 Nxe5 28.fxe5 Kh7 29.Rg3 Rg8 30.Rxg8 Qxg8 31.Bf2 Qd5 32.Bxd4 cxd4 33.Rf4* 1-0 (33) Duda,J (2663)-Al Sayed,M (2520) Doha QAT 2015*)* 15.Na3 a6 *(15...Rc8 16.g4 Bd7 17.Nab5 Bxb5 18.axb5 Ra8 19.Ra4 Qc8 20.Kg2 a5 21.bxa6 bxa6 22.Rfa1 Ne8 23.Ne4 Qb7 24.b4 c4 25.Ra5 Qe7 26.h3 Nc7 27.Bg5 Qd7 28.f4 Nd3 29.Rf1 Rab8 30.Rf3 h6 31.Bh4 g5 32.fxg5 Rxf3 33.Bxf3 Rxb4 34.Ra2 Qf7 35.Nxd6 Nf4+ 36.Kg3 c3 37.Nxf7 cxd2 38.Nxh6+ Bxh6 39.gxh6 Rb3 40.Rxd2 Ncxd5 41.Bg5* 1-0 (41) Ivanchuk,V (2713)-Guichard,P (2378) Caleta ENG 2019*)* 16.Rae1 *(16.h3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'''*; 16.g4 Bd7 17.Bf4 Ne8 18.Kg2 Rb8 19.Bg5 Nf6 20.Bf4 Ne8 21.Bg5 Nf6 22.Bf4 Ne8 23.Bg5* ½-½ (23) Lafarga Santorroman,D (2643)-Papenin,N (2729) corr ICCF 2012*)* 16...Re8 *(16...Qa5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄!?"Schipkov,Boris Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris'''*)* 17.Bf4 Qc7 18.g4 Bd7 19.h3 Nf7 20.Kg2 Re7 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄' '⇄' '⇄"Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄ '''' 21.Bc4 Krasenkow,Michal: '±"1/2 (21) Bischoff,K (2564)-Stellwagen,D (2487) Germany 2004 Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (21) Bischoff,K (2564)-Stellwagen,D (2487) Germany 2004 Krasenkow,Michal: '±''']
[Krasenkow,Michal: 'It is rather senseless for Black to play' 11...a6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal''Krasenkow,Michal: 'as White plans a2-a4 and ♘b1-a3 anyway:' 12.a4 Re8 *(12...Rb8 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Na3 Qh4 15.Bg5 Nxf3+ 16.Rxf3 Bd4+ 17.Qxd4 cxd4 18.Bxh4 dxc3 19.Rxc3 Nf4 20.Bf3 Bd7 21.Be7 Bxa4 22.Bxd6* 1-0 (22) supertactic91 (2706)-rossogialloblu (2511) Rapid 2021*; 12...Ne8 13.0-0 f5 14.Na3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Nc3 Rb8 17.Kh1 Nc7 18.Bg5 Qe8 19.g4 Bd7 20.Rae1 b5 21.Ne4 Qf7 22.Rd1 h6 23.Bxh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 bxa4 25.Nxd6 Qf4 26.Qxf4 Rxf4 27.Ndc4 Nxc4 28.Bxc4 Nb5 29.d6+ Kf8 30.Ba2 Nd4 31.Nc4 Re8 32.Nb6 Bc6 33.Bd5 Bb5 34.Rf2 Rf6 35.Nc4 g5 36.Rc1 Ne2 37.Rc2 Nf4 38.Be4 Bxc4 39.Rxc4 Rxd6 40.h4 gxh4 41.Rxc5 Re7 42.Kh2 Red7 43.Rf5+* ½-½ (43) Coleman,P (2607)-Ham,S (2578) ICCF email 2020*; 12...Nh5 13.g4 Nf6 14.h3 Re8 15.Kf1 c4*

16.Na3 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Ncxb5 Ba6 19.Kg2 Qd7 20.Nc3 Qb7 21.Nc2 Nfd7 22.Ra2 Nd3 23.Nd4 N7c5 24.Bd1 Nb3 25.Bxb3 cxb3 26.Ra3 Bc4 27.Rha1 Rxa3 28.Rxa3 Ra8 29.Rxa8+ Qxa8 30.Nxb3 Nxb2 31.Qxb2 Qb7 32.Bf4 Bf8 33.Qa3 Qxb3 34.Qxb3 Bxb3 35.Nb5 Ba4 36.Nxd6 g5 37.Bg3 Bxd6 38.Bxd6 f6 39.Be7 Kf7 40.Bd8 Bc2 41.Kg3 h6 42.h4 Bb1 43.h5 Bd3 44.Kf2 Bc2 45.Ke2 Bb1 46.Kd2 Ba2 47.Kc3 Bb1 48.d6 Ba2 49.Kb4 Ke6 50.Kc5 Bb3 51.Kc6 Bd1 1-0 (51) Aleksandrov,A (2602)-Karthikeyan,P (2401) Visakhapatnam IND 2012*)* 13.0-0 h5 *(13...Qc7 14.Na3 c4 15.a5 Nfd7 16.f4 Nd3 17.Nxc4 Qxc4 18.Bxd3 Qb4 19.Ra4 Bxc3 20.Rxb4 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 Nc5 22.Bc2 Bd7 23.Bc3 Bb5 24.Rd1 Nd7 25.Kf2 Rac8 26.g4 Rc7 27.g5 Rec8 28.h4 Rxc3 29.bxc3 Rxc3 30.Ba4 Bxa4 31.Rxa4 Nc5 32.Rad4 Nb3 33.R4d3 Rc2+ 34.Kf3 Nxa5 35.e5 Nc4 36.e6 fxe6 37.dxe6 Kf8 38.h5 Ke7 39.Re1 b5 40.h6 a5 41.Rd5 Rb2 42.f5 gxf5 43.g6 hxg6 44.Rh1 Kxe6 45.h7 Kxd5 46.h8Q Ne5+ 47.Ke3 Rb3+ 48.Kd2 a4 49.Qg8+ Kc5 50.Qc8+ Kb4 51.Rc1 a3 52.Qc7 Rd3+ 53.Kc2 a2 54.Kb2 Rd2+ 55.Ka1 Nc4 56.Qg7 Rg2 57.Qc3+ Kc5 58.Qa3+ Kd4 59.Rd1+ Ke5 60.Qc3+ Ke6 61.Re1+ Kf7 62.Qh8 Ne5 63.Rc1 Ke6 64.Qg8+ Kf6 65.Qd8+ Ke6 66.Rc7 f4 67.Qc8+ Kf6 68.Qf8+ Kg5 69.Qxd6 Re2 70.Rc5 Kf5 71.Qf8+ Kg4 72.Qe7 Kf5 73.Qf7+ Kg5 74.Qe6 Kh4 75.Rxe5 Rxe5 76.Qxe5 Kg3 77.Qg5+ Kf3 78.Kxa2 Ke4 79.Qxg6+ Ke3 80.Qe6+ Kf2 81.Qb6+ Kg2 82.Qc6+ f3 83.Kb2 Kf2 84.Kc2 Ke2 85.Qe4+ Kf2 86.Kd2 b4 87.Qh4+ Kg2 88.Ke3 b3 89.Qg4+ Kh2 90.Kxf3* 1-0 (90) gogotaniye (2733)-pzpzzz (2585) Rapid 2021*)* 14.Na3 Nh7 15.Kh1 *(15.Rae1* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be even more useful'*; 15.h3 f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.f4 Nf7 18.Nc4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Nxb5 Rb8 21.Nc3 Nf6 22.Bd3 Ne4 23.Bxe4 Bxe4 24.Kh2 Rb4 25.Qe2 Bf5 26.Rfe1 Bd4 27.Nd1 Qh4 28.Qf1 Rxc4 29.Bf2 Rxe1 30.Ra8+ Kh7 31.Qxe1 Qxf4+ 32.Bg3 Qe4 33.Qf1 Rc1 34.Ra7 Qxd5 35.Qf4 Rxd1* 0-1 (36) krasover (2634)-Naaas (2592) Blitz 2018*)* 15...f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Rae1 Rb8 18.h3 h4 19.f4 Nf7 20.Bf2 Bf6 21.Bd3 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (61) Dinic,G (2232)-Dimic,P (2243) Belgrade 2013'] 12.Nxb5 Rb8 13.N1a3 Ne8 14.0-0 Nc7 15.Nc3 f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Qh4 19.b3 Rfe8 20.Bf2 Qf6 21.Rac1 h5 22.Ne4 Bxe4 23.fxe4 Rxe4 24.Bxc5 Qe5 25.Bxa7 Re8 26.Bf2 Kh7 27.Rce1 Qc3 28.Qxc3 Bxc3 29.Rxe4 Rxe4 30.a4 Re5 31.Rd1 Bb4 32.Bb6 Na8 33.Bd4 Re7 34.g3 g5 35.Kg2 g4 36.Rf1 Kg6 37.Rf6+ Kg5 38.Re6 Rxe6 39.dxe6 Nc7 40.Bb6 d5 41.Bxc7 dxc4 42.bxc4 Kf6 43.a5 Kxe6 44.a6 Bc5 45.Bb8 Kf5 46.a7 Bxa7 47.Bxa7 Ke4 48.c5 Kd5 49.Kf2 h4 50.gxh4 1-0 (50) lqevsll (2895)-RomanianForce (2755) Blitz 2023

[68] **5.Be3** c5 6.dxc5 Qa5+ 7.Qd2 Qxd2+ 8.Nxd2 dxc5 9.Bxc5 Nfd7

10.Ba3 Nc6 11.Ne2 0-0 12.Nc3 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Nb6 14.Rb1 Rd8 15.Be2 Na4 16.Rc1 Be6 17.Bd1 Nb6 18.c5 Nc4 19.Nxc4 Bxc4 20.Bb3 Bxb3 21.axb3 Na5 22.Rb1 Rd3 23.Ke2 Rad8 24.Bb4 Rd2+ 25.Ke3 e5 26.Bxa5 R8d3# 0-1 (26) Fastchess2345 (2707)-guron (2482) Blitz 2024

5.Bd3 0-0

[5...Nc6 6.Ne2 0-0 7.0-0 Nd7 8.Be3 Nb4 9.Nbc3 c5 10.d5 Ne5 11.Bb1 Nxc4 12.Bc1 Ne5 13.a3 Na6 14.h3 b5 15.Nxb5 Qb6 16.Nbc3 Rb8 17.Ra2 Nc7 18.Kh1 Ba6 19.f4 Nd7 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Qb3 22.Ra1 Nb5 23.Rf3 Nd4 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Ne2 Qxd3 26.Rxd3 Nc5 27.Rd1 d3 28.Nc3 Bxc3 29.bxc3 Nxe4 30.Kg1 Nxc3 31.Rxd3 Ne2+ 32.Kf2 Nxc1 33.Rxc1 Rb2+ 34.Kg1 Rfb8 35.Rc7 Re2 36.Rxa7 Rbb2 37.Rg3 Rbd2 38.Ra5 Kg7 39.f5 Re5 40.fxg6 hxg6 41.Rf3 Rdxd5 42.Rxd5 Rxd5 43.a4 Rd1+ 44.Kh2 Ra1 45.Rf4 e5 46.Rb4 d5 47.Kg3 d4 48.Kf3 f5 49.g4 e4+ 50.Kf4 Rf1+ 51.Kg5 d3 52.Rb7+ Kf8 53.Kxg6 d2 0-1 (53) Strongmama1 (2677)-MrDensity (2734) Blitz 2024]

6.Nc3 Nc6

[6...e5 7.d5 Ne8 8.Be3 f5 9.Qd2 c5 10.exf5 gxf5 11.Bg5 Bf6 12.h4 Na6 13.Nh3 Qe7 14.0-0-0 Ng7 15.Bxf6 Qxf6 16.g4 Bd7 17.h5 e4 18.h6 exd3 19.g5 Qd4 20.hxg7 Kxg7 21.Nf4 Rh8 22.Qh2 h5 23.Nxh5+ Kg6 24.Qxd6+ 1-0 (24) WhiteWolf736 (2667)-STKA1969 (2549) Rapid 2021]

7.Nge2 Nd7 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.0-0 c5 11.Qd2 f5 12.Bh6 f4 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Nb5 Ne5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Nxd4 Qb6 18.Be2 Bd7 19.Rab1 a5 20.a3 Rac8 21.axb4 Nxc4 22.bxa5 Nxd2 23.Rxb6 Nxf1 24.Rxb7 Ne3 25.Ne6+ Kf6 26.Nxf8 Rxf8 27.Rxd7 Ke5 28.a6 Nc2 29.a7 1-0 (29) Alexandr-Bagrationi (2692)-sjakk98765 (2579) Blitz 2018

5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 c6 7.Ne2 a6 8.a4 a5 9.Nec3 Na6 10.Be2 Nb4 11.0-0 e5 12.d5 cxd5 13.cxd5 0-0 14.Nd2 g5 15.Bf2 Nh5 16.Nc4 Nf4 17.Bb6 Qe7 18.Bxa5 Na6 19.Nb5 Nc5 20.Bb4 Nxe2+ 21.Qxe2 1-0 (21) Sevian, S (2647)-Schill,W (2147) chess.com INT 2021

5.h4 c5 6.d5 h5 7.Bg5 Qb6 8.Bc1 Nbd7 9.Nc3 Ne5 10.Nge2 Nxc4 11.Nf4 Ne5 12.a4 a6 13.a5 Qc7 14.Be3 b5 15.axb6 Qxb6 16.Qc2 Bd7 17.Nd3 Nxd3+ 18.Bxd3 Rb8 19.Rxa6 Qb7 20.0-0 0-0 21.Rb1 Rfc8 22.Bc4 Qb4 23.Qd3 Ng4 24.Na2 Nxe3 25.Nxb4 Rxb4 26.b3 Rcb8 27.Rc1 Bd4 28.Kh1 Nxc4 29.bxc4 Rb3 30.Qe2 Re3 31.Qd1 Rb2 32.Rc2 Rbb3 33.Rca2 Rbd3 34.Qb1 Bc3 35.Ra8+ Kg7 36.Qb8 Re1+ 37.Kh2 Kh6 38.Qf8+ Bg7 39.Qxf7 Rdd1 40.Qf4+ Kh7 41.R2a7 Rh1+ 42.Kg3 Be5 43.Qxe5 dxe5 44.Rxd7 Rc1 45.Rxe7+ Kh6 46.Rh8# 1-0 (46) Voyaportigermen (2602)-kinin (2275) Rapid 2021

[69] **5...a6** Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!?' Arkadij Naiditsch : '!? Quite a creative move from Wang. Black is not trying to act in the center by playing c5 - or maybe at some good moment e5 -, but preparing the c6-b5 idea. Quite a creative move from Wang. Black is

not trying to act in the center by playing c5 - or maybe at some good moment e5 -, but preparing the c6-b5 idea.' 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Immediately starting one of the standard counter-plans (...a7-a6, ... c7-c6 and ...b7-b5).' 6.Nec3

[6.Be3 b5 7.Nec3 bxc4 8.Bxc4 0-0 9.Na3 *(9.Nd2 Nbd7 10.0-0 c5 11.d5 a5 12.a4 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Rxa6 14.Nc4 Nb6 15.b3 Ng4 16.fxg4 Bxc3 17.Rc1 Bg7 18.Nd2 Nd7 19.Nc4 Ne5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Bh6 Bg7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qd3 Rb6 24.Qc3+ Kg8 25.h4 Rb4 26.h5 Qb6 27.h6 f6 28.g5 Rxb3 29.Qd2 Qb4 30.Qf4 Qd4+ 31.Kh1 Qe5 32.Qg4 Qxg5 33.Qe6+ Kh8 34.Qxe7 Qxh6+ 35.Kg1 Qe3+ 36.Kh1 Qh6+ 37.Kg1 Qe3+ 38.Kh1 Qh6+ 39.Kg1 Qe3+ 40.Kh1 Qh6+ 41.Kg1 Qe3+ 42.Kh1 ½-½ (42) Fastchess2345 (2701)-Apash_10 (2578) Blitz 2024)* 9...Nbd7 10.0-0 c6 11.Nc2 e5 12.Kh1 a5 13.Rb1 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qe2 Ra8 16.Rfd1 Qe7 17.Qf2 Rfc8 18.b3 a4 19.Nxa4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe5 21.Nb6 dxe4 22.Nxc8 Rxc8 23.fxe4 Nxe4 24.Qf4 Nc3 25.Ra1 Nd5 26.Qf1 Ng4 27.Bg1 Be5 28.Re1 Qh4 29.Rxe5 Nxe5 30.Nd4 Ng4 31.Nf3 Qf6 32.Re1 c5 33.Qc4 Nf4 34.Re4 g5 35.Nxg5 Qxg5 36.Rxf4 Ne5 37.Qe4 Ng6 38.Rf5 Qe7 39.Qxe7 Nxe7 40.Rxc5 Rxc5 41.Bxc5 Ng6 42.a4 f6 43.a5 Kf7 44.a6 1-0 (44) NIndja64 (2801)-Soham0705 (2688) Blitz 2022]

6...c6 7.Na3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'To me, it looks a bit "too creative". To me, it looks a bit "too creative"."

[7.a4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '?! would be a typical inaccuracy here. would be a typical inaccuracy here.'' a5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! and Black would continue with Na6 winning control of the dark squares. and Black would continue with Na6 winning control of the dark squares.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is probably good for Black, who will now fight for dark squares by means of ...e7-e5: Krasenkow,M: 'is probably good for Black, who will now fight for the dark squares by means of ...e7-e5:'' 8.Be3 Na6 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 e5 *(10...Qc7 11.Nd2 e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.c5 Rd8 14.Bxa6 bxa6* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *15.Qe2 Be6 16.Nc4 Bxc4 17.Qxc4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (70) Erdos,V (2623)-Jobava,B (2678) Warsaw 2011'*; 10...Nb4 11.Na3 e5 12.Nc2 Nd7 13.d5 c5 14.Nb5 Nf6 15.Nxb4 axb4 16.b3 Ne8 17.f4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Bxa1 19.Qxa1 f6 20.h4 Qe7 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.g3 Bxb5 23.cxb5 b6 24.Re1 Ng7 25.Bf1 Nh5 26.Bh3 Nxf4 27.gxf4 f5 28.exf5 Qxh4 29.Kg2 gxf5 30.Re3 Rf6 31.Rg3+ Rg6 32.Rxg6+ hxg6 33.Qe1 Qxe1* 0-1 (33) thedjoker (2719)-ZoubkovaVila (2713) Blitz 2022 *)* 11.d5 Nh5 *(11...Nc5 12.Nd2 Bd7 13.Nb3 Nxb3 14.Qxb3 c5 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.Nc7 Rab8 17.Nb5 Nh5 18.g3 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bd2 Bxb5 21.axb5 b6 22.f4 Nf6 23.fxe5 Ne4 24.exd6 Nxd6 25.Rae1 Bd4+ 26.Kg2 Ne4 27.Bf4 Rbe8 28.Bd3 Qg7 29.Qc2 Bxb2 30.Bxe4 fxe4 31.Rxe4 Rxe4 32.Qxe4 a4 33.Qe6+ Kh8 34.Bh6 Rxf1 35.Bxg7+ Kxg7 36.Kxf1 a3 37.Qxb6* 1-0 (37)

xCarlusMagsenx (2606)-dulemaster (2702) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Re1 f5 13.Nd2 c5 14.Bf1 f4 15.Bf2 Bf6 Krasenkow, Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '⊕ 0-1 (33) Cacho Reigadas,S (2405)-Dimitrov,V (2495) Vendrell 1996']

[7.Be3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch ' b5 8.Be2 *(8.Nd2* Krasenkow,Michal: 'looks more solid for White.' *Nbd7 9.Rc1 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nh5 12.a4 b4 13.Ne2 0-0 14.Nc4 Qe7 15.b3 f5 16.Rc2 fxe4 17.fxe4 Ndf6 18.Qd3 Ng4 19.Bg1 Nf4 20.Nxf4 exf4 21.Be2 Ne5 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Bf2 Qg5 24.0-0 a5 25.Rc6 h5 26.Kh1 Bg4 27.Bf3 Bd7 28.Rc7 Bc8 29.Rc6 Qf6 30.Rfc1 Bb7 31.Rc7 Ba6 32.Qd1 Rf7 33.Rxf7 Qxf7 34.Rc6 Bb7 35.Rc4 Rc8 36.Rxc8+ Bxc8 37.Qd3 Qc7 38.h4 Kf7 39.Qb5 Bd7 40.Qb6 Qc3 41.Qxa5 Qxb3 42.Qd8 Qxa4 43.Kh2 b3 44.Bd1 Bg4 45.Bxg4 hxg4 46.Qc7+ Kg8 47.Qd8+ Kh7 48.Qe7+ Bg7 49.h5 gxh5 50.Bh4 Qd4 51.e5 Qxe5* 0-1 (51) benkonian (2648)-tidjane (2558) Blitz 2024*)* 8...bxc4 9.Bxc4 d5 10.Be2 dxe4 11.fxe4 0-0 12.0-0 Nbd7 13.e5 Nd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Nc3 e6 16.Qd2 a5 17.b3 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Rac1 Ra8 20.Nb5 Qb6 21.a4 Rac8 22.h4 f6 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.exf6 Nxf6 25.Qf2 Rf8 26.Qf4 Ne4 27.Qc7 Qxc7 28.Nxc7 Rc8 29.Nxe6 Rc3 30.Nxg7 Kxg7 31.Bf4 Rxb3 32.Be5+ Kg8 33.Rc1 Rb4 34.Rc7 Rxa4 35.Rg7+ Kf8 36.Rxh7 Ra1+ 37.Kh2 a4 38.Rh6 Kf7 39.Rh7+ Ke6 40.Rg7 Kf5 41.Rf7+ Kg4 42.Rg7 Kf5 43.Kh3 Nf2+ 44.Kg3 Ne4+ 45.Kf3 a3 46.g4+ Ke6 47.Rxg6+ Kf7 48.Ra6 a2 49.g5 Rf1+ 50.Kg4 a1Q 51.g6+ Kg8 52.Rxa1 Rxa1 53.h5 Rg1+ 54.Kf5 Rh1 55.Kg4 Nf2+ 56.Kg5 Ne4+ 57.Kf5 Rxh5+ 58.Ke6 Rg5 59.g7 Rg6+ 60.Kxd5 Nc3+ 61.Kc4 1-0 (61) tactinhos2900 (2661)-Banelevich (2631) Blitz 2021]

7...b5 8.Nc2 0-0 9.Be3 Nbd7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'All the standard moves are done. Now it is time to think about a future plan. All the standard moves are done. Now it is time to think about a future plan.'' 10.cxb5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'After this move, Black should be doing fine.''

[But, what else to play for White?! In case of 10.Be2 Arkadij Naiditsch bxc4 11.Bxc4 d5 Black is fine as well.]

10...axb5 11.Be2 Bb7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'To develop our pieces is never wrong. To develop our pieces is never wrong.'' 12.0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's c2-knight is placed well but Black's position is quite comfortable, too.' 12...e5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! I think this was a good positional decision by Black in a very complex position with a lot of different ideas. He realizes that he needs to attack the white center and not allow his opponent to play Qd2, Rad1, a3, after which, White's advantage would grow. I think this was a good positional decision by Black in a very complex position with a lot of different ideas. He realizes that he needs to attack the white center and not allow his opponent to play Qd2, Rad1, a3, after which, White's advantage

would grow.'' 13.Qd2 exd4? Jon Hammer obviously mixed something up. 14.Bxd4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'We have a typical position for the KID structures. A lot of motives are based on tactical possibilities. Black usually looks for active play while White tries to keep things together. Objectively, I think this position should be good for Black. We have a typical position for the KID structures. A lot of motives are based on tactical possibilities. Black usually looks for active play while White tries to keep things together. Objectively, I think this position should be good for Black.'' 14...Qe7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Queen to e7, rook to d8, very logical. Another usual place for the black queen is c7, but now it would be not optimal because of Rac1 and the queen could get quickly under attack. Queen to e7, rook to d8, very logical. Another usual place for the black queen is c7, but now it would be not optimal because of Rac1 and the queen could get quickly under attack.''

[14...b4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 15.Nxb4 c5 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲' Krasenkow, Michal: 'M.Golubev']

15.a3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'A risky move. Now the black knight gets the b3 square. A risky move. Now the black knight gets the b3 square.''

[15.Rfd1 (Arkadij Naiditsch) would have been more solid. would have been more solid.]

15...Nc5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'This is the start of a long series of manoeuvres.

' 16.Rad1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'A tactical defense against Nb3.'' The simplest. 16...Rfd8 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Very solid Very solid''

[Maybe this pawn sacrifice would be possible as well. 16...Nb3 Arkadij Naiditsch 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Be5 Black is a pawn down, but the dark-squared bishop is a monster piece that clearly gives very good compensation. Black is a pawn down, but the dark-squared bishop is a monster piece that clearly gives very good compensation.]

17.Bf2 Ne6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '?! A slightly strange decision. Probably Wang did not want to exchange pieces and tried to keep the position as complicated as possible. A slightly strange decision. Probably Wang did not want to exchange pieces and tried to keep the position as complicated as possible.''

[17...d5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! If Black can play d5, he should definitely do it! In my opinion, Black is already slightly better here. If Black can play d5, he should definitely do it! In my opinion, Black is already slightly better here.'' 18.e5 *(18.Qe3 Ne6)* 18...Nfd7 19.f4 Nb3 20.Qe3 Ndc5 Krasenkow, Michal: '⇄']

18.Bh4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! A

good place for the white bishop. No more Nh5 or d5 because of the pin, and a move like g5 is clearly not an option for Black. A good place for the white bishop. No more Nh5 or d5 because of the pin, and a move like g5 is clearly not an option for Black." 18...Rd7 19.Qc1 Qe8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Black is moving his pieces away from the nasty pin."

[19...Qf8 Krasenkow,Michal: ', keeping the e8-square free, looks more appropriate. ']

20.Rfe1! Nh5 21.Bf1 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'White consolidates in the center as well. The position remains very complex. " 21...Be5? Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'I think Wang asks too much from his position and provokes White into something that he might regret. I think Wang asks too much from his position and provokes White into something that he might regret.''This loses at once.

[21...Qf8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'would be a possible solid way to go on. would be a possible solid way to go on.''Krasenkow, Michal: 'was still possible.']

22.g3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! It might be that Wang blundered this very strong reply by White. The idea of playing f4-f5 next can be very dangerous for Black. It might be that Wang blundered this very strong reply by White. The idea of playing f4-f5 next can be very dangerous for Black.'' 22...f6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'The beginning of some crazy complications.''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black initiates complications. ' 23.f4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Hammer has no fear at all and he is right! White's play is stronger here. Hammer has no fear at all and he is right! White's play is stronger here." 23...g5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Nothing else left for Black to do.'' 24.fxe5 ♘gxh4 25.exd6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?' Arkadij Naiditsch : '? Quite a serious mistake. Quite a serious mistake."

[25.exf6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ♘' hxg3 26.Qh6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(26.hxg3 Qg6; 26.Bh3 Nef4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *27.Bxd7 Qxd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '→' *)* 26...gxh2+ 27.Kxh2 Qg6 28.Qxg6+ hxg6 29.Bh3 Nhf4 30.Bxe6+ Nxe6 31.Ne3 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱']

[25.Qh6! (Arkadij Naiditsch) ! White should have continued in a dynamic way. fxe5 Probably Black got a better option, but here White's idea becomes more visible. Probably Black got a better option, but here White's idea becomes more visible. 26.Bh3! ! and Black would have troubles to get his pieces together. and Black would have troubles to get his pieces together.]

25...hxg3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Now the white king gets seriously weakened.'' 26.hxg3 Rg7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Suddenly, Whit e is under big pressure, but the position

remains very complicated. Suddenly, Whit e is under big pressure, but the position remains very complicated.'' 27.Ne2± Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! Good defense by Hammer. He needs to exchange at least a couple of pieces to reduce the power of Black's attack. Good defense by Hammer. He needs to exchange at least a couple of pieces to reduce the power of Black's attack.'' 27...Nxg3 28.Nxg3 Rxg3+ 29.Kf2! Rg7 Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'We are in front of a very funny position. Who is better here? It is hard to say. At first sight, White's king is very badly placed on f2, but on the other hand, if White manages to play Bd3-Rg1, suddenly, the black king would be in trouble. White's idea Ne3-Nf5 next might be very dangerous as well. Black needs to react very quickly. We are in front of a very funny position. Who is better here? It is hard to say. At first sight, White's king is very badly placed on f2, but on the other hand, if White manages to play Bd3-Rg1, suddenly, the black king would be in trouble. White's idea Ne3-Nf5 next might be very dangerous as well. Black needs to react very quickly.' 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's king is almost naked but Black's ♖a8 and ♗b7 are out of play, which makes his attack less powerful. And don't forget about White's strong d6-pawn!

' 30.Ne3!? Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'The white knight is on a roll. The white knight is on a roll.'' 30...Qh5 31.Nf5! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'It is funny to see how just one knight holds White's position together. It is funny to see how just one knight holds White's position together.''(stopping Black's passed pawn) 31...Rg5 Krasenkow, Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '? In a very complex position, Black gives his opponent a "break" to consolidate. In a very complex position, Black gives his opponent a "break" to consolidate.''Krasenkow,Michal: 'This move gives White a crucial reprieve.'

[Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'First'' 31...Qh2+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'ם' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'to force the white king to a bad square on e3. to force the white king to a bad square on e3.'' 32.Ke3 Rg1 *(32...Rg5* (Arkadij Naiditsch) and only now Rg5 would give Black a very dangerous attack. and only now Rg5 would give Black a very dangerous attack.*)* 33.Qc3 Rf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '↑']

32.Re3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '! Now the White king is escaping to e1! Now the White king is escaping to e1!'' 32...Qh2+ was probably more stubborn than the game continuation. 33.Ke1 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Suddenly, Black has no more threats against the white king, and the d6 pawn is getting super strong. Suddenly, Black has no more

threats against the white king, and the d6 pawn is getting super strong. " Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's king has found a shelter.' 33...Nf4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

[33...Qf4 34.Qc3 c5 35.Rd2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± !' Bxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: '△' 36.Rf2]

34.d7 Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

[Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'White could have finished the game on the spot by playing'' 34.Rd2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '! first hitting away the black queen from h2, which will also disturb Black's Rg1. first hitting away the black queen from h2, which will also disturb Black's Rg1. " Qg1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'and only now'' 35.Rf3 *(35.Qc3* (Arkadij Naiditsch) The f6-pawn is going to fall and, with it, the whole black position. The f6-pawn is going to fall and, with it, the whole black position.*)* 35...Ng6 *(35...Ng2+ 36.Kd1* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-'*)* 36.d7 Rd8 37.Qc3 Ne5 38.Nh6+ Kg7 39.Rh3 Rxd7 40.Rxd7+ Nxd7 41.Qb3 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-']

34...Rd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

[34...Ng2+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 35.Bxg2 Rxg2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'was a chance not just to draw the game but to make White do precisely that:' 36.Rg3+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(36.d8Q+ Rxd8 37.Rxd8+ Kf7 38.Rf8+ Kxf8 39.Qc5+ Kg8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!'Krasenkow, Michal: 'is in Black's favour'*)* 36...Rxg3 37.d8Q+ Rxd8 38.Rxd8+ Kf7 39.Nxg3 Qxg3+ Krasenkow,Michal: ', and Black gives a perpetual (indicated by IM M.Notkin)']

35.Qc3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Of course, Qc3 is strong here as well. It is clear now that White is doing much better. Of course, Qc3 is strong here as well. It is clear now that White is doing much better."

[35.Rd2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was winning here, too:' Qg1 36.Qc3 Ng2+ 37.Rxg2 Rxg2 38.Rf3 Rg6 39.Ne7+ Kf7 40.Nxg6 Qxg6 41.Qb3+ Ke7 42.Bh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-']

35...Rg1 Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Threatening Ng2."

[35...Ng2+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'was still possible but there was no clear draw anymore:' 36.Bxg2 Rxg2 37.Rg3+ Rxg3 38.Nxg3 Qg1+ 39.Nf1 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and White's knight is clearly stronger than Black's bishop.']

36.Rg3+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?'

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'White is exchanging one of the few active pieces Black has. White is exchanging one of the few active pieces Black has.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'White fails to find'

[36.Qxf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Ng2+ *(36...Rxf1+ 37.Kxf1 Qh1+ 38.Kf2 Qg2+ 39.Ke1 Qg1+ 40.Kd2 Rxd7+ 41.Kc3* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-'*)* 37.Kd2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Nxe3+ 38.Kxe3 Rg3+ 39.Nxg3 Qxg3+ 40.Qf3 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: 'M.Notkin']

36...Rxg3 is less convincing 37.Nxg3

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '?!

Hammer asks for too much now. Hammer asks for too much now."

[37.Qxg3+ (Arkadij Naiditsch) would also lead to a much better endgame for White.]

37...Qh4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! The game is getting tricky again. White's knight cannot reach his best square on f5 because of the nasty pin. The game is getting tricky again. White's knight cannot reach his best square on f5 because of the nasty pin.'' 38.Kf2 Kf7! Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?"

[38...Ng6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?']

[I would like to know what did White want to play against 38...Qh2+ Arkadij Naiditsch 39.Kf3 Nh5 and it seems like Black is back in the game.]

≤39.b4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'It is always good to fix Black's pawn structure, but the Qh2 idea is still there. It is always good to fix Black's pawn structure, but the Qh2 idea is still there.'' 39...Ne6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '?' Arkadij Naiditsch : '? The wrong direction."

[39...Nh5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was another good chance. The endgame after' 40.Qf3 Nxg3 is a must here. 41.Qxg3 Qxg3+ 42.Kxg3 Ke7 43.Bh3 c5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 44.bxc5 Bc6 Krasenkow, Michal: 'is probably drawn, e.g.' 45.Kh4 Bxd7 46.Bf5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Bc8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(46...Bxf5 47.Rxd8 Kxd8 48.exf5 Kc7 49.Kh5 Kc6 50.Kh6 Kxc5 51.Kxh7 Kc4 52.Kg6 Kb3 53.Kxf6 Kxa3 54.Ke5 b4 55.f6 b3 56.f7 b2 57.f8Q+* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-') 47.Rxd8 Kxd8 48.Kh5 Bb7 49.Kh6 Ke7 50.Kxh7 Kf7 51.Kh6 Ke7 52.Kg6 Ba8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 53.Kh5 Kd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 54.Kg4 Kc7 Krasenkow,Michal: '=']

[39...Qh2+ (Arkadij Naiditsch) with an unclear position.]

40.Qf3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! With the 40th move, White fixes his advantage! And it is already quite a big one. The bishop on b7 is really a dead piece and the d7 pawn is superdangerous - it can always be protected with Bh3 in the future. With the 40th move, White fixes his advantage! And it is already quite a big one. The bishop on b7 is really a dead piece and the d7 pawn is superdangerous - it can always be protected with Bh3 in the future."

[40.Qe3!?]

40...Ng5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '? It was the last chance for Black to complicate things by playing 40...c5!. It was the last chance for Black to complicate things by playing 40...c5!.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black misses the last possibility:'

[40...c5!? Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 41.Bg2 *(≤41.Bxb5* - below *Ng5)* 41...Bc6 42.Rh1 Qf4 43.Rxh7+ 1/2 (34) Filip,L (2295)-Lupulescu,C (2348) Tusnad 2001 Kg8 44.Re7 Bxd7 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and White has no decisive blow.']

41.Qf5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Now White completely

dominates the position. Bg2-Rh1 is a deadly threat. Now White completely dominates the position. Bg2-Rh1 is a deadly threat.'' 41...Ne6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'Black tries to react to White's threat, but the bishop is coming to h3 now. Black tries to react to White's threat, but the bishop is coming to h3 now."

[41...c5 42.Bg2+- 1-0 (32) L'Ami,E (2519)-Bezemer,A (2364) Amsterdam 2005 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is now hopeless for Black.']

42.Bh3 Qf4+ 43.Qxf4 Nxf4 Krasenkow, Michal: 'This endgame is winning for White as he keeps his strong d7-pawn.

' 44.Bf5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'We can clearly see that there is no escape for Black. We can clearly see that there is no escape for Black.'' 44...Ke7 45.Rh1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : '!' Arkadij Naiditsch : '! The simplest! Black is playing a "bishop" down. The simplest! Black is playing a "bishop" down.'' 45...Rh8 46.Ke3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'The last precise move. The last precise move." 46...Ne6 47.Bxe6 1-0 (78) Gajewski,G (2515)-Schmidt, W (2435) Warsaw 2006 47...Kxe6!± 48.Rxh7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'A small tactic.'' 48...Rd8!? 49.Nh5 1-0 (49) Aronian,L (2813)-Hammer,J (2608) Stavanger 2013 CBM 155 [Krasenkow,Michal] Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arkadij Naiditsch : 'and it is over. What a great fighting game!"

[49.Nh5 Rxd7 50.Rxd7 Kxd7 51.Nxf6+ Ke6 52.Ng4 Krasenkow, Michal: '+-']

5...0-0 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'is more precise.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is more common.' 6.Nec3 Schipkov,Boris: 'This move is interesting, but weakens the d4-square.'

[6.Bg5

A) 6...c5 7.d5 b5 8.cxb5 a6 9.Nec3 h6 *(9...axb5 10.Bxb5 Ba6 11.a4 Bxb5 12.Nxb5 Nbd7 13.N1c3 Qb6 14.0-0 Rfb8 15.Kh1 h6 16.Be3 Ne5 17.b4 Qd8 18.bxc5 Nc4 19.Bd4 dxc5 20.Bxc5 Nd7 21.Bd4 Nde5 22.Qe2 Rc8 23.f4 Nd7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.e5 Rc5 26.Qe4 Nd2 27.Qd4 Nxf1 28.e6+ Nf6 29.Qxc5 Nd2 30.Re1 Rc8 31.Qd4 Nb3 32.Qb4 Nc5 33.exf7 Nd3 34.Qxe7 Qxe7 35.Rxe7 Nxd5 36.Re8 Nb6 37.f8Q+* 1-0 (37) ButterflyAnalyst (2644)-ViktorMMs (2716) Blitz 2023 *)* 10.Be3 e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Qd2 Kh7 13.a4 d5 14.Bxc5 Re8 15.Be2 Nbd7 16.Bd4 dxe4 17.0-0 axb5 18.Nxb5 Nb6 19.N1c3 Nc4 20.Qc2 Nd5 21.Bxg7 Nde3 22.Qxe4 Qg5 23.f4 Qh4 24.Qd4 Rad8 25.Qf6 Nxg2 26.Qxh4 Nxh4 27.Bf6 Rd2 28.Bxh4 Nxb2 29.Rfe1 Bh3 30.Nc7 Rc8 31.N7d5 g5 32.fxg5 hxg5 33.Bg3 f5 34.Ba6 Rf8 35.Re7+ Kh6 36.Rae1 f4 37.Bf2 Nd3 38.Bxd3 Rxd3 39.a5 g4 40.a6 g3 41.hxg3 fxg3 42.Be3+ Kh5 43.a7 g2 44.Re5+ Kg4 45.Nf4 Rxe3 46.R1xe3 Rxf4 47.R5e4 Rxe4 48.Rxe4+ Kf3 49.a8Q Bg4 50.Qf8+ Kg3 51.Qf2+ Kh3 52.Qxg2+ Kh4

53.Qxg4# 1-0 (53) speedytiger301 (2700)-KAPUTVSEMU (2620) Blitz 2020;

B) 6...Nc6 7.Qd2 Re8 *(7...e5 8.d5 Nd4 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Qxd4 h6 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.Qd2 Bg7 13.Nc3 f5 14.0-0-0 a6 15.Bd3 f4 16.e5 Bxe5 17.Bxg6 Qf6 18.Bd3 Bd7 19.Rhe1 Kh8 20.Ne4 Qg7 21.Kb1 b5 22.c5 Bf5 23.cxd6 cxd6 24.Rc1 Rfc8 25.g4 Bg6 26.h4 Qf7 27.h5 Bh7 28.g5 Qxd5 29.g6 Bg8 30.Nc3 Qxf3 31.Rxe5 dxe5 32.Be4 Qxh5 33.Qg2 Kg7 34.Bxa8 Qxg6+ 35.Qxg6+ Kxg6 36.Bb7 Rc7 37.Bxa6 b4 38.Bd3+ Kf7 39.Nd5 Rxc1+ 40.Kxc1 b3 41.axb3 Ke6 42.Nc3 h5 43.Bc4+ Kf5 44.Bxg8 h4 45.b4 h3 46.Bd5 Kg4 47.b5 f3 48.Nd1 Kg3 49.Ne3 Kf2 50.Kd2 h2 51.Ng4+ Kg3 52.Nxh2 Kxh2 53.Bxf3* 1-0 (53) schmollie (2601)-JustACrazyBoy (2562) Rapid 2021*)* 8.Nbc3 a6 9.Ng3 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Be2 Be6 12.b3 c6 13.f4 Neg4 14.f5 h6 15.fxe6 hxg5 16.exf7+ Kxf7 17.0-0-0 Qa5 18.Rhf1 Kg8 19.Kb1 Ne5 20.Nd5 Qxd2 21.Nxf6+ Bxf6 22.Rxd2 Be7 23.Bd1 Kg7 24.Rdf2 b5 25.cxb5 axb5 26.Be2 Rf8 27.h3 Rxf2 28.Rxf2 Bf6 29.Nf1 Nd7 30.Ne3 Bd4 31.Rf3 Ne5 32.Rg3 Rf8 33.Nc2 Bb6 34.Rc3 Rf2 35.Bf3 b4 36.Nxb4 Ba5 37.a3 c5 38.Nd3 Rxf3 39.gxf3 Bxc3 0-1 (39) speedytiger301 (2677)-mardgos (2669) Blitz 2020;

C) 6...e5 7.d5 c6 8.Nec3 *(8.Qd2 cxd5 9.cxd5 Nbd7 10.Nec3 a6 11.Na3 b5 12.Nc2 Nb6 13.Bd3 Bd7 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Nb4 Nc4 16.Qf2 h6 17.Bc1 a5 18.Nc6 Bxc6 19.dxc6 Rxc6 20.Nxb5 d5 21.b3 Nd6 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Ba3 Nb4 24.Rad1 Nxb5 25.Bxb5 Rd6 26.Rxd6 Qxd6 27.Kh1 Rd8 28.Bc4 Rd7 29.Qe2 Kh7 30.h4 f5 31.h5 gxh5 32.f4 e4 33.Qxh5 Qg6 34.Qh3 Rd2 35.Bc1 Rxa2 36.Be3 Nc2 37.Bg1 Nd4 38.Rd1 Ne2 39.Bxe2 Rxe2 40.Rd5 Re1 41.Kh2 Qg4 42.Rxf5 Qxh3+ 43.gxh3 e3 44.Kg2 e2 45.Bf2 Rf1* 0-1 (45) M0therOfPearl (2619)-Pblu35 (2606) Blitz 2022*)* 8...Qb6 9.Qd2 Na6 10.Be2 Bd7 11.Na3 Nh5 12.Be3 c5 13.0-0-0 Nb4 14.g3 a6 15.f4 exf4 16.gxf4 Nf6 17.e5 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Qg2 Nxa2+ 21.Kc2 dxe5 22.Rhf1 exf4 23.Rxf4 Qxb2+ 24.Kd3 Nb4# 0-1 (24) tiredgiraffe18 (2632)-mbodek (2605) Blitz 2020;

D) 6...Nbd7 7.Qd2

D1) 7...c6 8.Nbc3 a6 *(8...Rb8 9.Nc1 a6 10.a4 e5 11.d5 c5 12.h4 Qe8 13.g4 Kh8 14.h5 gxh5 15.gxh5 Ng8 16.h6 Bf6 17.N1e2 Qd8 18.Bxf6+ Ngxf6 19.Bh3 Rg8 20.0-0-0 Nf8 21.Bxc8 Rxc8 22.Rdg1 Ng6 23.Rg5 Nd7 24.Rhg1 Qf8 25.Ng3 Nb6 26.b3 Na8 27.Nf5 Nc7 28.a5 Qd8 29.Na4 Na8 30.f4 f6 31.R5g4 b5 32.axb6 Nxb6 33.fxe5 fxe5 34.Nxb6 Qxb6 35.Rxg6 hxg6 36.h7 Rg7 37.Nxg7 Qxb3 38.Ne6 Rb8 39.Qg5 Qa3+ 40.Kd1 Rb1+ 41.Ke2 Rb2+ 42.Qd2 Rxd2+ 43.Kxd2 Qb2+ 44.Ke3 Qc3+ 45.Kf2 Kxh7 46.Rg3 Qc2+ 47.Ke3 a5 48.Rh3+ Kg8 49.Rf3*

Qc3+ 50.Kf2 Qxf3+ 51.Kxf3 a4 0-1 (51) Feller,S (2640)-Maze,S (2594) Saint-Quentin FRA 2012*)* 9.Rc1 b5 10.b3 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Ng3 Qe7 13.Be2 Nc5 14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 a5 16.Nf2 Rd8 17.Qe3 a4 18.Ng4 Bxg4 19.fxg4 axb3 20.axb3 Ra3 21.Rxf6 Bxf6 22.Bxf6 Qxf6 23.Qxc5 Rxb3 24.Rf1 Qd6 25.Qxd6 Rxd6 26.c5 Rd4 27.Ba6 Rb2 28.Ne2 Rdd2 29.Kf2 Rdc2 30.Ke3 Rxc5 31.g5 Ra2 32.Bd3 Rca5 33.h4 R5a3 34.h5 Rb2 35.Rf6 Rbb3 36.Rd6 gxh5 37.Ng3 Kf8 38.Nf5 Ke8 39.Ng7+ Kf8 40.Nf5 Ra8 41.Kf2 Rc3 42.Ke3 b3 43.Kd2 Rc5 44.Rd7 Rb8 45.Nd6 b2 46.Rxf7+ Kg8 47.Rf6 Rb3 48.Bb1 Rg3 0-1 (48) speedytiger301 (2676)-Aciboba (2687) Blitz 2020;

D2) 7...e5 8.d5 h6 9.Be3 Nc5 10.Ng3 b6 11.Nc3 h5 12.b4 Ncd7 13.Bd3 a5 14.bxa5 h4 15.Nge2 Rxa5 16.0-0 Nc5 17.Bc2 h3 18.g3 Ba6 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.cxb5 Rxb5 21.Nc3 Rb4 22.a4 Nfd7 23.Nb5 Rc4 24.Qe2 Rxc2 25.Qxc2 f5 26.a5 bxa5 27.Rxa5 fxe4 28.fxe4 Rxf1+ 29.Kxf1 c6 30.dxc6 Qxa5 31.Qc4+ Kh7 32.cxd7 Nxd7 33.Nxd6 Qa3 34.Qe6 Nf8 35.Qxh3+ Kg8 36.Nc4 Qa1+ 37.Kf2 Qa2+ 38.Nd2 Ne6 39.Qg4 Kf7 40.Qe2 Qa5 41.Qc4 Qc7 42.Qd5 Qe7 43.Nc4 Qf6+ 44.Ke2 Kf8 45.Bc5+ Kg8 0-1 (45) speedytiger301 (2731)-GMsapaev_bekzod (2558) Blitz 2020]

Schipkov,Boris: 'However White's knight now does not defend the d4-pawn, therefore 6...♘c6!? deserves attention to attack d4 with the idea of ...e5 and ...♘d4.' 6...Nc6 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?'Schipkov, Boris: 'With the idea of ...e5 and ...♘d4.'

[6...e5 7.d5 *(7.dxe5 dxe5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Bg5 c6 10.Nd2 Be6 11.0-0-0 Nbd7 12.Nb3 a5 13.Na4 b5 14.cxb5 Bxb3 15.axb3 cxb5 16.Bxb5 Rdc8+ 17.Kb1 Rc7 18.Bxd7 Rxd7 19.Bxf6 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Bxf6 21.Rd5 Rb8 22.Kc2 Bd8 23.Rxe5 Bc7 24.Rc5 Bxh2 25.Rxa5 h5 26.Rc5 Bg1 27.Rc6 Be3 28.Nc3 Rd8 29.Nd5 Bd4 30.b4 h4 31.b5 Rb8 32.b4 Kg7 33.b6 f5 34.Kd3 Bg1 35.Rc7+ Kh6 36.exf5 gxf5 37.b7 Bh2 38.Rd7 Kg5 39.Ne7 Kf4 40.Nc6 Rg8 41.b8Q+ Rxb8 42.Nxb8 Kg3 43.Rg7+ Kf2 44.Nc6 Bg3 45.Nd4 f4 46.Ne6 Kxg2 47.Nxf4+ Kxf3 48.Nh5 Kg2 49.Nxg3 hxg3 50.b5 Kh2 51.b6 g2 52.b7 g1Q 53.Rxg1 Kxg1 54.b8Q Kf2 55.Qf4+ Ke1 56.Qh2 Kf1 57.Ke3 Ke1 58.Qe2#* 1-0 (58) SilentDeath07 (2612)-alexreus99 (2552) Blitz 2021*)* 7...Nh5 *(7...c6 8.Bd3 Nh5 9.0-0 Nf4 10.Be3 Na6 11.Na3 Nc5 12.Bc2 a5 13.g3 Nh5 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Qxd8 Rxd8 17.Rad1 Be6 18.Ba4 Rd4 19.Bxc6 Rad8 20.Bd5 Bh3 21.Rfe1 Bh6 22.Nab5 Rxd1 23.Nxd1 Nf6 24.Ndc3 Kg7 25.Kf2 Bg5 26.Rd1 h5 27.Na4 Rc8 28.Nd6 Rc7 29.Nxf7 Rxf7 30.Bxf7 Kxf7 31.Nxc5 Ke7 32.Nd3 Nd7 33.b3 Ke6 34.a3 Be7 35.b4 axb4 36.axb4 Nb8 37.Nc5+ Kf7*

38.Nd3 Ke6 39.c5 Kf6 40.b5 Be6 41.c6 Bd8 42.Kg2 Bb6 43.Nb4 Ke7 44.Nd5+ 1-0 (44) Freedom91 (2665)-ImiRammstein (2673) Blitz 2023*; 7...a5 8.Be3 Na6 9.Be2 Nh5 10.0-0 f5 11.Nd2 f4 12.Bf2 g5 13.a3 Bd7 14.b4 axb4 15.axb4 Nxb4 16.Qb3 c5 17.dxc6 Nxc6 18.c5+ Kh8 19.cxd6 Nd4 20.Qxb7 Rc8 21.Bxd4 exd4 22.Nd5 Bc6 23.Qb4 Bxd5 24.exd5 d3 25.Bxd3 Rb8 26.Qe4 Nf6 27.Qf5 Qxd6 28.Qxg5 Qxd5 29.Qxd5 Nxd5 30.Rab1 Bd4+ 31.Kh1 Ne3 32.Rfc1 Rg8 33.Rxb8 Rxb8 34.Rc7 Rb2 35.Ne4 Rxg2 36.Nd6 Rd2 37.Rc8+ Kg7 38.Nf5+ Kf6 39.Rf8+ Kg5 40.h4+ Kh5 41.Nxd4 Rxd3 42.Rxf4 Kg6 43.Ne6 h5 44.Nf8+ Kh6 45.Ne6 Nd5 46.Rf7 Rd2 47.Ng5 Kg6 48.f4 Ne3 49.f5+ Nxf5 50.Rc7 Nxh4 51.Kg1 Kxg5* 0-1 (51) hesham-a (2602)-PinePiper (2657) Blitz 2020*)* 8.Be3 f5 *(8...Qh4+ 9.g3 Qe7 10.Nd2 f5 11.Be2 f4 12.Bf2 fxg3 13.hxg3 Bh6 14.Qc2 Na6 15.0-0-0 c6 16.c5 Nxc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.g4 Bxd2+ 20.Qxd2 Nf4 21.Bc4+ Be6 22.Bxe6+ Qxe6 23.Qd7 Rf7 24.Qd2 c4 25.Kb1 Rb8 26.Rh2 Rfb7 27.Qe3 Nd3 28.Rdd2 Qd6 29.Nd1 Qd4 30.g5 Nxb2 31.Qxd4 Nxd1+ 32.Qb2 c3 33.Rd8+ Kf7 34.Rxb8 Rxb2+ 35.Rbxb2 cxb2 36.Rd2 Nc3+ 37.Kxb2 Nb5 38.Rd7+ Ke6 39.Rxh7 Nd4 40.Rxa7 Nxf3 41.a4 Nxg5 42.a5 Nxe4 43.a6 Nc5 44.Ra8 Kd5 45.a7 Kc4 46.Rb8 Nd3+ 47.Ka1 Nc1 48.a8Q Nb3+ 49.Kb2 Nc5 50.Qa2+ Kd4 51.Rd8+ Ke4 52.Qc4+ Ke3 53.Qxc5+ Kf4 54.Qxc6 Kf5 55.Qxg6+ Kxg6 56.Re8 Kf5 57.Kc3 Ke4 58.Kd2 Kd5 59.Rxe5+ Kxe5* ½-½ (59) Saaker (2667)-morchiashvili (2650) Blitz 2020 *)* 9.c5 *(9.Qd2 Nd7 10.Na3 a6 11.0-0-0 Ndf6 12.Kb1 fxe4 13.fxe4 Ng4 14.Bg5 Bf6 15.Bxf6 Qxf6 16.Be2 Nf4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Rdf1 Qg7 19.Nc2 Qh6 20.Rf2 Qg7 21.Rhf1 Nh5 22.Ne3 Bd7 23.b4 Rf4 24.g3 Rff8 25.c5 Bh3 26.Rxf8+ Rxf8 27.Rc1 Nf6 28.Nc4 Qe7 29.cxd6 cxd6 30.Qe3 b5 31.Na5 Ng4 32.Qb6 Rf2 33.Qxa6 Qg5 34.Rc2 Rf1+ 35.Kb2 Ne3 36.Re2 Bg4 37.Qa8+ Kg7 38.Qa7+ Kh6 39.Qxe3 Bxe2 40.Qxe2 Qc1+ 41.Kb3 Re1 42.Qc2 Qe3 43.Kb2 Qd4 44.Nb3 Qg1 45.Nxb5 Rf1 46.Ka3 Rf2 47.Qc1+ Qxc1+ 48.Nxc1* 1-0 (48) krasover (2635)-Naaas (2591) Blitz 2018*)* 9...Nd7 10.cxd6 cxd6 11.Nd2 Ndf6 12.Qb3 Rf7 13.0-0-0 fxe4 14.Ndxe4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Nc3 Qf8 *(16...Bd7 17.Kb1 b5 18.Ka1 a5 19.Bxb5 Bxb5 20.Nxb5 a4 21.Qa3 Rb7 22.Nxd6 Rb3 23.axb3 axb3 24.Ne4 Rxa3+ 25.bxa3 Nf6 26.d6 Qa5 27.Kb2 Nd5 28.Bc5 Nc3 29.Bb4 Nxd1+ 30.Rxd1 Qd8 31.d7)* 17.g4 Bh6]

[6...Na6 7.Be3 c6 8.Nd2 Nc7 9.Qc2 a6 10.a4 a5 11.Be2 e5 12.d5 Nh5 13.0-0 Nf4 14.Rfe1 Na6 15.Bf1 Nb4 16.Qb1 cxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.Nb5 Qe7 19.Nc4 Ra6 20.Kh1 h5 21.Nbxd6 h4 22.Bxf4 exf4 23.Nb5 h3 24.d6 Qh4 25.Qd1 hxg2+ 26.Bxg2 Rc6 27.Rc1 Na2 28.Rc2 Nb4 29.Rc1 Rc5 30.e5 Be6 31.b3 Rd5 32.Qe2 Nd3 33.Nc7 Nxc1 34.Rxc1 Rc5 35.Rd1 Bxc4 36.bxc4 Rxe5 37.Qf1 Rd8 38.Nb5 Bf8 39.Qg1 Re3 40.c5 Qh5 41.Rc1 Qe5 42.Qf1 Re8 43.h3 Rc8 44.Qc4

Re1+ 45.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 46.Kh2 Re8 47.d7 Qg3+ 48.Kh1 Re1+ 49.Bf1 Qxh3+ 50.Kg1 Qg3+ 51.Kh1 Qxf3+ 52.Kg1 Qg3+ 53.Kh1 Qh3+ 54.Kg1 Qxd7 55.Qxf4 Bxc5+ 56.Kg2 Qd5+ 57.Qf3 Qxf3+ 58.Kxf3 Rxf1+ 0-1 (58) Saaker (2683)-Fandorine96 (2762) Blitz 2020]

[6...Nfd7 is also possible. 7.Be3 e5 8.d5 Bh6!⇄]

[6...a6 7.a4 Nc6 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 Ne7 10.a5 Nh5 11.b4 f5 12.Qd2 fxe4 13.fxe4 c6 14.Na3 Kh8 15.0-0-0 c5 16.Na4 Nf6 17.Nb6 Nxe4 18.Qc2 Bf5 19.Bd3 cxb4 20.Bxe4 bxa3 21.Nxa8 Qxa8 22.Kb1 Bxe4 23.Qxe4 Nf5 24.Bb6 Qe8 25.Rhf1 Qa4 26.Qc2 Qb4+ 27.Ka2 Rc8 28.Rc1 Bh6 29.Rb1 Qxc4+ 30.Qxc4 Rxc4 31.g4 Ne7 32.Rf7 Nxd5 33.Kxa3 Bd2 34.Rxb7 Bb4+ 35.Kb3 Rc3+ 36.Kb2 Rf3 37.Rd1 Bc3+ 38.Ka2 Nb4+ 39.Kb1 Bd4 40.Rb8+ Kg7 41.Bxd4 1-0 (41) hesham-a (2624)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021]

7.d5

[7.Be3 e5

A) 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Na3 *(10.Nd5 Ne8 11.Nbc3 Nd4⇄)* 10...Nd4 11.0-0-0 Ne8⇄;

B) 8.d5 Nd4 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' 9.Bd3 Nh5 10.0-0 f5 11.Nd2 Nf4 12.Nb3 Qg5 13.Qd2 Nh3+ 14.Kh1 f4 15.Bxd4 exd4 16.Nb5 Rf7 17.gxh3 Bxh3 18.Rg1 Qh5 19.Qf2 g5 20.N5xd4 g4 21.fxg4 Bxg4 22.Raf1 f3 23.Nf5 Kh8 24.Qg3 Be5 25.Qf2 Rg8 26.Nbd4 Rg5 27.Ne6 Rg6 28.Nh4 Rh6 29.Rxg4 Qxg4 0-1 (29) Ocheret (2627)-Mikasinski (2615) Blitz 2021]

[7.Be2 Ne8 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.0-0 c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Nd2 Rb8 13.Nb3 c5 14.f4 Nc7 15.fxe5 dxe5 16.Bd3 Nce6 17.Nd5 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bxd4 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.b4 e4 22.Bc2 Be6 23.Bb3 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Rxb4 25.Qh5 Qf6 26.d6+ Kh8 27.d7 Rbb8 28.Rae1 Qg6 29.Qh4 Rbd8 30.Ba4 d3 31.Qe7 Qf6 32.Qxf6 Bxf6 33.Rd1 Bd4+ 34.Kh1 Rf7 35.Bc6 Kg7 36.g4 Rf6 37.Ba4 f4 38.Rfe1 Be3 39.g5 Rd6 40.h4 R8xd7 41.Bxd7 Rxd7 42.h5 Rd5 43.h6+ Kg6 44.Kh2 Rxg5 45.Rf1 Kxh6 46.Kh3 Kg6 47.Rh1 Bf2 0-1 (47) unitedff (2627)-Filip88 (2574) Blitz 2024]

7...Ne5 8.Be2 e6 Mikhail Golubev: 'Pavel Eljanov twice played this line with Black in 2006, but his opponents tried to do without an early f3-f4. (Both these games were discussed on ChessPublishing in notes to Blanco Fernandez - Mikhalevski, 2007). If White wishes to play f3-f4, he should do it before ...cxd5, when the black knight cannot go to g4.' Schipkov,Boris: '!?'

[8...c6 9.Be3 a6 10.a4 *(10.0-0!?)* 10...Qa5 *(10...e6!?)* 11.Nd2 e6

A) 12.f4!? Ned7 *(12...Neg4 13.Bxg4 Nxg4 14.Qxg4 Qb4 15.0-0 exd5 16.f5 d4 17.Na2 Qxb2 18.Rfb1 Qa3 19.Bf2 d3 20.Rb3 Qxa4 21.Qd1 Bxa1 22.Qxa1±)* 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.0-0±;

B) 12.Qb3 b5 13.dxc6 b4 14.Nd5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' exd5 15.cxd5 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (48) Varga,Z (2410)-Grigore,G (2430) Odorheiu Secuiesc 1992']

[8...Ned7 9.0-0 e5 10.dxe6 fxe6

11.Be3 e5 12.Nd2 Nh5 13.Nb3 Nf4 14.Rf2 Bh6 15.Qd2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 Bxe3 17.Qxe3 Nb6 18.c5 dxc5 19.Rd1 Qe7 20.Qxc5 Qxc5 21.Nxc5 c6 22.b3 Re8 23.Rfd2 Kf7 24.Kf2 Ke7 25.Ke3 Rb8 26.Rd6 Na8 27.R6d2 Kf6 28.h4 Nc7 29.Rd8 b6 30.Rxe8 Nxe8 31.Nd7+ Bxd7 32.Rxd7 a5 33.Rxh7 Ng7 34.g3 b5 35.f4 Re8 36.Ne2 exf4+ 37.gxf4 Kf7 38.Ng3 Kg8 39.Rh6 Kf7 40.h5 Re6 41.hxg6+ Rxg6 42.Rxg6 Kxg6 43.e5 Kf7 44.f5 Ne8 45.Kd4 Ke7 46.Kc5 Kd7 47.e6+ Kc7 48.Ne4 Ng7 49.Nd6 a4 50.e7 Kd7 51.f6 Ne6+ 52.Kb6 Nc7 53.e8Q+ Nxe8 54.Nxe8 Kxe8 55.Kxc6 axb3 56.axb3 Kf7 57.Kxb5 Kxf6 58.Kc6 Ke7 59.Kc7 1-0 (59) JanistanTV (2708)-Narek0725 (2425) Rapid 2022 Ke6 60.b4 Kd5 61.b5 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-grandmaster_06_06 (2552) Blitz 2023]

[8...c5 9.0-0 Ne8 10.f4 Nd7 11.Nd2 Nc7 12.Nf3 b5 13.Nxb5 *(13.cxb5!? a6 14.bxa6 Bxa6 15.a4±)* 13...Nxb5 14.cxb5 a6 15.Re1?! *(15.a4!?)* 15...Qb6! 16.bxa6 c4+ 17.Kh1 Bxa6 18.Rb1 Nf6 *(18...Rfc8!?∓)* 19.Nd2 Rfc8∓ 1/2 (70) Arencibia Rodriguez,W (2535)-Alonso Garcia,R (2395) Linares 1992]

9.f4

[9.0-0 exd5 10.cxd5 c6 11.dxc6 *(11.Be3 cxd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.Qd2 Bf5 14.Na3 a6* Glenn Flear: 'Postny, E-Eljanov, P Aeroflot open 2006 with a satisfactory position in both cases.' *15.Rac1 Rc8 16.Nc2 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4⇄* 0-1 (69) Postny,E (2578)-Eljanov,P (2655) Moscow 2006 Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (69) Postny,E (2578)-Eljanov,P (2655) Moscow 2006 CBM 112 [Hazai]'*)* 11...bxc6 12.Be3 Re8 13.Nd2 d5!↑ Moradiabadi, Elshan: '0-1 Mamedyarov,S (2719)-Carlsen,M (2801)/Moscow 2009/EXT 2010 (29)' 14.Nb3 dxe4 15.Qxd8 Rxd8 16.fxe4 Bg4= 0-1 (29) Mamedyarov,S (2719)-Carlsen,M (2801) Moscow 2009 17.Bg5 Bxe2 18.Nxe2 Rd6 19.Nc5 Nfd7 20.Nxd7 Nxd7 21.Rab1 Re8 22.Ng3 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nc5 24.Rbd1 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Rxe4 26.h3 Rd5 27.Bh6 Bxb2 28.Rb1 Re2 29.Rf6 Bxf6 0-1 (29) Mamedyarov,S (2719)-Carlsen,M (2801) Moscow RUS 2009]

[9.Be3 exd5 10.cxd5 c6 11.dxc6 Nxc6 12.Na3 Be6 13.Bc4 Qe7 Glenn Flear: 'Varga, P-Eljanov, P French tch. 2006']

9...Ned7 10.0-0 Mikhail Golubev: 'N'

[A curious game Av.Bykhovsky-An. Bykhovsky, Rishon Le Ziyyon 2004, continued 10.dxe6 fxe6 11.Be3 b6 12.Nd2 Bb7 13.0-0 e5 14.f5 gxf5 15.exf5 Qe7 16.g4!? h6 17.Bf3 e4 18.Bg2 and here Black could have tried Rae8 19.h4 Ne5 20.g5 hxg5 21.hxg5 Nf3+]

10...exd5 11.cxd5 Re8

[In the line 11...c6?! 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Qxd6 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Nc5 15.Be3 Nfxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Qxf8+ Kxf8 18.Bxb6 Black should fight for a draw: axb6!? 19.Nc3 Nxc3 20.bxc3 Bxc3 21.Rac1 Ra3 22.Rf3 Rxa2 23.Bc4 Bd2 24.Bxa2 Bxc1 25.Rc3 Bxf4 26.Rxc6]

12.Bf3 Nc5 Mikhail Golubev: 'Here Black has good counterplay because White is underdeveloped.'

13.Re1 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '0-1 (32) Nakamura,H (2710)-Svidler,P

(2739) Amsterdam 2009' 13...h5 [13...c6 14.dxc6 Qb6!↑] [After the game Svidler had the impression that the immediate 13...b5 was even stronger] 14.h3 b5 Mikhail Golubev: '!' 15.e5 Mikhail Golubev: '!' [After 15.a3 Bb7! it is not easy for White to find a sensible move. 16.Nd2 loses the f4 pawn after Nd3!] 15...dxe5 16.fxe5 Nfd7 17.e6 Mikhail Golubev: '!' 17...Ne5 Mikhail Golubev: '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'Black can hardly be worse in the complications.' 18.Nxb5 Mikhail Golubev: '!?' [An alternative is 18.exf7+ Kxf7 *(18...Nxf7!?)* 19.d6 with the idea of Nxf3+ 20.Qxf3+ Bf5 21.Qd5+ Kf8 and now 22.Re7!] 18...Ncd3 Mikhail Golubev: '!?' [The simpler 18...Nxf3+ 19.Qxf3 fxe6 looks attractive.] 19.exf7+ Kxf7 20.Rf1 Kg8 Mikhail Golubev: 'In this position with mutual chances White goes astray. Better was' 21.d6 Mikhail Golubev: '!?' [21.Be4? Nxc1 22.Qxc1 c6 23.N5c3 *(If 23.dxc6 Qb6+ wins a piece)* 23...Ba6! Black, obviously, has more than enough for a pawn. 24.Re1? *(24.Rd1* was correct, covering the d4 square. *)* 24...Ng4! Now Black wins. 25.Qd2 *(Or 25.hxg4 Bd4+ 26.Re3 Qg5)* 25...Qb6+ 26.Kh1 Nf2+ 27.Kh2 Nxe4 28.Nxe4 Rxe4 29.Rxe4 Qxb2 30.d6 Rd8!? 31.d7 Be5+ 32.g3 Rxd7! 0-1 (32) Nakamura,H (2710)-Svidler,P (2739) Amsterdam NED 2009 [Mikhail Golubev]] 21...Nxf3+ 22.Qxf3 Bf5!? 23.Nxc7 Qxd6 24.Nxe8 Rxe8 25.Nc3 **5...Nbd7** 6.Nec3 [6.Be3 e5 7.d5 h5 8.Qd2 a5 9.Nbc3 b6 10.h4 Nc5 11.Nb5 Nh7 12.Nec3 0-0 13.0-0-0 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.g3 Bd7 16.Be2 Nf6 17.Bg5 Qc8 18.Be3 Qd8 19.Bg5 Qc8 20.Rdf1 Be8 21.Rhg1 Qd7 22.Bd1 Bg6 23.Bc2 Bh7 24.Kb1 Kh8 25.Be3 Rg8 26.Nd1 Bf8 27.Bg5 Be7 28.Ne3 Raf8 29.Na7 Ne8 30.f4 e4 31.Nc6 Bf6 32.Nd4 Bg7 33.Nc6 Nf6 34.Bd1 Bg6 35.Be2 Re8 36.Nd4 Nh7 37.g4 fxg4 38.f5 Bf7 39.Ne6 Be5 40.Bxg4 hxg4 41.Nxg4 Bh5 42.Nxe5 dxe5 43.Qe3 c6 44.Bh6 Bg4 45.f6 Nxe6 46.dxe6 Bxe6 47.Bg7+ Rxg7 48.fxg7+ Kg8 49.Qxe4 Bf7 50.Rd1 Qe6 51.b3 b5 52.cxb5 cxb5 53.Kb2 a4 54.Qb4 axb3 55.axb3 e4 56.Rge1 Qe5+ 57.Qd4 e3 58.Qxe5 Rxe5 59.Kc3 Nf6 60.Rd6 Kxg7 61.Kd4 Re4+ 62.Kd3 Bg6 63.Rd4 Re5+ 64.Ke2 Bh5+ 65.Kd3 e2 66.Rf4 Kf7 67.Kd4 Ke6 68.Rf2 Rd5+ 0-1 (68) Ivanisevic,I (2641)-Kozul,Z (2619) Sibenik CRO 2016] 6...c5 7.d5 a6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Be3 g5 10.Nd2 Ne5 11.Be2 Rg8 12.h4 gxh4 13.Rxh4 h5 14.Nf1 Bh8 15.Rh2 e6 16.Qd2 exd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.Bg5 Qb6 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Rxh5 Bg6 21.Rh2 0-0-0 22.f4 Nd3+ 23.Bxd3 Bxd3 24.Qxd3 Qxb2 25.Qf5+ Kb8 26.Qxf6 Rde8+ 27.Kd1 Qxa1+ 28.Kc2 Qxf1 29.Qxd6+ Ka8 30.Qxc5 Rc8 31.Qe3 Rxc4 32.Kb3 Rgc8 33.Na4 0-1 (33) L04d1ng (2711)-www68 (2572) Blitz 2020

[70] **6.Bg5** Nbd7 7.Qd2 a6 8.Nbc3 b5 9.Ng3 Rb8 10.Be2 bxc4 11.Bxc4 Qa5 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rad1 c5 14.Nd5 Qd8

15.e5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 dxe5 17.dxc5 h6 18.Bxh6 Qc7 19.c6 Nf6 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Be4 Nxe4 22.fxe4 Qxc6 23.Qg5 Qc5+ 24.Kh1 f6 25.Qd2 Bg4 26.Rc1 Qb6 27.b3 Rh8 28.Rc3 Rh4 29.Rfc1 Rbh8 30.h3 Bxh3 31.gxh3 Rxh3+ 0-1 (31) speedytiger301 (2687)-abrito99 (2640) Blitz 2020

6.Nbc3 a6 7.a4

[7.Ng3 b5 8.a3 Nbd7 9.Be2 e5 10.Be3 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.Nh1 h3 13.g3 Rb8 14.Qd2 Qe7 15.Nf2 Rh7 16.Rfd1 Kf8 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.cxb5 axb5 19.Qxd6 Qxd6 20.Rxd6 Be6 21.Rad1 Rh5 22.Bf4 Nfd7 23.g4 Rh8 24.Rxd7 Nxd7 25.Bxb8 Nxb8 26.Rd8+ Ke7 27.Rxh8 Bxh8 28.Nxh3 Bd4+ 29.Kg2 Nd7 30.Nf4 Nc5 31.h4 Bb3 32.Nd3 Nxd3 33.Bxd3 Be3 34.Kg3 Bc1 35.f4 Bxb2 36.Nb1 Bc4 37.Bc2 c5 38.e5 Be2 39.Nd2 Bxa3 40.f5 1-0 (40) casuallychess (2637)-DrChessAlawi (2607) Blitz 2021]

7...a5 8.Be3 Na6 9.Qd2 e5 10.Rd1 Qe7 11.d5 c5 12.Nb5 b6 13.g4 h5 14.g5 Nh7 15.h4 f6 16.Bh3 ½-½ (16) Bacrot,E (2677)-Jovanovic,Z (2537) Zagreb CRO 2018

[71] **6...a6** 7.Nf4

[7.Qd2 b5 8.Nec3 bxc4 9.Bxc4 d5 10.exd5 cxd5 11.Bb3 0-0 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Na3 Na5 14.Bc2 Rb8 15.Rab1 Bd7 16.b4 Nc6 17.b5 axb5 18.Naxb5 Na5 19.Bd3 Rc8 20.a4 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Rfc1 Qa8 23.Bf4 Rfc8 24.Be5 Ne8 25.Bxg7 Nxg7 26.Qa2 Ne6 27.Ne2 Rxa4 28.Qc2 Rxc2 0-1 (28) mbchessmaster (2604)-Banelevich (2661) Blitz 2021]

7...b5 8.Nd2 Nbd7 9.Be2 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rc1 Re8 13.Bf2 Nfd7 14.Nd3 Nxc4 15.Nxc4 bxc4 16.Rxc4 d5 17.exd5 cxd5 18.Rc2 Rb8 19.Re1 Nb6 20.b3 d4 21.Bf1 Nd5 22.Rxe8+ Qxe8 23.Qe1 Qd8 24.Ne5 Bf5 25.Rd2 Qg5 26.Bxd4 Rd8 27.Bc4 h5 28.Bb2 Be6 29.Nc6 Bxb2 30.Nxd8 Bc3 31.Nxe6 fxe6 32.Rxd5 exd5 33.Qxc3 dxc4 34.Qxc4+ Kg7 35.Qxa6 Qe3+ 36.Kf1 Qc1+ 37.Kf2 Qc5+ 38.Ke2 Qc2+ 39.Ke3 Qc1+ 40.Ke4 Qe1+ 41.Kd5 Qd2+ 42.Kc6 Qxg2 43.Qb7+ Kh6 44.Kb6 Qxh2 45.b4 Qf2+ 46.Ka6 Qxa2+ 47.Kb5 Qf2 48.Qe4 Qe2+ 49.Qxe2 1-0 (49) Spiegelstufe (2607)-Rusticous (2600) Blitz 2022

[72] Schipkov,Boris: 'The idea of White's setup.' **7.Nbc3** Schipkov,Boris: 'would still transpose to an ordinary Sämisch.' Mikhail Golubev: 'The move' 7...a6 Mikhail Golubev: '(as in Morozevich-Svidler, San Luis Wch 2005) leads to a different type of play Schipkov,Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) (as in Morozevich-Svidler, San Luis Wch 2005) leads to a different type of play' (as in Morozevich-Svidler, San Luis Wch 2005) leads to a different type of play' Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

[7...Nbd7 8.Qd2 *(8.a4 e5 9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 a5 11.Nb5 Nc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Nec3 b6 14.Bc4 Nh5 15.0-0 Bh6 16.Qe1 Kh8 17.d6 Qg5 18.Kh1 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Qxe5+ Bg7 21.Qe7 Qh6 22.Kg1 Ba6 23.Rae1 Nf4 24.d7 Rad8 25.g3*

Nh3+ 26.Kg2 Bf6 27.Qe6 Ng5 28.Qxf5 Bxc3 29.Qg4 Bxe1 30.Rxe1 Nxf3 31.Rh1 Bb7 32.h4 Ne5+ 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2642)-ZhohoFF (2601) Blitz 2024*; 8.Nc1 c5 9.d5 Qa5 10.Nb3 Qb6 11.Qd2 Qd8 12.Bh6 b6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Be2 a5 15.a4 Ba6 16.0-0-0 Ne5 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.cxb5 Ned7 19.Qc3 Kg8 20.g4 Ne5 21.h4 h5 22.g5 Ne8 23.f4 Nd7 24.Bc4 Ng7 25.Nd2 Rc8 26.Rhf1 Qc7 27.Rde1 Rce8 28.Kb1 e5 29.f5 Rc8 30.Be2 Kh7 31.Nc4 Rcd8 32.Rf2 Qb8 33.Ref1 Kg8 34.Qd3 Kh7 35.Qd1 Kg8 36.f6 Ne8 37.Bxh5 gxh5 38.Qxh5 Qc7 39.Qh6 Rc8 40.g6 Nexf6 41.Rxf6 Nxf6 42.Rxf6 fxg6 43.Rxg6+ Kf7 44.Nxd6+ Ke7 45.Rg7+ Kd8 46.Qg5+ Qe7 47.Qxe7#* 1-0 (47) borisov_maxim (2601)-ALkHIN2021 (2535) Rapid 2022*)* 8...a6 'Pavlovic, M: 'An elastic approach.
' Pavlovic,Milos: 'An elastic approach.
An elastic approach.
Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: 'An elastic approach.
"" *(8...a5 9.0-0-0 a4 10.g4 Qa5 11.h4 h5 12.Ng3 hxg4 13.h5 gxh5 14.c5 a3 15.b3 dxc5 16.Nxh5 cxd4 17.Nxf6+ Nxf6 18.Bxd4 Rd8 19.e5 Nd5 20.Bd3 Nxc3 21.Bxc3 Qd5 22.Qg5 Qc5 23.Bh7+ Kf8 24.Rxd8#* 1-0 (24) Tg_63 (2605)-ALkHIN2021 (2454) Rapid 2022 *)*

A) 9.g4 '- 55/(607) Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 55/(607)'"

A1) 9...b5 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic, M'" 10.Ng3 *(10.h4 h5 11.Ng3 b4 12.Nce2 hxg4 13.f4 Nh5 14.Nxh5 gxh5 15.Ng3 f5 16.Nxf5 Rxf5 17.exf5 d5 18.cxd5 cxd5 19.Bd3 a5 20.0-0 Ba6 21.Rfc1 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Nf6 23.Qb5 Qd6 24.Rc5 Kf7 25.Rc6 Rb8 26.Qa6 Qd7 27.Re6 Rc8 28.Qxa5 Ne4 29.Rxe4 dxe4 30.f6 Bxf6 31.Qxh5+ Kg7 32.f5 Bxd4 33.Qxg4+ Kf8 34.Bxd4 Qxd4+ 35.Kh1 Qe3 36.f6 Qf3+ 37.Qxf3 exf3 38.fxe7+ Kxe7 39.b3 Rh8 40.Re1+ Kf6 41.Kh2 f2 42.Rf1 Rxh4+ 43.Kg3 Rh8 44.Rxf2+ Ke5 45.Rc2 Ra8 46.Kf3 Kd4 47.Ke2 Rh8 48.Rc4+ Kd5 49.Rxb4 Rh2+ 50.Kd1 Rxa2 51.Kc1 Kc5 52.Kb1 Rg2 53.Ra4 Kb5 54.Rc4 Rg1+ 55.Ka2 Rd1 56.Rh4 Rd2+ 57.Ka3 Rd1 58.Rh5+ Kc6 59.Kb4 Kb6 60.Rh6+ Kb7 61.Rh7+ Kb6 62.Rh6+ Kb7 63.Ka5 Ra1+ 64.Kb5 Rb1 65.b4 Kb8 66.Re6 Ka7 67.Re7+ Kb8 68.Re8+ Ka7 69.Re7+ Kb8 70.Re3 Kb7 71.Kc5 Rc1+ 72.Kb5 Rb1 73.Re5 Rh1 74.Re7+ Kb8 75.Re8+ Kc7 76.Re7+ Kb8 77.Re6 Rb1 78.Rh6 Ka7 79.Rh7+ Kb8 80.Rh8+ Ka7 81.Rh4 Rg1 82.Rh7+ Kb8 83.Ka4 Ra1+ 84.Kb5 Rb1 85.Rh6 Ka7 86.Ka5 Ra1+ 87.Kb5 Rb1 ½-½ (87) py_bot (2701)-ResoluteBot (2725) Rapid 2022)* 10...bxc4 11.g5 Ne8 12.Bxc4 d5 13.exd5 Nb6 14.Bb3 cxd5 15.h4 a5 16.a3 a4 17.Ba2 Ba6 18.Kf2 e6 19.h5 Nd6 20.Rad1 Nbc4 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.Qc1 Qa5 23.Rh2 Rab8 24.Kg1 Rfc8 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Bf4 Rb3

27.Nge2 Nxb2 28.Be5 Bxe2 29.Qf4 Qxc3 30.Bxg7 Qe3+ 31.Qxe3 1-0 (31) xiqichess (2661)-Grancanarias (2744) Blitz 2021;

A2) 9...e5 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic, M'" 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5

A2a) 11...b5 12.Nc1

A2a1) 12...Bb7 13.Nd3 Rc8 14.Be2 Nb6 15.b3 Nbd7 *(15...h5 16.g5 Nfd7 17.0-0 Qe7 18.Rac1 h4 19.Kh1 f5 20.Rg1 fxe4 21.fxe4 Rxc3 22.Rxc3 Nxd5 23.Rcc1 Nf4 24.Nf2 Qe6 25.Bg4 Qe7 26.Rc7 Bc8 27.Rgc1 Qxg5 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Rxc8+ Nf8 30.Qxd6 h3 31.Qd8 Qh6 32.Nxh3* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-MartinJablonicky (2564) Blitz 2023*)* 16.0-0 Qa5 17.Rfc1 Nb6 18.b4 Qa3 19.Nb1 Nc4 20.Nxa3 Nxd2 21.Bxd2 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-Mikheev01 (2521) Blitz 2024;

A2a2) 12...Nb6 13.b3 Bb7 *(13...Bxg4 14.fxg4 Nxg4 15.Nd3 f5 16.0-0-0 Rc8 17.Bxb6 Qxb6 18.Kb1 Bh6 19.Qb2 Ne3 20.Re1 b4 21.Na4 Qb7 22.Qd2 fxe4 23.Qxb4 Qc7 24.Qxe4 Qc2+ 25.Ka1 Nd1 26.Bh3 Nc3 27.Be6+ Kh8 28.Nb4 Qxe4 29.Rxe4 Nxe4 30.Bxc8 Rxc8 31.Nc6 Bg7 32.Nb6 Nd2 33.Nxc8 e4+ 34.Ne5 Bxe5#* 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-MG_broker007 (2587) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Qf2 Nfd7 15.Nd3 Rc8 16.Rc1 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.exf5 Rxc3 19.Rxc3 Nxd5 20.Rc2 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Rxf5 22.Bg2 Qh4+ 23.Qf2 Qh5 24.0-0 e4 25.Rc7 exf3 26.Rxb7 fxg2 27.Qxg2 Rg5 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-Mikheev01 (2581) Blitz 2024;

A2a3) 12...h5 13.h3

A2a31) 13...b4 14.Na4 a5 15.Bg5 *(15.Nb3 Nh7 16.0-0-0 h4 17.Kb1 Rb8 18.g5 f5 19.Rg1 fxe4 20.fxe4 Rxf1 21.Rdxf1 Ba6 22.Qf2 Bb5 23.Qf7+ Kh8 24.Qxg6 Ndf8 25.Qh5 Kg8 26.Nb6 Rxb6 27.Qf7+ Kh8 28.Bxb6 Qxb6 29.g6 Bxf1 30.Rxf1 Ng5 31.Qe7 Kg8 32.Qxg5 Qb5 33.Qf5 Qd3+ 34.Ka1 a4 35.Nc1 Qc2 36.Qf7+ Kh8 37.Qe8 Kg8 38.Qf7+ Kh8 39.Qe7 Kg8 40.Rxf8+* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-Bakayoyo (2724) Blitz 2024*)* 15...Nb6 16.Nxb6 Qxb6 17.Nd3 Ba6 18.0-0-0 Rfc8+ 19.Kb1 a4 20.Be2 Bxd3+ 21.Bxd3 a3 22.Bxf6 axb2 23.Bxg7 b3 24.Qxb2 Rxa2 25.Bh6 Rxb2+ 26.Kxb2

Qd4+ 27.Kb1 Ra8 28.Ba6 Qa4 29.Bc1 Qa2# 0-1 (29) Lucky1357924680 (2690)-MassterofMayhem (2655) Blitz 2024;

A2a32) 13...h4 14.Nd3 Nb6 15.Bg5 Bd7 16.Bxh4 Qb8 17.b3 a5 18.Bf2 b4 19.Nd1 Nfxd5 20.Rc1 Nc3 21.Nxc3 bxc3 22.Qxc3 Rc8 23.Qd2 Rxc1+ 24.Qxc1 a4 25.Be2 axb3 26.axb3 Ra2 27.Nb4 Bh6 28.Qxh6 Ra1+ 29.Bd1 Nc4 30.0-0 Nb2 31.Nd5 1 - 0 (3 1) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-kasparik_garik (2546) Blitz 2024;

A2b) 11...Qa5 12.Nc1 *(12.a3 b5 13.b4 Qd8 14.Ng3 a5 15.bxa5 Qxa5 16.Bxb5 Nc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.0-0 c4 19.a4 Rb8 20.Rac1 Nd7 21.d6 Nc5 22.Bxc4 Nxa4 23.Qd5 Qa7+ 24.Kh1 Be6 25.Nb5 Qa5 26.Qc6 Rb6 27.Bxe6 Rxc6 28.Rxc6 Qxb5 29.Bd5 Nb6 30.Rd1 Nxd5 31.exd5 Qb3* 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-Pblu35 (2705) Blitz 2021 *)* 12...b5 13.Nd3 Bb7 14.Be2 Rac8 15.0-0 Nc5 16.b4 Qa3 17.bxc5 dxc5 18.Nb1 Qa4 19.Nxc5 1-0 (19) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Pblu35 (2662) Blitz 2023;

A2c) 11...h5

A2c1) 12.h3 Nh7 13.Rg1 b5 Djurhuus,Rune: 'N?' *(13...h4* 'Ü 67/657 Djurhuus, R: '- 67/657 Djurhuus,Rune: 'Ü 67/657'" *)* 14.gxh5 Qh4+ 15.Ng3 Ndf6 16.hxg6 Djurhuus,Rune: '?' *(16.h6* Djurhuus,Rune: '!' *Bh8 17.0-0-0* Djurhuus,Rune: '±"γh8, Nh7, Kg8 Djurhuus, R: 'γh8, ♦h7, ♦g8 Djurhuus, Rune: 'γh8, Nh7, Kg8'" *)* 16...fxg6 17.0-0-0 Bd7 Olsen,J (2660)-G6 Ideas (2505) Riga 1996 Telechess CBM 89 [Ekström, Harding, Pickard_6896] Djurhuus, Rune: '⩲';

A2c2) 12.g5 Arsovic,Goran: 'transposes to another well known line of the Sämisch System.'

A2c21) 12...Nh7 13.Rg1 *(13.Nc1 f6 14.gxf6 Qxf6 15.Be2 Nc5 16.b4 Nd7 17.Nd3 Qh4+ 18.Bf2 Qg5 19.Rg1 Qxd2+ 20.Kxd2 Bh6+ 21.Be3 Kg7 22.Nd1 Bxe3+ 23.Nxe3 Kh6 24.Rac1 Nb6 25.Rc7 Ng5 26.Rf1 Bh3 27.Rg1 Rf7 28.Rxf7 Nxf7 29.f4 Re8 30.f5 gxf5 31.exf5 Kh7 32.Nf2 Bg4 33.Bxg4 hxg4 34.Nfxg4 Nd7 35.Rc1 Kg7 36.Rc7 Nf6 37.Rxb7 Rh8 38.Ke2 Rh4 39.Nxf6 Kxf6 40.Rb6 Rxh2+ 41.Kf3 Rxa2 42.Ke4 Ng5+ 43.Kd3 Ra3+ 44.Ke2 e4 45.Rxd6+ Ke5 46.Rd8 Kf4 47.Nc2 Ra2 48.Kd1*

Nf3 49.Re8 Rb2 50.Kc1 Rb3 51.d6 Rd3 52.f6 Rxd6 53.f7 Rf6 54.f8Q Rxf8 55.Rxf8+ Ke5 56.Re8+ Kf4 57.Ne1 e3 58.Nd3+ Kg3 59.Rxe3 Kg4 60.Rxf3 Kxf3 61.Kc2 Ke4 62.Kc3 a5 63.bxa5 Kd5 64.Nb4+ Kc5 65.a6 Kb6 66.Kb3 Ka7 67.Ka4 Kb6 68.Kb3 Ka7 69.Ka3 Kb6 70.Ka4 Ka7 71.Ka5 Ka8 ½-½ (71) Aczgego (2644)-anonymouse777 (2668) Blitz 2022 *)*

A2c211) 13...f6 14.gxf6 Qxf6 *(14...Rxf6 15.0-0-0 b5 16.Kb1 Nb6 17.Nc1 b4 18.Bxb6 Qxb6 19.N3e2 Nf8 20.Nd3 a5 21.Rc1 Bd7 22.h4 Kh7 23.Rg3 Bb5 24.Bh3 Bh6 25.f4 exf4 26.Rf3 Re8 27.Nf2 Rf7 28.Nd4 Bg7 29.Nxb5 Qxb5 30.Rc6 Nd7 31.Bxd7 Rxd7 32.Qd3 Qxd3+ 33.Rxd3 Bf6 34.Rf3 Bxh4 35.Rxf4 Bxf2 36.Rxf2 Rxe4 37.Ra6 h4 38.Rxa5 h3 39.Ra8 Rh4 40.Rff8 g5 41.Rh8+ Kg6 42.Rag8+ Kf5 43.Rf8+ Ke4 44.Rxh4+ gxh4 45.Rh8 Kf3 46.Rxh4 Kg3 47.Rxb4 h2 48.Rb3+ Kg2 49.Rc3 h1Q+ 50.Rc1 Qh7+ 51.Rc2+ Kf3 52.Kc1 Qh1+ 53.Kd2 Qg2+ 54.Kc3 Qg1 55.Kb3 Qb6+ 56.Kc3 Rc7+ 57.Kd2 Qe3+ 58.Kd1 Qd3+ 59.Rd2 Qf1#* 0 - 1 (5 9) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-MilovanR (2653) Blitz 2021*)*

15.Nc1 Qxf3 16.Be2 Qf6 17.Nd3 Rf7 18.0-0-0 Ndf8 19.Kb1 Bd7 20.Rdf1 Qh4 21.Rxf7 Kxf7 22.Rf1+ Kg8 23.Bd1 Nf6 24.Bf3 N8h7 25.Rg1 Ng4 26.Bxg4 hxg4 27.Qf2 Qh5 28.Ne2 Rf8 29.Qg2 Rf3 30.Ng3 Qh3 31.Qe2 Nf6 32.Ne1 Bb5 33.Qd2 Rxg3 34.Rxg3 Nxe4 35.Rxh3 Nxd2+ 36.Bxd2 gxh3 37.Bg5 Bc4 38.Be7 Bf8 39.Bxf8 Kxf8 40.Kc2 Bxd5 41.a3 Be4+ 42.Kd2 d5 43.Ke3 Ke7 0-1 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-mr_kaos (2554) Blitz 2023;

A2c212) 13...b5

A2c2121) 14.Nc1 Nb6 *(14...f6 15.gxf6 Qxf6 16.Be2 Qh4+ 17.Bf2 Qxh2 18.Rxg6 Rf6 19.Rg1 Nc5 20.b4 Na4 21.Nxa4 bxa4 22.Nd3 Bh3 23.0-0-0 Bg2*

24.Ne1 Bh1 25.Be3 Kh8 26.Kb1 Raf8 27.Bxa6 Qxd2 28.Rxd2 Bxf3 29.Nxf3 Rxf3 30.Rd3 h4 31.Rh1 h3 32.Bc1 Rxd3 33.Bxd3 Rf3 34.Bf1 Nf6 35.Bxh3 Kg8 36.Bf5 Kf8 37.Rd1 Rf2 38.b5 Ke7 39.b6 1-0 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-learningtheory2002 (2554) Blitz 2022*; 14...b4 15.Na4 Qa5 16.b3 Rb8 17.Bh3 Nc5 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Bxc8 Rfxc8 20.Nb2 h4 21.Ncd3 Qd8 22.Nc4 Qe7 23.0-0-0 a5 24.Kb2 a4 25.Rc1 axb3 26.axb3 Bf8 27.Ra1 Qd8 28.Ra6 Be7 29.Ndxe5 Bxg5 30.f4 Bf6 31.Kc2 Ra8 32.Rga1 Rxa6 33.Rxa6 Ra8 34.Rxa8 Qxa8 35.Kb1 g5 36.Qg2 Qb8 37.Qg4 Qc7 38.Qf5 gxf4 39.d6 Qb7 40.Ng4 Bd4 41.d7 Qa8 42.Nh6+ Kg7 43.Qxf7+ Kxh6 44.Qe6+ Nf6 45.e5 Qe4+ 46.Kc1 Qe1+ 47.Kc2 Qc3+ 48.Kd1 Qxb3+ 49.Ke1 Qc3+ 50.Kf1 Qf3+ 51.Ke1 Bc3+ 52.Nd2 Qe3+ 53.Kf1 Qd3+ 54.Kg2 Qxd2+ 55.Kh3 Qxd7 56.Kxh4 Qxe6 57.exf6 Qxf6+ 58.Kh3 Qf5+ 59.Kg2 Qf6 60.Kg1 f3 61.Kf1 f2 62.h3 Qf4 63.h4 Qf3* 0 - 1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-Orlando_Gloom (2711) Blitz 2023*)* 15.b3 Bd7 16.Be2 b4 17.Nd1 a5 18.Nd3 Rb8 19.N3b2 a4 20.Nc4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 Qa5 22.Rc1 Rfc8 23.Nf2 Bb5 24.Bxb5 Qxb5 25.Qd3 Rxc1+ 26.Bxc1 Qa5 27.Ke2 axb3 28.axb3 Rc8 29.Bd2 Qa2 30.Qb1 Qa6+ 31.Nd3 h4 32.Rc1 Rxc1 33.Qxc1 Bf8 34.Qc4 Qa2 35.Nxb4 Qb1 36.Qc1 Qxb3 37.Nc6 Qa2 38.Kf1 h3 39.Qe1 Nxg5 40.Kf2 Nh7 41.Kg3 Qb3 42.Qe3 Qd1 43.Kxh3 Qf1+ 44.Kg3 Nf6 45.h3 Nh5+ 46.Kh2 Bh6 47.Qxh6 Qf2+ 0 - 1 (47) Consent_to_treat

ment (2710)-BBMSARA (2719) Blitz 2022;
A2c2122) 14.h4 Nb6 15.Nc1 b4 16.Nd1 a5 17.Bd3 f6 18.Qf2 Na4 19.b3 Nc5 20.gxf6 Rxf6 21.Qg3 Nxd3+ 22.Nxd3 Ba6 23.N1f2 Rc8 24.Rc1 Rxc1+ 25.Bxc1 Qb6 26.Ke2 Qd4 27.Rd1 Nf8 28.Be3 Qb2+ 29.Rd2 Qb1 30.Bg5 Rf7 31.Bd8 Bh6 32.Bg5 Bxg5 33.Qxg5 Rc7 34.Qd8 Rc1 35.f4 Rg1 36.Qxd6 Qe1+ 37.Kf3 Qxd2 38.Qxa6 exf4 39.Nxf4 Qd4 40.Qd3 Qe5 41.d6 Qe8 42.Qd5+ Kh7 43.e5 Rf1 44.e6 Nxe6 45.Qxe6 Qc6+ 46.Ke2 Rxf2+ 47.Kxf2 Qc2+ 48.Kf3 Qc5 49.Qe7+ 1-0 (49)
Consent_to_treatment (2641)-Orlando_Gloom (2659) Blitz 2022;
A2c2123) 14.0-0-0 Nb6 15.Kb1 *(15.Ng3 h4 16.Nh1 f6 17.gxf6 Rxf6 18.Qf2 Na4 19.Nxa4 bxa4 20.Qxh4 Qc7+ 21.Kb1 Rxf3 22.Rc1 Qb7 23.Bh6 Rb8 24.Rc2 a3 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Ng3 axb2 27.Qd8 Bd7 28.Nh5+ Kh6 29.Qe7 Ba4 30.Rxg6+ Kxh5 31.Rh6+ Kxh6 32.Qh4+ Kg7 33.Rg2+ Kh8* 0 - 1 (33)
Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Orlando_Gloom (2766) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Nc4 16.Qc1 *(16.Qd3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Bd7 18.h4 a5 19.Nc1 b4 20.N3e2 a4 21.Ng3 f5 22.gxf6 Rxf6 23.Be2 a3 24.b3 Qc7 25.Nf1 Rc8 26.Qd2 Bh6* 0 - 1 (26)
Consent_to_treatment (2631)-GreatestShowman5 (2622) Blitz 2021*)* 16...b4 17.Na4 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Qa5 19.Nb6 Rb8 20.Nxc8 Rfxc8 21.Nc1 Qc7 22.Bd3 a5 23.Ne2 Qc5 24.Qxc5 Rxc5 25.h4 Rbc8 26.Rc1 Rxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 28.Nxc1 f6 29.gxf6 Bxf6 30.Nb3 a4 31.Na5

Bxh4 32.Nc4 Be7 33.Nb6 a3 34.bxa3 bxa3 35.Bf1 Ng5 36.Kc2 Nxf3 37.Nc4 Nd4+ 38.Kc3 g5 39.Nxa3 g4 40.Nc4 h4 41.Ne3 g3 42.a4 Bd8 43.Nf5 Ba5+ 44.Kd3 Nxf5 45.exf5 Kg7 46.Ke4 Kf6 47.Bh3 Kg5 48.Bg2 Kg4 49.f6 h3 50.Bf3+ Kh4 51.f7 g2 52.f8Q g1Q 53.Qh6+ Kg3 54.Qg5+ Kh2 55.Qxg1+ Kxg1 56.Kf5 h2 57.Ke6 Bb4 58.a5 h1Q 59.Bxh1 Kxh1 60.a6 Bc5 61.a7 Bxa7 62.Kxd6 e4 63.Kc7 Bc5 64.d6 Bxd6+ 65.Kxd6 e3 0 - 1 (6 5) Consent_to_treatment (2720)-wolfgirl13 (2606) Blitz 2023;

A2c22) 12...Ne8 13.Rg1 b5

A2c221) 14.0-0-0 Qa5 *(14...Nb6 15.b3 b4 16.Nb1 a5 17.Kb2 Rb8 18.Nc1 Bd7 19.Nd3 Nc7 20.Qf2 Nbxd5 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Nc1 Nxe3 23.Qxe3 e4+ 24.Kc2 exf3 25.Bc4 Bf5+ 26.Kd2 d5 27.Bd3 Re8 28.Qxf3 Be4 29.Qf2 Qc7 30.Rge1 Bc3+ 31.Ke2 Bg2+ 32.Be4 Rxe4+ 33.Kd3 Bxe1 34.Qxg2 Bc3 35.Ne2 Rbe8 36.Nexc3 bxc3 37.Rc1 Re3+ 38.Kd4 R8e4+ 39.Kxd5 Re5+ 40.Kd4 Qc5#* 0 - 1 (4 0) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-ex-champion (2554) Blitz 2023; *14...b4 15.Na4 a5 16.Kb1 Ba6 17.Nc1 Qc8 18.Bxa6 Qxa6 19.Nb3 Qb5 20.Qd3 Qxa4 21.Rc1 Rb8 22.Rc6 Qb5 23.Qxb5 Rxb5 24.Ra6 Nc5 25.Rxa5 Rxa5 26.Nxa5 f5 27.gxf6 Rxf6 28.Rg3 h4 29.Rh3 Rf7 30.Kc2 Bf6 31.Nc6 Rb7 32.Bd2 b3+ 33.axb3 Nxb3 34.Bc3 g5* 0 - 1 (3 4) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 9 1) - MassterofMayhem (2687) Blitz 2023*)* 15.a3 b4 16.Na2 Rb8 17.Nxb4 Bb7 18.Kb1 Nc5 19.Nc6 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Bxc6 21.dxc6 Nc7 22.Nc3 Rfc8 23.Rxd6 N7e6 24.Bc4 Bf8 25.Rgd1 Bxd6 26.Rxd6 Nd4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Nd5 Kf8 29.Nf6 Ke7 30.e5 d3 31.b4 a5 32.b5 Kf8 33.Kc1 Rb6 34.Nd7+ Nxd7 35.Rxd7 Rbxc6

36.bxc6 Rxc6 37.Rxf7+ Ke8 38.Rf4 Rc5 39.Re4 Ke7 40.Kd2 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2713) - MassterofMayhem (2611) Blitz 2023;

A2c222) 14.Nc1

A2c2221) 14...b4 15.Na4 a5 16.b3 Nc7 17.Nd3 Rb8 18.Ndb2 Nb5 19.Bxb5 Rxb5 20.Nc4 Nc5 21.Nxc5 dxc5 22.0-0-0 Re8 23.Kb1 Bf8 24.Rc1 Bd7 25.Rgd1 Qa8 26.Qb2 a4 27.Nxe5 Rxe5 28.Qxe5 axb3 29.Qb2 bxa2+ 30.Ka1 Qe8 31.e5 Bf5 32.f4 b3 33.d6 Qc6 34.Rc3 Be6 35.Rdc1 c4 36.Rxb3 Rxb3 37.Qxb3 Qe4 38.Qc3 h4 39.Kxa2 Qa8+ 40.Kb1 Qe4+ 41.Ka1 Bf5 42.Rd1 Qa8+ 43.Kb2 Qb7+ 44.Ka2 Qa8+ 45.Kb2 Qg2+ 46.Rd2 Qb7+ 47.Ka2 Qa6+ 48.Kb2 Qb7+ 49.Ka2 Qe4 50.d7 Qa8+ 51.Kb2 Be7 52.d8Q+ Bxd8 53.Qxc4 Be7 54.Qb3 Be6 55.Qc3 Qb7+ 56.Kc1 Bb4 57.Rc2 Bxc3 58.Rxc3 Qe4 59.Kb2 Qb4+ 60.Kc2 Bf5+ 61.Kd2 Qb2+ 62.Ke1 Qxc3+ 63.Kf2 Qd3 64.Kf3 Be4+ 65.Kf2 Qc2+ 66.Ke1 Qg2 67.Bd2 Bf3 68.Be3 Qe2# 0 - 1 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2691) - MassterofMayhem (2659) Blitz 2024;

A2c2222) 14...f5 15.Nd3 Nb6 16.b3 b4 17.Nxb4 fxe4 18.fxe4 Rf4 19.Nc6 Qc7 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.Rc1 Nd7 22.Bh3 Ne5 23.Nxe5 Bxe5 24.Ne2 Qd8 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.Be6+ Kg7 27.Bxc8 Qxc8 28.Kf2 Qc5+ 29.Kf3 Qc8 30.Nxf4 Kh7 31.Ne6 Ng7 32.Rc1 Qb7 33.Rc7 Qb5 34.Kg2 h4 35.Qf2 h3+ 36.Kg1 Qd3 37.Rxg7+ Bxg7 38.Qf7 Qd1+ 39.Kf2 Qd2+ 40.Kg3 Qe3+ 41.Kg4 Qxe4+ 42.Kxh3 Qe3+ 43.Kg2 Qe2+ 44.Kg3 Qe3+ 45.Kg2 Qe2+ 46.Kg3 Qe3+ 47.Kg4 Qe4+

48.Kg3 Qe3+ ½ - ½ (48) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-mr_kaos (2605) Blitz 2023;

A2c2223) 14...Nb6 15.b3

A2c22231) 15...Rb8 16.Nd3 *(16.Bd3 b4 17.Nd1 a5 18.Ne2 Nc7 19.Nf2 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Nxa6 21.Kf1 Nd7 22.Rc1 Nac5 23.Nd3 Nxd3 24.Qxd3 f5 25.Kg2 f4 26.Bf2 Qxg5+ 27.Kh1 Qf6 28.Rc7 Rf7 29.Qa6 Nc5 30.Rxf7 Nxa6 31.Rxf6 Bxf6 32.Rc1 Ra8 33.Rc6 Be7 34.Bb6 Kf7 35.Nc1 Ke8 36.Nd3 Kd7 37.Bxa5 Nb8 38.Rc7+ Ke8 39.Bxb4 Bd8 40.Rc2 Kd7 41.a4 Bb6 42.Be1 Na6 43.b4 Bd4 44.a5 Rb8 45.Kg2 Nc7 46.Ra2 Nb5 47.Kf1 g5 48.Nb2 g4 49.fxg4 hxg4 50.Nc4 Rh8 51.a6 Ra8 52.Bf2 Nc3 53.Bxd4 Nxa2 54.Nb6+ Kd8 55.Nxa8 exd4 56.Nb6 Kc7 57.a7 Kxb6 58.a8Q Nxb4 59.Qb8+ Ka5 60.Qxd6 Ka4 61.Qxb4+ Kxb4 62.d6 d3 63.d7 Kc3 64.d8Q Kd2 65.Qd4 f3 66.Qf2+ Kc3 67.e5 d2 68.Qc5+ Kd3 69.Qd5+ Ke3 70.e6 Kf4 71.e7 g3 72.hxg3+ Kxg3 73.Qxd2 f2 74.Qxf2+ Kg4 75.Qf3+ Kg5* ½ - ½ (75) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-MassterofMayhem (2646) Blitz 2022*)*

16...f5 17.Be2 f4 18.Bf2 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Rc7 20.Kb1 Bd7 21.Rc1 a5 22.Nb2 Nc8 23.Rgd1 Qxg5 24.Rg1 Qf6 25.Qe1 Kh7 26.Bh4 Qf7 27.Qf1 Bf6 28.Bf2 a4 29.Nxb5 Rxc1+ 30.Qxc1 axb3 31.axb3 Bxb5 32.Bxb5 Rxb5 33.Qxc8 Rxb3 34.Rc1 Rxf3 35.Rc2 Rb3 36.Qc4 Qb7 37.Qc6 Qxc6 38.dxc6 Nc7 39.Ka2 Rb4 40.Nc4 g5

41.Nxd6 g4 42.Nc4 f3 43.Bc5 Rb5 44.Bd6 Ne6 45.c7 Nxc7 46.Bxc7 Rc5 47.Bd6 Rc6 48.Kb3 Bh4 49.Bxe5 f2 50.Ne3 Re6 51.Rc5 Bg5 52.Nf1 Be7 53.Rd5 Rb6+ 54.Kc2 Rc6+ 55.Kd2 h4 56.Ke2 1 - 0 (5 6) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-kc6 (2564) Blitz 2022;

A2c22232) 15...b4 16.Nd1 a5 17.Nb2 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Ncd3 Nc7 20.Na4 Nxa4 21.bxa4 Qd7 22.Nb2 Na8 23.Qd3 Ra7 24.Bxa7 Qxa7 25.0-0-0 Rc8+ 26.Kb1 Rc3 27.Qe2 Nb6 28.Rge1 f6 29.gxf6 Bxf6 30.Rg1 Kh7 31.Rg3 Nd7 32.Rdg1 Nf8 33.Qg2 Qf7 34.Rc1 Nd7 35.Rxc3 bxc3 36.Nd3 Nb6 37.Qc2 Qc7 38.Rg1 Qc4 39.Rg2 Nxa4 40.Nc1 Nc5 41.Ne2 Na4 42.Nc1 Bd8 43.Qb3 Qf1 44.Rc2 Nc5 45.Qxc3 Bg5 46.Qc4 Qxf3 47.Qe2 Qf4 48.Nd3 Nxd3 49.Qxd3 Qg4 50.Kb2 Qf4 51.Kb3 Kh6 52.Qc3 Qf1 53.Qc4 Qb1+ 54.Ka4 Qg1 55.Kxa5 Qa7+ 56.Kb4 Qb8+ 57.Kc3 Qe8 58.Kb3 Qe7 59.Qc7 Qf6 60.Qh7+ Kxh7 61.Rc7+ 1 - 0 (6 1) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-MassterofMayhem (2648) Blitz 2024;

A2c2224) 14...Bb7 15.Nd3 Rc8 16.0-0-0 Nc5 *(16...Qa5 17.Kb1 Nb6 18.b4 Qa3 19.Bxb6 Rxc3 20.Qb2 Qxb2+ 21.Kxb2 Rc8 22.Bh3 Rb8 23.Be3 f6 24.gxf6 Rxf6 25.Ne1 Kh7 26.Rg2 Nc7 27.Rc2 Rf7 28.Rdc1 Nxd5 29.exd5 e4+ 30.Kb1 Bxd5 31.Rc7 Rxc7 32.Rxc7 exf3 33.Bd4 Be4+*

34.Kc1 f2 35.Rxg7+ Kh6 36.Kd2 Bf5 37.Bf1 fxe1Q+ 38.Kxe1 Re8+ 39.Kd2 Re4 40.Bc3 Rf4 41.Be2 Rf2 42.h4 Rf4 43.Ra7 Rxh4 44.Rxa6 Rh2 45.Ke1 Rh1+ 46.Kf2 Rh2+ 47.Kf1 Bh3+ 48.Ke1 Kg5 49.Rxd6 Bg4 50.Bd2+ Kh4 51.Bxg4 hxg4 52.Rd4 g5 53.Be3 Kg3 54.Bxg5 Rh1+ 55.Kd2 Rh2+ 56.Kd3 Rxa2 57.Be3 Ra3+ 58.Ke4 Kh3 59.Ke5 g3 60.Rf4 Kg2 61.Bd4 Rd3 62.Rg4 Rxd4 63.Kxd4 Kf3 64.Rxg3+ Kf2 65.Kc5 Ke2 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-MassterofMayhem (2658) Blitz 2022*; 16...Nb6 17.b3 Nxd5 18.exd5 e4 19.fxe4 Bxc3 20.Qe2 Qa5 21.Kb1 Nc7 22.Bh3 b4 23.Bxc8 Rxc8 24.Nb2 Nb5 25.Nc4 Rxc4 26.bxc4 Na3+ 27.Kc1 b3 28.axb3 Qb4 29.Qa2 a5 30.Rd2 a4 31.Rb2 Bxb2+ 32.Qxb2 axb3 33.Kd1 Nxc4 34.Qd4 b2 35.Ke2 Ba6 36.Kf3 b1Q 37.Rxb1 Qxb1 38.Qa7 Qf1+ 39.Bf2 Ne5+ 40.Kg3 h4+ 41.Kxh4 Qg2 42.Bg3 Be2 43.Qb8+ Kg7 44.Qxd6 Nf3+ 45.Kg4 Nxh2+ 46.Kf4 Qf3+ 47.Ke5 Qxg3+ 48.Kd4 Qxd6 49.e5 Qd8 50.Ke3 Bg4 51.d6 Bf5 52.e6 Qd7 53.e7 Qe8 54.Kf2 Bd7 55.Kg3 f6 56.Kg2 fxg5 57.Kg3 Kf6 58.Kxh2 Ke6 59.Kg2 Kxd6 60.Kf2 Kxe7 61.Kg2 Qd8 62.Kg3 Qc7+ 63.Kf3 Qd6 64.Kf2 Qe6 65.Kf1 Qf6+ 66.Kg1 Qf7 67.Kh2 Qf6 68.Kg1 Qf5 69.Kg2 Qf4 70.Kg1 Qg4+ 71.Kf2 Qh4+ 72.Ke3 Qg4 73.Kd3 Qf4 74.Kc3 Qf5 75.Kb3 Qf6 76.Kc2 Qe6 77.Kd3 Qd6+ 78.Kc3 Qd5 79.Kb4 Qe6 0-1 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-MassterofMayhem (2721) Blitz 2023)* 17.Nxc5 dxc5 18.Bh3 Nd6 19.Bxc8 Qxc8 20.Bf2 Re8 21.Kb1

Nc4 22.Qe2 Bf8 23.Rc1 Bd6 24.Nd1 Qd7 25.Ne3 Nb6 26.Nf5 gxf5 27.g6 f6 28.Bxc5 Nc4 29.Bxd6 Nxd6 30.Qe3 f4 31.Qf2 Kg7 32.Rc5 Nc4 33.b3 Ne3 34.Rgc1 Rc8 35.Rxc8 Bxc8 36.Qh4 Kxg6 37.Rg1+ Ng4 38.h3 f5 39.hxg4 fxg4 40.Rh1 Qh7 41.Qd8 g3 42.Qxc8 Qg7 43.Qf5+ 1-0 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-MassterofMayhem (2695) Blitz 2022;

B) 9.a4 c5 10.d5 e6 11.dxe6 Ne5 12.exf7+ Rxf7 13.Nf4 g5 14.Nfd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 g4 16.f4 Qh4+ 17.Bf2 Qh6 18.0-0-0 Nc6 19.Be3 Nd4 20.Kb1 Bd7 21.a5 Ba4 22.Re1 Bc2+ 23.Ka2 Ba4 24.Nb6 Bb3+ 25.Ka3 Re8 26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Kxb3 Qxf4 28.Qxf4 Rxf4 29.Bd3 1-0 (29) Killerkaz (2651)-Gambit2Mate (2677) Rapid 2022;

C) 9.c5 'Pavlovic,M: '!?' Pavlovic, Milos: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '!?'"' 9...b5 *(9...Qc7 10.Rc1 e5 11.cxd6 Qxd6 12.dxe5 Qxd2+ 13.Bxd2 Nxe5 14.Nd4 Rd8 15.Nb3 Be6 16.Nc5 Bc8 17.Be2 Bf8 18.Nb3 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 Rxd3 20.Ke2 Rd8 21.Bg5 Be7 22.Na4 Be6 23.Nac5 Bxb3 24.Nxb3 Kg7 25.Rhd1 h6 26.Be3 Nd7 27.Na5 Ne5 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.Nxb7 Rb8 30.Bd4 f6 31.Na5 c5 32.Bxe5 fxe5 33.b3 Rb6 34.Nc4 Re6 35.Rd1 h5 36.Rd5 Bf6 37.Rd6 Rxd6 38.Nxd6 Kf8 39.Nb7 Be7 40.Kd3 Kf7 41.Kc4 Ke6 42.Nxc5+* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-ZhohoFF (2632) Blitz 2023*)* 10.cxb6 Nxb6 *(10...Rb8 11.Ng3 Qxb6 12.b3 Qa5 13.Bd3 e5 14.Nge2 d5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.0-0 Bb7 17.Ne4 Qxd2 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Bxd2 exd4 20.Nf4 Nc5 21.Rac1 Rbc8 22.Bb4 Nxd3 23.Nxd3 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rc8 25.Rxc8+ Bxc8 26.Kf2 Bg5 27.Ke2 Bd7 28.a4 Bf5 29.f4 Bf6 30.Bc5 Be4 31.g3 Bf5 32.Nb4 d3+ 33.Nxd3 Bc3 34.Ke3 f6 35.Bd4 Ba5 36.Bxf6 Kf7 37.Bd4 h5 38.Nc5 Bc2 39.Nxa6 Bxb3 40.Nc5 Bc2 41.Bb2 Bb4 42.Bd4 Bxc5 43.Bxc5 Bxa4 44.Kd4 Ke6 45.Bf8 Bd1 46.Bg7 Bg4 47.Be5 Bf5 48.Ke3 Be4 49.Bd4 h4 50.gxh4 Kf5 51.Be5 Kg4 52.Bf6 Kh3 53.Bg5 Kxh2 54.Bf6 Kh3 55.Bg5 Kg4 56.Bf6 Kf5 57.Bg5 Kg4 58.Bf6 Kf5 59.Bg5 Ke6 60.Bd8 Kf5 61.Bg5* ½-½ (61) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Gabdrakhmanov,A (2316) Blitz 2023 *)*

C1) 11.b3 a5 12.Ng3 *(12.Rc1 a4 13.Ng3 axb3 14.axb3 h5 15.Bd3 h4 16.Nge2 Be6 17.Rb1 c5 18.0-0 c4 19.bxc4 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.Rfc1 h3 22.g3 d5 23.e5 Nd7 24.Nf4 g5 25.Nxh3 f6 26.f4 gxf4 27.Nxf4 fxe5 28.Ne6 Qe8 29.Nxg7 Kxg7 30.Bh6+ Kh7 31.Bxf8*

Qxf8 32.Ne4 dxe4 33.Rxc4 Qf3 34.Rf1 Qd3 35.Qg5 Nf6 36.Rc7 Qxd4+ 37.Kh1 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-Welcome_to_Flagistan (2590) Blitz 2024*)* 12...a4 13.Rb1 axb3 14.axb3 Ba6 *(14...h5 15.Bd3 h4 16.Nge2 h3 17.g3 Ba6 18.0-0 Qc8 19.Rfc1 Bxd3 20.Qxd3 Qb7 21.Nf4 Nfd7 22.Nxh3 c5 23.Nf2 cxd4 24.Bxd4 Ne5 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Ng4 Bg7 27.Ne3 Nd7 28.Ncd5 Nc5 29.Qd1 e6 30.Nf4 Rfd8 31.b4 Na4 32.Rb3 Nb6 33.b5 d5 34.exd5 exd5 35.Kg2 d4 36.Nc4 Ra2+ 37.Kh3 Qc8+ 38.g4 Nxc4 39.Rb4 Qb8 40.Ng2 Ne3* 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-ViberChess-BRYoutube (2602) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Bxa6 Rxa6 16.0-0 Qc7 17.Rfc1 Qb7 18.Kh1 Rfa8 19.Rc2 Ra1 20.Rxa1 Rxa1+ 21.Rc1 Rxc1+ 22.Qxc1 Qa6 23.h4 Nfd7 24.Nce2 Qb5 25.h5 Qxb3 26.h6 Bf6 27.Bg5 Bxg5 28.Qxg5 Kf8 29.Qa5 Qa4 30.Qc3 e5 31.dxe5 dxe5 32.Qd2 Ke7 33.Qg5+ f6 34.Nf5+ gxf5 35.Qg7+ Kd6 36.Qxh7 Qa8 37.Ng3 f4 38.Nf5+ Kc5 39.Qe7+ Kb5 40.h7 c5 41.Nd6+ Kb4 42.Ne8 Qa1+ 43.Kh2 Qe1 44.h8Q Qg3+ 45.Kg1 Qe1+ 46.Kh2 Qg3+ 47.Kh1 Qe1+ 48.Kh2 ½-½ (48) Consent_to_treatment (2742)-Mikheev01 (2605) Blitz 2022;

C2) 11.Nf4 'Pavlovic,M: 'A positional idea that has not been used much.' Pavlovic,Milos: 'A positional idea that has not been used much. A positional idea that has not been used much. Arsovic, Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: 'A positional idea that has not been used much."" 11...a5 12.Be2 Nfd7 *(12...d5* 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic, M"' *13.e5 Ne8 14.h4 Nc7 15.h5 Ba6 16.b3 a4 17.Rc1 axb3 18.axb3 Bxe2 19.Ncxe2 Ra6 20.Nd3* Arsovic,Goran: '±' Arsovic,Goran: '1-0 (38) Stopa,J (2455)-Chojnacki,K (2369) Poronin 2016'*)* 13.0-0 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qe2 Qa8

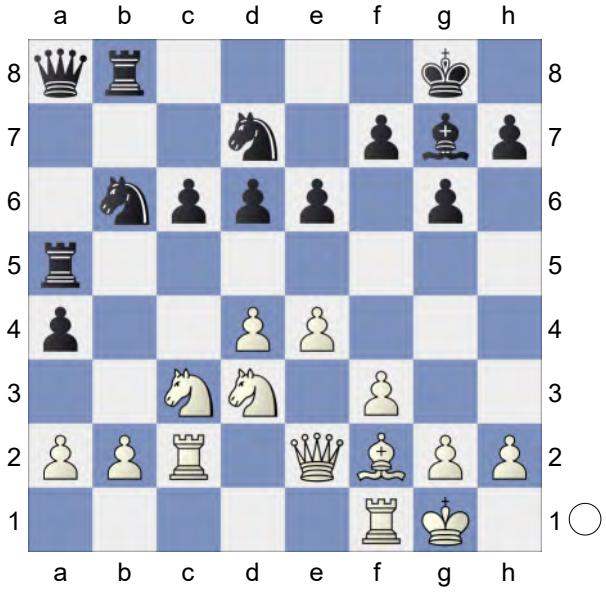
C2a) 16.Rfd1 Rb8 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M"' 17.Rac1 a4 18.Rc2 Ra5 19.Nb1 d5 20.e5 Arsovic,Goran: ' ±!' *(20.Na3 e5 21.dxe5 Bxe5 22.exd5 cxd5 23.Nd3 Bg7 24.Qf2* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞' Arsovic, Goran: '1-0 (63) Sriram,J (2400)-Lubbe,M (2320) Lueneburg 2015' *)*;

C2b) 16.Rac1 Arsovic,Goran: 'N''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'N' 'N''' 16...Rb8 17.Rc2 a4 18.Bf2 Ra5 19.Nd3

C2b1) Arsovic,Goran: 'There was the much better' 19...Nf8 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Pavlovic,M Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic, M"' 20.Kh1 *(20.Rd1 Ne6* Arsovic,Goran: '⇄'*; 20.d5 c5 21.Bh4 Qb7 22.Nf2 Re8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞'*)* 20...Ne6

21.d5 cxd5 22.Bxb6 Rxb6 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 24.exd5 Nd4 25.Qf2 Nxc2 26.Qxb6 Qxd5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Black has nice compensation.';

C2b2) 19...e6 'Diagram



Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Diagram [#]''' 20.Nb1 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: '!' '!'"

C2b21) 20...e5 Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 21.Nb4 c5 22.dxc5 dxc5 *(22...Nxc5* Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *23.Qd2* Arsovic,Goran: '±' Arsovic,Goran: ' Δ Nc6' *)* 23.Nd3 c4 24.Nc1 Bf8 25.Na3 Arsovic,Goran: '±';

C2b22) 20...Qb7 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M''' 21.Rfc1 Rc8 22.Nd2 Arsovic,Goran: ' ±'

Arsovic,Goran: 'White has some slight pressure but the game is still on.';

C2b23) 20...c5 'Pavlovic,M: '?' Pavlovic, Milos: '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '?'''' 'Pavlovic,M: 'The wrong plan.' Pavlovic,Milos: 'The wrong plan. The wrong plan. Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: 'The wrong plan.'''' 21.dxc5

C2b231) 21...dxc5 'Pavlovic,M: '!' Pavlovic, Milos: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '!'''' 22.Na3 c4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 'Pavlovic,M: 'active chess!' Pavlovic,Milos: 'active chess! active chess! Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: 'active chess!''''' 23.Nxc4 *(23.Nc1* Arsovic,Goran: ' ±' Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'') 23...Nxc4 24.Rxc4 Ne5 'Pavlovic,M: '!' Pavlovic,Milos: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '!''''' 25.Nxe5 Bxe5 26.Rb1 Rab5 27.Qc2 Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran''

(27.Rc8+ 'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Pavlovic,M''' *Rxc8 28.Qxb5 Bf6* Arsovic,Goran: 'Black has compensation, it is not easy for White to progress from here.'*)* 27...Rb4 28.Rxb4 Rxb4 29.g3 Arsovic,Goran: '**±**';

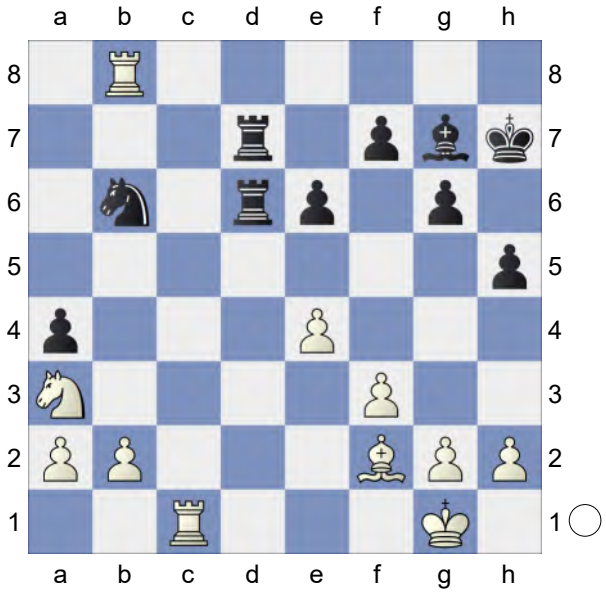
C2b232) 21...Nxc5 'Pavlovic,M: '?!' Pavlovic,Milos: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '?!'''' 22.Nxc5 dxc5 23.Rd1 *(23.Bxc5* Arsovic,Goran: '?' Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *Rxc5 24.Rxc5 Bd4+* Arsovic,Goran: '-+'*; 23.Rxc5* Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *Rxc5 24.Bxc5 Nd7 25.Ba3 Qc6 26.Rd1 Ne5* Arsovic,Goran: '**⩱**'*)* 23...Qc6 24.Qd2 Rba8 25.Na3 'Pavlovic,M: '**±**' Pavlovic,Milos: '**±**' '**±**' '**±**' '**±**' '**±**' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '**±**''''' h5 'Pavlovic,M: '?!' Pavlovic,Milos: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '?!'''' *(25...Bf8* Arsovic,Goran: '!?''Pavlovic,M Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M''' Arsovic,Goran: 'White has better play but is far from easy to make a breakthrough.'*)* 26.Qd6 Arsovic,Goran: '**±** ''Pavlovic,M: '!' Pavlovic,Milos: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '**±**''**±**' Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '!'''' Rc8 27.Qxc6 Rxc6 28.Rd8+ Kh7 29.Rb8 Ra7 *(29...Ra8* Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *30.Rxa8 Nxa8 31.Rxc5 Rxc5 32.Bxc5 Bxb2 33.Nc4 Bg7 34.Kf2* Arsovic,Goran: '**±**'*)* 30.Rxc5 Rd6

C2b2321) 31.Kf1 Arsovic,Goran: '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' Nd7 *(31...Ra8 32.Rxa8 Nxa8 33.Nc4* Arsovic,Goran: '+-'*)* 32.Rc4 Nxb8 *(32...Raa6 33.Rb7* Arsovic,Goran: '**±**'*)* 33.Bxa7 Arsovic,Goran: '**±**';

C2b2322) 31.Rc1

C2b23221)
31...Bxb2
Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 32.Nb5 Ra8 *(32...Bxc1 33.Nxd6* Arsovic,Goran: '+-' *)* 33.Rxa8 Nxa8 34.Nxd6 Bxc1 35.Nxf7
Arsovic,Goran: '+-';

C2b23222)
31...Rad7 'Diagram



Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]''' 32.Rf1
Arsovic,Goran: '!''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'" Bxb2 33.Nb5

C2b232221)
33...Rc6 34.Rxb6 *(34.Bxb6*
Arsovic,Goran: '?!''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!'" *Be5*
'Pavlovic,M: '!' Pavlovic,Milos: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '!'" *35.Rd8 Rb7 36.Bd4 Rxb5*
Arsovic,Goran: '=''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '=' '=" *37.Bxe5*
'Pavlovic,M Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M''' *Rxe5*
Arsovic,Goran: '=' *)* 34...Rxb6 35.Bxb6 Rb7 36.Rb1 a3 37.Kf1 Rxb6 38.Nxa3
'Pavlovic,M: ' ±'
Pavlovic,Milos: ' ±' '±'' ±'' ±'' ±'' ±'
Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: ' ±"" 'Pavlovic,M: 'White is a pawn up but Black is not lost.'
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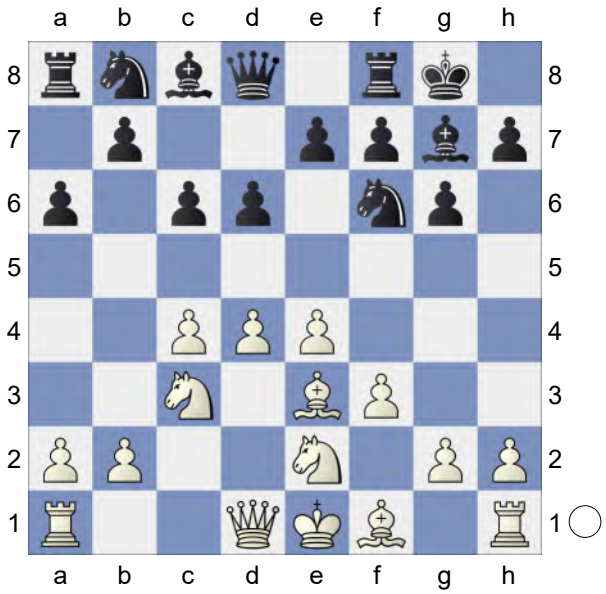
Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: 'White is a pawn up but Black is not lost.'"' Ra6
Arsovic,Goran:

'Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran'' 39.Nc4 Bc3 40.Rb3 Arsovic,Goran: '±'; **C2b232222)** 33...Nc4 Arsovic,Goran: '?' 34.Nxd6 Arsovic,Goran: '+-' ''Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '+-' '+-'" Rxd6 35.Rb4 'Pavlovic,M: '+-' Pavlovic,Milos: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Pavlovic,M: '+-'''' Rc6 36.Rxa4 g5 37.h3 g4 38.hxg4 hxg4 39.fxg4 Ne5 40.Bd4 Bxd4+ 41.Rxd4 Rc2 42.Ra1 Kg6 43.a4 Kg5 44.a5 Kxg4 45.a6 Kg3 46.Ra3+ 1-0 (46) Pires,A (2750)-13. ♖ad1 ♕b6 14.b3_22709 (2 6 9 5) Niedersachsen 2017 Inf 68 [Adly, Ahmed]]

[7...Re8 8.Rb1 Nbd7 9.b4 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nb6 12.Nc1 Bd7 13.Be2 Rc8 14.Qd2 Nh5 15.0-0 Nf4 16.Nb5 Nxe2+ 17.Qxe2 Bxb5 18.Qxb5 Nc4 19.Rb3 b6 20.Rc3 Nxe3 21.Rxe3 Bh6 22.Ree1 Rc2 23.Qa4 Qc8 24.Nb3 Re7 25.Rf2 Qc3 26.Ree2 Be3 27.Nd4 Rc1+ 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-foo0k (2615) Blitz 2023]

[7...b5 8.Qd2 bxc4 9.h4 e5 10.h5 Nxh5 11.g4 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Re8 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.Bg5 Qa5 17.Bf4 d5 18.Qh2 Nf8 19.Bd6 Bg7 20.Bxf8 Kxf8 21.Qxh7 Rb8 22.Rh2 dxe4 23.Bxc4 Qg5+ 24.Kb1 exf3 25.Rf2 Bxg4 26.Qh2 Kg8 27.Rh1 Bxd4 28.Qh7+ Kf8 29.Qxf7# 1-0 (29) brianthegreat (2619)-drawingchest (2566) Blitz 2021]



Old-fashioned line. I think Peter chose it to surprise Morozevich, who usually does not play 1.d4. Both players spent a lot of time in the opening.'''' 8.Qd2 Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Other lines are:''''

[8.c5 Mikhalevski,V: 'Ward,C-Hebden, M, GBR-ch Scarborough (10) 2001 [A. Martin] Ward,C-Hebden,M, GBR-ch Scarborough (10) 2001 [A. Martin]'

A) 8...b5 9.cxd6 exd6 10.Nf4 Nbd7 11.Be2 Bb7 12.0-0 Re8

13.Qd2

A1) 13...Qe7 14.Rfd1 Nd5 15.Bf2 Nxf4 16.Qxf4 Rac8 17.Rac1 c5 *(17...d5 18.exd5 cxd5 19.Bd3 Qf8 20.a4 Bh6 21.Qh4 Bxc1 22.Rxc1 b4 23.Ne2 Rxc1+ 24.Nxc1 Qe7 25.Qf4 Qf6 26.Qd2 Qc6 27.a5 Qa4 28.h4 Qxa5 29.h5 Qc7 30.Ne2 a5 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.Qh6 Qd6 33.Nf4 Qf8 34.Qh3 Nf6 35.Bh4 Qg7 36.Bf2 a4 37.Bb5 a3 38.bxa3 bxa3 39.Qh1 a2 40.Kh2 Ra8 41.Qa1 Qh6+ 42.Nh3 Qd2 43.Be1 Qc2 44.Bc3 Qb1 45.Nf2 Qxb5* 0-1 (45) penguingim1 (2637)-RebeccaHarris (2713) Blitz 2020 *)* 18.dxc5 dxc5 19.Rd2 Ne5 20.Rcd1 h5 21.Bh4 Qf8 22.Bf6 Bh6 23.Bg5 Bg7 24.Rd6 c4 25.Bf6 Bh6 26.Qh4 Nd3 27.Rd7 Qc5+ 28.Bd4 Be3+ 29.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 30.Kf1 Bc6 31.Rd6 Nxb2 32.Qg3 Qxc3 33.R1d4 Qc1+ 34.Kf2 Qh6 35.f4 Bxe4 36.Qh3 Nd3+ 37.Kg1 Qxf4 38.Qg3 Qxg3 39.hxg3 c3 40.Bd1 c2 41.Bxc2 Rxc2 42.Rxa6 Rxg2+ 43.Kf1 Rf2+ 44.Kg1 Rb2 45.g4 Bf3 0-1 (45) penguingim1 (2682)-RebeccaHarris (2759) Blitz 2020;

A2) 13...c5 14.dxc5 Nxc5 15.Rfd1 b4 16.Ncd5 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 a5 18.Rac1 Bxd5 19.Qxd5 Bxb2 20.Rc2 Bg7 21.Bb5 Rf8 22.Qxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Ne6 24.Bc4 Rfd8 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Bd5 Bc3 27.Kf1 Rd7 28.Rc1 Nc7 29.Bb3 Ne6 30.Bd5 Nc7 31.Bc4 Ne6 32.g3 Kf8 33.f4 Ke7 34.Bd5 Nc7 35.Bc6 Rd3 36.Ke2 Rd8 37.Bb6 Rd2+ 38.Ke3 Ne6 39.Bd5 Rxh2 40.Kd3 a4 41.f5 Rd2+ 42.Kc4 Nd4 43.a3 Bb2 44.Rb1 bxa3 45.Kb4 Nc2+ 46.Kc4 Rxd5 47.exd5 a2 48.Rxb2 Na3+ 49.Kd4 a1Q 50.Bc5+ Kf6 51.Kc3 Nb5+ 52.Kc2 a3 53.Rxb5 Qa2+ 54.Kc3 gxf5 55.Ra5 Qb2+ 56.Kc4 Qc2+ 57.Kb5 Qb3+ 58.Kc6 a2 59.d6 Ke6 60.Kc7 Qc3 61.Ra6 Qxc5+ 62.Kb7 Qxd6 63.Rxa2 Qd5+ 64.Kc7 Qxa2 65.g4 Qc2+ 66.Kd8 fxg4 67.Ke8 Qc8# 0-1 (67) penguingim1 (2763)-Aciboba (2727) Blitz 2020;

B) 8...dxc5 9.dxc5 e5 10.Nc1 Be6 11.Nb3 Nbd7 12.Be2 Qc7 13.Qd6 Qxd6 14.cxd6 a5 15.0-0-0 a4 16.Nc5 Nxc5 17.Bxc5 Nd7 18.Be3 f5 19.a3 f4 20.Bf2 Bf6 21.Rd2 g5 22.h3 h5 23.Kb1 Kf7 24.Rc1 Bd8 25.Bd1 b5 26.Na2 Nb8 27.Nb4 Ba5 28.Rdc2 Bxb4 29.axb4 Ra6 30.Be2 h4 31.Rc3 Rd8 32.Bc5 Nd7 33.Kc2 Bb3+ 34.Kd2 Ke6 35.Ke1 Rb8 36.Bd1 Bxd1 37.Rxd1 Rba8 38.Ra1 Rb8 39.Kd2 Nb6 40.b3 Rba8 41.Bxb6 Rxb6 42.Rd3 Kd7 43.Kc3 Rba6 44.Rdd1 axb3 45.Rxa6 Rxa6 46.Kxb3 Ra4 47.Rc1 Kxd6 48.Rd1+ Ke6 49.Rc1 Kd7 50.Rc5 Kd6 51.Rc1 Ra6 52.Rd1+ Ke6 53.Rd8 Kf6 54.Rf8+ Ke6 55.Rf5 Ra1 56.Rxg5 Rb1+ 57.Kc3 Rf1 58.Rg6+ Kd7 59.Rg7+ Kc8 60.Rg4 Kb7 61.Rxh4 Rf2 62.Rg4 Rf1 63.h4 Rh1 64.Rg5 Rc1+ 65.Kb2 Rh1 66.h5 Rh2 67.Kc3

Kb6 68.Rxe5 Rxg2 69.Rf5 Rg3 70.Rxf4 Rh3 71.Kd4 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2753)-CavaloVoador (2611) Blitz 2023;

C) 8...Nbd7

C1) 9.Nf4 b6 *(9...dxc5 10.dxc5 Qa5 11.Nd3 b5 12.cxb6 Nxb6 13.b4 Qa3 14.Qc1 Qxc1+ 15.Rxc1)* 10.cxd6 exd6 11.Be2 Re8 12.0-0 b5 13.Qd2 Bb7 14.Rac1 *(14.Rfe1 Rc8 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Bf1 Qf8 17.Qf2)* 14...Rc8 15.Rfd1 *(15.Rfe1 c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.b3 Ne5)* 15...Qe7 *(15...c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.a4 b4 18.Ncd5)* 16.Bf1 Nb6 17.b3 *(17.Re1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Na4)* 17...Nbd5 *(17...c5 18.dxc5 dxc5 19.Qd6; 17...b4 18.Nce2 c5 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.Qd6)* 18.Bf2 Nxc3 19.Rxc3 Nd7 20.Rc2;

C2) 9.Nc1;

C3) 9.cxd6 exd6 10.Qd2 Re8 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bd3 c5 13.dxc5 dxc5 14.0-0 Ne5 15.Be2 Qxd2 16.Bxd2 Bb7 17.Rfd1 Rac8 18.Bf4 h5 19.h4 Ned7 20.Rd6 Bf8 21.Rd2 Nb6 22.Rad1 b4 23.Nd5 Nfxd5 24.exd5 c4 25.d6 c3 26.d7 cxd2 27.dxe8Q Rxe8 28.Rxd2 Bc5+ 29.Kf1 Nd5 30.Rc2 Be3 31.Bd6 Rd8 32.Bc5 Rc8 33.Ne4 Kg7 34.Nd6 Bxc5 35.Rxc5 Rxc5 36.Nxb7 Rc2 37.Bxa6 Ne3+ 38.Kg1 Rxg2+ 39.Kh1 Rxb2 40.Nd6 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-FARMVILLE (2645) Blitz 2023;

C4) 9.Rc1 b6 10.cxb6 Qxb6 11.b3 Qa5 12.Qd2 Bb7 13.Na4 Qc7 14.Ng3 h5 15.Bd3 e5 16.Ne2 exd4 17.Nxd4 Ne5 18.0-0 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 c5 20.Ne2 Bc6 21.Nac3 Nd7 22.Nf4 Ne5 23.Qd2 Bb5 24.Rfd1 Rfd8 25.Ncd5 Qb7 26.b4 c4 27.Nc3 Nd3 28.Nxd3 cxd3 29.Nxb5 axb5 30.Qxd3 Rxa2 31.Qd5 Qa6 32.Rc7 Rf8 33.Ra7 Qxa7 34.Bxa7 Rxa7 35.Qxb5 Be5 36.g3 Ra2 37.f4 Bg7 38.Qd5 Rb2 39.b5 Rc8 40.Rd2 Rc1+ 41.Kg2 Rbb1 42.Kh3 Rc5 43.Qxd6 Rcxb5 44.e5 Rb6 45.Qd8+ Kh7 46.Rd7 Rb7 47.Qc8 Rxd7 48.Qxd7 Kg8 49.Qe8+ Bf8 50.e6 fxe6 51.Qxg6+ 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-Marszall (2585) Blitz 2023;

D) 8...Qc7 9.Qc2 Nbd7 10.Na4 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Nec3 Re8 13.Bc4 Nf8 14.Nb6 Rb8 15.0-0 Be6 16.Rfd1 N8d7 17.Bxe6 Rxe6 18.Nc4 Nh5 19.b4 Nf4 20.g3 Nh5 21.Rd3 Nf8 22.Rad1 Ree8 23.Ne2 Red8 24.Qd2 Rxd3 25.Qxd3 Ne6 26.Qd7 Qxd7 27.Rxd7 Nf8 28.Rd6 Nf6 29.Na5 Ne8 30.Rd3 Bf6 31.Nc4 Ne6 32.Kf2 h5 33.Na5 Nf8 34.Bc1 Nc7 35.Bb2 Nce6 36.Nc4 h4 37.Bxe5 hxg3+ 38.hxg3 Bxe5 39.Nxe5 Rc8 40.Nc4 Rc7 41.a3 f5 42.Nd4 fxe4 43.fxe4 Ng5 44.Ke3 Nf7 45.Rd2 Nd7 46.Na5 Nde5 47.Ne6 Re7 48.Nd4 Ng5 49.Kf4 Ngf7 50.Re2 Re8 51.Nf3 g5+ 52.Ke3 Ng4+ 53.Kd3 Rd8+ 54.Kc3 Nge5 55.Nxe5 Nxe5 56.Rd2 Rf8 57.Rd6 Rf3+ 58.Kd4 Ng4 59.Rg6+ Kf7 60.Rxg5 Nf6 61.Rf5 Rxg3 62.e5 Rg4+ 63.Ke3

Re4+ 64.Kf3 Rh4 65.Rxf6+ Ke7 66.Rf4 Rh3+ 67.Ke4 Rxa3 68.Nxb7 Ra1 69.Nd6 Re1+ 70.Kf5 Rh1 71.Rh4 Rxh4 0-1 (71) h16 (2607)-hitsuji (2593) Blitz 2021;

E) 8...d5 9.e5 Ne8 10.Qd2 Nc7 11.Bh6 f6 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.f4 fxe5 14.dxe5 Ne6 15.Na4 d4 16.0-0-0 Qd5 17.b4 Qc4+ 18.Kb2 d3 19.Nb6 Qe4 20.Ng3 Qd4+ 21.Qc3 Qxc3+ 22.Kxc3 Ra7 23.f5 Nc7 24.Bxd3 a5 25.f6+ exf6 26.exf6+ Kh6 27.b5 Nxb5+ 28.Bxb5 cxb5 29.Rhf1 Na6 30.Rd5 Be6 31.Re5 Nc7 32.Rf4 g5 33.Rf2 b4+ 34.Kb2 a4 35.Ne4 a3+ 36.Ka1 g4 37.f7 Bxf7 38.Nd7 Re8 39.Rxf7 Rxe5 40.Nxe5 Nd5 41.Nxg4+ Kg6 42.Ne5+ Kh6 43.h4 Ra8 44.Ng5 Re8 45.Rxh7# 1-0 (45) penguingim1 (2825)-TERMINATOR_2010 (2695) Blitz 2022]

[8.Ng3 b5 9.Qd2 Mikhalevski,V: 'protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often. Mikhalevski, V: 'protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often.' protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often. Mikhalevski, V: 'protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often.' protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often. protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often. Mikhalevski, V: 'protecting the c4-pawn and preparing an offensive on the kingside occurred more often.'' *(9.Bd3 Nbd7 10.b3 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.Be2 Qa5 14.Qc1 Bd7 15.0-0 Rfc8 16.Qb2 Nxb3 17.axb3 Qxc3 18.Bc1 Qxb2 19.Bxb2 a5 20.Rfc1 a4 21.bxa4 bxa4 22.Ba3 Ne8 23.Bd3 Bh6 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.Ne2 Kf8 26.Kf2 Rb8 27.Bc4 Ke7 28.g3 Nc7 29.f4 Bg7 30.Rc1 Nb5 31.Bb4 exf4 32.gxf4 Nd4 33.Ba3 Nb3 34.Re1 f6 35.Nc3 Na5 36.Bd3 Rb3 37.e5 Rxa3 38.exd6+ Kxd6 39.Nb5+ Kxd5 40.Be2 Bf8 41.Bf3+ Kc5 42.Nc7 Kb6 43.Rc1 Bc5+ 44.Kg3 Rxf3+ 45.Kxf3 Bc6+ 46.Kg3 Kxc7 47.Rxc5 Kb6 48.Rc3 Kb5 49.Re3 Kb4 50.Re7 Nc4 51.Ra7 a3 52.f5 Bb5 53.fxg6 hxg6 54.Kf4 g5+* 0-1 (54) xiqichess (2645)-jokechess (2759) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 9...e5 10.d5 b4 11.Na4 c5 12.b3 Bd7 13.Nb2 a5 14.a4 bxa3 15.Rxa3 Na6 16.Be2 Nb4 17.0-0 h5 18.Rfa1 h4 19.Nf1 Nh5 20.Nd3 Nxd3 21.Bxd3 Nf4 22.Bc2 h3 23.g3 Ng2 24.Bf2 f5 25.Rxa5 Rxa5 26.Qxa5 Qf6 27.Qd2 fxe4 28.Bxe4 Bf5 29.Ra2 Bxe4 30.fxe4 Kh7 31.b4 Bh6 32.Ra7+ Kg8 33.Qe2 cxb4 34.c5 dxc5 35.Bxc5 Rc8 36.Qb5 Ne1 37.Qd7 Bg7 38.Qxc8+ Kh7 39.Rxg7+ Qxg7 40.Qxh3+ Kg8 41.Qe6+ Kh7 42.Qe7 Qxe7 43.Bxe7 b3 44.Ba3 1-0 (44) amiraitowa (2718)-feederman (2777) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...Nbd7 10.Bh6 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor''' *(10.a3 bxc4 11.Bxc4 Rb8 12.0-0 d5 13.Be2 e5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Rab1 Rb3*

17.Bd1 Rxe3 18.Qxe3 exd4 19.Qb3 Ne5 20.Be2 h5 21.Bd3 h4 22.Ne2 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qb6 24.g4 Bd7 25.Kg2 Re8 26.Rfe1 Re3 27.Qd2 h3+ 28.Kxh3 Qf6 29.Ng1 Rxf3+ 30.Kg2 Rf4 31.h3 Bh6 32.Qe2 d3 33.Qe5; 10.c5 dxc5 11.dxc5 a5 12.Be2 a4 13.0-0 b4 14.Nd1 Qa5 15.Rc1 Rd8 16.Qe1 e5 17.Nf2 Nf8 18.Nd3 N6d7 19.Qxb4 Ne6 20.Qxa5 Rxa5 21.Nb4 Bb7 22.Rfd1 Bf6 23.Rd6 Ndxc5 24.Rxc6 Be7 25.Nd5 Bf8 26.Rb6 Bxd5 27.exd5 Rxd5 28.Bc4 Rd8 29.b4 axb3 30.axb3 Ra3 31.Re1 Nd3 32.Rd1 Nef4 33.Kf1 1-0 (33) kflorian (2664)-donatello (2599) Blitz 2020*; 10.Be2 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.0-0 b4 14.Nd1 a5 15.Nf2 Nfd7 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Rac1 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.f4 e4 22.Rc6 Rxc6 23.dxc6 Nc5 24.Qd5+ Kh8 25.Nxf5 Nd3 26.Nxd6 Qc7 27.Nxe4 Nxb2 28.f5 Rd8 29.Qe6 Qe5 30.Qxe5 Bxe5 31.f6 Nc4 32.Bh6 Bd4+ 33.Kh1 Bxf6* 1-0 (33) Superfm1 (2633)-ZhohoFF (2630) Blitz 2024*)* 10...e5 Mikhalevski,V: '!' 11.d5 bxc4 12.h4 Mikhalevski,V: '?' *(12.Bxg7* Mikhalevski,V: '!' *Kxg7 13.dxc6 Nb8 14.Bxc4 Nxc6 15.Rd1 Nd4 16.Nge2* Mikhalevski,V: '⩲' Mikhalevski,V: 'is better for White.'*)* 12...cxd5 13.exd5 Rb8 Mikhalevski,V: ' ∓' Mikhalevski,V: '0-1 Mecit,E-Moiseenko,A/Dos Hermanas 2004 (blitz).';

C) 9...h5 10.h4 e5 11.0-0-0 Nbd7 12.Kb1 exd4 13.Bxd4 Ne5 14.Bxe5 1-0 (14) Depresionante (2702)-MaLeKkoNihli (2598) Blitz 2022;

D) 9...bxc4 10.Bxc4 d5 11.Bb3 a5 12.e5 Ne8 13.h4 Ba6 14.h5 e6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Rh3 Rf7 18.Rdh1 Bf8 19.Bc2 Rg7 20.Bh6 Rf7 21.Bxg6 Rg7 22.Bxg7 Bxg7 23.Bxh7+ Kf8 24.Bg6 Qe7 25.Rh8+ 1-0 (25) Lestate17 (2811)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2698) Blitz 2022]

[Mikhalevski,V: 'White also tested' 8.g4 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor'' Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor'' Schipkov, B: '!?' '!?' Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor'" Schipkov,Boris: '!'Mikhalevski, V: 'Schipkov, B: 'is exciting.'' Mikhalevski,V: 'Schipkov, B: 'ist spannend."

A) 8...Nbd7 with a great edge 9.Ng3 Schipkov,Boris: '!' white has a very strong maneouvre which immideatly wins Schipkov, Boris: 'The best reply. White increases his control over the h5-square. Now the counterblow ...h7-h5 is unfavourable for Black, because after gxh5, ...♘xh5, ♘xh5 and ...gxh5 White launches an assault on the g-file.'

A1) 9...c5 10.d5 Qa5 11.Bd2 e6! 1-0 Solomon,S-Mas,H/Sydney 1999/CBM 70/[Tyomkin, D] (32) and white got an advantage better is 12.h4 Tyomkin, D exd5 13.g5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(13...Ne8 14.Nxd5∞* with an unclear

position *Qd8 15.f4* Schipkov, Boris: '→' *)* 14.Nxh5 gxh5 15.Nxd5 Qd8 16.Qc2 Re8 17.0-0-0 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Grguric,D-Tausanov,M/Mureck 2006/EXT 2008 (27)';

A2) 9...b5! 10.h4

A2a) 10...Nb6 11.h5 Schipkov,Boris: '→!' Schipkov,Boris: 'White's attack is much faster and there is more of it than Black's counterplay on the queenside.'

A2a1) 11...Nxc4 white's initiative compensates him for the sacrificed pawn 12.Bxc4 bxc4 After 13.Qd2 Rb8 14.g5 Nxh5 *(14...Nd7 15.f4!* and white wins Of course not *15...c5?? 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh2* with the threat Bc6, winning for black *h6 18.0-0-0* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 15.Nxh5 white seems to be a little more comfortable gxh5? 16.Qh2 Now the white queen is not in danger Qb6 17.Qxh5 h6 18.Rh2 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

A2a2) 11...b4 12.Na4 c5 13.Nxb6 Qxb6 14.Qd2?!N Schipkov,Boris: '→';

A2a3) 11...Qc7 and black is very much in the game 12.Qd2 Schipkov,Boris: 'Bringing the queen into the attack.' e5 is not dangerous for black now 13.Qh2? *(13.dxe5* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *dxe5* with a clear advantage for white *14.g5* this capture was a bigger challenge to the white's pawn sacrifice *Rd8* seems to be the only move to justify the sacrifice *15.Qh2 Nfd7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nf5* Schipkov,Boris: '+-') 13...Bh8 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(13...exd4* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 14.dxe5 dxe5 with a crushing attack 15.g5 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Nxh5 16.Nxh5 gxh5 is fine for black 17.Bxb6 Schipkov, Boris: '1-0 Akkerboom,J (1785)-Naarding,E (1482)/ Hengelo 2005/CBM 107 ext';

A2b) 10...e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nb6 13.h5 Bd7 14.Qd2 Bxg4 15.fxg4 Nxg4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Be2 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.0-0-0 Rf3 20.Nf1 Qa5 21.Nh2 Rxe3 22.Nxg4 Rg3 23.Nh6+ Kh8 24.Nf7+ Kg8 25.Nxd6 Rb8 26.Nxc4 Qb4 27.Ne3 Rxe3 28.d6 Rd3 29.Qc2 Rd4 30.d7 Qd6 31.Nd5 Qxd7 32.Rxd4 exd4 33.Qc4 Kh8 34.Kb1 d3 35.b3 d2 36.Qe2 Qd6 37.Qxd2 Qe5 38.Kc2 Qxe4+ 39.Qd3 Qxh1 40.b4 Qg2+ 41.Kb3 Qh1 42.Kc4 Rc8+ 0-1 (42) unitedff (2647)-wild_of_luck (2626) Blitz 2024;

A2c) 10...bxc4+- 11.Qd2 *(11.g5)* 11...Nb6! this weird looking move is very strong as it drives the black queen from a5 and allows white to get control over the a3-f8 diagonal

12.h5 Nfd7 13.Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: '!' e5 must be very good for white as the black king is very weak 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.hxg6 is less clear hxg6! a very strong move, the idea is to allow the black king to escape to the kingside via f8 16.Nf5+ Schipkov,Boris: '+-!' Kf6 17.g5+ Ke6 18.d5+ cxd5 19.exd5+ white has some initiative but black has his chances too Nxd5 now this move is not that strong 20.Ng7+ Ke7 21.Nxd5# Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Winkelmann,E (1673)-Schulz,M (1462)/Verden/Aller 2002/CBM 092 ext';

B) 8...e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.Na4 Nbd7 12.0-0-0 Re8 13.c5 Nf8 14.Nb6 Rb8 15.g5 Nh5 16.Nxc8 Rbxc8 17.Bh3 Rcd8 18.Rxd8 Rxd8 19.Rd1 Re8 20.Bg4 Nf4 21.Nxf4 exf4 22.Bxf4 Be5 23.Bxe5 Rxe5 24.b4 a5 25.a3 axb4 26.axb4 b6 27.cxb6 Rb5 28.Kc2 Rxb6 29.Kc3 Rb5 30.Kc4 Rxg5 31.Rd6 h5 32.h4 Re5 33.Bh3 g5 34.hxg5 Rxg5 35.Rxc6 Rg3 36.Bf5 Ng6 37.Bxg6 fxg6 38.b5 Rg1 39.b6 Kg7 40.Kc5 Rb1 41.Kd6 h4 42.Kc7 h3 43.Rc2 1-0 (43) Sjugirov,S (2649)-Utegaliyev,A (2521) Astana KAZ 2017;

C) 8...b6 9.h4 h5 10.e5 dxe5 11.dxe5 Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 Nfd7 13.f4 hxg4 14.h5 gxh5 15.Ng3 f5 16.Rxh5 e6 17.Bg2 Rf7 18.Rd6 b5 19.Rxe6 Nf8 20.Re8 Bd7 21.Rd8 Re7 22.Nxf5 Bxf5 23.Rxf5 Rd7 24.Rc8 1-0 (24) samovich (2643)-ARM-777777 (2725) Blitz 2020;

D) 8...b5

D1) 9.h4 h5 10.e5 a rare move in this position, white's main moves are 10.e5, 10.g4 and 10.Bc4, here are a few examples: dxe5 11.dxe5 Qxd1+ 12.Rxd1 Ne8

D1a) 13.Bc5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' white's material advantage is decisive Schipkov,Boris: 'is better.' hxg4 14.f4 f6 15.Bg2 Bb7 16.h5 Schipkov,Boris: '±!' fxe5 *(16...gxh5 17.e6 Nc7 18.f5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 17.h6 exf4 *(17...Bh8 18.h7+ Kf7 19.Ne4* Schipkov,Boris: '+-' *)* 18.hxg7 Nxg7 19.Be4 Ne6 20.Bxe7 Re8 21.Bd6 f3 22.Ng3 Ng5 23.Rh6+- Nxe4 Taking the knight is very dangerous for black, for example 24.Ncxe4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-'white has various threats Kg7 25.Rh4 Bc8 26.Bc5 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Salvador Marques,C (2375)-Muneret,M (2387)/ICCF 2003/CBM 110';

D1b) 13.gxh5 Bxe5 14.Rg1!? Schipkov,Boris: ' ± ' A very interesting pawn sacrifice Nd6?! 15.Nd4 *(15.Bh6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 15...c5 16.Nb3 White has a very strong initiative and it is very difficult for black to find the correct moves. I believe that there is only one move which allows him to fight on Nxc4? a serious mistake, now

white quickly achieves a winning position 17.Bxc4 white's main threat now is Qc5 (or Ne4 first), black has no real defence against it bxc4 what else? 18.Nxc5 1-0 (18) Radjabov,T (2670)-Dominguez Perez,L (2612) Tripolis 2004 CBM 102 [Gofshtein,Leonid D];

D2) 9.g5 Nfd7 *(9...Nh5 10.Ng3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 10.Ng3 e5+- Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(10...Nb6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 11.d5 is also very strong, mating the black king very soon b4 12.Na4 c5 13.h4 is the simplest for white, white is easily winning f6 14.Bh3 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!' Ra7 15.Be6+ Kh8 16.h5 gxh5 17.f4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-!' exf4 18.Qxh5 bringing the king's rook to action with a crushing attack Bh6 19.Bxf4 Ne5 20.Bxe5 Bxg5 21.Qxg5 dxe5 22.Qf5 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Yilmaz,T (2330)-Kaya,E (1883)/Agana 2007/CBM 121 Extra'and again white is much better;

D3) 9.Ng3 bxc4 10.g5 Nfd7 11.Bxc4 d5 12.exd5 Nb6 13.Bb3 Nxd5 14.h4 Nxe3 15.Qe2 Nf5 16.Nxf5 Bxf5 17.Rd1 Nd7 18.h5 e5 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.dxe5 Qxg5 21.e6 Qg3+ 22.Qf2 Qxf2+ 23.Kxf2 Ne5 24.exf7+ Nxf7 25.Ne4 Bxe4 26.fxe4 Ra7 27.Rhg1 Kh7 28.Ke2 Re7 29.Bc2 Bxb2 30.Kd3 Ne5+ 31.Ke2 Ref7 32.Rg2 Rf3 33.Rh1+ Kg7 34.Bb3 Bd4 35.Rhh2 Re3+ 0-1 (35) Poirot_Hercule (2706)-shuriks91 (2734) Blitz 2023]

[8.a3 b5 9.Ng3 e5 10.c5 Re8 11.cxd6 Qxd6 12.dxe5 Qxe5 13.Be2 Nd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.0-0 Bb7 16.f4 Qxb2 17.e5 Nc6 18.Bc5 Qc3 19.Rc1 Qa5 20.Bf3 Rad8 21.Bd6 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Rxd6 23.exd6 Nd4 24.d7 Rd8 25.Re1 Bc6 26.Bxd5 Bxd7 27.Ne4 h6 28.Nc3 Qd6 29.Qd3 Bf5 30.Be4 Be6 31.Rf1 f5 32.Bb7 Bc4 33.Qe3 Bxf1 34.Rxf1 Kh7 35.g3 Qc7 36.Bg2 Nc2 0-1 (36) DmitryKryakvin (2661)-KontraJaKO (2867) Blitz 2023]

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[8...Re8 9.0-0-0 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.a3 d5 12.exd5 b4 13.axb4 Bf5 14.b3 Nxd5 15.g4 Be6 16.Kb2 Nxb4 17.Bg2 c5 18.Ra1 N8a6 19.f4 Rb8 20.d5 Bxg4 21.Ng3 c4 22.Ra4 Nd3+ 23.Kc2 Rxb3 24.Rxc4 Rb2+ 25.Kxd3 Rxd2+ 26.Kxd2 Qa5 27.Rc1 Nb4 28.Bf1 Na2 29.Rc5 Nxc1 30.Kxc1 Qa3+ 31.Kc2 Bxc3 32.Rxc3 Qa2+ 33.Kd3 Qxh2 34.Ne4 Bf5 35.Rc4 Qh1 36.Be2 Rd8 37.d6 Rxd6+ 38.Kc3 Bxe4 39.Bd4 f6 40.Rc8+ Kg7 41.Bc4 Qc1+ 42.Kb4 Rxd4 43.Kc5 Rxc4+ 0-1 (43) SlowSmokingTurtle (2661)-LevonHeroinian (2758) Blitz 2023]

Mikhalevski,V: 'An interesting short game came to a draw by perpetual after' 9.Bh6

[9.Nc1 bxc4 *(9...Bb7 10.Nb3 Nbd7 11.0-0-0 a5 12.cxb5 a4 13.Na1 cxb5 14.Bxb5 Nb6 15.Nc2 Qc7 16.Na3 Rfc8 17.Kb1 d5 18.e5 Nfd7*

19.Bh6 Nf8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.h4 Nc4 22.Bxc4 dxc4 23.h5 Rd8 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Qh6+ Kg8 26.Rhe1 Rab8 27.d5 Bc8 28.g4 Qb6 29.Qd2 Qc5 30.Ka1 Bd7 31.Ne4 Qb6 32.Nxc4 Qa6 33.Na3 Be6 34.Nc3 Bf7 35.Qc2 Rdc8 36.e6 Be8 37.d6 exd6 38.e7 Nd7 39.Qd3 Qb6 40.Rd2 Bf7 41.Qxd6 Rc6 42.Qxd7 Re8 43.Qd4 Qc7 44.Nab5 Qg3 45.Qf2 Qf4 46.Rd8 Qc4 47.Rxe8+ Bxe8 48.Qd2 Bf7 49.Nd6 Rxd6 50.e8Q+ Kg7 51.Qe5+ 1-0 (51) bodoque50 (2643)-Zinguilingui (2612) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Bxc4 d5 11.Bb3 dxe4 12.Nxe4 Nd5 13.Bf2 Nd7 14.Nd3 a5 15.0-0 Ba6 16.Rfc1 a4 17.Bc4 Bb5 18.Nb4 N7b6 19.Bxb5 cxb5 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Rc5 Rb8 22.Rac1 e6 23.Bg3 Rb7 24.Rc8 Qxc8 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.Nd6 Rc4 27.Nxb7 Bxd4+ 28.Bf2 Bxf2+ 29.Kxf2 b4 30.Nd6 Rc6 31.Ne4 b3 32.axb3 axb3 33.Qd4 Rc2+ 34.Kg3 Kf8 35.Nf6 Nxf6 36.Qxf6 h5 37.Qd4 Kg8 38.h4 Kf8 39.Qb4+ Kg8 40.Qxb3 Rc5 41.Qb4 Rd5 42.b3 g5 43.hxg5 Rxg5+ 44.Kh2 Rd5 45.Qc4 1-0 (45) Depresionante (2737)-ZoubkovaVila (2715) Blitz 2022]

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B) Mikhalevski,V: 'After' 9...bxc4 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor'''' 10.h5 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Nxh5 *(10...d5 11.e5 Ne8 12.Bh6 f6 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Nf4 g5 15.Bxg7 Nxg7 16.Ng6 Kf7 17.Nxf8 Qxf8 18.0-0-0 Bf5 19.exf6 exf6 20.g4 Bg6 21.Re1 Nd7 22.f4 gxf4 23.Qxf4 Ne6 24.Qf2 Qd6 25.Be2 Rb8 26.Rhf1 Rxb2 27.Qe3 Qa3* 0-1 (27) retardedplatypus123 (2613)-Punisher_STL (2592) Blitz 2022 *)* 11.g4 Nf6 12.Ng3 Mikhalevski,V: 'White's attack shouldn't be underestimated. Mikhalevski, V: 'White's attack shouldn't be underestimated.' White's attack shouldn't be underestimated. Mikhalevski, V: 'White's attack shouldn't be underestimated.' White's attack shouldn't be underestimated. White's attack shouldn't be underestimated. Mikhalevski, V: 'White's attack shouldn't be underestimated.";

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C1) Mikhalevski,V: 'The direct attack' 10.g4 Mikhalevski,V: '?!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''?!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. ' Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''?!' Mikhalevski, Viktor. Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'LesEchecs.com'''' hxg4 11.h5 Mikhalevski, V: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Mikhalevski, V: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. ''' doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Mikhalevski, V: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. ''' doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Mikhalevski, V: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'doesn't seem to work. Black simply accepts all the sacrifices. '''' *(11.Ng3 gxf3 12.h5 Ng4∓)* 11...Nxh5 12.Bh6 e5 Mikhalevski,V: ' ∓!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993. Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993. Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993. Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993. Schipkov, B: '!' '!'' 13.0-0-0 gxf3 14.Ng1 exd4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qxd4+ Qf6 17.Qxf6+ Kxf6 18.Rxd6+ Ke7-+ 0-1 Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993/EXT 99 (41) 19.c5 Ng3 20.Rh7 Nxf1 21.Nxf3 Nd7 22.Rxc6 Nf6 23.Rxf6 Kxf6 24.Nd5+ Ke6 Petersen,S-Jensen,S/Copenhagen 1993/LesEchecs.com/0-1 (41);

C2) 10.Nf4 Nbd7 11.Be2 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Rd1 bxc4 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Rb8 16.Nd1 Re8 17.0-0 Nfd7 18.Rd2 Bf8 19.Rc2 a5 20.Kf2 Ba6 21.Nc3 Bc5 22.Rd1 Rb7 23.Na4 Bxe3+ 24.Kxe3 Rb4 25.Nc3 Reb8 26.Rdd2 Nc5 27.Nd1 Kg7 28.a3 R4b6 29.Kd4 Ncd3 30.Bxd3 cxd3 31.Rc5 f6 32.Ne6+ Kf7 33.Nc7 Rd8+ 34.Kc3 Bb5 35.Nxb5 cxb5 36.Ne3 b4+ 37.axb4 axb4+ 38.Kb3 Rbd6 39.Nd5 Ke6 40.Nf4+ Kf7 41.Nd5 Ke6 42.f4 Ng4 43.Rxd3 Nf2 44.Rd4 f5 45.exf5+ gxf5 46.Kc4 Ne4 47.Nc7+ Kd7 48.Rxd6+ Nxd6+ 49.Kb3 Rc8 50.Na6 Rg8 51.Nxb4 Rg3+ 52.Ka4 Rxg2 53.Nd3 Rg3 54.Ne5+ Ke6 55.b4 Rg1 56.Rc6 Ra1+ 57.Kb3 Kd5 58.Rc5+ Ke6 59.Nf3 Rb1+ 60.Kc2 Rxb4

61.Ng5+ Kd7 62.Rc6 Kxc6 0-1 (62) TaylorSwiftFans (2651)-forgiants (2751) Blitz 2021;

C3) 10.Bh6 Mikhalevski,V: 'A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): ''N' LesEchecs.com. ''' A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): ''N' LesEchecs.com. ''' A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'A typical exchange of the dark-squared bishops aimed at weakening the position of the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): ''N' LesEchecs.com. ''''

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C3b) 10...Bxh6 LesEchecs.com 11.Qxh6 b4 12.Nd1=;

C3c) 10...e5 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'Black meets the attack on the kingside with a counterattack in the centre. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black meets the attack on the kingside with a counterattack in the centre. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!?' Mikhalevski, Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Now''' Black meets the attack on the kingside with a counterattack in the centre. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black meets the attack on the kingside with a counterattack in the centre. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!?' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Now''' Black meets the attack on the kingside with a counterattack in the centre. Black meets the attack on the kingside with a

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Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Cooke,E-Bogdan,D/Harkany 2000."" *15.Nb3⇄* 1-0 Cooke,E-Bogdan,D/Harkany 2000/EXT 2001 (61) *Nfd7 16.0-0-0 Rc8 17.Na5 Kf8 18.Be2* Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Cooke-Bogdan, Harkany 2000.'') 11...Nbd7 *(11...Qa5)* 12.Kb1 Mikhalevski,V: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Mikhalevski, V: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3.''' This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Mikhalevski, V: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Mikhalevski, V: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3.''' This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. This move looks a little dangerous as it takes the b1-square away from the queen's knight. On the other hand Black can't exploit this fact while the c1-square is now available for the other knight, which White is planning to transfer to b3. Schipkov, B: '!?' '!?' Mikhalevski, V: 'This move looks a little dangerous as it

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C3c2) Mikhalevski,V: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with Mikhalevski, V: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with' Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with Mikhalevski, V: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with' Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with Mikhalevski, V: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with'' 12...Bxh6 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor' Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Alexander Baburin (www.

chesstoday.net): '(LesEchecs.com) mérite de la considération'''' 13.Qxh6 bxc4 *(13...b4=)* 14.g4 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'with a dangerous attack.';

C3c3) 12...b4 13.Na4 Qa5 14.b3 d5⇄;

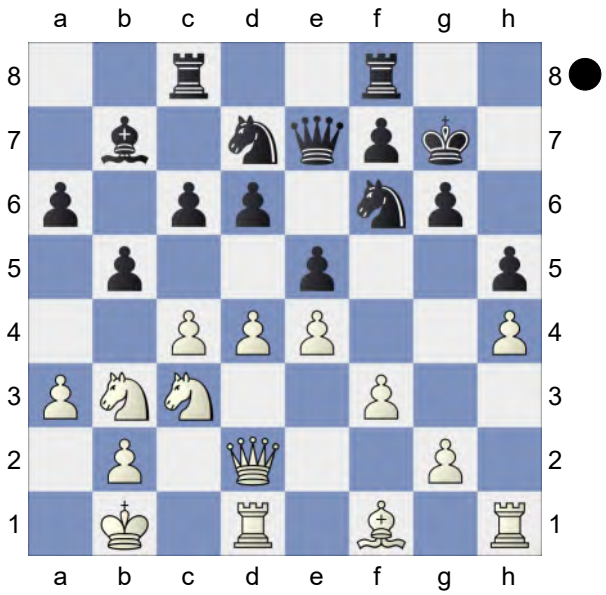
C3c4) 12...Qe7 Mikhalevski,V: 'Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Mikhalevski, V: 'Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with''' Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Mikhalevski, V: 'Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with''' Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Mikhalevski, V: 'Svidler plays it safe. He unpins the e-pawn and prepares ...Nb6. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black certainly didn't want to enter complications with'''' 13.Bxg7 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): ''±' LesEchecs.com. '''' Kxg7

C3c41) 14.g4 hxg4 15.Ng3!? Rh8 *(15...gxf3? 16.Qg5+-)* 16.dxe5 *(16.Qg5 Kf8)* 16...Nxe5 17.f4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Qxd6 Qxd6 20.Rxd6⩲;

C3c42) 14.Nc1 Mikhalevski,V: 'Schipkov, B: '!' '!'' 14...Bb7 Mikhalevski,V: 'Black completes development. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black completes development. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black completes development.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black completes development.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'I am not sure about this move.''' Black completes development. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black completes development. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Black completes development.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Black completes development.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'I am not sure about this move.''' Black completes development. Black completes development.

Mikhalevski, V: 'Black completes development. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black completes development.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Black completes development.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'I am not sure about this move.'''' *(* Kibitzing on ICC I suggested *14...Nb6* instead. *)* 15.Nb3 Mikhalevski,V: 'Schipkov, B: ' ± '' ±'' Mikhalevski,V: 'Schipkov, B: 'White has a small advantage.'' Mikhalevski,V: 'Schipkov, B: 'Weiß hat einen geringen Vorteil.'' Rac8 Mikhalevski,V: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Mikhalevski, V: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop.''' Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Mikhalevski, V: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop.''' Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Mikhalevski, V: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop. Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Freeing the a8-square for the bishop.'''' *(15...Rab8)* 16.a3 Mikhalevski,V: ' ±' Mikhalevski,V: 'White has stabilized the position in the centre and on the queenside and wants to start an offensive on the kingside. Black has to look for counterplay. Mikhalevski, V: 'White has stabilized the position in the centre and on the queenside and wants to start an offensive on the kingside. Black has to look for counterplay. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''±' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White has stabilized the position in the centre and on the queenside and wants to start an offensive on the kingside. Black has to look for counterplay.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''±' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White has stabilized the position in the centre and on the queenside and wants to start an offensive on the kingside. Black has to look for counterplay.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram *(16.Na5* Mikhalevski,V:

'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor''' *Ba8; 16.Qg5* LesEchecs.com *Rfe8±)*



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C3c421) 16...Rfd8 17.Na5 Rb8 18.d5 cxd5 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.cxd5± *(≤20.exd5 bxc4 21.Bxc4 Nb6∓; ≤20.Nxb7 Rxb7 21.cxd5 b4 22.axb4 Rdb8∓)*;

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'Schipkov, B: 'Weiß greift an."

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18...hxg4

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C3c42222)

18...bxc4

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queens on and comes closer to the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Aggressive move.''' White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Aggressive move.''' White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. Mikhalevski, V: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.'' Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White keeps the queens on and comes closer to the black king.' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'Aggressive move.''''

(But maybe *20.Be2;* or *20.Qe2* would be even better. *)* 20...Qc7

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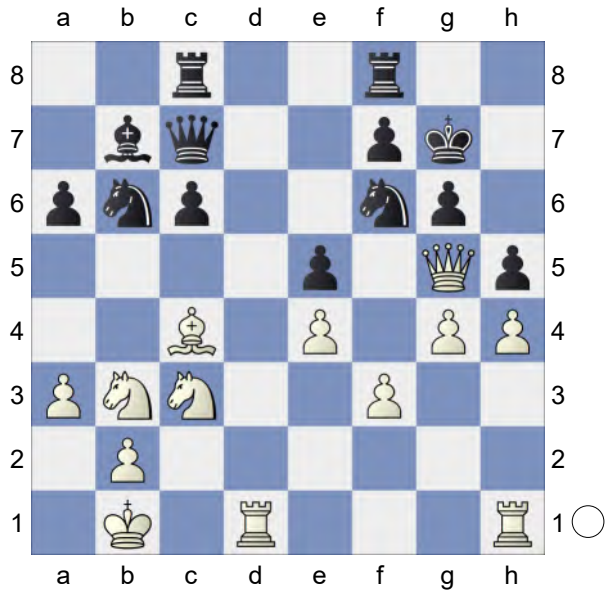
23.gxh5)



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Here I suggested on ICC 21.gxh5

C3c4222211)

While working on CT-1790, I found 21...Nh7!? which put me off. But as Morozevich and Barsky discovered in Argentina, this is the line where White wins: 22.Qg3 Nxc4 23.hxg6 fxg6 *(23...Nf6 24.h5+-)* 24.Nc5 Qb6 25.N3a4 Qb5 26.Rhg1 g5 *(26...Rf6 27.Rd7+* winning. *)* 27.Rd7+ Rf7 Diagram

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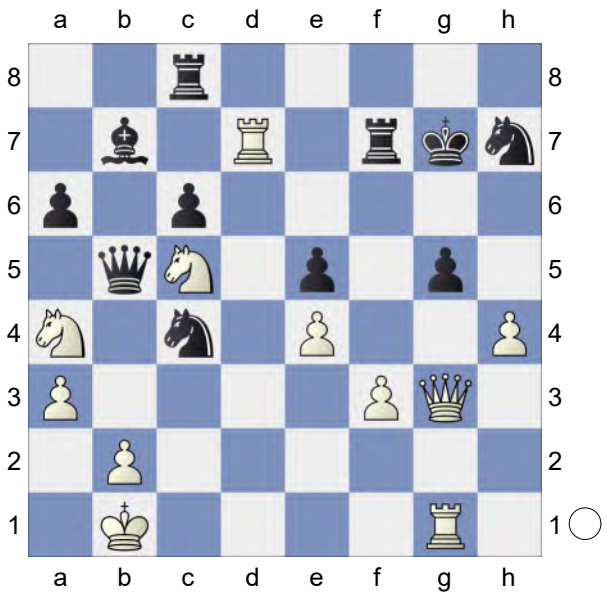

28.Ne6+ Kg8 29.Rxf7 Kxf7 30.Nxg5+ Nxg5 31.Qxg5+-;

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21...Nxh5 22.Nc5 Nxc4 23.Rd7+- I found this line in a few seconds, without looking at any engine. Qa5 24.Rg1! Nf4 25.Ne6+!;

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22.gxh5 Nxh5
23.Rhg1 *(23.Na5 f6)* 23...Rh8

(23...Nf4 24.h5) 24.Nd5; **C3c4222222)** 22.Na5 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Mikhalevski, V: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5.''' White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Mikhalevski, V: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5.''' White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Mikhalevski, V: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White threatens to win a pawn by means of Nxb7 followed by Qxe5.''' 22...Rb8 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'Black is trying to create some counterplay along the b-file. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black is trying to create some counterplay along the b-file. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''!?' Mikhalevski, Viktor. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Black is trying to create some counterplay along the b-file.''' Black is trying to create some counterplay along the b-file. Mikhalevski, V: 'Black is trying to create some

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tactical blow. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow.''' Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow. Mikhalevski, V: 'Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow.''' Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow. Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow. Mikhalevski, V: 'Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow. Jorge Luis Fernandez : "!' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Morozevich doesn't miss this simple, but nice tactical blow.'''' Qxc5 Mikhalevski,

V: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Jorge Luis Fernandez : 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'It turns out that'''' *(* Mikhalevski,V: 'It turns out that Mikhalevski, V: 'It turns out that' It turns out that Mikhalevski, V: 'It turns out that' It turns out that It turns out that Mikhalevski, V: 'It turns out that'' *25...fxg5* Mikhalevski,V: '?' Mikhalevski,V: 'is met by Mikhalevski, V: 'is met by Jorge Luis Fernandez : '(Mikhalevski, Viktor) is met by' Jorge Luis Fernandez : '(Mikhalevski, Viktor) is met by Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): '??' Alexander Baburin (www.chesstoday.net): 'LesEchecs.com''' is met by Mikhalevski, V: 'is met by Jorge Luis Fernandez : '(Mikhalevski, Viktor) is met by' Jorge Luis Fernandez : '(Mikhalevski,

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27.Rdxg1 a5 28.Bb5±)
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C3c4222222211)
27...Na4 28.Nxa4 *(28.Qa7+)* 28...Qxa6 *(28...Qxa4 29.Qa7+ Kh8 30.Rd7)* 29.Rd7+ Rf7 30.Qd1;
C3c4222222212)
27...Rf7 28.Bb5;
C3c4222222213)
27...Nc8 28.Bxc8 Rfxc8 29.Qa7+ Rb7 30.Qa4 Qxc3 *(30...Rxb2+ 31.Kxb2 Qxc3+ 32.Ka2)* 31.Qd7+;
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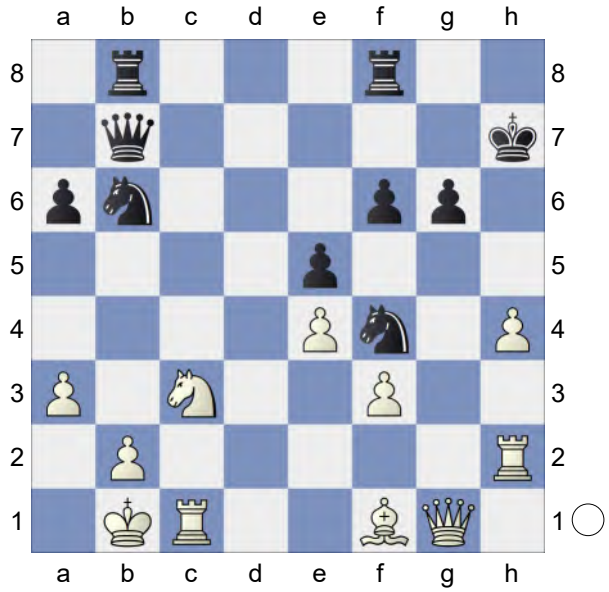

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with mate.'; *31...Qg7 32.Qxg7+ Kxg7 33.Nxf4 exf4 34.Rxh5* Mikhalevski,V: '+-') 32.Qh1 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Nbd5 33.Rc2 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Rgc8 34.Nxf4 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Nxf4 35.Rxh5+ Mikhalevski,V: '!' Nxh5 36.Qxh5+ Kg7 37.Rg2+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Ke8 39.Rg8+ Ke7 40.Rg7+ Mikhalevski,V: '+-' Mikhalevski,V: 'and White wins.';

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30...Nxh5 31.f4 Mikhalevski,V: '!' exf4 32.Be2 Qf7 33.Bxh5 gxh5 34.Qc5 Mikhalevski, V: '!' *(34.Qg4 Qg6* Mikhalevski,V: ' ±') 34...f5 35.Rch1 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'with a decisive advantage for White. Mikhalevski, V: 'with a decisive advantage for White.' with a decisive advantage for White. Mikhalevski, V: 'with a decisive advantage for White. Mikhalevski, V: 'with a decisive advantage for White.';

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30...g5 31.Qg4 Kh6 32.Qf5 Nc8 33.Rd1 Ne7 34.Qd7 Mikhalevski,V: ' ±' Mikhalevski,V: 'and White retains an extra pawn with a clear positional advantage.';

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30.Rhc2 Mikhalevski,V: '?' Mikhalevski,V: 'An uncharacteristic move for Moro. He misses a chance to set serious problems. Mikhalevski, V: 'An uncharacteristic move for Moro. He misses a chance to set serious problems. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''?' Mikhalevski, Viktor. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'An uncharacteristic move for Moro. He misses a chance to

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Kxh5 39.Rc2 Mikhalevski,V: '+-!' Mikhalevski,V: 'with a decisive attack.';

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31.h5 gxh5 32.Qh1 Ng7 33.Qh4;

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40.Rc2 *(40.Rxa6 Qf4 41.Qxf4+ exf4 42.Rxf6 g5±)*

40...Qh3

41.Qg1+-;

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46...exf3 47.Rc4 Rd1 *(47...Qe3 48.Rc3 Qe2 49.Rxf3)* 48.Qxd1 Qxc4 49.Qxf3 Qxh4 50.b4 Mikhalevski,V: '=';

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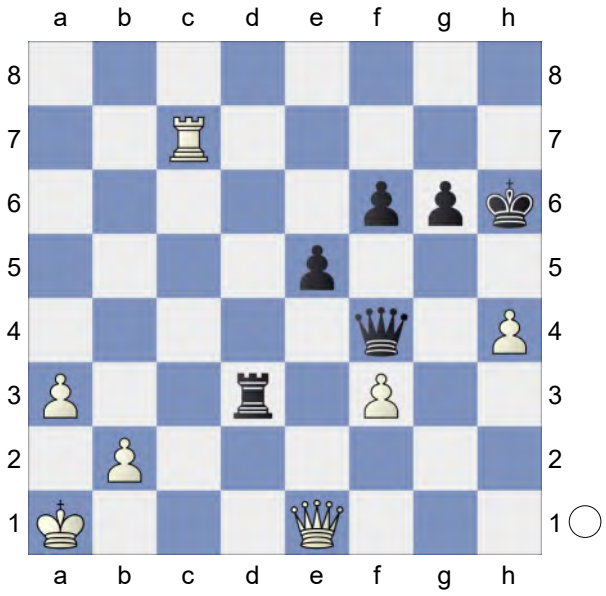

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[9.0-0-0 Nbd7 10.g4 Nb6 *(10...bxc4 11.Ng3 Nb6 12.h4 Rb8 13.h5 Qc7 14.g5 Nxh5 15.Nxh5 gxh5 16.Rxh5 e5 17.Qh2 f5 18.Rxh7 f4 19.Bf2 Qf7 20.dxe5 Qg6 21.Rxg7+ Kxg7 22.exd6 Be6 23.Bd4+ Kf7 24.Bf6 Nd7 25.Be7 Rh8 26.Qxf4+ Ke8 27.Qe3 Rh2 28.Be2 Qg7 29.f4 Bg4 30.Bxg4 Rbxb2 31.Be2 Rbxe2 32.Nxe2 Qa1+ 33.Kd2 c3+ 34.Ke1 Rh1+ 35.Ng1 Qxa2 36.Qf2 c2 37.Rc1 Qa5+ 38.Kf1 Nc5 39.Kg2 Nd3 40.Qa7 Nxc1 41.Qa8+ Kf7 42.Qf8+ Ke6 43.Qc8+ Kf7 44.Qf8+ Ke6 45.f5+ Ke5 46.Qf6+ Kf4 47.Nh3+* Time forfeit 1-0 (47) Lucky1357924680 (2605)-ZhohoFF (2579) Blitz 2024*)* 11.Ng3 Be6 12.c5 dxc5 13.dxc5 Nbd7 14.g5 Ne8 15.f4 Qa5 16.f5 b4 17.Nb1 gxf5 18.exf5 Bd5 19.Rg1]

[9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nc1 *(10.Bh6 e5 11.h4 exd4 12.Nxd4 d5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.exd5 Re8+ 15.Be2 b4 16.Nd1 c5 17.Nb3 Ba6 18.Nc1 Nxd5 19.h5 g5 20.g3 Nc6 21.Kf2 Nd4 22.Re1 Qf6 23.Nd3 Rxe2+ 24.Rxe2 Qxf3+ 25.Ke1 Qxg3+; 10.Nd1 Nbd7 11.Nf2 Nb6 12.b3 Nfd7 13.Rc1 Bb7 14.h4 e5 15.h5 Qe7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Bh6 f5 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.dxe5 Nxe5 20.exf5 Rae8 21.Kd1 Nd5 22.Nd4 Nxf3 23.gxf3 Ne3+ 24.Ke2 Nxf5+* 0-1 (24) positinal_style (2610)-BezMozga (2601) Blitz 2021*)* 10...Nbd7 11.Be2 e5 12.0-0 exd4 13.Bxd4 Re8 14.Bf2 b4 15.Nd1 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Re1 N7b6 18.Nd3 Nc4 19.Qc1 Na5 20.Nc5 Bf5]

[9.b3 LesEchecs.com Nbd7 *(9...h5 10.g3 Nbd7 11.Bg2 c5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.dxc5 Nxc5 14.0-0 b4 15.Na4 Nxa4 16.bxa4 Rxa4 17.Nd4 Bd7 18.Rac1 Qa8 19.Rc2 Rc8 20.Rfc1 Rxc2 21.Rxc2 Ra3 22.Bf1 h4 23.Nb5 Ra5 24.Nc7 Qb7 25.Kg2 Bc6 26.Qc1 Bd7 27.Bc4 Nxe4 28.fxe4 Qxe4+ 29.Kg1 hxg3 30.hxg3 Rh5 31.Bf1 Rh1+ 32.Kf2 Qf5+ 33.Ke2 Rh2+* 0-1 (33) OnkelKonkel (2651)-Banelevich (2661) Blitz 2022 *)*

A) 10.Ng3 bxc4 *(10...e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Qxd5 bxc4 14.Bxc4 Nb6 15.Bxb6 Qxb6 16.Qxa8 Bb7 17.Qxf8+ Bxf8 18.0-0-0 Qf2 19.Kb1 Qxg2 20.Rhf1 Qxh2 21.Ne2 h5 22.Nc3 d5 23.exd5 Ba3 24.Ne2 e4*

25.fxe4 h4 26.Rh1 Qe5 27.Nd4 Qxe4+ 28.Nc2 g5 29.Rhe1 Qg6 30.Bd3 Qd6 31.Nxa3 Qxa3 32.d6 Bc6 33.Bc4 Qb4 34.Re7 Qc3 35.Bxf7+ Kf8 36.Bc4 g4 37.Rf7+ Ke8 38.d7+ Bxd7 39.Rfxd7 g3 40.Rc7 Qf3 41.Re1+ Kd8 42.Rh7 Qf5+ 0-1 (42) OnkelKonkel (2650)-Prettyfly (2634) Blitz 2022*)* 11.bxc4 c5 12.Be2 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Ne5 14.0-0 Be6 15.Nd5 Rc8 16.Rfc1 h5 17.Rab1 h4 18.Nf1 h3 19.g3 Re8 20.Nfe3 Ned7 21.Rb7 Nc5 22.Rbb1 Nfd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qd4+ f6 25.Nf4 g5 26.Nxe6+ Nxe6 27.Qd5 Ndc5 28.Nf5+ Kg6 29.Ne3 Rb8 30.Qf5+ Kg7 31.Qxh3 Nd4 32.Nf5+ Nxf5 33.Qxf5 Qa5 34.f4 Qd2 35.Bh5 Qe3+ 36.Kf1 Nd3 37.Qg6+ Kh8 38.Qh6+ Kg8 39.Kg2 Qd2+ 40.Kg1 Qe3+ 41.Kg2 gxf4 42.Qg6+ Kh8 43.Qh6+ Kg8 44.Qg6+ Kh8 45.Qh6+ Kg8 ½-½ (45) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Yakamuzosan (2705) Blitz 2023;

B) 10.g3 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.b4 Na4 14.Nxa4 bxa4 15.Nc3 Bd7 16.Be2 h5 17.0-0 h4 18.Qd1 hxg3 19.hxg3 Nh5 20.Kg2 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Nxa4 e4 23.f4 Bxa1 24.Qxa1 Bh3+ 25.Kxh3 Qd7+ 26.g4 Qxa4 27.gxh5 Qc2 28.Rg1 Qxe2 29.Rxg6+ Kf7 30.Qf6+ Ke8 31.Qe6+ Kd8 32.Bb6# 1-0 (32) OnkelKonkel (2651)-ZhohoFF (2566) Blitz 2022;

C) 10.Rc1 bxc4 11.bxc4 a5 12.Na4 Ba6 ½-½ Dobosz,H-Haag,W/Bayern 1996/LesEchecs.com]

[9.c5 a5 10.cxd6 exd6 11.Nf4 Re8 12.Be2 Nbd7 13.0-0 Ba6 14.Rfe1 b4 15.Na4 Bxe2 16.Rxe2 Qb8 17.b3 Qb5 18.Rc1 g5 19.Nd3 g4 20.Kh1 Kh8 21.Nab2 gxf3 22.gxf3 Qh5 23.Rf2 c5 24.Rg1 cxd4 25.Bxd4 Ne5 26.Nf4 Qh4 27.Rg3 Bh6 28.Be3 Nxf3 29.Rfxf3 Nxe4 30.Qd4+ Re5 31.Rg1 Bg7 32.Nc4 Rg5 33.Qxe4 d5 34.Ng6+ 1-0 (34) Laznicka,V (2679)-Anton Guijarro,D (2631) Dubai UAE 2014]

[9.d5 bxc4 10.dxc6 Nxc6 11.Nd4 Ne5 12.Be2 a5 13.0-0 Ba6 14.Rfc1 Qd7 15.h3 Rfc8 16.Kh2 Rab8 17.f4 Nd3 18.Rc2 Qb7 19.Bf3 e5 20.Nde2 Rd8 21.Rb1 Qe7 22.b3 Nb4 23.Rcc1 cxb3 24.Rxb3 d5 25.fxe5 Nxe4 26.Bd4 Nxd2 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2622)-Agontuk (2558) Blitz 2021]

9...Nbd7

[9...e5 10.0-0-0 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Qa5 12.g4 b4 13.Nb1 Qxa2 14.Ng3 Nbd7 15.Nf5 gxf5 16.gxf5 Kh8 17.dxe5 dxe5 18.Rg1 Rg8 19.Rxd7 Nxd7 20.Rxg8+ Kxg8 21.Qg5+ Mikhalevski,V: '=' Mikhalevski,V: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. Mikhalevski, V: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov, I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''=' Mikhalevski,Viktor. Mikhalevski, Viktor: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997.'" 1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. Mikhalevski, V: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. Jorge Luis Fernandez : ''=' Mikhalevski, Viktor. Mikhalevski,Viktor: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997.'" 1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. 1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van Wely,L/Wijk aan Zee 1997. Mikhalevski, V: '1/2-1/2 Sokolov,I-Van

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10.h4 bxc4 11.h5 e5 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Rd1 Qe7 14.Ng3 Nb6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qd6 Qxd6 17.Rxd6 Bxh6 18.Rxh6 Bb7 19.Nf5 Rad8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Ne3 Rd4 22.Nc2 c5 23.Nxd4 cxd4 24.Nb1 Bc8 25.g4 Be6 26.Rh2 Nfd7 27.b3 c3 28.Bxa6 Nc5 29.Bb5 Kg7 30.Rc2 Bd7 31.Bxd7 Nd3+ 32.Kf1 Nxd7 33.Nxc3 dxc3 34.Rxc3 N3c5 35.b4 Ne6 36.a4 Kf7 37.a5 Ke7 38.a6 Kd6 39.Rd3+ Kc7 40.Rxd7+ Kxd7 41.a7 Nc7 42.Kg2 g5 43.Kf2 Kc6 44.Ke3 Kb6 45.Kd3 Kxa7 46.Kc4 Kb6 47.b5 h6 48.Kb4 Nxb5 0-1 (48) Ricky_Zhou (2882)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2665) Blitz 2022

7.Qd2 a6 8.c5 Nbd7 9.Na3 b5 10.cxb6 Qxb6 11.Nc3 Rb8 12.Rb1

[12.Nc4 Qd8 was seen in Ivanisevic-Stellwagen, Khanty-Mansiysk 2010 and now 13.Na4! with the idea of 14. Na5 looks better for White. *(13.Be2 d5 14.Ne5 Bb7 15.0-0 dxe4 16.Nxd7 Nxd7 17.fxe4 e5 18.d5 cxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Rxb2 21.Bxa6 Nf6 22.Qxd8 Rxd8 23.Bc4 Nxe4 24.Bxf7+ Kh8 25.Rad1 Rdb8 26.Rd3 Bf8 27.Bd5 Nd6 28.a4 Nf5 29.Ba7 R8b4 30.a5 Ra4 31.Bb6 h5 32.Rc3 Bb4 33.Rc8+ Kh7 34.Ra8 Bc3 35.Ra7+ Kh6 36.Rb7 Rd2 37.Be6 Bd4+ 38.Kh1 Ne3 39.Rg1 Nd1 40.Re1 Nf2+ 41.Kg1 Nd3+ 42.Bxd4 exd4 43.Rf1 Nc5 44.Rb6 Nxe6 45.Rxe6 Rxa5 46.Kh1 Raa2 47.Rg1 Rf2 48.Rd6 Rad2 49.h3 Kg5 50.Re1 Rxg2 51.Rxd4 Rh2+ 52.Kg1 Rhg2+ 53.Kh1 Rh2+ 54.Kg1 Rdg2+ 55.Kf1 Rf2+ 56.Kg1 Rfg2+ 57.Kf1 Rb2 58.h4+ Rxh4* 0-1 (58) Ivanisevic,I (2613)-Stellwagen,D (2635) Khanty-Mansiysk RUS 2010 *)*]

12...c5 13.Nc4 Qc7 14.d5 h5 15.Be2 h4 16.0-0 h3 17.g3 Nb6 18.Na5 e6 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.Rfc1 c4 21.b4 Nfd7 22.Bd4 Ne5 23.f4 Ng4 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.f5 gxf5 27.exf5 Bxf5 28.Bxg4 Bxb1 29.Rxb1 Qe7 30.Nc6 Qg5 31.Nxb8 Rxb8 32.Bxh3 Re8 33.Ne4 Qg6 34.Nf6+ Kf8 35.Rf1 Rb8 36.Qxd6+ 1-0 (36) supertactic91 (2763)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2739) Blitz 2021

7.Na3 e5 A popular move in the KID.

[Van Delft & Ris: 'Evidently White had intended to answer' 7...a6 Van Delft & Ris: 'with 'leads to the Byrne formation. 8.c5! when the N is better off on a3 as it can jump to c4.]

8.d5 Bartel,Mateusz: 'N'A logical response. White closes the centre and can develop the initiative on both flanks. Bartel,Mateusz: 'It's funny, but I was sure that we are still in a very popular line and ♘h4 is one of White's options. The truth is different - ♘h4 has been played only once in the past! I didn't know that, so I could play quickly and probably my opponent, who surely knew the theory much better than I did, was a bit afraid of my "preparation". The line I thought we are in is: 1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4. e3 ♗g4 5.♘c3 e6 6.♕b3 ♕b6 7. ♘h4. So, it's similar but different. The idea of ♘h4 also exists with the queen on c7, so later on we - in fact - will enter some more known

positions, but at this moment, we are a bit out of theory.'

[8.Qd2 is worse. Nbd7 *(Black can play 8...exd4! 9.Nxd4 d5⇄)* 9.0-0-0 *(9.d5!± c5 10.0-0-0 a6 11.g4 b5 12.Ng3 Nb6 13.h4 Ne8 14.h5 f6 15.cxb5 Nc7 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Bh6 Rf7 18.Qh2 Ne8 19.Be3 Rfa7 20.Qh7+ Kf7 21.Rh6 g5 22.Nh5 Qe7 23.Nxg7 Nxg7 24.bxa6 Nd7 25.Qg6+ Kg8 26.Bb5 Qe8 27.Qh7+ Kf7 28.Nc4 Rxa6 29.Rdh1* 1-0 (29) Khismatullin,D (2664)-Shimanov,A (2549) Moscow RUS 2012 *)* 9...Re8 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 h5?! *(11...Nc5 12.Kb1 a6±)* 12.Kb1 Nf8 *(12...a6)* 13.h3 *(13.Rc1! b6 14.Nc2±)* 13...N8h7 14.Rc1!± Re7 15.Nc3 *(15.g4!?; 15.Qb4!?)* 15...a6 16.Nc4 b5 17.Bb6 Qd7 18.Na5± 0-1 (33) Sanguinetti,G (1978)-Perepelitsky,E (1974) San Francisco 2005]

8...a6

[8...Ne8 9.Qd2 cxd5 10.cxd5± f5 11.exf5 Bxf5 12.Nc3?! *(12.Ng3!±)*

A) 12...e4! 13.f4 *(13.fxe4 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Bxe4∓; 13.Nxe4 Bxe4 14.fxe4 Nd7≅)* 13...Nd7⇄;

B) 12...Nf6?! 13.g4 Bd7 14.0-0-0± 1/2 (41) De Souza,R-Pereira Vilalba,R (1830) Rio de Janeiro 2013]

9.Nc3 Bartel,Mateusz: 'According to my database - it's a novelty, although very soon we will be again in a position which has appeared in the past. White's idea is simple - not to play g4 as long a possible. In the game White gained a lot from delaying (and in fact avoiding) g4.'

[9.Qd2!?]

9...c5 Bartel,Mateusz: '?!' Bartel,Mateusz: 'A strange move. Engines, of course, will say that this is not that bad, but I see absolutely now reason to place knight on such a bad pleace.'

[9...b5!? 10.Nc2 Bb7 11.Rc1±]

[After 9...cxd5 10.cxd5 b5 11.Nc2! followed by 12.a4 White gets the upper hand on the queenside.]

10.Qd2± White has a small advantage, he is planning to attack on the kingside. Bartel,Mateusz: 'A key moment of the game from the psychological point of view. There is no point hiding the fact that I offered a draw here. As I mentioned before, I was still a bit shocked after the game vs. Sasikiran, so a draw would make me a bit calmer. In fact a draw offer was very tempting in itself - nowadays you can't make a quick draw, as it's usually forbidden. So, I thought that if an opponent accept the offer it's ok - I was in fact a bit tired, as I had played Moscow Open before Aeroflot, and a quick game would allow me to save some precious energy. But, Fabiano, after thinking for about 20 minutes, decided to reject my offer. I must say I wasn't disappointed - I already had much better time (some 40 minutes up), my position was - in my opinion - slightly better and solid. So, ok - let's play!' 10...Nh5!? Bartel,Mateusz: '?!'Bartel,Mateusz: 'I think after this move Black is worse - it's obvious that the knight on b6 is misplaced.' 11.0-0-0 Bartel,Mateusz: 'This ooks a bit strange, but White can exert some unpleasant pressure exploiting the fact that queen is not feeling very comfortable on c7 and has no other

good square.'
[11.g3!?]
11...Nd7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'Probably you must play this, as in the event of ... ♗e7 or ...♗d6 White can play ♘f5.
'
[The typical pawn sacrifice 11...b5?! has lost its effect, since after 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 White's minor pieces neutralize Black's activity on the queenside.]
12.Bd3 Nb6 Bartel,Mateusz: 'This position is a big success for White - I had won the pair of bishops without playing g4. Now the plan is very easy - push e4, open the centre and press.
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[Van Delft & Ris: 'The attempt to generate counterplay on the queenside takes a lot of time. Attention has to be paid to both' Van Delft & Ris: 'The attempt to generate counterplay on the queenside takes a lot of time. Attention has to be paid to both' 12...Nf4!? Van Delft & Ris: 'and']
[12...f5]
13.g3 Bd7 14.Bh6?! A dubious move. Bartel,Mateusz: 'I spent some time over this move as I was afraid of some direct attack.'
[14.Ne2!?±]
14...Bxh6 Bartel,Mateusz: '?' Bartel,Mateusz: 'Many spectators were very surprised by this move. Of course, this time it absolutely does not work, but the whole idea is not so unfamilar - Black didn't want to put the king on the a2-g8 diagonal and wanted to keep the rook on the h-file.' 15.Qxh6 Bartel,Mateusz: 'If White can force Black to play ...a5 and Black weren't able to play ...♗b4 - then a4 is a must-play continuation.'
15...Na4 16.Ne2 b5 Black has sufficient counterplay on the queenside.
17.g4 Bartel,Mateusz: 'So, after 17 moves White is visibly better. Not only the white king is safer than the black one, not only White is better developed and controls the centre, but also - there are some tactical problems in Black's position. Anyway, I couldn't have expected that the game would finish in 5 moves!' 17...Ng7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'The rook on h5 would be great - it prevents d5 (what actually could be some kind of threat after ♘xf6) and also defends the a5-pawn. The problem is that the rook is very unsafe there.
' 18.b3 Bartel,Mateusz: 'A calm move - the rook was the only piece which hadn't entered the action yet, so - when there was no direct attack - it's a good move.'
[18.h4!?]
18...Nb6 Bartel,Mateusz: '?' Bartel,Mateusz: 'The losing move. Black was already in a difficult situation, though not lost.' 19.h4 Bartel,Mateusz: 'Now the 5th rank is too short for the black rook.'
19...Qe7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'After this move my opponent... offered a draw. Well, the position is so much better for White, that I simply couldn't agree and, moreover, White has a trick after which he wins material.'
20.Rdg1 Bartel,Mateusz: '!' Bartel,Mateusz: 'I spend some minutes, as I didn't see this move immediately. At the beginning I

wanted to put one of my rooks on f3, but as after both ♖c3 (because of ... ♗b4) and ♖e3 (because of ...♗f4) there is nothing, I started to look for some other moves. I even started to analyse the move... g3 to take f4 under control and prepare ♖e3-f3... Luckily, I finally realised that ♕f3 is not simply attacking on g6, but also on c6.'

[20.h5? is premature because of g5 . The pawn on d6 is perfectly protected by the Q on e7.]

20...bxc4 21.bxc4 Bartel,Mateusz: 'Not it's totally over. The next move of Black does not help.'

[21.Nxc4?! Nxc4 22.Bxc4 Bb5 plays into Black's hands.]

21...Na4 Bartel,Mateusz: '?'

[21...Rab8!?]

22.Ng3 Bartel,Mateusz: 'and due to many threats, especially putting some pieces on e7 (after f6 there is a good idea to use the e8-square by playing ♖e2-♖ce1), Black resigned. I think it was one of the worst games in Fabiano's career, so I was a bit lucky to meet him when he was playing below his normal, very high, standard.'

22...f6?

[22...Rab8! Van Delft & Ris: '!?' '!?' Van Delft & Ris: 'also comes into consideration, as'is better. 23.Rg2 *(23.g5?* now loses to *Qd8! 24.h5 Qa5-+* 23.Nc2 is instead a better attempt, with a lot still to play for.*)* 23...Rb7 24.h5 g5 25.f4! gxf4 26.g5 fxg3 27.g6 fxg6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Rxg3 Rf6 30.Rxg6 Rxg6 31.Qxg6 Nc3 32.Kd2 Nxa2 33.Be2 Rb2+ 34.Nc2 Qf7 35.Rh8+ Kxh8 36.Qxf7 Ba4 37.Bd3 Nb4 38.Qf8+ Kh7 39.Qxd6 Bxc2 40.Bxc2 Rxc2+ 41.Ke3=]

23.g5! Bartel,Mateusz: '!?'White attacks!

23...Qf7 Van Delft & Ris: 'Diagram #'

[23...fxg5 24.hxg5 Ne8 Bartel,Mateusz: 'with a big plus for White.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'I saw only' 25.Nf5! Qf7 26.Qh2 Bartel,Mateusz: 'and White should be better' Bartel,Mateusz: 'The most natural - and the best - was' 26...Kh8 Bartel,Mateusz: 'but anyway after' 27.Qd2 Ra7 28.Rh6 Bc8 Bartel,Mateusz: '(this is probably the most logical, to avoid problems with the g6-pawn)' 29.Rgh1 Bartel,Mateusz: 'White is better.' Bartel,Mateusz: '' 29...Kg8 Bartel,Mateusz: 'was better, but after' 30.f4! exf4 31.Rxh7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'I still prefer White. Anyway, I think this was better than what Fabiano did.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'I think that' 31...Qxh7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'was very much in the style of the line, as after' 32.Rxh7 Kxh7 33.Qh2+ Kg8 34.Nh6+ Bartel,Mateusz: 'we have a quite typical position. There are some players who prefer White, some who think that Black is absolutely fine.' Kg7 Bartel,Mateusz: '?' 35.Qc2 Bartel,Mateusz: 'It was possible to play' 35...f3 *(* Bartel,Mateusz: 'The alternative is' *35...Bd7 36.e5!* Bartel,Mateusz: 'was probably too calm for my opponent.' *dxe5 37.Qe2+-)* 36.Qxa4 f2 37.Bf1+- Bartel,Mateusz: ', but I think it's not something you are dreaming about when playing Black.']

24.Nf5? Van Delft & Ris: '!?' '!?'

[Van Delft & Ris: 'A spectacular move, though objectively speaking it would

have been better to play' Van Delft & Ris: 'A spectacular move, though objectively speaking it would have been better to play' The correct way is 24.h5!

A) 24...Rab8? fails to 25.Qxh7+! Kxh7 26.hxg6+ Kxg6 *(26...Kg8 27.gxf7++-)* 27.Rh6+ Kxg5 28.Nf5+ Kf4 29.Rg4+ Kxf3 30.Rg3+ Kf2 31.Rh2+ Ke1 32.Rg1#;

B) 24...fxg5 25.hxg6 Qxg6 Bartel,Mateusz: 'White would be significantly better, but the game would be in progress. Especially the second option seems to be pretty stubborn, as only a5 is a weak spot in Black's position. Ok, Black is probably paralysed, but it's not easy to find a decisive plan.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'At the beginning I was considering' 26.Nf5 Bartel,Mateusz: ', but it's pointless as after' Qxh6 *(26...Bxf5 27.exf5 Qxh6)* 27.Rxh6 Bxf5 28.exf5 Ne8 Bartel,Mateusz: 'White is better.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'Then I calculated' 29.Rxg5+ Kh8 30.Nb1 Van Delft & Ris: '!' Van Delft & Ris: 'and White is on top.'Bartel,Mateusz: ', but it's bad for many reasons:' Nb6 31.Nd2±]

24...Ne8?

[24...gxf5 Van Delft & Ris: '!' '!' Bartel,Mateusz: 'and White is only pawn up in a rook endgame, so Black still would have some (slight) chances for a draw.'Bartel,Mateusz: 'After' 25.g6 hxg6 26.Rxg6 Be8 27.Rhg1 Ra7 Bartel,Mateusz: 'and there is no hope for Black.'Bartel,Mateusz: 'after' 28.exf5 Bartel,Mateusz: 'engines suggest that even' Qb7 Bartel,Mateusz: '(and only later ♗xd5) is completely winning'Bartel,Mateusz: 'Both after' 29.Rxg7+ Qxg7 30.Rxg7+ Rxg7= Van Delft & Ris: 'with a balanced game, as neither side can really improve his position.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'and after']

[Probably the decisive mistake. After 24...Bxf5 25.exf5 Qb7 26.Rg2! White also seems to be winning. However, Black should have tried]

25.gxf6 Qxf6?!

[25...Nxf6 26.Nxd6 Qg7 27.Qxg7+ Kxg7 28.h5±]

[25...Bxf5 26.exf5 e4 loses to 27.fxg6]

26.h5 Bxf5

[26...g5 hardly helps in view of 27.Rxg5+ Kh8 28.Rg6 Qf7 29.Rhg1 Bxf5 30.exf5 Ra7 31.Re6 and White is winning.]

27.hxg6!+-

[Much stronger than 27.exf5 g5 when Black can struggle on.]

27...Ra7

[27...Bxg6 28.Qxh7#]

28.exf5 Bartel,Mateusz: '+-' 28...Kh8

[In case of 28...e4 29.gxh7+ Kh8 30.fxe4 White is too many pawns up, while Black doesn't have any real threats.]

29.Be4 Van Delft & Ris: '!' '!' Van Delft & Ris: 'Not the only move, but it avoids trouble of any kind on the long diagonal.' 29...Rg7 Bartel,Mateusz: '+-'Bartel,Mateusz: 'The "normal"' 30.Nc2 Van Delft & Ris: 'The N is heading for g4.' Bartel,Mateusz: 'was better, but there is a more or less engine-like defence:' 30...Qd8 Van Delft & Ris: 'Diagram # Allowing White to finish the game in style, though other

moves wouldn't have saved Black either.' Van Delft & Ris: 'Diagram # Allowing White to finish the game in style, though other moves wouldn't have saved Black either.' 31.Qxh7+! Rxh7 32.Rxh7+ Kg8 33.g7 Van Delft & Ris: '!' '!' Van Delft & Ris: 'and Black resigned as there's nothing that can be done against 34. Rh8.' 1-0 (33) Khismatullin,D (2664)-Zhou,J (2619) Moscow 2012 CBM 166 [Schipkov,Boris] Bartel,Mateusz: '(move order of last 3 black move could be also another)'

[73] **8.Be2** b5 9.Nd2 Nbd7 10.0-0 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nh5 13.a4 b4 14.Na2 a5 15.Bb5 Nc5 16.Rc1 Nf4 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Rxc5 Bh3 19.Rf2 Bxg2 20.Rxg2 Qb6 21.Nb3 Rfc8 22.Rgc2 Bf8 23.Bc6 Rxc6 24.dxc6 Ne6 25.Qd5 Rd8 26.Qxe5 Rd1+ 27.Kg2 Bd6 28.Qxd6 Rxd6 29.c7 Nxc7 30.Rxc7 Qe3 31.Nac1 Rd1 32.Ne2 Qxb3 33.Kf2 Qxa4 34.e5 Qb5 35.R2c5 Qb6 36.Kg2 Rd2 37.Kf1 a4 38.Nf4 Qa6+ 39.Ke1 Rxb2 40.e6 fxe6 41.Rd7 Qa8 42.Rcc7 Qf8 43.Rg7+ Qxg7 0-1 (43) RealDavidNavara (2825)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2675) Blitz 2022

8.a4 a5

[8...b5 9.axb5 cxb5 10.cxb5 Bb7 11.Be2 axb5 12.Rxa8 Bxa8 13.Nxb5 Nc6 14.0-0 Qb6 15.Qd2 Qb8 16.d5 Ne5 17.N1a3 Rc8 18.Rc1 Nfd7 19.b4 h5 20.h3 Bb7 21.f4 Nf6 22.fxe5 Nxe4 23.Rxc8+ Qxc8 24.Qd3 Ng3 25.exd6 Qd7 26.dxe7 Qxe7 27.d6 Qd7 28.Bf4 Nf5 29.Bf3 Ba6 30.Qd5 Kh7 31.Qc6 Qe6 32.d7 Qe1+ 33.Kh2 Be5 34.Qc4 Nd6 35.d8Q Nxc4 36.Qg5 Qe3 37.Bxe5 Qxg5 38.Nxc4 Bxb5 39.Bg3 Bxc4 40.h4 Qe3 41.Kh3 Be6+ 42.Kh2 Bg4 43.Bxg4 hxg4 44.b5 f5 45.b6 f4 0-1 (45) unitedff (2632)-Bamboccione (2808) Blitz 2024]

9.Nd2

[9.Qd2 Na6 10.g4 e5 11.d5 Nc5 12.Ra3 Qe7 13.h4 Ne8 14.h5 f5 15.h6 Bf6 16.g5 Bh8 17.Rg1 fxe4 18.fxe4 Rf4 19.Bd3 Bd7 20.Qe2 Nc7 21.Nd2 Raf8 22.Bb1 N7a6 23.b3 R8f7 24.Ra1 Qf8 25.Kd1 Nb4 26.Na2 Nba6 27.Nc1 cxd5 28.cxd5 Qe8 29.Nd3 Nxd3 30.Bxd3 Nb4 31.Bc4 Qc8 32.Rc1 Bg4 33.Rxg4 Rxg4 34.Bb5 Qd8 35.Qxg4 Na2 1-0 (35) alberto99 (2634)-chiyabuddha (2574) Blitz 2022]

[9.Na3 Na6 10.Be2 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Qxd8 Rxd8 13.Bb6 Re8 14.Bxa5 Nd7 15.Nc2 Bf8 16.Nb1 Nac5 17.Bb4 Rxa4 18.Rxa4 Nxa4 19.Bxf8 Nxf8 20.b3 Nc5 21.b4 Na4 22.Kf2 c5 23.bxc5 Be6 24.Nb4 Nxc5 25.Nc3 Nfd7 26.Ra1 Rc8 27.Ra7 Nb8 28.Ncd5 Kg7 29.Ra5 Nbd7 30.Ra7 Nb8 31.Ra5 Nbd7 32.Ra3 Rf8 33.Ke3 Rc8 34.Ra7 Kf8 35.Ra3 Kg7 36.Ra7 Kf8 37.g4 h6 38.h4 g5 39.h5 Nb8 40.Ra5 Nbd7 41.Bd1 Kg7 42.Bc2 Kf8 43.Ra7 Kg7 44.Nd3 Nxd3 45.Bxd3 Nc5 46.Bc2 Rc6 47.Ra5 Na6 48.Bd3 Nc5 49.Bc2 Na6 50.Bb3 Rc5 51.Ra4 Rc8 52.Ra5 Rc5 53.Ra3 Rc8 54.Kd2 Nc5 55.Bc2 Nd7 56.Bd3 Kf8 57.Ra5 Nc5 58.Kc3 Na6 59.Rb5 Nc5 60.Bc2 Bd7 61.Ra5 Be6 62.Nb6 Rc6 63.Nd5 Rc8 64.Kb2 Na6 65.Bb3 Rc5 66.Ra3 Bc8 67.Kc3 b5 68.Kd3 Nc7 69.Ra7 bxc4+ 70.Bxc4 Ne6 71.Nb6 Rc6

72.Nxc8 Rxc8 73.Bxe6 fxe6 74.Rh7 Ra8 75.Rh8+ 1-0 (75) Akobian,V (2625)-Can,E (2519) Antalya TUR 2013]

9...Na6 10.Be2 Nb4

[10...Nd7 11.0-0 e5 12.d5 Ndc5 13.Nb3 Qb6 14.Ra3 Nb4 15.Kh1 f5 16.dxc6 Qxc6 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Nd5 Rae8 19.Nxb4 axb4 20.Ra1 e4 21.Nd4 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Nb3 23.Qd1 Nxa1 24.f4 Ra8 25.Qxa1 Qxa4 26.Qc1 Qc6 27.g4 Be6 28.b3 d5 29.c5 d4 30.Bxd4 Bxb3 31.Ba1 Ra2 32.Bc4+ Rf7 33.Bxf7+ Bxf7 34.Qe3 Qd5 35.Kg1 Qd3 36.Bd4 Qe2 37.Qxe2 Rxe2 38.Rb1 b3 39.c6 bxc6 40.Be5 Rc2 41.Kf1 b2 42.Rxb2 Rc1+ 43.Kf2 Bd5 44.Ke3 Kf7 45.Kd4 Ke6 46.Bf6 Kd7 47.Ke3 Rd1 48.Bd4 Re1+ 49.Kf2 Rh1 50.Bc3 Kc8 51.Kg3 Rxh2 52.Rxh2 e3 53.Rxh7 e2 54.Be1 c5 55.Rh6 Kb8 56.Rxg6 Kc8 57.Bc3 Kb8 58.Be1 Kc8 59.Rg5 Kb8 60.Rxd5 Kc8 61.Rxc5+ Kb8 62.Rc2 Ka8 63.Rxe2 Ka7 64.Re5 Ka8 65.Re7 1-0 (65) Vyka (2630)-jshutzman (2566) Blitz 2021]

11.0-0 Nd7

[11...e5 12.d5 Bd7 13.Kh1 Nh5 14.Nb3 Bf6 15.dxc6 Bxc6 16.Nd5 Bg5 17.Bb6 Qd7 18.Nc7 Bf4 19.Nxa8 Rxa8 20.c5 d5 21.Bxa5 Qe7 22.Bxb4 Qh4 23.h3 Ng3+ 24.Kg1 Be3+ 25.Kh2 Bf4 26.Kg1 dxe4 27.fxe4 Be3+ 28.Kh2 Qxe4 29.Bf3 Qxb4 30.Bxc6 Nxf1+ 31.Qxf1 bxc6 32.Qd3 Bf4+ 33.Kh1 Rxa4 34.Rxa4 Qxa4 35.g4 Kg7 36.Kg2 Qb4 37.Qc3 Qe4+ 38.Kf2 Qb1 39.Nd2 Qh1 40.Nf3 h6 41.Nxe5 Qh2+ 42.Kf3 Bxe5 43.Qe3 Qg3+ 44.Ke4 Qxe3+ 45.Kxe3 Bxb2 46.Ke4 Ba3 47.Ke3 Bxc5+ 48.Ke4 Be7 49.Kd3 c5 50.Ke4 Kf6 51.Kd3 Kg5 52.Kc4 Kh4 53.Kd5 Kxh3 54.Kc6 Kxg4 55.Kd7 c4 56.Ke8 c3 57.Kxf7 c2 58.Kxg6 c1Q 59.Kf7 Qg5 60.Ke8 Ba3 61.Kd7 Qe7+ 62.Kc8 h5 63.Kb8 Bc5 64.Ka8 Qa7# 0-1 (64) Saaker (2658)-ok1975 (2712) Blitz 2020]

12.h3 e5 13.d5 c5 14.Nb5 Nf6 15.Re1 Nh5 16.Nf1 Nf4 17.Qd2 Ra6 18.Nh2 Qg5 19.Bxf4 exf4 20.Kh1 h5 21.Rg1 Qh4 22.Bf1 Bd7 23.Rb1 Bxb5 24.cxb5 Raa8 25.Bc4 Rae8 26.Rge1 Bd4 27.b3 Re7 28.Rbd1 Rfe8 29.Qe2 Be5 30.Rf1 Kg7 31.Qf2 Qg5 32.Rfe1 Qh6 33.Nf1 Bf6 34.g3 fxg3 35.Nxg3 Be5 36.Qg2 Kh7 37.Ne2 Nc2 38.Qf2 Nxe1 39.Rxe1 Bf4 40.Bd3 Kg7 41.Qg2 Kh8 42.Rf1 Rg8 43.Qf2 b6 44.Qh4 Bg5 45.Qg3 Rd7 46.f4 Bd8 47.Qf3 Re7 48.Nc3 Qg7 49.Nd1 Qd4 50.Nf2 Ree8 51.Re1 Bh4 52.Kg2 Bxf2 53.Re2 Bh4 54.Kh1 Re7 55.Re1 Bxe1 56.Qe2 Qf2 57.Qxf2 Bxf2 58.Kg2 Be3 59.Kf3 Bd4 60.e5 dxe5 61.f5 gxf5 62.Bxf5 Ree8 63.d6 Rd8 64.d7 Kg7 65.Ke4 Kf6 66.h4 Ke7 67.Bh3 Rxd7 68.Bxd7 Kxd7 69.Kd5 Rg3 70.b4 Rc3 71.bxa5 bxa5 72.b6 Ra3 73.b7 Rb3 74.Kc4 Rb4+ 75.Kd5 Rxb7 76.Kc4 Rb4+ 77.Kd5 Rxa4 78.Ke4 Rb4 79.Kf5 Rb3 80.Kg5 Rh3 81.Kxh5 Rxh4+ 82.Kxh4 a4 83.Kg3 a3 84.Kf3 a2 85.Ke4 a1Q 86.Kd5 c4 87.Kxc4 Qc3+ 88.Kd5 Qc6# 0-1 (88) GUNNE_USER (2663)-Banelevich (2658) Blitz 2022

8.c5 Nbd7 9.Na3 b5 10.cxb6 Nxb6 11.Qd2 e5 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Rfe1 Nf4 15.Bf1 a5 16.Rac1 Rc8 17.dxe5 dxe5 18.Qxd8 1-0 (18) engine_failure (2605)-kukaracha22

(2491) Blitz 2025

[74] **10.a3** e5 11.d5 bxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 13.Bb3 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Nfxd5 15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Be6 17.Qd2 d5 18.exd5 Bxd5 19.Nc3 Bb3 20.Ne4 Rc8 21.Rac1 Qxd2 22.Bxd2 Bc4 23.Nd6 Bxf1 24.Nxc8 Bb5 25.Nd6 Rd8 26.Bb4 e4 27.Nxb5 axb5 28.Rc2 exf3 29.gxf3 h5 30.Kf2 Rd3 31.Rc8+ Kh7 32.Rc7 Kg8 33.Rc8+ Kh7 34.Rc7 Bd4+ 35.Kg2 Kg8 36.Rc8+ Kh7 37.Rc7 Bxb2 38.Rxf7+ Kg8 39.Rb7 Rd5 40.f4 Bf6 41.Kf3 Rd3+ 42.Ke4 Rd4+ 43.Ke3 Rd5 44.Ke4 Rd4+ 45.Ke3 Rd5 46.h3 Kh8 47.Ke4 Rd4+ 48.Ke3 Rd5 49.Kf3 Kg8 50.Ke2 Rf5 51.Ke3 Bg7 52.Ke4 Bh6 53.Bd6 Bg7 54.Rb8+ Kf7 55.Rb7+ Kg8 56.Be5 Bf8 57.Rxb5 Bxa3 58.Rb3 Bf8 59.Rb8 Kf7 60.Rb7+ Kg8 61.Rb3 Kf7 62.Rb6 Be7 63.Rc6 Bf6 64.Rc3 Bxe5 65.fxe5 Rg5 66.Kd5 Ke7 67.Rc7+ Kd8 68.Rg7 Rg3 69.Ke6 Rd3 70.Rg8+ Kc7 71.Rxg6 Rc3 72.Rg7+ Kb6 73.Rg5 Rc5 74.Kf6 Rc6+ 75.e6 Rc7 76.Rxh5 Rc6 77.Re5 Rc7 78.e7 Rc8 79.Kf7 Rc6 80.Re6 1-0 (80) sp1cycaterpillar (2931)-sillyMASTER (2850) Blitz 2021

[75] **5...a6** 6.Be3 [6.Bg5 h6 *(6...Nbd7 7.Nge2 h6 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qd2 h5 10.Nc1 c5 11.d5 Ne5 12.Be2 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 h4 15.h3 Rb8 16.a4 Nh5 17.Bf2 Ng3 18.Bxg3 hxg3 19.h4 f5 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 fxg4 22.Ra3 e6 23.Rxg3 e5 24.0-0 Qxh4 25.Ne2 Rxb5 26.axb5 exf4 27.Rxf4 Rxf4 28.Qxf4 Be5 29.Qf2 Bxb2 30.Rb3 Qh8 31.b6 Bb7 32.Rg3 Be5 33.Qe3 Ba6 34.Rxg4 Qh2+ 35.Kf2 Qh5 36.Qg5 Qxg5 37.Rxg5 Kf7 38.Rxe5 dxe5 39.Nc3 Ke7 40.Kg3 Kd6 41.Kg4 Bf1 42.g3 c4 43.Kg5 Kc5 44.b7 Kd4 45.b8Q Kxc3 46.Qxe5+ Kd3 47.d6 c3 48.d7 c2 49.Qc5 c1Q+ 50.Qxc1 Kd4 51.d8Q+ Ke5 52.Qf4+ Ke6 53.Qdf6+ Kd7 54.Q4d6+* 1-0 (54) VanuatuLover (2697)-Mavi_Alpha (2563) Blitz 2025*)* 7.Bh4 *(7.Be3 c6 8.Qd2 b5 9.Bd3 Nbd7 10.Nge2 e5 11.0-0 Qe7 12.d5 bxc4 13.Bxc4 c5 14.a3 Nh5 15.b4 cxb4 16.axb4 f5 17.b5 f4 18.Bf2 a5 19.b6 0-0 20.Nb5 Rb8 21.Qxa5 g5 22.Qa3 Rf6 23.Qa7 Bf8 24.Nc7 Rb7 25.Qa8 Rb8 26.Qa5 Rg6 27.h3 Ng7 28.Ne6 h5 29.g4 fxg3 30.Nxg3 g4 31.fxg4 hxg4 32.hxg4 Nf6 33.Qa7 Rb7 34.Qa8 Bxe6 35.dxe6 Rxg4 36.Ra7 Rxa7 37.bxa7 Nxe4 38.Qxe4 Rxe4 39.Nxe4 Qb7 40.e7+ d5 41.exf8Q+ Kxf8 42.Nd6 Qc6 43.Bb5 Qa8 44.Rc1 Ke7 45.Rc8 Qxa7 46.Bxa7 Kxd6 47.Rc6+ Ke7 48.Rc7+ Kf6 49.Rc6+ Kf5 50.Bb8 d4 51.Rc7 Ne6 52.Rf7+ Ke4 53.Bc6+ Ke3 54.Re7 Nf4 55.Rxe5+ Kd2 56.Re4 Ne2+ 57.Kf2 d3 58.Bb5 Nc3 59.Re5 Nd1+ 60.Kf3 Nc3 61.Ba7 Kc2 62.Be3 Nd1 63.Rd5 Nc3 64.Bxd3+ Kb2 65.Bd4 Ka2 66.Bxc3* 1-0 (66) WhiteBishop4761 (2627)-SpeedMonkey (2664) Blitz 2022*)* 7...g5 8.Bf2 Nbd7 9.Nge2 c5 10.Ng3 cxd4 11.Bxd4 Nf8 12.Nf5 Rg8 13.Nxg7+ Rxg7 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.Nd5 Be6 16.Ne3 Ng6 17.Qd2 Qb6 18.0-0-0 Ne5 19.Kb1 Ke7 20.Be2 Rgg8 21.g3 Rgc8 22.f4 Nxc4 23.Bxc4 Rxc4 24.Nxc4 Bxc4 25.fxg5 hxg5 26.h4 g4 27.h5 Rc8 28.h6 Bd3+ 29.Qxd3 1-0 (29) Violet_Pride (2759)-ThreeC (2573)

Blitz 2023]
[6.Nge2 b5 7.cxb5 axb5 8.Nxb5 c6 9.Na3 *(9.Nbc3 0-0 10.Ng3 Nbd7 11.Be2 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.0-0 d5 14.Be3 Re8 15.Qd2 Ba6 16.Rfd1 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Nc4 18.Bd4 Qb8 19.b3 Nd6 20.e5 Nd7 21.f4 f6 22.e6 Nf8 23.f5 Nxf5 24.Nxf5 gxf5 25.e7 Ng6 26.Qe6+ Kh8 27.Bxf6 Qc8 28.Qf7 Rg8 29.Re1 Qe8 30.Bxg7+ Rxg7 31.Qxf5 Nh4 32.Qf8+ Qxf8 33.exf8Q+ Rxf8 34.Re2 Nf3+ 35.Kh1 Nd4 36.Rd2 Rgf7 37.h3 Nf5 38.Kh2 Rg8 39.Rf1 Nd6 40.Rxf7 Nxf7 41.Na4 Nd6 42.Rc2 d4 43.Nc5 Nf5 44.Nd3 Ne3 45.Rxc6 Rxg2+ 46.Kh1 Rxa2 47.Ne5 Rd2 48.Rc8+ Kg7 49.Rc7+ Kf6 50.Nf3 Rd1+ 51.Kh2 d3 52.Kg3 d2 53.Rc6+ Ke7 54.Nxd2 Rxd2 55.Rc3 Nd5 56.Rf3 Nf6 57.b4 Kf7 58.Kf4 Rb2 59.Ke5 Re2+ 60.Kd4 Re6 61.Rd3 Ke7 62.Kc3 Nd7 63.Kb3 Nb6 64.Rc3 Nd7 65.Rc5 Kd6 66.Rc4 Nb6 67.Rc5 Nd5 68.Rc4 Re3+ 69.Kb2 Nb6 70.Rc2 Na4+ 71.Kc1 Kd5 72.Rd2+ Kc4 73.Rd1 Nc3 74.Kd2 Nxd1 75.Kxd1 Rd3+ 76.Ke1 Rd4 77.Kf2 Rd5 78.Kg3 Rb5 79.Kh4 Rxb4 80.Kh5 Rb5+* 0-1 (80) cubanito2002 (2657)-Creep30 (2784) Blitz 2020*)* 9...0-0 10.Nc3 Nbd7 11.Be2 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Be3 Re8 14.0-0 Bb7 15.Qd2 d5 16.exd5 cxd5 17.Rad1 Qa5 18.Bd4 Nc6 19.Bf2 d4 20.Ne4 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Nxe4 22.fxe4 Rxe4 23.Bf3 Re7 24.h3 Nb4 25.Bxd4 Bxf3 26.Rxf3 Rd7 27.Bc3 Rxd2 28.Bxd2 Nxa2 29.Rb3 Rc8 30.Kf1 Nc1 31.Rb7 Nd3 32.b3 Nc5 33.Rb6 h5 34.Be3 Ne4 35.Nc4 Ra8 36.Ke2 Nc3+ 37.Kf3 Nd5 38.Rb7 Nxe3 39.Kxe3 Ra2 40.Kf3 Bd4 41.Nd6 Rf2+ 42.Ke4 Bc5 43.Rb8+ Kh7 44.Ne8 Rxg2 45.b4 Be7 46.b5 Rb2 47.b6 Rb1 48.Rb7 Kh6 49.Kd5 Rd1+ 50.Kc6 Bh4 51.Rxf7 Rc1+ 52.Kd7 Bg3 53.b7 Kg5 54.Nd6 Rb1 55.Kc6 Kh4 56.Nb5 Kxh3 57.Rf3 Rc1+ 58.Kb6 h4 59.b8Q g5 60.Qe8 g4 61.Qe6 Re1 62.Rxg3+ 1-0 (62) penguingim1 (2685)-Creep30 (2732) Blitz 2020]

6...c6
[6...Nfd7 7.Qd2 c5 8.Nge2 Nc6 9.d5 Nce5 10.Ng3 b5 11.cxb5 Nb6 12.b3 0-0 13.Be2 h5 14.0-0 h4 15.Nh1 f5 16.a4 axb5 17.axb5 Rxa1 18.Rxa1 fxe4 19.fxe4 Ng4 20.Bxg4 Bxg4 21.Nf2 Qd7 22.Ra6 Rb8 23.h3 Bh5 24.Qd3 Be5 25.Na4 Nc8 26.b6 Bg3 27.Qc3 Qb5 28.Qc4 Be2 29.Qxb5 Bxb5 30.Ra5 Bxa4 31.bxa4 Nxb6 32.Rb5 Nd7 33.Nd3 Ra8 34.a5 Ne5 35.Nxe5 Bxe5 36.Bd2 Kf7 37.Kf1 Kf6 38.Ke2 Bd4 39.Kd3 Ke5 40.Rb7 Kf6 41.Kc4 e6 42.Kb5 exd5 43.exd5 Ke5 44.a6 Kxd5 45.a7 c4 46.Ka6 c3 47.Bc1 c2 48.Rb5+ Bc5 49.Rb7 Kc4 50.Rg7 Kc3 51.Rc7 Rxa7+ 52.Rxa7 Bxa7 53.Kxa7 d5 54.Kb6 d4 55.Kc5 d3 56.Bg5 d2 57.Kd5 d1Q+ 58.Ke5 Qd2 59.Kf6 Qxg5+ 60.Kxg5 c1Q+ 61.Kxg6 Qg1 62.Kg5 Qxg2+ 63.Kxh4 Kd3 64.Kh5 Qxh3+ 65.Kg5 Qf3 66.Kg6 Ke4 67.Kg5 Qf4+ 68.Kg6 Ke5 69.Kh5 Qg3 70.Kh6 Kf6 71.Kh5 Qg5# 0-1 (71) Superfm1 (2629)-dimkor (2595) Blitz 2024]

7.Bd3
[7.Nge2 b5 8.b3 *(8.cxb5 axb5 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.Ng3 h5 11.Bd3 h4 12.Nf1 b4 13.Nd1 c5 14.Nf2 Qa5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Bc4 Ba6 17.Bxc5*

Qxc5 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Nd3 Qb5 20.Nxb4 Ra4 21.a3 0-0 22.Ne3 Bh6 23.Kf2 h3 24.g3 Rc8 25.Rac1 Rc5 26.Rc3 Ra8 27.Rhc1 Qb6 28.Rxc5 dxc5 29.Nbd5 Nxd5 30.exd5 c4 31.f4 1-0 (31) OnkelKonkel (2674)-Stoichess (2684) Blitz 2022*; 8.Ng3 Nbd7 9.Be2 e5 10.0-0 b4 11.Na4 Qe7 12.c5 d5 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.Nb6 Rb8 15.f4 Neg4 16.Nxc8 Nxe3 17.Nxe7 Nxd1 18.Nxc6 Rc8 19.Bxd1 Rxc6 20.Ba4* 1-0 (20) MothToTheFlame (2654)-manuchess96 (2550) Blitz 2023*; 8.c5 dxc5 9.dxc5 Qxd1+ 10.Rxd1 0-0 11.Nc1 a5 12.a4 b4 13.N3e2 e5 14.Nb3 Be6 15.Nec1 Nbd7 16.Rd6 Rfc8 17.Be2 Bf8 18.Rd2 Nh5 19.Kf2 Nf4 20.Rhd1 Nxe2 21.Kxe2 Nf6 22.g4 Nxe4 23.fxe4 Bxg4+ 24.Kf2 Bxd1 25.Rxd1 Ra7 26.Ke2 f5 27.Nd3 Re8 28.Rg1 f4 29.Bf2 Kf7 30.h4 h6 31.Rg2 Bg7 32.Rg1 Rd8 33.Ne1 Re8 34.Nf3 Rd8 35.Rc1 Bf6 36.Rg1 Rg8 37.Rd1 Ke7 38.Rd6 Rc8 39.Nh2 Rd7 40.Ng4 Rxd6 41.cxd6+ Kf7 42.Nc5 Rd8 43.d7 h5 44.Nxf6 Kxf6 45.Kd3 Ke7 46.Kc4 Kf6 47.b3 Ke7 48.Bg1 Kf6 49.Bf2 Ke7 50.Kd3 Kf6 51.Ke2 Ke7 52.Kf3 Kf6 53.Be1 Ke7 54.Bd2 Kf6 55.Bc1 Ke7 56.Bb2 Kf6 57.Ba1 Rf8 58.Nb7 Rb8 59.d8Q+ Rxd8 60.Nxd8 Ke7 61.Nxc6+ Kd6 62.Nxe5 Kc5 63.Nxg6 Kc6 64.Nxf4 Kd6 65.Nxh5 Ke6 66.Ng3 Ke7 67.Bd4* 1-0 (67) SouthAfricanWolf (2636)-Banelevich (2641) Blitz 2021*)
8...Nbd7 *(8...h5 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.Rc1 Bb7 11.d5 c5 12.cxb5 Qa5 13.a4 h4 14.Nf4 Ne5 15.bxa6 Bxa6 16.Bxa6 Qxa6 17.Nb5 Qb7 18.Nd3 Nfd7 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.0-0 h3 21.g3 0-0 22.f4 Ng4 23.Rc4 Qd7 24.Qe2 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Rfb8 26.e5 Qg4 27.exd6 exd6 28.f5 Qh5 29.f6 Bh6 30.Qf3 Qe5 31.Rh4 Be3+ 32.Kh1 Rxb5 33.axb5 Ra1 34.Ra4 Rxf1+ 35.Qxf1 Qxd5+* 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Soham0705 (2674) Blitz 2023*)* 9.Qd2 Qa5 10.Nd1 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 bxc4 12.bxc4 c5 13.Ndc3 Nb6 14.Kd3 Nfd7 15.Rb1 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 Ne5+ 18.Kd2 Nexc4+ 19.Bxc4 Nxc4+ 20.Ke2 e5 21.Nc2 Be6 22.Nb4 0-0 23.Nbd5 Rfb8 24.Rb3 Na5 25.Ra3 Nc6 26.Rd1 Ra7 27.Rd2 Nd4+ 28.Ke3 Kg7 29.g3 f5 30.f4 Rc8 31.exf5 gxf5 32.fxe5 dxe5 33.g4 Bxd5 34.Nxd5 Nc2+ 35.Rxc2 Rxc2 36.gxf5 Rxh2 37.Ke4 Re2+ 38.Ne3 Rb7 39.Kxe5 Re7+ 40.Kf4 Kf7 41.Ng4 h5 42.Ne3 h4 43.Nd5 R7e4+ 44.Kg5 Rg2+ 45.Kh6 h3 46.Rxa6 Rh4# 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Stoichess (2711) Blitz 2023]
[7.Qd2 b5 *(7...h5 8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.Nge2 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rac1 Nb6 14.b3 Nfd7 15.Bg5 f6 16.Bh4 Kh7 17.Bf2 Bh6 18.Be3 Bxe3+ 19.Qxe3 Nc5 20.f4 b4 21.Nb1 exf4 22.Nxf4 Nbd7 23.Nxg6 Kxg6 24.e5+ Nxd3 25.Qxd3+ f5 26.e6 Ne5 27.Qd4 Rb8 28.Kh1 a5 29.Nd2 Ba6 30.Rfe1 Qf6 31.Re3 Ng4 32.Qxf6+ Kxf6 33.Rf3 Be2 34.Rf4 Ke5 35.g3 Kxd5 36.Re1 Bd3 37.e7 Rfe8 38.Nf3 Be4 39.Kg1 Rxe7 40.h3 Ne5 41.Ng5 Rg8 42.Rd1+ Kc6 43.Nxe4 fxe4 44.Kh2 h4 45.g4 e3 46.Re1 d5 47.Kg2 Nd3 48.Rf6+ Kc5 49.Re2 d4 50.Rf3 Ne5 51.Rf5 d3 52.Re1 Kd4 53.Rf4+ Kc3 54.Rxe3*

Kc2 55.Rf2+ d2 56.Ree2 Kc1 57.Rf1+ d1Q 58.Rxd1+ Kxd1 59.Rf2 Kc1 60.Rf1+ Kb2 61.Rf2+ Ka3 0-1 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-Felini21 (2635) Blitz 2021*)* 8.Rd1 *(8.Rc1 Nbd7 9.Nh3 bxc4 10.Bxc4 Nb6 11.Bb3 Bxh3 12.gxh3 0-0 13.0-0 a5 14.a3 Rb8 15.Ba2 Nfd7 16.Ne2 c5 17.dxc5 Nxc5 18.b4 axb4 19.axb4 Ncd7 20.Nd4 Ne5 21.f4 Ned7 22.Nc6 Qe8 23.Nxb8 Qxb8 24.Rc6 Qa8 25.Rfc1 Rb8 26.Qc2 Qa3 27.Qb3 Qa6 28.Qxf7+ Kh8 29.b5 Qa4 30.Rc8+ Nf8 31.Qg8#* 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Formax (2687) Blitz 2021*; 8.cxb5 axb5 9.Be2 b4 10.Nd1 Qa5 11.Nf2 Nbd7 12.Ngh3 c5 13.0-0 cxd4 14.Bxd4 0-0 15.a3 bxa3 16.Qxa5 Rxa5 17.Rxa3 Rxa3 18.bxa3 Nb8 19.Rc1 Bd7 20.Rc2 Nc6 21.Bb2 Rb8 22.Bc3 Rb3 23.a4 Nd8 24.a5 Rb1+ 25.Bf1 Bb5 26.g4 Bxf1 27.Rb2 Rxb2 28.Bxb2 Bxh3 29.Nxh3 Nd7 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Nf4 Nc6 32.a6 Nc5 33.Kf2 Nxa6 34.Ke3 Nc5 35.Nd5 e6 36.Nc3 Kf6 37.f4 g5 38.Nb5 gxf4+ 39.Kxf4 Ke7 40.h4 Ne5 41.g5 Ng6+ 42.Kg4 Nxe4 43.Nd4 Ne5+ 44.Kh5 Ng3+ 45.Kh6 Nf5+ 46.Nxf5+ exf5 47.Kxh7 f4 48.h5 f3 49.Kg7 f2 50.h6 f1Q 51.h7 Ng6 52.Kg8 Qa1 53.h8N Qxh8#* 0-1 (53) superfm1 (2632)-stoichess (2592) Blitz 2024*)* 8...0-0 9.h4 *(9.b3 Nbd7 10.Bd3 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.Nge2 b4 14.Na4 Nxa4 15.bxa4 Qa5 16.a3 Rb8 17.Rb1 Qxa4 18.Rxb4 Rxb4 19.Qxb4 Qxb4+ 20.axb4 Bb7 21.Kd2 Nd7 22.Nc1 Rb8 23.Nb3 Bf6 24.Ra1 Bd8 25.Kc3 Bb6 26.Bxb6 Nxb6 27.Bxa6 Rc8+ 28.Kd3 Bxa6+ 29.Rxa6 Nc4 30.Rc6 Rxc6 31.dxc6 Nb6 32.Na5 Kf8 33.Nc4 Nc8 34.Ne3 Ke7 35.Nd5+* 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-crackcubano (2628) Blitz 2023*; 9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 Nbd7 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 b4 13.Na4 a5 14.Nb6 Rb8 15.Nxc8 Rxc8 16.Be2 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.0-0 Qc7 19.Rc1 Rb8 20.Rxc4 Qxc4 21.b3 Qb5 22.Rc1 Nd7 23.Qd3 Bf6 24.Qxb5 Rxb5 25.Rc7 Ne5 26.f4* 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-SouthAfricanWolf (2687) Blitz 2022 *)* 9...Nbd7 *(9...bxc4 10.Bxc4 d5 11.exd5 cxd5 12.Bb3 h5 13.Nh3 Bxh3 14.Rxh3 Nc6 15.Kf2 Na5 16.Bc2 Nc4 17.Qc1 Qb6 18.b3 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Rac8 20.Bb1 Rc7 21.Rhh1 Rfc8 22.Ne2 Kh7 23.g4 Kg8 24.g5 Ne8 25.Rc1 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Rxc1 27.Qxc1 Bxd4+ 28.Kg2 Bc5 29.Nf4 Bd6 30.Ne2 e5 31.Qd2 Nc7 32.Nc3 Qa5 33.Ne4 Bb4 34.Qd1 dxe4 35.Qd8+ Bf8 36.Bxe4 Qxa2+ 37.Kg3 Ne6 38.Qf6 Nf4 39.Qxe5 Qg2+ 40.Kxf4 Bd6* 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-DeRoGaLi (2630) Blitz 2021*)* 10.Nh3 e5 11.Nf2 Qa5 12.a3 bxc4 13.Bxc4 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Be2 Re8 16.0-0 e4 17.fxe4 dxe4 18.d5 Rb8 19.d6 Ne5 20.Ncxe4 Qxd2 21.Nxf6+ Bxf6 22.Rxd2 Bxh4 23.b4 Rd8 24.Ne4 f5 25.Nc5 a5 26.bxa5 Ng4 27.Bc4+ Kg7 28.Bd4+ Kh6 29.a6 Bg5 30.Rd3 Rxd6 31.a7 Ra8 32.Rh3+ Bh4 33.Rxh4+ Kg5 34.Bf2 Nxf2 35.Rxh7 Ng4 36.Rb1 Rd4 37.Rb8 Rxc4 38.Kf1 Rxa7 39.Rxa7 Rxc5 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Saeidbero (2574) Blitz 2022]

[7.a4 a5 8.Qd2 Na6 9.Rd1 Nb4 10.Nge2 Qc7 11.Nc1 e5 12.d5 0-0 13.Be2 cxd5 14.cxd5 Nh5 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.0-0 Nf4 17.Nb3 f5 18.Bc4 fxe4 19.fxe4 Bg4 20.Rc1 Na6 21.Nxa5 Rf7 22.Nb3 Raf8 23.Rf2 Bh6 24.Kh1 Qh4 25.Rcf1 Nxg2 26.Rxf7 Rxf7 27.Rxf7 Nxe3 28.Qf2 Qxf2 29.Rxf2 Nxc4 30.Na5 Nxa5 31.Nxd6 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-bobbystruk (2555) Blitz 2025]

[7.c5 h5 8.Qd2 b5 9.cxb6 Nbd7 10.Bd3 Nxb6 11.Nge2 Be6 12.b3 a5 13.Nf4 Bd7 14.0-0 h4 15.e5 Nfd5 16.e6 Bxe6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bxg6+ Kd7 19.Bf2 Nxc3 20.Qxc3 Nd5 21.Qc2 h3 22.Rac1 Rc8 23.g3 Bh6 24.f4 Qg8 25.Kh1 Qg7 26.Rce1 Rhf8 27.f5 Rf6 28.fxe6+ Kc7 29.Be4 Nb4 30.Qc3 d5 31.a3 dxe4 32.axb4 Qg4 33.d5 Qf3+ 34.Qxf3 Rxf3 35.Rxe4 Rcf8 36.d6+ Kxd6 37.Bc5+ Kc7 38.Rxf3 Rxf3 39.Re1 Rxb3 40.Bxe7 Bd2 41.Rd1 Bxb4 42.Bg5 Bf8 43.Bf4+ Kc8 44.Kg1 Be7 45.Rc1 a4 46.Rxc6+ Kd8 47.Rc1 Ke8 48.Rd1 a3 49.Be5 a2 50.Bf6 Rb1 51.Bxe7 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Felini21 (2637) Blitz 2022]

7...b5 8.Nge2 Nbd7 9.0-0

[9.b3 bxc4 10.bxc4 c5 11.d5 Ne5 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rb1 e6 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.Nd5 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.Nc3 Qa5 19.Bd2 Rab8 20.a4 h5 21.Nb5 c4 22.Bxa5 cxd3 23.Nxd6 Bxa4 24.Bd2 Bc2 25.Rxb8 Rxb8 26.Kf2 Bd4+ 27.Be3 d2 28.Bxd4 d1Q 29.Rxd1 Bxd1 30.Ke3 a5 31.Nc4 a4 32.d6 a3 33.e5 a2 34.d7 Ba4 35.Nb6 Bxd7 36.Nxd7 Rb1 37.Nf6+ Kf8 38.Bc5+ Kg7 39.Ne8+ Kh8 40.Bd4 a1Q 41.Bxa1 Rxa1 42.h4 Ra4 43.f4 Ra3+ 44.Kf2 Kg8 45.g3 Kf8 46.Nf6 Ke7 47.Ne4 Ke6 48.Ng5+ Ke7 49.Kg2 f6 50.exf6+ Kxf6 51.Nf3 Kf5 52.Ne5 Rc3 53.Kf2 Rc2+ 54.Kf3 Ra2 55.Ke3 Ra3+ 56.Kf2 Ra2+ 57.Kf3 Ra3+ 58.Kf2 Ra2+ 59.Kf3 Ra3+ 60.Kf2 ½-½ (60) OnkelKonkel (2655)-Stoichess (2673) Blitz 2022]

9...0-0 10.a3

[10.Rc1 Bb7 11.Qd2 e5 12.Rfd1 Re8 13.b3 exd4 14.Nxd4 Ne5 15.Bf1 c5 16.Nc2 b4 17.Na4 Bxe4 18.Qxd6 Bxc2 19.Qxd8 Raxd8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Rxc2 Rd1 22.Nxc5 Nfg4 23.fxg4 Nxg4 24.Bf2 Nxf2 25.Kxf2 Bd4+ 26.Ke2 1-0 (26) Garoy (2644)-drawingchest (2606) Blitz 2021]

10...e5 11.d5 bxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 13.Bxb6 Qxb6+ 14.Kh1 c5 15.Rb1 a5 16.Bb5 Nh5 17.a4 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bc6 Rb8 20.Nb5 Qd8 21.g3 e4 22.Na7 f4 23.Nxc8 Qxc8 24.Nxf4 Nxf4 25.gxf4 Rxf4 26.fxe4 Rxe4 27.Qf3 Rh4 28.Rg1 Qh3 29.Rxg7+ Kxg7 30.Rg1+ 1-0 (30) Iqevsll (2870)-Soham0705 (2688) Blitz 2023

5...c5 6.d5

[6.Be3 cxd4 7.Bxd4 Nc6 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qd2 Bd7 *(9...Qa5 10.Nge2 Be6 11.Nd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Rfc8 13.b3 Nd7 14.Be2 a6 15.0-0 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 b5 17.f4 Qb6 18.Rad1 Qxd4+ 19.Rxd4 Nb6 20.f5 Bd7 21.f6 Kf8 22.fxe7+ Kxe7 23.Rfd1 bxc4 24.bxc4 Be6 25.Rxd6 Nxc4 26.Bxc4 Rxc4 27.Ne2 Rxe4 28.Ng3 Ra4 29.Rb6 Bxa2 30.Re1+ Be6 31.Ne4 Rc8 32.Ng5 Ra2 33.Nxe6 fxe6 34.Rbxe6+ Kf7 35.Re7+ Kg8 36.Ra7 a5 37.h3 a4 38.Ree7 a3*

39.Rg7+ Kf8 40.Rxh7 Kg8 41.Rhg7+ Kf8 42.Rxg6 Rc3 43.Rb6 Re3 44.Rb8+ Re8 45.Rxe8+ Kxe8 46.Kh2 Kf8 47.h4 Kg8 48.Kh3 Ra1 49.Kg4 Rg1 50.g3 Ra1 51.Kg5 a2 52.g4 Kh8 53.h5 Kg8 54.Kg6 1-0 (54) Superfm1 (2704)-Koshechka22 (2582) Blitz 2024*; 9...Be6 10.Rc1 a6 11.b3 Rb8 12.Nge2 Qa5 13.Nf4 Bd7 14.Ncd5 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Ne5 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.Ned5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bg1 Bc6 22.h3 Nf6 23.Nxf6 Rxf6 24.Bd4 Rg6 25.Bxg7+ Rxg7 26.Rh2 Rbg8 27.Re1 Bxg2 28.Bd3 Bc6 29.Bxf5 Rf8 30.Bg4 Rxf4 31.Rhe2 Rgf7 32.Re7 d5 33.Rxf7 Rxf7 34.c5 d4 35.Kd3 Rf2 36.a4 Rb2 37.Be6 Kg7 38.Kxd4 Kf6 39.Re3 Rd2+ 40.Kc3 Rd1 41.Bc4 Rc1+ 42.Kb4 Rh1 43.Ka5 Ra1 44.Kb6 Bg2 45.h4 Rh1 46.Re6+ Kf5 47.Rh6 Kg4 48.Rxh7 Rxh4 49.Rxh4+ Kxh4 50.Be6 Kg5 51.Bc8 Bd5 52.b4 Bc6 53.a5 Kf6 54.Bxb7 Bxb7 55.Kxb7 Ke6 56.c6 Kd5 57.c7 Kc4 58.Kb6 Kxb4 59.c8Q Ka4 60.Qxa6 Kb4 61.Qb5+ Kc3 62.a6 Kd4 63.Qc5+ Ke4 64.a7 Kf4 65.a8Q 1-0 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-CavaloVoador (2618) Blitz 2023*) 10.Nge2 a6 11.Nf4 Rb8 12.Be2 Re8 13.0-0 Ne5 14.Rac1 b5 15.c5 dxc5 16.Bxc5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.Rfd1 Qc7 19.Be3 e6 20.Nfe2 Bc6 21.Qd6 Qxd6 22.Rxd6 Rec8 23.Nd4 Ne8 24.Nxc6 Nxd6 25.Nxb8 Rxb8 26.Na4 Rb4 27.Bc5 Rxa4 28.Bxd6 Bxb2 29.Rc2 c3 30.Be5 Rxa2 31.Bxc3 Ra1+ 32.Kf2 Bxc3 33.Rxc3 g5 34.Kg3 Kg7 35.h4 h6 36.hxg5 hxg5 37.Rc7 Kg6 38.Ra7 Ra2 39.Rb7 a5 40.Rb6 a4 41.Ra6 a3 42.Kh3 Kf6 43.Ra5 Kg6 44.Kg3 f5 45.exf5+ exf5 46.Ra6+ Kf7 47.Kh3 Ra1 48.Kg3 Ke7 49.Rg6 a2 50.Ra6 Kd7 51.Ra7+ Kc6 52.Ra5 Kb6 53.Ra8 Kb5 54.Kh2 f4 55.Rb8+ Kc4 56.Ra8 Kd3 57.Ra7 Ke3 58.Ra8 Kf2 59.Ra7 Kf1 60.Ra6 Kf2 61.Ra5 Kf1 62.Ra4 Kf2 63.Ra3 Ke2 64.Ra7 Kf2 65.Ra8 Kf1 66.Ra5 Ke1 67.Re5+ Kd1 68.Rd5+ Kc2 69.Rc5+ Kb3 70.Rc8 Rb1 71.Rb8+ Kc2 72.Ra8 a1Q 73.Rxa1 Rxa1 74.Kh3 Ra5 75.Kg4 Kd3 76.g3 Ke3 77.gxf4 gxf4 78.Kh3 Kxf3 79.Kh2 Kf2 80.Kh1 ½-½ (80) MCjgp_Twitch (2803)-chess6699 (2595) Blitz 2022]

[6.Nge2 Nfd7 *(6...cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.Be3 Bd7 9.Qd2 Qa5 10.Nb3 Qc7 11.Rc1 h5 12.Bg5 0-0 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Nxf6+ exf6 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qe7 17.Bd3 Qe5 18.Qd2 Rae8 19.0-0 Rd8 20.f4 Qe7 21.Kh1 Kg7 22.Qc3 Rfe8 23.Rce1 Kg8 24.h3 b6 25.Qd2 a5 26.Qf2 Nb4 27.Bb1 Be6 28.Rc1 Rc8 29.Nd2 b5 30.a3 Na6 31.cxb5 Nc5 32.f5 Bd7 33.fxg6 fxg6 34.Qxf6 Qxf6 35.Rxf6 Kg7 36.Rxd6 Be6 37.b6 Kf7 38.b4 axb4 39.axb4 Na4 40.Rc7+ Rxc7 41.bxc7 Rc8 42.Rc6 Ke7 43.Bd3 Bd7 44.Rc1 Nb6 45.Ba6 Ra8 46.Bb7 Rf8 47.e5 Nc8 48.Nf3 Ke6 49.Bxc8 Bxc8 50.Rc6+ Ke7 51.Rxg6 Kd7 52.Rg7+ Kc6 53.Kh2 Kb7 54.Nd4 Bf5 55.Nxf5 Rxf5 56.Re7 Kc8 57.g4 Rf8 58.g5 Rf2+ 59.Kg3 Rb2 60.g6 Rb1 61.g7 Rg1+ 62.Kh4 Rf1 63.Re8+ Kb7 64.g8Q Kb6 65.Rb8+ Kxc7 66.Rc8+ Kb6 67.Qc4 Ka7 68.Qc5+* 1-0 (68) chipmunknau (2635)-Turboplombir (2582) Blitz 2023 *)* 7.Be3 *(7.d5 Na6 8.Be3 Qa5*

9.Qd2 Nc7 10.Nc1 b6 11.Nb3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Qa4 13.Qb2 Rb8 14.Nd2 Ne5 15.Qb3 Bd7 16.Be2 f6 17.f4 Nf7 18.0-0 0-0 19.Nf3 Qa6 20.Bf2 Ba4 21.Qb2 b5 22.Qd2 bxc4 23.e5 Rfd8 24.e6 Nh6 25.h3 Kg7 26.g4 Qb7 27.Bxc4 Nxe6 28.Rab1 Qxb1 29.Rxb1 Rxb1+ 30.Kg2 Nc7 31.Qe2 Ng8 32.Bd3 Bd1 33.Qd2 Bxf3+ 34.Kxf3 Rb6 35.c4 Na6 36.Qa5 Rdb8 37.Be1 R8b7 38.a3 Nc7 39.Bc2 Rb2 40.Ba4 Ra2 41.Qc3 Rb1 42.Bd2 Na8 43.Kg3 Nb6 44.Bc6 Rbb2 45.Bc1 Rc2 46.Qb3 Nxc4 47.Bd7 Na5 48.Qb1 Rc3+ 49.Kh4 Rh2 50.g5 f5 0-1 (50) Korobov,A (2702)-Nolte,R (2453) Kolkata IND 2012*)* 7...cxd4 *(7...Nc6 8.Qd2 a5 9.d5 Nce5* 0-1 (9) Biriyani (2740)-bahaykubo (2708) Blitz 2022*)* 8.Nxd4 Nc6 9.Be2 0-0 10.Qd2 a5 11.0-0 a4 12.Rfd1 Qa5 13.Rac1 a3 14.b3 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qb6 17.Qxb6 Nxb6 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.cxd5 Rd8 20.Rc7 Rd7 21.Rdc1 Rxc7 22.Rxc7 Kf8 23.Bb5 e6 24.g4 h5 25.gxh5 gxh5 26.Bc4 b5 27.Bxb5 exd5 28.Bc6 Rb8 29.Bxd5 Be6 30.Bxe6 fxe6 31.Ra7 Rb5 32.Rxa3 Rc5 33.b4 Rc2 34.b5 Rb2 35.Rb3 Rxa2 36.b6 Ra8 37.b7 Rb8 38.Kf2 Ke7 39.f4 Kd7 40.f5 exf5 41.exf5 Kc7 42.Kf3 d5 43.Kf4 Kd6 44.Rb6+ Kc5 45.Rb1 d4 46.f6 d3 47.Kf5 d2 48.Rd1 Rxb7 49.Rxd2 Rb1 50.f7 Rf1+ 51.Ke6 Re1+ 52.Kd7 Rf1 53.Ke8 Re1+ 54.Kf8 h4 55.h3 Rg1 56.Re2 Rg3 57.Ke8 Rxh3 58.f8Q+ Kd4 59.Qf4+ Kd3 60.Rd2+ Kc3 61.Qd4+ Kb3 62.Rb2+ 1-0 (62) Muselmen100precent (2774)-maraklokblacknight13 (2566) Blitz 2023]

[6.dxc5 dxc5 *(6...0-0 7.cxd6 exd6 8.Bd3 Re8 9.Nge2 d5 10.cxd5 Nfd7 11.0-0 Ne5 12.Be3 f5 13.Bd4 Nbd7 14.Rc1 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Ne5 16.Qc2 Bd7 17.Rfd1 Rc8 18.Qb3 Kh8 19.Kh1 b5 20.d6 Qh4 21.Ng3 Rc4 22.Nd5 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 Nxf3 24.gxf3 Bxd4 25.Rc7 Be5 26.f4 Bxf4 27.Nxf4 Qxf4 28.Qc3+ Kg8 29.Rxd7 Qh6 30.Re7 Rf8 31.d7 f4 32.Re8 fxg3 33.Rxf8+ Qxf8 34.Qc8 g2+ 35.Kxg2 Kg7 36.Qxf8+ Kxf8 37.d8Q+ Kg7 38.Qa5 a6 39.Qxa6 b4 40.Qb7+ Kh6 41.Qxb4 Kg7 42.e5 Kh6 43.e6 Kg7 44.e7 Kf7 45.Qd6 Ke8 46.Qd8+ Kf7 47.e8Q+ Kg7 48.Qf8#* 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Dede-Liu39 (2560) Blitz 2022*)* 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Be3

A) 8...b6 9.0-0-0+ Nfd7 10.f4 *(10.Kc2 e6 11.Nh3 h6 12.Nf4 Nc6 13.Nb5 Ke7 14.Nd6 Bd4 15.Nxc8+ Raxc8 16.Bc1 Nde5 17.b3 Rhd8 18.Nd3 Nxd3 19.Bxd3 Nb4+ 20.Kb1 g5 21.a3 Nc6 22.Rhe1 Be5 23.Bc2 Bxh2 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.Rh1 Bf4 26.Rxh6 Bxc1 27.Kxc1 Nd4 28.Bd1 Nc6 29.Rh1 a5 30.Be2 Nd4 31.Bd1 Kf6 32.g3 Ke5 33.Rh5 Kf6 34.Rh6+ Kg7 35.Rh5 Kg6 36.Rh1 Nc6 37.Kc2 Kf6 38.f4 gxf4 39.gxf4 Rg8 40.Rh6+ Ke7 41.Rh2 Nd4+ 42.Kd2 Rg3 43.b4 axb4 44.axb4 cxb4 45.Rh8 Nc6 46.e5 b3 47.Ra8 Na5 48.Rc8 b2 49.Kc2 Rg2+ 50.Kb1 Rg1 51.Kxb2 Rxd1 52.Kc3 Rc1+ 53.Kb4 Rxc4+ 54.Rxc4 Nxc4 55.Kxc4 Kf8 56.Kb5 Kg7 57.Kxb6 Kg6 58.Kc6 Kf5 59.Kd6 Kxf4 60.Ke7 Kxe5* 0-1 (60)

Consent_to_treatment (2682)-miki_train (2582) Blitz 2023; *10.Nge2 e6 11.g3 Nc6 12.f4 Ba6 13.b3 Ke7 14.e5 Rad8 15.Bg2 Ndb8 16.Ne4 Rxd1+ 17.Rxd1 Rd8 18.Rxd8 Nxd8 19.N2c3 Nd7 20.Kc2 f6 21.exf6+ Nxf6 22.Nxf6 Bxf6 23.Ne4 Bb7 24.Nxf6 Kxf6 25.Bf1 Be4+ 26.Kc3 Nc6 27.a3 e5 28.b4 Nd4 29.fxe5+ Kxe5 30.Bf4+ Kf6 31.Be3 Ke5 32.h4 h5 33.Bxd4+ cxd4+ 34.Kd2 Bf5 35.Bg2 Be6 36.c5 bxc5 37.bxc5 Bd5 38.Bf1 Be4 39.Bc4 Bd5 40.Bd3 Bf7 41.Bc2 Be8 42.Bb3 Bb5 43.Bf7 Kf6 44.Bg8 Kf5 45.Bd5 Kg4 46.c6 Kxg3 47.c7 Bd7 48.Bf7 Kxh4 49.Bxg6 Kg5 50.Be4 Kf4 51.Bb7 h4 52.c8Q Bxc8 53.Bxc8 Ke5 54.Kd3 a5 55.Bh3 Kd5 56.Bf1 Kc5 57.Bg2 a4 58.Bh3 Kd5 59.Bf1 Ke5 60.Bg2 Kf4 61.Kxd4 Kg3 62.Bc6 h3 63.Bxa4 h2 64.Bc6 Kf2 65.Kc5 Kg1 66.a4 h1Q 67.Bxh1 Kxh1 68.a5 Kg2 69.a6 Kf3 70.a7* 1-0 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-miki_train (2594) Blitz 2023*)*
10...Bxc3 11.bxc3 Bb7 12.e5 Nc6 13.Nf3 Kc7 14.Ng5 Nd8 15.Rg1 h6 16.Nxf7 Nxf7 17.e6 Nd6 18.exd7 Kxd7 19.g4 Raf8 20.Kc2 Kc7 21.Kb3 Bf3 22.Re1 h5 23.f5 gxf5 24.gxf5 Rxf5 25.Bh3 Bg4 26.Bg2 Rhf8 27.Bd5 Bf3 28.Be6 R5f6 29.Bh3 Bg4 30.Bg2 Be6 31.Bg5 Bxc4+ 32.Kb2 Rf2+ 33.Kc1 Rxa2 34.Bxe7 Rff2 35.Bxd6+ Kxd6 36.Be4 Ra1+ 37.Bb1 Bd3 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-miki_train (2579) Blitz 2023;

B) 8...Nfd7 9.0-0-0 Bxc3 10.bxc3 b6 11.h4 Nc6 12.h5 Rg8 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Rh7 Ke8 15.Nh3 Nf8 16.Rh4 f6 17.Rh6 g5 18.Nf2 Be6 19.g3 Na5 20.e5 Rg6 21.Rh8 Bxc4 22.exf6 exf6 23.Ne4 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Nc4 25.Re1 Kf7 26.Nd2 Nxd2 27.Bxd2 Re8 28.Rxe8 Kxe8 29.Rh1 Kf7 30.Kc2 Rg8 31.a4 Ne6 32.Rb1 Rd8 33.a5 Rd6 34.axb6 axb6 35.Ra1 Kg6 36.g4 Nf4 37.Bxf4 gxf4 38.Ra4 Kg5 39.Re4 b5 40.Re8 c4 41.Rg8+ Kh4 42.Rb8 Rd5 43.Rf8 Kg3 44.Rxf6 Kxf3 45.Rf5 Rd7 46.g5 Ke4 47.Rf6 f3 48.g6 Ke3 49.Rf7 Rd8 50.g7 Rg8 51.Kb2 f2 52.Kc2 Rxg7 53.Rxg7 f1Q 54.Re7+ Kf2 55.Rf7+ Ke1 56.Rxf1+ Kxf1 57.Kb2 Ke2 58.Ka3 Kd2 59.Kb4 Kd3 0-1 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-ikica77 (2709) Blitz 2023]

6...Nbd7 7.Nh3

[7.Nge2 h5 8.Bg5 a6 9.a4 Ne5 10.Nc1 h4 11.Be2 Rb8 12.0-0 h3 13.g3 Bd7 14.b3 Nh7 15.Bd2 Nf6 16.Nd3 Nh5 17.Kh1 Nxd3 18.Bxd3 0-0 19.Ra2 Qc8 20.Qe2 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Bxf5 Rxf5 23.Qxe7 Re5 24.Qxd6 Qe8 25.Raa1 Rd8 26.Qxc5 Re2 27.Rae1 Bxc3 28.Bxc3 Rd7 29.Qd4 Ng7 30.Qd3 Rde7 31.Rxe2 Rxe2 32.Qd4 Qe7 33.d6 Qd7 34.Qd5+ Ne6 35.Qd3 1-0 (35) slowchessplayer2001 (2667)-warrior5191 (2623) Blitz 2022]

7...0-0 8.Nf2 Ne8 9.Be3 Nc7 10.Qd2 b5 11.cxb5 a6 12.b6 Nxb6 13.h4 e6 14.h5 exd5 15.hxg6 Bb7 16.Bh6 hxg6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qh6+ Kf6 19.exd5 Ncxd5 20.Nce4+ Ke7 21.Qd2 Rh8 22.Rxh8 Qxh8 23.0-0-0 f5 24.Nc3 Rd8 25.Nd3 Qd4 26.Qg5+ Qf6 27.Qd2 Nxc3 28.bxc3 Nd5 29.Kc2 f4

0-1 (29) lqevsll (2850)-Leonardo_da-Vinci (2718) Blitz 2022

5...Nc6 6.Nge2

[6.Be3 Nd7 *(6...a6 7.Qd2 Rb8 8.Rb1 e5 9.Nge2 exd4 10.Nxd4 0-0 11.Be2 Bd7 12.0-0 Nh5 13.b4 Qh4 14.Rfd1 Be5 15.g3 Nxg3 16.f4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxf4 18.Qd3 Nxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Bg4 20.Qf2 Qxf2+ 21.Bxf2 Bxd1 22.Rxd1 Be5 23.Nd5 c6 24.Nb6 Rfd8 25.Kg2 f6 26.Kf3 Kf7 27.h3 Ke6 28.a4 h5 29.Be3 g5 30.Rg1 Rg8 31.c5 dxc5 32.bxc5 Rbd8 33.Nc4 Rd7 34.Rb1 g4+ 35.hxg4 hxg4+ 36.Kg2 Rh7 37.Nxe5 fxe5 38.Rd1 Rd7 39.Rh1 Rg6 40.Rh8 Rd3 41.Bf2 g3 42.Be1 Rb3 43.Re8+ Kf6 44.Rd8 Rb2+ 45.Bd2 Ke7 46.Rd3 Rg8 47.Kg1 Rd8 48.Bg5+* 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-fastestwaytorome (2567) Blitz 2022*)* 7.Nh3 e5 8.d5 Nd4 9.Ne2 Qh4+ 10.Nf2 Nxe2 11.Bxe2 0-0 12.Qd2 f5 13.g3 Qe7 14.Nd3 fxe4 15.fxe4 Nf6 16.Nf2 c5 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Bf3 b5 19.b3 a5 20.Be2 b4 21.Rae1 a4 22.Bd1 a3 23.Bf3 Rf7 24.Qe2 Raf8 25.Bg5 h6 26.Bc1 Nxd5 27.exd5 Rxf3 28.Ne4 Rxf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 30.Qxf1 Bf5 31.Qf3 h5 32.Kg2 Qd7 33.Bg5 Bxe4 34.Qxe4 Qf5 35.Qxf5 gxf5 36.h3 Kf7 37.g4 Bf6 38.Bd2 Kg6 39.gxf5+ Kxf5 40.Kf3 Bg5 41.Be1 e4+ 42.Ke2 Bf4 43.Bh4 Be5 44.Ke3 Bd4+ 45.Ke2 Kf4 46.Be7 Be5 47.Kf2 e3+ 48.Ke2 Kg3 49.Kxe3 Kxh3 50.Kf3 Kh2 51.Kf2 Bd4+ 52.Kf3 Be5 53.Kf2 Bg3+ 54.Kf3 h4 55.Bg5 Kg1 56.Kg4 Kf1 57.Bxh4 Bxh4 58.Kxh4 Ke2 59.Kg5 Kd2 60.Kf6 Kc2 61.Ke6 Kb2 62.Kxd6 Kxa2 63.Kxc5 Kxb3 64.d6 a2 65.d7 a1Q 66.d8Q Qa7+ 67.Kd5 Qa6 68.Kc5 Qxc4+ 0-1 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2714)-The_appleboy (2831) Blitz 2022]

6...a6

[6...e5 7.d5 Ne7 8.Be3 c6 9.Qd2 cxd5 10.cxd5 Bd7 11.a4 Qa5 12.b4 Qxb4 13.Rb1 Qa5 14.Rxb7 Bc8 15.Rb5 Qd8 16.Rb1 0-0 17.g4 h5 18.h3 Bd7 19.Nc1 Rb8 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Be2 Rc8 22.0-0 Qb4 23.N1a2 Qa3 24.Qc2 hxg4 25.hxg4 Rb8 26.Bb5 Bxb5 27.axb5 Rxb5 28.Nxb5 Qxe3+ 29.Qf2 Qb3 30.Nxd6 Bh6 31.Re1 Bf4 32.Kg2 g5 33.Re2 Ng6 34.Nf5 Qa3 35.d6 Bc1 36.Ne7+ Nxe7 37.dxe7 Bf4 38.Rc2 Qxe7 39.Nc3 Nh7 40.Nd5 Qb7 41.Rc7 Qb1 42.Ne7+ Kh8 43.Rc8+ Kg7 44.Nf5+ Kg6 45.Rc6+ Nf6 46.Qc2 Qe1 47.Rxf6+ Kxf6 48.Qc6# 1-0 (48) Killerkaz (2631)-fazelguseynov (2513) Rapid 2022]

7.Be3 Rb8

[7...Na5 8.Nc1 0-0 9.b4 Nc6 10.Rb1 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Nb3 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Nxd5 Qg5 19.Qd2 Qe5 20.Bc4 Be6 21.0-0 f5 22.Rfe1 Kh8 23.exf5 Qd4+ 24.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 25.Kf1 Bxf5 26.Rbd1 Bg7 27.Re7 Rfd8 28.Ke2 Rac8 29.Bb3 Bf8 30.Rb7 Re8+ 31.Kf1 Rc3 32.Nxc3 1-0 (32) estudiante2008 (2680)-Eminov,O (2648) Blitz 2022]

8.Rc1

[8.Qd2 b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nd4 b4 12.Ncb5 Bd7 13.Rc1 Rb7 14.Qxb4 0-0 15.Be2 e6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Qb3 Re8 18.Qa3 Qb8 19.0-0 c5 20.Nxd6 Qxd6 21.Nb3 Qb8 22.Bxc5 Bf8 23.Rfd1

Bb5 24.Bxb5 Rxb5 25.Bxf8 Rxf8 26.Qe7 Qb6+ 27.Nd4 Rxb2 28.Rc7 Rf7 29.Rc8+ Kg7 30.Qxe6 Rb1 31.Qxb6 Rxd1+ 32.Kf2 1-0 (32) gravereaper (2702)-Serg_T (2504) Rapid 2021]

[8.Rb1

A) 8...0-0 9.b4 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Ng3 *(11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 bxc4 14.Nc6* 1-0 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-bobrock2024 (2560) Blitz 2024*)* 11...e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nge2 Nxe2 14.Bxe2 Bd7 15.0-0 Nh5 16.Rf2 f5 17.Bf1 f4 18.Bd2 g5 19.h3 Ng3 20.Ne2 h5 21.Nxg3 fxg3 22.Re2 g4 23.hxg4 Qh4 0-1 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Shah Moradi,M (2577) Blitz 2022;

B) 8...b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.b4 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.Nc1 Bd7 13.Nb3 0-0 14.Na5 Nh5 15.a4 bxa4 16.b5 a3 17.Qa4 Ra8 18.Qxa3 f5 19.Qb4 fxe4 20.fxe4 h6 21.Nc6 Nxc6 22.dxc6 Bg4 23.Be2 Qh4+ 24.Kd2 Bxe2 25.Nxe2 Ra2+ 26.Kd3 Qg4 27.Qc4+ Kh7 28.Qxa2 Qxg2 29.Rhg1 Qxh2 30.b6 cxb6 31.Rxb6 Rf3 32.c7 Qh3 33.c8Q Qxc8 34.Rxd6 Nf4+ 35.Kd2 1-0 (35) Fastchess2345 (2691)-drawingchest (2600) Blitz 2024]

8...h5

[8...Bd7 9.b3 *(9.Qd2 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nd1 e6 12.Nf2 b4 13.g3 0-0 14.Bg2 Ra8 15.b3 Qb8 16.0-0 Qb5 17.Rc2 Ra6 18.Rfc1 Rc8 19.Nf4 Ra7 20.d5 exd5 21.exd5 Raa8 22.dxc6 Bf5 23.Bf1 Qa5 24.Bd3 Bxd3 25.N2xd3 Re8 26.Bf2 g5 27.Ng2 g4 28.fxg4 Nxg4 29.Qxb4 Qh5 30.Nh4 Rab8 31.Qc4 d5 32.Qc5 Bh6 33.Rf1 Re6 34.Nf4 Bxf4 35.gxf4 Rbe8 36.Bg3 Ne3 37.Rcf2 Nxf1 38.Rxf1 Re2 39.Rf2 Re1+ 40.Kg2 Qg4 41.Qxd5 Rd1 42.Qf3 Qg7 43.f5 Qf6 44.Qg4+ Kh8 45.Qxd1 Qxc6+ 46.Qf3 Qf6 47.Qd3 Rg8 48.Qc4 h5 49.Qxc7 Kh7 50.Qf4 Rg4 51.Qf3 Qg5 52.h3 Rxh4 53.Qe4 Rxe4 54.f6 Re3 55.Rf3 Rxf3 56.Kxf3 Qf5+ 57.Kg2 Qxf6 58.Bf4 Qc6+* 0-1 (58) nastroyani (2600)-datajunkie (2737) Blitz 2024*)* 9...h5 10.Qd2 h4 11.h3 Nh5 12.d5 Na5 13.Bg5 Bf6 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.Nd1 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Qxd6 Nb7 18.Qa3 a5 19.Ne3 c5 20.Rd1 0-0 21.Nc3 Ng3 22.Rg1 Re8 23.Kf2 f5 24.Bd3 Bc6 25.Rge1 Qd4 26.Ne2 Nh1+ 27.Rxh1 Qf6 28.Nd5 Bxd5 29.exd5 Nd6 30.Qc1 g5 31.Rhf1 a4 32.Kg1 axb3 33.axb3 Rxb3 34.Qc2 Rb2 35.Qc3 Rexe2 0-1 (35) whitebishop4761 (2649)-Chess-Network (2639) Blitz 2023]

9.Qd2 h4 10.Nf4 Bd7 11.Be2 e6 12.d5 Ne7 13.dxe6 fxe6 14.c5 e5 15.Nfd5 Nexd5 16.Nxd5 Bc6 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.Bb6 Qd7 19.Nc7+ Kf8 20.Bc4 Bh6 21.Ne6+ Ke7 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Rbc8 24.0-0 Bb5 25.Bxb5 Qxe6 26.Ba4 h3 27.Bb3 Qd7 28.g3 Qb5 29.Rfd1 Rc6 30.Rxc6 Qxc6 31.Qd3 Qc5+ 32.Kf1 Rc8 33.Ke2 g5 34.g4 b5 35.Qe3 Qxe3+ 36.Kxe3 a5 37.Kd2 a4 38.Bc2 d5 39.Bd3 b4 40.Re1 Kd6 41.exd5 Nxd5 42.Be4 Nf4 43.Rd1 b3 44.axb3 axb3 45.Ke3+ Ke7 46.Ra1 Kf8 47.Ra5 Rc1 48.Rxe5 Rh1 49.Rxg5 Ne6 50.Rf5+ Ke7 51.Rb5 Rxh2 52.Rxb3 Rh1 53.Rb7+ Kd6 54.Rh7 Nc5 55.Rh6+ Kc7 56.Rh5 Nd7 57.f4 Re1+ 58.Kd3 Ra1 59.Rxh3 Ra4

60.b3 Nc5+ 61.Kc3 Rxe4 62.b4 Nd7 63.Rh7 Re7 64.Kc2 Kd6 65.Kc1 Rxh7 66.f5 Rh6 67.Kc2 Rh5 68.Kb3 Rh4 69.Ka4 Rh3 70.Ka5 Rh2 0-1 (70) jposthuma (2761)-Chess-Network (2698) Blitz 2021

5...Nbd7 6.Bg5

[6.Be3 e5 *(6...a6 7.Qd2 c5 8.d5 b5 9.cxb5 Qa5 10.a4 0-0 11.Nh3 Nb6 12.Nf2 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Qxa6 15.b3 e6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Qxd6 Ng4 18.Qxe6+ Kh8 19.Nxg4 Bxc3+ 20.Kf2 Rae8 21.Qc6 Qd3 22.Ra2 Rxe4 23.Qxc5 Nd7 24.Qg5 Bd4 25.Re2 Ne5 26.Nxe5 Bxe3+ 27.Qxe3 Rxe3 28.Nxd3 Rxd3 29.Rb2 Rb8 30.Ra1 Rdxb3 31.Rxb3 Rxb3 32.a5 Rb7 33.a6 Ra7 34.Ke3 Kg7 35.Kd4 Kf6 36.Kc5 Ke6 37.Kb6 Ra8 38.a7 Kd7 39.Kb7 Rf8 40.a8Q Rf4 41.Qa7 Rb4+ 42.Ka8+ Ke6 43.Qb7 Rd4 44.Qc8+ Rd7 45.Qc3 Ke7 46.Qc5+ Ke8 47.Ra7 Rd8+ 48.Kb7 Rd7+ 49.Kb6 Rd8 50.Rc7 Rb8+ 51.Kc6 Rb6+ 52.Kxb6 Kd8 53.Qe7#* 1-0 (53) ChessTheory64 (2602)-Lolc5 (2578) Blitz 2023*)* 7.Qd2 *(7.Nh3 h6 8.Nf2 a6 9.Qd2 g5 10.Be2 b6 11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.h4 gxh4 13.Rxh4 Nxe4 14.Rxe4 Bxe4 15.fxe4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Ne5 18.Ng4 Qg5+ 19.Kb1 0-0-0 20.Qd5 Kb8 21.c5 Nxg4 22.Qxg5 hxg5 23.Bxg4 dxc5 24.Rf1 Rd2 25.Bf3 c6 26.Kc1 Rhd8 27.e5 Kc7 28.Ne4 R2d4 29.Nxg5 Rc4+ 30.Kb1 Rd2 31.Rc1 Rb4 32.Rc2 Rxc2 33.Kxc2 Rf4 34.g4 Kd7 35.Kd3 Rd4+ 36.Ke3 Rb4 37.Nxf7 Rxb2 38.g5 Ke6 39.g6 Rxa2 40.Bg4+ Ke7 41.Kf4 Rf2+ 42.Bf3 Rf1 43.Nd6 Rg1 44.Nf5+ Ke6 45.g7 Kf7 46.Bg4 Kg8 47.e6 Re1 48.e7 Kf7 49.Bf3 c4 50.Bxc6 Rf1+ 51.Ke5 Re1+ 52.Be4 Rxe4+ 53.Kxe4 c3 54.e8Q+ Kxe8 55.g8Q+ Kd7 56.Qc4 b5 57.Qc5 Kd8 58.Qb4 Kd7 59.Qxb5+ Kd8 60.Qb4 Kd7* 0-1 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2644)-ajedrezinvencible1 (2595) Blitz 2021 *)* 7...h5 *(7...exd4 8.Bxd4 0-0 9.Nh3 Ne5 10.Nf2 Be6 11.b3 Qe7 12.0-0-0 a5 13.Be2 a4 14.Nxa4 Nxc4 15.Qc3 b5 16.Nb2 Nxb2 17.Qxb2 c5 18.e5 cxd4 19.exf6 Qxf6 20.Bd3 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 Qxg2 22.Ne4 Qxb2+ 23.Kxb2 d5 24.Nd6 b4 25.Nb7 Rfc8 26.Rc1 Rc3 27.Rhd1 Rac8 28.Nd6 R8c6 29.Nb5 h5 30.Nxc3 dxc3+ 31.Kc2 d4 32.Ra1 Rc5 33.a3 bxa3 34.Rxa3 Rg5 35.Re1 Rg2+ 36.Re2 Rg1 37.f4 Bh6 38.Rf2 Rg4 39.Ra4 Bg7 40.b4 g5 41.b5 gxf4 42.Ra8+ Bf8 43.b6 Bd5 44.Rd8 Bc6 45.Rc8 Bd5 46.Bc4 Bh1 47.Rc7 Be4+ 48.Bd3 Bd5 49.b7 Bxb7 50.Rxb7 Bd6 51.Rd7 Be5 52.Bc4 Rg7 53.Kd3 Kf8 54.Re2 f6 55.Rxg7 Kxg7 56.Ke4 Kg6 57.Be6 h4 58.Bf5+ Kg5 59.Rg2+ Kh5 60.Rg8 Kh6 61.Rc8 h3 62.Kf3 Kg5 63.Bxh3 Kg6 64.Bf1 Kf7 65.Bd3 Ke7 66.Rc5 Kd7 67.Rc4 Kd6 68.Ra4 Kd5 69.Ra2 Kc5 70.Rc2 Kd6 71.Ke4 Ke6 72.h4 Kf7 73.Kf3 Kg7 74.Bf5 Kh6 75.Kg4 Kg7 76.Rxc3 Kf7 77.Rd3 Kg7* 0-1 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-E_Kudashoff (2555) Blitz 2021 *)* 8.Bd3 h4 9.Nge2 Nh5 10.0-0-0 a6 11.Kb1 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Ba6 14.Rc1 0-0 15.d5 Rb8 16.Na7 Bxd3+ 17.Qxd3 Rb7 18.Nc6 Qa8 19.Rc3 Nb6 20.Ra3 Qe8 21.Rc1 f5 22.Qa6 Rb8 23.Nxb8 Qxb8 24.Qa7 1-0 (24)

Consent_to_treatment (2698)-E_Kudashoff (2577) Blitz 2021]
6...e5 7.d5 h6 8.Be3 g5 9.h4 gxh4 10.Qd2 Nh5 11.Nge2 Bf6 12.g4 Nf4 13.Nxf4 exf4 14.Bxf4 Ne5 15.Be2 Bg5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Qxe3 Qg5 18.f4 Nxg4 19.Qd4 Qf6 20.Qxf6 Nxf6 21.Rxh4 Rg8 22.0-0-0 Rg6 23.Rdh1 Ke7 24.Rxh6 Bd7 25.e5 dxe5 26.fxe5 Rxh6 27.Rxh6 Ng4 28.d6+ cxd6 29.exd6+ Kf8 30.Rh8+ Kg7 1-0 (30) Iestri (2739)-ajedrezinvencible1 (2608) Blitz 2021

5...e5 6.Nge2

[6.dxe5 dxe5 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Be3 *(8.Bg5 c6 9.0-0-0+ Kc7 10.f4 h6 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.g3 exf4 13.gxf4 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Re8 15.e5 Na6 16.h4 h5 17.Bh3 Nc5 18.Nf3 Bxh3 19.Rxh3 Rad8 20.Ng5 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Re7 22.Rf3 Kb6 23.Kc2 Ka5 24.Rf1 Kb6 25.Rd1 Kc7 26.Rd6 Ne6 27.Nxe6+ Rxe6 28.c5 b6 29.cxb6+ axb6 30.Rxe6 fxe6 31.Kd3 Kb7 32.Kc4 Ka6 33.Kb4 c5+ 34.Ka4 b5+ 35.Kb3 Ka5 36.c4 b4 37.Kc2 Ka4 38.Kb2 Ka5 39.Kb3 Ka6 40.Ka4 Kb6 41.Kb3 Kc6 42.Ka4 Kb6 43.Kb3 Ka5 44.Kc2 Ka6 45.Kb2 Kb6 46.Kb3* ½-½ (46) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-RL12 (2619) Blitz 2021*)* 8...c6 9.g4 *(9.0-0-0+ Kc7 10.h3 Be6 11.f4 Nh5 12.fxe5 Bxe5 13.Nf3 Bf4 14.Bxf4+ Nxf4 15.g3 Nh5 16.Rg1 Nd7 17.Nd4 Rhe8 18.Nxe6+ Rxe6 19.Be2 Nhf6 20.Rgf1 Ne5 21.a3 a5 22.c5 a4 23.Rd4 Nfd7 24.Nxa4 Rxa4 25.Rxa4 Nxc5 26.Ra8 Nxe4 27.g4 Re7 28.Kc2 g5 29.Rh8 f6 30.Bd3 Nxd3 31.Kxd3 Nc5+ 32.Kd2 Ne4+ 33.Kc2 Kd6 34.Rf5 Ke6 35.a4 Rd7 36.b4 Rd2+ 37.Kc1 Rd4 38.b5 Rxa4 39.bxc6 bxc6 40.Rxh7 Ra2 41.Rc7 Kd6 42.Rc8 Rh2 43.Re8 Re2 44.Rd8+ Ke7 45.Rd4 Nd6 46.Rf3 c5 47.Rd5 c4 48.Rc5 Ke6 49.Rc6 Kd5 50.Ra6 Ke5 51.Rfa3 Ne4 52.R3a5+ Kd4 53.Re6 Rh2 54.Ra8 Nc5 55.Rd8+ Kc3 56.Re3+ Nd3+ 57.Kb1 Rh1+ 58.Ka2 Kc2 59.Rexd3 cxd3 60.Rc8+ Kd1 61.Rd8 d2 62.Kb3 Rxh3+ 63.Kb4 Rg3 64.Kc5 Rxg4* 0-1 (64) GRXbullet (2637)-RL12 (2621) Blitz 2021*; 9.c5 Be6 10.0-0-0+ Kc7 11.Nh3 h6 12.Nf2 Nfd7 13.Be2 a5 14.Na4 Na6 15.a3 Bf8 16.Nb6 Nxb6 17.cxb6+ Kc8 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Nd3 Be7 20.Bc5 Bxc5 21.Nxc5 Rxb6 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Rd6 Re8 24.Rhd1 Re7 25.Rd8+ Kc7 26.Rh8 Rg7 27.Rxh6 Rb3 28.Rh8 Re3 29.Re8 g5 30.h3 Rd7 31.Rxe6 Re2 32.g4 Rxd1+ 33.Kxd1 Rxb2 34.Rxe5 b5 35.Rxg5 Rb3 36.Ke2 Rxa3 37.h4 a4 38.h5 Ra2+ 39.Kd3 Rh2 40.Kc3 a3 41.Rg8 Kb7 42.Rg7+ Kb6 43.Rg8 Rh3 44.Kb3 Rxf3+ 45.Ka2 b4 46.h6 Rf2+ 47.Kb3 Rb2+ 48.Kc4 a2 49.Ra8 b3 50.g5 Rb1 51.h7 b2 52.Rb8+ Kc7 53.h8Q Rc1+ 54.Kd4 Rd1+ 55.Ke5* 1-0 (55) Clovis1088 (2616)-Mavi_Alpha (2625) Blitz 2024*)* 9...Nbd7 10.h4 Kc7 11.h5 a6 12.Nh3 b5 13.Ng5 Rf8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Be2 Bb7 16.Rc1 b4 17.Na4 Rad8 18.Kf2 Kb8 19.a3 a5 20.axb4 axb4 21.c5 Ne8 22.Rc4 Nc7 23.Rxb4 f6 24.Rh7 Rg8 25.Nf7 Rdf8 26.Nd6 Nb5 27.Bxb5 cxb5 28.Rxb5 1-0 (28) Clovis1088 (2697)-deadly_wolf_42 (2602) Blitz 2022]

[6.Be3 exd4 7.Bxd4 Nc6 8.Be3

A) 8...Nh5 9.Qd2 *(9.g4 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Ng7 11.Ne2 Ne6 12.Nd4*

Bd7 13.h4 Qe7 14.Be2 h5 15.g5 0-0-0 16.Kf2 Rhf8 17.a4 f6 18.Nxe6 Qxe6 19.Qd5 f5 20.exf5 Qxf5 21.Qxf5 Bxf5 22.c5 d5 23.Rad1 a6 24.Rd2 Ne5 25.Bf4 Nc4 26.Rd4 Na5 27.Be3 Nc6 28.Rf4 Ne7 29.Bd4 Be6 30.Bf6 Rde8 31.Bd3 Bf5 32.Bxe7 Rxe7 33.Bxf5+ gxf5 34.Rd1 c6 35.c4 Re5 36.cxd5 cxd5 37.Rfd4 Rd8 38.Kg3 Kc7 39.Kf4 Re2 40.Rxd5 1-0 (40) pipita09 (2603)-RL12 (2555) Blitz 2021*)* 9...f5 10.exf5 gxf5 11.c5 f4 12.Bf2 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Nxd8 14.0-0-0 Ne6 15.Bc4 Bxc3 16.bxc3 c6 17.Nh3 Rg8 18.Rhe1 Rg6 19.Bxc5 1-0 (19) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-Bakayoyo (2698) Blitz 2024;

B) 8...0-0 9.Nge2 Re8 *(9...Nd7 10.Qd2 Nde5 11.Nf4 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be2 Qe7 14.Rc1 Rae8 15.Ncd5 Qf7 16.0-0 Kh8 17.b3 g5 18.Nh3 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Ng6 20.Bd3 Nce5 21.Be4 c6 22.Nc3 Re6 23.Bxg5 Bf6 24.Bh6 Rg8 25.Kh1 Bg7 26.Bxg7+ Rxg7 27.f4 Nd7 28.f5 Re5 29.fxg6 Qe7 30.Rce1 Nf6 31.Bc2 hxg6 32.Qf2 Ng8 33.Ne4 Rh7 34.Qd4 Rg7 35.Qxd6 Rxe4 36.Qxe7 Rexe7 37.Rxe7 Nxe7 38.Kg2 Kh7 39.h4 Kh6 40.Rf6 Kh5 41.Kg3 Nf5+ 42.Kf4 Nxh4 43.Rf8 g5+ 44.Kg3 Ng6 45.Bxg6+ Kxg6 46.Kg4 Rd7 47.Rg8+ Kf6 48.Rf8+ Kg6 49.Rg8+ Kf6 50.Rxg5 Rd2 51.h4 Rxa2 52.Rg8 Rb2 53.Ra8 Rxb3 54.Rxa7 Rb4 55.Kh5 Rxc4 56.Rxb7 Rc5+ 57.Kh6 Rc4 58.h5 Ke6 59.Rb8 Kd6 60.Kg6 Kc7 61.h6 Rg4+ 62.Kf5 Rh4 63.Rh8 Kb6 64.h7 c5 65.Rb8+ Kc7 66.h8Q Rxh8 67.Rxh8 Kd6 68.Ke4* 1-0 (68) Lucky1357924680 (2658)-Mavi_Alpha (2594) Blitz 2024 *)* 10.Qd2 Nd7 11.0-0-0 Nce5 12.Ng3 Nf8 13.h3 Ne6 14.f4 Nc6 15.Be2 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 Qh4 17.Nf1 Nxf4 18.Bf3 Ne6 19.g3 Qf6 20.Qxf6 1-0 (20) OnkelKonkel (2671)-Nikiton4ik (2559) Blitz 2022]

[6.d5 Nh5 *(6...Nfd7 7.Bd3 Bh6 8.Bxh6 Qh4+ 9.g3 Qxh6 10.Qd2 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 a5 12.b3 Nc5 13.Bc2 Bd7 14.a3 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Nge2 Bxc2 17.Kxc2 Nbd7 18.b4 Na6 19.Kb3 0-0 20.Rhf1 Nf6 21.Ne4 Nxe4 22.fxe4 Rf7 23.Rxf7 Kxf7 24.Rf1+ Ke7 25.Nc3 c6 26.Na4 axb4 27.axb4 c5 28.bxc5 Nxc5+ 29.Nxc5 dxc5 30.h4 Ra5 31.g4 Ra6 32.g5 Rb6+ 33.Kc3 Ra6 34.Rb1 Ra3+ 35.Rb3 Ra7 36.Rb6 Kd7 37.Re6 Ra3+ 38.Kb2 Rh3 39.Rxe5 Rxh4 40.Re6 Rg4 41.Kc3 Rxg5 42.e5 h5 43.Rd6+ Kc7 44.Re6 Kd7 45.Rd6+ Kc7 46.Re6 Kd7* ½-½ (46) AgressiveMode (2641)-RL12 (2637) Blitz 2021*)* 7.Be3 f5 8.Qd2 *(8.exf5 gxf5 9.Qd2 Qh4+ 10.g3 Nxg3 11.Qf2 f4 12.Bd2 Nf5 13.Qxh4 Nxh4 14.Bd3 Bf5 15.Bxf5 Nxf5 16.Nge2 Bf6 17.0-0-0 Nd7 18.Ne4 Kf7 19.Rdg1 Rhg8 20.b4 Nb6 21.c5 Nxd5 22.cxd6 cxd6 23.N2c3 Nxc3 24.Bxc3 d5 25.Nc5 Nh4 26.Rf1 b6 27.Nd3 Rac8 28.Kb2 Rg2+ 29.Kb3 Rxc3+ 30.Kxc3 e4+ 31.Kb3 exd3* 0-1 (31) tornike_sanikidze (2629)-re_Chess (2557) Blitz 2019*)* 8...f4 9.Bf2 Bf6 10.Nge2 Bh4 11.g3 fxg3 12.hxg3 Bg5 13.f4 Bh6 14.Be3 0-0 15.0-0-0 Bg4 16.Bh3 Qd7 17.f5

Bxe2 18.Nxe2 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Qa4 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.Be6+ Kg7 22.Rxh5 Qxc4+ 23.Nc3 gxh5 24.Qg5+ Kh8 25.Qh6# 1-0 (25) curtainsjr (2669)-Muradore,A (2607) Blitz 2020]

6...c6 7.Be3 Nbd7 8.Qd2

[8.d5 cxd5 9.cxd5 a6 10.g4 h5 11.g5 Ng8 12.Nc1 Ne7 13.Be2 0-0 14.Nd3 f6 15.gxf6 Bxf6 16.Qd2 Bh4+ 17.Kd1 b5 18.Rc1 Nb6 19.b3 b4 20.Nb1 a5 21.Rg1 Kh7 22.Qc2 Ba6 23.Qc7 Rb8 24.Nd2 Kh8 25.Qxd8 Rfxd8 26.Nb2 Bxe2+ 27.Kxe2 Nbxd5 28.exd5 Nxd5 29.Rxg6 Nxe3 30.Kxe3 Kh7 31.Rcg1 d5 32.Rg7+ Kh8 33.Nd3 Re8 34.R7g6 Kh7 35.Nc5 Rbc8 36.Nd7 Rc3+ 37.Ke2 e4 38.Rg7+ Kh8 39.fxe4 dxe4 40.R7g6 Kh7 41.Rg7+ Kh8 42.Rf7 Rg8 43.Rxg8+ Kxg8 44.Rf4 Bg5 45.Rxe4 Rc2 46.Rd4 Rxa2 47.Rd5 Bh6 48.Nf6+ Kf7 49.Nfe4 Rb2 50.Rd7+ Ke6 51.Ra7 Ke5 52.Ra6 Kd4 53.Kf3 Bxd2 54.Nxd2 Rxd2 55.Rxa5 Rd3+ 56.Kf4 1-0 (56) Aczgego (2633)-RL12 (2566) Blitz 2021]

8...a6

[8...Qc7 9.d5 c5 10.g4 h5 11.g5 Nh7 12.Rg1 a6 13.Nc1 Rb8 14.a3 0-0 15.b4 b6 16.Nb3 Kh8 17.0-0-0 Rg8 18.Kb2 Ndf8 19.Ka2 Bd7 20.Be2 Bc8 21.Rb1 Bd7 22.h4 f6 23.Rgc1 fxg5 24.hxg5 Bc8 25.bxc5 bxc5 26.Nd1 Nd7 27.Qa5 Rb6 28.Qa4 Bf8 29.Na5 Be7 30.Rxb6 Nxb6 31.Qc6 Qxc6 32.Nxc6 Bxg5 33.Rb1 Nd7 34.Bxg5 Nxg5 35.Ne7 Re8 36.Nxg6+ Kg7 37.Nh4 Nf6 38.Rb6 Rd8 39.Ne3 Nh3 40.Nhf5+ Bxf5 41.Nxf5+ Kg6 42.Nxd6 Nf4 43.Bf1 h4 44.Nb7 Rc8 45.Rc6 Rb8 46.Nxc5 Kg5 47.d6 N6h5 48.d7 Rd8 49.Rc7 Ng3 50.Rc8 Rxd7 51.Nxd7 Nxf1 52.Rg8+ Kh6 53.Nf6 Nd2 54.c5 Nxf3 55.c6 Ne6 56.Re8 Nc7 57.Re7 Kg5 58.Rxc7 Kxf6 59.Rh7 Ng5 60.Rxh4 Ke6 61.Rh6+ Ke7 62.Rg6 Nxe4 63.c7 Kd7 64.Rxa6 Kxc7 65.Re6 Nc3+ 66.Kb3 Nd5 67.Rxe5 Nb6 68.Re3 Kc6 69.Rc3+ Kb5 70.Kb2 Na4+ 71.Kc2 Ka5 72.Rb3 Ka6 73.Kb1 Nc5 74.Ka2 Ne4 75.Rb4 Nd2 76.Rb3 1-0 (76) Consent_to_treatment (2614)-RL12 (2596) Blitz 2021]

9.d5

[9.Rd1 b5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 h5 12.h4 0-0 13.Nc1 Nh7 14.Nb3 Rb8 15.Bf2 Nhf6 16.Nb1 b4 17.Rc1 a5 18.Rc6 Bb7 19.Rc2 Ra8 20.Bb5 Kh7 21.0-0 Bh6 22.Qe2 a4 23.Nc1 Nc5 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 Qa5 26.Nd2 Rfc8 27.Rfc1 Rxc2 28.Rxc2 Kg7 29.Bc6 Ba6 30.Nc4 Bxc4 31.Qxc4 Rb8 32.Kh2 Bf4+ 33.Kh3 Qd8 34.g3 Bh6 35.Kg2 Ng8 36.Bxa4 g5 37.hxg5 Bxg5 38.Qc7 Qf8 39.Rc6 Be7 40.Qd7 Nf6 41.Qf5 Ra8 42.Bb3 Kh8 43.Be3 Qg7 44.Bg5 Rg8 45.Bh4 Nh7 46.Qxh5 Bxh4 47.Qxh4 f5 48.exf5 e4 49.fxe4 Qxb2+ 50.Kh3 Qf2 51.Rc7 Qf1+ 52.Kh2 Qf2+ 53.Kh1 Qf1+ 54.Kh2 Qf2+ 55.Kh3 Qe1 56.Kh2 Qe2+ 57.Kg1 Qe1+ 58.Kg2 Qe2+ 59.Kh3 Qf1+ 60.Kh2 ½-½ (60) positinal_style (2677)-RL12 (2632) Blitz 2022]

9...cxd5 10.cxd5 h5 11.h3

[11.0-0-0 b5 12.Kb1 0-0 13.Nc1 Nc5 14.Nd3 Na4 15.Rc1 Nxc3+ 16.Qxc3 Bd7 17.Qc7 Qe7 18.Be2 Rfc8 19.Qa5 Kh7 20.Nb4 Bh6 21.Bxh6 Kxh6 22.Rxc8 Bxc8 23.Rc1 Ne8 24.Nc6 Qb7 25.Qd8 Bd7 26.Qe7 Bxc6 27.Qf8+ Ng7 28.dxc6

Qxc6 29.Qxg7+ 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-RL12 (2587) Blitz 2021]
11...h4 12.0-0-0 b5 13.Kb1 Qa5 14.Nc1 Nh5 15.Bd3 0-0 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Ndxf6 18.Qg5 Kg7 19.Qxh4 b4 20.N3e2 Bd7 21.g4 Nf4 22.Nxf4 exf4 23.Qg5 Rfc8 24.Qxf4 Qb6 25.h4 Bb5 26.h5 Ng8 27.h6+ Kh8 28.h7 1-0 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-RL12 (2603) Blitz 2023
5...c6 6.Be3
[6.Bg5 a6 7.a4 *(7.Qd2 b5 8.0-0-0 Bb7 9.e5 dxe5 10.dxe5 Qxd2+ 11.Bxd2 Nfd7 12.e6 fxe6 13.Nh3 Nf8 14.a4 e5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.axb5 Ne6 17.Kb1 Nd4 18.Bc4 Nd7 19.bxc6 Bxc6 20.Nd5 Ra4 21.b3 Rxc4 22.bxc4 Bxd5 23.cxd5 0-0 24.Bc3 Rb8+ 25.Kc1 Rc8 26.Kd2 Nb3+ 27.Kc2 Nd4+ 28.Kd2 Nb3+ 29.Kc2 Nd4+ ½-½ (29) Sandipan,C (2640)-Perelshteyn,E (2534) King of Prussia USA 2010)* 7...a5 8.Qd2 Na6 9.Rd1 *(9.Nge2 Nb4 10.Ng3 0-0 11.Be2 e5 12.d5 cxd5 13.cxd5 h6 14.Bxh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Nc2+ 16.Kd2 Nxa1 17.Rxa1 Qb6 18.Kc2 Qf2 19.Nd1 Qxg2 20.Ne3 Qh3 21.Qg5 Nh7 22.Qe7 Qd7 23.Qh4 Qh3 24.Qe7 Qxh2 25.Rh1 Qxg3 26.Rxh7 Kxh7 27.Qxf8 Qf4 28.Ng4 Bxg4 29.Qxa8 Bxf3 30.Bxf3 Qxf3 31.Qxb7 Qxe4+ 32.Kc1 Kg7 33.Qc6 Qb4 34.Qb5 Qc5+ 35.Kb1 g5 36.Qd3 Qb4 37.Qf5 Qf4 38.Qd7 e4 39.Qd8 e3 40.Qxa5 e2 41.Qc3+ f6 42.Qc7+ Kh6* 0-1 (42) mate-in-three (2622)-stammargg (2596) Blitz 2021*)* 9...0-0 10.Bd3 e5 11.Nge2 exd4 12.Nxd4 Qb6 13.Be2 Nc5 14.Be3 Re8 15.0-0 Nfd7 16.Qc2 f5 17.Kh1 fxe4 18.fxe4 Ne5 19.h3 Be6 20.b3 Rad8 21.Rb1 Qc7 22.Qd2 Rf8 23.Rfd1 Bc8 24.Bg5 Rde8 25.Bh6 Bxh6 26.Qxh6 Qe7 27.Qe3 Nf7 28.Re1 Ng5 29.Bd3 Bf5 30.Nxf5 Rxf5 31.Bc2 Re5 32.Rbd1 Rf8 33.Qg3 Rf6 34.Rd2 Nf7 35.Rf2 Ree6 36.Ref1 Rxf2 37.Qxf2 Ng5 38.Re1 Rf6 39.Qg3 Qe5 40.Qxe5 dxe5 41.Nd1 Nge6 42.Ne3 Nd4 43.Ng4 Re6 44.Bd1 h5 45.Nf2 Rd6 46.h4 Nde6 47.g4 Rd2 48.Re2 Rd4 49.gxh5 gxh5 50.Re3 Nf4 51.Rg3+ Kf7 52.Rg5 Rd2 53.Rxe5 Nce6 54.Kg1 Nd4 55.Bxh5+ Nxh5 56.Rxh5 Nxb3 57.Rh7+ Kg6 58.Rxb7 Nd4 59.Ra7 Nf3+ 60.Kg2 Ne5 61.Rxa5 Kf6 62.Kg3 Nxc4 63.Ng4+ Kg7 64.Ra7+ Kg6 65.Rc7 Na5 66.Ne5+ Kf6 67.Nxc6 Nc4 68.Nb4 Ne5 69.a5 Rb2 70.Nd5+ Ke6 71.a6 Ra2 72.a7 Ra3+ 73.Kf4 Kd6 74.h5 Nd3+ 75.Kf5 Nb4 76.Rc8 1-0 (76) Zhou Jianchao (2660)-Li Shilong (2520) Xinghua Jiangsu CHN 2011]
6...Nbd7 7.Qd2
[7.Nh3 a6 8.Nf2 Qc7 9.Be2 b5 10.0-0 0-0 11.Rc1 b4 12.Na4 c5 13.Nd3 cxd4 14.Bxd4 e5 15.Be3 Nh5 16.Nxb4 Nc5 17.Nd5 Qa5 18.Nab6 Be6 19.b4 Qxa2 20.bxc5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rac8 22.Nxc8 Rxc8 23.cxd6 Rd8 24.Qc2 Qa3 25.Qc3 Qxd6 26.Qc7 Qf8 27.Bxa6 Bf6 28.Bc5 Qe8 29.Qc6 Rd7 30.Bb5 Bg5 31.Qxd7 Qa8 32.Qe8+ Qxe8 33.Bxe8 Bxc1 34.Rxc1 Nf4 35.Bb5 f5 36.Be3 fxe4 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Strategy64Chess (2657) Blitz 2024]
7...a6 8.Nh3 b5 9.Nf2 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nc5 12.b4 Ncd7 13.a4 bxa4 14.Nxa4 0-0 15.Bd3 Nh5 16.0-0 f5

17.Bg5 Bf6 18.Bxf6 Ndxf6 19.Rfc1 Nf4 20.Bf1 fxe4 21.fxe4 Ng4 22.Nxg4 Bxg4 23.g3 Nh3+ 24.Bxh3 Bxh3 25.Qe3 Rb8 26.Rab1 Qf6 27.Nb6 Rxb6 28.Qxb6 Qf3 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-bobbystruk (2535) Blitz 2025

5...a5 6.Be3 Nbd7 7.Nh3 a4 8.Nf2 a3 9.b3 c5 10.Be2 cxd4 11.Bxd4 0-0 12.0-0 b6 13.Qd2 Bb7 14.Rfd1 Qb8 15.Nb5 Bc6 16.Rac1 Rd8 17.Qb4 h5 18.Rc2 Bxb5 19.cxb5 Nc5 20.Bc4 e6 21.Qc3 Ne8 22.Bxg7 Nxg7 23.Rcd2 Qc7 24.Qf6 Nd7 25.Qe7 Re8 26.Qxd6 Qxd6 27.Rxd6 Ne5 28.Rxb6 Rec8 29.Ra6 Rxa6 30.bxa6 Nxc4 31.bxc4 Ra8 32.Rd6 Ne8 33.Rc6 Kf8 34.Nd3 Ke7 35.Nc5 Nd6 36.Nb7 Nc8 37.Rc7+ Kf6 38.c5 Na7 39.Nd6 Nb5 40.Nxb5 Rxa6 41.h4 Ke5 42.c6 f5 43.exf5 gxf5 44.Rc8 Rb6 45.Nxa3 Ra6 46.c7 Rxa3 47.Rg8 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Woodtree (2611) Blitz 2025

5...Nfd7 6.Be3 e5 7.Nge2 [7.d5 Bh6 8.Bf2 a5 9.h4 f5 10.h5 Nf6 11.hxg6 hxg6 12.Bd3 Kf7 13.Nh3 Nh5 14.Qc2 Nf4 15.Nxf4 Bxf4 16.Ke2 Na6 17.a3 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.g3 Bh6 20.g4 Bxe4 21.Bxe4 Qf6 22.Rh3 Nc5 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Rah1 Bg7 25.Qb3 Rxh3 26.Rxh3 Qb6 27.Qc3 Rh8 28.Rxh8 Bxh8 29.f4 Qf6 30.f5 gxf5 31.gxf5 Qh4 32.Qf3 Bf6 33.Kd3 Time forfeit 1-0 (33) rdm89 (2653)-Arhangel89 (2532) Blitz 2024]
7...Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.h4 f5 10.h5 f4 11.Bf2 g5 12.h6 Bf6 13.0-0-0 a6 14.dxe5 Ndxe5 15.Nd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 b5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Bxb5 Be6 19.Kb1 c6 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Bxc6 Rb8 22.Bd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5+ Kh8 24.Rc1 Qb6 25.b3 Qb4 26.Qd3 Qa3 27.Rc2 Rfc8 28.Rhc1 Ra8 29.Nb5 Rxc2 30.Qxc2 Qa6 31.Nc7 1-0 (31) Superfm1 (2668)-Adiinfo (2302) Rapid 2023

[76] **6.g4** Nc6 7.d5 Ne5 8.h4 h5 9.g5 Nfd7 10.f4 Ng4 11.Bd3 Nc5 12.Bc2 e6 13.Nf3 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 exd5 15.cxd5 Re8 16.Qd4 Bf5 17.Nd2 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Bxe4 19.Bxe4 Qe7 20.Rb1 Qxe4+ 21.Qxe4 Rxe4+ 22.Kd2 b6 23.Rf1 Rae8 24.f5 Re2+ 25.Kd3 Rxa2 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Kc4 a6 0-1 (27) Elda64 (2734)-coachvovk (2717) Blitz 2016

6.h4 c5 7.d5 e6 8.Bd3 exd5 9.cxd5 Re8 10.Nge2 Na6 11.Bxa6 bxa6 12.Bf4 Rb8 13.Qd2 a5 14.0-0 Ba6 15.Rfe1 Qb6 16.b3 Nd7 17.Rac1 Ne5 18.Kh1 Nd3 19.Bh6 Nxc1 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Nxc1 Qb4 22.h5 Qd4 23.h6+ Kg8 24.Qb2 Qf6 25.Qd2 c4 26.Kg1 cxb3 27.Nxb3 Rbc8 28.Nd4 Rc4 29.Nce2 Bb7 30.Rb1 Ba8 31.Rc1 Rec8 32.Rb1 1-0 (32) BlackBoarder (2651)-Liochess13 (2618) Blitz 2023

[77] **6...e5** 7.dxe5 [7.Bg5
A) 7...c6
A1) 8.Qd2 Nbd7
A1a) 9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5
A1a1) 10...a6 11.h4 *(11.a4 Nc5 12.Nc1 a5 13.Bb5 h6 14.Be3 Nh5 15.0-0 Nf4 16.Ra3 f5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Nd3 b6 19.Bc6 Rb8 20.Nxf4 exf4 21.Qxf4 fxe4 22.Qxb8 exf3 23.Ne4 Bd4+ 24.Rf2 fxg2 25.Rg3 Rxf2 26.Nxf2 Bxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Qf8+ 28.Rf3*

g1Q+ 29.Kxg1 Qxf3 30.Qxc8+ Kg7 31.Qc7+ Kg8 32.Qd8+ Kg7 33.Qe7+ Kg8 34.Qe6+ Kg7 35.Qe5+ Kg8 36.Bb5 Qg4+ 37.Kh1 Qf3+ 38.Kg1 Qg4+ 39.Kf2 Qh4+ 40.Ke3 Qh3+ 41.Kd2 Qg2+ 42.Kc3 Qf3+ 43.Bd3 Qf2 44.Qe6+ Kf8 45.Qd6+ Kf7 46.Qxg6+ Kf8 47.Qxh6+ Ke7 48.Qe6+ Kd8 49.Qd6+ Kc8 50.Qc6+ Kd8 51.Qxb6+ Ke8 52.Bg6+ Ke7 53.Qe6+ Kd8 54.Qg8+ Ke7 55.Qf7+ Qxf7 56.Bxf7 c4 57.Kxc4 Kxf7 58.Kb5 Ke8 59.Kxa5 Kd7 60.Kb6 Kd6 61.a5 Kxd5 62.h4 Kc4 63.h5 Kb3 64.h6 Ka2 65.h7 Kxb2 66.h8Q+ Ka2 67.Qd4 Kb3 68.a6 Kc2 69.a7 Kb3 70.Kb5 Kc2 71.Kb4 Kb1 72.Qf2 Kc1 73.Kb3 Kd1 74.Kc3 Kc1 75.Qc2# 1-0 (75) speedytiger301 (2602)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2575) Blitz 2020*)* 11...h5 12.g4 Qa5 13.gxh5 Nxh5 14.Be7 Re8 15.Bxd6 Qb6 16.Ba3 Kh7 17.Na4 Qf6 18.Qd3 b5 19.Nc5 Nxc5 20.Bxc5 Bd7 21.Rc1 Rac8 22.b4 a5 23.a3 axb4 24.axb4 Bh6 25.Ra1 Ra8 26.Ra5 Qd8 27.Qa3 Rxa5 28.Qxa5 Qf6 29.Qa3 Nf4 30.Nxf4 Qxf4 31.Kf2 Rc8 32.Be2 Qf6 33.h5 Kg7 34.hxg6 fxg6 35.Qa7 Qf7 36.Be3 Bxe3+ 37.Qxe3 Qf4 38.Qxf4 exf4 39.Ra1 Bh3 40.Bxb5 Rc2+ 41.Be2 Kf7 42.b5 Rb2 43.Ra7+ Kf6 44.Ra6+ Kg5 45.b6 Bd7 46.Ra7 Bb5 47.b7 Bxe2 48.b8Q Rxb8 49.Kxe2 Rb2+ 50.Kd3 Rb3+ 51.Kd4 Rxf3 52.d6 Rf1 53.e5 f3 54.Ke3 Kg4 55.d7 Rd1 56.e6 Kg3 57.e7 f2 58.e8Q Re1+ 59.Kd2 Rxe8 60.dxe8Q f1Q 61.Qxg6+ Kh2 62.Rh7+ Qh3 63.Rxh3+ Kxh3 64.Qg5 1-0 (64) Itinerant69 (2635)-BBMSARA (2643) Blitz 2023;

A1a2) 10...Nc5 11.Ng3 Bd7 12.Be2 Qb6 13.Be3 h5 14.Rb1 a5 15.0-0 a4 16.Nh1 Rfc8 17.Nf2 Qa5 18.Rfc1 h4 19.Bg5 h3 20.g4 Nh7 21.Be3 f5 22.Nxh3 fxg4 23.fxg4 b5 24.Nf2 b4 25.Ncd1 Nf6 26.Bf3 a3 27.bxa3 Qxa3 28.Qxb4 Qxa2 29.Nc3 1-0 (29) Tkachiev,V (2645)-Relange,E (2490) Bastia FRA 1998;

A1b) 9.0-0-0 Qa5 *(9...a6 10.h4 Qa5 11.h5 Nxh5 12.g4 Nhf6 13.Bh6 exd4 14.Nxd4 Ne5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qh6+ Kg8 17.Be2 b5 18.Nxc6 Nxc6 19.Rxd6 Be6 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.Rxf6 Rfc8 22.exd5 Ne5 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.Qh8+ Ke7 25.Re6+ fxe6 26.Qxe5 Rf8 27.Rh7+ Rf7 28.Qxe6+ Kd8 29.Rxf7 Qe1+ 30.Kc2 bxc4 31.Qd7#* 1-0 (31)

Itinerant69 (2695)-BBMSARA (2688) Blitz 2023*)* 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nc5 12.Kb1 Bd7 13.Nc1 b5 14.N3e2 b4 15.h4 Ba4 16.b3 Bb5 17.h5 Nfxe4 18.fxe4 Nxe4 19.Qe3 Nxg5 20.Qxg5 Qb6 21.h6 Bh8 22.Ng3 Bd7 23.Bc4 f5 24.Nh5 a5 25.Ng7 a4 26.Qe7 Rf7 27.Qh4 axb3 28.Bxb3 f4 29.Nd3 Bf5 30.Nxf5 Rxf5 31.Nb2 e4 32.Nc4 Qc7 33.Qe1 Re8 34.Qxb4 Rd8 35.Rhe1 Qe7 36.Bc2 Qf6 37.Qb2 Qf7 38.Qb3 Qf6 39.Nb2 Re5 40.Rxe4 Rxe4 41.Bxe4 Qf8 42.Bf3 Rb8 43.Bg4 Be5 44.Be6+ Kh8 45.Nc4 Rxb3+ 46.axb3 Qxh6 47.Nxe5 dxe5 48.d6 Qf8 49.d7 Qd8 50.Rc1 Kg7 51.Rc8 Qb6 52.d8Q Qg1+ 53.Ka2 Qf2+ 54.Ka3 Qa7+ 55.Kb4 Qb7+ 56.Kc4 Qa6+ 57.Kd5 Qxe6+ 58.Kxe6 Kh6 59.Qf8+ Kh5 60.Kxe5 Kg4 61.Qxf4+ Kh5 62.Rc3 g5 63.Rh3+ Kg6 64.Qf6# 1-0 (64) kflorian (2706)-Mavi_alpha (2577) Blitz 2021;

A2) 8.d5 c5 9.Qd2 a6 10.g4 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.Nec3 Qb6 14.a4 Nbd7 15.Be2 Rfc8 16.Be3 Ne8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.b3 Bf8 19.Rfb1 Nc7 20.Kg2 Bxb5 21.axb5 Nb6 22.h4 Qb7 23.h5 Bg7 24.h6 Bh8 25.g5 Ne8 26.Ra6 Nc7 27.Rxa8 Rxa8 28.Qb2 Qc8 29.Ra1 Qd8 30.Rxa8 Qxa8 31.Qa2 Qxa2 32.Nxa2 f6 33.b4 Na4 34.bxc5 Nxc5 35.Bxc5 dxc5 36.b6 1-0 (36) gg-gm-gmg (2722)-Jzs2003 (2569) Blitz 2021;

B) 7...h6 8.Be3 c6 *(8...a5 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.0-0-0 Kh7 11.g4 a4 12.a3 c6 13.Kb1 Qa5 14.Ng3 exd4 15.Bxd4 Ne5 16.Be2 Be6 17.Bxe5 dxe5 18.Qe3 Rfd8 19.h4 Nd7 20.h5 g5 21.Nf5 Nc5 22.Na2 Bf8 23.Nb4 Nb3 24.Nc2 Bc5 25.Qc3 Qxc3 26.bxc3 Nd2+ 27.Kb2 Nxc4+ 28.Bxc4 Bxc4 29.Nce3 Bb3 30.Rxd8 Rxd8 31.Rh2 Rd3 32.Re2 b5 33.Kc1 Rxc3+* 0-1 (33) WhiteBishop4761 (2690)-Mavi_Alpha (2585) Blitz 2022 *)* 9.Qd2 Kh7 *(9...Nbd7 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 a6 12.Nc1 b5 13.Be2 Nh5 14.0-0 Nf4 15.g3 Nxe2+ 16.N1xe2 f5 17.Bxh6 b4 18.Nd1 fxe4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.fxe4 Rxf1+ 21.Kxf1 Nc5 22.Nf2 a5 23.Kg2 Ba6 24.Ng1 Qf6 25.Qe3 Rf8 26.Ngh3 a4 27.Rc1 b3 28.axb3 axb3 29.Ra1 Kg8 30.Ng5 Nd3 31.Ng4* 1-0 (31) Itinerant69 (2690)-MassterofMayhem (2660) Blitz 2023 *)* 10.0-0-0 Nbd7 11.g4 a6 12.h4 h5 13.Ng3 exd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 1-0 (14) Itinerant69 (2695)-MassterofMayhem (2673) Blitz 2023;

C) 7...exd4 8.Nxd4

C1) 8...h6 9.Be3 GM Jan Werle: '.' Nc6 10.Qd2 Bd7 *(10...Nxd4* Black's most popular response. Please look at the theory section. *)* 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Bd3 *(12.Bxh6* is wrong, due to *Nxe4!)* 12...Nd7 13.0-0 GM Jan Werle: 'White is aiming to take on h6 now.' *(13.Bxh6?? Qh4+!)* 13...Kh7 14.b4 Ne5

GM Jan Werle: 'Vacating the d7-square for the bishop, in case of b4-b5.' 15.Be2 a6 *(15...f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Rac1 b6 18.Nd5±)* 16.Rac1 Bd7 17.Rfd1 *(* White could undertake immediate action to drive off the knight. *17.f4!? Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.f5!* when the bishop is gonna be locked in.*)* 17...Be6 18.Nd5 GM Jan Werle: '!' GM Jan Werle: 'This knight is like a thorn in black's flesh. In case of c7-c6, the d6 pawn would become chronically weak.' Nd7 GM Jan Werle: '?' GM Jan Werle: 'The fatal mistake.' *(18...f5!?* Probably the best. *19.f4 Nd7 20.exf5 Bxf5 21.Bd4!* trying to exchange the strong bishop on g7, would lead to a slightly better position for White.*; 18...c6 19.Nf4±)* 19.Nf4 GM Jan Werle: '!?' *(19.c5!* is very strong, since *dxc5* runs into *20.Nf4!* , when the knight on d7 is in trouble. *Ne5 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Qc2* White's structure is still intact and he rejoices at his bishop pair. *Qe8 23.Qxc5±)* 19...Qf6 20.c5 GM Jan Werle: '!' GM Jan Werle: 'With the similar idea as in the variation starting with 19.c5, causing irreparable damage to black's pawn structure.' Ne5 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 GM Jan Werle: 'Black is lost, as he is going to lose one of the two pawns.' Nc6 24.Qxd6 Qb2 25.Qd2 Rfd8 26.Qxb2 Bxb2 27.Rb1 Rxd1+ *(27...Bd4* exchanging one of the bishops, doesn't bring any relieve after *28.Kf2!* Improving the king's position. White has a winning advantage.*)* 28.Rxd1 Kg8 29.Bc4 GM Jan Werle: 'Dark clouds are gathering above black's position.' Rc8 30.Bb3 *(* Please be patient, since *30.Rd7* contains its drawbacks (to put it mildly). *Ne5!)* 30...Rc7 31.Bxh6 Nxb4 32.Bf4 1-0 (32) So,W (2770)-Perez,M (2417) chess.com INT 2020;

C2) Straightforward development works best: a) 8...c6?! 9.Qd2! immediately prepares to double against the weakened pawn on d6. After h6 10.Be3 White exerts unpleasant pressure:

C2a) 10...d5 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.e5 Nfd7 13.f4! Nb6 14.Be2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.0-0 and there was nothing to offset Black's structural problems in Z.Polgar-S.Pickles, Adelaide 1986. *(16.--)*;

C2b) 10...Re8 11.0-0-0! h5 12.Nc2 d5 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.exd5 Nbd7 15.h3! Nb6 16.g4 Bd7 17.Bd4! Rc8 18.Kb1 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 and Black later drew from a lost position because of a missed tactic in I.Sokolov-R. Tibensky, Stary Smokovec 1991.;

C3) b) Normally Black puts a knight on e5 to pressure c4, but 8...Nbd7 9.Qd2 Re8 10.Be2 Nc5 is an alternative interpretation. Now 11.0-0-0!? a5! 12.g4! a4 13.h4 a3 14.b3

c6 15.h5 Qa5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bh6 Bh8 was a full-blooded fight. White played 18.Rhg1!? as prophylaxis against ...Bxg4, but mistakenly allowed it anyway: Kf7

C3a) 19.Be3?! Bxg4!? 20.Rxg4? Nxg4 21.fxg4 Nxb3+! 22.Nxb3 Qxc3+ 23.Qxc3 Bxc3 24.Bf3 Be5 and the game K.Sakaev-L. Yurtaev, Dubai 1999, was later drawn. *(24...--)*;

C3b) 19.Bf4! ties Black down with 19...Rd8 *(* because of *19...Bxg4? 20.Bxd6! Bh5 21.Rg5! .)*;

C4) 8...Re8 9.Qd2 c6 10.0-0-0 Na6 11.h4 h5 12.g4 Qb6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.gxh5 1-0 (14) Itinerant69 (2611)-wallywally (2754) Blitz 2023;

C5) 8...Nc6 9.Nc2 *(9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Be2 Rb8 11.Qd2 h6 12.Be3 Nd7 13.Bxa7 Rb7 14.Be3 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qf6 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Rac1 Bh3 18.Rf2 Rfb8 19.b3 h5 20.Qd1 Qe7 21.Bf1 Bxf1 22.Qxf1 Ra8 23.Kg2 Qe6 24.Rd2 h4 25.Qe2 h3+ 26.Kg1 Re8 27.Bd4 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Qf1 f4 30.gxf4 Ng6 31.Bxg7 Kxg7 32.Re2 Qf7 33.Rxe8 Qxe8 34.Re1 Qd7 35.Qd3 Rb8 36.Qd4+ Kh7 37.Qf6 Rf8 38.Qg5 Rxf4 39.Ne4 Qf7 40.Rf1 Rxf3 41.Qh5+* 1-0 (41) Dragonkiller95 (2647)-MichaelBaron (2612) Blitz 2022 *)*

C5a) 9...h6 'Ü 81/458 Simic, R: '— 81/458' Simic,R: '— 81/458 Simic,Radoslav: 'Ü 81/458'" 10.Be3

C5a1) 10...Nh5!?N

C5a11) White can try 11.Qd2!? with play very similar to 10...Nh7 after f5 12.0-0-0 *(*or *12.exf5 gxf5 13.0-0-0 Qf6 .)*;

C5a12) 11.g4 Nf6 *(* Like it or not, Black had to try *11...Bxc3+! 12.bxc3 Ng7* . It's dangerous to give up the fianchettoed bishop in this way, but White's pawn structure on both sides of the board is compromised and the game is unclear.*)* 12.Qd2 Ne5 13.Be2 Be6

C5a121) 14.b3 c6 Δ Qa5 ⇄ →–a5→ *(14...c5)*;

C5a122) 14.0-0-0!

C5a1221) Eric Montany: 'a)' 14...Nxc4 Eric Montany: '?' 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Bxh6± Eric Montany: 'is clearly awful.';

C5a1222) 14...Bxc4 15.f4± Bxe2 16.fxe5 Bxd1 17.exf6 Qxf6 *(17...Bxc2?? 18.fxg7* wins *)* 18.Rxd1 and the knights are worth more than the rook and pawn or two. Rooks make awful defenders and White can rapidly bring all of his

firepower to bear upon Black's king.;
C5a1223) 14...h5 15.gxh5! *(* though *15.g5 Nfd7 16.b3 a5 17.f4* was also good. *)* 15...Nxh5 16.f4! Nxc4 *(* Black can't allow his king to be opened up, as after *16...Ng4? 17.f5! Nxe3 18.Nxe3 Bd7 19.Bxh5 gxh5 20.Rhg1* there's already no defence. *)* 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.f5! c5!? *(18...Kh7 19.Rhg1* Δ Rg4≌→ →→g4→→ Glek,I: 'Δ ♖g 4≌→ Glek,Igor V: 'Δ ♖g4≌→" *)* 19.Rhg1 b5!? 20.fxg6 *(20.Na3!?)* 20...f5!? *(20...b4!? 21.Na4!±)* 21.Bg5?! *(* Eric Montany: 'It's easy for a computer to spot' *21.Na3!±* Eric Montany: '!' Eric Montany: 'when Black will have to exchange one of his powerful bishops.'*)* 21...Qa5 22.Ne3 Bxa2
C5a12231) 23.Nxf5
C5a122311) 23...Rxf5
Any human player would do the same. 24.exf5 Bb3 25.Qd3 d5!? I admire players who consistently find ways to make their opponents' lives difficult. *(* Winning material is hopeless: *25...Qa1+ 26.Qb1 Qxb1+ 27.Kxb1 Bxd1 28.Rxd1 Rf8 29.Nd5* and Black is still under attack. *)* 26.Rd2?? White has played wonderfully so far, but this is a serious mistake. *(26.Nb1!* defends the king, gets this knight out of the way of the pawns, and attacks Black's bishop all at once. On *Bc4* there is *27.Qh3! Be2 28.f6!* and it's all over.*)* 26...Bxc3! 27.bxc3 Qa1+ 28.Qb1 Qxc3+ 29.Rc2 Bxc2 30.Qxc2 Qa1+ 31.Qb1 Qc3+ 32.Qc2 Qa1+ 33.Qb1 Qd4 34.Rd1 Qg4 Continuing to play for the win and I suspect both players of being in time trouble. 35.Be3 Re8 36.Qd3 d4 37.Bh6 Nf4?? It's Black's

turn to blunder! 38.Qxb5!
And the game ended, though I don't know whether Black resigned or lost on time. 1-0 (38) Lautier,J-Glek,I 45: Wijk aan Zee 1997 [Eric Montany] *(* If *38.Qxb5 Qe2 39.Qxe2 Nxe2+ 40.Kc2* , Black has no defence to the further march of the f-pawn. *)*;

C5a122312) Eric Montany: 'However, an incredible defensive resource is hiding:' 23...Bb3!∞ Eric Montany: '!' 24.Ne7+ Kh8 25.Qe2 Rf3!! 26.Qxf3 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Qxb2+ 28.Ke1 Qxc3+ 29.Qxc3 Bxc3+ 30.Bd2 Bf6! with a very difficult position to evaluate.;

C5a12232) 23.Nxf5 Lautier,J (2630)-Glek,I (2620) Wijk aan Zee 1997 CI1-130 [Glek,Igor V];

C5a2) a) Breaking without due preparation can backfire: 10...Nh7 11.Qd2 f5 12.0-0-0! g5 *(12...fxe4 13.Bxh6!* is extremely dangerous *)* 13.h4 f4 14.Bf2 Qf6 15.hxg5 Nxg5 *(*or *15...hxg5? 16.c5!* and the h-file is only one of Black's problems*)* 16.Nd4 Be6 . Now in I.Khenkin-M.Ahn, Budapest 1996, 17.Nf5! Bxf5 18.Nd5! was the best way to turn the screw, Qe5 19.exf5 Qxf5 20.Nxc7 Rac8 21.Qd5+ Qxd5 22.Nxd5 leaving Black positionally lost.;

C5a3) b) 10...Nd7 11.Be2 Nde5 12.Qd2 when one slow move was all White needed to obtain a crushing position in L.Evans-D.Janovsky, Winnipeg 1958: a6?! 13.0-0 Kh7 14.Rad1 Be6 15.b3 f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Nd4 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 g5 19.Nd5! Be6 20.f4! gxf4 21.Nxf4 Bf5 22.Nh5! and Black must have regretted giving up so many kingside squares.;

C5a4) 10...Re8

C5a41) 11.Be2 Ne5 12.0-0 c6 13.Kh1 g5 14.Qd2 Nh5 15.Rad1 Be6 16.b3 Qf6 in Y.Lou-M.Paragua, Tromsø 2013: Or

C5a411) In the game White neglected the centre and forgot to activate his c2-knight, soon facing a powerful

initiative: 17.Na4?! Red8 18.Bd4 Nf4 19.Rf2 Qg6 20.Bf1 d5! 21.exd5 cxd5 22.c5 Bf5 23.Qc3 Re8 24.Rfd2 g4 25.fxg4 Nxg4 26.Bxg7 Bxc2 27.Qxc2? Qh5! , etc.;

C5a412) Instead, 17.Nd4! Nf4 *(17...Bd7 18.g3!* keeps the knight out*)* 18.Nxe6 is in White's favour: Rxe6 *(*or *18...fxe6 19.g3 Nxe2 20.Qxe2 Nf7 21.Bd4! Qg6 22.f4!)* 19.Bd4 with 20 g3 coming.;

C5a413) 17.Qxd6?! Nf4! with compensation.;

C5a42) 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.0-0-0 Be6 13.g4 Ne5 14.Be2 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.h4 b5 17.g5 Nh5 18.gxh6 Bh8 19.Nd5 c6 20.Nf4 Qf6 21.Nd4 Nxf4 22.Bxf4 c5 23.Nc6 Rac8 24.Na5 Be6 25.Bxd6 Red8 26.e5 Qf5 27.f4 c4 28.h5 c3 29.hxg6+ fxg6 30.bxc3 b4 31.c4 Bxc4 32.Nxc4 Rxc4+ 33.Kb2 Rxf4 34.Kb3 Rf3+ 35.Ka4 Qd7+ 36.Ka5 Ra3+ 37.Kxb4 Qa4+ 38.Kc5 Rc8+ 39.Kd5 Qc4# 0-1 (39) Itinerant69 (2703)-balachess2006 (2736) Blitz 2023;

C5b) 9...Be6

C5b1) 10.Be2 h6 11.Bh4!? g5 12.Bf2 Ne5 13.Ne3! c6 14.0-0 *(14.h4!)* 14...Qa5 15.Qd2 Rfd8 16.Rfd1 a6 17.a4 Qc7 18.a5 c5 19.h4! and not even Bobby could salvage Black's position in P.Benko-R. Fischer, Portoroz Interzonal 1958.;

C5b2) 10.Qd2 h6 11.Be3 Glek,Igor V: '!'

C5b21) 11...Ne5 12.b3 c6 reaches a critical position: Instead,

C5b211) White should either play the restrained 13.Rd1 Nh5! 14.Nd4 with a slight pull due to the extra space and Black lacking targets for his bishops on White's queenside.;

C5b212) Or the more ambitious 13.0-0-0!? Qa5 14.Kb1 . Even with opposite-side castling White shouldn't overlook the chance to simplify to a strategically better position: for instance, Rfd8 15.Be2 a6 16.Nd5! Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Rxd2 d5 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.f4 Nc6 21.e5 and White has more space, fewer pawn islands, and control of d4. *(21.--)*;

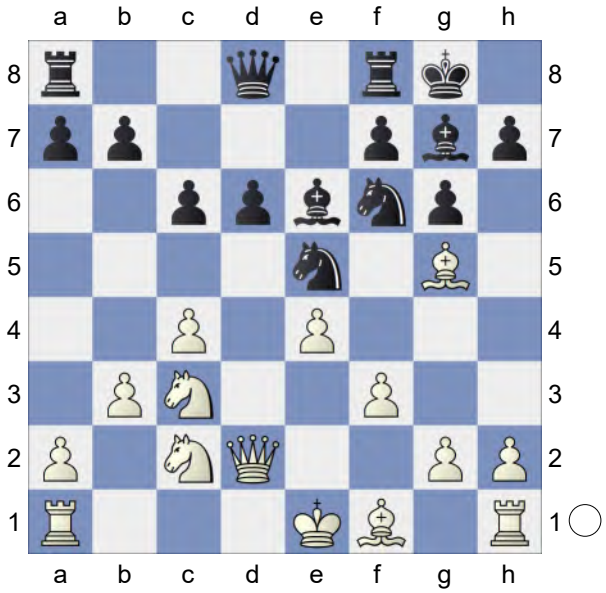
C5b213) 13.Be2?!

allows Black to break the bind: 13...d5! 14.exd5 cxd5 15.c5 Nc6 16.Nd4 Nd7 17.0-0 Qe7 and White was gradually outplayed after 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Rac1 Rad8 20.Bxh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Nxc5 22.Qd2 Bf5 23.Nb1 d4! 24.b4 d3! in L.Pachman-D. Bronstein, Amsterdam 1994.;

C5b22) or 11...Nd7 12.Be2 Nde5 13.b3 f5 14.0-0 f4 15.Bxf4 Nxc4 and in M.Leon Hoyos-A. Pablo, Marin Barcelona 2011, 16.Bxc4! Bxc4 17.bxc4 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Rxf4 19.c5! was best;

C5b23) 11...a6 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Na3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Naxb5 d5 16.0-0 dxe4 17.Qxd8 Raxd8 18.Nxc7 exf3 19.gxf3 Bc4 20.Bc5 Bxe2 21.Nxe2 Rd2 22.Bxf8 Bxf8 23.Ng3 Bc5+ 24.Kh1 Nd3 25.Ne4 Nxe4 26.fxe4 Nf2+ 27.Rxf2 Rxf2 28.a4 Rxb2 29.a5 Bd6 30.a6 Rxh2+ 31.Kg1 Re2 32.Nd5 Bc5+ 33.Kf1 Rh2 34.Ra5 Bd4 35.Ra4 Bc5 36.Ra5 Bd4 37.Ne7+ Kg7 38.Nc6 Be3 39.Ra3 Bb6 40.Rb3 Bc5 41.Rb5 Ra2 42.Rxc5 Rxa6 43.Ke2 Ra3 44.Nd4 h5 45.Rc7 h4 46.Ne6+ Kf6 47.Nd8 Ke5 48.Nxf7+ Kxe4 49.Rc4+ Kf5 50.Rxh4 Ra2+ 51.Kf3 Ra3+ 52.Kg2 Ra2+ 53.Kf1 Ra3 54.Nd6+ Kg5 55.Nc4 Ra1+ 56.Kf2 Kxh4 57.Ne3 Ra2+ 58.Kf3 Ra3 59.Kf2 Rxe3 60.Kxe3 Kg3 0-1 (60) Itinerant69 (2703)-Pblu35 (2726) Blitz 2023;

C5c) 9...Ne5 All theory so far. With the text move Black deviates from the main line after 9...♗e6, but I was well prepared since he had played this before. 10.Qd2!? An unusual move, but during the preparation I found it really deserved a try. The main idea is to control the d4-square, and threaten b5. Be6 The logical reply, since ...a5 is no longer good. 11.b3 c6 Tadic,Branko: 'Diagram *(11...h6)*



' Simic,Radoslav: 'N' 12.Rd1 Tadic,Branko: 'N!?'Not only preparing ♘c5, but also sets up a potential sacrifice. Qa5! Accepting the challenge! 13.Be2 Nfd7 *(13...h6* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*)* 14.Na4 Qxd2+ 15.Rxd2 Nb6 16.Nxb6 Tadic,Branko: '⩲' axb6 17.Nd4

C5c1) 17...Rfe8 18.Nxe6 fxe6+- *(18...Rxe6 19.Kf2?* Simic,Radoslav: ' ±'*)* 19.Be3 Nf7 20.Kf2 Simic,Radoslav: '±';

C5c2) 17...Bc8! A very strong move! Much better than the normal looking 17...♘d5. 18.Be7 Re8 19.Bxd6 Bh6 Tadic,Branko: '?!'

C5c21) 20.Rc2 Tadic,Branko Simic, Radoslav: '?' Be3;

C5c22) 20.Rb2 Bc1 Simic,Radoslav: '!?' *(20...Bg7* Simic,Radoslav: '=';* After the game, I thought 37.f5 was winning but missed 37...♔g5! *20...Bf4!?)* 21.Rb1 *(21.Rc2* Tadic,Branko *Be3)* 21...Bf4 22.Rd1 Simic,Radoslav: '△' Rxa2 23.g3 Nd3+ 24.Rxd3 Bxd6 25.Nxc6 Bc5 26.b4 Bf8=;

C5c23) 20.Rd1□ Rxa2 21.Bxe5 Simic,Radoslav: '△' Rxe5 22.Nxc6= bxc6? 23.Rd8+ Bf8 24.Rxc8 Kg7 25.Rxc6 Bb4+ 26.Kf2 Bc5+;

C5c24) Here comes the first critical moment. I was about half an hour up on the clock, I believe White should be better, but the position was very hard to play. I spent about 50 mins on the next 3 moves, still couldn't find the best continuations. Maybe 21.♗b2 or 22.♘g2 is objectivly better. 20.a4 Simic,Radoslav: '!' 20...Bxd2+ 21.Kxd2 f5 *(21...f6 22.Bc7* Simic,Radoslav: ' ⩲'*)* 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Bc7 This is the position I wanted. White keeps the queens on the board, the knight heads to the f4-square and I also have ♖b4-♖h4 if possible. Nd7 Black must try to exchange the ♗g6. 24.g4 Tadic,Branko: ' ↑' Returning the favour. *(24.Nxf5=* Tadic,Branko: '=!' Simic,Radoslav: '!?' *gxf5 25.Bd3)* 24...Be6! Now I can't keep the strong knight, although I get a pawn as compensation. 25.Bd1 Simic,Radoslav: '!' Bf7 Tadic,Branko: '?' 26.Bc2 Tadic,Branko: '?!' Again returning the favour. Rac8 Tadic,Branko: '?' Again he missed a good chance to equalise. It

seems as if he wants to keep as many pieces on the board as possible. On the contrary, I didn't mind simplifying the position. 27.Bf4! Finally seizing the chance. Nc5 28.Kc3!

C5c241) 28...Rcd8 Tadic,Branko: '- 37... Kf5' Simic,Radoslav: '!?' 29.h4 *(29.Bc7!* Simic,Radoslav: '??' *Rxd4 30.Bxb6 Nxa4+ 31.bxa4 Rxc4+* Simic,Radoslav: '-+'*)* 29...Rd7 30.h5 Simic,Radoslav: '⩱';

C5c242) Suddenly it seems White's pawn majority f4-e3-f2 is controlling important squares and files and I didn't see Black's counterplay... 28...Ne6 29.Nxe6 Tadic,Branko: '?!' One step in the wrong direction. Bxe6 30.Bd6 Tadic,Branko: '?!' Tadic,Branko: 'Diagram

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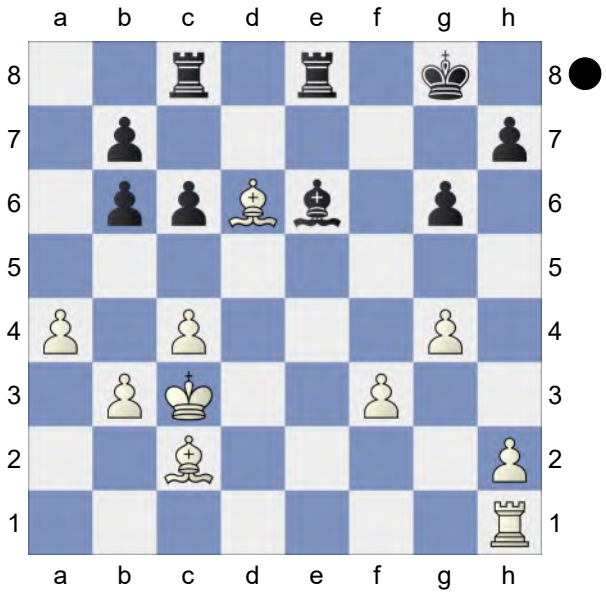

' Spoiling the winning advantage! b5!! Tadic,Branko: '!' A great move. Both in appearance and actual value. 31.Bd3□ Bf7 *(31...Rcd8!+- 32.Bc5; 31...b6* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*)* 32.Rf1 Red8 *(32...b6* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*)* 33.c5 bxa4 34.bxa4 Tadic,Branko: '?!' Rd7 35.a5 Re8! 36.f4 *(36.Be4* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*)* 36...Bd5 37.h4 Tadic,Branko: 'Diagram

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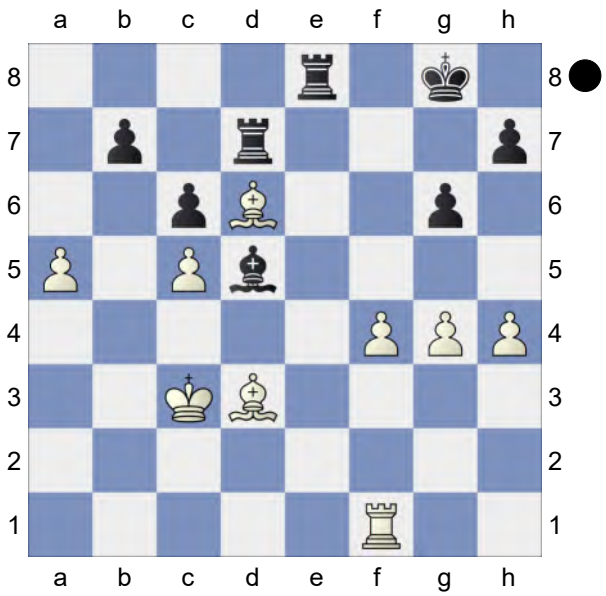

' Re3 Tadic,Branko: '!?' Made things much more complicated. With the pawn on f3 instead of f2 Black can take the f4-pawn. 38.Kd4 Rh3 39.h5 gxh5 40.Bf5 Rf7 Tadic,Branko: '=' 41.Re1 hxg4 Tadic,Branko: '=' 42.Bxg4 Rh4 Simic,Radoslav: '?' *(42...Ra3* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*; 42...Rg3* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*)* 43.Bc8 Rhxf4+! Simic,Radoslav: '?!' An important check. After that it's easy. *(43...Rh1 44.Rxh1 Bxh1 45.Be6 Kg7 46.Bxf7 Kxf7* Simic,Radoslav: '='*; 43...Rh2 44.Rg1+ Rg2 45.Rxg2+ Bxg2 46.Be6* Simic,Radoslav: '='*)* 44.Bxf4 Rxf4+ '[♖ 9/k] Simic,R: '(♖ 9/k)' Simic,R: '(♖ 9/k) Simic,Radoslav: '[♖ 9/k]'" 45.Ke5

C5c2421) 45...Rb4 Simic,Radoslav: '??'

C5c24211) Simic,Radoslav: 'Simic,R: 'a)'' 46.Kd6 Ra4 *(46...Rb5 47.Ra1* Simic,Radoslav: '!!' *Kf7 48.Kc7* Simic,Radoslav: '!' *Rxc5 49.Bxb7* Simic,Radoslav: '+-' *)* 47.Bxb7= Rxa5 48.Bxc6;

C5c24212) 46.Ra1 Bc4 *(46...Rb5 47.Kd6* Simic,Radoslav: '+-''Ü 46.♔d6 Simic,R: '— 46.♔d6' Simic,R: '— 46.♔d6 Simic,Radoslav: 'Ü 46.♔d6'" *)* 47.Rg1+ Simic,Radoslav: '+-!' Kf8 Simic,Radoslav: '△' 48.Rg4 Simic,Radoslav: '!' h5 *(48...Ke7 49.a6 bxa6 50.Bxa6 Bxa6 51.Rxb4 Bb5 52.Rb2)* 49.Rh4 Ke7 50.a6 bxa6 51.Bxa6 Bxa6 52.Rxb4 Bb5

53.Rh4!+- Be2 54.Rh2 Bf3 55.Rf2+- Bd5 Tadic,Branko 56.Rf5 Bf7 57.Rg5 Kf8= 58.Kf6 Tadic,Branko Ke8! 59.Re5+ Kf8 60.Re7 Bd5 61.Rh7 Kg8+- 62.Rxh5;

C5c2422) 45...Ra4 46.Bxb7 Rxa5 47.Kd6

C5c24221) 47...Bf3 Simic,Radoslav: '!' 48.Rb1 *(48.Rg1+ Kh8 49.Rf1 Ra3! 50.Bxc6 Rd3+ 51.Kc7 Rc3* Simic,Radoslav: '='; *48.Re3 Bh1+-* Simic,Radoslav: '=' *)* 48...Ra3 49.Bxc6 Rd3+ 50.Kc7 Rc3 Simic,Radoslav: '!' 51.Kb6 Bxc6 52.Kxc6 Kf7 53.Kb6= h5 54.c6 Kf6 55.c7 h4 56.Kb7 Kg5 57.c8Q Rxc8 58.Kxc8 h3 Simic,Radoslav: '=';

C5c24222) 47...Kg7 Simic,Radoslav: '?!' 48.Bxc6

C5c242221) 48...Bf7 49.Bb7 *(49.Bf3 Ra3; 49.Be4 Ra6+)* 49...Ra2 50.c6 Rd2+ 51.Kc7 Bd5 52.Re7+ Kf6 53.Rd7 Ke5 Simic,Radoslav: '!' *(53...Rd1 54.Kb8 Bf3 55.Rxd1! Bxd1 56.c7 Bg4 57.Bc8! Be2 58.Ka7* Simic,Radoslav: '+-' *)* 54.Kb8 Rc2= 55.c7 Be6 56.Rxh7 Kd6! Simic,Radoslav: '=';

C5c242222) 48...Bxc6 Simic,Radoslav: '?' 49.Kxc6 '[♖ 7/b6] Simic,R: '(♖ 7/b6)' Simic,R: '(♖ 7/b6) Simic, Radoslav: '[♖ 7/b6]'" h5 *(49...Ra2* Simic,Radoslav: '!?'*; 49...Kf6* Simic,Radoslav: '!?' *)* 50.Re5 Simic,Radoslav: '!'

C5c2422221) 50...h4 51.Rh5 Simic,Radoslav: '!' Ra6+ *(51...Ra4 52.Kb5!* is the critical move. Black can barely get a draw with very accurate play. *)* 52.Kb5 Rh6 53.Rxh6 Kxh6 54.c6 h3 55.c7 h2 56.c8Q h1Q=

57.Qh8+ Simic,Radoslav: '+-'; **C5c2422222)** 50...Kg6 51.Kb6 Ra8 *(51...Ra1 52.c6* Simic,Radoslav: '+-' *)* 52.c6 Rb8+ Draw agreed. Although there are many mistakes involved, I still think it's a good game and the most memorable one for me in the tournament. Since inaccuracy and mistakes in such a complicated position are inevitable. At least, not all draws here were boring. 53.Ka7 Tadic,Branko Rh8 54.c7 h4 55.Kb7 Kf6 56.Rc5 ½-½ (56) Ding,L (2773)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2795) Moscow 2017 CBM 179 [Ding,Liren]]

[7.d5 a5 *(7...Nh5 8.g4 Nf4 9.Nxf4 exf4 10.Bxf4 Nd7 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.Be2 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Rg1 Ng6 15.Bg5 Qe8 16.0-0-0 f4 17.h4 Kh8 18.h5 Ne5 19.h6 Bf6 20.Qxf4 Qe7 21.Bxf6+ Rxf6 22.Qg5 Ng6 23.f4 Bd7 24.Rdf1 Re8 25.Bh5 Rxf4 26.Rxf4 Nxf4 27.Bxe8* 1-0 (27) nastroyani (2707)-MassterofMayhem (2766) Blitz 2022*; 7...Ne8 8.g4 f5 9.gxf5 gxf5 10.exf5 Bxf5 11.Ng3 Qh4 12.Be3 Nd7 13.Qd2 h6 14.0-0-0 Bh7 15.Be2 a5 16.Nge4 Ndf6 17.Rdg1 Kh8 18.Bf2 Qf4 19.Be3 Qh4 20.Rg2 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Nf6 22.Nxf6 Rxf6 23.Rhg1 Rg8 24.Bf2 Qh5 25.Qxa5 Qf5 26.Qc3 Rg6 27.Kd2 Rxg2 28.Rxg2 Qb1 29.a3 Bf6 30.Rxg8+ Kxg8 31.Be3 Kg7 32.Qc1 Qf5 33.Kd1 Qh5 34.Bg1 Bg5 35.Be3 Bf6 36.Bg1 Bg5 37.Be3 Bf6 ½-½* (37) ChessTheory64 (2627)-STKA1969 (2504) Rapid 2024 *)* 8.Be3 *(8.g4 h5 9.g5 Nfd7 10.h4 Na6 11.Be3 Ndc5 12.Nc1 c6 13.Nd3 Nxd3+ 14.Bxd3 Nc5 15.Be2 Qc7 16.Qd2 a4 17.0-0-0 a3 18.b3 Qa5 19.Kb1 Rd8 20.Bf1 Bd7 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 b5 23.dxc6 bxc4 24.Nd5 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 cxb3 26.Bxc5 bxa2+ 27.Kxa2 dxc5 28.c7 Rd6 29.Nf6+ Bxf6 30.Rxd6 Be7 31.Rb6 Ra4 32.c8Q+ Kg7 33.Rb8* 1-0 (33) Violet_Pride (2646)-EleKtRoMaGnIt (2638) Blitz 2020*; 8.Bg5 c6 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.g4 Nc5 11.Ng3 a4 12.Be2 Qa5 13.h4 cxd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.h5 Rfc8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Bg5 Bg7 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Qh6 a3 21.b4 Qxb4 22.Rc1 Nd3+ 23.Bxd3 Rxc3 24.Rxc3 Qxc3+ 25.Ke2 Bb5 26.Bxb5 Qb2+ 27.Qd2 Qxb5+ 28.Qd3 Qb2+ 29.Qd2 Bg5 30.Qxb2 axb2 31.Rb1 Rxa2 32.Kd3 Ra3+ 33.Ke2 Bc1* 0-1 (33) cant_handle_h5 (2622)-sibuna1 (2537) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Nh5 *(8...Na6 9.g4 Bxg4 10.fxg4 Nxg4 11.Qd2 Nb4 12.0-0-0 Qh4 13.Kb1 f5 14.Bg5 Qf2 15.exf5 Qxf5+ 16.Kc1 Nf2 17.Ng3 Qd7 18.Be2 Nxh1 19.Rxh1 c6 20.Nge4*

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63.Rxg2 Rxg2+ 64.Bxg2 Kf4 65.Ke2 Ng4 66.Bh1 b4 67.Bxc6 b3 68.Ba4 b2 69.Bc2 Ne3 70.Bb1 Nd5 71.Kd3 Nb4+ 72.Kc3 Nc6 0-1 (72) penguingim1 (2633)-peterbl (2602) Blitz 2018]

10.cxd5 c6 11.Nc3 b5

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1-0 (28) C9C9C9C9C9 (2838)-TERMINATOR_2010 (2762) Blitz 2022
Martin,Andrew: 'I guess the idea is that' **6...c5** Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo, Kr: 'is the most popular line.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D' Szabo,Krisztian: 'is the most popular line.' 7.d5 Martin,Andrew: 'gives White options based on Bg5. In our game Caruana takes this opportunity immediately.' Schipkov, Boris: 'Here White must find the place for the e2-knight to develop f1-bishop. After ♘g3 Black can attack the knight with ...h5-h4.'
7...Nbd7
[7...a6
A) 8.a4 b6 *(8...Nbd7 9.Ng3 Ne5 10.Be2 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.Nh1 Nh5 13.f4 Nd7 14.Bxh5 gxh5 15.Qxh5 e5 16.f5 f6 17.Rf3 Qe8 18.Qxh4 Kf7 19.Qh5+ Ke7 20.Qxe8+ Rxe8 21.Rg3 Kf7 22.Nf2 Rb8 23.Ng4 Rh8 24.Be3 Nf8 25.Rf1 Bd7 26.Ra1 Rh4 27.h3 Bh8 28.Nh6+ Ke7 29.Rg8* 1-0 (29) MrAble (2617)-Shishka_v_shapke (2469) Rapid 2023*)* 9.Ng3 Nbd7 10.Be2 Ne5 11.h3 h5 12.f4 Ned7 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Be3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.cxb5 Nb6 17.Rxa8 Qxa8 18.Nh1 Qa5 19.Nf2 Nfd7 20.e5 Qb4 21.Nd3 Qa5 22.e6 fxe6 23.dxe6 Nf6 24.Bf3 Bxf3 25.Qxf3 Nc4 26.Bc1 Qa8 27.Qg3 Ne4 28.Qxg6 Nxc3 29.bxc3 Qd5 30.Rf3 Qf5 31.Qxf5 Rxf5 32.g4 Rf8 33.Nb2 Nxb2 34.Bxb2 Rb8 35.gxh5 Rxb5 36.Rf2 Kh7 37.Rg2 Bf6 38.Rf2 c4 39.f5 Kh6 40.Bc1+ Kxh5 41.Bd2 Rb1+ 42.Kg2 Rd1 43.Kf3 Rh1 44.Ke4 Rxh3 45.Kd5 Kg4 46.Rf4+ Kg3 47.Rxc4 Rh5 48.Kc6 Rxf5 49.Kd7 Re5 50.Rc8 Kf3 51.Bh6 Rh5 52.Bf8 Rh7 53.Re8 Bxc3 54.Bxe7 d5 55.Kd6 Bb4+ 56.Kd7 d4 57.Kd8 Bxe7+ 58.Rxe7 Rh6 59.Rf7+ Ke4 60.e7 Rd6+ 61.Ke8 d3 62.Rf1 d2 63.Rd1 Ke3 64.Kf7 Rd7 65.Re1+ 1-0 (65) BlossomsSimp (2662)-sabke (2609) Blitz 2022;
B) 8.Ng3 h5 *(8...Ne8 9.h4 b5*

10.h5 bxc4 11.hxg6 fxg6 12.Bxc4 Nd7 13.Bg5 Ne5 14.Be2 c4 15.f4 Nf7 16.Bh4 Rb8 17.Qd2 Qa5 18.Rc1 Nf6 19.Bxc4 Rb4 20.b3 Ng4 21.0-0 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Ne3 23.Rfe1 Nxc4 24.bxc4 Rxc4 25.e5 dxe5 26.Bxe7 exf4 27.Bxf8 fxg3 28.Ne4 Rxc1 29.Rxc1 Bxf8 30.Rxc8 Qb1+ 31.Qc1 Qxe4 32.Qc5 Nd6 33.Rxf8+ Kxf8 34.Qxd6+ Kf7 35.Qxg3 Qxd5 36.Qc7+ Ke6 37.Qc8+ Ke5 38.Qxa6 Kf4 39.Qf1+ Kg5 40.Qc1+ Kh4 41.Qc2 h5 42.a4 Qe6 43.Qf2+ Kg5 44.Qg3+ Kh6 45.a5 Qa2 46.Qe3+ Kg7 47.Qd4+ Kh6 48.Qd8 Qa1+ 49.Kh2 Qe5+ 50.Kh1 Qe1+ 51.Kh2 h4 52.a6 Qg3+ 53.Kg1 h3 54.Qh8+ Kg5 55.Qxh3 Qe1+ 56.Kh2 Qa5 57.Qg3+ Kh6 58.Qf4+ g5 59.Qf6+ Kh5 60.Qf7+ Kg4 61.Qf3+ Kh4 62.Qh3# 1-0 (62) unitedff (2630)-Jaguar-Warrior (2599) Blitz 2024*; 8...Qa5 9.Be2 b5 10.0-0 b4 11.Nb1 Qd8 12.a3 bxa3 13.Rxa3 e6 14.Nc3 exd5 15.cxd5 Nbd7 16.Bg5 Qb6 17.Qd2 Ne8 18.Kh1 Nc7 19.f4 Re8 20.e5 dxe5 21.f5 Rb8 22.Ra2 Nb5 23.Nxb5 axb5 24.Ne4 c4 25.f6 Bf8 26.Bh6 Qd4 27.Qg5 Qxe4 28.Bxf8 Rxf8 29.Bg4 Nxf6 30.Bxc8 Rbxc8 31.Qxf6 Qxd5 32.Ra7 b4 33.h3 c3 34.bxc3 bxc3 35.Rc1 c2 36.Raa1 Rfd8 37.Qf2 Qe4 38.Re1 Qf4 39.Qe2 c1Q 40.Raxc1 Rxc1 41.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 42.Kh2 Qf4+* 0-1 (42) nastroyani (2611)-morchiashvilib (2587) Blitz 2020*)* 9.Be2 h4 10.Nf1 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nh5 13.a4 Na6 14.g4 hxg3 15.hxg3 e5 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.g4 Nf4 18.Ne2 Ng2+ 19.Kf2 Nh4 20.f4 d5 21.Nfg3 c4 22.e5 Bxe5 23.Kg1 Bg7 24.Be3 Nb4 25.g5 Nd3 26.Rxh4 e5 27.fxe5 Nxe5 28.Kg2 Ng4 29.Bd4 Qe7 30.Rxg4 Bxg4 31.Bxg7 Qxg7 32.Qxd5+ Rf7 33.Qxa8+ 1-0 (33) Duhless1981 (2767)-NewTwist (2710) Blitz 2024]

[7...Na6 8.Ng3 Nc7 9.Be2 a6 10.a4 *(10.0-0 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Nxb5 13.Bxb5 Qa5 14.a4 Ba6 15.Bd2 Qb6 16.Bxa6 Rxa6 17.Bc3 Nd7 18.Qc2 Rb8 19.Rfb1 Qb3 20.Qxb3 Rxb3 21.Ne2 Ne5 22.Nc1 Rb7 23.Kf1 Rba7 24.b3 Nxf3 25.Bxg7 Nd2+ 26.Ke2 Nxb1 27.Bb2 c4 28.Rxb1 cxb3 29.Nxb3 Rxa4 30.Nd2 Rb7 31.Kd3 f6 32.Bc3 Rxb1 33.Nxb1 Ra2 34.Nd2 Kf7 35.Ke3 h5 36.Bd4 Rc2 37.h4 Rc1 38.g3 Re1+ 39.Kd3 g5 40.hxg5 fxg5 41.Nf3 Rd1+ 42.Ke2 Rb1 43.Nxg5+ Kg6 44.Nf3 Rb3 45.Be3 Rb2+ 46.Bd2 Rb3 47.Bf4 Rb2+ 48.Kf1 Ra2 49.Kg1 Rb2 50.Nd2 Rc2 51.Kg2 Ra2 52.Kh3 Rc2 53.Kg2 Ra2 54.Kf3 Ra3+ 55.Be3 Ra2 56.Nb3 Rb2 57.Nd4 Ra2 58.Ne6 Ra3 59.Nf4+ Kg5 60.Ne6+ Kg6 61.Kf4 Ra1 62.Bb6 Rf1+ 63.Ke3 Re1+ 64.Kf3 Rf1+ 65.Ke2 Ra1 66.Bd8 Ra2+ 67.Kf3 Kf7 68.Kf4 Ra3 69.Bb6 Rb3 70.Bd4 Rb2 71.Ng5+ Kg6 72.Nf3 Re2 73.Nh4+ Kf7 74.Nf5 e6 75.Nxd6+ Ke7 76.Nc8+ Kd7 77.Nb6+ Kd6 78.Be5+ Ke7 79.d6+ Kd8 80.d7 Rd2 81.Bf6+ Kc7 82.d8Q+ Rxd8 83.Bxd8+ Kxd8 84.Nc4 Ke7 85.Kg5 Kf7 86.Kxh5 e5 87.Kg4 Ke6 88.Kf3 Kf6 89.Ne3 Ke6 90.Nd5* 1-0 (90) XThepunisherX (2608)-Romsta (2582) Blitz 2022*)*

10...Rb8 *(10...b6 11.0-0 e6 12.f4 exd5 13.cxd5 Re8 14.e5 dxe5 15.d6 Ne6 16.fxe5 Nd7 17.Nd5 Nxe5 18.Ne4 f5 19.Ne7+ Rxe7 20.dxe7 Qxe7 21.Bg5 Qc7 22.Nd6 Bd7 23.Qd5 Qc6 24.Qxc6 Bxc6 25.Rae1 Nxg5 26.Bd1 Ne4 27.Bb3+ Kh8 28.Nxf5 gxf5 29.Rxf5 Ng6 30.Bd5 Bd4+ 31.Kf1 Bxd5 32.Rxd5 Rf8+* 0-1 (32) unitedff (2616)-Romsta (2594) Blitz 2024*)* 11.0-0 Nd7 *(11...Bd7 12.a5 b5 13.axb6 Rxb6 14.Qc2 e6 15.Bg5 exd5 16.cxd5 Qb8 17.Ra2 Re8 18.f4 Qb7 19.Bf3 Nb5 20.Nxb5 Bxb5 21.Rd1 Qd7 22.e5 dxe5 23.f5 e4 24.Bxf6 exf3 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Qc3+ Kg8 27.Qxf3 Qe7 28.h3 Qe5 29.Raa1 Rd6 30.Re1 Qxe1+ 31.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 32.Kh2 Re5 33.Ne4 Rxf5 34.Qxf5 gxf5 35.Nxd6 f4 36.Ne4 Kf8 37.Nxc5 Ke7 38.Ne4 f5 39.Nc3 Kd6 40.Kg1 Bc4 41.Kf2 Bxd5 42.Ne2 Ke5 43.Nc3 Be4 44.Na4 a5 45.Nc5 h5 46.Nd7+ Kd4 47.h4 Kd3 48.Nf6 Kc2 49.Nxh5 Kxb2 50.Nxf4 a4 51.h5 a3 52.h6 a2 53.h7 a1Q 54.h8Q+ Kb1 55.Qxa1+ Kxa1 56.g4 fxg4 57.Kg3 Bf3 58.Ne2 Kb2 59.Nd4 Kc3 60.Nf5 Kd3 61.Nh6 Ke3 62.Nxg4+ Ke2 63.Nf6 Be4 64.Nd5 Bxd5* ½-½ (64) XThepunisherX (2631)-Romsta (2595) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Be3 b6 13.f4 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.cxb5 Nf6 16.e5 dxe5 17.fxe5 Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bxc5 Bxe5 20.Bc4 Bb7 21.Qe2 Qc7 22.Ba7 Nf4 23.Rxf4 Bxf4 24.Bxb8 Rxb8 25.Rf1 e6 26.b3 Bxg3 27.hxg3 Qxg3 28.Rf2 Rd8 29.Bxe6 Qd6 30.Rxf7 Qb6+ 31.Kh1 Bd5 32.Bxd5 Kh8 33.Qe5+ 1-0 (33) MothToTheFlame (2714)-gammadrill (2562) Blitz 2023]

8.Ng3

[8.Bg5 Ne5 *(8...a6 9.a4 Qa5 10.Ng3 h6 11.Be3 Ne5 12.Qd2 h5 13.Be2 Qb4 14.Nb1 Qxd2+ 15.Nxd2 h4 16.Ngf1 h3 17.g4 e6 18.Ng3 exd5 19.cxd5 Rb8 20.0-0 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Ra7 Nc4 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.Nxc4 Rb4 25.Nxd6 c4 26.Bd4 Nh7 27.e5 Ng5 28.f4 Nh7 29.Nxc8 Rxc8 30.Bc3 Rb5 31.Rd1 Rd8 32.d6 g5 33.Nf5 Bf8 34.d7 gxf4 35.Ba5 Bc5+ 36.Kf1 Bxa7 37.Bxd8 Rxb2 38.Bh4* 1-0 (38) nissou-ach (2604)-Hou_Polgar_007 (2610) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Ng3 h6 10.Be3 e6 11.Be2 exd5 12.cxd5 b5 *(12...Rb8 13.Qd2 Qa5 14.Bxh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 b5 16.0-0 b4 17.Nd1 c4 18.Qe3 Ba6 19.f4 Neg4 20.Qd4 Qc5 21.Qxc5 dxc5 22.e5 Nxd5 23.Bxg4 c3 24.Rf2 Bd3 25.Be2 Bxe2 26.Nxe2 c2 27.Rc1 cxd1Q+ 28.Rxd1 Ne3 29.Rd3 Nc4 30.b3 Nb6 31.Rf1 Rfd8 32.Rfd1 Rxd3 33.Rxd3 c4 34.bxc4 Nxc4 35.Rd4 Ne3 36.Kf2 Nf5 37.Rd7 a5 38.Nd4 Nxd4 39.Rxd4 a4 40.Ke3 a3 41.Rd3 b3 42.axb3 a2 43.Rd1 Rxb3+ 44.Ke4 Rb1 45.Rd8+ Kg7 46.Ra8 a1Q 47.Rxa1 Rxa1 48.Kf3 Ra2 49.h3 Kf8 50.g4 Ra3+ 51.Kg2 Ke7 52.h4 Ke6* 0-1 (52) nissou-ach (2615)-Hou_Polgar_007 (2593) Blitz 2022 *)* 13.Bxb5 Rb8 14.Qe2 a6 15.Ba4 Rxb2 16.Bd2 h5 17.0-0 h4 18.Nh1 Nc4 19.Qxc4 Rxd2 20.Rad1 Rxd1 21.Rxd1 Nh5 22.Ne2 Qg5 23.Nf2 Be5 24.Nd3 Qe3+ 25.Nf2 Bxh2+ 26.Kxh2 Qxf2 27.Qc2 h3 28.Ng1 Qg3+ 29.Kh1 Nf4 30.gxh3 Bxh3 31.Rd2 Kg7 32.Qb2+ f6 33.Rh2 Bg2+ 34.Rxg2 Nxg2

35.Qb7+ Rf7 36.Qc8 Nf4 0-1 (36) gg-gm-gmg (2706)-VladimirBelous (2756) Blitz 2021]

8...h5

[8...e6 9.dxe6 fxe6 10.Qxd6 Rf7 11.Qxe6 Nb6 12.Qe5 Nxe4 13.Qxe4 Re7 14.Bg5 Rxe4+ 15.Ngxe4 Qc7 16.0-0-0 Be6 17.b3 Bf5 18.Nf6+ Kf7 19.Nb5 Qe5 20.Nd6+ Kf8 21.Nxf5 Qa1+ 22.Kc2 Qxa2+ 23.Kc3 gxf5 24.Rd2 Qa1+ 25.Kc2 Kf7 26.Nd5 Re8 27.Bd3 Qxh1 28.Bxf5 Re1 0-1 (28) AMC2 (2609)-Yuri_Kruppa (2557) Blitz 2018]

9.Be2

[9.Bg5 Nh7 10.Be3 Bxc3+ *(10...h4 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.b3 h3 13.Qd2 hxg2 14.Bxg2 Bh3 15.0-0 Qd7 16.Rac1 a6 17.a4 Rab8 18.Nf4 Bxg2 19.Qxg2 b6 20.Kh1 Nf6 21.Rg1 Kh7 22.Rc2 Rh8 23.Qg3 Kg8 24.Rcc1 Kf8 25.Qg2 Ke8 26.Nfe2 Qh3 27.Rcf1 Qxg2+ 28.Rxg2 Rh3 29.Ng1 Rh7 30.Bg5 Kd7 31.Nge2 Rbh8 32.Nf4 Nh5 33.Nxh5 Rxh5 34.Bd2 Rh3 35.Rgf2 Nxf3 36.Rxf3 Rxh2+ 37.Kg1 Rxd2 38.Nd1 Bd4+ 39.Ne3 Re2 40.R1f2 Rxe3 41.Rxe3 Bxe3 42.Kg2 Bxf2 43.Kxf2 Rh3 44.Ke2 Rxb3 45.e5 dxe5 46.d6 exd6* 0-1 (46) retardedplatypus123 (2621)-chesshamster2020 (2703) Blitz 2022*)* 11.bxc3 h4 12.Ne2 Ne5 13.Nf4 g5 14.Nh5 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Be2 Qe8 17.f4 gxf4 18.Nxf4 Nf6 19.0-0 h3 20.Qe1 hxg2 21.Rf2 Kh8 22.Rxg2 Rg8 23.Qh4+ Bh7 24.Ne6 Rxg2+ 25.Kxg2 Qg6+ 26.Ng5 Rg8 27.Kh1 Ne4 28.Bh5 Qf5 29.Nxh7 Qxh7 30.Rf1 Nf6 31.Rf5 Nxc4 32.Bg5 Nxh5 33.Bxe7 Qxf5 0-1 (33) sameow (2649)-AngryBirds1999 (2341) Blitz 2024]

9...h4 10.Nf1 a6

[10...Ne5 11.f4 Neg4 12.h3 Nh6 13.Be3 e6 14.Qd2 exd5 15.cxd5 Kh7 16.g4 hxg3 17.Nxg3 Re8 18.0-0-0 a6 19.a4 Bd7 20.Bd3 b5 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Rxe5 23.Bxc5 Rc8 24.b4 Nxd5 25.Nxd5 Rxd5 26.Bxg6+ fxg6 27.Qxd5 Qf6 28.Rd4 Qxd4 29.Qxd4 Bxd4 30.Rd1 Bxc5 31.Rxd7+ Be7+ 32.Kb2 Ng8 33.axb5 axb5 34.Rb7 Rf8 35.Ne4 Rf4 36.Nd6 Kh6 37.Nxb5 Rxb4+ 38.Kc3 Rb1 39.Kc4 Bg5 40.Rb8 Ne7 41.Re8 Rh1 42.Nd6 Kg7 43.Ne4 Bh4 44.Ra8 Rxh3 45.Nd6 Rf3 46.Ne8+ Kh6 47.Nd6 Bf6 48.Ne8 Bg7 49.Ra7 Nf5 50.Kd5 Rd3+ 51.Ke6 Re3+ 52.Kf7 Be5 53.Ra6 Rf3 54.Rxg6+ Kh7 55.Nf6+ Bxf6 56.Rxf6 Rf1 57.Ke6 Ng7+ 58.Kf7 Re1 59.Rf2 Rh1 60.Kf6 Rh6+ 61.Ke5 Re6+ 62.Kd5 Rg6 63.Rh2+ Kg8 64.Ra2 Kf7 65.Ra7+ Kf6 66.Ke4 Rg4+ 67.Kf3 Rb4 68.Ra6+ Ne6 69.Ke3 Ke5 70.Ra5+ Kd6 71.Rh5 Rb3+ 72.Kf2 Rb4 73.Rh8 Ke5 74.Rh5+ Ke4 75.Kg3 Nf4 76.Rh8 Rb3+ 77.Kg4 Nd3 78.Kg5 Ne5 79.Re8 Rg3+ 80.Kf6 Rg7 81.Kxg7 Kf5 82.Ra8 Nd7 83.Ra5+ Ne5 84.Kf8 Kf6 85.Ra6+ Kf5 86.Ke7 Ke4 87.Ke6 Nf3 88.Kf6 Nd4 89.Kg5 Kd3 90.Kf4 Kc4 91.Ra4+ Kc5 92.Ke4 Nc6 93.Ra1 Kd6 94.Rd1+ Ke6 95.Rh1 Ne7 96.Rh6+ Kf7 97.Ke5 Ng8 98.Ra6 Ne7 99.Ra7 Kf8 100.Kf6 Ng8+ 101.Ke6 Nh6 102.Rh7 Ng8 103.Rh8 Kg7 104.Rh1 Nh6 105.Rg1+ Kf8 106.Ra1 Ng8 107.Ra5 Kg7 108.Ra7+ Kg6 109.Rb7 Nh6 110.Rb8 Ng8 111.Rxg8+ Kh7

112.Rg1 Kh6 113.Kf5 Kh5 114.Rh1# 1-0 (114) Killerkaz (2653)-DrErfindung (2575) Rapid 2022]
11.a4 Rb8 12.Bg5 h3 13.gxh3 Nh7 14.h4 Nxg5 15.hxg5 f6 16.h4 f5 17.exf5 Rxf5 18.Ne3 Rf4 19.Ng2 Rd4 20.Qb3 Qf8 21.f4 Qf5 22.Rd1 Nf8 23.Rxd4 Bxd4 24.Nd1 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.cxb5 Qe4 0-1 (26) anand68 (2796)-Ionaya (2678) Blitz 2021

6...Nbd7 7.Bg5

[7.Be3

A) 7...a5 8.Qd2 Nb6 9.Ng3 a4 10.Bh6 a3 11.b3 Re8 12.h4 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 e5 14.0-0-0 Nbd7 15.h5 exd4 16.Rxd4 Qe7 17.Nd5 Qf8 18.Qxf8+ Rxf8 19.Nxc7 Ra7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Rxd6 Ne8 22.Nxe8 Rxe8 23.f4 Nc5 24.Bd3 Nxd3+ 25.Rxd3 b6 26.Rhd1 Rf7 27.Rd8 Kf8 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Ne2 Bg4 30.Rd2 Bxe2 31.Rxe2 Rxf4 32.Kc2 g5 33.b4 g4 34.Kb3 h5 35.Kxa3 Ke7 36.Ka4 g3 37.Re1 Rf2 38.Rh1 Rxa2+ 39.Kb5 Rxg2 40.Rxh5 Rb2 41.Rg5 g2 ½-½ (41) fireheart92 (2659)-Windivaim (2677) Blitz 2020;

B) 7...a6 8.a4 *(8.g4 c5 9.h4 b5 10.Ng3 cxd4 11.Bxd4 Ne5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.a4 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Qa5+ 16.Kf2 Rfc8 17.Ne2 Nexg4+ 18.fxg4 e5 19.Bc3 Qb6+ 20.Kg2 Nxg4 21.Qe1 Rc4 22.Ng3 Raxa4 23.Rxa4 Rxa4 24.Na3 h5 25.Rf1 Ne3+ 26.Kh3 Nxf1 27.Qxf1 Qe3 28.Nc4 Qf4 29.Nxd6 Qg4+ 30.Kg2 f5 31.exf5 Rf4 32.Qe2 Qxh4 33.fxg6 Qg5 34.Ndf5 Rxf5 35.Qc4+ Kh8 36.Qc8+ Rf8 37.Qh3 h4* 0-1 (37) Giuseppe_Cavalli (2622)-JacobAagaard (2645) Blitz 2021*)* 8...e5 *(8...c5 9.a5 Nh5 10.g4 Nhf6 11.h4 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Ne5 13.Be2 h5 14.g5 Nfd7 15.b4 Nc6 16.Rb1 Nde5 17.Nd5 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Be6 19.Nb6 Rb8 20.f4 Nd7 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd4+ Kh7 23.0-0 Nxb6 24.axb6 Bh3 25.Rfd1 Qc8 26.f5 gxf5 27.e5 Bg4 28.Bxg4 hxg4 29.exd6 exd6 30.Rbc1 Qc6 31.Qxd6 Qf3 32.Rd3 Qe4 33.Qh6+ Kg8 34.g6 fxg6 35.Qxg6+ Kh8 36.Qh6+ Kg8 37.Rd7 Rf7 38.Qg6+ Kh8 39.Qh5+* 1-0 (39) Ponkratov,P (2631)-Chigaev,M (2588) chess.com INT 2020*)* 9.d5 a5 10.g4 Nc5 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Nfd7 13.Bh3 f6 14.gxf6 Bxf6 15.Kd2 Bxh4 16.Kc2 Rxf3 17.Qg1 Kh7 18.Rf1 Rxf1 19.Qxf1 Qf6 20.Qg2 Nb6 21.Rf1 Qg7 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Be6 Bxe6 24.dxe6 Rf8 25.Nd5 Rxf1 26.Qxf1 Nxc4 27.Nec3 Nd6 28.Qh3 Bg5 29.Qg3 Kh6 30.e7 Bxe7 31.Nxc7 Qf6 32.N3d5 Qg5 33.Qf3 Qh4 34.Ne6 Qxe4+ 35.Qxe4 Nxe4 36.Nxe7 h4 37.Kd3 h3 38.Kxe4 h2 39.Ng8+ Kh7 40.Nf6+ Kh8 41.Kxe5 h1Q 42.Nxc5 Qe1+ 43.Nfe4 Qb4 44.b3 b6 45.Nd3 Qxb3 46.Nf4 Qxa4 47.Nxg6+ Kg7 48.Ne7 Qb5+ 49.Ke6 Qc4+ 50.Ke5 b5 51.Nd5 b4 52.Nd6 Qe2+ 53.Kd4 b3 54.Nf5+ Kh7 55.Nfe3 Kg6 56.Nc4 b2 57.Ne5+ 1-0 (57) MothToTheFlame (2649)-cibona (2554) Blitz 2023;

C) 7...c5 8.d5 a6 *(8...Nb6 9.Ng3 e6 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 Nfd7 12.0-0 Ne5 13.a4 Nec4 14.Bc1 a5 15.Kh1 f5 16.Qb3 Ne5 17.f4*

c4 18.Qd1 Nd3 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Qxd3 fxe4 21.Ncxe4 Bf5 22.Be3 Nd7 23.Nxf5 gxf5 24.Nxd6 Nf6 25.Nxf5 Qxd5 26.Ne7+ 1-0 (26) cbkawk (2749)-konst2013 (2309) Rapid 2021*)*
9.Ng3

C1) 9...h5 10.Be2 h4 11.Nf1

C1a) 11...b5 12.cxb5 Ne5 *(12...axb5 13.Bxb5 h3 14.g3 Ba6 15.Bxa6 Rxa6 16.Nd2 Qa8 17.0-0 Rb8 18.Qc2 Ne5 19.b3* ½-½ (19) Martirosyan,H (2633)-Kobo,O (2510) Terme Catez SLO 2022*)* 13.Nd2 h3 14.g3 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.f4 Nf7 17.0-0 axb5 18.Bxb5 Nh6 19.e5 Nfg4 20.Qf3 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Bb7 22.Nde4 Nf5 23.Qf2 dxe5 24.Nxc5 exf4 25.Nxb7 fxg3 26.Nxd8 gxf2+ 27.Rxf2 Rfxd8 28.Kf1 Ne3+ 29.Ke2 Nc2 30.Rd1 Nd4+ 31.Kf1 Nxb5 32.Rxd8+ Rxd8 33.Nxb5 Rd1+ 34.Ke2 Rb1 35.b3 Be5 36.Kf3 Rg1 37.Re2 Bb8 38.Nd4 g5 39.Re4 Bxh2 40.Rg4 e5 41.Rxg1 Bxg1 42.Ne2 g4+ 43.Kxg4 h2 44.Ng3 Bf2 45.Nh1 Be1 46.Kf3 Kf7 47.Kg2 Ke6 48.Kxh2 Kd5 49.Kg2 e4 50.Kf1 Bh4 51.Ke2 Kd4 52.Nf2 e3 53.Nd1 Bd8 54.Nxe3 Kc3 55.Nc4 Kc2 56.Ke3 Kb1 57.a4 Kc2 58.Nd2 Ba5 59.Kd4 Bxd2 60.Kc4 Bc3 61.b4 Kb2 62.a5 Ka3 63.a6 Ka4 64.Kxc3 1-0 (64) W-B-Yeats (2650)-Nakigraw (2763) Blitz 2022;

C1b) 11...h3 12.g3 Ne5 13.Nd2 e6 14.a4 exd5 15.cxd5 Rb8 16.0-0 Bd7 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Be2 b4 21.Nb1 Re8 22.Nd2 Nxd5 23.Nc4 Nxe3 24.Nxe3 Bd4 25.Qd3 Qg5 26.f4 Qe7 27.Kh1 Qxe4+ 0-1 (27) estudiante2008 (2665)-satlan (2629) Blitz 2021;

C2) 9...b5 10.cxb5 Qa5 11.Qd2 *(11.a4 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.Bd2 c4 14.Qe2 Qb4 15.0-0 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Qxb2 17.Rfb1 Qc2 18.Rc1 Qb2 19.Rab1 Qa2 20.Ra1 Qb2 21.Rab1 Qa2 22.Nc3 Qa3 23.Qxc4 Qc5+ 24.Qxc5 Nxc5 25.Nge2 Nxa4 26.Nxa4* ½-½ (26) Hammer,J (2638)-Elsness,F (2487) Sandefjord NOR 2012*)* 11...axb5 12.Nxb5 Qb6 13.Be2 Ba6 14.a4 Bxb5 15.Bxb5 Qxb5 16.axb5 Rxa1+ 17.Kf2 Ra2 18.Ne2 Rxb2 19.Qa5 Rb8 20.Re1 Ne5 21.Kg3 Nc4 22.Qc7 R2xb5 23.Bc1 R5b7 24.Qc6 Nd7 25.Qa4 Nce5 26.Bg5 Nd3 27.Rf1 Nb6 28.Qc2 Nb4 29.Qb3 h6 30.Bd2 Nd7 31.Bxb4 Rxb4 32.Qa3 Be5+ 33.Kh3 Nf6 34.Qa7 R4b7 35.Qa6 Rb6 36.Qa7 R6b7 37.Qa5 h5 38.g3 Rb2 39.Nf4 Bxf4 40.gxf4 Rc2 41.Qc7 Rbb2 42.Rh1 Rf2 43.Kg3 h4+ 44.Kxh4 Rxf3 45.Qxe7 Rxf4+ 46.Kg5 Rbf2 47.h4 Kg7 48.Qxd6 Nh7# 0-1 (48) Superfm1 (2658)-Khatiboo-Fish (2563) Blitz 2024;

C3) 9...Rb8 10.a4 Qa5 11.Be2 Ne5 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Qc2 h5

14.Nh1 Qc7 15.Nf2 Rfc8 16.h3 e6 17.f4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 b5 19.dxe6 bxc4 20.exd7 Qxd7 21.Rad1 Qe6 22.Rd2 Rb4 23.Rfd1 Bf8 24.Nd5 Nxd5 25.Rxd5 Rcb8 26.Bc1 Qe8 27.f5 Qxa4 28.Qxa4 Rxa4 29.fxg6 fxg6 30.g4 h4 31.g5 Kf7 32.Bf4 Rxb2 33.Bxd6 c3 34.Bxf8 c2 35.Rf1 Rb1 36.Nd3+ Ke8 37.Rxc5 Raa1 38.Nc1 Rxc1 39.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 40.Kg2 Kxf8 41.Rc6 a5 42.Kf2 a4 43.Ke2 a3 44.Kd2 a2 0-1 (44) cant_handle_h5 (2631)-chess-art-us (2712) Blitz 2024;

C4) 9...Ne5 10.a4 *(10.Be2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.0-0 Qa5 14.a4 Rfb8 15.b3 h5 16.Qc2 h4 17.Nh1 Ne8 18.Rab1 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Rxb5 20.axb5 Qxb5 21.Nf2 Nc7 22.h3 Na6 23.Ra1 Rb8 24.Ra3 Nb4 25.Qd2 c4 26.Bd4 e6 27.dxe6 fxe6 28.f4 Nf7 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.bxc4 Qxc4 31.Rb1 Nc6 32.Rc1 Qd4 33.Rd3 Qb6 34.Qc3+ 1-0 (34) xiqichess (2664)-markovic5 (2696) Blitz 2021)* 10...Rb8 11.Be2 h5 *(11...e6 12.0-0 exd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Nge4 Nxe4 15.fxe4 f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Qd2 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Rxe3 19.Kh1 Qe7 20.Ne2 Re8 21.Nf4 Bh6 22.Ne6 Qh4 23.Qa5 Rh3 24.gxh3 Be4+ 25.Kg1 Be3+ 0-1 (25) Superfm1 (2653)-Lost_braincell (2559) Blitz 2024)* 12.0-0 h4 13.Nh1 e6 *(13...Nh5 14.f4 Nd7 15.Bxh5 gxh5 16.Qxh5 h3 17.Qxh3 Ne5 18.f5 Nxc4 19.Bh6 e5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qg4+ Kf6 22.Qh4+ Kg7 23.f6+ 1-0 (23) MrAble (2606)-ioncopac (2427) Rapid 2022)* 14.Nf2 exd5 15.cxd5 c4 16.a5 Qe7 17.Bg5 Qc7 18.Bxh4 b5 19.axb6 Qxb6 20.Bg5 Bd7 21.Ra2 Qc5 22.Qd2 a5 23.Be3 Qb4 24.Rfa1 Rfc8 25.Nfd1 Ra8 26.h3 Nh5 27.f4 Nd3 28.Bxd3 cxd3 29.Qxd3 f5 30.exf5 Bxf5 31.Qb5 Rab8 32.Qxa5 Qc4 33.Qa6 Nxf4 34.Qxd6 Ne2+ 35.Nxe2 Qxe2 36.Ra7 Rxb2 37.Rxg7+ Kh8 38.Rxg6 Bxg6 39.Qf6+ Kh7 40.Ra7+ 1-0 (40) gravereaper (2767)-pzpzzz (2662) Rapid 2021]

[7.h4 c5 8.d5 a6 9.a4 Ne5 10.Ng3 e6 11.h5 exd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bg5 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxa8 Qxa8 17.Bxb5 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 Rb8 19.Nxd6 Qa6 0-1 (19) Fastchess2345 (2697)-IgorKowalski (2771) Blitz 2024]

[7.g4 c5 8.d5 Ne5 9.Ng3 e6 10.h4 exd5 11.cxd5 Bxg4 12.fxg4 Nfxg4 13.Be2 h5 14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Qd2 Rfe8 16.Rf1 c4 17.a4 a6 18.Ra3 Qc5 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Qxb6 21.Kd1 Nf2+ 22.Rxf2 Qxf2 23.Qe3 Qh2 24.Nf1 Qh1 25.Kc2 Nd3 26.Bxd3 cxd3+ 27.Qxd3 Rac8 28.Nd2 Rb8 29.Rxa6 Rec8 30.Rc6 Qa1 31.Rxc8+ Rxc8 32.Nc4 Bxc3 33.Qxc3 Qa4+ 34.b3 Qa2+ 35.Qb2 Qa6 36.Bh6 1-0 (36) unitedff (2649)-Plmlgs99 (2602) Blitz 2024]

7...a6

[7...e5 8.d5 h6 *(8...a5 9.h4 h6 10.Be3 Nh5 11.Qd2 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Kh7 14.0-0-0 Re8 15.Bd3 Ne5 16.Be3 a4 17.a3 b6*

18.f4 Nxd3+ 19.Qxd3 Ba6 20.h5 Qf6 21.hxg6+ fxg6 22.Rh3 Kg8 23.Rdh1 h5 24.f5 gxf5 25.Rxh5 fxe4 26.Qe2 Qg6 27.Rg5 Qf6 28.Qh5 Re7 29.Qh7+ Kf7 30.Rf5 Bxc4 31.Rxf6+ Kxf6 32.Rh4 Rf8 33.Rf4+ Ke5 34.Qh5+ 1-0 (34) Itinerant69 (2642)-Fazliddin2001 (2572) Blitz 2023*)* 9.Be3 a5 10.Qd2 Kh7 11.g4 Nc5 12.Ng3 Ng8 13.h4 Ne7 14.h5 g5 15.Nf5 Bf6 16.Be2 Nxf5 17.exf5 Be7 18.Ne4 f6 19.Qc2 Bd7 20.b3 b6 21.Kf2 Qe8 22.a3 Qf7 23.b4 Ba4 24.Qb2 Nb3 25.Rab1 Nd4 26.Bxd4 exd4 27.Qxd4 Rfb8 28.Rb2 Kg7 29.Rhb1 Bf8 30.Qc3 Qe7 31.c5 axb4 32.axb4 bxc5 33.bxc5 Rxb2 34.Rxb2 dxc5 35.Rb7 Rd8 36.Nxf6 Qxf6 37.Rxc7+ Rd7 38.Qa5 Qd4+ 39.Kg2 Bd6 40.Rxd7+ Bxd7 41.Qd8 Bb5 42.Qxd6 Bxe2 43.Qe7+ Kg8 44.Qxe2 Qxd5 45.Qe8+ Kg7 46.Qe7+ Kg8 47.f6 Qa2+ 48.Kh3 Qf7 49.Qe5 c4 50.Kg3 Qb7 51.Qe6+ Kf8 52.Qd6+ Kf7 53.Qe5 Qd7 54.Qc5 Qe6 55.Qc7+ Kxf6 56.Qd8+ Kf7 57.Qc7+ Kg8 58.Qd8+ Kg7 59.Qd4+ Kf7 60.f4 gxf4+ 61.Qxf4+ Qf6 62.Qxc4+ Kg7 63.Qe4 Qd6+ 64.Kh3 Qa3+ 65.Kh4 Qe7+ 66.Qxe7+ Kg8 67.g5 hxg5+ 68.Kxg5 Kh8 69.Kg6 1-0 (69) penguingim1 (2801)-Mirakel05 (2598) Blitz 2023]

[7...Re8 8.Qd2 e5 9.d5 Nc5 10.g4 h6 11.Be3 Bxg4 12.fxg4 Nfxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Qc2 Qh4+ 15.Ng3 Nxg3 16.Qf2 Nf5 17.gxf5 Qxf2+ 18.Bxf2 gxf5 19.Rg1 f4 20.Bh3 Kh7 21.Bf5+ Kh8 22.Be4 Rf8 23.Bf5 Rfe8 24.Ke2 e4 25.Rxg7 Kxg7 26.Bd4+ Kf8 27.Bf6 b5 28.Rg1 Re5 29.Bxe5 dxe5 30.cxb5 e3 31.Bh7 Ke7 32.Rg8 Rxg8 33.Bxg8 f5 34.a4 e4 35.Bh7 Kd6 36.Bxf5 Kxd5 37.Bg4 Kd4 38.Ke1 f3 39.Bh5 Kd3 40.a5 e2 41.h4 Ke3 0-1 (41) penguingim1 (2684)-fortresspieces (2624) Blitz 2016]

8.Qd2

[8.Ng3 c6 9.a4 Qa5 10.Qc1 Mikhalevski, V: '1/2-1/2 Dreev,A - Svidler,P/Kazan 1995. Mikhalevski, Viktor: '1/2-1/2 Dreev,A - Svidler, P/Kazan 1995."]

[8.h4 b5 9.Qd2 c5 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nc1 bxc4 12.Be2 h5 13.a4 Rb8 14.Ra3 Rb4 15.N3a2 Qb6 16.Nxb4 cxb4 17.Be3 Qb7 18.Ra2 a5 19.0-0 Bd7 20.Bd4 Rc8 21.Rd1 Be8 22.Qe3 Nfd7 23.f4 Nd3 1-0 (23) Itinerant69 (2663)-abcdalirezaaa (2658) Blitz 2023]

[8.g4 c5 9.h4 b5 10.h5 h6 11.Bxf6 Nxf6 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.dxc5 dxc5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Nd7 17.Nec3 Ne5 18.Be2 g5 19.Nd5 Ng6 20.Nbc3 Rb8 21.0-0-0 Bb7 22.Bc4 Kh8 23.Rd2 Ne5 24.Be2 e6 25.Nc7 Rxd2 26.Kxd2 Rd8+ 27.Kc1 Bc8 28.Rd1 Rf8 29.Rd6 Kh7 30.N3b5 Nxf3 31.Bxf3 Rxf3 32.Nxe6 Rf1+ 33.Kc2 Rf2+ 34.Kd3 Bxe6 35.Rxe6 Rxb2 36.a4 Rb4 37.Ra6 c4+ 38.Ke3 Rb3+ 39.Kd2 Rb2+ 40.Ke3 c3 41.Rc6 Rb4 42.Nxc3 Rb3 43.Kd3 Rb4 44.Rc4 Rb6 45.Nd5 Rb3+ 46.Kc2 Rg3 47.a5 Rxg4 48.Ra4 Rg2+ 49.Kd3 Rg3+ 50.Kc4 Rg4 51.Kc5 Bf8+ 52.Kc6 Rg2 53.a6 Rc2+ 54.Kd7 Bc5 55.e5 Rd2 56.Kc6 Rc2 57.Kd7 Rd2 58.Ke6 g4 59.Nf6+ Kg6 60.Rxg4# 1-0 (60) Itinerant69 (2619)-yesornotwichone (2569) Blitz 2023]

8...c5
[8...b5 9.cxb5 *(9.Rc1 bxc4 10.Ng3 c5 11.Bxc4 cxd4 12.Qxd4 Ne5 13.Be2 h6 14.Be3 Nfg4 15.fxg4 Nf3+ 16.gxf3 Bxd4 17.Bxd4 Bb7 18.0-0 Rc8 19.Be3 Kg7 20.f4 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Nxf5+ Rxf5 23.gxf5 Qd7 24.Kf2 Qxf5 25.Rg1+ Kf7 26.Bg4 Qf6 27.Bxc8 Qh4+ 28.Ke2 Qxh2+ 29.Kd3 Bxc8 30.Ne2 Bf5+ 31.Kd2 Be6 32.b3 h5 33.f5 Bxf5 34.Rcf1 e6 35.Bf4 Qh3 36.Ng3 Qh2+ 37.Ke3 Bg4 38.Bxd6+ Ke8 39.Ne4 Qh3+ 40.Kd4 Bf5 41.Rg8+ Kd7 42.Rg7+ Kd8 43.Be7+ Kc8 44.Rc1+ Kb7 45.Bf6+ Kb6 46.Bd8+ Kb5 47.Rb7#* 1-0 (47) Biriyani (2698)-Uragan1234 (2798) Blitz 2021*)* 9...axb5 10.Nxb5 c6 11.Nbc3 e5 12.d5 *(12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.b3 Re8 14.Rd1 d5 15.f4 Neg4 16.e5 Nxe5 17.fxe5 Rxe5 18.Bf4 Re8 19.Rc1 Ba6 20.Kd1 Ne4 21.Nxe4 Rxe4 22.Be3 Qe8 23.Bc5 Bc8 24.Ng3 Bg4+ 25.Kc2 Rxa2+ 26.Kb1 Rxd2* 0-1 (26) VanuatuLover (2713)-Mavi_Alpha (2558) Blitz 2025*)* 12...Bb7 13.dxc6 Bxc6 14.Qxd6 Qb6 15.Qd2 Nc5 16.Ng3 Nb3 17.Be3 Qb7 18.axb3 Rxa1+ 19.Kf2 h5 20.Bc4 Rxh1 21.Nxh1 Qb8 22.Ng3 Rd8 23.Qc1 h4 24.Nge2 h3 25.g4 Bf8 26.Kg3 Qb4 27.Kxh3 Be7 28.Kg2 Ne8 29.Ng3 Nd6 30.Nd5 Bxd5 31.Bxd5 Rc8 32.Qd1 Nb5 33.h4 Nd4 34.h5 Rc2+ 35.Kh3 gxh5 36.Bxd4 Rd2 37.Qc1 Qxd4 38.Qc8+ Bf8 39.Qf5 hxg4+ 40.Qxg4+ Kh8 41.Qh5+ 1-0 (41) Svidler,P (2723)-Grischuk,A (2777) chess.com INT 2020]
9.d5 b5 10.cxb5 axb5
[10...Qa5 11.Nc1 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Qxa6 14.Qe2 Rfb8 15.Nd3 Ne8 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Qxe2 18.Nxe2 Bxe5 19.Bxe7 f6 20.f4 Bxb2 21.e5 Bxa1 22.Rxa1 Rb2 23.Nc3 fxe5 24.fxe5 dxe5 25.Rf1 Rd2 26.Rf8+ Kg7 27.d6 Rb8 28.h4 Rd3 29.Ne4 Rb1+ 30.Kh2 Rb4 31.Nxc5 Rd5 32.Rxe8 Rxc5 33.d7 Rd4 34.Bxc5 Rxd7 35.Re7+ Rxe7 36.Bxe7 e4 37.Bc5 Kf6 38.a4 Ke5 39.Be3 Kd5 40.a5 Kc6 41.a6 h5 42.a7 Kb7 43.Kg3 Ka8 44.Kf4 Kb7 45.Kg5 Ka8 46.Kxg6 Kb7 47.Kxh5 Ka8 48.Kg4 Kb7 49.Kf4 Ka8 50.Kxe4 Kb7 51.h5 Ka8 52.h6 Kb7 53.h7 Ka8 54.h8Q+ Kb7 55.a8Q+ Kc7 56.Qhd8# 1-0 (56) speedytiger301 (2679)-Diamond111 (2555) Blitz 2020]
11.Nxb5 Ba6 12.Nec3 Qa5 13.a4 Rfb8 14.Ra3
[14.Be2 Bxb5 15.Bxb5 Rxb5 *(15...Qb4 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Rfb1 Nc4 18.Qe2 Na5 19.Ra3 h6 20.Be3 Nh5 21.g4 Nf6 22.Kg2 Nb7 23.Bc6 h5 24.h3 Qb6 25.b4 Qc7 26.b5 Na5 27.Nd1 Ra7 28.g5 Nd7 29.Nb2 Nb6 30.Rc1 e6 31.Nd1 Qe7 32.Qf2 Rf8 33.Ra2 Nac4 34.Bd2 Rxa4 35.Rxa4 Nxa4 36.Rxc4 Nb2 37.Rc2 Nxd1 38.Qe1 Nb2 39.h4 exd5 40.Bxd5 Nd3 41.Qe2 Ne5 42.Bc3 Kh7 43.b6 f6 44.gxf6 Bxf6 45.b7 Bxh4 46.Bd2 Bg5 47.Rc3 Bf4 48.Bxf4 Rxf4 49.Qf2 Qg5+ 50.Qg3 Ng4 51.b8Q* 1-0 (51) Itinerant69 (2615)-Formax (2650) Blitz 2023*)* 16.Nxb5 Qxb5 17.axb5 Rxa1+ 18.Ke2 Rxh1 19.Qa5 h6 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Qd8+ Nf8 22.b6 Rb1 23.Kd3 Rxb2 24.Qc7 c4+ 25.Kxc4 Rxg2 26.Kd3 Rxh2 27.b7 Rb2 28.b8Q Rxb8 29.Qxb8 g5 30.Qc8 Kg7 31.Ke3

Ng6 32.Qb7 h5 33.Qc8 h4 34.Qg4 Nf4 35.Qf5 h3 36.Kf2 h2 37.e5 h1Q 38.exf6+ exf6 0-1 (38) speedytiger301 (2626)-dalmatinac101 (2807) Blitz 2020]

14...Nb6 15.Be2 Qb4 16.0-0 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Re1

[18.Rfa1 Qb4 19.Nc7 Ra7 20.N3b5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Ra6 22.Qc2 Nd7 23.Rb3 Rxa4 24.Rxb4 Rxa1+ 25.Kf2 cxb4 26.Qc7 Rxb5 27.Qxd7 Rb8 28.Bxe7 Bxb2 29.Bxd6 Bd4+ 30.Kg3 b3 31.Bxb8 b2 32.Qe8+ Kg7 33.Be5+ f6 34.Bd6 Be5+ 35.Bxe5 b1Q 36.Qe7+ Kh6 37.Qf8+ Kh5 38.Bxa1 Qe1+ 39.Kf4 Qc1+ 40.Kg3 Qe1+ 41.Kf4 g5+ 42.Kf5 Qxe4+ 43.Kxe4 h6 44.Kd4 g4 0-1 (44) Itinerant69 (2715)-abcdalirezaaa (2665) Blitz 2023]

18...Qb4 19.Qc2 h6 20.Bd2 Nd7 21.h3 Bxb5 22.axb5 Rxa3 23.bxa3 Qxa3 24.f4 Bd4+ 25.Kh2 Qb4 26.e5 dxe5 27.f5 g5 28.d6 exd6 29.Nd5 Qxb5 30.f6 Qb2 31.Ne7+ Kh8 32.Qd3 Nf8 33.Rf1 Qb3 34.Qe2 Qc2 35.Rf5 e4 36.Qh5 Kh7 37.Qxf7+ Kh8 38.Qg7# 1-0 (38) penguingim1 (2832)-ruslan1541 (2614) Blitz 2025

6...Nc6 7.d5 Ne5

[7...Na5 8.Ng3 c5 *(8...h5 9.Be2 h4 10.Nf1 h3 11.g4 b5 12.cxb5 a6 13.bxa6 Bxa6 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qe2 Qa8 16.Nb5 Rc8 17.Be3 Nb3 18.Rb1 Rxa2 19.Qc4 Ra1 20.Qd3 Nd7 21.Kf2 Ndc5 22.Qc2 Rxb1 23.Qxb1 c6 24.Nc3 Na4 25.Nxa4 Qxa4 26.dxc6 Rxc6 27.Ng3 Nd4 28.Rf1 Rc2+ 29.Kg1 Rxb2 30.Qc1 Qa2* 0-1 (30) EZKIMO_SE (2646)-Masterclass2 (2740) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Be2 e6 *(9...h5 10.0-0 h4 11.Nh1 h3 12.g4 a6 13.Be3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Rxa6 17.Qe2 Qa8 18.Ng3 Rb8 19.Rad1 Nd7 20.f4 Rb4 21.e5 Nc4 22.Bc1 dxe5 23.f5 e4 24.Ngxe4 Nd6 25.a3 Rd4 26.Ng5 Ne5 27.fxg6 Rxg4+ 28.Kh1 fxg6 29.Bf4 Rg2 30.Qe3 Nf5 31.Qxh3 Rxg5 32.Bxg5 c4 33.Rxf5 gxf5 34.Qxf5 Nd3 35.Rf1 Qe8 36.Nb5 Qxb5 37.Qc8+ Kh7 38.Qh3+ Bh6 39.Rf7+ Kg8 40.Qf5 Bg7 41.Rxe7 Ne5 42.Qc8+ Kh7 43.Qh3+ Kg6 44.Re6+ Rxe6 45.Qxe6+ Kxg5 46.Qe7+ Bf6 47.Qe6 Qxb2 48.h4+ Kf4 49.Qxf6+ Ke4 50.Qf1 Qc2 51.Qg2+ Qxg2+ 52.Kxg2 c3 53.d6 c2 54.d7 c1Q 55.d8Q Qc2+* 0-1 (55) MerugaMentality (2615)-Gakolchess765 (2615) Blitz 2022*)* 10.0-0 exd5 11.cxd5 a6 12.a4 c4 *(12...Bd7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Rb8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.f4 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.e5 Ng4 19.Bxg4 Bxg4 20.Qd3 Nc4 21.Bc1 dxe5 22.f5 Nd6 23.h3 Bxf5 24.Nxf5 Nxf5 25.Rxf5 gxf5 26.Qxf5+ Kh8 27.Be3 b4 28.Ne4 f6 29.Bxc5 Qc8 30.Qg6 Qe8 31.Qf5 Qc8 32.Qg6 Qe8 33.Qf5 Rf7 34.Nd6 Qd7 35.Nxf7+ Qxf7 36.Qe6 Qxe6 37.dxe6 Re8 38.e7 Kg8 39.Bxb4 Kf7 40.Ra7 f5 41.Ba3 Bf6 42.Kf1 e4 43.Ke2 Bxe7 44.Bxe7 Rxe7 45.Rxe7+ Kxe7 46.Ke3 h5 47.h4 Ke6 48.Kf4 Kd5 49.Ke3 Ke5 50.g3 Kd5 51.b3 Kc5 52.g4 fxg4* 0-1 (52) Killerkaz (2634)-ItachiUt (2530) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be3 Nd7 14.f4 Nb3 15.Rb1 Qc7 16.f5 Rb8 17.h4 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.h5 b4 20.Na2 Be5 21.Rf3 Qa5 22.Nc1 Nxc1 23.Qxc1 c3 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Bh6 Re8 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Qg5 Nf8 28.Rbf1 Qa7+ 29.Kh1 Bg7 30.Nh5 Rb7 31.Bxg7 Rxg7 32.Nf6+ Kf7

33.Nxe8+ Kxe8 34.Rxf8+ Kd7 35.Qd8# 1-0 (35) casuallychess (2671)-Xychael27 (2583) Blitz 2021]

8.Ng3

[8.Nf4 e6 9.Be2 Re8 10.0-0 exd5 11.cxd5 c6 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Kh1 Qc7 14.Be3 Be6 15.Rc1 Bc4 16.Qa4 Bxe2 17.Ncxe2 Rac8 18.Rfd1 Bf8 19.Nc3 Qb7 20.b3 a6 21.Qa5 Nfd7 22.Na4 Qb5 23.Qd2 Nc5 24.Nxc5 dxc5 25.Qc3 c4 26.bxc4 Qa4 27.Qb3 Qxb3 28.axb3 Rb8 29.Rb1 a5 30.Bd2 a4 31.bxa4 Nxc4 32.Rxb8 Rxb8 33.Be1 Bg7 34.h4 Ra8 35.a5 Nxa5 36.Bxa5 Rxa5 37.Rd8+ Bf8 38.Rc8 Rc5 39.Kh2 Kg7 40.Kh3 Bd6 41.Ne2 h5 42.Nd4 Rc1 43.g3 c5 44.Nb5 Be5 45.f4 Bb2 46.e5 c4 47.Rc7 c3 48.e6 Re1 49.exf7 Kf8 50.Nd6 c2 51.Rc8+ Ke7 52.f8Q+ Ke6 53.Re8+ Kd5 54.Rxe1 c1Q 55.Rxc1 1-0 (55) Itinerant69 (2692)-balachess2006 (2738) Blitz 2023]

8...e6 9.Be2 exd5 10.cxd5 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.Nh1 Nh5 13.f4 Nd7 14.Bxh5 gxh5 15.Qxh5 Nc5 16.Nf2 1-0 (16) FeegLood (2824)-Atakishiyev04 (2651) Blitz 2021

6...c6 7.g4

[7.Bg5 - 117/(191)]

7...a6 8.h4 b5 9.Ng3 e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Be3 Be6 13.h5 bxc4 14.Be2 Nbd7 15.0-0-0 Rab8 16.Rhg1 Bf8 17.Nf5 Bc5 18.Bxc5 Nxc5 19.Ne7+ Kf8 20.Nxc6 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 Rc8 22.Nxe5 gxh5 23.g5 Nfd7 24.Nxd7+ Bxd7 25.Bxc4 h4 26.Bxa6 Nxa6 27.Rxd7 Rc5 28.Rd6 Nb4 29.Rh6 Rxg5 30.Rxh4 Kg7 31.a3 Nd3+ 32.Kc2 Ne1+ 33.Kb3 Nxf3 34.Rf4 Nd4+ 35.Kc4 Ne6 36.Rf1 h5 37.b4 h4 38.Rh1 Rh5 39.b5 Rc5+ 40.Kb4 Rh5 41.b6 Nd8 42.a4 Nb7 43.Nd5 f5 44.exf5 Rxf5 45.Nc3 Rh5 46.Nb5 Rh6 47.a5 Kf7 48.a6 Rxb6 49.a7 Ra6 50.Rxh4 Kg6 51.Rf4 Nd8 52.Rc4 Ne6 53.Rc6 Rxc6 54.a8Q Rb6 55.Qg8+ Kf6 56.Qg4 Rc6 57.Qf3+ Ke7 58.Qxc6 Nd8 59.Qc7+ Ke8 60.Qxd8+ Kxd8 ½-½ (60) povadingo (2700)-ZhohoFF (2631) Blitz 2024

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[78] **7.Bg5** c6

[7...c5 8.Qd2 *(8.d5 b5 9.cxb5 Nbd7 10.a4 Qa5 11.Bd2 Ne5 12.Qc2 axb5 13.Nxb5 Qxb5 14.axb5*

Rxa1+ 15.Nc1 Bd7 16.Be2 Rb8 17.0-0 Bxb5 18.Bxb5 Rxb5 19.Bc3 Ned7 20.Nd3 Ra2 21.Qb1 Ra4 22.Qc2 Ra2 23.Nc1 Ra8 24.Nb3 Rab8 25.Nd2 Ra8 26.Nc4 Ne8 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Qc3+ f6 29.f4 Nc7 30.Rd1 Rb4 31.e5 Nb5 32.Qd3 fxe5 33.fxe5 Nxe5 34.Nxe5 dxe5 35.Qe3 e4 36.Qxc5 Rxb2 37.Qxe7+ Kh6 38.Qh4+ Kg7 39.Qxe4 Raa2 40.d6 Nxd6 41.Qe5+ Kh6 42.Qxd6 Rxg2+ 43.Kh1 Rgf2 44.Qg3 Rae2 45.Rg1 Rf5 46.Qh3+ Kg7 47.Qg2 Re7 48.Qg4 Ref7 49.h4 R7f6 50.h5 Kf7 51.h6 Rh5+ 52.Kg2 Rxh6 53.Qg3 Rh5 54.Re1 Rhf5 55.Qg4 Kg7 56.Kg3 Rf8 57.Qf3 R5f6 58.Qe2 R8f7 59.Kg2 Rf5 60.Qf2 Rg5+ 61.Qg3 Rgf5 62.Kg1 Rg5 63.Kh2 Rxg3 64.Kxg3 Rf6 65.Kh2 Rf5 66.Rg1 Rg5 67.Rg2 Rh5+ 68.Kg1 Rg5 69.Kf1 Rxg2 0-1 (69) QuakeLatam (2625)-Greenlight123 (2739) Blitz 2023*)* 8...b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nxb5 Ba6 11.Nec3 Nc6 12.dxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8 Raxd8 14.Rd1 Rxd1+ 15.Kxd1 Rd8+ 16.Kc1 Nb4 17.Be2 Nd3+ 18.Kc2 c4 19.Rd1 Nb4+ 20.Kb1 Nd3 21.b3 Rb8 22.bxc4 Nc5 23.Kc2 Nh5 24.Bxe7 Ne6 25.g3 Rc8 26.a4 Nc5 27.Bd6 Nf6 28.e5 Nfd7 29.f4 Nb6 30.a5 Nbd7 31.Nd5 Bf8 32.Bxf8 Kxf8 33.Nd6 Rb8 34.Nc7 Rb4 35.Ra1 Bb7 36.Nd5 Bxd5 37.cxd5 Rd4 38.Kc3 Rxd5 39.Bc4 1-0 (39) penguingim1 (2791)-Andrei_Kharitonov (2417) Blitz 2025]

8.Qd2

[8.a4 is answered by the thematic a5! followed by Na6-b4.]

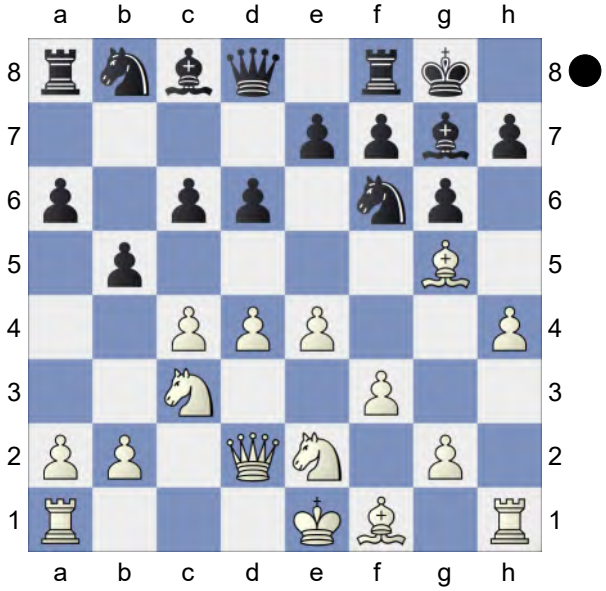
[8.Ng3 b5 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.Rc1 *(10.h4 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.h5 b4 14.Nd1 a5 15.Nf2 Qb6 16.Bh6 Ra7 17.Qg5 Ne8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qh4 Kg8 20.Be2 Na4 21.Rc1 Rc7 22.Rxc7 Qxc7 23.Bb5 Qc1+ 24.Ke2 Qxb2+ 25.Kf1 Nc3 26.Kg1 Qc1+ 27.Nf1 Qf4 28.Qxf4 exf4 29.Bc4 Nf6 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Nd3 Nd7 32.Kf2 Ne5 33.Nxe5 dxe5 34.Nd2 Bd7 35.a3 Rc8 36.axb4 axb4 37.Ra1 Rb8 38.Ra7 Rb5 39.Bxb5 Bxb5 40.Rb7 Kf8 41.d6 Ke8 42.Ke1 f5 43.exf5 gxf5 44.Nb3 e4 45.Nc5 Bc6 46.Rb8+ Kf7 47.d7 Bxd7 48.Nxd7 exf3 49.Rxb4 fxg2 50.Kf2 g1Q+ 51.Kxg1 Ne4* 0-1 (51) VanuatuLover (2680)-ZhohoFF (2668) Blitz 2025*)* 10...e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Qa5 13.a3 Bb7 14.Be2 Rfc8 15.0-0 h5 16.Nh1 Nh7 17.Be3 Qd8 18.Nf2 Bf6 19.Nd3 g5 20.Na2 Ndf8 21.Nab4 Qd7 22.Na2 Ng6 23.Rxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rc1 Nf4 25.Bf1 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 g4 27.Rxc8+ Bxc8 28.Nc3 gxf3 29.gxf3 Kf8 30.Na2 Qh3 31.Qg2 Qh4 32.Qg3 Ng5 33.Kg2 Nh3 34.Nb4 Nf4+ 35.Bxf4 exf4 36.Qxh4 Bxh4 37.a4 bxa4 38.Bc4 Bf6 39.Nd3 Bd7 40.Bxa6 h4 41.h3 Ke7 42.Bb7 Kd8 43.Ba6 Kc7 44.Kh2 Kb6 45.Bc4 Bb5 46.Bxb5 Kxb5 47.Kg2 Kc4 48.e5 Kxd3 0-1 (48) DoloresCrotal (2703)-Tidjane (2602) Blitz 2024]

[8.g4 b5 9.h4 Nbd7 *(9...e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nbd7 12.h5 Nc5 13.Qd2 Ra7 14.Ng3 b4 15.Nd1 Qb6 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Be2 Raf7 18.Be3 Qb8 19.Nf2 a5 20.Rc1 a4 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.d6 Rd8 23.Bc4 Rxd6 24.Bxf7+ Kxf7 25.Qc2 Nd7 26.Rxh7 Ba6 27.Rd1 c4 28.Rxd6 Qxd6 29.Qd2 Qxd2+ 30.Kxd2 Nc5 31.g5 c3+ 32.bxc3 b3 33.axb3 Nxb3+*

34.Kc2 Bc4 35.Kb2 Kg8 36.Rxg7+ Kxg7 37.Ng4 Nd2 38.Nxe5 Be6 39.Ka3 Kf8 40.Kxa4 Ke7 41.Kb4 Kd6 42.f4 Bc8 43.Nxg6 Bb7 44.e5+ Ke6 45.f5+ 1-0 (45) Itinerant69 (2643)-ZhohoFF (2631) Blitz 2023*)* 10.h5 bxc4 11.Ng3 Qb6 12.Qd2 e5 13.hxg6 exd4 14.Na4 Qb5 15.gxh7+ Kh8 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Qxa4 18.Nf5 Ne8 19.Rh5 Qb4+ 20.Kf2 Qxb2+ 21.Kg1 Qxa1 22.Rg5 d3 23.Rg8+ Rxg8 24.hxg8Q+ Kxg8 25.Ne7# 1-0 (25) Itinerant69 (2687)-ZhohoFF (2646) Blitz 2023]

8...b5 Martin,Andrew: 'This method of counterplay gains in strength when c4 is unprotected. Good timing by Svidler.' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin, Andrew D: 'This method of counterplay gains in strength when c4 is unprotected. Good timing by Svidler.'' 9.h4 Van Delft,Merijn: '?!' Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm

[9.Nc1 is the calm alternative.]



White has barely developed his pieces and is already starting a direct attack against the black K.

Question 1 Would you play: A) 9.. . bxc4, simply to take the pawn that White has offered; B) 9...Nbd7 to continue development; C) 9...h5 to block the advance of the white h-pawn.' 9...h5 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft,Merijn: 'Blocking the white h-pawn is always the most principled reply in these kind of positions, 5 points.'

[9...e5 Martin,Andrew: 'Ü 84/466 Martin,Andrew D: '(Martin,Andrew) Ü 84/466' →84/466 →84/466 Ü 84/466']

[9...bxc4 10.h5! Nxh5 11.Bh6! e5 *(The exchange sacrifice 11...Bh8* fails to *12.Rxh5 gxh5 13.Qg5+)* 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.g4 Nf6 14.Qh6+ Kh8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.g5 Nh5 17.Ng3 nicely illustrates White's attacking concept, therefore no points.]

[9...Nbd7 10.h5! should be avoided for the same reason, so no points.]

10.0-0-0 Pavlovic,Milos: '!?'Pavlovic, Milos: 'This is not new but it is a quite dangerous line in my opinion. Despite its slightly odd look the position is rather complex and I tend to think that Black doesn't have an easy life here.'

[10.e5 Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D whilst the d-file can be opened, this looks premature. Black achieved good prospects in the following recent game:' Martin,Andrew: 'whilst the d file can be opened, looks premature. Black acheived good prospects in the following recent game:' dxe5 11.dxe5 Qxd2+ 12.Bxd2 Pavlovic,Milos: '±' Pavlovic,Milos: 'Black is having diffculties' Nfd7 Pavlovic,Milos: '!?' 13.f4 f6 *(13...Nc5 14.Ng3 Bg4* Martin,Andrew: 'also looks perfectly

OK' Martin,Andrew: 'also looks perfectly OK') 14.exf6 Nxf6 15.Ng3 e5 Pavlovic,Milos: '⩲' Martin,Andrew: '!' 16.fxe5 Ng4 17.Nce4 Martin,Andrew: ', after which' Martin,Andrew: 'Harikrishna,P (2684)-Wen,Y (2569)/Biel 2012, after which' Bxe5 Pavlovic,Milos: '!!' Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'leads to a position which can only be a bit better for Black'Martin,Andrew: 'leads to a position which can only be a bit better for Black' 18.Bb4 *(18.0-0-0* Martin,Andrew: '?' *Bxg3* Pavlovic,Milos: ' ±' *19.Nxg3 Nf2)* 18...Re8 19.0-0-0 Bf4+ Martin,Andrew: '?' 20.Kb1 Bxg3 21.Nxg3 Nf2 Martin,Andrew: '; Harikrishna,P 2684 - Wen,Yang 2569, Biel (open) 2012.']

10...Nbd7

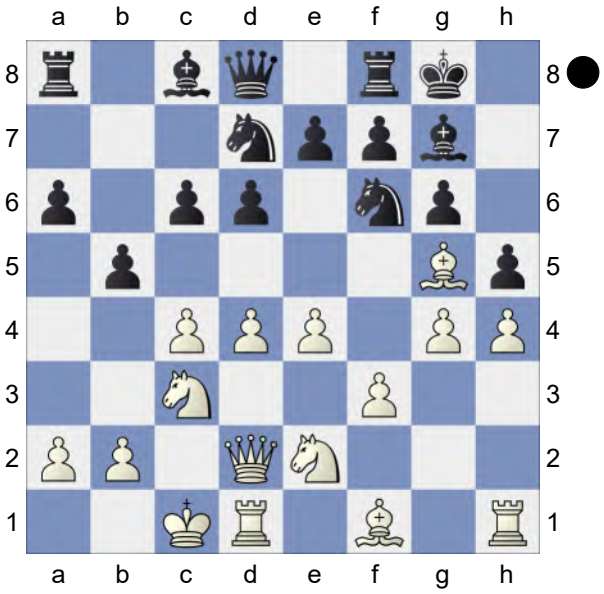
[10...bxc4 11.Nf4! d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.g4! is tricky business for Black.]

11.g4 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Really going for it, but White has burned his bridges already by playing h4 and then castling long."

[11.e5 Pavlovic,Milos: '±' Martin,Andrew: 'looks a bit more dangerous now, but Black can lie on the ropes with' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'looks a bit more dangerous now, but Black can lie on the ropes with'' Nh7 Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'and soak up the pressure:' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'and soak up the pressure:"

A) 12.exd6 Nxg5 13.dxe7 Qxe7 14.Qxg5 *(14.hxg5 Nb6!)* 14...Nf6! Black is clearly better although he's a pawn down, because the B on g7 doesn't have a counterpart any more and will turn into a monster.;

B) 12.Bh6 Nb6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nf4∞ Martin,Andrew: 'Psakhis,L 2625 - Gentilleau,J.-Ph 2220, Andorra 1995. and now' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Psakhis,L (2625)-Gentilleau,J (2220)/Andorra 1995 and now'' bxc4 Martin,Andrew: '⇄!"Martin,Andrew D: '!' '!' '!' Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: ' ⇄!" would have been best, with plenty of counterplay'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'would have been best, with plenty of counterplay.'' *(14...dxe5* Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew" *)*]



The thematic pawn sacrifice to op'Martin,Andrew D: '!?' '!?' '!?' Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: 'N!?'' Really going for it, but White has burned his bridges already by playing h4 and then castling long.' en up files against the black K. Question 2 Would you play: A) 11...b4 to push the white N out of position; B) 11...bxc4 to open up the b-file for a counterattack against

the white K; C) 11...hxg4 to be brave and just grab the pawn.' Martin,Andrew: 'N!?' 11...b4 Van Delft,Merijn: '?!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'A decent pragmatic choice, but not best, 2 points.'

[After the straightforward 11...hxg4! 12.h5 gxf3 13.h6 *(13.hxg6 fxe2 14.Bxe2 fxg6* is simply an extra piece for Black.*)* 13...Bh8 14.Ng1 Nh7 Black has defended successfully and has the upper hand, 5 points.]

[11...bxc4 12.Ng3 gives White a powerful attack, therefore no points.]

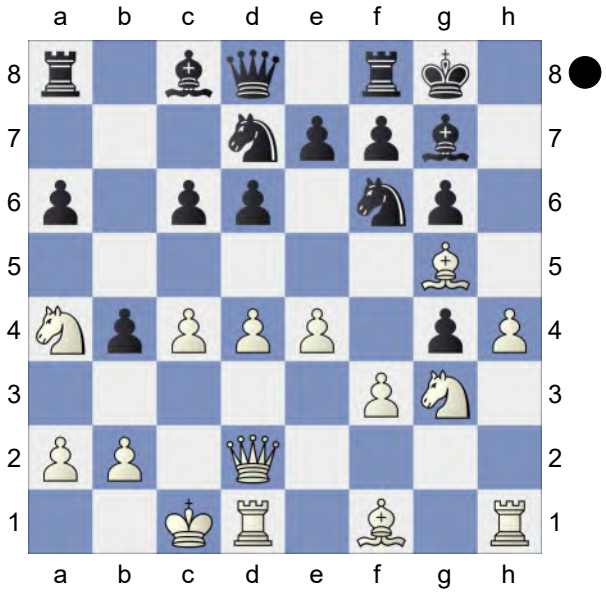
12.Na4 hxg4 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Opening the h-file is very scary, but Black has to bite the bullet after all.' 13.Ng3 Van Delft,Merijn: '?!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Diagramm

[Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'If he moved on with'' 13.h5 Martin,Andrew: 'If he had moved on with we might have seen an extraordinary sequence:' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'we might have seen an extraordinary sequence:"

A) 13...Qa5 14.h6 Bh8 15.h7+ Nxh7 16.Bxe7 Bf6! 17.Bxd6 *(17.Qh6 Qg5+* is a key defensive idea. *)* 17...Qxa4 18.b3 Qa5 19.Bxb4 Qd8 20.Bxf8 Ndxf8 and Black has everything defended.;

B) 13...Nxh5⇄ Martin,Andrew: '!?' 14.fxg4 Nhf6 15.Bh6 Nxg4 16.Bxg7 Pavlovic,Milos: ' ±' Kxg7 Pavlovic,Milos: '?' 17.Qf4 Rh8⇄ 18.Rxh8 Pavlovic,Milos: ' ±' Qxh8 19.Qxg4± Nc5 20.Qg5⇄ Nxa4 21.Qa5⇄ Qh6+ 22.Kb1∞ The original 22...Qe3 just brings about a complicated position where both sides have chances: 23.Qxa4 Bg4 Martin,Andrew: '∓"Martin, Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: ' ∓" White⇗s quee n has enjoyed a world tour, but I prefer Black in this final position.'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'White's queen has enjoyed a world tour, but I prefer Black in this final position."]

[13.Bg2! Nh7 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qa5 16.b3 Ndf6 17.Qe3 e5 and, although Black has everything under control, the position remains fairly tense and dynamically balanced.]



Question 3 Would you play: A) 13... Qa5 to activate the queen for counterattack and defence; B) 13... gxf3 to take another pawn and weaken White's central position; C) 13...Nh7 to threaten the important dark-squared bishop.' 13...Nh7 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Questioning the dark-squared B is the most logical defence here, 5 points.'

[13...Qa5 14.b3 leaves e7 hanging,

so this doesn't increase Black's defensive options, therefore no points.]

[13...gxf3 14.h5 is tricky and should be avoided, no points.]

14.Bh6! After having developed the knight to c6, Black always has to take into consideration the possibility of the exchange ♗xc6.

[14.h5 Nxg5 15.Qxg5 e5 is excellent for Black.]

14...gxf3 Martin,Andrew: '!'

[14...Qa5 Martin,Andrew: '!?"Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: '!?'' was a serious alternative, but Svidler cannot see a reason why he should not capture on f3.'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'was a serious alternative, but Svidler cannot see a reason why he should not capture on f3."]

15.Bxg7 Pavlovic,Milos: '!?'

[15.h5 g5 16.Bxg5 Nxg5 17.h6 *(17.Qxg5 e5! 18.Qd2 exd4 19.Nf5 Ne5!* and Black is just in time to take control of the position.*)* 17...Bf6 18.e5 *(18.h7+ Kh8* and the K is perfectly safe, hiding behind the white pawn.*)* 18...Nh7! 19.exf6 Ndxf6 followed by Kh8 when the K is quite safe and Black is better.]

[15.Nf5 Bf6! and Black happily gives up the exchange.]

15...Kxg7 16.h5?! Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm

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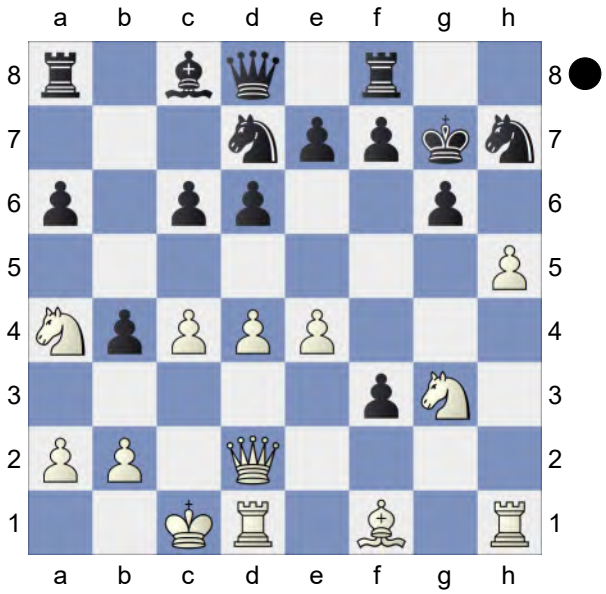


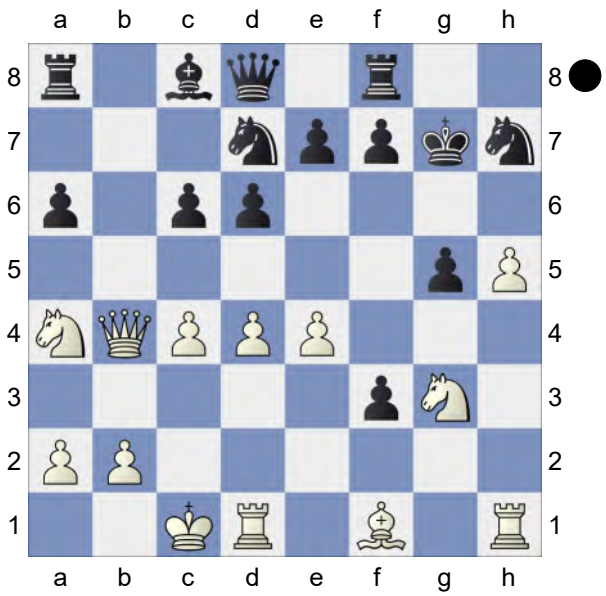
Question 4 Would you play: A) 16...Ndf6 to keep the king's position very tight; B) 16...g5 to keep all files closed; C) 16...Rh8 to neutralise White's pressure along the h-file.' 16...g5!↑ Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft,Merijn: 'This pretty much puts an end to White's attacking ambitions, 5 points.' Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'Absolutely necessary, to block lines. ' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Absolutely necessary, to block lines. "

[16...Rh8 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh6+ Kf7 19.e5! and]

[16...Ndf6 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh6+ Kf7 19.e5! are twin lines in which White's attack comes crashing through, therefore no points in either case.]

17.Qxb4?! Pavlovic,Milos: '!' Van Delft,Merijn: 'DiagrammPavlovic,Milos: 'This is a pure pawn sacrifice but obviously a correct one and moreover in the spirit of the line.'

[17.Nf5+ Kh8 doesn't worry Black.]



Question 5 Would you play: A) 17... Rb8 to take over the initiative on the queenside; B) 17...Ndf6 to regain control over the f5 square; C) 17...Kh8 to put the K in safety.'

17...Ndf6! Van Delft,Merijn: '?!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'With this move Black loses control over the e5 square, therefore no points.'Now Black has an advantage.

[17...Rb8 Pavlovic,Milos: '+-' Martin, Andrew: '!' 18.h6+⇄ *(18.Qc3 Nb6 19.Nc5* is still fine for Black but unnecessarily complicated, 2 points.*)* 18...Kh8 19.Qd2 g4 Martin,Andrew: '∓"Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: '∓'"]

[17...Kh8 is the most accurate way, 5 points.]

18.Rd3 Van Delft,Merijn: '?!'

[After 18.Qc3! Qc7 19.Re1! White would have been back in the game.]

18...g4 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Now Black can comfortably consolidate his position.' Martin, Andrew: 'To the end White will be labouring to get rid of the advanced Black pawns. This is classic King⇗s Indian play by Peter Svidler, who first drains all the life out of White⇗s attack and then completely takes over the position. The Italian No.1 is already struggling to find a way to revive his initiative.'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin, Andrew D: 'To the end White will be labouring to get rid of the advanced Black pawns. This is classic King's Indian play by Svidler, who first drains all the life out of White's attack and then completely takes over the position. Caruana is already struggling to find a way to revive his initiative.'' 19.Rg1 Martin,Andrew: '?'

[19.e5 Pavlovic,Milos: '±!' Martin, Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'was the best try, initiating complications and keeping Black⇗s advantage to a minimum:' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin, Andrew D: 'was the best try, initiating complications and keeping Black's advantage to a minimum:'' Nd7 20.exd6↑ Rb8 21.Nf5+ *(21.dxe7 Rxb4! 22.exd8Q* Pavlovic,Milos: '∞' *Rxd8!* Martin,Andrew: '∓"Martin, Andrew D: ' ∓' '∓' '∓' Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: ' ∓" . White is worse.' Black is only demanded some precise actions to keep the balance.*; 21.Qd2 exd6 22.Nf5+ Kh8 23.Nxd6* Pavlovic,Milos: ' ⩲'Pavlovic,Milos: 'A complex piece of analysis and not completely forced, but it emphasises in a good way how dangerous the position might be for Black.' *Qg5∞* Martin,Andrew: '!' *24.c5* Pavlovic, Milos: '!' *Ndf6* Martin,Andrew: '∓' Martin,Andrew: 'and, again, Black is better' *)* 21...Kh8 22.Qd2 exd6?!

23.Nxd6± Oparin,G - Gabuzyan,H Saint Louis 2019 Nb6! This is a new continuation that allows Black to get counterplay. 24.Nxb6! Qxd6 25.c5 Qf6 Pavlovic,Milos: '!' Martin,Andrew: '∓']
19...Qc7 20.Qd2 Kh8 21.c5 Rb8 Van Delft,Merijn: 'The final pieces are brought into play.' 22.b3 Rg8 23.Rc3 e5 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Gaining central control.' Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'Undermining what is left of the White centre. What becomes clear is that the White king is by far the more vulnerable of the two monarchs.'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Undermining what is left of the White centre. What becomes clear is that the white king is by far the more vulnerable of the two. '' 24.dxe5 dxe5 25.Qe3 a5 26.Nb6 Be6 Pavlovic,Milos: '='Pavlovic,Milos: 'Black has managed to equalise. ' 27.Nc4 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm
[Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'After'' 27.Bc4 Martin,Andrew: 'After' Rbd8 Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin, Andrew: 'Black can comfortably allow his pawns to be doubled, as the d5 square is then covered and he can occupy d4 : 'Martin,Andrew: 'Martin, Andrew D: 'Black can comfortably allow his pawns to be doubled, as the d5-square is then covered and he can occupy d4.'' 28.Bxe6 fxe6 29.Nc4 a4 30.bxa4!↑ Rd4 Martin,Andrew: '∓''Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: '∓''']

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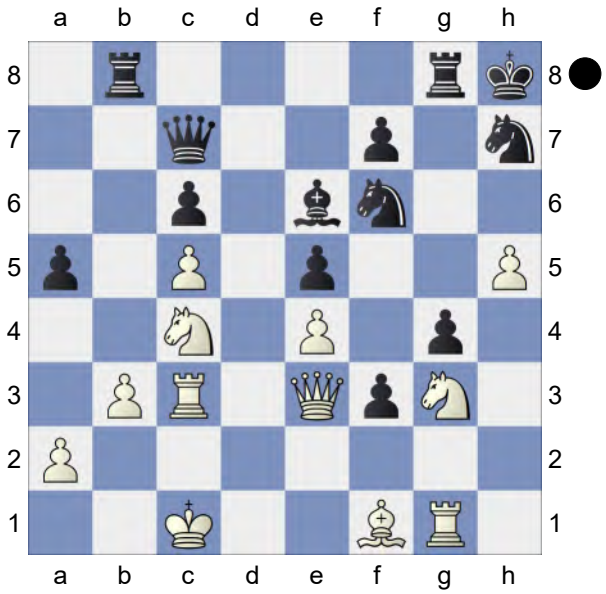
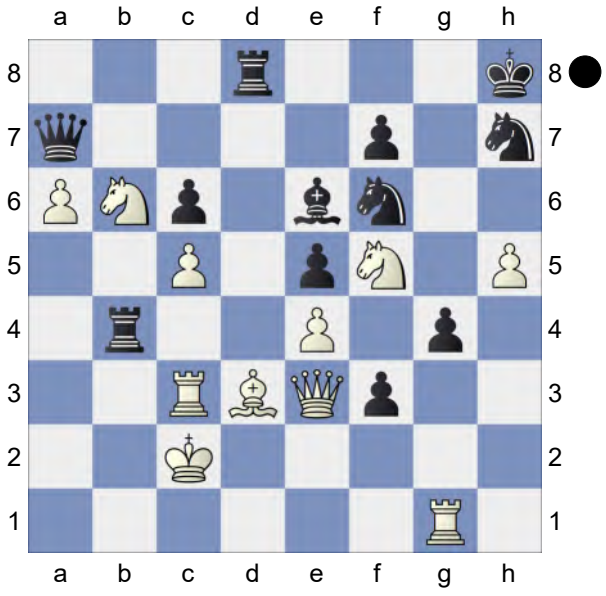


Question 6 Would you play: A) 27... a4 to open up the queenside; B) 27...Rb4 to prepare the advance of the a-pawn; C) 27...Rgd8 to take control of the open file.' 27...a4 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Effectively starting the counterattack on the queenside, 5 points.' Martin,Andrew: 'Another excellent move, opening lines.' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'Another excellent move, opening lines.''
[27...Rgd8 is a decent alternative, 3 points.]
[After 27...Rb4 28.a3 the R has to go back, therefore no points.]
28.bxa4 Rb4 29.Nb6 Qa7 30.a5 Rd8 31.a6 Bxa2
[Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'I think I prefer' ' 31...Rbd4 Martin,Andrew: '!' Martin,Andrew: 'I think I prefer' 32.Bd3!↑ allows White to keep the initiative. Nd7 doesn't solve any problems. 33.Nxd7! Qxd7 Pavlovic,Milos: '!' Martin, Andrew'Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin, Andrew: '-+'' with total control,

although as Black wins quickly one can hardly be critical.' : '-+'Pavlovic, Milos: 'Apart from this I don't see a clear idea for Black here.' Martin, Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'with total control, although as Black wins quickly one can hardly be critical."]

32.Bd3 Bb3 33.Nf5 Be6 34.Kc2 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'After this, White is swept away."

[34.Ra3 Martin,Andrew: 'put up sterner resistance, but even there' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'put up sterner resistance, but even there" Bxf5 Pavlovic,Milos: 'N!?'Pavlovic, Milos: 'That would be my preferance:' 35.exf5 Rbd4 36.Bc2 e4 Martin,Andrew: '-+''Martin,Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: '-+'' which looks completely winning for Black.' Martin,Andrew: 'Martin,Andrew D: 'looks completely winning for Black."]



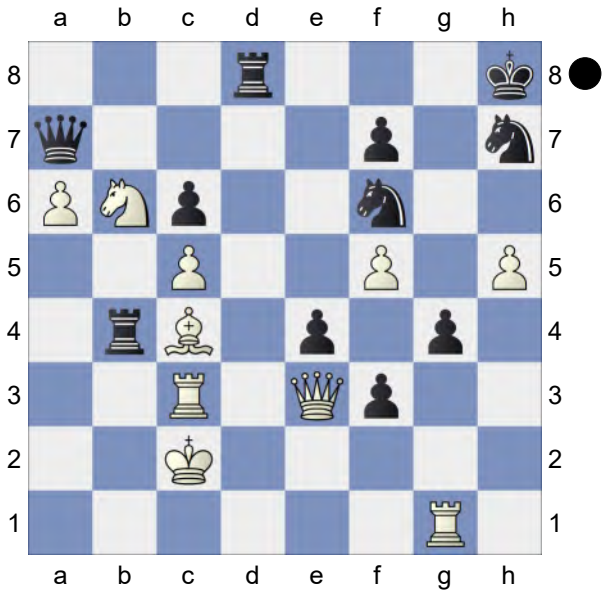
Question 7 Would you play: A) 'Martin,Andrew D: '?' '?' '?' Martin, Andrew D: 'Martin,Andrew: '?!" After this, White is swept away.' 34. .. Rbd4 to centralise the rook again; B) 34. ..Bxf5 to create a passed e-pawn; C) 34...Nxh5 to pick up another pawn.' Martin,Andrew: '?!'

34...Bxf5 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'The cleanest way to proceed, 5 points.'

[34...Rbd4 is a reasonable alternative, 3 points.]

[34...Nxh5 35.Qh6 only serves to open the h-file for White, which should be avoided, no points.]

35.exf5 e4 36.Bc4 Van Delft,Merijn: 'Diagramm



Question 8 Would you play: A) 36... Rxc4 to eliminate the a6 pawn; B) 36...Qc7 to centralise the Q; C) 36... Qe7 to centralise the Q.' 36...Rxc4 Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Another uncomplicated solution, 5 points.'

[36...Qc7 and]

[36...Qe7 would be the standard alternatives, 3 points each.]

37.Rxc4 Qxa6 38.Qb3 Qa5 39.Rc3 f2 40.Rb1 e3! Van Delft,Merijn: 'An impressive pawn steamroller.' 41.Nc4 e2± 1-0 (41) Caruana,F (2835)-

Firouzja,A (2728) chess24.com INT 2020 CBM 198 [Kuzmin, Alexey] Van Delft,Merijn: '!' Van Delft, Merijn: 'Conclusion: A key role in Black's defence (and counterattack!) is played by his dark-squared bishop. Often you can safely sacrifice a pawn or an exchange to retain this mighty piece. ' Martin,Andrew: 'A very picturesque final position'gave some advantage to White. Martin,Andrew: 'Martin, Andrew D: 'A very picturesque final position. Touchdown!"

7.Ng3 Nbd7

[7...Nc6 8.d5 Ne5 9.f4 Ned7 10.Be2 c6 11.Be3 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.0-0 h5 14.a3 h4 15.Nh1 Bb7 16.Nf2 Rc8 17.Rc1 Nb6 18.Bd4 Nc4 19.Rc2 e5 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Rd2 Qc7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Bxe5 Qc6 25.Nd3 h3 26.Nb4 Qb6+ 27.Rff2 Ng4 28.Qxg4 Bxe5 29.Qxg6+ Bg7 30.Rd7 1-0 (30) BestBrazilian (2802)-black_knight22 (2814) Blitz 2020]

[7...b5 8.cxb5 axb5 9.Bxb5 c6 10.Be2 Nbd7 11.0-0 h5 12.Be3 e5 13.Qd2 h4 14.Nh1 exd4 15.Bxd4 h3 16.g3 c5 17.Be3 Ne5 18.Nf2 Ba6 19.Nxh3 Qc8 20.Nf4 Rd8 21.Rf2 Rb8 22.Rc1 Qc6 23.b3 Bxe2 24.Qxe2 Ra8 25.Nfd5 Nxd5 26.Nxd5 Kh7 27.f4 Nd7 28.f5 Ne5 29.f6 Bf8 30.Qf1 Qb7 31.Qh3+ Kg8 32.Bh6 1-0 (32) brianthegreat (2710)-slowdumb (2657) Blitz 2022]

[7...h5 8.Be2 b5 9.Be3 h4 10.Nf1 Nbd7 11.h3 e5 12.d5 Nh5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Ba6 15.Bc6 Rb8 16.Rb1 Nf4 17.Bxf4 exf4 18.Ne2 Ne5 19.Kf2 Nd3+ 20.Kg1 Rxb2 21.Rxb2 Nxb2 22.Qd2 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Bd4+ 24.Kh2 Qg5 25.Rg1 Rb8 26.a4 Rb3 27.a5 Ra3 28.a6 Ra1 29.Bb7 Qg3+ 30.Kh1 Qf2 31.Qxf2 Bxf2 32.Kh2 Nd3 33.Bc8 Bg3+ 0-1 (33) Surrender-at-20 (2622)-JFriedel (2638) Blitz 2022]

8.Be2

[8.Be3

A) 8...c5 9.Qd2 Rb8 10.Rd1 Qc7 11.Be2 cxd4 *(11...h5 12.0-0 h4 13.Nh1 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 15.b3 e6 16.Nf2 Bd7 17.f4 Nc6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Qxd7 Qxd7 21.Rxd7 exf4 22.Nce4 Bg7 23.Rfd1 Ne5 24.R7d2 Bh6 25.Nf6+ Kg7 26.Nd7 f3 27.Bxf3 Nxf3+ 28.gxf3 Bxd2 29.Nxb8 Be3 30.Nd7 Rd8 31.Kf1 f6 32.h3 Bxf2 33.Kxf2 g5 34.c5 e5 35.Rd6* 1-0 (35) GoksuRiver (2789)-Hirdons (2631) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Bxd4 Ne5 13.b3 Nc6 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.0-0 Be6 17.f4 Bh6 18.Qc3 Bxd5 19.exd5 Ne7 20.Ne4 Bg7 21.f5 Nxf5 22.Rxf5 gxf5 23.Ng3 Re8 24.Bd3 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 Re5 26.Nxf5 Rbe8 27.Qd2 a5 28.Rf1 Qb4 29.Qd1 Kh8 30.Qg4 Rg8 31.Qh4 Rxf5 32.Rxf5 Re8 33.Re5 1-0 (33) GoksuRiver (2793)-Hirdons (2627) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...e5 9.Be2 c6 10.0-0 Re8 11.Qd2 b5 12.Rfd1 Qe7 13.Rac1 h5 14.a3 h4 15.Nh1 Nh5 16.Nf2 Rb8 17.d5 c5 18.cxb5 axb5 19.Bxb5 Rf8 20.b4 cxb4 21.axb4 f5 22.Nd3 Ndf6 23.Bc6 fxe4 24.Nxe4 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Nf4 26.b5 h3 27.g3 Ng2 28.b6 Bg4 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Rxf1 Nxe3 31.Qxe3 Kh7 32.b7 Bh6 33.Qb6 Kg7 34.Nf2 Bf3 35.Ra1 Rf8 36.b8Q Rxb8

37.Qxb8 Be3 38.Ra3 Bd4 39.Rxf3 Qg5 40.Qf8+ Kh7 41.Rf7# 1-0 (41) GoksuRiver (2799)-Hirdons (2621) Blitz 2021]

8...h5

[8...c6 9.0-0 John Bartholomew: 'Aronian plays with his customary energy.' b5 John Bartholomew: 'Black wants to get in ...Bf8-g7 and ... 0-0, but there is a downside.' 10.Be3

A) 10...bxc4 Szabo,Krisztian: '?!' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'looks dubious, as' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian''Szabo,Krisztian: 'looks dubious, as' 11.Bxc4 (fairly forced) Rb8 12.Qe2 Qa5 13.a3 c5 14.dxc5 dxc5± The threats begin to pile up. One beautiful line is 15.Bf4? e5 16.Be3 Nb6!! 17.Ba2 Szabo,Krisztian: '↑' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Sakaev-Sepp, Tallinn 2001, Szabo,Kr: 'Sakaev-Sepp, Tallinn 2001, and White looks nicely placed." Szabo,Krisztian: 'and White looks nicely placed.';

B) 10...e5+- Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' 11.d5 *(11.Qd2* Szabo,Krisztian: '(Zhukova-Golubev, Odessa 2006) ' *exd4±* ½-½ (41) Mozharov,M (2523)-Khismatullin,D (2640) Loo 2013 *12.Bxd4!?±* *Nb6* Szabo,Krisztian: '⇄' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'with a double-edged fight.''Szabo,Krisztian: 'with a double-edged fight.'*)* 11...cxd5+- However, preventing Nf3-e5 with 12.cxd5 was a better way of accomplishing this. White has a small edge after*(12.Nxd5* Szabo,Krisztian: '!?'*)* 12...h5 13.Nh1 h4 14.Nf2 , i.e. Nh5± intending to double rooks on the e-file and menace d4-d5, but Black has adequate defensive resources. 15.Nd3 Ng3!↑ intending Szabo, Krisztian: '!?' 16.Re1 *(16.hxg3* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'is too dangerous,''Szabo,Krisztian: 'is too dangerous,' *hxg3* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'followed by ...Qh4.'' Szabo,Krisztian: 'followed by ... ♕h4. ' *)* 16...f5 Aronian isn't interested in a positional treatment with 17.a4!?. The Black king is a more tempting target! fxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Szabo,Krisztian: ' ± ' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Ibragimov-Kachiani Gersinska, Fuerth 2001, Szabo,Kr: 'Ibragimov-Kachiani Gersinska, Fuerth 2001, and White is slightly better." Szabo,Krisztian: 'and White is slightly better.';

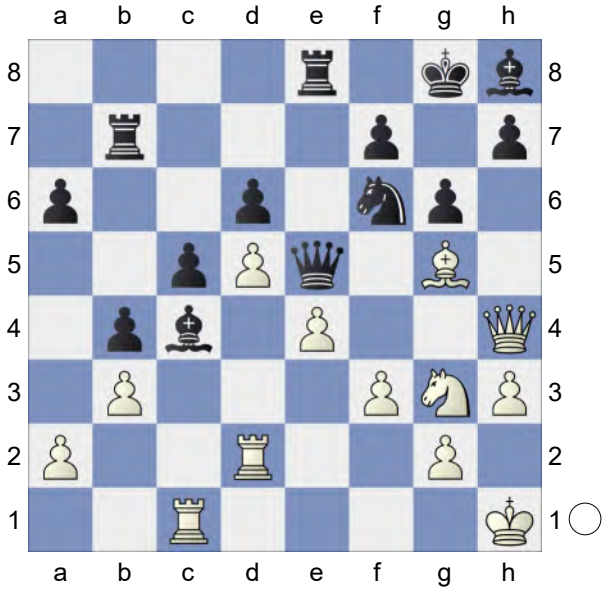
C) 10...Rb8 Szabo,Krisztian: 'N''Szabo,Kr: 'A novelty by Van Wely.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: 'N'''A novelty by Van Wely. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: 'A novelty by Van Wely.'" 11.Rf2 John Bartholomew: '!' John Bartholomew: 'Preventing Black from castling.''Szabo,Kr: 'A smart solution to protect the b2-P.' Arso'Szabo,Krisztian: '!?' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'N'" vic, Goran: 'N'' Szabo,Krisztian: '!?' 'A smart solution to protect the b2- ♙. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'A smart solution to protect the b2- ♙.'" *(11.b3* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo, Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran''*)* 11...Qc7 John Bartholomew: 'Black will have to lose time walking his king to safety.' *(11...bxc4* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' *12.Bxc4!* is a recurring theme.

After Szabo,Krisztian: ' ±' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'and White is comfortable.''Szabo,Krisztian: 'and White is comfortable.') 12.Rc1 b4 John Bartholomew: 'could transpose to the game.'Black is going for an artificial castling. The king is going to be "fianchettoed" on g7. 13.Na4 c5 14.d5 John Bartholomew: '!?' John Bartholomew: 'The first new move. Black was threatening 14...Na5.' e6 15.b3 Re8 16.Qd2 John Bartholomew: 'Again, White has great flexibility with his rook placement. Aronian decides on the logical c1/ d1 squares, supporting the c3-c4/d4-d5 pawn pushes.' exd5 17.cxd5 Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'This is a Benoni structure, White has a space advantage and Black's P structure is not flexible on the queenside. White's position is more tempting.'' 'This is a Benoni structure, White has a space advantage and Black's ♙ structure is not flexible on the queenside. White's position is more tempting. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: 'This is a Benoni structure, White has a space advantage and Black's ♙ structure is not flexible on the queenside. White's position is more tempting.''' *(17.exd5* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *h5 18.Bh6 Bh8* would be inconsistent with 18...Kg8, but maybe it was best. Szabo, Krisztian: ' ∞') 17...Nb6 *(* I don't see a clear knockout after *17...h5* Szabo,Krisztian: '!?' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'is also a typical move.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian''Szabo,Krisztian: 'is also a typical move.') 18.Nxb6 Qxb6 John Bartholomew: '?!' John Bartholomew: 'Naturally, Black wants to sidestep problems on the a1-h8 diagonal.' 19.Bh6 Bh8 John Bartholomew: 'Preventing the unpleasant 20. Ng4.' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'Usually Black wants to hold on to the dark-squared Bs.'''Usually Black wants to hold on to the dark-squared ♗s. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'Usually Black wants to hold on to the dark-squared ♗s.''' *(* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'In the event of''Szabo,Krisztian: 'In the event of' *19...Bxh6* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' *20.Qxh6 Bd7 21.Bc4* and Black should be fine. Szabo,Krisztian: '↑' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'and White is more comfortable.''Szabo,Krisztian: 'and White is more comfortable.') 20.h3 Bd7 21.Bc4! John Bartholomew: 'The maestro at work! Watching guys like Carlsen and Aronian play, one is consistently impressed with their sense of timing and the initiative. 21. d5! isn't a terribly difficult move for a strong player to find, but Aronian's subsequent buildup and efficiency in execution is highly instructive.'Timely breakthrough. This pawn is going to be a huge force. Bb5 22.Kh1 Qd8 *(22...Nd7* Szabo,Krisztian: '!?''Szabo,Kr: 'was the other option.' Arsovic,Goran: '⩲''Szabo,Krisztian: '!?' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲''' 'was the other option. Arsovic,

Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'was the other option.''' *23.Rff1* '(Arsovic, Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran" *Bxc4 24.Rxc4 a5* Szabo,Krisztian: '⇄' *)* 23.Bg5 Rb7 Szabo,Krisztian: '?!''Szabo,Kr: 'An inaccuracy, which allows White's subsequent plan.' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: '?!''' 'An inaccuracy, which allows White's subsequent plan. Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'An inaccuracy, which allows White's subsequent plan.''' *(23...Qb6* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'was better to avoid the pin,' Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' Szabo,Krisztian: 'was better to avoid the pin,' *24.Qf4* White faces a conversion task that ought to be fruitless against decent defense. *Nd7* Szabo,Krisztian: '∞' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'with a complicated position.'' Szabo,Krisztian: 'with a complicated position.'*)* 24.Qf4 Szabo,Krisztian: '!"Arsovic,Goran: ' ±"Szabo, Krisztian: '!' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ±'"' Qe7 25.Qh4 John Bartholomew: '!' John Bartholomew: 'No respite for Black.' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'White redeploys his queen on the kingside, so he takes more pressure there.'' 'White redeploys his queen on the kingside, so he takes more pressure there. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'White redeploys his queen on the kingside, so he takes more pressure there.''' Qe5 26.Rd2

C1) 26...Nd7 is enticing, but Black seems to s'(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran" urvive with "only" moves: 27.f4 Qg7 28.e5 f5 *(28...dxe5 29.f5* Szabo,Krisztian: ' ±!'*)* 29.exf6 Qf7 *(29...Nxf6 30.f5 Rbe7 31.Rf1* Szabo,Krisztian: ' ±'*)* 30.f5 Bxf6 31.Rf2 Szabo,Krisztian: '↑';

C2) 26...Bxc4 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!"Diagram



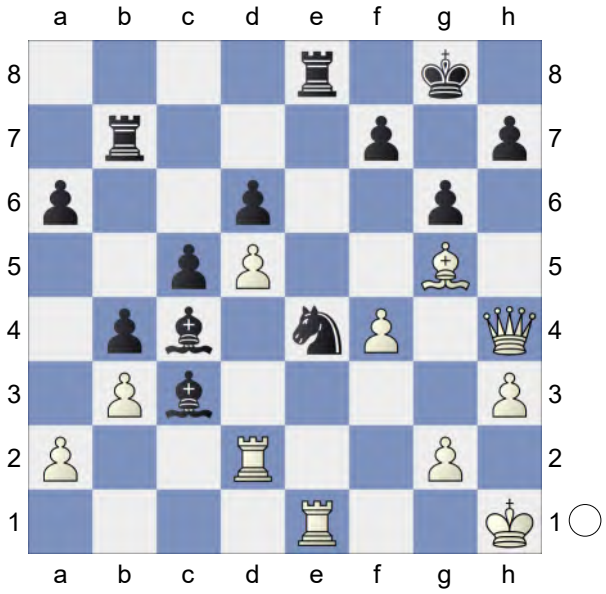
Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]'" ' 27.f4 John Bartholomew: '!' Szabo,Krisztian: '!' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'A very strong intermediate move; the black queen is in trouble.'' 'A very strong intermediate move; the black queen is in trouble. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'A very strong intermediate move; the black queen is in trouble.''' Qxe4 John Bartholomew: 'Black hasn't much else.' Szabo, Krisztian: '?!' *(* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'The engine suggests" 'The engine suggests Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'The engine suggests''' *27...Qc3*

, but the conversion following Sz'Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: '!?''' abo,Krisztian: '!?' *28.Rxc3! bxc3 29.Rc2±* shouldn't be overly difficult. White has weak pawns, but Black has a lot of tactical threats to parry versus the Q+N combo because he can't realistically survive a queen trade. *Bd3? 30.Rxc3 Nxe4 31.Nxe4 Bxe4 32.Bf6* 'Szabo,Kr: 'and White is also bett'Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' **±**''' er, but still this was the best practical chance.' Arsovic,Goran: ' **±**' Szabo,Kr: 'and White is also better, but still this was the best practical chance.'' 'and White is also better, but still this was the best practical chance. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: 'and White is also better, but still this was the best practical chance.''*; 27...Qe7* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *28.Rxc4* is actually a perpetual, as Houdini kindly informs us!On *28...Bg7* White has a simple solution available: *29.e5! dxe5 30.f5 e4 31.Re2±)* 28.Nxe4 John Bartholomew: '?!' John Bartholomew: 'Trading queens is the only decision of Aronian's I can really question.' *(* Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'Probably' 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'Probably' *28.bxc4* Szabo,Krisztian: '!' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'was stronger, but in a practical game it is difficult to take the bishop instead of the queen.' Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian'' Szabo,Krisztian: 'was stronger, but in a practical game it is difficult to take the bishop instead of the queen.' *Qe7 29.Re2 Qd7 30.Bxf6* Szabo,Krisztian: '+-' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'and White is a piece up.'' Szabo,Krisztian: 'and White is a piece up.' *)* 28...Nxe4 29.Re1

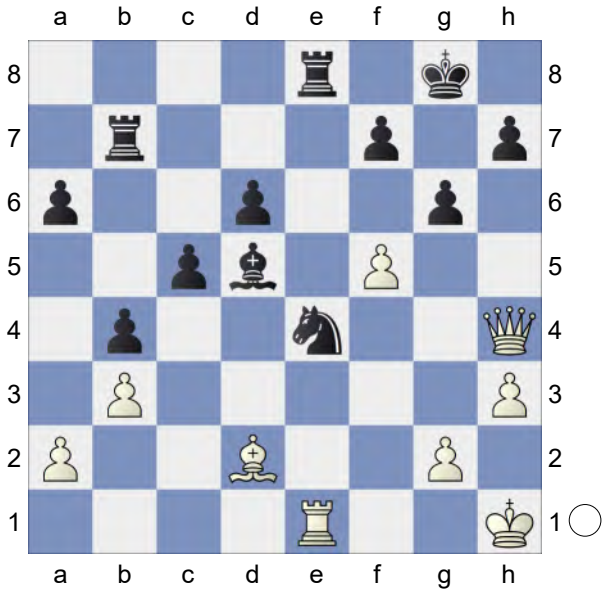
C2a) 29...Bb5+- Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'was the only chance, however'' 'was the only chance, however Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'was the only chance, however''' 30.f5!↑ is more ruthless, i.e. Szabo, Kris'Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo, Krisztian: '!''' ztian: '!' gxf5 31.g4 Szabo,Krisztian: '**±** "Szabo,Kr: 'is also unpleasant for Black.' Arsovic, Goran:'Szabo,Krisztian: ' **±**' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran: '!''' '!'"is also unpleasant for Black. Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'is also unpleasant for Black.'" f4 '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo, Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran'' *(31...fxg4* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran" *32.Rg2* Szabo,Krisztian: '+-') 32.Rxe4 *(32.Bxf4* Szabo,Krisztian: ' **±**') 32...Rxe4 33.Bf6 Bxf6 34.Qxf6!+- and Black is unable to defend.The computer votes for the forcing line 34...Rd7 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36.Qf5 Szabo,Krisztian: '**±**';

C2b) 29...Bc3

Szabo,Krisztian: '?''Szabo,Kr: 'The losing move!' Arsovic, Goran: '?!''Diagram



Szabo,Krisztian: '?' Szabo, Krisztian: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram [#]''' ' 'The losing move! Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'The losing move!''' 30.f5 John Bartholomew: ' ±' John Bartholomew: 'Even the small inaccuracy on'Szabo,Kr: 'The strongest reply!' Arsovic, Goran: '+-!''Szabo,Krisztian: '!' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran: '+-!''' ' move 28 hasn't relieved Black of his problems. The d7 pawn prevents him from coordinating properly, and Aronian is in complete control.' Szabo,Krisztian: '!' 'The strongest reply! Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'The strongest reply!''' Bxd2 *(30...Bxd5!* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran'' *31.Rxd5 Bxe1+- 32.Qxe1 Nf6 33.Qd1* Szabo,Krisztian: '+-') 31.Bxd2 Bxd5 John Bartholomew: '?' John Bar''Diagram



Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Diagram [#]''' ' tholomew: 'Probably the decisive mistake.' 32.Rxe4 John Bartholomew: '!' Szabo, Krisztian: '!' Szabo,Krisztian: 'Szabo,Kr: 'This is the point! After this sacrifice, White has a mating attack on the dark squares.' ''This is the point! After this sacrifice, White has a mating attack on the dark squares. Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'This is the point! After this sacrifice, White has a mating attack on the dark squares.''' Bxe4 *(* This is given as the concluding move, but it's safe to say Aronian threw in *32...Rxe4* '(Arsovic,Goran) Szabo,Krisztian: 'Arsovic, Goran'' *33.Qd8+* before *Kg7*, which would indeed

encourage resignation! *34.f6#)* 33.Qf6 Bxg2+ John Bartholomew: 'Hastening defeat, but Black can barely move.' 34.Kg1 1-0 (34) Aronian,L (2802)-Stevic,H (2612) Porto Carras 2011 CBM 146 [Postny,E'Szabo,Kr: 'A very nice victory by Aronian!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: '!"' vgeny] Szabo,Krisztian: '!"A very nice victory by Aronian! Arsovic, Goran: 'Szabo,Krisztian: 'A very nice victory by Aronian!"']

9.0-0 h4 10.Nh1 c5 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nf2 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Ba6 15.Be3 Qa5 16.a4 Ne8 17.Qc2 Nc7 18.b4 1-0 (18) FeegLood (2805)-Riquelme93 (2655) Blitz 2021

7.a4 c6

[7...Nc6 8.Bg5 h6 *(8...a5 9.Qd2 Nb4 10.Nc1 e5 11.d5 Qe8 12.Nb5 Qd8 13.Be2 Bd7 14.0-0 Bxb5 15.axb5 b6 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Qd7 18.b4 axb4 19.Qxb4 Rfb8 20.Ra6 Qc8 21.Rfa1 Nd7 22.Be3 Nc5 23.Bxc5 bxc5 24.Qa4 Rxa6 25.Qxa6 Qd8 26.Bf1 Bh6 27.g3 Be3+ 28.Kg2 Bd4 29.Ra2 Qg5 30.Re2 f5 31.Qa7 Rf8 32.Qxc7 fxe4 33.Rxe4 Qd2+ 34.Be2 Qe1 35.Qxd6 Qf2+ 36.Kh3 Kg7 37.b6* 1-0 (37) EZKIMO_SE (2646)-Gyalog75 (2688) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Be3 Na5 10.Nc1 c5 11.dxc5 Be6 12.Nd5 dxc5 13.Bxc5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Bxb2 15.Rb1 Bc3+ 16.Kf2 Bd7 17.Ne2 Nc4 18.Nxc3 Nd6 19.Bxd6 exd6 20.Be2 Rc8 21.Qd4 Qa5 22.Rhc1 f5 23.Rxb7 Rf7 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Na2 Re8 26.Rcc7 Rfe7 27.Nc3 Bb5 28.Rxe7 Rxe7 29.Rxe7 1-0 (29) EZKIMO_SE (2651)-Masterclass2 (2737) Blitz 2022]

8.Be3 a5

[8...Nbd7 9.Ng3 e5 10.Be2 exd4 11.Bxd4 Re8 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Qc2 Be6 14.b3 Qc7 15.Rad1 Rad8 16.f4 Neg4 17.f5 Bc8 18.h3 Ne5 19.Rf2 h5 20.Rdf1 h4 21.Nh1 g5 22.g3 c5 23.Be3 Nh7 24.gxh4 gxh4 25.Nd5 Qd7 26.Rg2 Kh8 27.Qd2 Rg8 28.Qe1 Bf6 29.Nxf6 Rxg2+ 30.Kxg2 Nxf6 31.Qxh4+ Nh7 32.Rg1 Rg8+ 33.Ng3 b5 34.axb5 axb5 35.cxb5 Bb7 36.Kh2 d5 37.Bf4 f6 38.Bxe5 fxe5 39.Bh5 dxe4 40.Bg6 e3 41.Qxh7+ Qxh7 42.Bxh7 Kxh7 43.Re1 Rd8 44.Rxe3 Rd2+ 45.Kg1 Rg2+ 46.Kf1 Rb2 47.Nh5 Bd5 48.Nf6+ 1-0 (48) licg (2631)-Arkady_19092015 (2322) Blitz 2024]

9.Qd2

[9.Rc1 Na6 10.Qd2 e5 11.d5 Nb4 12.Ng3 h5 13.Bd3 h4 14.Nge2 Nd7 15.0-0 Nc5 16.Bc2 cxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 b6 19.Nc3 Ba6 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.axb5 Qd7 22.Bd3 Nb3 23.Qe2 Nxc1 24.Rxc1 h3 25.g3 a4 26.Rc6 a3 27.bxa3 Rxa3 28.Bxb6 Rfa8 29.Rc1 Ra2 30.Rc2 Rxc2 31.Qxc2 Ra1+ 32.Kf2 Rh1 33.Ke3 Bh6+ 34.f4 exf4+ 35.gxf4 Qg4 36.Qf2 Bxf4+ 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-dfsocial (2690) Blitz 2024]

[9.Ng3 Na6 *(9...h5 10.Be2 Na6 11.0-0 h4 12.Nh1 Nb4 13.Nf2 e5 14.d5 Nh5 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.c5 d5 17.exd5 cxd5 18.Nb5 d4 19.Bd2 Nd5 20.Rc1 Nhf4 21.Bxf4 Nxf4 22.Nd3 Nd5 23.Qb3 Ne3 24.Rf2 Be6 25.Qa3 Nc4 26.Qa1 Bh6 27.Rc2 Be3 28.b3 Bxf2+ 29.Nxf2*

Ne3 30.Rb2 Qg5 31.Bf1 Nxg2 32.Bxg2 h3 33.Ne4 Qe3+ 34.Kh1 hxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Kg7 36.Qd1 Rh8 37.Re2 Bh3+ 38.Kh1 Qxf3+ 39.Kg1 Bg4 40.Ng3 Qf4 41.Qe1 Bxe2 42.Qxe2 Rad8 43.Nd6 f5 44.Qc4 Qe3+ 45.Kg2 Qd2+ 46.Kf1 Rdf8 47.Qe6 Qg5 48.Qd7+ Kh6 49.Nf7+ Rxf7 50.Qxf7 d3 51.Qc4 e4 52.Qc3 Rf8 53.Kg2 Qf6 54.Qd2+ Kg7 55.c6 Qxc6 56.Qxa5 e3+ 57.Kg1 d2 58.Qe5+ Qf6 59.Qc7+ Rf7 60.Qc2 Qd4 61.Qc3 Qxc3 62.Kg2 d1Q 63.Kh3 Qg4+ 64.Kg2 Qd2+ 65.Kg1 Qf2+ 66.Kh1 Qgf3# 0-1 (66) OnkelKonkel (2665)-Banelevich (2671) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Be2 Nb4 *(10...e5 11.d5 c5 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Qd2 Nb4 14.Nb5 Bxb5 15.axb5 Nd7 16.Ra3 Qe7 17.Qc1 b6 18.Bd2 Rae8 19.Ra1 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Bg5 Qf7 22.f4 exf4 23.Bh5 fxg3 24.Bxf7+ Rxf7 25.hxg3 Re2 26.Kh1 Nd3 27.Qd1 Nf2+ 28.Rxf2 Rxf2 29.Qe1 Rxb2 30.Qe8+ Nf8 31.Bf4 Rb4 32.Re1 a4 33.Bxd6 a3 34.Qa8 Rb3 35.Qa4 Rc3 36.Kh2 h6 37.Re8 Kh7 38.Bxf8 Bxf8 39.Qa8 Kg7 40.d6 Bxd6 41.Rg8+ Kf6 42.Qd8+ Be7 43.Qxb6+ Ke5 44.Qc7+ Kd4 45.Qf4+ Kd3 46.Qf1+* 1-0 (46) chesslessonsprovided (2665)-zaidoseo (2354) Rapid 2019*)* 11.0-0 e5 12.d5 cxd5 13.cxd5 Nd7 14.Nb5 Ra6 15.Rc1 h5 16.Nc7 h4 17.Nxa6 bxa6 18.Nh1 f5 19.Qd2 f4 20.Bf2 h3 21.g4 fxg3 22.Nxg3 Qh4 23.Be3 Nc5 24.Bg5 Qh7 25.Rc3 Bd7 26.Be7 Bh6 27.Bg5 Bg7 28.b3 Rc8 29.Rfc1 Bf8 30.Kh1 Qf7 31.Nf1 Kh7 32.Ne3 Rb8 33.Rg1 Rc8 34.Ng4 Bxg4 35.Rxg4 Normal 1-0 (35) MothToTheFlame (2675)-Pelzigeachsel (2466) Blitz 2024]

[9.g4 e5 10.h4 exd4 11.Bxd4 Re8 12.h5 Na6 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bg2 Nb4 15.Qd2 Be6 16.b3 c5 17.Be3 Bxg4 18.fxg4 Nxg4 19.Bg5 Qb6 20.Rd1 Nc6 21.Bh3 Nge5 22.Nd5 Nf3+ 23.Kf2 Nxd2 24.Nxb6 Nxe4+ 25.Kf1 Nxg5 26.Nxa8 Rxa8 27.Bg2 Nd4 28.Nc3 Re8 29.Rg1 Re3 30.Nd5 Rxb3 31.Re1 Ngf3 32.Re8+ Bf8 33.Bxf3 Rxf3+ 34.Kg2 Ra3 35.Rf1 Kg7 36.Rf2 Rxa4 37.Rb8 Rxc4 38.Rxb7 Nf5 39.Nc7 Re4 40.Ra7 c4 41.Nd5 Re5 42.Nc3 d5 43.Rxa5 Bb4 44.Rxd5 Bxc3 45.Rxe5 Bxe5 0-1 (45) SouthAfricanWolf (2607)-MaLeKkoNihli (2661) Blitz 2022]

9...e5

[9...Na6

A) 10.Ng3 e5 *(10...Nb4 11.Be2 e5 12.0-0 exd4 13.Bxd4 Re8 14.Rad1 h5 15.Be3 h4 16.Nh1 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Nfxd5 19.Bc5 Qc7 20.Bxb4 Nxb4 21.Nf2 h3 22.g3 Bf5 23.Nfe4 Rad8 24.Qg5 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Bxe4 27.Nxe4 Bxb2 28.Bc4 Kg7 29.Rd7 Rf8 30.Qf4 Qc6 31.Rxf7+ Rxf7 32.Qxf7+ Kh6 33.Qf4+ Kg7 34.Ng5 Bf6 35.Ne6+ Kh7 36.Qxf6 Qd7 37.Nf8+* 1-0 (37) superfm1 (2642)-zhohoff (2622) Blitz 2023*)* 11.d5 Qc7 12.Rd1 Nb4 13.Be2 Nd7 14.0-0 Nc5 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Qxd6 Qxd6 17.Rxd6 Nb3 18.c5 Be6 19.Rfd1 Rfb8 20.Nf1 Bf8 21.Rxe6 fxe6 22.Bc4 Nxc5 23.h4 Kf7 24.Nh2 Rd8 25.Rf1 Nc2 26.Bg5 Be7 27.Bc1 Bxh4 28.Ng4 Bf6 29.f4 h5 30.Nh6+ Kg7 31.fxe5 Bxe5 32.Rf7+ Kh8 33.Re7 Bf6 34.Rc7

Rac8 35.Nf7+ Kg8 36.Nxd8 Rxc7 37.Nxe6 Nxe6 38.Bxe6+ Kg7 39.Bb3 Re7 40.Bxc2 Bd4+ 41.Kf1 Rf7+ 42.Ke2 Rf2+ 43.Kd3 Rxg2 44.Bb3 Be5 45.Be6 h4 46.Bd7 h3 47.Bxh3 Rg3+ 48.Kc4 Rxh3 49.Bd2 Kf7 50.Ne2 Rh2 51.Kd3 Bxb2 52.Bxa5 Be5 53.Bd2 Ke6 54.Be3 Rh1 55.a5 Ra1 56.a6 1-0 (56) Superfm1 (2712)-kukaracha22 (2524) Blitz 2025;

B) 10.Rd1

B1) 10...Nd7 11.Nc1 e5 12.Be2 Qe7 *(12...f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.0-0 Qe7 15.Nb3 Nb4 16.c5 dxc5 17.Bc4+ Kh8 18.d5 cxd5 19.Nxd5 Qh4 20.Bb5 Nf6 21.Bg5 Qh5 22.Nxf6 Bxf6 23.Bxf6+ Rxf6 24.Qd8+ Kg7 25.Qc7+ Qf7 26.Qxe5 Qxb3 27.Rd8 Qe6 28.Qxc5 b6 29.Qc7+ Rf7 30.Qc3+ Qf6 31.Bc4 Qxc3 32.bxc3 Be6 33.Rxa8 Bxc4 34.cxb4 Bxf1 35.Kxf1 axb4 36.Rb8 Ra7 37.Rxb6 Rxa4 38.Kf2 h6 39.Kg3 Ra2 40.Rxb4 Ra6 41.Rb5 Kg6 42.Rb7 Rf6 43.Kf4 Re6 44.Rb5 Rf6 45.Re5 Rb6 46.h4 Rb4+ 47.Kg3 Rb3 48.Re6+ Kf7 49.Rxh6 Rb4 50.Ra6 Rc4 51.h5 Kg7 52.Rg6+ Kf7 53.Rg5 Kf6 54.f4 Kf7 55.Rxf5+ Ke6 56.Rg5 Kf6 57.Rg6+ Kf5 58.Rg5+ Kf6 59.Kg4 Rc3 60.g3 Rc2 61.Rg6+ Kf7 62.Ra6 Rc1 63.Ra7+ Kf6 64.Ra5 Ra1 65.Rxa1 Ke6 66.Ra5 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-ZhohoFF (2628) Blitz 2024)* 13.0-0 exd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h3 Nf6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Nc5 20.e5 Ne8 21.Rd2 h5 22.Bf3 Nc7 23.Nd3 N7e6 24.Nxc5 Nxc5 25.Ne4 Nxa4 26.c5 Bf5 27.b3 Bxe4 28.bxa4 Bxf3 29.Rxf3 Rfd8 30.Rfd3 Rxd3 31.Rxd3 Rb8 32.Rb3 Kf8 33.g4 hxg4 34.hxg4 Ke7 35.Kf2 Kd7 36.Ke3 Kc7 37.f5 gxf5 38.gxf5 Rh8 39.Kf4 Rh4+ 40.Kg5 Rxa4 41.Kf6 Rf4 42.Rh3 a4 43.Rh7 a3 44.Rxf7+ Kb8 45.Rh7 a2 46.Rh1 b5 47.cxb6 c5 48.Ra1 Ra4 49.e6 Kb7 50.e7 Ra8 51.Rxa2 Rxa2 52.e8Q Ra6 53.Kg7 Kxb6 54.f6 c4 55.f7 Ra7 56.Qe3+ Ka6 57.Qxa7+ Kxa7 58.f8Q 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-Cultureindustry (2507) Blitz 2024;

B2) 10...Qc7 11.Nc1 e5 12.Be2 Nh5 *(12...Ne8)* 13.d5 c5 14.Bd3 Nb4 15.Bb1 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.0-0 Kh8 18.N1e2 Qe7 19.Ng3 Nxg3 20.hxg3;

C) 10.Nf4 Nb4 11.Be2 e5 12.Nd3 exd4 13.Bxd4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Bxd4 15.Nxb4 Qb6 16.Nc2 Be5 17.Rb1 Bf5 18.Qe3 Qc7 19.g4 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Rfe8 21.0-0 d5 22.Rf2 Rad8 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Bb5 Re7 25.Rd1 dxe4 26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.Rd2 Qc7 28.Nd4 Bf4 29.Qe2 Bxd2 30.Qxd2 e3 31.Qd3 Qc1+ 32.Kg2 Qxb2+ 33.Ne2 Qe5 34.Qd8+ Kg7 35.Qd3 b6 36.h3 h6 37.Kf3 Re6 38.Qd4 Rf6+ 39.Kg2 Rf2+ 40.Kg1 Kf6 41.Qd8+ Kg7 42.Qd4 Qxd4 43.Nxd4 Rd2 44.Ne2 f5 45.gxf5 gxf5 46.Kg2 Kf6 47.Kf3 Ke5

48.h4 Ra2 49.Kxe3 Ra3+ 50.Kf2 f4 51.h5 f3 52.Ng1 Kf4 53.Nh3+ Kg4 54.Bd7+ Kh4 55.Ng1 Ra2+ 0-1 (55) MothToTheFlame (2678)-ZhohoFF (2589) Blitz 2023;

D) 10.Nc1 Nb4 *(10...Nd7 11.Be2 e5 12.0-0 Nb4 13.d5 cxd5 14.cxd5 f5 15.Nb3 b6 16.Rac1 Nc5 17.Nxc5 bxc5 18.Nb5 Ba6 19.Nxd6 Qxd6 20.Bxc5 Qd8 21.Bxa6 Rxa6 22.Bxf8 Bxf8 23.Rc4 Bd6 24.Rfc1 Qh4 25.exf5 Qh5 26.g4 Qh3 27.Rc8+ Kf7 28.Qg5 Nxd5 29.fxg6+ hxg6 30.Qd8 Ne7 31.Qf8+ Ke6 32.Re8 e4 33.Qg8+ Ke5 34.Qf7 Kd4 35.Rd1+ Ke3 36.Rxd6 Rxd6 37.Qb3+ Kf4 38.Rf8+ Nf5 39.Rxf5+ gxf5 40.gxf5 Rg6+ 41.Kf2 Qxf3+ 42.Ke1 Rg1+ 43.Kd2 Rd1+ 44.Kc2 Qd3+ 45.Qxd3 exd3+* 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-ZhohoFF (2654) Blitz 2024*)* 11.Be2 *(11.Nd3 Nd7 12.Be2 e5 13.d5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 f5 16.0-0 Nf6 17.Bg5 Qb6+ 18.Be3 Qd8 19.Bg5 fxe4 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.fxe4 Bg5 22.Rxf8+ Kxf8 23.Rf1+ Kg7 24.Qd1 Bd7 25.Bg4 h5 26.Bxd7 Qxd7 27.Qf3 Rc8 28.b3 Kh6 29.Nb2 Rc1 30.Rxc1 Bxc1 31.Qf8+ Kh7 32.Nc4 Ba3 33.Nxa3 Qg4 34.Qf7+ Kh6 35.Qf3 Qg5 36.Nc4 Qc1+ 37.Qf1 Qc3 38.Qe2 Qxb3 39.Qe3+ Qxe3+ 40.Nxe3 Kg5 41.g3 Kf6 42.Nc4 b5 43.axb5* 1-0 (43) Pekines08 (2670)-stammargg (2616) Blitz 2021 *)* 11...e5 12.d5 c5 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Nb5 f5 15.Nd3 f4 16.Bf2 g5 17.Nxb4 axb4 18.Rfc1 g4 19.Kf1 g3 20.hxg3 fxg3 21.Be3 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Rxf4 23.Ke1 Ra6 24.Kd1 h5 25.Kc2 Bh6 26.Qd3 Rh4 27.Rh1 Bf4 28.b3 Bd7 29.Raf1 Kf7 30.Qd1 Rxh1 31.Rxh1 h4 32.Qb1 Qg5 33.Qg1 Ke7 34.Qb1 Ra8 35.Qg1 Rh8 36.Bf1 Rh6 37.Be2 h3 38.Kd3 hxg2 39.Rxh6 Qxh6 40.Qxg2 Qh2 41.Bf1 Bh3 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2725)-zxcvbnm595 (2651) Blitz 2024]

10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 Na6 12.Nc1 Nd7 13.Nd3 b6 14.Be2 Ndc5 15.Ra3 f5 16.0-0 f4 17.Bf2 g5 18.Nb5 h5 19.Kh1 g4 20.Nxc5 Nxc5 21.b4 axb4 22.Qxb4 Ra5 23.Qc4 Ba6 24.Raa1 Bxb5 25.axb5 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 g3 27.hxg3 fxg3 28.Bxg3 h4 29.Bh2 Bh6 30.Ra7 Be3 31.Qa2 Bd4 32.Qb1 Qg5 33.Qe1 Be3 34.Bd1 Nd3 0-1 (34) Thefatwon (2764)-Mrdalica (2797) Blitz 2021

[79] **7...Nc6** 8.h4 [8.Rb1

A) 8...Bd7 9.b4 b5 *(9...e6 10.Qd2 Rb8 11.a4 Nh5 12.g4 Nf6 13.h4 h5 14.g5 Nh7 15.f4 e5 16.Bg2 exd4 17.Nxd4 Re8 18.0-0 Nf8 19.Nd5 Ne6 20.Nb3 Nf8 21.b5 Ne7 22.Bd4 Nxd5 23.cxd5 axb5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.axb5 Bxb5 26.Rfe1 Nd7 27.Nd4 Ba6 28.Bh3 Nc5 29.Nf3 Bd3 30.Rb4 Bxe4 31.Rbxe4 Rxe4 32.Rxe4 Nxe4 33.Qd4+ Nf6 34.Nd2 Qe7 35.gxf6+ Qxf6 36.Qc4 Re8 37.Nf3 Re3 38.Kf2 Rc3 39.Qe4 b5 40.Bf1 Rc5 41.Qe3 b4 42.Qb3 Rc3 43.Qxb4 Rc2+ 44.Kg3 Rc3 45.Qb5 Re3 46.Qe2 Rxe2 47.Bxe2 Qb2 48.Kf2 Qb4 49.Ke3 Qb6+ 50.Kd3 Qb7 51.Kd2 Qxd5+*

52.Bd3 Qe6 53.Ne1 Qg4 54.Ng2 Qxg2+ 55.Kc3 Qg3 56.Kd4 Qxf4+ 57.Kc3 Qxh4 58.Bc2 Qf6+ 59.Kd2 Qe6 60.Bd3 Qe8 61.Kc3 Qe7 62.Kc2 1-0 (62) pirc88 (2612)-Stas-2444 (2551) Blitz 2020*)* 10.cxb5 axb5 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 Nc4 *(12...c6 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.Ndxb5 Ne5 15.Be2 Qc8 16.a4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Kf2 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Qa2+ 20.Qe2 Qxa4 21.Rhc1 Rfc8 22.Nc7 Rab8 23.b5 Nd7 24.b6 Bd4 25.Nd5 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 e6 27.Ne7+ Kf8 28.Nc6 Bxe3+ 29.Qxe3 Rxb6 30.Nd4 Rb2+ 31.Kg3 Qa2 32.Rg1 Ne5 33.Qh6+ Ke7 34.Qh4+ Kd7 35.Qxh7* 1-0 (35) XThepunisherX (2600)-V_vs (2570) Blitz 2023*)* 13.Bxc4 bxc4 14.Qe2 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Qxc4 Kh8 17.0-0 Qe7 18.Rfe1 Nh5 19.a4 Be5 20.Nde2 Qh4 21.h3 Rxf3 22.gxf3 Qxh3 23.Kf2 Qh2+ 24.Kf1 Rf8 25.f4 Nxf4 26.Nxf4 Bxf4 27.Bf2 Bg3 28.Ke2 Rxf2+ 29.Kd1 Rd2+ 0-1 (29) penguingim1 (2690)-ChermanTrawz (2709) Blitz 2020;

B) 8...Na5 9.Ng3 Nd7 *(9...e5 10.d5 b6 11.b4 Nb7 12.Bd3 h5 13.Qd2 h4 14.Nge2 Nh5 15.g4 hxg3 16.hxg3 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4 Re8 19.g4 Nf4 20.Nxf4 exf4 21.Bxf4 Qf6 22.Ne2 Ra3 23.g5 Qe7 24.Kf2 Bd7 25.Bc2 Ra2 26.Qd3 Rea8 27.Be3 R8a3 28.Rb3 Rxb3 29.Bxb3 Ra3 30.Qc2 Ra8 31.f4 c5 32.b5 Na5 33.Ba2 Re8 34.Ng3 Bg4 35.Bb1 Qd7 36.Qd3 Kf8 37.Bc2 Qe7 38.Bd2 Qd7 39.Re1 Bd4+ 40.Kf1 Bh3+ 41.Ke2 Qg4+ 42.Qf3 Qh4 43.Rh1 Kg7 44.Kd3 Rh8 45.f5 Bg4 46.Rxh4 Bxf3 47.f6+ Kg8 48.Rxh8+ Kxh8 49.Bf4 Be5 50.Bxe5 dxe5 51.Ke3 Bg4 52.Bd3 Bd7 53.Nf1 Nb7 54.Nd2 Nd6 55.Nf3 Kg8 56.Nxe5 Be8 57.Nf3 Kf8 58.e5 Nc8 59.Kf4 Bd7 60.Be4 Na7 61.d6 Nxb5 62.Bd5 Nxd6 63.e6 Bxe6 64.Bxe6 fxe6 65.Ke5* 1-0 (65) penguingim1 (2671)-grandmatt (2624) Blitz 2016 *)* 10.b4 Nc6 11.a3 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nge2 c5 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Bh6 17.Be2 c5 18.Bf2 Bb7 19.0-0 Ne5 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Rb6 Qxb6 22.g3 Rad8 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Nd7 25.f4 Bg7 26.e5 Nxe5 27.fxe5 Bxe5 28.Bc4 Bd4 29.Kg2 Bxf2 30.Rxf2 Rd6 31.Qe2 Rfd8 32.Qe6 fxe6 0-1 (32) Thanozz (2681)-Vizhma7 (2575) Blitz 2023;

C) 8...b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nxb5 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.a4 *(12.Nec3 c6 13.dxc6 d5 14.exd5 Nexd5 15.Bc5 Re8 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.0-0 Bf8 19.Bf2 Rc8 20.Na7 Rc7 21.b4 Rxa7 22.Bxa7 Qc7 23.Bxd5 Qxa7+ 24.Kh1 Rd8 25.Bxe6 Rxd1 26.Rfxd1 fxe6 27.Rbc1* 1-0 (27) yackobaby (2614)-TemurKuybokarov (2702) Blitz 2020 *)* 12...c6 13.dxc6 d5 14.Bc5 Be6 15.Nec3 d4 16.Ne2 Nxc6 17.Bxf8 Bxf8 18.Nc1 Nxe4 19.Qc2 Nb4 20.Qxe4 Bf5 21.Qxe5 Bg7 22.Qc5 Nc2+ 23.Kf2 Qe8 24.Be2 Qe3+ 0-1 (24) yackobaby (2617)-TemurKuybokarov (2698) Blitz 2020;

D) 8...e5 9.d5 Ne7 10.g4 Nd7 11.Ng3 f5 12.gxf5 gxf5 13.Nh5 f4 14.Nxg7 Kxg7 15.Bf2 Ng6 16.b4

Nf6 17.c5 Nh5 18.a4 Bd7 19.b5 axb5 20.Nxb5 Rf6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.Nc3 Kh6 23.Qd2 Rf7 24.Rxb7 Qc8 25.Rb4 Bh3 26.Bb5 Bg2 27.Rg1 Bxf3 28.Bc6 Rb8 29.Nb5 Qh3 30.Nxd6 Rff8 31.Nf5+ Rxf5 32.exf5 Rxb4 33.Qxb4 Qxf5 34.Kd2 e4 35.Bd4 e3+ 36.Kc1 Bxd5 37.Qc5 Be4 38.Qxf5 Bxf5 39.a5 Bd3 40.Kb2 Nh4 41.Kc3 Ba6 42.Kb4 e2 43.Kc5 Nf5 44.Bf2 Nf6 45.Kb6 Bd3 46.a6 Bxa6 47.Kxa6 Nd6 48.Bf3 Nde4 49.Be1 Nc5+ 50.Kb5 Nd3 51.Bxe2 Ne5 52.Bd2 Nd5 53.Kc5 Ne3 54.Kd4 Nc6+ 55.Ke4 Ne7 56.Kxf4 N7d5+ 57.Ke5 Nf4 58.Bf3 Nc4+ 59.Kxf4 Nxd2 60.Rg3 Ne4 61.Bxe4 Kh5 62.Rh3# 1-0 (62) penguingim1 (2819)-tamojerry (2699) Blitz 2022]

[8.Rc1

A) 8...Bd7 9.Qd2 *(9.b3 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.d5 Ne5 12.Qd2 b4 13.Nd1 e6 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.Nf4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Bc5 dxe4 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.f4 Neg4 20.Bc4 Kh8 21.h3 e3 22.Qe2 Nf2 23.Nxf2 exf2+ 24.Kxf2 Nh5 25.g3 e5 26.Qf3 Rxa2+ 27.Kg1 Qc5+ 28.Kf1 e4 29.Qg4* 0-1 (29) Grancanarias (2742)-Palavas (2833) Blitz 2022*; 9.g4 Rb8 10.h4 h5 11.g5 Ne8 12.Ng3 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Be2 c5 15.f4 Nxe2 16.Qxe2 exf4 17.Bxf4 Bg4 18.Qd2 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.0-0 b4 21.Nd1 Qb6 22.Nf2 Bd7 23.b3 Nc7 24.Rfe1 Nb5 25.e5 Nd4 26.Kg2 dxe5 27.Bxe5 Bxe5 28.Rxe5 Qd6 29.Qf4 Rbe8 30.Rce1 Rxe5 31.Rxe5 Bc8 32.Nfe4 Qd7 33.Nf6+* 1-0 (33) SouthAfricanWolf (2661)-IDISJUDA (2625) Blitz 2021*)* 9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nxb5 *(11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 b4 13.Ncb5 Rxa2 14.Qxb4 Qb8 15.Be2 e6 16.Qb3 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Ra5 18.dxe6 c6 19.Nd4 Qxb3 20.Nxb3 Ra2 21.exf7+ Kxf7 22.f4 Neg4 23.Bd4 c5 24.Nxc5 dxc5 25.Bc4+ Ke8 26.Bxf6 Rxf6 27.Bxa2 Rxf4 28.Rxc5 Rxe4+ 29.Kd2 Bxb2 30.Re1 Rxe1 31.Kxe1 Nxh2 32.Rc4 h5 33.Bb1 Kf7 34.Rc7+ Kf6 35.Rc6+ Kg5 36.Rxg6+ Kf4 37.Rh6 Bc3+ 38.Ke2 Kg5 39.Rh8 Bxh8 40.Ba2 Ng4 41.Kf3 Nf6 42.Kg3 Bg7 43.Kh3 Ne4 44.Kh2 Be5+ 45.Kg1 Ng3 46.Bd5 h4 47.Bf3 Kf4 48.Kh2 Bd4 49.Kh3 Bf6 50.Kh2 Bg5 51.Kg1 Ke3 52.Kh2 Kf4 53.Kh3 Nf5 54.Kh2 Nd4 55.Kg1 h3 56.Kh2 Nxf3+ 57.gxf3 Kxf3 58.Kxh3* ½-½ (58) TalBaron-YouTube (2649)-coachvovk (2668) Blitz 2016*)* 11...Rxa2 12.Nec3 Ra8 13.Be2 Na5 14.Qd1 c6 15.Na3 Rb8 16.Rb1 Be6 17.0-0 Bb3 18.Qd2 Nd7 19.Rfc1 Nb6 20.Nd1 Na4 21.Nf2 c5 22.dxc5 dxc5 23.Qe1 Bd4 24.Bf1 e5 25.Nb5 Nc6 26.Nc3 Bxe3 27.Qxe3 Nd4 28.Ng4 Qe7 29.Nxa4 Bxa4 30.Qc3 Rfc8 31.Ne3 Bb3 32.Bc4 Kg7 33.Nd5 Qg5 34.Kh1 h5 35.Qe3 Qxe3 36.Nxe3 Bxc4 37.Nxc4 Rb3 38.Nxe5 Kf6 39.Nc4 Kg5 40.h3 f5 41.exf5 gxf5 42.Kh2 h4 43.Re1 Rb4 44.Rbc1 Nb3 45.Rc3 Nd4 46.f4+ Kxf4 47.Nd6 Rg8 48.Rf1+ Ke5 49.Nc4+ Kf6 50.Ne3 Rxb2 51.Rxc5 Re2 52.Nd5+ 1-0 (52) supertactic91

(2765)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021;
B) 8...Na5 9.Ng3 Nd7 10.Be2 c5 11.d5 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Nb6 14.Qe2 e6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.b3 h5 17.0-0 h4 18.Nh1 h3 19.g3 Qe7 20.Nf2 Rfc8 21.Rfd1 Rab8 22.Qd2 Rd8 23.Bg5 f6 24.Bf4 Nb7 25.Bc6 g5 26.Be3 Na5 27.Bd5 Nxd5 28.Nxd5 Bxd5 29.Qxd5+ Kf8 30.Nxh3 Rbc8 31.Nf2 Nc6 32.Qf5 Ra8 33.Rd2 Nb4 34.Bxg5 Nxa2 35.Ra1 Nb4 36.Rxa8 Rxa8 37.Ng4 Kf7 38.e5 Ra1+ 39.Kg2 Nc6 40.exf6 1-0 (40) Rikikits (2761)-oprahwindfury81 (2721) Blitz 2022;
C) 8...e5 9.d5 Ne7 10.Ng3 c5 *(10...Ne8 11.Bd3 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Nh5 Ng6 14.0-0 Qh4 15.f4 Bh6 16.g3 Qe7 17.Qd2 Ng7 18.Nxg7 Kxg7 19.Rce1 e4 20.Bc2 b6 21.b4 Kg8 22.Ne2 Bg7 23.Bd4 Bd7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Nd4 h5 26.a3 a5 27.Re3 axb4 28.axb4 Ra2 29.Qc3 Qf6 30.Bb3 Ra7 31.c5 bxc5 32.bxc5 Rb8 33.c6 Bc8 34.Rd1 Kf7 35.h4 Ne7 36.Qd2 Ra3 37.Bc4 Rxe3 38.Qxe3 Rb4 39.Qc3 Ra4 40.Qb3 Ra1 41.Kg2 Rxd1 42.Qxd1 Qg6 43.Be2 Qg7 44.Nb5 Kf8 45.Nxc7 Ng6 46.Ne6+ Bxe6 47.dxe6 Nxf4+ 48.Kh2 Nxe6 49.Qxd6+ Kf7 50.c7 Qb2 51.c8Q Qxe2+ 52.Kg1 Qe1+ 53.Kg2 Qe2+ 54.Kg1 Qe1+ 55.Kg2 Qe2+ 56.Kg1* ½-½ (56) Paravyan,D (2601)-Thomforde Toates,N (2124) chess.com INT 2023*)* 11.Bd3 Nd7 12.Qd2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Bg5 Nf6 15.Qc2 f4 16.Nge4 Nh5 17.g4 fxg3 18.hxg3 Nf6 19.Qh2 Bf5 20.Nxf6+ Rxf6 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qxh7+ Kf7 23.Bxf6 Qxf6 24.Ne4 Qg6 25.g4 Nd4 26.Qxg6+ Kxg6 27.Rc3 Bf8 28.Kf2 Be7 29.Rh7 Kxh7 30.a3 Kg6 31.b4 b6 32.Rc1 Rc8 33.bxc5 bxc5 34.Rb1 Rf8 35.Rb7 Rxf3+ 36.Kg2 Bf8 37.Rd7 Rxa3 38.Nxd6 Bxd6 39.Rxd6+ Kg5 40.Rd8 Kxg4 41.Rg8+ Kf4 42.d6 Ne6 43.Re8 Kf5 44.d7 Rd3 45.Ra8 Rxd7 46.Rxa6 Rd3 47.Ra8 e4 48.Kf2 Ke5 49.Re8 Rf3+ 50.Ke2 Rf6 51.Ke3 Rf3+ 52.Ke2 Rf6 53.Ke3 Rf3+ 54.Ke2 ½-½ (54) OnkelKonkel (2676)-sergeikim2003 (2575) Blitz 2022;
D) 8...Re8 9.d5 Ne5 10.Nf4 e6 11.Be2 exd5 12.cxd5 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.0-0 Qe7 15.Na4 Rb8 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 d5 18.Bc5 dxe4 19.Qa3 Qe5 20.f4 Qf5 21.Bd6 Bf8 22.Bxf8 Rxf8 23.Rxc6 Bb7 24.Rc5 Qe6 25.f5 Qd6 26.Qe3 Rbd8 27.Nc3 Qd4 28.Qxd4 Rxd4 29.Rc7 Rd7 30.Rxd7 Nxd7 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.Rd1 Ne5 33.Rd6 Re8 34.Nd5 Bxd5 35.Rxd5 Re6 36.a4 Kg7 37.b4 f5 38.a5 Kf6 39.b5 axb5 40.Bxb5 f4 41.a6 Re7 42.Rd6+ Kf5 43.Rb6 Rc7 44.Rb7 Rc1+ 45.Kf2 Rc2+ 46.Ke1 f3 47.gxf3 exf3 48.a7 Ra2 49.Kf1 Kf4 50.Re7 Ng4 51.Rf7+ Ke3 52.Re7+ Kf4 53.Rf7+ Ke3 54.Re7+ Kf4 ½-½ (54) MrAble (2611)-shaheus (2426) Rapid 2023;
E) 8...Rb8 9.g3 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Bg2 c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.0-0 Rxb2 14.Qa4 d5 15.cxd5 cxd5 16.Bc5 d4 17.Nd5 Nexd5 18.exd5

Rxe2 19.Bxf8 Bxf8 20.f4 Rxg2+ 21.Kxg2 Qxd5+ 22.Kf2 Ng4+ 23.Kg1 Bb7 0-1 (23) OnkelKonkel (2608)-Brenjos (2592) Blitz 2022;

F) 8...Ne8 9.Qd2 f5 10.exf5 Bxf5 11.g4 Be6 12.d5 Ne5 13.Nd4 Bd7 14.Be2 c5 15.Ne6 Bxe6 16.dxe6 Rxf3 17.Bf4 Rd3 18.Qc2 Rd4 19.Be3 Nxc4 20.Bxd4 cxd4 21.Bxc4 dxc3 22.bxc3 Rc8 23.Qd3 b5 24.Bd5 Qb6 25.Rf1 Nf6 26.Bf3 d5 27.g5 Qxe6+ 28.Qe2 Ne4 29.Bg4 Qc6 30.Bxc8 Qxc8 31.Qf3 Qe6 32.Kd1 Nxg5 33.Qg3 Bf6 34.Rc2 Ne4 35.Qf3 Qe5 36.Re1 Kg7 37.Kc1 e6 38.a3 Qd6 39.Kb2 b4 40.Rxe4 bxc3+ 41.Ka2 dxe4 42.Qxe4 Qb6 43.Qc4 h5 44.h3 Kh6 45.Rg2 Kg7 46.Qd3 g5 47.Qc4 Qd6 48.Re2 Qd5 49.Qxd5 exd5 50.Kb3 g4 51.hxg4 hxg4 52.Rg2 Kf7 53.Rxg4 Ke6 54.Kc2 d4 55.Kd3 Kd5 56.Rg6 Be5 0-1 (56) Dmiktor (2775)-OnePysy (2747) Blitz 2024]

[8.Qd3 Rb8 9.Rc1 Bd7 10.Qd2 b5 11.Nf4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 e5 13.Ba7 exf4 14.Bxb8 Qxb8 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bd3 b4 17.Ne2 Qb6 18.Nxf4 Bh6 19.g3 d5 20.Qf2 Qd6 21.0-0 Bxf4 22.gxf4 Qxf4 23.exd5 Nxd5 24.Be4 Nf6 25.Rfd1 Be6 26.Qd2 Qh4 27.Rxc7 Nxe4 28.fxe4 Qxe4 29.Qd4 Qe2 30.Qd2 Qg4+ 31.Kh1 Bf5 32.Re7 Be4+ 33.Rxe4 Qxe4+ 34.Qg2 Qe6 35.a4 bxa3 36.bxa3 Rc8 37.a4 Qc6 38.Rd8+ Kg7 39.Rxc8 Qxc8 40.Qb2+ Kg8 41.Qa1 Qc6+ 42.Kg1 Qb6+ 43.Kg2 Qb7+ 44.Kf2 Qa7+ 45.Kf3 Qb7+ 46.Ke3 Qb3+ 47.Kd4 Qb4+ 48.Kd5 Qd2+ 49.Kc6 Qg2+ 50.Kb5 Qe2+ 51.Kb4 Qe4+ 52.Kb3 Qd5+ 53.Kb4 Qd4+ 54.Kb3 Qxa1 55.a5 Qxa5 56.Kc4 Qf5 57.h4 Qg4+ 58.Kd3 Qxh4 59.Ke3 Qg4 60.Kf2 h5 61.Ke3 h4 62.Kf2 h3 63.Ke3 h2 64.Kf2 h1Q 65.Ke3 Qhf3+ 66.Kd2 Qgg2+ 67.Ke1 Qff1# 0-1 (67) jposthuma (2739)-Stas-2444 (2601) Blitz 2021]

[8.Ng3 Re8 *(8...Rb8 9.a4 e5 10.d5 Nb4 11.Be2 a5 12.0-0 Nd7 13.Nh1 Na6 14.Nf2 Nac5 15.Nd3 Nxd3 16.Bxd3 b6 17.Qd2 Nc5 18.Be2 f5 19.Rae1 f4 20.Bxc5 bxc5 21.Nb5 Ra8 22.Ra1 Bd7 23.Ra3 Qb8 24.Rfa1 Qb6 25.Rb3 Rfb8 26.Raa3 Bxb5 27.Rxb5 Qa6 28.Rab3 Rb6 29.Qe1 Bf6 30.Qf2 Rxb5 31.Rxb5 c6 32.dxc6 Qxc6 33.Qe1 Bd8 34.Qd2 Bc7 35.Kf2 Rb8 36.Rxb8+ Bxb8 37.Qxa5 Bc7 38.Qa7 Qb6 39.Qa8+ Kg7 40.Qe8 Qxb2 41.Qe7+ Kg8 42.Qe8+ Kg7 43.Qe7+ Kg8 44.g3 Qd4+ 45.Kf1 Qa1+ 46.Kg2 Qa2 47.Kf2 fxg3+ 48.hxg3 Ba5 49.Qxd6 Bc3 50.f4 exf4 51.Qxf4 Bd4+ 52.Kf3 Qxa4 53.e5 Qa8+ 54.Kg4 Qb8 55.Bf3 Qxe5 56.Bd5+ Kg7 57.Qf7+ Kh6 58.Qf8+ Qg7 59.Qf4+ g5 60.Qd6+ Qg6* ½-½ (60) Superfm1 (2638)-Narek0725 (2315) Rapid 2021*; 8...h5 9.Bd3 h4 10.Nge2 e5 11.h3 Nd7 12.Bc2 exd4 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 15.f4 c5 16.Bf2 Nxc4 17.0-0 Nxb2 18.Qe1 Qf6 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Bxh4 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 f6 22.Rb1 Be6 23.Qg3 g5 24.fxg5 f5 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.exf5 Bxa2 27.Qg4 Bf7 28.g6 Bxf6 29.Qh5+* 1-0 (29) HundimBuero (2601)-Mavi_alpha (2591) Blitz 2021*) 9.d5 Ne5 10.Be2 c6 11.0-0 e6 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Qd2 d5 14.cxd5 exd5 15.exd5 Nb4

16.Bc4 Rxe3 17.Qxe3 Nc2 18.Qf2 Nxa1 19.Rxa1 Bd7 20.Rd1 b5 21.Bb3 a5 22.Nge4 a4 23.Bc2 b4 24.Nxf6+ Qxf6 25.Ne4 Qxb2 26.Nc5 b3 27.axb3 axb3 28.Bxb3 Qc3 29.h3 Rc8 30.Nxd7 Qxb3 31.Qe2 Qa4 32.Ne5 Bxe5 33.d6 Rd8 34.d7 Bd4+ 35.Kh1 Qxd7 36.Qe4 f5 37.Qd3 Kg7 38.h4 h5 39.Qd2 Kh7 40.Qd3 Qg7 41.Qc4 Bf6 42.Rb1 Rd7 43.Qc6 Re7 44.Rb6 Bxh4 45.Rb1 Bg3 46.Rd1 Re1+ 47.Rxe1 Bxe1 48.Qd5 Bh4 49.Qd3 Bf6 50.Qf1 Bh4 51.g3 Bxg3 52.Kg2 f4 53.Qe2 Qf7 54.Qc2 Qg7 55.Qe2 Kh6 56.Qc2 Qf6 57.Qe2 Qh4 58.Qc2 Qh2+ 59.Kf1 Qxc2 60.Kg1 Qf2+ 61.Kh1 Qh2# 0-1 (61) Superfm1 (2715)-MarianoFreyreX_2024 (2604) Blitz 2024]

[8.g4 Na5 9.Ng3 b5 10.g5 Nd7 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Rxa6 14.Qe2 Qa8 15.Nd5 Ra7 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.h4 Re8 18.Nd5 c6 19.Nf4 Nb3 20.h5 Nf8 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qh2 Bxd4 23.axb3 Rxa1+ 24.Ke2 Qa6+ 25.Nd3 Rxh1 26.Bxd4+ Kg8 27.Nxh1 Rb8 28.Qxd6 Rxb3 29.Nhf2 Qc4 30.Qf6 Ne6 31.Qh8+ Kf7 32.Qxh7+ Kf8 33.Bh8 Nf4+ 34.Ke3 Nxd3 35.Qg7+ Ke8 36.Qxg6+ Kd7 37.Qg7+ Kc8 38.Ng4 Ne1+ 39.Kf4 Rxf3+ 40.Ke5 Nd3+ 41.Kd6 Qc5+ 42.Ke6 Nf4+ 43.Kf7 Nh5+ 44.Kg6 Nxg7 45.Bxg7 Rg3 46.Nf6 Qxg5+ 47.Kf7 Qxg7+ 48.Ke6 Rg6 49.e5 Qd7# 0-1 (49) K1_K1_K1_K1_K1 (2618)-dhonimessi (2687) Blitz 2023]

8...h5

[8...Na5 9.Ng3 h5 10.e5 dxe5 11.dxe5 Nd7 12.f4 c5 13.Nxh5 gxh5 14.Qxh5 b5 15.Bd3 f5 16.cxb5 Nxe5 17.fxe5 Qxd3 18.Bf4 Be6 19.Rh3 Qd4 20.Ne2 Qxb2 21.Rd1 Rad8 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Rg3 Qb1+ 24.Kf2 Rd1 25.Rxg7+ Kxg7 26.Bh6+ Kh8 27.Bg5+ Kg8 28.Qg6+ Kh8 29.Qh6+ Kg8 30.Qxe6+ Kh7 31.Qxe7+ Kg6 32.Nf4# 1-0 (32) brianthegreat (2737)-Turar_D (2589) Blitz 2022]

[8...Bd7 9.h5 b5 10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Qd2 e5 12.Bh6 Bh8 13.d5 Na5 14.Bxf8 Qxf8 15.cxb5 Nc4 16.Qc1 axb5 17.b3 Na3 18.Qd2 Bg7 19.Nc1 b4 20.Nb1 c5 21.Nxa3 Rxa3 22.Nd3 Qa8 23.Qb2 Nh5 24.Kf2 Nf4 25.g3 Nh5 26.Kg2 f5 27.Nf2 f4 28.g4 Ng3 29.Rh2 Nxf1 30.Kxf1 Bb5+ 31.Kg1 Bf6 32.Nh3 Qa7 33.Kh1 Qe7 34.g5 Bg7 35.Rg1 Kf7 36.Nf2 Bd7 37.Ng4 Bxg4 38.Rxg4 Qa7 39.Qe2 Qa6 40.Qxa6 Rxa6 41.Rgg2 Ra3 42.Rc2 Kg8 43.Kg2 Ra7 44.Kf2 Bf8 45.Ke2 Be7 46.Kd3 Kg7 47.Rhg2 Ra8 48.Kc4 Rh8 49.Rh2 Ra8 50.Rcg2 Ra5 51.Rh1 Kg8 52.Rgh2 Bxg5 53.Rh8+ Kf7 54.R1h7+ Kf6 55.Rf8# 1-0 (55) gg-gm-gmg (2651)-IVK88 (2785) Blitz 2020]

9.Qd2 Bd7

[9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nxb5 Na5 12.Nec3 Nb3 13.Qd1 Nxa1 14.Qxa1 c6 15.Na3 Nd7 16.Nc2 Ba6 17.Bxa6 Rxa6 18.Qd1 e5 19.Qd2 exd4 20.Nxd4 Re8 21.Nde2 Ne5 22.b3 d5 23.exd5 cxd5 24.0-0 Rd6 25.Nd4 Qxh4 26.Ndb5 Rd7 27.Nxd5 Qd8 28.Nbc3 Nc6 29.Bg5 Bxc3 30.Qxc3 Qxg5 31.Nf6+ Kh8 32.Nxd7+ Ne5 33.f4 1-0 (33) unitedff (2641)-stas-2444 (2592) Blitz 2024]

[9...Na5 10.Nc1 Nd7 11.Nb3 Nxb3

12.axb3 c5 13.d5 Ne5 14.Be2 e6 15.0-0-0 exd5 16.Qxd5 Qa5 17.Kb1 Qb4 18.Kc2 b5 19.Qxa8 bxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxc4 21.bxc4 Be6 22.Qxa6 Rb8 23.Qa3 Qxc4 24.Rxd6 Rb3 25.Qxc5 Rxb2+ 26.Kxb2 Qb3+ 27.Kc1 Bxc3 28.Rb6 Bb2+ 29.Kd2 Qa2 30.Qc2 Qa5+ 31.Ke2 Be5 32.Kf2 Bd7 33.Rd1 Ba4 34.Qc8+ Kh7 35.Rb7 Bb3 36.Rxb3 Qa2+ 37.Rb2 Qxb2+ 38.Kg1 Qe2 39.Qc1 Qb5 40.Rf1 Qe8 41.Bf2 Qe7 42.Qg5 f6 43.Qe3 Bh2+ 0-1 (43) nastroyani (2607)-TheButcherMio (2611) Blitz 2020]

10.Nc1

[10.Rc1 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Rxa2 13.Nec3 Ra8 14.Bc4 *(14.d5 Ne5 15.Be2 c6 16.dxc6 Nxc6 17.0-0 Qb8 18.Ra1 Rxa1 19.Rxa1 Rc8 20.g3 Ne5 21.Kg2 Bc6 22.Ra3 Nxf3 23.Bxf3 Bxb5 24.Rb3 Bf1+ 25.Kxf1 Qxb3* 0-1 (25) SlowSmokingTurtle (2652)-Kwashiwo (2709) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Na5 15.Ba2 Nb7 16.Na3 c5 17.d5 Rb8 18.0-0 Na5 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxc5 Nb3 21.Bxb3 Rxb3 22.Rfe1 Qb8 23.Nc4 Rc8 24.Qf2 Qc7 25.Nd2 Rxb2 26.Bxe7 Qa5 27.Bxf6 Rxc3 28.Rxc3 Qxc3 29.Ne4 Qb4 30.Qe3 Bf5 31.Bxg7 Kxg7 32.Ng3 f6 33.Nxf5+ gxf5 34.Rd1 Qxh4 35.d6 Qg3 36.Qa7+ Kg6 37.Rd2 Rxd2 0-1 (37) Duhless1981 (2791)-chessm1105 (2764) Blitz 2025]

10...Qb8 11.Nb3 Rc8 12.Be2 b5 13.c5

[13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Nxd4 15.N5xd4 c5 16.Nc2 c4 17.Nbd4 e5 18.0-0 d5 19.Qb4 exd4 20.Bxd4 dxe4 21.fxe4 Qxb4 22.Nxb4 Nxe4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Bf3 Bf5 25.Bxe4 Bxe4 26.Rae1 f5 27.Re3 Ra4 28.a3 c3 29.Rxc3 Rxc3 30.bxc3 Rxa3 31.Rc1 Rb3 32.Kf2 Kf6 33.g3 g5 34.hxg5+ Kxg5 35.Ke3 Kg4 36.Na6 Bc6 37.Nc5 Rb5 38.Nd3 Kxg3 39.Rg1+ Kh2 40.Rg6 Be4 41.Rh6 Bxd3 42.Rxh5+ Kg3 43.Kxd3 Re5 44.Kd4 Ra5 45.c4 Kg4 46.Rh8 f4 47.Rg8+ Kh3 48.c5 f3 49.Rf8 Kg2 50.c6 Ra7 51.Kd5 f2 52.Kd6 f1Q 53.Rxf1 Kxf1 54.c7 Rxc7 55.Kxc7 ½-½ (55) defenceboy1 (2904)-IVK88 (2920) Blitz 2021]

13...b4 14.Nd1 e6

[14...a5 15.d5 Ne5 16.c6 Be8 17.Nd4 a4 18.Nf2 e6 19.dxe6 Nxc6 20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Bc4+ Ke7 22.Nxc6+ Bxc6 23.0-0 Ra5 24.Nd3 Bd7 25.Nf4 Be8 26.Rad1 Re5 27.Nd3 Rb5 28.e5 dxe5 29.Rfe1 Rd8 30.Qf2 Rd6 31.Bc5 Rxc5 32.Qxc5 Nd7 33.Qxb4 Qa7+ 34.Kf1 Bf6 35.Bb5 Bxh4 36.Qxh4+ 1-0 (36) defenceboy1 (2905)-IVK88 (2919) Blitz 2021]

15.0-0 a5 16.Nf2 a4 17.Nc1 dxc5 18.dxc5 Rd8 19.Ncd3 Bc8 20.Rad1 Ba6 21.Rfe1 a3 22.bxa3 Bxd3 23.Bxd3 Rxa3 24.Bg5 Qa7 25.Qf4 e5 26.Qc1 Rxa2 27.Bc4 Rxd1 28.Rxd1 Rxf2 29.Kxf2 Qxc5+ 30.Be3 Qe7 31.Bxf7+ Qxf7 32.Qxc6 b3 33.Bg5 b2 34.Qc2 Bf8 35.Qxb2 Bd6 36.Kg3 Nh7 37.Qd2 Nxg5 38.Qxg5 Kh7 39.Rb1 Qf8 40.Rb7 Qc8 41.Rb5 Qf8 42.Rd5 Kg7 43.Kh3 Qc8+ 44.Kh2 Qf8 45.f4 exf4 46.Qxf4 Qxf4+ 0-1 (46) defenceboy1 (2905)-IVK88 (2919) Blitz 2021

7...c5 8.d5

[8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Bxc5 Nc6 11.Rd1 *(11.Ba3 Be6 12.Nd5 b5 13.Nxe7+ Nxe7 14.Bxe7 Rd7 15.Bb4 a5 16.Bc3 b4 17.Be5 Bxc4*

18.Nf4 Bxf1 19.Rxf1 Re8 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Rd1 Rxd1+ 22.Kxd1 Bxb2 23.Kc2 Be5 24.Nd5 Rc8+ 25.Kb3 Rc5 26.h3 f5 27.Rf2 fxe4 28.fxe4 Kg7 29.Ka4 h5 30.Nb6 Bc7 31.Nd5 Be5 32.Nb6 Bc7 33.Nd7 Rc3 34.e5 Re3 35.Rc2 Bxe5 36.Kxa5 Bd6 37.Rb2 g5 38.Kb5 g4 39.hxg4 hxg4 40.Nb6 Rd3 41.Kc6 g3 42.Nd5 Be5 43.Re2 Bc3 44.Kc5 Rd1 45.Nxb4 Be1 46.Kc4 Bf2 47.Nd3 Rg1 48.Nf4 Kf6 49.Re8 Kf5 50.Rf8+ Ke4 51.a4 Rc1+ 52.Kb5 Rb1+ 53.Ka6 Rb6+ 54.Ka5 Rb2 55.Nh5 Ke5 56.Rf3 Be1+ 57.Ka6 Kd4 58.Nf4 Ra2 59.Kb5 Rb2+ 60.Kc6 Ra2 61.Ne6+ Ke4 62.Nc5+ Kd4 63.Rd3+ Kc4 64.Re3 Bf2 65.Re4+ Kc3 66.Ne6 Bg1 67.Nf4 Bf2 68.Kd5 Rd2+ 69.Ke6 Ra2 70.Kf5 Ra1 71.Kg4 Kd2 72.Nh5 Kd3 73.Rb4 Bc5 74.Rf4 Bd4 75.Nxg3 Be5 76.Rb4 Bd6 77.Rb3+ Kc4 78.Re3 Bc5 79.Re4+ Kd5 80.Rf4 Bd6 81.Rf5+ Ke6 82.Ra5 Bb4 83.Ra6+ Kd5 84.Nh5 Bc5 85.Nf4+ Kc4 86.g3 Bb4 87.Nh5 Rd1 88.Nf4 Rd4 89.Kf5 Rd8 90.g4 Rf8+ 91.Ke4 Re8+ 0-1 (91) Santos Latasa,J (2612)-Bortnyk,O (2608) chess.com INT 2024 *)* 11...Rxd1+ 12.Kxd1 Be6 13.Nf4 Bd7 14.Kc2 Rc8 15.b3 b5 16.Ncd5 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Be8 19.Nxe7+ Nxe7 20.Bxe7 Bb5 21.Kd3 Rc7 22.Bxb5 axb5 23.Bb4 Rd7+ 24.Ke2 Ra7 25.a3 Bf8 26.Bxf8 Kxf8 27.Ra1 Ke7 28.a4 Kd6 29.Kd3 Kc5 30.Kc3 b4+ 31.Kc2 Rc7 32.Rd1 Kb6+ 33.Kb2 Rc3 34.Rd4 Ka5 35.Rd5+ Ka6 36.h4 Re3 37.Rd2 h5 38.Kc2 Rc3+ 39.Kb2 Re3 40.Rc2 f5 41.exf5 gxf5 42.Rc5 Re2+ 43.Rc2 Re3 44.Rf2 f4 45.Rc2 Rd3 46.Rc4 Rd2+ 47.Kc1 Rxg2 48.Rxb4 Rf2 49.Rxf4 Kb6 50.b4 Kc6 51.Rf6+ Kd5 52.Rf4 Ke5 53.Rc4 Rxf3 54.Kb2 Rh3 55.a5 Kd6 56.b5 Kd5 57.Rb4 Kc5 58.Rb3 Rxh4 59.b6 Rh2+ 60.Ka3 1-0 (60) Itinerant69 (2715)-Dom_Perignon_64 (2728) Blitz 2023]

8...b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nxb5 Ba6 11.Nec3

[11.Nbc3 Nbd7 12.Rc1 Nb6 13.b3 e6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Nf4 Bxf1 16.Rxf1 Qd7 17.Kf2 e5 18.Nfd5 Nbxd5 19.exd5 Ng4+ 20.Ke2 Nxe3 21.Kxe3 e4 22.Nxe4 Rxa2 23.Rc2 Bh6+ 24.Kf2 Ra3 25.Re2 Rb8 26.Nf6+ 1-0 (26) rdm89 (2656)-JonasPradoLobo (2645) Blitz 2023]

11...Nbd7 12.a4

[12.Be2 Ne8 13.0-0 Bxb5 14.Bxb5 Nc7 15.Be2 Qb8 16.Qc2 Qb4 17.a3 Qb7 18.Rab1 Rfc8 19.Rfc1 Rab8 20.b4 cxb4 21.Rxb4 Qa8 22.Ra4 Qb7 23.Rb1 Qxb1+ 24.Nxb1 Nxd5 25.Qxc8+ Rxc8 26.exd5 h5 27.Rc4 Rb8 28.Rb4 Rc8 29.a4 Rc2 30.Kf2 Nf6 31.Rb5 Nd7 32.a5 Ra2 33.a6 Rxa6 34.Rb7 Ra1 35.Rxd7 Rxb1 36.Rxe7 Be5 37.f4 1-0 (37) OnkelKonkel (2674)-Banelevich (2667) Blitz 2022]

12...Ne5 13.Be2 Ne8 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Ng6 17.Bc4 Nf6 18.h3 Kh8 19.Kh1 Bh6 20.Qf3 Rg8 21.Rae1 Nh4 22.Qf2 Nxg2 23.Re2 Nh5 24.Kh2 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Ng3 26.Rf3 Nxe2 27.Qxe2 Bxb5 28.Bxb5 Qf8 29.Qf2 Qf6 30.b3 Rg7 31.Ne2 Rag8 32.Ng3 Qd4 33.Qxd4 cxd4 34.a5 Rf7 35.a6 Ra8 36.Ne2 Bg7 37.Rd3 Rff8 38.Nxd4 Bxd4 39.Rxd4 Rfb8 40.Bc4 Rb4 41.Rd2 Kg7 42.Re2 Kf7 43.Kg3 Rg8+ 44.Kf3 Ra8 45.Ra2

Ra7 46.Ke3 Kf8 47.Kd4 Ke8 48.Kc3 Rb8 49.b4 Kd7 50.b5 Kc7 51.Kb4 Kb6 52.Rg2 Rc7 53.Ra2 Rbc8 54.Bd3 Rc3 55.a7 Rxd3 56.a8Q Rxa8 57.Rxa8 Rd4+ 58.Kc3 Rxf4 59.Re8 Kxb5 60.Rxe7 Kc5 61.Rxh7 Kxd5 62.Kd3 Rf3+ 63.Ke2 Rb3 64.h4 Ke4 65.Re7+ Kf4 66.Rd7 Rb2+ 67.Kd3 Rh2 68.Rxd6 Rh3+ 69.Ke2 Ke5 70.Rd8 Rxh4 71.Kf3 Rh3+ 72.Kg2 Ra3 73.Re8+ Kf4 74.Rb8 Ra2+ 75.Kf1 Kf3 76.Rb3+ Kg4 77.Rc3 f4 78.Rb3 Ra1+ 79.Kf2 Ra2+ 80.Ke1 Ra1+ 81.Ke2 Ra2+ 82.Kd1 f3 83.Rb8 Kg3 84.Rg8+ Kf2 85.Re8 Ra6 86.Re7 Rd6+ 87.Kc2 Rg6 88.Rh7 Kg2 89.Rg7 f2 90.Rxg6+ Kf3 91.Rf6+ Ke2 92.Re6+ Kf3 93.Rf6+ Kg2 94.Rf8 f1Q 95.Rg8+ Kf3 96.Rf8+ Kg2 97.Rd8 Qf2+ 98.Kc3 Qf5 99.Rd4 Qf6 100.Kd3 Qxd4+ 101.Kxd4 ½-½ (101) W-B-Yeats (2779)-MaLeKkoNihli (2616) Blitz 2021

7...Nfd7 8.Qd2 e5 9.d5 f5 10.exf5 gxf5 11.0-0-0 b5 12.f4 Nb6 13.Ng3 b4 14.Nb1 exf4 15.Bxf4 Na4 16.b3 Nc5 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qe7 19.Bd3 f4 20.Nh5 Nbd7 21.Bc2 Ne5 22.Nxf4 Ng4 23.Rhe1 Nxh6 24.Rxe7 Rxf4 25.Rxc7 Bf5 26.g3 Rf2 27.Bxf5 Nxf5 28.Nd2 Re8 0-1 (28) OnkelKonkel (2645)-EstudiosChess (2644) Blitz 2022

[80] **8.h4** e6

[8...h5 9.Nf4 e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Nfd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Nc6 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Nd4 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Ne7+ Kf8 18.Nxc8 Rdxc8 19.0-0 Rab8 20.Ba6 Rd8 21.b3 d3 22.Rad1 d2 23.Bc4 Bd4+ 24.Kh2 Bc3 25.g3 Re8 26.Rf2 Rbd8 27.Re2 f5 28.Kg2 Rd4 29.exf5 Rxe2+ 30.Bxe2 gxf5 31.f4 Rd6 32.Kf2 Kg7 33.Ke3 c5 34.Bxh5 Ra6 35.Kd3 Bb4 36.a4 Kf6 37.Kc4 Rb6 38.Bf3 Rb8 39.Bc6 Ke6 40.Bd5+ Kd6 41.h5 Rh8 42.Bf7 Ke7 43.Bg6 Kf6 44.Kb5 Rb8+ 45.Kc6 Rd8 46.Kb5 Ra8 47.Rh1 Ra7 48.Rd1 Re7 49.Kc4 Re1 50.Rxd2 Bxd2 51.Kxc5 Rb1 52.Kc4 Be1 53.Be8 Bxg3 54.h6 Bxf4 55.h7 Kg7 56.b4 Bd2 57.b5 f4 58.Kc5 f3 0-1 (58) AnythingButAverage (2918)-vistagausta (2882) Blitz 2024]

9.e5 Ne8 10.f4 Nd7 11.h5 bxc4 12.Qd2 Nb6 13.0-0-0 Bb7 14.Ng1 Rb8 15.Nf3 Qe7 16.Be2 Bc6 17.Rh3 Qd7 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.f5 Bxf3 20.Bh6 f6 21.Bxf3 gxf5 22.Rdh1 fxe5 23.Qg5 Qd8 24.Qh5 Rf7 25.dxe5 Nd7 26.Bg5 Nxe5 27.Bxd8 Nd3+ 28.Kb1 Nf4 29.Qh8+ Bxh8 30.Rxh8+ Kg7 31.R1h7+ Kg6 32.Rh6+ Kg7 33.Ne2 Rxd8 34.Nxf4 Re7 35.R8h7+ Kg8 36.Rxe7 Rd7 37.Rxd7 c3 38.Ng6 c2+ 39.Kxc2 f4 40.Rh8# 1-0 (40) The_Magnificent_Bob (2933)-bot_adario (2633) Rapid 2024

8.Qd2 Nbd7 '!' is currently scoring better than 8...c5.wohl besser als 8...c5.

[8...bxc4 9.g4 c5 10.d5 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Ne5 12.Be2 Nfxg4 13.fxg4 Bxg4 14.0-0 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Nd3 16.Rab1 Rb8 17.Na4 Qa5 18.b3 cxb3 19.axb3 Ne5 20.Qd2 Qxd2 21.Bxd2 c4 22.b4 Rfc8 23.Ne2 Nd3 24.Nc1 Bd4+ 25.Kg2 Ne5 26.Ne2 Ba7 27.Rfc1 Nd3 28.Rc2 e6 29.Nf4 Nxf4+ 30.Bxf4 e5 31.Bd2 a5 32.b5 Bd4 33.b6 c3 34.Nxc3 Rc4 35.b7 a4 36.Rcc1 a3 37.Na2 Rxc1 38.Bxc1 Bb2 39.Bd2 Rxb7 40.Bb4 Rd7 41.Rf1 Kg7 42.Rf3 Rb7

43.Bxd6 f6 44.Bxa3 Bd4 45.Nb4 Ra7 46.Nc6 Ra4 47.Be7 Ra2+ 48.Kh3 f5 49.Nxd4 exd4 50.exf5 gxf5 51.d6 Ra7 52.Rxf5 1-0 (52) ip12345 (2795)-slowdumb (2622) Blitz 2022]

9.h4

[9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nxb5 c6

A) 11.Na3 e5 12.Nc4 *(12.Nc3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Nc2 exd4 16.Bxd4 Re8+ 17.Kf2 Ne5 18.Be2 Bd7 19.Rhd1 Qh4+ 20.Kg1 Bh6 21.Qe1 Qf6 22.Qf2 Rac8 23.Bf1 Bf4 24.Kh1 h5 25.Nb4 Be6 26.Bc3 h4 27.Nxd5 Bxd5 28.Rxd5 Qe6 29.Rad1 h3 30.g3 Bh6 31.Rxe5* 1-0 (31) gg-gm-gmg (2649)-vistagausta (2796) Blitz 2020*)* 12...d5 13.Nxe5 dxe4 14.f4 Nd5 15.Nxc6 Qb6 16.Ne5 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Nxe5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Qxe4 Bf6 20.Qxa8 Qb4+ 21.Kf2 Bxd4+ 22.Nxd4 Qxd4+ 23.Kg3 Qe5+ 24.Kf2 Qc5+ 25.Kg3 Qc7+ 26.Kf2 Qb6+ 27.Kg3 Qd6+ 28.Kf2 Qd4+ 29.Kg3 Qe5+ 30.Kf2 Qd4+ ½-½ (30) penguingim1 (2706)-venajalainen (2677) Blitz 2020;

B) 11.Nbc3 e5

B1) 12.Ng3 d5

B1a) 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.f4 *(14.Be2 h5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.0-0 h4 18.Nh1 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.b3 d4 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 d3 23.Nf2 Qd4 24.Rae1 d2 25.Re4 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3 Qg7 27.Qxd2 Qf6 28.Ng4 Qb6+ 29.Kh1 Qb5 30.Rg1 h3 31.Qh6 Qf5 32.Rf4 Qc2 33.Qxh3 Rd8 34.Nf6+ Kf8 35.Qh6+ Ke7 36.Qg5 Rh8 37.Re4+ Re6 38.Nd5+ Kd6 39.Rxe6+ fxe6 40.Qg3+ e5 41.Qg2 Qxg2+ 42.Kxg2 Kxd5 43.Rd1+* 1-0 (43) cubanito2002 (2681)-Macchiatto (2583) Blitz 2020*)* 14...Neg4 15.Bc5 Nxe4 16.Ngxe4 dxe4 17.Bxf8 Qxf8 18.Bc4 Qc5 19.Qe2 Ne3 20.Bb3 Bg4 21.Qd2 Nxg2+ 22.Qxg2 Bxc3+ 23.bxc3 Qe3+ 24.Kf1 Bh3 0-1 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2725)-Samarqand2021 (2840) Blitz 2022;

B1b) 13.Be2 exd4 *(13...dxe4 14.Ngxe4 Nd5 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Nc3 Re8 17.0-0 Bb7 18.Rad1 Re6 19.dxe5 Bxe5 20.f4 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qe7 22.Rf3 d4* 0-1 (22) kflorian (2623)-KnezMihailova (2838) Blitz 2020*)* 14.Bxd4 c5 15.Bxf6 Nxf6 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Qxd5 18.exd5 Bxb2 19.Rd1 Bc3+ 20.Kf1 Rxa2 21.Ne4 Bd4 22.d6 Be6 23.Ng5 Bd5 24.h4 Rd8 25.h5 Rxd6 26.hxg6 Rxg6 27.Rh5 h6 28.Nh3 Bc6 29.Nf4 Rf6 30.Nd3 Bb5 31.Re1 Bxd3 32.Bxd3 Rf2+ 33.Kg1 R2xf3+ 0-1 (33) samovich (2645)-Chesstoday (2663) Blitz 2020;

B1c) 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Be2 h5 *(15...Nb6 16.dxe5 Bxe5 17.Bd4 Qf6 18.Bxe5 Qxe5 19.0-0 Be6 20.Rfe1 Na4 21.Rab1 Qd6 22.Kh1 d4 23.Ne4 Qe5 24.Bd3 Bxa2 25.Ra1 Be6*

26.Ng5 Qd6 27.Nxe6 fxe6 28.Bc4 Rfe8 29.Bb5 Nc5 30.Bxe8 Rxe8 31.Ra7 d3 32.b4 Nb3 33.Qc3 Nd4 34.Qxd3 e5 35.Qc4+ Kh8 36.Qf7 1-0 (36) Poirot_Hercule (2733)-ThunderWarrior (2704) Blitz 2023 *)* 16.0-0 h4 17.Nh1

B1c1) 17...Re8 18.Bb5 *(18.Rfe1 Qf6 19.Nf2 exd4 20.Bg5 Qb6 21.Bxh4 d3 22.Bxd3 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Ne5 24.Bb1 Bb7 25.b3 d4 26.Bg3 Nc6 27.Ne4 Nb4 28.Nd6 Bd5 29.Nc4 Qc5 30.Bd6 Qc6 31.Bxb4 Bxc4 32.bxc4 Qxc4 33.a3 Bf6 34.Ba2 Qc6 35.Qd3 Kg7 36.Qe4 Qa6 37.Bc5 Rd8 38.Be7 Bxe7 39.Qxe7 Qf6 40.Qxf6+ Kxf6 41.Rd1 Ke5 42.Bxf7 g5 43.Bg6 Ra8 44.Ra1 Kf4 45.a4 Ke3 46.a5 Ke2 47.a6 Ra7 48.Be4 d3 49.Bxd3+ Kxd3 50.Kf2 Kc4 51.Kg3 Kc5 52.Kg4 Kb6 53.Kxg5 Rg7+ 54.Kf6 Rxg2 55.a7 Rf2 56.a8Q Rxh2 57.Qa6+ Kc5 58.Rc1+ Kd4 59.Qc4+ Ke3 60.Re1+ Kf2 61.Qe2+ Kg3 62.Rg1+ Kh3 63.Qe6+ Kh4 64.Qg4#* 1-0 (64) MothToTheFlame (2644)-advancedgame2000 (2718) Blitz 2023*)* 18...exd4 19.Bg5 Qb6 20.a4 Ba6 21.Bxd7 Re2 22.Qd1 h3 23.Nf2 d3 24.gxh3 Rxb2 25.Rb1 Bd4 26.Rxb2 Qxb2 27.Qd2 Qb3 28.Be3 Bc3 29.Qd1 Qc4 30.Kg2 d2 31.Rg1 Qb4 32.Bb5 Bxb5 33.axb5 Re8 34.Bg5 f6 35.Bxd2 Bxd2 36.Qb1 Kf7 37.Qd3 Be3 38.Qxd5+ Kg7 39.Rf1 Bxf2 40.Rxf2 Re5 41.Qd7+ Kh6 42.f4 Qe4+ 43.Kg1 Rd5 44.Qg4 Rxb5 45.Qf3 Rb1+ 46.Kg2 Qe1 47.Rf1 Rb2+ 48.Rf2 Rb1 ½-½ (48) Vidit,S (2720)-Van Foreest,J (2697) Chennai IND 2025;

B1c2) 17...h3 18.g4 Re8 19.Rfe1 Ba6 20.Nf2 Qf6 21.Nxh3 Bxe2 22.Rxe2 exd4 23.Bf4 g5 24.Rxe8+ Rxe8 25.Nxg5 d3 26.Nh3 Qd4+ 27.Qf2 Re2 28.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 29.Kf1 Bxb2 30.Rd1 Nc5 31.Rd2 1-0 (31) Lunaticxxx (2792)-oxudchess (2642) Blitz 2021;

B2) 12.Nc1 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 *(13...exd4 14.Bxd4 Re8+ 15.Be2 cxd5 16.0-0 Nb6 17.Bb5 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Nc4 19.Qf2 Qxd7 20.b3 Nd6 21.Nd3 Nf5 22.Be5 d4 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Ne4 Bg7 25.Rfc1 Bh6 26.Nf6+* 1-0 (26) MothToTheFlame (2667)-viennadragon (2591) Blitz 2023*)* 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Be2 *(15.Nb3 Re8 16.Kf2 e4 17.Be2 Nf6 18.Rhe1 exf3 19.Bxf3 Bg4 20.Bf4 Bxf3 21.gxf3 Nh5 22.Rxe8+ Qxe8 23.Bg3 Qd7 24.Kg2 Qf5 25.Nc5 Re8 26.Re1 Rxe1 27.Qxe1 Bxd4 28.Qe8+ Kg7 29.Nd7 Kh6 30.Ne5 Bxe5 31.Qxe5 Nxg3 32.Qxg3 Kg7 33.Qf2 Qg5+ 34.Kf1 Qc1+ 35.Kg2 Qg5+*

36.Kf1 Qe5 37.Qd2 d4 38.b4 Qd5 39.Kf2 Qc4 40.a4 h5 41.a5 h4 42.a6 Qxa6 43.Qxd4+ Kg8 44.Qxh4 Qa2+ 45.Kg3 Qd5 46.Qe4 Qd6+ 47.Kg2 Qd2+ 48.Kg3 Qd6+ 49.Qf4 Qd1 50.Kg2 Qc2+ 51.Kh3 Qd3 52.Kg3 Qd1 53.Qe3 Qd6+ 54.f4 Qxb4 55.Qe8+ Qf8 56.Qe5 Qh6 57.Qg5 Qf8 58.h4 Qg7 59.h5 gxh5 60.Kh4 Qxg5+ 61.Kxg5 Kg7 62.Kxh5 Kf6 63.Kg4 Kg6 64.f5+ Kf6 65.Kf4 Ke7 66.Ke5 Kd7 67.Kf6 Ke8 68.Kg7 Ke7 69.Kg8 Kf6 70.Kf8 Kxf5 71.Kxf7 ½-½ (71) Consent_to_treatment (2740)-loaf_of_bread (2792) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Re8 *(15...Ba6 16.0-0 Re8 17.Bxa6 Rxa6 18.Nb3 Nb6 19.Bh6 Nc4 20.Qc1 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 exd4 22.Kh1 d3 23.Rfd1 Nxb2 24.Rd2 Qf6 25.Nc5 Nc4 26.Rdd1 Ra3 27.Rab1 d2 28.Nb3 Rxa2 29.Qh3 Rb2 30.Qd7 Qe6 31.Qxe6 Rxe6 32.Nxd2 Rxd2 33.Rxd2 Nxd2 34.Rd1 Nc4 35.Kg1 Rd6 36.Kf2 d4 37.Rc1 d3 38.Rd1 d2 39.Ke2 Nb2 40.Rxd2 Rxd2+ 41.Kxd2 Nc4+ 42.Kd3 Nd6 43.Ke3 Kg7 44.Kf4 Kf6 45.Ke3 Ke5 46.f4+ Kf5 47.Kf3 h5 48.g3 Nc4 49.h3 Nd2+ 50.Ke3 Ne4 51.Kf3 Nf6 52.Ke3 Ke6 53.Kd4 Nd7 54.Ke4 Nf6+ 55.Kf3 Nd5 56.Ke4 Ne7 57.Kf3 f5 58.Ke3 Kd5 59.Kd3 Nc6 60.Kc3 Nd4 61.Kd3 Ne6 62.Ke3 Kc4 63.Ke2 Kd4 64.Kd2 Ke4 65.Ke2 h4 66.Kf2 hxg3+ 67.Kxg3 Ke3 68.h4 Nxf4 69.Kh2 Nh5 70.Kh3 Kf4 71.Kh2* 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Normal_one (2620) Blitz 2023 *)* 16.Nb3 e4 17.0-0 Nb6 18.Bb5 Bd7 19.Bxd7 Qxd7 20.Nc5 Qa7 21.b3 Rad8 22.a4 Nd7 23.Rac1 Nxc5 24.Rxc5 exf3 25.Rxf3 Re4 26.h3 Rde8 27.a5 Qe7 28.a6 f5 29.Ra5 f4 30.Bf2 Qa7 31.Ra4 g5 32.Kh2 h5 33.Qa5 Qa8 34.a7 g4 35.Rc3 Re2 36.Kg1 g3 37.Bxg3 fxg3 38.Rxg3 h4 39.Rg5 Qc8 40.Qxd5+ R2e6 41.Qc4 Qa8 42.Rg6 Qe4 43.Rxe6 Bxd4+ 44.Kh1 Qb1+ 45.Re1+ Kg7 46.Rxb1 1-0 (46) dmitrijiiGM (2782)-Erowan,M (1904) Blitz 2023;

B3) 12.dxe5 Nxe5

B3a) 13.Nd4 d5 14.Be2 *(14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Qxd5 16.Nb3 Be6 17.Qxd5 Bxd5 18.Nc5 Rfb8 19.a4 Rxb2 20.Be2 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4* 0-1 (21) Violet_Pride (2634)-PinePiper (2654) Blitz 2020 *)* 14...c5 15.exd5 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Re8 17.0-0 Nxd5 18.f4 Nxc3 19.Qxc3 Qxd4+ 20.Qxd4 Nf3+ 21.Bxf3 Bxd4+ 22.Kh1 Rb8 0-1 (22) WhiteBishop4761 (2675)-SpeedMonkey (2651) Blitz 2022;

B3b) 13.Nc1 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Be2 d4 17.Bf2 d3 18.Nxd3 Nc4 19.Qc2 Qa5+ 20.b4 Qg5 21.Rc1 Ne3 22.Qc5 Nxg2+ 23.Kf1 Bf5 24.Rg1 Rac8 25.Rxg2 Rxc5 26.Rxg5 Bh3+ 27.Ke1 Rxg5 28.Nf4 Bd7

29.Bc5 Ra8 30.Bc4 Rf5 31.Nd5 Rxf3 32.Nb6 Re8+ 33.Kd2 Bh6+ 34.Kc2 Bf5+ 35.Kb2 Bxc1+ 36.Kxc1 Rc3+ 37.Kb2 Rc2+ 38.Kb3 Re1 39.a3 Rb1+ 40.Ka4 Rbc1 41.Kb5 Rxc4 42.Nxc4 Bd3 43.a4 Bxc4+ 44.Kb6 Ra1 45.a5 f5 46.b5 g5 47.a6 f4 48.a7 Bxb5 49.Kxb5 g4 50.Bb6 Rxa7 51.Bxa7 h5 52.Kc4 h4 53.Bb8 g3 54.hxg3 fxg3 55.Kd3 g2 56.Bh2 g1Q 57.Bxg1 h3 58.Ke2 Kg7 59.Kf3 h2 60.Bxh2 ½-½ (60) Pendlerschach (2604)-Mikhail_Golubev (2558) Blitz 2023;

B3c) 13.Nf4 g5 *(13...d5 14.0-0-0 Qa5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Nfxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Qc7 18.Qc5 Qb7 19.Bd4 Re8 20.f4 Nd7 21.Qd5 Qxd5 22.Nxd5 Rxa2 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Bc4 Ra4 25.Bb3 Ra1+ 26.Kd2 Ra5 27.Kc3 Re4 28.Rd4 Rc5+ 29.Kd3 Rxd4+ 30.Kxd4 Rb5 31.Kc3 Nc5 32.Bc4 Rb8 33.b4 Ne4+ 34.Kd4 Nd6 35.Bd3 Be6 36.Rb1 Nb5+ 37.Bxb5 Rxb5 38.Nc7 Rb6 39.Nxe6+ fxe6 40.Kc5 Rb8 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2642)-Ute-Manfred (2553) Blitz 2022)* 14.Nd3 Nc4 15.Qf2 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Qa5 17.Be2 Ba6 18.0-0 Rab8 19.Rab1 Nd7 20.Rfc1 Bxd3 21.Bxd3 Nc5 22.Kh1 Ne6 23.Bc4 Qe5 24.Qd2 Rfd8 25.b4 d5 26.exd5 cxd5 27.Nxd5 Nf4 28.Rd1 Rd7 29.Nf6+ Qxf6 30.Qxd7 h5 31.Rd6 Qc3 32.Qxf7+ Kh7 33.Bd3+ Nxd3 34.Qf5+ Kh8 35.Qxd3 Rxb4 36.Rd8+ Bf8 37.Qxc3+ 1-0 (37) So,W (2773)-Makarian,R (2533) chess.com INT 2022;

B4) 12.g3 d5 *(12...Re8 13.Bg2 d5 14.0-0 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Nd5 16.Bf2 Ba6 17.Rfd1 Rb8 18.N2c3 Nb4 19.Bf1 Bxf1 20.Kxf1 Qa5 21.Rac1 Red8 22.a3 Nd5 23.Nxd5 Qxd5 24.Nc3 Qb3 25.dxe5 Bxe5 26.Kg2 Qxb2 27.Qxb2 Rxb2 28.Ne4 f5 29.Nc5 Ra8 30.Nxd7 Bg7 31.Rd3 Re8 32.Kf1 Ree2 33.Bg1 h5 34.Re1 Red2 35.Rxd2 Rxd2 36.Ne5 Ra2 37.Nxc6 Rxa3 38.Kg2 Ra2+ 39.Kf1 Ra3 40.f4 h4 41.Re3 Ra1+ 42.Kg2 Ra2+ 43.Kh3 hxg3 44.hxg3 Rc2 45.Ne5 Kh7 46.Nf3 Bf6 47.Re6 Kg7 48.Bd4 Bxd4 49.Nxd4 Rd2 50.Nf3 Rd3 51.Rxg6+ Kxg6 52.Ne5+ Kh5 53.Nxd3 1-0 (53) ChessMasterAssasin (2652)-Ute-Manfred (2639) Blitz 2023)* 13.Bg2 *(13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.Bg2 Nc4 15.Qc1 dxe4 16.fxe4 Ng4 17.Bc5 Qa5 18.b4 Qd8 19.0-0 Bh6 20.Nf4 Re8 21.Rd1 Qg5 22.Bf1 Nce5 23.Be2 Nf3+ 24.Bxf3 f5 25.Re1 Ne5 26.Be2 Qf6 27.Qe3 Ba6 28.Bxa6 Rxa6 29.exf5 Qxf5 30.Rad1 Ra3 31.Qe4 Rxc3 32.Qxf5 gxf5 33.Kg2 Rc2+ 34.Kh3 Kf7 35.Re3 Rxa2 36.Rd4 Bg7 37.Re1 Bf6 38.Rdd1 Ng4 39.Rd7+ Be7 40.Rexe7+ Rxe7*

41.Rxe7+ Kf6 42.Ng2 Rc2 43.Rxh7 Kg6 44.Rc7 Kf6 45.Rxc6+ Kg5 46.Nf4 Rxh2# 0-1 (46) felipeporrasmateo (2623)-Ute-Manfred (2599) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...dxe4 14.Nxe4 Nd5 15.Bf2 exd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 f5 18.N4c3 Nxc3 19.Nxc3 Re8+ 20.Kf2 Ne5 21.Rhd1 Ba6 22.Qxd8 Raxd8 23.f4 Nd3+ 24.Kg1 Nxb2 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Bxc6 Rc8 27.Bd5+ Kg7 28.Rb1 Rxc3 29.Rxb2 Bc4 30.Bxc4 Rxc4 31.Kf2 Rc1 32.Rb7+ Kf6 33.Rxh7 Rc2+ 34.Kf3 Rxa2 35.h4 Ra3+ 36.Kg2 Ra2+ 37.Kh3 Ra1 38.Rb7 Rh1+ 39.Kg2 Ra1 40.Rb6+ Kg7 41.Rb5 Ra2+ 42.Kh3 Kf6 43.Rb8 Ra1 44.Rh8 Kg7 45.Rc8 Kf6 46.Rc6+ Kg7 47.Rc3 Kf6 48.Kg2 Ra2+ 49.Kf3 Ra1 50.Ke3 Re1+ 51.Kd4 Re4+ 52.Kd5 Kg7 53.Rc6 Re3 54.Rc7+ Kh6 55.Rc8 Kh5 56.Rh8+ Kg4 57.Rg8 Rxg3 58.Rxg6+ Kxh4 59.Rf6 Kg4 60.Ke5 Re3+ 61.Kd4 Re4+ 62.Kd3 Kxf4 63.Kd2 Kg4 64.Rg6+ Kf3 65.Rg8 f4 66.Rf8 Kf2 67.Rf7 f3 68.Rf8 Kg2 69.Rg8+ Kf1 70.Rf8 f2 71.Rg8 Re5 72.Kd1 Rd5+ 73.Kc2 Ke2 74.Re8+ Kf3 75.Rf8+ Ke3 76.Re8+ Kf4 77.Rf8+ Rf5 78.Rxf5+ Kxf5 0-1 (78) kflorian (2733)-vistagausta (2846) Blitz 2021;

B5) 12.d5 cxd5 *(12...Nb6 13.Nc1 cxd5 14.exd5 Bb7 15.Bxb6 Qxb6 16.Nb3 e4 17.fxe4 Rfe8 18.Bd3 Ng4 19.h3 Bh6 20.Qe2 Ne5 21.Bb5 Re7 22.Kd1 Rc7 23.Kc2 Rac8 24.Rad1 Bg7 25.Kb1 Nc4 26.Bxc4 Rxc4 27.Rc1 Ba6 28.Qf3 Qb4 29.Rhf1 R8c7 30.Rf2 Be5 31.Rfc2 Rd4 32.h4 Rdc4 33.h5 Kg7 34.Qe3 Rc8 35.h6+ Kg8 36.g4 f6 37.g5 R4c7 38.gxf6 Bxf6 39.Qh3 Be5 40.Qe6+ Kh8 41.Rd1 Qb8 42.Nd4 Rf8 43.Nc6 Qe8 44.Qxe8 Rxe8 45.Nxe5 Rxe5 46.Rd4 Kg8 47.b4 Kf7 48.b5 Bb7 49.a4 g5 50.a5 Kg6 51.Kb2 Ba6 52.bxa6 Ra7 53.Rb4 Rxa6 54.Rb5 Kxh6 55.Kb3 g4 56.Kb4 Kg5 57.Rg2 h5 58.Rb6 Ra8 59.a6 h4 60.a7 h3 61.Ra2 Rxa7 62.Rxa7 Kh4 63.Rg7 Rh5 64.Ra6 h2 65.Ra1 g3 66.Ne2 Rg5 67.Rh7+ Kg4 68.Nd4 g2 69.Rxh2 Kg3 70.Rxg2+ Kxg2 71.Ne6 Kf2 72.Kc4 Ke3* 0-1 (72) OnkelKonkel (2636)-Ute-Manfred (2683) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Qxd5 *(14.exd5 e4 15.f4 Nf6 16.Nc3 Ng4 17.Bd4 e3 18.Bxe3 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Re8* 0-1 (19) Vantablack_Chess (2633)-Mrdalica (2816) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...Rb8 15.Qd2 Nf6 16.Nc3 Be6 17.Rd1 Qa5 18.Be2 Rfd8 19.0-0 d5 20.exd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Rxd5 22.Qxa5 Rxa5 23.a3 e4 24.Rd2 exf3 25.gxf3 Bxb2 26.Rb1 Be5 27.Rxb8+ 1-0 (27) supertactic91 (2701)-shuriks91 (2722) Blitz 2021;

B6) 12.g4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Ne5 14.Be2 Bb7 15.h4 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Bh6 Nxc3 18.bxc3 c5

19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qf4 Qd6 21.Kf1 cxd4 22.cxd4 Nc4 23.Qc1 Rac8 24.h5 Rfe8 25.hxg6 Ne3+ 26.Kf2 Rxc1 27.Raxc1 hxg6 0-1 (27) Poirot_Hercule (2690)-Mrdalica (2825) Blitz 2023;

B7) 12.h4 d5 13.h5 exd4 14.Nxd4 dxe4 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Bh6 Re8 17.Bxg7 e3 18.Qd3 Kxg7 19.0-0-0 Qb6 20.g4 Ba6 21.Qc2 Bxf1 22.Rhxf1 Ne5 23.g5 Nd5 24.Rh1 Nb4 25.Qh2 Nbd3+ 26.Kb1 Rh8 27.Qe2 Qxd4 28.f4 Qxf4 29.Rhf1 Nf2 30.Rd6 Nc4 31.Rf6 Qxg5 32.Ne4 Nd2+ 33.Qxd2 exd2 34.Nxg5 Kxf6 35.Ne4+ Ke5 36.Nxf2 Rad8 37.Kc2 f5 38.Nd3+ Rxd3 39.Kxd3 Rd8+ 40.Kc2 f4 41.Kd1 g5 42.Rg1 Kf5 43.a4 f3 44.Rh1 g4 45.Rh7 g3 46.Rf7+ Ke4 47.Re7+ Kd3 48.Rf7 Ke3 49.Re7+ Kf2 50.a5 g2 51.Rg7 g1Q+ 52.Rxg1 Kxg1 53.a6 f2 54.Kc2 f1Q 55.Kb3 d1Q+ 56.Kb4 Qb5+ 57.Ka3 Qbb3# 0-1 (57) Lucky1357924680 (2684)-Wild_of_luck (2597) Blitz 2024;

B8) 12.Rd1 d5 *(12...Re8 13.Ng3 d5 14.Be2 h5 15.0-0 h4 16.Nh1 dxe4 17.Nf2 exd4 18.Bxd4 exf3 19.Bxf3 Ba6 20.Rfe1 Qc7 21.Qg5 Rxe1+ 22.Rxe1 Rb8 23.Qxh4 c5 24.Bxf6 Nxf6 25.b3 Bc8 26.Nfe4 Nxe4 27.Nd5 Qd6 28.Qxe4 Be6 29.Qf4 Qxf4 30.Nxf4 Bf5 31.Bd5 Kf8 32.Bc4 Rd8 33.Nd5 Be6 34.Nb6 Bf5 35.a4 Rd2 36.a5 Bd4+ 37.Kh1 Be4 38.Bf1 Bc6 39.a6 Ra2 40.Nc8 c4 41.bxc4 Rxa6 42.Ne7 Bd7 43.Nd5 Ra2 44.Nb4 Rd2 45.Nd5 Be6 46.Rb1 Kg7 47.h3 Bf5 48.Re1 Be6 49.Rb1 Bf5 50.Re1 Be6* ½-½ (50) Ding,L (2805)-Grischuk, A (2775) Stavanger NOR 2019 *)*

B8a) 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Nc3 exd4 *(15...e4 16.fxe4 dxe4 17.Be2 f5 18.0-0 Nf6 19.d5 Ba6 20.Bc5 Re8 21.Bxa6 Rxa6 22.a3 Ng4 23.h3 Ne5 24.d6 Nd3 25.b4 Rxa3 26.Nb5 Ra4 27.Qc2 Rxb4 28.Bxb4 Qb6+ 29.Kh1 Qxb5 30.Ba3 Rd8 31.Rb1 Qd5 32.Qc7 Qa8 33.Rb7* 1-0 (33) Beginner741 (2656)-Mavi_alpha (2630) Blitz 2021 *)* 16.Bxd4 Re8+ 17.Kf2 Ne5 18.h4 h5 19.b3 Bb7 20.Bb5 Re6 21.a4 Rc8 22.Ne2 Qf6 23.Qg5 Ng4+ 24.Kg3 Qxg5 25.hxg5 Ne3 26.Bxg7 Nxd1 27.Nd4 Re3 28.Bf6 Nc3 29.Kf4 Nxb5 30.axb5 Rd3 31.g4 1-0 (31) sber1 (2835)-vistagausta (2893) Blitz 2021;

B8b) 13.Ng3 h5 14.Bd3 h4 15.Nge2 h3 16.0-0 hxg2 17.Rfe1 dxe4 18.Nxe4 exd4 19.Bxd4 Rxa2 20.Nd6 Ba6 21.Nc3 Ra5 22.b4 Ra3 23.Qb2 Rxc3 24.Bxc3 Bxd3 25.Rxd3 Qb6+ 26.Bd4 Qb8 27.Ne4 Qf4 28.Nxf6+ Nxf6 29.Qd2 Qf5 30.Kxg2 Nh5 31.Re4 Rd8 32.Kf2 Bf8 33.Be3 Rxd3 34.Qxd3 Nf6 35.Rd4 Qh5 36.Kg2 Nd5 37.Bd2 Bd6 38.h4 Qe5 39.f4

Qe6 40.Qf3 Ne7 41.Re4 Qa2 42.Re2 Qc4 43.Bc3 Nf5 44.Kh3 Bf8 45.h5 Kh7 46.hxg6+ fxg6 47.Rh2 Bh6 48.Rd2 Qe6 49.Re2 Qd7 50.Qg4 Qd3+ 51.Kh2 Qxc3 52.Qh3 Qxh3+ 53.Kxh3 Bxf4 54.Kg4 Bd6 55.Re1 Bxb4 56.Rh1+ 1-0 (56) Kraterrr (2845)-Fandorine96 (2779) Blitz 2021]

[9.Nc1

A) 9...c6 10.Nb3 *(10.a3 Qc7 11.c5 dxc5 12.dxc5 Rd8 13.Qf2 Ne5 14.Be2 Be6 15.b3 Neg4* 0-1 (15) DaSepp (2655)-DmitryPavlovich97 (2575) Rapid 2024 *)* 10...bxc4 11.Bxc4 d5 12.exd5 Nb6 13.Be2 Nfxd5 14.Bh6 Nxc3 15.bxc3 Qd6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Be6 18.Nc5 Nd7 19.Nxe6+ Qxe6 20.0-0 Qd6 21.Bf3 Rab8 22.f5 Rb5 23.Be2 Rb6 24.Rae1 Nf6 25.Bc4 c5 26.Qe3 cxd4 27.cxd4 Rb7 28.Qe5 Qb6 29.Kh1 Rd7 30.Rd1 Rfd8 31.Bb3 Rxd4 32.Rxd4 Qxd4 33.Qxe7 Rd7 34.Qe1 g5 35.h3 h6 36.Rf3 Rc7 37.Re3 Qf4 38.Rf3 Rc1 39.Bd1 Qd4 40.Rf1 Ne4 41.Kh2 Qd6+ 42.g3 Nf6 43.Qe2 Rc3 44.Qg2 Rd3 45.Bf3 a5 46.Rf2 a4 47.Qf1 a3 48.Kg2 Qd4 49.Qc1 Rc3 50.Qd2 Qc4 51.Qd6 h5 52.Qe5 g4 53.hxg4 hxg4 54.Bd1 Qd3 55.Bxg4 1-0 (55) Maghsoodloo,P (2730)-Makarian,R (2547) chess.com INT 2023;

B) 9...c5 10.d5 b4 11.Nd1 Ne5 12.Nf2 e6 13.h3 Nh5 14.f4 Nd7 15.Ne2 exd5 16.cxd5 Re8 17.g4 Nhf6 18.Bg2 Nb6 19.Rc1 Qe7 20.0-0 Nfxd5 21.e5 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Bb7 23.Ng3 Bxg2 24.Kxg2 dxe5 25.f5 Nd5 26.Kh2 Nxe3 0-1 (26) Vantablack_Chess (2630)-mrsagsibil (2639) Blitz 2023;

C) 9...b4 10.Nd5 c5 11.Nb3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Ne5 13.Nxb4 a5 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Be2 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.cxd5 Qxd5 19.0-0 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.b3 Qd5 22.Rad1 Ba6 23.Rfe1 Rfd8 24.Qf2 a4 25.Rd2 Qa5 26.h4 Rac8 27.Red1 Qh5 28.Bg5 Bxg5 29.hxg5 Qxg5 30.bxa4 h5 31.Nb3 Rxd2 32.Qxd2 Qf6 33.Qd6 Qxd6 34.Rxd6 Bc4 35.a5 Ra8 36.Rd2 Bxb3 37.axb3 Rxa5 38.Kf2 Kf8 39.Ke3 Ke7 40.Kd4 Kd6 41.b4 Ra1 42.Rb2 Kc6 43.Ke5 Kb5 44.Kf6 Ra7 45.f4 Rb7 46.Re2 Ka4 47.g3 h4 48.gxh4 Rxb4 49.Rf2 Rb7 50.f5 gxf5 51.Rxf5 Kb4 52.h5 Kc4 53.h6 Kd4 54.h7 Rb8 55.Rh5 1-0 (55) chesswarrior04 (2785)-Ute-Manfred (2628) Blitz 2021]

[9.Bh6

A) 9...b4 10.Nd5 c5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.h4 e5 13.dxc5 Nxc5 14.h5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 g5 16.h6+ Kh8 17.Ng3 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Be2 Bg6 20.Qxb4 Rb8 21.Qd2 Qf6 22.Rc1 e4 23.b4 Qe5 24.Nxe4 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Qxe4 26.Rf1 Rfe8 27.Rf2 Qxb4 28.Qxb4 Rxb4 29.Kf1 Ra4 30.Bd1 Bd3+ 31.Kg1 Re1+ 32.Kh2 Rh4+ 33.Kg3 Rxh6 34.Rc7 Kg8 35.Bg4 Re3+ 36.Rf3 Rxf3+ 37.gxf3 Rf6 38.Be6+ Kh8 39.Kg4 h6 40.Kg3 Be2 41.Bg4 Kg8 42.Re7 Bc4 43.Be6+ Kf8 44.Ra7 Be2 45.Bg4

Bc4 46.Be6 h5 47.a4 Be2 48.Kf2 Rxf3+ 49.Kxe2 Ra3 50.Rh7 h4 51.Rh5 h3 52.Rxh3 Rxa4 53.Rh7 Ra3 54.Kf2 a5 55.Rf7+ Ke8 56.Rg7 a4 57.Rxg5 Ra1 58.Rg8+ Ke7 59.Ke3 Kf6 60.Ra8 Ke5 61.Kd2 a3 62.Kc2 Kd4 63.Kb3 Rb1+ 64.Ka2 Re1 65.Rxa3 Re2+ 66.Kb3 Re1 67.Kb4 Rb1+ 68.Rb3 Rc1 69.Kb5 Rc4 70.Kb6 Rc5 71.Rb5 Ke5 72.Rxc5 dxc5 73.Kxc5 Kf6 74.Kc6 Ke7 75.d6+ Kd8 76.d7 Ke7 77.Kc7 Kxe6 78.d8Q Ke5 79.Qd3 Kf4 80.Kc6 Ke5 81.Kc5 Kf6 82.Kd5 Ke7 83.Qf5 Kd8 84.Kc6 *(84.Qh7 Ke8 85.Ke6 Kf8 86.Qf7#* 1-0 (68) alexandar71 (2634)-emiliooo (2661) Blitz 2022*)* 84...Ke7 85.Qg6 Kf8 86.Qh7 Ke8 87.Kd6 Kd8 88.Qh8# 1-0 (88) BestBrazilian (2701)-TemurKuybokarov (2650) Blitz 2020;

B) 9...Nb6 10.Ng3 b4 11.Nd5 c6 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Nxf6 exf6 14.Qxb4 Rb8 15.Qd2 d5 16.c5 Na8 17.Be2 Nc7 18.0-0 h5 19.exd5 Qxd5 20.Ne4 Ne6 21.Rfd1 Rd8 22.Nd6 h4 23.Bc4 Qg5 24.Qxg5 fxg5 25.b3 h3 26.g3 g4 27.f4 Kf6 28.Rd2 a5 29.Re1 Rb4 30.a3 Rb8 31.Kf2 Bd7 32.Re5 Kg7 33.f5 gxf5 34.Nxf5+ Kf6 35.Nd6 Nxd4 36.Nxf7 Nf3 37.Rd6+ Kg7 38.Re7 1-0 (38) BestBrazilian (2703)-TemurKuybokarov (2648) Blitz 2020]

[9.Ng3 bxc4 *(9...e5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Bxb5 exd4 12.Bxd4 Rb8 13.0-0 h5 14.a4 h4 15.Nge2 h3 16.g3 Bb7 17.a5 c6 18.Bd3 Ne5 19.a6 Ba8 20.a7 Rxb2 21.Qxb2 Nxd3 22.Qb6 c5 23.Qxd8 Rxd8 24.Be3 Nd7 25.Rfd1 N7e5 26.f4 Nf3+ 27.Kh1 Bd4 28.Rxd3 f5 29.Bxd4 fxe4 30.Nxe4 Bxe4 31.Re3 Ba8 32.Bf6 Rf8 33.Be7 Re8 34.Nc3 Kf7 35.Nb5 Rxe7 36.Rxe7+ Kxe7 37.Nc7 Bc6 38.a8Q Bxa8 39.Nxa8 d5 40.Nb6 Kd6 41.Rd1 d4 42.Nc4+ Kd5 43.Nd2 Nxd2 44.Rxd2 Ke4 45.Kg1 Ke3 46.Rc2 d3 47.Rxc5 Kd4 48.Rc8 d2 49.Rd8+ Kc3 50.Kf2 g5 51.fxg5 Kc2 52.Rxd2+ Kxd2 53.g6 Kd3 54.g7 Ke4 55.g8Q Kf5 56.Qf7+ Kg5 57.Qf4+ Kh5 58.Ke3 Kg6 59.Ke4 Kh5 60.Ke5 Kg6 61.Ke6 Kg7 62.Qf6+ Kg8 63.Qg5+ Kh7 64.Qe7+ Kg6 65.Qf7+ Kg5 66.Qf5+ Kh6 67.Qg4 Kh7 68.Kf6 Kh8 69.Qg7#* 1-0 (69) Superfm1 (2620)-lynus_kho (2472) Blitz 2024*)* 10.h4 h5 11.Bxc4 c6 12.Bh6 d5 13.Bb3 e5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 cxd5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.0-0-0 Qc7 18.Kb1 Be6 19.Rhe1 Nxf3 20.Nxh5+ Nxh5 21.gxf3 Nf6 22.Qd4 Rh8 23.Re5 Rxh4 24.f4 Qa7 25.Qd2 Rd8 26.f5 Bc8 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.Rde1 Rd7 29.Nxd5 Nxd5 30.Rxd5 Rxd5 31.Qxd5 Bf5+ 32.Ka1 Kh6 33.Qd8 Qf2 34.Qh8+ Kg5 35.Qd8+ Kh6 36.Rc1 Rd4 37.Rh1+ Kg7 38.Qe7# 1-0 (38) Malek_Koniahli (2652)-Mrdalica (2818) Blitz 2024]

[9.d5 Ne5 10.Nd4 Bd7 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Bxb5 13.Ncxb5 Nc4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 c5 16.dxc6 Qa5+ 17.Qd2 e5 18.Qxa5 Rxa5 19.Nxd6 exd4 20.c7 Rc5 21.c8Q Rfxc8 22.Nxc8 Rxc8 23.Kd2 Nd7 24.g3 Ne5 25.Rhc1 Rb8 26.f4 Nf3+ 27.Ke2 Nxh2 28.b3 d3+ 29.Kxd3 Bxa1 30.Rxa1 Ng4 31.Kc4 Kf8 32.b4 Ke7 33.a4 Nf2 34.Re1 Rc8+

35.Kb3 Kd6 36.Re2 Ng4 37.a5 f5 38.e5+ Kd5 39.b5 Rc1 40.a6 Rc5 41.a7 Rxb5+ 42.Ka4 Rb1 43.a8Q+ Kd4 1-0 (43) supertactic91 (2647)-Atalik,S (2496) Blitz 2021]

9...h5 10.Nf4

[10.0-0-0 e5 11.d5 Nb6 *(11...Rb8 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Kb1 Qe8 14.Rc1 Nb6 15.Ng3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.Nf1 Nd7 18.Qc2 f5 19.Nd2 Ba6 20.Ka1 Nf6 21.Bg5 Nh7 22.Qd1 c5 23.Be3 Rf7 24.Rc2 f4 25.Bf2 Nf6 26.Rg1 Bh6 27.Qe2 Ra7 28.Ndb1 Kh7 29.Be1 Rg7 30.Bd2 Qe7 31.Qf2 Nd7 32.Qe1 Rbg8 33.Rh1 Nb6 34.g4 fxg3 35.Bxh6 Kxh6 36.Qxg3 Rf8 37.Rf2 Rff7 38.Nd2 Rf4 39.Ne2 Rff7 40.Rg2 Na4 41.Qg5+ Kh7 42.Qxe7 Rxe7 43.Nc3 Nxc3 44.bxc3 Kh6 45.Kb2 Bb5 46.Rhg1 Ref7 47.Rb1 g5 48.hxg5+ Rxg5 49.Rh2 Rfg7 50.Rbh1 Rf7 51.Ka1 Rfg7 52.Nf1 Bd7 53.Ne3 Rg1+ 54.Kb2 Rxh1 55.Rxh1 Rg6 56.Kc2 Rf6 57.Nxc4 Bb5 58.Nd2 Be2 59.Rh2 Bb5 60.Rh1 Be2 61.Rh2 Bb5 62.c4 Bd7 63.Kd3 Rf8 64.Ke3 Ra8 65.f4 Rxa2 66.fxe5 dxe5 67.Nf3 Rxh2 68.Nxh2 Kg5 69.Nf3+ Kf6 70.Ne1 Ke7 71.Nd3 Kd6 72.Nb2 h4 73.Kf3 Be8 74.Kg2 Bg6 75.Kh3 Bxe4 76.Kxh4 Bxd5 77.cxd5 Kxd5 78.Kg5 Ke4 79.Kg6 Kf3 80.Kf7 e4 81.Ke6 e3 82.Kd5 e2 83.Nd3 c4 84.Ne1+ Kf2 85.Nc2 c3 86.Ke4 e1Q+ 87.Nxe1 Ke2 88.Kd4 Kd2 89.Nf3+ Ke2 90.Ng1+ Kf2 91.Nh3+ Kf3 92.Ng5+ Kf4 93.Ne6+ Kf5 94.Ng7+ Kg6 95.Kxc3* ½-½ (95) ProteusSF-Turbo (2680)-No-StockFish-Bots (2704) Classical 2023 *)* 12.Bxb6 'N' *(12.Ng1 b4 13.Nb1 a5 14.Bd3 c6 15.Qf2 Rb8 16.Nd2 Ba6 17.Qe2 Na4 18.Nb3* 0-1 (31) Debayan,R (2064)-Fedorov,A (2392) Bhubaneswar op 16th 2025 (2) *)* 12...cxb6 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Kb1 b4 15.Nb5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Ra4 18.Nc1 Qd7 19.Bc4 Rc8 20.Qe2 e4 21.Bb3 exf3 22.gxf3 Ra5 23.Bc4 Bc2 24.Rd2 Ba4 25.Nd4 Rac5 26.Nc6 Bxc6 27.Nb3 Rxc4 28.Qxc4 Bb5 29.Qe4 Bc4 30.Rc2 b5 31.Nc1 Re8 32.Qf4 Qa7 33.Rxc4 bxc4 34.Qxc4 b3 35.Rd1 bxa2 36.Qxa2 Qf2 37.Qb3 Re3 0-1 (37) Praggnanandhaa,R (2767)-Rapport,R (2714) Tashkent UZB 2025]

10...b4 11.Ncd5 c5 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.Nd5 Bg7 14.dxc5 dxc5 15.Rd1 e6 16.Nf4 Qf6 17.Nd3 Qe7 18.Bg5 f6 19.Be3 Bb7 20.Nf4 Ne5 21.Qd6 Rfe8 22.Qxe7 Rxe7 23.Bxc5 Ree8 24.Bxb4 f5 25.exf5 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3 Bxf3 27.Bg2 exf5+ 28.Kf2 Bxd1 29.Bxa8 Bd4+ 30.Kg2 Bc2 31.Bd5+ Kg7 32.Ne6+ Kh6 1-0 (32) fireheart92 (2847)-chakraborty1975 (2676) Blitz 2023

[81] **9...c6** 10.Nbc3

[10.Na3 Na6 11.Nc3 Nb4 12.Be2 Ba6 13.0-0 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Qa5 15.Nc4 Qa6 16.a3 d5 17.exd5 Nbxd5 18.Bd2 e6 19.Rfd1 Nxc3 20.bxc3 Nd5 21.a4 c5 22.Be1 cxd4 23.cxd4 Rfc8 24.Rac1 Nb6 25.Nxb6 Qxe2 26.Nxc8 Bh6 27.Ne7+ Kf8 28.Bb4 Be3+ 29.Kh1 Bxc1 30.Rxc1 Rb8 31.Nc6+ Rxb4 32.Nxb4 Qd2 33.Rb1 Qxd4 34.a5 h5 35.a6 Qb6 36.Ra1 Qd4 37.Nc2 Qa7 38.Nb4 Qd4 39.Nc2 Qa7 40.h3 g5 41.Ra4 f5 42.Nd4 g4 43.hxg4 hxg4 44.fxg4 fxg4 45.Nxe6+ Ke7 46.Nd4 Kd7 47.Nb5 Qf2 48.a7 Qh4+ 49.Kg1

Qe1+ 50.Kh2 Qe5+ 51.Kg1 Qe1+ 52.Kh2 Qe5+ 53.g3 Qe2+ 54.Kg1 Qd1+ 55.Kf2 Qxa4 56.Nc3 Qxa7+ 57.Ke2 Qd4 58.Nd1 Qe4+ 59.Kd2 Qf3 60.Ne3 Qxg3 61.Nc4 Qf4+ 62.Kd3 g3 63.Ne3 Qf3 64.Kd4 g2 65.Nc4 g1Q+ 66.Ke5 Qgg4 67.Nb6+ Ke8 68.Nd5 Qgf4+ 69.Ke6 ½-½ (69) penguingim1 (2672)-drop_stone (2712) Blitz 2020]

10...e5

[10...Ba6 11.Qd2 Nbd7 12.Bh6 e5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Ng3 Bxf1 15.Nxf1 Qb6 16.Ne2 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Nfg3 Ra4 19.b3 Rxd4 20.Nxd4 exd4 21.0-0 Ne3 22.Rfe1 Nf6 23.Kh1 Rd8 24.Nf1 Ned5 25.Qb2 c5 26.Nd2 Ne3 27.Rac1 Nfd5 28.Nc4 Nxc4 29.Rxc4 Kg8 30.Qc1 Nf4 31.Qxf4 1-0 (31) Violet_Pride (2668)-LyinTed (2696) Blitz 2020]

[10...Qa5 11.Nc1 Na6 12.Be2 e5 13.0-0 Be6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.Nc5 Nxc5 17.Bxc5 Rfd8 18.Qc2 Nh5 19.Rfd1 Nf4 20.Bf1 f5 21.a4 Qb7 22.b4 Bf8 23.Bxf8 Rxf8 24.b5 cxb5 25.Nxb5 Rfc8 26.Qf2 Rd8 27.exf5 Bxf5 28.Nd6 Qe7 29.Bc4+ Be6 30.Bxe6+ Qxe6 31.Ne4 Rxd1+ 32.Rxd1 Rxa4 33.Rd8+ Kg7 34.Rd1 Ra2 35.Qh4 Rxg2+ 36.Kh1 Ra2 37.Ng5 Qd5 38.Qxh7+ Kf6 39.Ne4+ Kf5 40.Rg1 Ke6 41.Qg8+ Kd7 42.Qg7+ Kc6 43.Qf6+ Kb5 44.Rb1+ Kc4 45.Rc1+ Kd3 46.Rg1 Ke3 47.Qh4 Rxh2+ 48.Kxh2 Qd3 49.Kh1 Qe2 50.Qf2+ Qxf2 51.Nxf2 Kxf2 52.Rg2+ Kxf3 53.Kh2 e4 54.Rg3+ Ke2 55.Rg2+ Kd3 56.Rg1 e3 57.Re1 e2 58.Rd1+ 1-0 (58) pirc88 (2615)-IMFAR (2652) Blitz 2020]

11.dxe5 dxe5

[11...Ne8 12.Ng3 Bxe5 13.Be2 Qh4 14.Bf2 Qg5 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Bc4 Rb8 17.Bb3 Nc5 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Nge2 Qe3+ 20.Kh1 c4 21.Bxc4 Rxb2 22.Qd3 Qh6 23.f4 Bc7 24.Rab1 Rxb1 25.Qxb1 Nf6 26.Kg1 Ng4 27.h3 Ne3 28.Bb3 Nxf1 29.Qxf1 Rd8 30.Qf3 Ba6 31.e5 Bb6+ 32.Kh2 Qh4 33.e6 fxe6 34.Qxc6 Qf2 35.Qxe6+ Kg7 36.Qe7+ Kh6 37.Qg5+ Kg7 38.Qe5+ Kh6 39.Qg5+ Kg7 40.Qe7+ Kh6 41.Qg5+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kh6 43.Qg5+ Kg7 44.Qe5+ Kh6 45.Qg5+ ½-½ (45) estudiante2008 (2611)-The_Lucky_Cat (2747) Rapid 2021]

12.Qxd8 Rxd8 13.Rd1 Rxd1+ 14.Kxd1 Be6 15.b3 Na6 16.Nc1 Nb4 17.Bc4 Bxc4 18.bxc4 Bf8 19.a4 Nd7 20.Ke2 Nc5 21.Bxc5 Bxc5 22.Nb3 Bd4 23.Rc1 Bxc3 24.Rxc3 Rxa4 25.Nc5 Ra2+ 26.Kf1 Nc2 27.Nd7 Nd4 28.Nxe5 Kg7 29.Rd3 c5 30.Nd7 Rc2 31.Nxc5 Rxc4 32.Nb3 Nxb3 33.Rxb3 Rc2 34.Rb5 Kf6 35.h4 h6 36.Kg1 Ke6 37.h5 Kf6 38.Rb6+ Kg5 39.hxg6 fxg6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Kg3 Rc3 42.Rb5+ Kf6 43.Kf4 Rc6 44.g3 Ra6 45.g4 hxg4 46.Kxg4 Ra2 47.Rb6+ Ke5 48.f4+ Kxe4 49.Re6+ Kd5 50.Rxg6 Ra8 51.Kf5 Rf8+ 52.Rf6 Rh8 53.Rf7 Kd6 54.Kf6 Rh6+ 55.Kg5 Rh1 56.f5 Rg1+ 57.Kf6 Rg2 58.Rf8 Ra2 59.Rd8+ Kc7 60.Rd1 Ra7 61.Kg6 Ra3 62.f6 Rg3+ 63.Kf7 Rd3 64.Rxd3 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2741)-sonnythehedgehog (2639) Blitz 2023

9...Ba6 10.Nbc3 Nbd7 11.Qd2 c5 12.dxc5 Nxc5 13.Nd4 Bxf1 14.Kxf1 Qb8 15.Kf2 Qxb2 16.Qxb2 Nd3+ 17.Ke2 Nxb2 18.Rhb1 Nc4 19.a4

Nxe3 20.Kxe3 Rfc8 21.Kd3 Nd7 22.Nd5 Kf8 23.Nb6 Nxb6 24.Rxb6 Ra5 25.Rb5 Ra6 26.Ra2 Rca8 27.a5 e6 28.Nc2 Rc6 29.Nb4 Rc3+ 30.Ke2 Rb3 31.a6 Bc3 32.Ra4 Bxb4 33.a7 Rb2+ 34.Kd3 Kg7 35.Rb8 Rd2+ 36.Kc4 Rxa7 37.Rxa7 Bc5 38.Rd7 Rxg2 39.Rbb7 Kh6 40.Rxf7 Kg5 41.Rxh7 Rf2 42.Rbf7 e5 43.h4# 1-0 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Atalik,S (2494) Blitz 2021

10.Nbc3

[10.d5 Ne5 11.Ned4 e6 12.Nc6 Nxc6 13.dxc6 Ba6 14.Qd2 Qb8 15.Nc3 d5 16.e5 d4 17.Bxd4 Rd8 18.Bxa6 Ne8 19.Bb7 Bxe5 20.Bxe5 Rxd2 21.Kxd2 Ra5 22.Rhe1 Qa7 23.Kc2 f6 24.Bg3 e5 25.f4 Nd6 26.fxe5 fxe5 27.Rad1 Nc4 28.Rd7 Rxa2 29.Nxa2 Qxa2 30.Bxe5 Qa4+ 31.Kc3 Nb6 32.Rd8+ Kf7 33.Rf1+ Ke6 34.Re8+ Kd5 35.Rd1+ Kc5 36.Bd4+ 1-0 (36) Konevlad (2956)-Feokl1995 (2762) Blitz 2020]

[10.Nec3 c6 11.Na3 e5 12.Be2 *(12.Nc4 exd4 13.Bxd4 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Ne3 Re8 16.Be2 Nb8 17.0-0 Nc6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Nexd5 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Be6 21.Nf4 Bf5 22.Bb5 Rc8 23.Qa4 Ra8 24.Qb3 Rb8 25.Qd5 Bxc3 26.Bxc6 Bxb2 27.Bxe8 Qxe8 28.Rae1 Qa4 29.Qd6 Ra8 30.Nd5 Qxa2 31.Ne7+ Kh8 32.Nxf5 gxf5 33.Re2 Qc4 34.Rfe1 Qxe2 35.Qg3 Ra1 36.Qb8+ Kg7 37.Qg3+ Kf6 38.Qd6+ Qe6 39.Qxe6+ fxe6 40.Rxa1 Bxa1 41.Kg1 Ke5 42.Kf2 Kd4 43.Ke2 e5 44.g4 f4 45.g5 e4 46.h4 exf3+ 47.Kxf3 Ke5 48.h5 Kf5 49.g6 hxg6 50.hxg6 Bg7* 0-1 (50) penguingim1 (2668)-SVODMEVKO (2771) Blitz 2020 *)* 12...d5 13.exd5 cxd5 14.0-0 Re8 15.Nab5 Ba6 16.a4 Qa5 17.Qd2 h5 18.Rfe1 h4 19.Bf1 h3 20.g3 Nb6 21.b3 Bxb5 22.Bxb5 exd4 23.Bxd4 Rxe1+ 24.Rxe1 Rc8 25.Rd1 Qb4 26.Ne2 Qxb3 27.Bxb6 Rc2 28.Qe3 Qa2 29.Kf1 Bf8 30.Bd4 Nh7 31.Ra1 1-0 (31) gg-gm-gmg (2699)-xamax2000 (2713) Blitz 2021]

10...c6 11.Nf4

[11.Ng3 e5 *(11...h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 e5 14.Rc1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.a3 Re8 18.Kf2 e4 19.f4 Rb8 20.b4 Ra8 21.a4 Nf6 22.g4 h3 23.Ng3 Qd7 24.g5 Nh7 25.Bb5 Qe7 26.Bxe8 Qxe8 27.b5 f6 28.Rf1 fxg5 29.fxg5 Qe7 30.Qb3 Be6 31.Rc6 Rf8+ 32.Kg1 Rxf1+ 33.Kxf1 Bf7 34.Rc8+ Bf8 35.b6 Nxg5 36.b7 Nf3 37.b8Q Nxh2+ 38.Ke2 Be6 39.Rxf8+ Qxf8 40.Qxf8+ Kxf8 41.Qb8+ Kf7 42.Qc7+ Kf6 43.Qe5+ Kf7 44.Bg5 Nf3 45.Qf6+* 1-0 (45) MothToTheFlame (2669)-onewaytraffic (2632) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Be2 *(12.d5 cxd5 13.exd5 Rb8 14.Qd2 Ne8 15.Be2 f5 16.f4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Qa5 18.Rc1 Ne5 19.b3 Ba6 20.0-0 Bxe2 21.Ngxe2 Nf6 22.Kh1 Nfd7 23.Nd4 Rfc8 24.Nc6 Nxc6 25.dxc6 Rxc6 26.Qd5+ Qxd5 27.Nxd5 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 Be5 29.g3 Ra8 30.a4 Rb8 31.b4 Kf7 32.b5 Ke6 33.Nc7+ Ke7 34.a5 Bxf4 35.gxf4 Nc5 36.a6 Kd7 37.a7 Kxc7 38.axb8Q+ Kxb8 39.Re1 Ne4 40.Kg2 Kb7 41.Rc1 Kb6 42.Rc8 Kxb5 43.Rh8 Kc4 44.Rxh7 d5 45.Rg7 d4 46.Rxg6 d3 47.Kf3 Kc3 48.Rc6+ Kd2 49.h4 Ke1 50.Rc1+ Kd2 51.Rc8 Ke1 52.Rd8 d2 53.h5 Nf6 54.h6 d1Q+ 55.Rxd1+ Kxd1 56.Ke3 Ke1 57.Kd4 Kf2 58.Ke5*

Nh7 59.Kxf5 Kf3 60.Kg6 Nf8+ 61.Kg7 Ne6+ 62.Kg8 Nxf4 63.h7 Ng6 64.Kg7 Time forfeit 1-0 (64) MothToTheFlame (2630)-ExpertTheoretician08 (2606) Blitz 2024 *)* 12...d5 *(12...h5 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 d5 15.exd5 h3 16.dxc6 hxg2 17.Kxg2 Nb6 18.dxe5 Nfd5 19.Bxb6 Nf4+ 20.Kg3 Qxb6 21.Kxf4 Bxe5+ 22.Kxe5 Re8+ 23.Kf4 Qc7+ 24.Kg5 Qe5+ 25.Kh4 Qf4#* 0-1 (25) yackobaby (2628)-TemurKuybokarov (2688) Blitz 2020*)* 13.0-0 h5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.Bd4 h4 18.Nh1 h3 19.g3 Ra4 20.Qxa4 Bd7 21.Qd1 Qb8 22.f4 Nc6 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nf2 Re8 25.Bf3 Qxb2 26.Rb1 Qxa2 27.Bxd5 Qa7 28.Re1 Rd8 29.Qc2 Nd4 30.Qc3 Be6 31.Bxe6 fxe6 32.Rbd1 Kg8 33.Rxd4 Rxd4 34.Qc8+ Kg7 35.Qxe6 Rd7 36.Qxh3 Rd2 37.Qg2 Qd4 38.Qf3 Rc2 39.h4 Rc3 40.Qg4 Rc2 41.Rf1 Rc5 42.Qd1 Qe3 43.Qd7+ Kg8 44.Qd3 Qe7 45.Ne4 Rc7 46.Ng5 Qc5+ 47.Kh2 Qb6 48.Qe4 Qb2+ 49.Kh3 1-0 (49) LazaroBruzon (2844)-John-Captain-Price (2882) Blitz 2023]

[11.Nc1 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Be2 d5 14.0-0 Rb8 15.Nb3 dxe4 16.Qxd8 Rxd8 17.fxe4 Nfg4 18.Bf4 Bh6 19.Bxg4 Bxf4 20.Rxf4 Bxg4 21.h3 Be6 22.Nc5 Rxb2 23.Nxe6 fxe6 24.Rf2 Rxf2 25.Kxf2 Rd2+ 26.Kf1 Rc2 27.Ne2 c5 28.a4 Nc6 29.a5 Rb2 30.a6 Na7 31.Nf4 Kf7 32.Nd3 Rb5 33.Rc1 Ra5 34.Nxc5 e5 35.Rb1 Rxc5 36.Rb7+ Kf6 37.Rxa7 h5 38.Ra8 Ra5 39.h4 Ra2 40.Ke1 Kg7 41.g3 Ra3 42.Kf2 Kh7 43.a7 Kg7 44.Ke2 Kh7 45.Kd2 Kg7 46.Kc2 Ra1 47.Kc3 Ra2 48.Kc4 Ra3 49.Kd5 Ra5+ 50.Ke6 Kh7 51.Kf6 Ra6+ 52.Kxe5 1-0 (52) Itinerant69 (2719)-onewaytraffic (2633) Blitz 2023]

11...e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Be2 Ba6 14.0-0 Qb8 15.Bxa6 Rxa6 16.Qe2 Ra8 17.Rfd1 Rd8 18.Rac1 h5 19.b3 c5 20.Ncd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Re8 22.Bg5 Re6 23.f4 Nc6 24.f5 Nd4 25.Qd3 Re5 26.Nf6+ Kh8 27.Nd7 Qb7 28.Nxe5 Bxe5 29.fxg6 Rxa2 30.gxf7 Qxf7 31.Rd2 Rxd2 32.Bxd2 Qxb3 33.Qf1 Kg7 34.Rb1 Qf7 35.h3 1-0 (35) Konevlad (2963)-Feokl1995 (2755) Blitz 2020

[82] **6...a6** Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'In one of his early Saemisch games Svidler had applied a more popular line and won the game in good style:''Mikhalevski, V: 'The flexible' 7.Qd2 Mikhalevski, V: 'is the main move in the position. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'is the main move in the position."

[7.Rc1 Mikhalevski, V: 'Ivanchuk decided to surprise an inexperienced King's Indian player with this almost unexplored move. I think the idea is to keep the f1-bishop open to prevent ... b5. It's interesting that this idea was tested only once, against nobody other than Ivanchuk himself. See Jussupow-Ivanchuk, Yerevan 2001, below. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'The flexible" Nbd7

A) 8.Qd2 Mikhalevski, V: 'was met in Benko style:'

A1) 8...c5 9.d5 b5 10.b3 Qa5 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 Rb8 13.Be2 bxc4 14.bxc4 Rb4 15.Ncd1 h6 16.Be3 Qa4 17.0-0 Nh7 *(17...Nxc4* Mikhalevski, V:

'?' *18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Nb2)* 18.Nd3 Mikhalevski, V: 'and White was happy with the draw, Jussupow, A - Ivanchuk,V/ Yerevan 2001. Now neither Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'and White was happy with the draw, Jussupow,A - Ivanchuk, V/ Yerevan 2001. Now neither'' Nxc4 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'nor'' *(* Mikhalevski, V: 'nor' *18...Rxc4* Mikhalevski, V: '?' *19.N3b2)* 19.Rxc4 Rxc4 20.N3b2 Bxb2 21.Nxb2 Mikhalevski, V: 'are satisfactory. ';

A2) 8...c6 RR: 'Ü 79/(537) →79/(537)' RR: '→79/(537) Ü 79/(537) — 79/(537)' RR: '— 79/(537) Ü 79/(537)';

B) 8.b3 RR: 'N' 'N' 'N' Mikhalevski, V: 'Anticipating ...c5 followed by ... b5 and still leaving his light-squared bishop's diagonal open. At the same time White builds a beautiful "pawn wall" - look at the White pawns from a2 to g2. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Anticipating ... c5 followed by ...b5 and still leaving his light-squared bishop's diagonal open. At the same time White builds a beautiful "pawn wall" - look at the White pawns from a2 to g2."

B1) Mikhalevski, V: 'Probably White was intending to meet' 8...c5 Mikhalevski, V: 'with' 9.d5 Mikhalevski, V: 'and after' b5 Mikhalevski, V: 'simply' 10.cxb5 Qa5 Mikhalevski, V: '!?' *(10...axb5 11.Bxb5 Qa5 12.Nge2)* 11.Qd2 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nxe4 13.fxe4 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxb5 15.a4 Mikhalevski, V: '!' *(15.Bh6* Mikhalevski, V: '?' *Ne5* Mikhalevski, V: '!' *16.Bxf8 Rxa2* Mikhalevski, V: '!!' Mikhalevski, V: 'and Black's on top.'*)* 15...Qb4 16.Qxb4 cxb4 Mikhalevski, V: 'with the idea' 17.Bxe7 Re8 18.Bxd6 Rxe4+ Mikhalevski, V: 'with some counterplay for Black. ';

B2) 8...c6 Mikhalevski, V: 'Svidler has been preparing ...b5. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Probably White was intending to meet'' 9.Bd3 b5 10.Nge2 bxc4 11.Bxc4 d5 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Mikhalevski, V: 'This "blind" pawn sacrifice doesn't seem to work. White could capture the pawn whichever way he wants to. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'This "blind" pawn sacrifice doesn't seem to work. White could capture the pawn whichever way he wants to. " 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Bd3 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Mikhalevski, V: 'I don't see any reason for declining the sacrifice. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Even the simple" *(13.Bxd5* Mikhalevski, V: '!' *Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qa5+ 15.Nec3 e6 16.b4* Mikhalevski, V: '!' *Qa3 17.Rb1* Mikhalevski, V: '!!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Suddenly the Queen finds herself in a trap. I believe that both players overlooked this move which is in fact not a big surprise as the game was played in the blindfold event. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Suddenly the Queen finds herself in a trap. I believe that both players overlooked this

move which is in fact not a big surprise as the game was played in the blindfold event.'' *exd5 18.Rb3 Re8+ 19.Kf2;* Mikhalevski, V: 'Even the simple' *13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Qa5+ 15.Nc3 Ra7 16.Qd2* Mikhalevski, V: 'was possible.'*)* 13...e5 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Svidler plays very aggressively... and rightly so. Now winning a pawn is dangerous for White. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'The quiet'' *(* Mikhalevski, V: 'The quiet' *13...Qb6* Mikhalevski, V: '!?' Mikhalevski, V: 'with the idea' *14.0-0 e5* Mikhalevski, V: 'was possible, however Peter prefers complications. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'was possible, however Peter prefers complications." *)*

B2a) Mikhalevski, V: 'It's very dangerous to exchange the dark-squared bishop especially when the king is still in the centre.' 14.Bxf6 Mikhalevski, V: '?'

B2a1) Mikhalevski, V: 'Also not so clear is' 14...Qxf6 15.Nxd5 Qd6 *(15...Qh4+* Mikhalevski, V: '!?' *16.g3 Qh3 17.Ne7+ Kh8 18.Be4 Rb8* Mikhalevski, V: ' ∞'*)* 16.Be4 Rb8;

B2a2) 14...Bxf6 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'Also not so clear is'' 15.Nxd5 Bh4+ Mikhalevski, V: '!' 16.g3 Bb7 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 17.Be4 Bxd5 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 18.Bxd5 Qa5+ 19.Nc3 Rac8 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 20.Bc4 Bg5 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'and Black's on top.';

B2b) Mikhalevski, V: 'While' 14.Nxd5 Mikhalevski, V: '??' Mikhalevski, V: 'would be a blunder in view of' Qa5+ 15.Ndc3 *(15.Nec3* Mikhalevski, V: '?' *Nxd5)* 15...exd4 Mikhalevski, V: '-+';

B2c) 14.0-0 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'This time correctly declining the sacrifice. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'While'' 14...Bb7 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 15.dxe5 Nxe5 Mikhalevski, V: '=' Mikhalevski, V: 'Active pieces and the shaky position of the white knight on c3 are enough compensation for the isolated pawn on d5. During the following moves Black brings all his pieces into play. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Active pieces and the shaky position of the white knight on c3 are enough compensation for the isolated pawn on d5. During the following moves Black brings all his pieces into play.'' 16.Bb1 Re8 17.Qd2 Rc8 18.Rfd1 Kavakul,M (2716)-Wohl,R (2747) Reggio Emilia 2004 Telechess CBM 89 [John Watson] RR: ' ± ' ± ' ± ' Qb6+ 19.Qd4 Qxd4+ 20.Nxd4 Nc6 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Trying to unblock the d-pawn which is ready to go ahead.' 21.Nce2 Mikhalevski,

V: 'White's trying to support the d4-knight to maintain the blockade. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White's trying to support the d4-knight to maintain the blockade.'' *(21.Nde2* Mikhalevski, V: 'allows' *d4* Mikhalevski, V: '!' *22.Ne4 Nd5* Mikhalevski, V: 'with a good position for Black.'*)* 21...h6 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'White's starting to feel uncomfortable. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'White's starting to feel uncomfortable."

B2c1) Mikhalevski, V: 'Probably White had to try to keep the balance with' 22.Nxc6 hxg5 *(22...Rxc6 23.Nd4* Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'with the idea' *Rxc1 24.Bxc1; 22...Rxe2 23.Nd4* Mikhalevski, V: '!' *)* 23.Ncd4;

B2c2) 22.Bh4 Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Probably White had to try to keep the balance with"

B2c21) Mikhalevski, V: 'It was necessary to continue in aggressive style with' 22...Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Ne4 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Finally unblocking the d-pawn.' 25.Ne2 Mikhalevski, V: 'The only square for retreat. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'The only square for retreat.'' *(25.fxe4* Mikhalevski, V: '?!' *Bxd4+ 26.Bf2 Bxf2+ 27.Kxf2 dxe4; 25.Rd1* Mikhalevski, V: '??' *Nc3)* 25...Nd2 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 26.Bd3 *(26.Kf2* Mikhalevski, V: '!?' *)* 26...Re3 Mikhalevski, V: '!' 27.Rc7 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Rxd3 28.Rxb7 Nb1 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'with the idea Rd2 and White still has problems to solve.';

B2c22) 22...Ng4 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Mikhalevski, V: 'What a pity! After some beautiful play in the middlegame Svidler misses a simple tactical blow. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'It was necessary to continue in aggressive style with"

B2c221) Mikhalevski, V: 'I believe Peter was calculating only' 23.fxg4 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Nxd4 24.Nxd4 Bxd4+ Mikhalevski, V: 'and Black's slightly better.';

B2c222) 23.Nxc6 Rxc6 *(23...Bxc6* Mikhalevski, V: '?!' *24.Nd4 Bb7 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.fxg4 Bxd4+ 27.Rxd4 Rc1+ 28.Kf2 Rxb1 29.Rb4* Mikhalevski, V: 'and dark squares are weak. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'and dark squares are weak.'')* 24.Rxc6 Bxc6 25.Nd4 Ne3 26.Rd2 Bd7;

B2c223) 23.Rxc6 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'It's always easy to overlook such a capture especially when you play blindfold. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'I believe Peter was calculating only'' 23...Bxc6 24.fxg4 Mikhalevski, V: ' ±' Mikhalevski, V: 'White has won two pieces for a rook and has to be able to convert his material advantage into a win. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'White has won two pieces for a rook and has to be able to convert his material advantage into a win.'' Bb5 Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'or the immediate'' *(* Mikhalevski, V: 'or the immediate' *24...Bd7 25.h3)* 25.Kf2 Bd7 26.h3 a5 Mikhalevski, V: '!?' Mikhalevski, V: 'Black is looking for counterplay.' 27.Bd3 a4 28.b4 a3 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'The only practical chance is to disconnect the a and b-pawns.' 29.b5 Bf8 Mikhalevski, V: 'The bishop is going to c5 in order to stop the b-pawn, and pinning the d4-knight on the way. Mikhalevski, Viktor: 'The bishop is going to c5 in order to stop the b-pawn, and pinning the d4-knight on the way.'' 30.Kf3 Bc5 31.Bf2 Mikhalevski, V: 'White's plan is simple. He wants to trade the dark-squared bishops. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'White's plan is simple. He wants to trade the dark-squared bishops.'' *(31.Bf6* Mikhalevski, V: '!?' *)* 31...Rb8 32.Rc1 Rec8 33.Nc6 Mikhalevski, V: '+-!' Mikhalevski, V: 'The best practical decision. Now the win is easy.' Bxc6 34.Rxc5 Bxb5 Mikhalevski, V: 'Desperation. Svidler prefers to lose "with music" rather than suffer a slow death. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Desperation. Svidler prefers to lose "with music" rather than suffer a slow death.'' 35.Rxc8+ Rxc8 36.Bxb5 Rc2 37.Ba4 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Rxa2

B2c2231) 38.Bd4 Mikhalevski, V: 'For example' Rd2 39.Ke3 Rxd4 40.Nxd4 Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V:

'Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Of course not'' *(Mikhalevski, V: 'Of course not' 40.Kxd4 Mikhalevski, V: '??' a2)* 40...a2 41.Nc2 Mikhalevski, V: 'and White wins.';

B2c2232) 38.Bd4 1-0 (38) Van Foreest,J (2716)-Woerdemann,M (2747) Orense 2004 200 Traps In The Opening [Lirindzakis, T; Porfiriadis,S] Mikhalevski, V: '!' Mikhalevski, V: 'Now it turns out that the rook is trapped! So Svidler resigns. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'Now it turns out that the rook is trapped! So Svidler resigns. "]

[7.d5 e5 8.Qd2 Nbd7 9.Bd3 Qe8 10.Nge2 Nc5 11.Bc2 b5 12.b4 Na4 13.Nxa4 bxa4 14.c5 Nh5 15.c6 f5 16.Rb1 fxe4 17.Bxe4 Nf6 18.0-0 Qf7 19.Nc3 a3 20.Be3 h5 21.h3 Kh7 22.Qd3 h4 23.Bg5 Bh6 24.Bxh4 Nh5 25.Qc2 Be3+ 26.Bf2 Bg5 27.Bd3 Nf4 28.Ne4 Bh6 29.Bc4 Bxh3 30.Be3 Bxg2 31.Bxf4 Bxf1 32.Bxh6 Kxh6 33.Qh2+ Kg7 34.Rxf1 Rh8 35.Qg3 Rh5 36.Ng5 Qf5 37.Ne6+ Kf7 38.Qg4 Rah8 39.Qxf5+ gxf5 40.Kf2 Rh2+ 41.Ke3 Rc2 42.Bd3 Rxa2 43.Bxf5 Rb2 44.Bd3 a2 45.f4 Rh3+ 46.Ke4 Rxd3 47.fxe5+ Ke7 48.exd6+ cxd6 49.Kxd3 1-0 (49) mancillador (2612)-Prettyfly (2625) Blitz 2022]

7...c6

[7...Nc6 8.d5 *(8.0-0-0 b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Bxb5 Bd7 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.Bh6 Qb8 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nge2 Qb4 15.Kb1 Rfb8 16.Nc1 Nd7 17.d5 Ba4 18.Qd4+ Kg8 19.Qxb4 Rxb4 20.Rd2 Nc5 21.Re1 Bd7 22.g4 f5 23.gxf5 gxf5 24.Rg2+ Kh8 25.e5 f4 26.e6 Be8 27.b3 Bg6+ 28.Kb2 Rd4 29.h4 Bf5 30.Rd1 Rb4 31.N1e2 Nd3+ 32.Rxd3 Bxd3 33.Nc1 Bf5 34.Rg5 Bh3 35.a3 Rd4 36.Kc2 Rg8 37.Rxg8+ Kxg8 38.N1e2 Bf5+ 39.Kc1 Rd3 40.a4 Rxf3 41.a5 Bd3 42.Kd2 Ba6 43.b4 Kg7 44.b5 Bb7 45.a6 Ba8 46.Nd4 Rf2+ 47.Kd3 Kf6 48.Ne4+ Ke5 49.Nxf2 Kxd5 50.Ne4 Ke5 51.Ng5 h6 52.Ngf3+ Kf6 53.Nc6 h5 54.Ke4 Kxe6 55.Nfd4+ Kd7 56.Nf5 e5 57.Ng7 Bxc6+ 58.bxc6+ Kxc6 59.Nxh5 Kb6 60.Nxf4 d5+ 61.Kxe5 c6 62.h5* 1-0 (62) WhiteBishop4761 (2655)-Jughead_Jones (2649) Blitz 2022 *)* 8...Ne5 9.Rc1 c5 10.f4 Ned7 11.Nf3 Qa5 12.Be2 b5 13.e5 b4 14.exf6 bxc3 15.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 16.Rxc3 Nxf6 17.Rc1 Ne4 18.b3 Nxg5 19.Nxg5 a5 20.Bd1 a4 21.Kf2 axb3 22.Bxb3 Bd7 23.Rhe1 Bf6 24.Ne4 Bd4+ 25.Kf3 Rfb8 26.Ng5 Ra7 27.Kg3 h6 28.Nf3 Bf6 29.Rb1 Bf5 30.Rbd1 Rb4 31.Re2 Bd7 32.Rd3 Bf5 33.Rd1 Kf8 34.h3 Bc8 35.Kf2 h5 36.Rg1 h4 37.Rc1 Bf5 38.Rd1 Rab7 39.Re3 Bd7 40.Red3 Ba4 41.Nd2 Be8 42.Kf3 Bd7 43.Ne4 Bd4 44.g4 hxg3 45.Nxg3 Bxh3 46.f5 Bxf5 47.Nxf5 gxf5 48.Kf4 e6 49.Rh1 Be5+ 50.Kg5 Ke7 51.Rh7 Bf6+ 52.Kf4 Be5+ 53.Kg5 Kf8 54.Rh1 Rb8 55.Rh8+

1-0 (55) DoloresCrotal (2704)-anirudhha (2621) Blitz 2024]

8.0-0-0

[8.a4 a5 9.h4 e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.h5 Na6 13.h6 Bh8 14.Be2 Nc5 15.Nh3 Bxh3 16.Rxh3 Ne6 17.Be3 Nd7 18.Bd1 Bf6 19.Bc2 Bg5 20.Bf2 Ndc5 21.Rb1 Rd2 0-1 (21) hirnloserverlierer (2635)-IlSalvatore (2726) Blitz 2020]

8...b5 9.h4 Nbd7

[9...bxc4 10.Bxc4 d5 11.Bb3 dxe4 12.fxe4 Bg4 13.Nf3 h5 14.Bh6 Nbd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.e5 Nd5 17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.Bxd5 Rb8 19.Kb1 Nb6 20.Bb3 Nd5 21.Ka1 a5 22.Rc1 Nb4 23.Rc5 Qb6 24.Rhc1 a4 25.Bxa4 Be6 26.b3 Ra8 27.Rb5 Qxb5 28.Bxb5 Nxa2 29.Qxa2 Bxb3 30.Qxa8 Rxa8+ 31.Kb2 Bd5 32.Bc4 Rb8+ 33.Kc3 Bxc4 34.Kd2 Bd5 35.Rc2 Rb3 36.Ke2 Be4 37.Rd2 Ra3 38.d5 Kf8 39.Ng5 Bxg2 40.d6 exd6 41.exd6 Ra8 42.Ke3 Bc6 43.Rc2 Bd7 44.Rc7 Rd8 45.Kd4 f6 46.Ne4 Kf7 47.Nc5 Ke8 48.Kd5 g5 49.hxg5 fxg5 50.Ne6 Ra8 51.Ng7+ Kd8 52.Nxh5 Ra5+ 53.Kd4 g4 54.Nf6 Bf5 55.Rg7 Be6 56.Re7 Bb3 57.Re8# 1-0 (57) WhiteBishop4761 (2600)-musik92 (2584) Blitz 2023]

10.Bh6

[10.h5 Qa5 11.hxg6 fxg6 12.Kb1 Rb8 13.Bh6 Rf7 14.Nh3 b4 15.Ne2 Nb6 16.Nc1 Na4 17.Nb3 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qh5 19.Qd2 a5 20.Bd3 Nc3+ 21.bxc3 bxc3 22.Qxc3 a4 23.e5 axb3 24.exf6 bxa2+ 25.Ka1 Rxf6 26.Nf2 Qg5 27.Ne4 Qxg2 28.Nxf6+ exf6 29.d5 Qxf3 30.Rhf1 Qg2 31.Qxf6 Bf5 32.Bxf5 1-0 (32) gmmds2694 (2671)-Prettyfly (2559) Blitz 2021]

10...Bxh6

[10...e5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.g4 Qe7 13.h5 b4 14.Na4 c5 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6+ Kg8 18.Ne2 Bb7 19.b3 Bc6 20.Nb2 a5 21.Ng3 a4 22.g5 Ne8 23.Nf5 Rxf5 24.exf5 Bxf3 25.fxg6 Bxh1 26.Qxh1 Ra7 27.gxh7+ Kh8 28.Nxa4 Qxg5+ 29.Kb1 Ndf6 30.Bd3 e4 31.Bxe4 Re7 32.Bc2 Re2 33.Re1 Rg2 34.Qf1 Qd2 35.Rxe8+ Kg7 36.h8Q+ 1-0 (36) Konstantin_Sek (2600)-Filip88 (2613) Blitz 2023]

11.Qxh6 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rb8 13.h5 bxc4 14.Ka1 Nb6 15.Rc1 e5 16.Nge2 Rb7 17.g4 Ne8 18.f4 Bxg4 19.Rb1 Bxh5 20.dxe5 d5 21.Nd4 f6 22.Nxc6 Qc5 23.Nd8 Rg7 24.Ne6 Qe7 25.exd5 Nxd5 26.f5 Nb4 27.Rc1 Kh8 28.Bxc4 fxe5 29.Nd5 Nxd5 30.Nxf8 Qxf8 31.Bxd5 Rf7 32.fxg6 Qxh6 33.gxf7 Qxc1+ 34.Rxc1 Bxf7 35.Bxf7 Kg7 36.Bxe8 Kf6 37.Kb1 Kf5 38.Bh5 a5 39.a4 Kf4 40.b4 axb4 41.a5 b3 42.a6 b2 43.Rd1 e4 44.a7 Kf5 45.a8Q Kg5 46.Qd5+ Kf4 47.Qd6+ Kg5 48.Rd5+ Kh4 49.Qh2# 1-0 (49) Stockfish161Pro (2993)-BotAlexGrandMaster (2804) Blitz 2025

6...h6 7.Be3

[7.Bh4 c5 8.d5 e6 9.Nge2 exd5 10.cxd5 Re8 11.Qc2 Nbd7 12.Bf2 a6 13.a4 Ne5 14.Ng3 h5 15.Be2 h4 16.Nf1 h3 17.g3 Bd7 18.a5 b5 19.axb6 Qxb6 20.Nd2 Reb8 21.b3 Qb4 22.0-0 Ne8 23.Rac1 a5 24.Nc4 Nxc4 25.bxc4 a4 26.Nb5 Bxb5 27.cxb5 a3 28.Bc4 Nc7 29.Rb1 Bb2 30.e5 Nxb5 31.e6 Nd4 32.Qd3 a2 33.Bxa2 Rxa2 34.exf7+ Kxf7 35.Qe4 Re8 36.Qf4+ Kg7 37.Qxd6 Nxf3+ 38.Kh1 Qe4 39.Qd7+ Re7 40.Qxh3

Bd4 41.d6 Nd2+ 42.Kg1 Nxf1 0-1 (42) medine2007 (2737)-wasalyking (2686) Blitz 2024]

7...e5

[7...c5

A) 8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Bxc5 Nc6 11.Nge2 *(11.Rd1 Rxd1+ 12.Kxd1 b6 13.Ba3 Nd7 14.Kc2 a5 15.Nh3 Nb4+ 16.Kb1 Ne5 17.Nf4 e6 18.Na4 Rb8 19.Be2 Ba6 20.b3 g5 21.Nh5 Bh8 22.Rd1 Kh7 23.Rd6 Kg6 24.g4 Nbc6 25.h3 b5 26.Nc5 bxc4 27.Nxa6 Rb6 28.Nc5 cxb3 29.axb3 a4 30.b4 Rb8 31.b5 Na7 32.Nxe6 Nxb5 33.Nf8# 1-0 (33) harry47832472389 (2624)-BKMZBKMZ (2650) Blitz 2019)* 11...Nd7 12.Ba3 Nde5 13.Nf4 g5N *(Predecessor: 13...Nd4 14.Rc1 e6 15.Nb5 Nec6 16.Be2 h5 17.Nh3 Bh6 18.f4 e5 19.Nxd4 Rxd4 0-1 (39) Zabron,M (1932)-Koziak,V (2434) Katowice 2020)* 14.Nfd5 e6 15.Nc7 Rb8 16.N7b5 b6 17.Rd1 Ba6 18.Be2 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 a6 20.Nc7 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Rd8+ 22.Kc1 Nd4 23.Bf1 Rc8 24.Bd6 a5 25.c5 bxc5 26.Ba6 Rb8 27.Bxc5 Nec6 28.Bf1 Rc8 29.Na6 Nxf3 30.gxf3 Nb4 31.Kb1 Nxa6 32.Bd6 Nb4 33.e5 Bf8 34.Bb5 Bxd6 35.exd6 Rd8 36.d7 Nd5 37.h4 gxh4 38.Rxh4 Kg7 39.Ra4 Nf6 40.Bc6 Kg6 41.f4 h5 42.Rxa5 Nxd7 43.f5+ Kh6 44.fxe6 fxe6 45.Ra8 Rxa8 46.Bxa8 Nb6 47.Bh1 Kg5 48.b3 Kf4 49.a4 e5 50.a5 Nc8 51.b4 Na7 52.Bg2 h4 53.Bf1 e4 54.Kc2 Kg3 55.b5 Nxb5 56.Bxb5 h3 57.a6 h2 58.a7 h1Q 59.a8Q Qf3 ½-½ (59) Nyzhnyk,I (2654)-Escalante Ramirez,B (2474) Saint Louis 2023;

B) 8.Nge2 Nc6 9.Qd2 Kh7 10.d5 Ne5 11.Ng3 h5 12.Bg5 a6 13.f4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 b5 15.Bd3 c4 16.Bc2 b4 17.Nce2 Qb6 18.e5 dxe5 19.fxe5 Ng4 20.Qd4 Qxd4 21.Nxd4 Bxe5 22.Nge2 f6 23.Bf4 Bb7 24.Bxe5 Nxe5 25.Nf4 Kh6 26.Nde6 Rg8 27.0-0-0 g5 28.Ne2 a5 29.Ng3 g4 30.Nf5+ Kg6 31.Nd6+ f5 32.Nxb7 a4 33.Rhf1 Rgf8 34.Nxf8+ Rxf8 35.d6 exd6 36.Nxd6 b3 37.axb3 cxb3 38.Bxf5+ Kg5 39.Be4 Rb8 40.Rf5+ 1-0 (40) WhiteBishop4761 (2613)-onewaytraffic (2601) Blitz 2023;

C) 8.d5 e6 Hazai,Laszlo: 'and Black has avoid the above mentioned continuations.' 9.a4 exd5 10.cxd5 Nbd7 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 Re8 13.Be2 Qa5 14.0-0 Qb4 15.Nb5 c4 16.Nc7 Bd7 17.Nxa8 Rxa8 18.f4 Nd3 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Qxd3 Re8 21.Bd2 Qb6 22.Rae1 Bxa4 23.Be3 Qb4 24.Qd4 Qb3 25.Qxa7 Nxe4 26.Bd4 Bb5 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Nxe4 Bxf1 29.Qd4+ Kf8 30.Qh8+ Ke7 31.Nd2+ 1-0 (31) DoloresCrotal (2742)-MagnusCarlsensTwin (2546) Blitz 2024]

[7...b6 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.Bd3 c5 10.d5 e6 11.Nge2 exd5 12.cxd5 Na6 13.0-0 Nc7 14.Ng3 Rb8 15.a4 Na6 16.Rae1 Nb4 17.h3 a6 18.f4 Re8 19.Bb1 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Rd1 Ba6 22.e5 dxe5 23.Bxc5 Nbxd5 24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Qxd5 Qxd5 26.Rxd5 b4 27.Bd3 Bxd3 28.Rxd3 exf4 29.Rxf4 f5 30.Rxb4 Rxb4

31.Bxb4 Bxb2 32.Bc3 Bxc3 33.Rxc3 h5 34.h4 Ra8 35.Ne2 Ra2 36.Nf4 Ra4 37.g3 Ra2 38.Rc6 Ra1+ 39.Kg2 Ra3 40.Rxg6 Ra2+ 41.Kh3 Ra6 42.Rg5 1-0 (42) VanuatuLover (2676)-estrelladelnorte2024 (2556) Blitz 2025]

[7...Nc6 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.Nge2 Na5 10.Ng3 h5 11.Bd3 h4 12.Nge2 Nh5 13.Bg5 a6 14.Bxh4 b5 15.b3 c5 16.d5 b4 17.Rc1 bxc3 18.Nxc3 Be5 19.Bg5 Nb7 20.g4 Ng7 21.Ne2 f6 22.Be3 Rh8 23.f4 Bd4 24.Bxd4 cxd4 25.f5 g5 26.Nxd4 Nc5 27.b4 Nd7 28.h4 Kg8 29.Kf2 Ne5 30.Be2 a5 31.hxg5 Rxh1 32.Rxh1 axb4 33.gxf6 exf6 34.Qh6 Qb6 35.Qh8+ Kf7 36.Rh7 Qxd4+ 37.Kf1 Ke7 38.Qxg7+ Kd8 39.Rh8# 1-0 (39) VanuatuLover (2652)-Heart_of_Fire_Cat (2642) Blitz 2025]

[7...Nbd7 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.Nh3 e5 10.d5 Nc5 11.Nf2 a5 12.Be2 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.Qxd8 Rxd8 16.Na4 Rb8 17.b3 Nh5 18.g3 Bf8 19.Rd1 Be6 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Bd3 Kg7 22.Ke2 f5 23.Rd1 Nf6 24.Bc2 Rd4 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Nd3 Nd7 27.f4 Kf6 28.fxe5+ Nxe5 29.Ndxc5 Rxd1 30.Bxd1 Bf7 31.Kf2 h5 32.Be2 Ng4+ 33.Bxg4 hxg4 34.Nd7+ Ke7 35.Nxf8 Kxf8 36.Ke3 Ke7 37.Kd4 Kd6 38.Nc5 Be8 39.a3 Bf7 40.Nb7+ Kc7 41.Nxa5 Kb6 42.b4 c5+ 43.Ke5 Bg6 44.Kf6 Be8 45.Kxf5 Bd7+ 46.Kf4 Bc8 47.Nb3 Be6 48.Nxc5 Bxc4 49.Kxg4 Kb5 50.Kg5 Bd3 51.h4 Bb1 52.Kf6 Kc4 53.g4 Kd4 54.g5 Ke3 55.h5 Kf4 56.g6 Kg4 57.h6 Kh5 58.h7 Kg4 59.g7 Kf4 60.h8Q Bc2 61.g8Q Ke3 62.b5 Kd2 63.b6 Kc3 64.b7 Kb2 65.b8N Kc1 66.a4 Kb1 67.a5 Ka1 68.Ke5 Ba4 69.Kd4 Bc2 70.a6 Bb1 71.a7 Ba2 72.a8B Kb2 73.Qxa2+ Kxa2 74.Kc4 Ka3 75.Nc6 Ka2 76.Qb2+ Kxb2 77.Bb7 Ka3 78.Nd4 Kb2 79.Nd3+ Ka3 80.Bc6 Ka2 81.Kc3 Kb1 82.Nc2 Ka2 83.Bd5+ Kb1 84.Na3+ Ka1 85.Nc2+ Kb1 86.Bc6 Ka2 87.Ndb4+ Kb1 88.Na6 Ka2 89.Nc5 Kb1 90.Nd3 ½-½ (90) Clovis1088 (2647)-Tsukuru (2494) Rapid 2022]

[7...c6 8.Qd2 Kh7 9.0-0-0 Qa5 10.Kb1 Nbd7 11.g4 Ne8 12.h4 Nc7 13.Nge2 b5 14.Ng3 bxc4 15.h5 g5 16.Nf5 Bf6 17.Qc2 e5 18.Nxd6 Ba6 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Nxc4 Qb4 21.Qb3 Rab8 22.Qxb4 Rxb4 23.b3 Rfb8 24.Kc2 exd4 25.Bxd4 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Ne5 27.Nxe5 Rxd4 28.Nxc6 Rbd8 29.Nxd4 Rxd4 30.Rd1 Ne6 31.Nb5 Rb4 32.a4 Nc5 33.Kc3 a5 34.Rd4 Rxd4 35.Nxd4 Kg7 36.Nc6 Nb7 37.e5 f6 38.e6 Kf8 39.Kc4 1-0 (39) Aczgego (2633)-Serikov,A (2464) Blitz 2024]

8.d5 a5

[8...Nh5 9.g4 Nf4 10.Nge2 Qf6 11.Nb5 Na6 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bd4 Qh4+ 14.Ke2 Bxg4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.fxg4 Qxg4+ 17.Kd2 f3 18.Bd3 Rae8 19.Qg1 Qf4+ 20.Qe3 Qf6 21.Rab1 c6 22.Nc3 Nc5 23.Rhf1 Qh4 24.Rf2 f5 25.Rg1 fxe4 26.Bc2 g5 27.b4 Nd7 28.Bxe4 Ne5 29.Qd4 Qf4+ 30.Kc2 Kg8 31.dxc6 bxc6 32.Qxd6 Rf6 33.Qc7 Rf7 34.Qd6 Nxc4 35.Qxf4 Rxf4 36.Bxc6 Ne3+ 37.Kb3 Rc8 38.Rxf3 Rxf3 39.Bxf3 Nf5 40.Bg4 Nd4+ 41.Kb2 Rc7 42.Rd1 Nc6 43.b5 Ne5 44.Be6+ Kg7 45.Rf1 h5 46.a4 g4 47.Rf5 Nf3 48.Rxh5 Kg6 49.Bxg4 Ne5 50.Rxe5 Rc4 51.Bh5+ Kf6 52.Re4 Rc5

53.Bg4 Rh5 54.Bxh5 a6 55.bxa6 Kg7 56.Re6 Kf8 57.a7 Kg7 58.a5 Kh7 59.Rg6 Kh8 60.a8Q+ Kh7 61.Qg8# 1-0 (61) VanuatuLover (2619)-RQcoquin (2426) Blitz 2025]

9.Qd2 Kh7 10.h4 Na6 11.g4 c6

[11...Nc5 12.Nge2 c6 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.0-0-0 Qb6 15.Qxd6 Nb3+ 16.axb3 Qxe3+ 17.Kb1 Qxf3 18.Rh3 Qxg4 19.Rg3 Nxe4 20.Qxf8 Nxg3 21.Qxf7 Qf5+ 22.Qxf5 Bxf5+ 23.Ka2 Nxe2 24.Bxe2 a4 25.bxa4 Bc2 26.Rd7 Bxa4 27.Nxa4 Rxa4+ 28.Kb3 Ra8 29.Bf3 1-0 (29) VanuatuLover (2606)-siti-vetriana (2426) Blitz 2025]

12.h5 g5 13.Nge2 Bd7 14.Ng3 Qe7 15.Be2 Rfc8 16.Kf2 Bf8 17.Rhc1 Qd8 18.Kg2 Be7 19.b3 Ne8 20.a3 Qc7 21.Rab1 Bd8 22.b4 axb4 23.axb4 Qb8 24.dxc6 bxc6 25.b5 cxb5 26.cxb5 Nc5 27.Nd5 Ne6 28.b6 Rxc1 29.Rxc1 Nf6 30.Nxf6+ Bxf6 31.Nf5 Ra3 32.Rc3 Ra1 33.Qxd6 Qb7 34.Rc7 1-0 (34) DodoP47 (2885)-NoRolex (2890) Blitz 2022

Mikhalevski, V: 'In one of his early Saemisch games Svidler had applied a more popular line and won the game in good style:'

6...Nc6 7.Nge2 a6

[7...h6 8.Be3 a6 9.Qd2 Rb8 *(9...Kh7 10.g4 b5 11.Ng3 bxc4 12.h4 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Be2 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Nxh5 gxh5 17.0-0-0 f5 18.Rdg1 f4 19.Rxg7+ Kxg7 20.Bxd4 exd4 21.Qxd4+ Qf6 22.Rg1+ Kh7 23.Qxc4 Rf7 24.Rg5 Bh3 25.Rxh5+ Kg8 26.Rg5+ Kh8 27.e5 dxe5 28.Ne4 Qb6 29.Rh5+ Kg8 30.Ng5 Qe3+ 31.Kd1 Qg1+ 32.Kc2 Bf5+ 33.Kb3 Rb8+ 34.Ka3 Qb6 35.b4 Qe3+ 36.Qb3 Qc1+ 37.Qb2 Qe3+ 38.Qb3 Qxe2 39.Nxf7 Bc2 40.Qc3 Qe3 41.Kb2 Qxc3+ 42.Kxc3 Kxf7 43.Kxc2 Rxb4 44.Rxe5 Rc4+ 45.Kd3 Ra4 46.h5 Rxa2 47.Re6 Ra3+ 48.Ke4 Re3+ 49.Kf5 Rxf3 50.Rc6 Rh3 51.Rxc7+ Ke8 52.Ke6 Re3+ 53.Kd6 f3 54.Rc4 f2 55.Rf4 Rh3 56.Rxf2 Rxh5 57.Rb2 Rh1 58.Rb8+ Kf7 59.Kd7 a5 60.d6 a4 61.Rb4 a3 62.Rf4+ Kg6 63.Ra4 Ra1 64.Rd4 a2 65.Rd2 Kf7 66.Kd8 Kf6 67.d7 Kf7 68.Rf2+ Kg7 69.Rc2 Kf7 70.Kc8 Rd1 71.Rxa2 Rc1+ 72.Kd8 Rb1 73.Rf2+ Ke6 74.Ke8 Rh1 75.d8Q Rh8+ 76.Rf8 Rxf8+ 77.Kxf8 1-0 (77) mate-in-three (2601)-fettywap1738 (2560) Rapid 2021)* 10.Bxh6 e5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.d5 Na5 13.Ng3 c5 14.Bd3 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bxb5 c4 17.0-0 Rxb5 18.Nxb5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb5 20.f4 Ng4 21.h3 Rh8 22.f5 Nb7 23.Qg5 Nh6 24.Nh5+ Kh7 25.fxg6+ fxg6 26.Qe7+ Kg8 27.Qg7# 1-0 (27) doreality (2658)-change_of_heart (2641) Blitz 2020]

8.Qd2

[8.d5 Ne5 *(8...Na5 9.Ng3 c6 10.b4 cxd5 11.bxa5 Nxe4 12.fxe4 Bxc3+ 13.Bd2 Bxa1 14.Qxa1 dxe4 15.Be2 f5 16.0-0 Be6 17.Bh6 Rf7 18.Nh5 Qxa5 19.Nf4 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxc4 21.Rc1 b5 22.Ne6 Qe5 23.Qxe5 dxe5 24.Rxc4 bxc4 25.Bxc4 Rc8 26.Bd5 f4 27.h3 Kh8 28.Ng5 Rf6 29.Nxe4 Rd8 30.Bb3 Rd4 31.Ng5 e4 32.Kg1 e3 33.Kf1 Rd2 34.Nf7+ Rxf7 35.Bxf7 e5 36.Bc4 Rc2 37.Bxa6 Rxa2 38.Bc4 Rf2+ 39.Kg1 Rc2 40.Bb3 Rc1+ 41.Kh2 e2 42.Bg5 Kg7 43.Bh4 e1Q 44.Bxe1 Rxe1 45.Bc4 Re3 46.Bd5 g5 47.Bf3 h5 48.Bxh5 Kh6 49.Bg4 e4 50.Kg1*

Rc3 51.Kf2 Rc2+ 52.Kf1 e3 53.Bf3 Rf2+ 54.Ke1 Rxf3 55.gxf3 Kh5 56.Ke2 Kh4 57.Kf1 Kxh3 58.Kg1 Kg3 59.Kf1 Kxf3 60.Kg1 e2 61.Kh2 e1Q 62.Kh3 Qg3# 0-1 (62) hirnloserverlierer (2657)-Wildindian (2629) Blitz 2019*)* 9.Nd4 *(9.Ng3 c5 10.a4 Qa5 11.Qd2 Qb4 12.a5 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 Qxc4 14.Ra4 Qb3 15.Ra3 Qb4 16.Ra4 Qb3 17.Ra3 Qb4 18.Ra4 Qb3* ½-½ (18) AM0R_FATI (2611)-sharkfang (2692) Blitz 2024*)* 9...c5 10.Nc2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.a4 Bxb5 14.Nxb5 h6 15.Bd2 Nd3+ 16.Kf1 Nxb2 17.Qe2 Nxa4 18.Kf2 Nd7 19.Ra3 Nab6 20.Rb1 Rxa3 21.Ncxa3 Qa8 22.Nc4 Nxc4 23.Qxc4 Ne5 24.Qc2 c4 25.Be3 Rc8 26.g4 Qa5 27.Kg3 Nd3 28.Na7 Be5+ 29.Kh3 Nf4+ 30.Bxf4 Qxa7 31.Bxh6 c3 32.Kg2 f6 33.Bc1 Kf7 34.f4 Bd4 35.Rb4 Be3 36.e5 Bxc1 37.Qxc1 Qc5 38.Ra4 Qxd5+ 39.Kg3 Qd3+ 40.Kg2 Rb8 41.exd6 Rb2+ 0-1 (41) squat2depth (2717)-Hugiv_Zasit (2754) Blitz 2022]

[8.Rc1 h6 9.Be3 Rb8 10.Qd2 Kh7 11.b3 Bd7 12.h3 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.d5 Nb4 15.Nd4 c5 16.dxc6 Nxc6 17.Ncxb5 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 e5 19.Nc2 Be6 20.Be2 d5 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Bc5 Qh4+ 23.Bf2 Qf6 24.Bc4 Rfd8 25.Bxd5 Bxd5 26.Qe2 e4 27.fxe4 Bxe4 28.0-0 Qg5 29.Be3 Qd5 30.Qf2 f5 31.Rfd1 Qb7 32.Bd4 Rbc8 33.Bxg7 Rxd1+ 34.Rxd1 Rxc2 35.Rd2 Rxd2 36.Qxd2 Qxg7 37.Qd6 Qb7 38.g4 fxg4 39.hxg4 Qf7 40.g5 h5 41.a4 Ba8 42.b4 Qb7 43.Kf2 Qf3+ 44.Ke1 Qe4+ 45.Kd2 Qd5+ 46.Qxd5 Bxd5 47.Ke3 Kg7 48.b5 Kf7 49.a5 Bc4 50.b6 Ba6 51.Kf4 Ke6 52.Kg3 Kf5 53.Kh4 Kf4 54.Kh3 Kxg5 55.Kg3 Kf5 56.Kh3 Ke5 57.Kh4 Kd6 58.Kg5 Kc5 59.Kxg6 h4 60.b7 Bxb7 61.Kg5 Ba8 62.a6 h3 63.Kh4 h2 64.Kg3 h1Q 65.Kf4 Qd5 66.Ke3 Kb6 67.a7 Ka6 68.Kf4 Kxa7 69.Ke3 Kb6 70.Kf4 Kc5 71.Ke3 Qd4+ 72.Ke2 Kd5 73.Kf3 Ke5+ 74.Kg3 Qc3+ 75.Kg4 Qf3+ 76.Kg5 Qg3+ 77.Kh6 Kf6 78.Kh5 Qg5# 0-1 (78) VanuatuLover (2617)-Dictator02 (2689) Blitz 2025]

8...Rb8

[8...Na5 9.Ng3 b5 10.0-0-0 bxc4 11.h4 c6 12.h5 Rb8 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.e5 Nd5 15.exd6 Nxc3 16.dxe7 Nxa2+ 17.Kb1 Qd5 18.exf8Q+ Bxf8 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Bd3 Bg7 21.g4 cxd3 22.gxf5 Nc4 23.Qxd3 Rxb2+ 24.Ka1 Nb4 25.Qxc4 Qxc4 26.Kxb2 Qa2+ 27.Kc3 Nd5+ 28.Kd3 Qb3+ 29.Ke2 gxf5 30.Nd2 Nc3+ 31.Kf2 Bxd4+ 32.Kg2 Qd5 33.Rde1 f4 34.Rh4 Qxg5+ 35.Rg4 Qxg4+ 36.fxg4 c5 37.Re7 Be3 38.Nf3 Nd5 39.Rd7 a5 40.Rxd5 1-0 (40) WhiteBishop4761 (2623)-fankasp (2578) Blitz 2022]

9.Rc1

[9.d5 Ne5 *(9...Na5 10.Ng3 c5 11.Rb1 e6 12.b4 cxb4 13.Rxb4 exd5 14.cxd5 Re8 15.Be2 b5 16.a4 Bd7 17.axb5 axb5 18.0-0 Nc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.Rxc4 Qa5 21.Rc1 Qa3 22.Nge2 Rb2 23.Qd1 Qa7+ 24.Kh1 Nh5 25.Nd4 Bxd4 26.Qxd4 Qxd4 27.Rxd4 Rc8 28.g4 Ng7 29.Rdd1 f5 30.gxf5 gxf5 31.Bf6 Nh5 32.Bd4 Rc4 33.exf5 Bxf5 34.Ne4 Rxc1 35.Rxc1 Rb4 36.Nxd6 Rxd4 37.Nxf5 Rf4 38.Nh6+ Kf8 39.Ng4 Rxf3 40.Rc7 Rd3 41.Rxh7 Nf4 42.Kg1 Nxd5 43.Ne5 Rd2 44.h4 Ne3 45.h5 Rg2+ 46.Kh1 Rg5 47.Nf3 Rg3 48.Nd4 Ng4 49.Nf5*

1-0 (49) Iestri (2647)-Mavi_Alpha (2609) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Ng3 c5 11.h3 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Bd7 14.Na3 h6 15.Be3 Be8 16.Be2 e6 17.f4 Ned7 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Qxd6 Rxb2 20.Nc4 Rb4 21.Bxc5 Rb7 22.0-0 Qc8 23.Bd4 Kh7 24.Rac1 Qa8 25.a3 Rb3 26.Kh2 Rg8 27.Rf3 Rxf3 28.Bxf3 Bf7 29.e5 Nd5 30.Qxd7 Be8 31.Qxe6 Nxf4 32.Qxg8+ Kxg8 33.Bxa8 1-0 (33) Iestri (2714)-Mavi_alpha (2650) Blitz 2022]

[9.Nc1 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Be2 Be6 12.b3 h6 13.Be3 g5 14.0-0 Nh5 15.Nd3 Ng6 16.g3 f5 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Nf2 Be6 19.Nfe4 Nf6 20.Rae1 Bh3 21.Rf2 Ne5 22.Nxf6+ Qxf6 23.Nd5 Qf7 24.f4 gxf4 25.Nxf4 Bf5 26.Nh5 Qg6 27.Ref1 Be4 28.Nxg7 Rxf2 29.Rxf2 Kxg7 30.Bd4 Bc6 31.Qf4 Kh7 32.Bxe5 dxe5 33.Qxe5 Re8 34.Qxc7+ Kh8 35.Qf4 Rd8 36.Qe5+ Kg8 37.Rf1 Re8 38.Qh5 Qg7 39.Qg4 Qxg4 40.Bxg4 Re3 41.Bf5 Rc3 42.Rf2 Rc1+ 43.Rf1 Ra1 44.Be6+ Kg7 45.Rxa1 Kf6 46.Re1 Ke7 47.Bd5+ Kd6 48.Bxc6 Kxc6 49.c5 Kxc5 50.Rc1+ Kd5 51.Kf2 Kd6 52.Ke3 b5 53.Rd1+ Ke6 54.Rd3 Ke5 55.Rc3 Ke6 56.Rc5 Kd6 57.b4 Ke6 58.Kd4 Kd6 59.Rd5+ Kc6 60.Rc5+ Kb6 61.Kd5 Kb7 62.Rc6 Ka7 63.Kc5 Ka8 64.Kd6 Kb8 65.Kc5 Kb7 66.Rb6+ Ka7 67.Kc6 Ka8 68.Rb7 1-0 (68) speedytiger301 (2713)-Wildindian (2695) Blitz 2020]

[9.Ng3 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.h4 c5 12.h5 b5 13.h6 Bh8 14.Rc1 Bd7 15.Kf2 bxc4 16.Nh5 gxh5 17.Bh4 Re8 18.Bxc4 Kf8 19.b3 a5 20.Rb1 a4 21.Kg3 Ke7 22.Kh2 Rg8 23.f4 Rg4 24.Qf2 Rxf4 25.Qg3 Rg4 26.Qf2 Kf8 27.Rbf1 Rf4 28.Qe1 Ng4+ 29.Kg3 Bf6 30.Rxf4 exf4+ 31.Kxf4 Be5# 0-1 (31) chessisinmyblood (2711)-Lantori (2552) Blitz 2021]

[9.h4 b5 10.h5 bxc4 11.0-0-0 e5 12.d5 Nb4 13.Ng3 Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 cxd3 15.Bh6 Bd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qxd3 Rb4 19.Qxa6 Qb8 20.Rd2 Rb6 21.Qd3 Qa7 22.Nf1 Rfb8 23.Ne3 Qa5 24.Nc4 Qb4 25.Nxb6 Rxb6 26.g4 Bc8 27.a3 Qa5 28.Qe3 Ba6 29.Qh6+ Kg8 30.g5 Nh5 31.Rxh5 gxh5 32.g6 hxg6 33.Qxg6+ Kf8 34.Qxh5 Qc5 35.Qh6+ Ke8 36.Rg2 Kd7 37.Qe6+ 1-0 (37) Clovis1088 (2608)-SexDrugsRnR (2539) Blitz 2024]

9...Bd7 10.Bh6

[10.h4 h5 11.b3 Re8 12.g3 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Ne2 c5 16.Bg2 b5 17.0-0 bxc4 18.bxc4 Qb6 19.Bf4 Ba4 20.Qd3 Nd7 21.Qa3 Qb4 22.Qxb4 Rxb4 23.Bxd6 d3 24.Nf4 d2 25.Rcd1 Bd4+ 26.Kh2 Be3 27.Bh3 Bxd1 28.Bxd7 Bxf3 29.Bxe8 d1Q 30.Rxd1 Rb2+ 31.Ng2 Rxg2+ 32.Kh3 Rf2 33.g4 hxg4+ 34.Kg3 Mikhalevski, V: '0-1 Nevednichy,V - Svidler,P/Tivat 1995 Mikhalevski,Viktor: '0-1 Nevednichy,V - Svidler, P/Tivat 1995"]

[10.b3 b5 *(10...e6 11.h4 h5 12.g4 Qe8 13.Ng3 hxg4 14.h5 gxf3 15.h6 f2+ 16.Kd1 e5 17.hxg7 Kxg7 18.Bxf6+ Kxf6 19.Nd5+ Ke6 20.Nxc7+ Ke7 21.Nxe8* 1-0 (21) ENajer (2657)-Rambo-Terminator (2484) Blitz 2024*)* 11.d5 Na5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nd4 c6 14.b4 c5 15.bxc5 b4 16.Ncb5 dxc5 17.Rxc5 Qb6 18.Qxb4 Rfc8 19.Rxc8+ Rxc8

20.Bd2 Nb7 21.a4 Nd6 22.Bd3 Bxb5 23.Nxb5 Nxb5 24.Qxb5 Qd4 25.Ke2 Nh5 26.g4 Nf6 27.a5 h5 28.g5 Ne8 29.a6 Nd6 30.Qb4 1-0 (30) Sadler,M (2670)-De Roode,M (2085) Haarlem NED 2016]

[10.d5 Ne5 11.Nd4 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Be3 h5 14.Be2 h4 15.0-0 h3 16.g3 Ne5 17.b3 Re8 18.Nd5 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Nb4 Qa5 21.Rc2 Rec8 22.Rfc1 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Bxc8 25.Ndc6 Nxc6 26.Nxc6 Qc7 27.Bxb5 Bb7 28.Qa5 Qxa5 29.Nxa5 Bc8 30.Nc6 Kf8 31.a4 Nd7 32.a5 Nc5 33.Bxc5 dxc5 34.a6 c4 35.bxc4 e6 36.Kf1 g5 37.a7 Bb7 38.Na5 Ba8 39.Bc6 Bd4 40.Bxa8 Bxa7 41.Nb3 Ke7 42.c5 f5 43.exf5 exf5 44.f4 g4 45.Bb7 Kf6 46.Bc8 Kg6 47.c6 Bb6 48.Bd7 Kf6 49.Nd4 1-0 (49) VanuatuLover (2625)-DmitriyD-1978 (2445) Blitz 2025]

10...Bxh6 11.Qxh6 e5 12.Qd2 Re8 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Qxd4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 f5 17.Be2 Qh4+ 18.Qf2 Qxf2+ 19.Kxf2 fxe4 20.Ke3 Re5 21.Rhf1 Rbe8 22.Rf4 Bf5 23.g4 Bd7 24.Rxe4 Kg7 25.Rf1 g5 26.h3 h5 27.Rxe5 Rxe5+ 28.Kd4 h4 29.c5 Re7 30.cxd6 cxd6 31.Ne4 Be8 32.Bd3 1-0 (32) Leon_Livaic (2729)-Mwamba1409 (2611) Blitz 2019

6...Nbd7 Hazai,Laszlo: 'This move allows in many lines the ♘h3-f2 manoeuvre, after which White can successfully solve the problem of development of his kingside.' 7.Nh3

[7.Qd2 a6 8.Nh3 Rb8 9.a4 *(9.Nf2 c6 10.a4 Qc7 11.Be2 e5 12.d5 Nc5 13.Ra3 a5 14.0-0 Nh5 15.g3 Bd7 16.Rd1 Rfe8 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Ne6 20.Be3 Nd4 21.Bxd4 exd4 22.Nb5 Bf8 23.Rxd4 Bxa3 24.bxa3 Red8 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Nd3 Nf6 27.Kf2 Nd7 28.Ke3 Nb6 29.Nc5 Kf8 30.Nb3 Nxa4 31.Nxa5 Nc5 32.Nxc6 bxc6 33.Nd4 Ra8 34.Nxc6 Rxa3+ 35.Kf2 Ke8 36.Nb4 Kd7 37.Nd5 h5 38.h4 Kd6 39.Nb4 Rb3 40.Nd5 Ke5 41.Ne3 Kd4 42.Nc2+ Kc3 43.Ne3 Kd2 44.Nf1+ Kc1 45.Ne3 Rc3 46.Nd5 Ra3 47.Ne3 Ne6 48.Nd5 Nd4 49.Nb4 Kd2* 0-1 (49) mate-in-three (2600)-daubon (2649) Rapid 2021*)* 9...e5 10.d5 Nc5 11.Ra3 Bxh3 12.gxh3 h6 13.Be3 a5 14.Be2 Kh7 15.0-0 Nh5 16.Nd1 b6 17.Kh1 Qh4 18.Nf2 Nf4 19.Rg1 Nxh3 20.Nxh3 Qxh3 21.Bd1 Qh4 22.b3 Rbe8 23.Ra1 Nd7 24.Bc2 Nf6 25.Bd3 Nh5 26.Raf1 Nf4 27.Rg4 Qf6 28.Bxf4 exf4 29.Rxf4 Qd4 30.Rg4 h5 31.Rg2 Bh6 32.f4 Rxe4 33.Bxe4 Qxe4 34.Re1 Qf5 35.Rf2 Kg8 36.Qc2 Qf6 37.Qe4 Bg7 38.Rff1 Qc3 39.Qe3 Qf6 40.f5 g5 41.Qe7 g4 42.Qxf6 Bxf6 43.Kg2 Kg7 44.Re4 Be5 45.h3 g3 46.Rf3 Kf6 47.Rh4 Rh8 48.Re4 h4 49.Rg4 Bb2 50.Re3 Be5 51.Rf3 Bb2 52.Re4 Be5 53.Kf1 Rh5 54.Kg2 Rh6 55.b4 Rh5 56.bxa5 bxa5 57.c5 dxc5 58.Rc4 Bd6 59.Rg4 Rh6 60.Rg8 Rh5 61.Ra8 Rxf5 62.Rxf5+ Kxf5 63.Rxa5 Ke4 64.Ra8 c4 65.Re8+ Kd3 66.a5 c3 67.a6 Bc5 68.Re1 c2 69.a7 1-0 (69) mate-in-three (2665)-strizibuba (2636) Blitz 2021]

7...a6 Hazai,Laszlo: '?!' Hazai,Laszlo: 'Black is preparing c7-c5, and in case of d4-d5 the Benko Gambit type pawn sacrifice with b7-b5.'

[7...c6 8.Nf2 a6 9.Qd2 b5 10.h4 *(10.Bh6 Nb6 11.h4 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.h5 e5 14.d5 Bb7 15.g4*

cxd5 16.exd5 Re8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.Nfe4 1-0 (20) VanuatuLover (2703)-DR_speedrun_2700 (2607) Blitz 2025 *)* 10...Rb8 11.h5 e5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.h6 Bh8 14.f4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.e5 dxe5 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.fxe5 Re8 19.0-0-0 Nd5 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Rxd5 Bxe5 22.Re1 Bxb2+ 23.Kc2 Bf5+ 24.Rxf5 Rxe1 0-1 (24) VanuatuLover (2703)-ZhohoFF (2662) Blitz 2025]

8.Nf2 c5

[8...h6 9.Be3 c5 10.dxc5 Hazai,Laszlo: '!' *(10.d5 b5* Hazai,Laszlo: '!*)* 10...Nxc5 *(10...dxc5 11.Be2* Hazai,Laszlo: ' ⩲*')* 11.Qd2 Qa5 Hazai,Laszlo: '?!' *(11...Kh7 12.Be2)* 12.Rb1 Hazai,Laszlo: '!' Hazai,Laszlo: '∆ b4' *(12.Bxh6* Hazai,Laszlo: '??' *Nb3* Hazai,Laszlo: '-+'*)* 12...Ne6 13.b4 Qc7 14.Rc1 h5 15.Nd5 Hazai,Laszlo: ' ± ' Qd8 16.Bb6 Qe8 17.Be2 Bd7 18.0-0 Kh7 19.f4 Hazai,Laszlo: '!' Rc8 20.Bd3 Nxd5 21.exd5 Nd4 22.Bxd4 Bxd4 23.Bxg6+ Hazai,Laszlo: '+-' fxg6 24.Qxd4 Bf5 25.Rfe1 Rc7 26.c5 Qb5 27.cxd6 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 exd6 29.Rc7+ Bd7 30.Ne4 1-0 (30) Bracker,F (2610)-Krebs (2395) corr 1996 CBM 113 Extra [Murshed,N]]

9.d5 b5 10.cxb5 Qa5 11.a4 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6

[12...Qb4 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.0-0 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Rfb1 Ba6 17.b3 Qb4 18.Ncd1 Qb6 19.Ra2 Rfb8 20.Ne3 Rb7 21.Rc2 Rab8 22.Nc4 Bxc4 23.Rxc4 Nd7 24.Qc2 Ne5 25.Rc3 Qb4 26.Bd2 Qd4 27.Be3 Qxc3 28.Qxc3 Nxf3+ 29.gxf3 Bxc3 0-1 (29) IsraeliViper (2606)-Romsta (2615) Blitz 2022]

13.0-0 Nb6 14.Bd2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Re1 Rfb8 17.Qc1 Nd7 18.Nb5 Qd8 19.Qxc4 1-0 (19) VanuatuLover (2726)-JekkuNaama (2550) Blitz 2024

6...Na6 7.Qd2 c5 8.d5 Nc7 9.Nge2 e6 10.a4 exd5 11.cxd5 Rb8 12.Ng3 a6 13.Be2 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.0-0 b4 16.Nd1 Bd7 17.Ne3 Bb5 18.Nc4 Bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nb5 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.Ra2 Nd7 22.Bxb5 Qxb5 23.Be7 Ne5 24.b3 Rfc8 25.Bxd6 Rb6 26.Bxe5 Bxe5 27.Rc2 c4 28.bxc4 Rxc4 29.Rxc4 Qxc4 30.Rc1 Qa6 31.f4 Bb8 32.e5 b3 33.d6 b2 34.Rb1 Ba7 35.Kh1 Qa2 36.Nc3 Qa3 37.d7 Rb8 38.d8Q+ Rxd8 39.Qxd8+ Kg7 40.Qd2 1-0 (40) VanuatuLover (2716)-Mikheev01 (2545) Blitz 2025

6...b6 7.Qd2 c5

[7...Bb7 8.Nh3 Nbd7 9.Nf2 e6 10.Be2 Qe7 11.g4 Rfe8 12.h4 Qf8 13.h5 h6 14.Be3 g5 15.Nd3 Nh7 16.f4 gxf4 17.Nxf4 e5 18.Nfd5 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 exd4 20.Bxd4 Rxe4 21.Bxg7 Qxg7 22.0-0-0 Nc5 23.Kb1 Rae8 24.Bf3 Rxc4 25.Nxc7 Rc8 26.Nb5 Na4 27.Rc1 Ng5 28.Bd5 R4c5 29.Nxd6 Rd8 30.Rxc5 Nxc5 31.Nf5 Qf6 32.Re1 Na4 33.Ne7+ Kg7 34.Nf5+ Kh7 35.Qc2 Qxb2+ 36.Qxb2 Nxb2 37.Be4 Nxe4 38.Rxe4 Na4 39.Re7 Kg8 40.Nxh6+ Kf8 41.Rxf7+ Ke8 42.Rxa7 Rd2 43.Rxa4 Ke7 44.g5 b5 45.Re4+ 1-0 (45) Surrender-at-20 (2628)-girafik (2642) Blitz 2021]

8.d5 e6 9.Nge2 exd5 10.cxd5 b5 11.Nxb5 Na6 12.Ng3 Qe7 13.Be2 Bd7 14.Nc3 Rab8 15.Bxa6 1-0 (15) VanuatuLover (2706)-Mavi_Alpha (2565) Blitz 2025

6...e5 7.dxe5

[7.d5 Nbd7 8.Nh3 a6 *(8...h6 9.Be3*

Hazai,Laszlo: ' ±') 9.Nf2 a5 10.Be2 h6 11.Be3 Kh7 12.Nd3 b6 13.b4 axb4 14.Nxb4 Nc5 15.Nc6 Qd7 16.Bxc5 bxc5 17.0-0 Bb7 18.Qd3 Bxc6 19.dxc6 Qxc6 20.Rfb1 Rfb8 21.a4 Rb4 22.Rxb4 cxb4 23.Nb5 Qc5+ 24.Kh1 Ne8 25.Qd5 c6 0-1 (25) Surrender-at-20 (2611)-chess2626249 (2794) Blitz 2022]

7...dxe5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Nd5 Nbd7 [9...Nxd5 10.Bxd8 Nb4 11.0-0-0 Nxa2+ 12.Kb1 Nb4 13.Bxc7 N8c6 14.Ne2 a5 15.Nc3 a4 16.Nb5 f5 17.Be2 Be6 18.Bd6 Bf7 19.h4 Bh6 20.g4 fxg4 21.fxg4 Bf4 22.Nc7 Rc8 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.cxd5 Nd4 25.Bd3 b5 26.Bb4 Be8 27.Bd2 Bg3 28.h5 Nb3 29.hxg6 Bxg6 30.Be3 b4 31.Rc1 Nxc1 32.Rxc1 Rf8 33.d6 Rd8 34.Bc5 Bf4 35.Rc4 b3 36.Rxa4 Bf7 37.Rb4 Kg7 38.Rb7 Kf6 39.Rb6 Kg5 40.Rb7 Be6 41.Re7 Bxg4 42.Bc4 Bf3 43.Bxb3 Bxe4+ 44.Bc2 Bxc2+ 45.Kxc2 Rc8 46.b4 e4 47.Kb3 Rd8 48.Rxe4 Bxd6 49.Rd4 Be7 50.Bxe7+ Kf5 51.Bxd8 h5 52.Rd1 Ke6 53.b5 Kf5 54.Bh4 Ke4 55.Rh1 Kf3 56.Be7 Kg2 57.Rxh5 Kg3 58.Re5 Kf3 59.Re1 Kg4 60.Re6 Kf3 61.Rd6 Kf2 62.b6 Kg3 63.b7 Kf3 64.b8Q 1-0 (64) Konstrictor (2601)-Rafi-2020 (2546) Blitz 2024]

10.Nxc7 Rb8 11.0-0-0 h6 12.Bh4 a6 13.Nd5 g5 14.Bg3 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Nc5 16.Kb1 Bd7 17.h4 f5 18.Bf2 Rbc8 19.hxg5 hxg5 20.Rh5 Bf6 21.Bxc5 Rxc5 22.Bd3 f4 23.Ne2 g4 24.Rdh1 g3 25.Bc2 Be8 26.Rh6 Bg7 27.Rb6 Rd7 28.Bb3 Bf7 29.Nc1 Rc8 30.Nd3 Kf8 31.Ba4 Re7 32.d6 Re6 33.d7 Rd8 34.Rxb7 Rd6 35.Nc5 Ke7 36.Ra7 Rb6 37.Nb7 1-0 (37) VanuatuLover (2662)-NoRageJustCalm (2656) Blitz 2025

6...Nfd7 7.Qd2 Nc6 8.Nge2 Nb6 9.b3 a5 10.a4 Nb4 11.Rd1 Nd7 12.h4 c5 13.h5 cxd4 14.Nxd4 Nc5 15.Ncb5 f6 16.Be3 g5 17.h6 Bh8 18.Be2 e5 19.Nc2 Nxb3 20.Qc3 Nd4 21.Ncxd4 exd4 22.Bxd4 Bd7 23.0-0 Qe7 24.c5 d5 25.Rfe1 dxe4 26.Bc4+ Rf7 27.Rxe4 Qf8 28.Nd6 1-0 (28) mate-in-three (2604)-bmeg (2436) Rapid 2021

[83] **7.dxc5** dxc5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Nd5 Nc6 10.Bxf6 exf6 11.0-0-0 f5 12.Bd3 Ne5 13.Ne2 Be6 14.exf5 Nxd3+ 15.Rxd3 gxf5 16.Nef4 Kf8 17.Kc2 Rac8 18.Rhd1 b5 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.Nf4 Rxd3 21.Rxd3 Ke7 22.cxb5 c4 23.Ra3 Bd4 24.Ra6 e5 25.Nd5+ Kd7 26.Nf6+ Ke7 27.Rc6 Rb8 28.a4 e4 29.Nd5+ Kd7 30.fxe4 fxe4 31.Nf6+ Ke7 32.Nxe4 Rg8 33.g3 h5 34.Rxc4 Bb6 35.Nc3 Kd6 36.Rh4 Rf8 37.Rxh5 1-0 (37) BitterlyHappy (2635)-DJT45-47 (2536) Blitz 2025

7.Nge2 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nc6 9.Qd2 Nxd4 10.Qxd4 Be6 11.Rc1 Nd5 12.Qxg7+ Kxg7 13.cxd5 Bd7 14.Bd3 f6 15.Be3 Qa5 16.0-0 Rac8 17.a3 a6 18.Ne2 Rxc1 19.Rxc1 Rc8 20.Rxc8 Bxc8 21.Kf2 Bd7 22.Nd4 Qa4 23.Bc2 Qc4 24.Bb3 Qd3 25.Bc2 Qc4 26.Bb3 Qc8 27.g4 g5 28.h3 h5 29.Ke2 h4 30.Kd2 Kf7 31.Ba2 Ba4 32.b3 Qc5 33.bxa4 Qxa3 34.Bb3 Qb2+ 35.Bc2 Qa1 36.Bd1 Qa2+ 37.Bc2 Qc4 38.Ne2 b5 39.axb5 Qxb5 40.Nd4 Qf1 41.Bd3 Qxh3 42.Bxa6 Qg2+ 0-1 (42) Da4rk_Hu7nter (2608)-kasparik_garik (2616) Blitz 2023

[84] **7...a6** 8.Qd2

[8.a4 Nbd7 9.Nh3 Ne8 *(9...Rb8 10.Nf2 Ne8 11.Be2 Nc7 12.0-0 Qe8 13.Qd2 e6 14.Rfe1 exd5 15.exd5 f6 16.Bf1 Qf7 17.Bh6 f5 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.Rad1 Qf6 20.Nh3 Ne5 21.b3 Bd7 22.f4 Ng4 23.Ng5 Rbe8 24.h3 Nh6 25.g3 b6 26.Bg2 a5 27.Kh2 Na6 28.Rxe8 Rxe8 29.Re1 Rxe1 30.Qxe1 Nc7 31.Ne6 Nxe6 32.dxe6 Bxe6 33.Bd5 Kf7 34.Kg2 Ng8 35.Bxe6+ Qxe6 36.Qxe6+ Kxe6 37.Nd5 Nf6 38.Nxb6 Ne4* 0-1 (38) Clovis1088 (2620)-Romsta (2568) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Be2 Bd4 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.Nf2 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.0-0 Nf7 15.Be3 Bg7 16.Bd3 Bxd3 17.Nxd3 Nc7 18.a5 e6 19.Nf4 exd5 20.Ncxd5 Ne5 21.b3 Re8 22.Rae1 Rb8 23.Bf2 Bh6 24.Re4 Nc6 25.Rxe8+ Nxe8 26.Re1 Ng7 27.Re4 Qf8 28.Qb2 Qf7 29.Nf6+ Kh8 30.N4d5 Ne6 31.Rh4 Qg7 32.Qb1 Rf8 33.Ne4 Ncd4 34.Nxd6 Bf4 35.Ne4 Be5 36.Kh1 g5 37.Rh3 Qg6 38.Qd3 h6 39.Nxc5 Qxd3 40.Nxd3 Bg7 41.b4 Rc8 42.Nb6 Re8 43.g4 Nc2 44.Nd5 Kg8 45.Kg2 Na3 46.f4 Nxc4 47.f5 Nd8 48.Bc5 Re2+ 49.Kf1 Ra2 50.f6 Bf8 51.Bxf8 Kxf8 52.Nb6 Nxb6 53.axb6 Ra3 54.Ke2 a5 55.bxa5 Rxa5 56.Rxh6 Nf7 57.Rh5 Kg8 58.h4 Ra2+ 59.Kf3 gxh4 60.g5 Ra3 61.Ke4 Ra4+ 62.Kd5 Rg4 63.Ke6 Rg3 64.g6 Re3+ 65.Ne5 1-0 (65) Ingersol,H (2735)-Bajt,D IECC email 2015]

8...b5 9.cxb5 Qa5

[9...Re8 10.a4 e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Nge2 axb5 13.Nxb5 h6 14.Bxh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Nc6 16.Rd1 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Kf2 Qe7 19.Nec3 Bb3 20.Bd3 Bxd1 21.Rxd1 Nd4 22.Qf4 Rad8 23.h4 Nh5 24.Qg5 Qxg5 25.hxg5 Ne6 26.Bc4 Nxg5 27.Ra1 Nf4 28.a5 Rd2+ 29.Kg3 Nh5+ 30.Kh2 Nxf3+ 31.Kh3 Ng5+ 32.Kh2 Nf4 33.Bf1 Nge6 34.a6 Ra8 35.a7 Rxb2 36.Ne4 Nd5 37.Ned6 Ndc7 38.Bc4 Nxb5 39.Nxb5 Nf4 40.Kg3 Nxg2 41.Bd5 Rxa7 42.Rxa7 Ne3 43.Bxf7+ Kf8 44.Nd6 Nf5+ 45.Nxf5 gxf5 46.Kf4 Kg7 47.Bd5+ Kf6 48.Ra6+ Ke7 49.Kxf5 Re2 50.Be4 c4 51.Ke5 c3 52.Ra7+ Ke8 53.Rc7 c2 54.Kd4 Kd8 55.Rc3 Rd2+ 56.Ke3 Rd6 57.Rxc2 Ke7 58.Kf4 Rd1 59.Ke5 Re1 60.Rc7+ Ke8 61.Ra7 Re2 62.Kf5 Kd8 63.Bd5 Re1 64.Kf6 Kc8 65.Be6+ Kd8 66.Rd7+ Ke8 67.Rc7 Rf1+ 68.Bf5 Rd1 1-0 (68) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Bacrot,E (2718) Beijing CHN 2014]

[9...Nbd7 10.Nh3 Qa5 11.Nf2 Nb6 12.bxa6 *(12.Be2 axb5 13.Nxb5 Bd7 14.Nc3 Na4 15.Nfd1 Rfb8 16.0-0 Qb4 17.Rc1 Nxb2 18.Rb1 Qd4+ 19.Qxd4 cxd4 20.Rxb2 Rxb2 21.Nxb2 dxc3 22.Nd3 Rxa2 23.Nc1 Rb2 24.Bc4 h6 25.Bh4 g5 26.Bf2 Nh5 27.Nd3 Rb8 28.g3 Rc8 29.Bb3 Bb5 30.Bc2 g4 31.f4 Nf6 32.Re1 Ra8 33.Nb4 Nd7 34.Nc6 Ra2 35.Rc1 Kf8 36.Nd4 Bc4 37.Nf5 Nc5 38.Nxg7 Bd3 39.Bxc5 Rxc2 40.Rxc2 Bxc2 41.Bd4 Bxe4 42.Bxc3 Bxd5 43.Nf5 h5 44.Kf2 Be4 45.Ne3 f5 46.Nc4 Kf7 47.Ke3 Ke6 48.Kd4 Kd7 49.Ba5 Ke6 50.Nb6 Kf7 51.Nd5 e6 52.Nb6* 1-0 (52) Iestri (2602)-Atalik,S (2469) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Bxa6 13.Bxa6 Qxa6 14.Qe2 Qxe2+ 15.Kxe2 Rfb8 16.Rhb1 Ne8 17.Nfd1 Nc4 18.b3 Na3 19.Rc1 Rb7 20.Kd3 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Ne3 Nb5 23.Ned1 Nd4 24.Rab1 Kf7 25.Be3 Nc7 26.Nb2

Ndb5 27.Nxb5 Rxb5 28.Na4 Nxd5 29.Bd2 Rb7 30.g3 h5 31.Rc2 Bf6 32.Kc4 e6 33.Re1 Rg8 34.Kd3 h4 35.Rg1 h3 36.Rc4 Ne7 37.g4 Nc6 38.Ke2 Nd4+ 39.Kf2 Bh4+ 40.Ke3 Bg5+ 41.f4 Bh4 42.g5 e5 43.Bc3 exf4+ 44.Kd3 Nf3 45.Rh1 Bxg5 46.Ke2 Ne5 47.Bxe5 dxe5 48.Nxc5 Re7 49.Nd3 e4 50.Nb4 f3+ 51.Kf2 Bh4+ 52.Ke3 Rg2 53.Kf4 Kf6 54.Rc6+ Re6 55.Nd5+ Kf7 56.Rc7+ Kf8 0-1 (56) Iestri (2680)-Greenlight123 (2779) Blitz 2022]

10.bxa6

[10.a4 Nbd7 *(10...axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Ra3 Qb4 13.Nge2 Nbd7 14.0-0 Ne5 15.Rc1 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Nc4 17.Qxb4 cxb4 18.Rxc4 bxa3 19.Nxa3 Rfb8 20.Nb5 h6 21.Bd2 Nd7 22.b3 Nc5 23.Nc1 Rc8 24.Be3 Bb2 25.Bxc5 dxc5 26.Nd3 Bf6 27.Nxc5 Rab8 28.Kf1 Rb6 29.Nd7 Rxc4 30.bxc4 Ra6 31.Nxf6+ exf6 32.c5 Kf8 33.c6 Ke7 34.d6+ Kd8 35.c7+ Kd7 36.f4 Rxa4 37.e5 Rxf4+ 38.Ke2 fxe5 39.Na7 Rc4 40.Kd3 Rc1 41.Ke4 f6 42.g4 h5 43.gxh5 gxh5 44.Kf5 h4 45.h3 Rc4 46.Kxf6 e4 47.c8Q+ Rxc8 48.Nxc8 e3 49.Nb6+ Kd8 50.Nc4 e2 51.Ne5 e1Q 52.d7 Qf1+ 53.Ke6 Qxh3+ 54.Kd6 Qg3 55.Ke6 Qxe5+ 56.Kxe5 h3 57.Kf4 h2 58.Kg3 h1Q 0-1 (58) AM0R_FATI (2615)-Sharkfang (2665) Blitz 2024)* 11.Nh3 Nb6 12.Nf2 axb5 *(12...Qb4 13.Nd3 Nc4 14.Nxb4 Nxd2 15.Nc6 Nxf1 16.Rxf1 Re8 17.Ke2 h6 18.Bh4 g5 19.Bf2 Nd7 20.Rfc1 Bb7 21.b3 axb5 22.Nxb5 Bxa1 23.Rxa1 Rac8 24.Na5 Ba8 25.Nc4 f6 26.Bg3 Rb8 27.Kd3 Rec8 28.Kc3 Bb7 29.Na5 Ba6 30.Nc6 Rxc6 31.dxc6 Nb6 32.Nc7 Bc8 33.a5 Na8 34.a6 Nxc7 35.a7 Ra8 36.b4 Rxa7 37.Rxa7 Nb5+ 38.Kc4 Nxa7 39.b5 Be6+* 0-1 (39) Iestri (2648)-Snuifski (2586) Blitz 2023*)* 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Qxa6 15.b3 Rfb8 16.Ra2 Nfd7 17.Bxe7 Nc8 18.Bg5 Rxb3 19.Nfd1 Ne5 20.Kf2 Qc4 21.Kg3 h6 22.Be3 g5 23.h4 Ng6 24.Ne2 Be5+ 25.Kg4 f5+ 26.Kxf5 Nce7+ 27.Kg4 Nxh4 28.Bxg5 hxg5 29.Qxg5+ Nhg6 30.Rh6 Bg7 31.Rxg6 Nxg6 32.Qxg6 Rb7 33.Ne3 Qxa2 34.Nf4 Qb2 35.Nf5 Qf6 36.Nxd6 Qxg6+ 37.Nxg6 Rb6 38.Ne7+ Kh7 39.Nef5 Rxa4 40.Nf7 c4 41.d6 c3 42.d7 Rb8 43.Ne3 Raa8 44.Ng5+ Kg8 45.Nc2 Rd8 46.Ne6 Rxd7 47.Nc5 Rd2 48.Nb4 c2 49.Nb3 c1Q 50.Nxc1 Rxg2+ 51.Kf5 Rg6 52.Kxg6 Rf8 53.Nd5 Rf7 54.Kg5 Bh6+ 55.Kg4 Rh7 56.Nf6+ Kf7 57.Nxh7 1-0 (57) VanuatuLover (2690)-vistagausta (2877) Blitz 2025]

10...Nbd7 11.Bb5 Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Qxa6 13.Nge2 Ne5 14.0-0 Rfb8 15.b3 c4 16.Nd4 cxb3 17.axb3 Qb6 18.Rxa8 Rxa8 19.Be3 Qb4 20.Ncb5 Qxd2 21.Bxd2 Ra2 22.Bc3 Nd3 23.Ra1 Rxa1+ 24.Bxa1 Nd7 25.Bc3 N7c5 26.Kf1 Kf8 27.Ke2 Nc1+ 28.Kd1 N1xb3 29.Nxb3 Nxb3 30.Kc2 Nc5 31.Bxg7+ Kxg7 32.Kc3 f5 33.Kd4 fxe4 34.fxe4 Kf6 35.Nc3 Nb3+ 36.Kc4 Nd2+ 37.Kd3 Nf1 38.h3 Ke5 39.Ke2 Ng3+ 40.Kf3 Nh5 41.g4 Nf6 42.g5 Nd7 43.Nb5 Nc5 44.Na7 Nxe4 45.Nc6+ Kxd5 46.Nxe7+ Ke5 47.h4 d5 48.Ng8 Ke6 49.Kf4 Nd6 50.h5 gxh5 51.Nf6 h4 52.Nxh7 d4 53.Nf6 d3 54.Ke3 Kf5 55.Nd5 h3 56.g6 h2 57.g7 h1Q 58.g8Q Qe4+ 59.Kd2 Qe2+ 60.Kc3 Qc2+ 61.Kb4 Qc4+ 62.Ka3

Nb5+ 63.Kb2 Qc2+ 64.Ka1 Qc1+ 65.Ka2 Qa3+ 66.Kb1 Qb3+ 67.Ka1 Qa4+ 68.Kb2 Na3 69.Qf7+ Ke5 70.Nc3 Qc2+ 71.Kxa3 Qxc3+ 72.Ka4 Qd4+ 73.Kb5 Qd5+ 74.Kb6 Qxf7 75.Ka6 Qe6+ 76.Kb7 ½-½ (76) Training_Account123 (2763)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021

7...Nbd7 8.Qd2

[8.Nh3 h6 *(8...Ne5 9.Nf2* Hazai,Laszlo: ' ±') 9.Be3 Ne5 *(9...Rb8 10.Qd2 Kh7 11.Nf2 a6 12.a4 Qa5 13.Be2 Ne5 14.f4 Neg4 15.Nxg4 Nxg4 16.Bxg4 Bxg4 17.0-0 Bd7 18.e5 Qb4 19.Qe2 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Ra7 Rfd8 22.f5 Bxf5 23.Rxe7 Qxc4 24.Qxc4 bxc4 25.g4 Rd7 26.exd6 Rxe7 27.dxe7 Bxg4 28.Rxf7 Kg8 29.Rf4 Bd7 30.Bxc5 Rxb2 31.Rf8+ Kh7 32.Rd8 Bh3 33.e8Q Rg2+ 34.Kh1 h5 35.Qg8+ Kh6 36.Be3+ g5 37.Rd6+* 1-0 (37) VanuatuLover (2611)-macdoforever (2722) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Nf2 e6 11.f4 Neg4 12.Nxg4 Nxg4 13.Qxg4 exd5 14.Qf3 d4 15.Bd2 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Bxc3+ 17.Qxc3 Re8 18.Bd3 Bf5 19.0-0 Bxe4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.f5 g5 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.f6 Qe6 24.b3 Re8 25.Qg3 Re5 26.h4 Kh8 27.hxg5 Rxg5 28.Qxd6 Qe3+ 29.Rf2 Reg8 30.Kf1 Rh5 31.Kg1 Rxg2+ 32.Kxg2 Qh3+ 33.Kg1 Qh1# 0-1 (33) doreality1991 (2637)-onyetweve66 (2731) Blitz 2022]

8...a6

[8...b6 9.h4 Ba6 10.h5 Nxh5 11.Bh6 Ndf6 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Nce2 Kh8 14.g4 Ng7 15.Qh6 Bxc4 16.Nh3 Bxe2 17.Bxe2 Ng8 18.Qh4 h6 0-1 (18) mate-in-three (2610)-Biregina (2371) Rapid 2021]

9.Nh3

[9.a4 Qa5 10.Ra3 Ne5 11.f4 Ned7 12.Nf3 h6 13.Bh4 Re8 14.Bd3 Nh5 15.0-0 Qb4 16.Be1 Rb8 17.g3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.cxb5 c4 20.Bb1 Nc5 21.Qc2 Bh3 22.Rf2 Nd3 23.Re2 Bg4 24.Kg2 Qc5 25.Bf2 Nhxf4+ 26.gxf4 Nxf4+ 27.Kg3 Nxe2+ 28.Qxe2 Qc8 29.b6 h5 30.h4 Be5+ 31.Nxe5 Bxe2 32.Nxe2 dxe5 33.Rc3 Qg4+ 34.Kh2 Qxe2 0-1 (34) Konstrictor (2609)-DR_speedrun_2700 (2574) Blitz 2024]

9...Rb8 10.Nf2 Ne5 11.Be2 Bd7 12.a4 h5 13.0-0 Qa5 14.f4 Neg4 15.Nxg4 Nxg4 16.h3 Bd4+ 17.Kh1 f6 18.Bxg4 hxg4 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.f5 g5 21.Bxg5 fxg5 22.Qxg5+ Rg7 0-1 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Sim_taan_gaaran (2674) Blitz 2021

7...h6 This move wants to avoid the lines: 8.Bf4 This move is against e7-e6.

[8.Be3 e6 and Black has avoid the above mentioned continuations.]

8...Qa5

[8...e6?! 9.dxe6 Bxe6 10.Bxd6 and it is hard to show any real for the sacrificed material.]

[8...a6 - Illescas-Shirov, Dos Hermanas 1997 CBM 59]

[8...Nh5!? 9.Be3 f5 deserves serious attention.]

9.Qd2 Kh7 10.h4

[10.Bd3 Δ ♘ge2 is the solid development, but in many cases the d3 ♗ remains vulnerable, for example: Nbd7 11.Nge2 Nh5 12.Be3 Ne5=]

10...Nbd7

[10...Na6 11.g4]

11.g4 Ne5

[11...a6 12.Nh3 b5 is the Benko

Gambit type of solution.]
12.h5
[12.g5 allows Nh5]
12...g5 Black has to avoid the opening of the position. 13.Bxe5 dxe5 Now Black is hoping for an unpregnable blockading position.
14.Bd3
[14.Nge2 Bd7 15.Ng3 a6]
14...Ne8 Δ ♘d6 and White cannot open the », the ⊞ will be well-blockaded by the ♘ and the « can only be Black's territory.
[14...Bd7 15.Nge2 a6]
15.Nge2 Bd7
[On an immediate 15...Nd6 16.Nb5 may follow]
16.Nd1
[16.Ng3 Nd6]
16...Qxd2+
[16...Qc7 keeping the ♕ would complicate matters.]
17.Kxd2 Nd6 18.Ne3 e6 fighting against ♘f5.
[18...a6 19.Nf5!]
[18...Rfb8 19.Nf5 Bf8 20.Nxd6 exd6 21.Ng3=]
19.Nc3
[19.dxe6? fxe6!∓ and the doubled pawns control all the vital squares in the ⊞.]
19...a6 20.a4 White wants to avoid any opening of lines. 20...a5 and the same goes for Black as well...
[20...b6!?]
21.Nb5 Bxb5
[21...Nc8!? 22.Rad1 Nb6 23.b3 Kg8=]
22.cxb5 b6 23.Ke2 Rfe8 24.Rad1 White has his last chance to open up the d ⇔ and activate his light pieces from c4. 24...Bf8 25.Bc4 Kg7 26.Rd2 Kf6 27.Rhd1 Red8 28.Kd3 White cannot find the way strengthening his position. 28...Ke7 29.Kc3 Rab8 30.Ba2 Bg7 31.Kc2 Bf8 32.Rd3 Bg7 33.R3d2 Bf8 34.Bc4 Bg7 35.Bb3 Bf8 36.Ba2 ½-½ (36) Moiseenko,A (2663)-Van Wely,L (2648) Khanty Mansiysk 2005 CBM 111 [Hazai,Laszlo]

7...Qa5 8.Qd2 a6 9.Bh6 Bxh6 10.Qxh6 b5 11.Nge2 Nbd7 12.Ng3 Rb8 13.Qd2 bxc4 14.Bxc4 Ne5 15.Be2 Rb4 16.0-0 Bd7 17.Rfc1 Rfb8 18.Rc2 c4 19.Kh1 h5 20.Nf1 Qb6 21.Rb1 h4 22.h3 Nh5 23.f4 Nd3 24.Bxh5 gxh5 25.b3 Qd4 26.f5 cxb3 27.Rxb3 Rxb3 28.axb3 Rxb3 29.Qg5+ Qg7 30.Qxe7 Rxc3 31.f6 Qg6 32.Rxc3 Bb5 33.Kh2 Nf4 34.Ne3 Qg3+ 35.Kg1 Nxh3+ 36.Kh1 Qe1+ 37.Kh2 Qg3+ 38.Kh1 Nf2+ 39.Kg1 Kh7 40.Rc8 Nh3+ 41.Kh1 Nf2+ 42.Kg1 Nh3+ 43.Kh1 Qe1+ 44.Kh2 Qg1+ 0-1 (44) WhiteBishop4761 (2609)-wallywally (2594) Blitz 2023

[85] **8.Bd3** exd5 9.cxd5 Nbd7
[9...a6 10.Nge2 b5 11.a3 Nbd7 12.0-0 h6 13.Be3 Nh7 14.Qd2 h5 15.Rae1 Ne5 16.h3 h4 17.f4 Nxd3 18.Qxd3 f5 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxc5 e4 21.Qe3 Rf7 22.Nd4 Bd7 23.Ne6 Qc8 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Bd4+ Kg8 26.Rc1 Qd8 27.Rfd1 Nf6 28.Be5 Nh5 29.d6 Rc8 30.Nd5 Rxc1 31.Rxc1 Be6 32.Nc7 Bd7 33.Nxa6 g5 34.fxg5 f4 35.Qxe4 Qxg5 36.Bd4 f3 37.Rc2 Nf4 38.Qe5 Nxh3+ 39.Kh2 Qxe5+ 40.Bxe5 f2 41.Rxf2 Nxf2 42.Nc5 Ng4+ 0-1 (42) doreality (2657)-swimmerchess (2676) Blitz 2020]
10.Nh3 Ne5 11.Nf2 a6 12.a4 Qc7

13.0-0 Nfd7 14.a5 f5 15.Be2 f4 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 Ne5 18.Qc2 Bd7 19.Bh4 h6 20.Bf2 g5 21.Na4 Rae8 22.b4 c4 23.Nb6 Bb5 24.Rac1 g4 25.fxg4 f3 26.gxf3 Nxf3+ 27.Kg2 Nd4 28.Bxd4 Bxd4 29.e5 Qg7 30.e6 c3 31.Bxb5 Qxg4+ 32.Kh1 Rxf1+ 33.Rxf1 axb5 34.Qg2 Qxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Rf8 36.Rc1 Rf2+ 37.Kg3 c2 38.Nc8 Re2 39.Kg4 Bb2 40.Rf1 c1Q 41.Rxc1 Bxc1 42.Nxd6 Bg5 43.Kf5 Rd2 44.Nc8 Rxd5+ 45.Ke4 Rd1 46.Ke5 Re1+ 47.Kd6 Kf8 48.Kd7 Rd1+ 49.Kc7 Ke8 50.Kxb7 Be7 51.Nb6 Rd6 52.a6 Rxe6 53.a7 Rxb6+ 54.Kxb6 Bc5+ 55.bxc5 Ke7 56.a8Q Ke6 57.Qc6+ 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Cerdifixer (2593) Blitz 2022

8.dxe6 Bxe6 9.Nd5 Bxd5 10.cxd5 Re8 11.Bd3 Nxe4 12.Bxd8 Nc3+ 13.Kd2 Nxd1 14.Rxd1 Rxd8 15.Ne2 Nd7 16.b3 a6 17.Rhe1 Nf6 18.Ng3 Nxd5 19.Be4 Bc3+ 20.Kc2 Bxe1 0-1 (20) hirnloserverlierer (2622)-piotr35 (2721) Blitz 2020

[86] **8...exd5** 9.cxd5 Mikhalevski, V: 'transposes to Benoni.'

[9.Nxd5 Hazai,Laszlo: 'and' Be6 10.Ne2 Bxd5 11.cxd5 Nbd7 12.Nc3 a6 13.Rc1 Mikhalevski, V: 'was covered in Psakhis-Avrukh, Tel-Aviv 1999 Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'and'' *(*Mikhalevski, V: 'and' *13.Be2* Mikhalevski, V: 'in Mazock-Negulescu, Philadelphia 2001' *)*]

9...Re8

[9...Nbd7 10.Nge2

A) 10...h6 11.Bh4 a6 *(11...Nxe4 12.fxe4 Qxh4+ 13.Ng3 Be5 14.Qf2 f5 15.exf5 Bd4 16.Qd2 Rxf5 17.0-0-0 Rf2 18.Qe1 Nf6 19.Bd3 Rxg2 20.Bxg6 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 Qxg6+ 22.Ka1 Bg4 23.Rd2 Rxd2 24.Qxd2 Re8 25.Rf1 Bxc3 26.bxc3 h5 27.Qf4 Nxd5 28.Qc4 Qe6 29.h3 Bxh3 30.Rg1 Bg4 31.Nxh5 Ne3 32.Nf6+ Kf7 33.Nxe8 Qxc4 34.Nxd6+ Ke6 35.Nxc4 Nxc4 36.Rxg4 Kd5 37.Rg7 Kc6 38.Kb1 Nd6 39.Kc2 a6 40.Rg6 b5 41.Kb3 Kd7 42.a4 Kc6 43.axb5+ axb5 44.Rh6 Kd7 45.Kc2 Kc6 46.Kd3 Kd7 47.Ke3 Nf5+ 48.Ke4 Nxh6 49.Kd5 c4 50.Kc5 Nf5 51.Kxb5 Ne3 52.Kc5 Ke6 53.Kd4 Nd1 54.Kxc4 Nxc3 ½-½ (54)* Biriyani (2679)-Ocinitram (2586) Blitz 2021*)* 12.a4 Rb8 13.Nc1 Re8 14.Be2 Ne5 15.0-0 g5 16.Bg3 Bd7 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.b3 Bb5 20.Bf2 Ned7 21.Re1 Nh5 22.Rb1 Nf4 23.Bf1 Ne5 24.Be3 Nfg6 25.Nxb5 axb5 26.b4 Nc4 27.Bxc4 bxc4 28.Ne2 Ne5 29.Qc2 Qc7 30.bxc5 dxc5 31.Nc3 Nd3 32.Red1 Bd4 33.Bxd4 cxd4 34.Nb5 Qc5 35.Rxd3 Rxb5 36.Rxb5 Qxb5 37.Rxd4 Rc8 38.h4 c3 39.Kh2 Qb8+ 40.Kh3 Qf4 41.hxg5 hxg5 42.g3 Qxf3 43.Qc1 f6 44.d6 Kg7 45.Kh2 Rh8+ 46.Kg1 Rh1# 0-1 (46) Biriyani (2680)-BezMozga (2580) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...Ne5 11.Ng3 a6 12.a4 Bd7 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Qxb6 15.Be2 Rfb8 16.Nd1 Bb5 17.0-0 Nfd7 18.Rc1 h5 19.Be3 h4 20.Nh1 h3 21.g3 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 Qb5 23.Qc2 Nd3 24.Rb1 Nb4 25.Qd2 Ne5 26.Nc3 Qd7 27.f4 Nc4 28.Qe2 Nxe3 0-1 (28) miki_train (2692)-SharkieCroc (2640) Blitz 2022]

[9...h6 10.Bxh6 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qxh6 13.Qxh6 Bxh6 14.Nxd6]
[9...Na6 10.h4 h5 11.g4 hxg4 12.h5 gxh5 13.fxg4 Bxg4 14.Be2 Qd7 15.0-0-0 Rfe8 16.Bxg4 Qxg4 17.Rh4 Qd7 18.Nf3 b5 19.Rg1 Kf8 20.e5 dxe5 21.d6 Re6 22.Bxf6 Rxf6 23.Rxh5 Rxd6 24.Qg2 Rg6 25.Qf2 Bh6+ 26.Kb1 Rxg1+ 27.Qxg1 Qd3+ 28.Ka1 Qxf3 29.Rxh6 Ke7 30.Rxa6 1-0 (30) hirnloserverlierer (2634)-db1000c (2563) Blitz 2019]
[9...Qa5 10.Nb5 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 Na6 12.Ne2 Rd8 13.Nec3 h6 14.Bf4 Ne8 15.h4 Bf8 16.Bc4 Nac7 17.a4 a6 18.Na3 b6 19.Rab1 Bd7 20.b4 cxb4 21.Rxb4 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Naxb5 Nxb5 24.Bxb5 Ra2+ 25.Nxa2 Bxb5 1-0 (25) lestri (2628)-black_robber (2452) Blitz 2024]

10.Nge2

[10.Be2 b5 11.Bxb5 Bd7 12.Be2 Qb6 13.Rb1 Na6 14.Bxa6 Qxa6 15.Nge2 Rab8 16.0-0 Rb6 17.Rbc1 Reb8 18.Rc2 Bb5 19.Re1 Bxe2 20.Rxe2 Nd7 21.Bh6 Bd4+ 22.Be3 Ne5 23.Bxd4 Nc4 24.Qd1 cxd4 25.Qxd4 Nxb2 26.h4 Rb4 27.Qf6 h5 28.e5 Qb6+ 29.Kh2 dxe5 30.Qxb6 R4xb6 31.Ne4 Kg7 32.Rc7 a5 33.d6 Nd3 34.Rd2 Nf4 35.Ng5 Rb2 36.Rxf7+ Kg8 37.Rxb2 Rxb2 38.Re7 Rxg2+ 39.Kh1 Rd2 40.d7 Rd1+ 41.Kh2 Rd2+ 42.Kg1 Ne2+ 43.Kf1 Ng3+ 44.Ke1 Rd6 45.Re8+ Kg7 46.d8Q Rxd8 47.Rxd8 Nf5 48.Rd7+ Kf6 49.Rf7# 1-0 (49) WhiteBishop4761 (2632)-Nemec_Coaching (2609) Blitz 2023]
[10.Bb5 Nbd7 11.Nge2 a6 12.Bxd7 Bxd7 13.0-0 b5 14.a3 Qb6 15.Kh1 Rac8 16.Be3 Qb7 17.b4 cxb4 18.axb4 Rc4 19.Rab1 Rec8 20.Rfc1 Nh5 21.Nd1 Qc7 22.Rxc4 bxc4 23.Ndc3 Rb8 24.Bd4 Nf6 25.Ra1 Bb5 26.Nxb5 axb5 27.Nc3 Qd7 28.Ra7 Qe8 29.h3 Nh5 30.Bxg7 Nxg7 31.Qd4 Qd8 32.Kh2 Qh4 33.Nxb5 Nf5 34.Qc3 Qg3+ 35.Kh1 Nh4 36.Qb2 Nxf3 37.gxf3 Qxh3+ 38.Kg1 Qg3+ 39.Kh1 Qxf3+ 40.Kh2 Qf4+ 41.Kg1 Qe3+ 42.Kh2 Qxe4 43.Rxf7 Qh4+ 44.Kg2 Kxf7 45.Nxd6+ Kg8 46.Qe5 Qg4+ 47.Kh2 Rf8 48.Ne4 Qh4+ 49.Kg2 Qg4+ 50.Kh2 Qf4+ 51.Qxf4 Rxf4 52.Nc3 Rd4 53.b5 Rd3 54.b6 Rxc3 55.d6 Kf7 56.b7 Rb3 57.d7 Ke7 0-1 (57) AM0R_FATI (2629)-KNCP_719 (2679) Blitz 2024]
[10.a4 Na6 11.Bb5 *(11.Nge2 Nb4 12.Ng3 b6 13.Be2 Ba6 14.0-0 Bxe2 15.Ngxe2 a6 16.Na2 Nxa2 17.Rxa2 Qd7 18.Rfa1 Qc7 19.Nc3 Nd7 20.Bh6 Ne5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.b3 h6 23.Rc2 g5 24.Nd1 Qe7 25.Ne3 b5 26.Nf5+ Kf6 27.Nxe7 Kxe7 28.axb5 axb5 29.Rca2 Rac8 30.Ra7+ Kf6 31.R1a6 Red8 32.Qa5 Kg7 33.Ra8 Rxa8 34.Rxa8 Rxa8 35.Qxa8 f6 36.Qd8 Nf7 37.Qc7 h5 38.Qb7 b4 39.Qe7 h4 40.g3 Kg6 41.Kf2 Kg7 42.Ke3 Kg6 43.f4 gxf4+ 44.gxf4 Kg7 45.Kf3 h3 46.Kg4 Kg6 47.f5+ Kg7 48.Kxh3 c4 49.bxc4 b3 50.c5 b2 51.Qb7 dxc5 52.Qxb2 Ne5 53.Qc3 c4 54.Kg3 Kf7 55.Kf2 Ke7 56.Qxe5+ fxe5 57.Ke3 Kd6 58.Kd2 Kc5 59.Kc3* 1-0 (59) Clovis1088 (2614)-SamBankmanFried (2455) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Bd7 12.Nge2 Nc7 13.Bc4 h6 14.Bf4 Qe7 15.0-0 Kh7 16.g4 b6 17.h3 a6 18.Qd3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.Nxb5 Nxb5 22.Bxb5 Bxb5

23.Qxb5 Ra7 24.Nc3 Rb7 25.Qe2 Nd7 26.Kg2 Ne5 27.Rd1 Rb4 28.Rd2 Nc4 29.Rc2 Qb7 30.Nd1 Ne5 31.Bg3 Rb3 32.Ne3 Nd3 33.Nc4 Nxb2 34.Nxd6 Qb4 35.Be1 Qb8 36.Nxf7 Nd3 37.Bg3 Nf4+ 38.Bxf4 Qxf4 39.Nd8 Be5 40.Ne6 Qg3+ 41.Kf1 Rxf3+ 42.Qf2 Rxf2+ 43.Rxf2 Bd4 44.Rf7+ Kg8 45.Rf8+ Kh7 46.Rf7+ Kg8 47.Rf8+ Kh7 48.Nxd4 cxd4 49.Rf7+ Kg8 50.Re7 Qf3+ 51.Ke1 d3 52.Kd2 Qe2+ 53.Kc3 Qc2+ 54.Kd4 d2 55.Ke5 d1Q 56.Kf6 1-0 (56) Clovis1088 (2619)-ssj2gohan (2647) Blitz 2024]

10...Nbd7

[10...Na6 11.Ng3 *(11.Nc1 Nc7 12.a4 b6 13.Be2 Rb8 14.0-0 a6 15.Nd3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 c4 18.Nf2 Bd7 19.Ra5 Ra8 20.Rfa1 Qe7 21.Ra7 Rec8 22.Be3 Qd8 23.Bd4 Nce8 24.R1a5 Rxa7 25.Rxa7 Ra8 26.Qa2 Rxa7 27.Qxa7 Qc7 28.Qxc7 Nxc7 29.Kf1 Na6 30.Na2 Ng4 31.Bxg7 Ne3+ 32.Kg1 Kxg7 33.Nd1 Nc2* 0-1 (33) AM0R_FATI (2612)-suffermenow (2789) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nc7 12.Be2 Bd7 13.a4 a6 14.a5 Rb8 15.0-0 b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Ra2 Qb8 18.Rfa1 Qb7 19.Nf1 Rb8 20.Nd1 Bb5 21.Nfe3 Nd7 22.f4 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Rb4 24.Nc2 Rb3 25.Be7 Re8 26.Bxd6 Nxd5 27.Qxa6 Qxa6 28.Rxa6 Rxe4 29.Ra8+ Bf8 30.Rd8 N5b6 31.Ra7 Rd3 32.Bxf8 Rxd1+ 33.Kf2 Rxf4+ 34.Ke2 1-0 (34) VanuatuLover (2694)-FinisEffectum (2694) Blitz 2024]

[10...h6 11.Bxh6 Nxe4 12.Nxe4 Rxe4 13.Bxg7 Rxe2+ 14.Bxe2 Kxg7 15.h4 Nd7 16.h5 g5 17.h6+ Kh8 18.f4 gxf4 19.Qxf4 Ne5 20.0-0-0 Bd7 21.Rdf1 f5 22.h7 Qe7 23.Rh6 Re8 24.Bh5 Nd3+ 0-1 (24) lestri (2690)-LongJohnGold (2798) Blitz 2023]

11.Ng3 a6 12.Be2 b5 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Rac1 b4 15.Nd1 a5 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Ne3 Nb6 18.Kh1 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.f4 Raa8 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Qxe5 23.Rxc5 Nfd7 24.Rc2 Rac8 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.d6 Qe6 Schipkov, Boris: '∞' Schipkov,Boris: '/→Dreev, A (2711)-Khairullin,I (2642)/St Petersburg/2011/'

8...Qa5 9.Nb5 Qb6 10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.Qxd6 Nc6 12.Qc7 Nb4 13.Kf2 Qa6 14.Qxc5 Nc2 15.Rc1 Qa4 16.Nc3 Qa6 17.Rxc2 Rac8 18.Qe3 Rfd8 19.b3 Rd7 20.Nge2 h6 21.Bxh6 1-0 (21) lestri (2663)-VanTierry (2645) Blitz 2024

[87] **9.Bf4** exd5 10.cxd5 a6

[10...Re8 11.Bd3 h5 12.Nge2 h4 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Bg5 Bf6 15.Bh6 Nd7 16.a4 Kh7 17.Be3 Ne5 18.Bb5 Bd7 19.Nf4 Bxb5 20.Nxh5 gxh5 21.Nxb5 a6 22.Na3 Rg8 23.Kh1 Qd7 24.b4 cxb4 25.Qxb4 Nd3 26.Qd2 Bxa1 27.Rxa1 Ne5 28.Bd4 h3 29.Bxe5 hxg2+ 30.Kg1 dxe5 31.Nc4 Qc7 32.Ne3 Rac8 33.Nf5 Qc5+ 34.Qf2 Qxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Rc2+ 36.Kg1 h4 37.Nxh4 b5 38.axb5 axb5 39.Nf5 b4 40.Ng3 b3 41.Ra7 b2 42.Rxf7+ Rg7 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-Ichigo9885011027 (2619) Blitz 2021]

11.h4 h5 12.a4 Qe7 13.Be2 Re8 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Bf4 Bg7 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Be3 Nh7 18.Nh3 Bxh3 19.Rxh3 Nd7 20.Kf2 Bg7 21.Rhh1 Rac8 22.a5 c4 23.Ra4 Nc5 24.Rxc4 Nb3 25.Qd1 Nxa5 26.Rxc8 Rxc8 27.Qa4 Qd8

28.g3 b5 29.Qa3 Nc4 30.Bxc4 Rxc4 31.Qxa6 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Ra4 33.Qxb5 Ra2+ 34.Kg1 Qf6 35.Qb8+ Nf8 36.Bh6 Qxc3 37.Qxf8+ Kh7 38.Qxf7+ Kxh6 39.Qf8+ Kh7 40.Qe7+ Kg8 41.Qe8+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kh6 43.Qg5+ Kh7 44.Qe7+ Kh6 45.Qf8+ Kh7 46.Qe7+ ½-½ (46) PetersBot (2871)-Alexnajax_Fan (2761) Classical 2025

9.Bxh6 Nxe4 10.Nxe4 Qh4+ 11.g3 Qxh6 12.Qxh6 Bxh6 13.Nxd6 Na6 14.Nxc8 Raxc8 15.dxe6 Rfe8 16.f4 Rxe6+ 17.Kf2 Bg7 18.Nf3 Bxb2 19.Rb1 Bd4+ 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Rxb7 Nc5 22.Rxa7 Rb8 23.Rc7 Rb2+ 24.Kg1 Na4 25.Rd7 Rd2 26.h4 Re1 27.Rh2 Rxf1+ 28.Kxf1 Rxh2 29.Rxd4 Rxa2 30.Rd8+ Kg7 31.Ra8 Nc3 32.Rxa2 Nxa2 33.Ke2 f5 34.Kd3 Nb4+ 35.Kd4 Kh6 36.c5 Kh5 37.Kc4 Na6 38.c6 Kg4 39.Kb5 Nc7+ 40.Kc5 Kxg3 41.Kd6 Na6 0-1 (41) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Grischuk,A (2810) Beijing CHN 2014

[88] **9...Kh7** 10.Bd3 exd5 11.cxd5 a6 12.a4 Nbd7 13.Nh3 Ne5 14.Nf2 Bd7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.0-0 Rfb8 18.Rfb1 Ne8 19.b4 Qc7 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Rxb8 Rxb8 22.Bxa6 Ra8 23.Qc1 c4 24.f4 Nd3 25.Nxd3 cxd3 26.e5 Bxe5 27.fxe5 Qxe5 28.Bd2 Bf5 29.Bb5 Rxa1 30.Qxa1 Qd4+ 31.Kh1 Nd6 32.Qg1 Qb4 33.Bc6 Nc4 34.Qc1 Qc5 35.h3 g5 36.Na4 Qd4 37.Bc3 d2 38.Qd1 Qe3 39.Nb2 Be4 40.Kh2 Qf4+ 41.Kg1 Ne3 42.Qxd2 Qf1+ 43.Kh2 Qf4+ 44.Kg1 Qg3 45.Qf2 Qxf2+ 46.Kxf2 Nf5 47.Ke2 Ng3+ 48.Kd2 f5 49.Nc4 f4 50.Ke1 Nf5 51.Kf2 f3 52.d6 Nd4 53.d7 Ne6 54.Kg1 Nd8 55.gxf3 Bxf3 56.Bxf3 Kg8 57.Bg4 Kf8 58.Ne5 Ne6 59.Ng6+ 1-0 (59) jposthuma (2691)-dmitry-lavrik (2718) Blitz 2021

9...Nh7 10.h4 exd5 11.cxd5 h5 12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 Nd7 14.f4 b5 15.Bxb5 Rb8 16.Nge2 Ndf6 17.Bd3 Nxh5 18.0-0-0 Qa5 19.e5 Ba6 20.f5 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 c4 22.Qc2 Bxe5 23.fxg6 N7f6 24.Bh6 Rfe8 25.Rxh5 Nxh5 26.gxf7+ Kxf7 27.Qh7+ Ng7 28.Bxg7 Ke7 29.Bxe5+ Kd8 30.Bxd6 Qb6 31.Bxb8 Qxb8 32.d6 g3 33.Qh4+ Kc8 34.d7+ Kb7 35.dxe8Q Qxe8 1-0 (35) gmmds2694 (2680)-Russian_monster (2582) Blitz 2021

9...a6 10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.0-0-0 Nc6 12.Bxh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.h4 Nh5 15.Nh3 Qf6 16.Ng5 Rfb8 17.Qh7+ Kf8 18.Nxe6+ fxe6 19.Qh6+ Ke7 20.Qg5 Nd4 21.Ne2 Nxe2+ 22.Bxe2 Qxg5+ 23.hxg5 e5 24.Rd2 b4 25.f4 exf4 26.Bxh5 gxh5 27.Rd5 Rg8 28.Rxh5 Rg6 29.e5 dxe5 30.Rxe5+ Kd6 31.Rd5+ Kc6 32.Rf5 Re8 33.Rh6 Ree6 34.Rxg6 Rxg6 35.Kc2 Re6 36.Kd2 Re3 37.g4 Re4 38.g6 f3 39.g5 f2 40.g7 Re8 41.Rf6+ 1-0 (41) Beliavsky,A (2638)-Aloma Vidal,R (2393) Gibraltar ENG 2008

10.cxd5 Arsovic,Goran: '- 113/(25)' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'A transposition which is typical of modern chess has just taken place: from the King's Indian to the Benoni.'

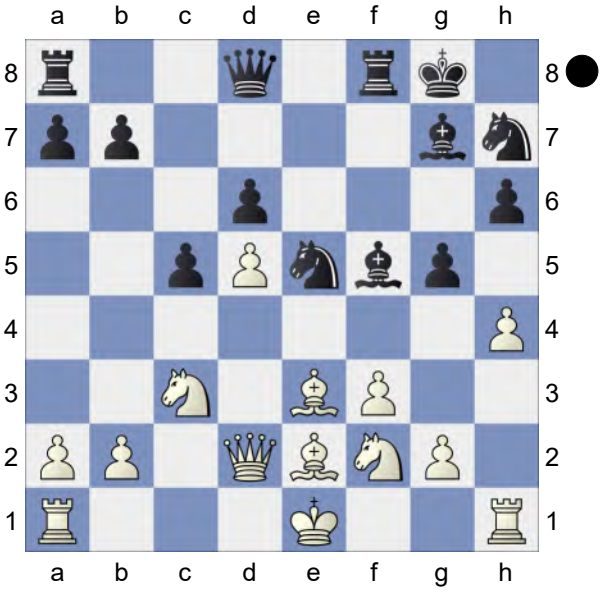
10...Re8

[10...Nbd7 11.Nh3 *(11.Bd3 Ne5 12.Nge2 a6 13.a4 Rb8 14.0-0 b5 15.axb5 c4 16.Bc2 axb5 17.Bxh6 b4 18.Nd1 c3 19.bxc3 bxc3 20.Nexc3 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Bd7 23.h3 Rfc8 24.f4 Nc4 25.f5 Nh5 26.fxg6 Ng3+ 27.Kh2 Nxf1+ 28.Kh1 Ng3+ 29.Kh2 Nf1+ 30.Kh1 Ng3+ 31.Kh2 Nf1+*

½-½ (31) iraero (2676)-juanchacon (2526) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nh7 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Nf2 h5 14.0-0 f5 15.Rae1 g5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Nfe4 Nf7 18.Bd3 Ne5 19.Be2 Nf7 20.Ng3 Bg6 21.Bd3 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mamedyarov,S (2731)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2716)/ Dresden olm/2008/' Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Ne5 23.Qc2 h4 24.Nh5 Qd7 25.f4 gxf4 26.Bxf4 Rae8 27.h3 Qf7 28.Bxe5 Qxh5 29.Bxd6 Bd4+ 30.Kh1 Rxe1 31.Rxe1 Rf2 32.Qe4 Ng5 33.Qe7 Qg6 34.Bxc5 Nf7 35.Qe4 Qxe4 36.Nxe4 Bxc5 37.Nxf2 Bxf2 38.Re8+ Kg7 39.Re7 Kf6 40.Rxb7 Nd6 ½-½ (40) Mamedyarov, S (2731)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2716) Dresden GER 2008]

[10...Nh7 Prusikin,Michael: '!?' Prusikin,Michael: 'Gleich 5 Züge sind laut Datenbank populärer, als dieser Rückzug. Die Idee besteht offenbar darin, schnelles f7-f5 anzustreben und - nicht weniger schnell - die Theoriewege zu verlassen.'

A) 11.Bd3 Prusikin,Michael: 'rein optisch gefällt mir dieser Zug nicht, üblicherweise wird in dieser Variante erst der Springer g1 entwickelt, und erst dann der Läufer , und zwar nach e2' Nd7 12.Nh3 Prusikin,Michael: 'N' *(12.f4* Prusikin,Michael: '1-0 (37) Priehoda, V (2415) -Muhutdinov,M (2420) Moscow 1990 1-0 (37) Priehoda,V (2415) -Muhutdinov,M (2420) Moscow 1990 Arsovic,Goran: '- 50/ (86)" *)* 12...Ne5 13.Nf2 f5 *(13...Nxd3+* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *14.Nxd3 Bd7 15.0-0 h5* Prusikin,Michael: ' ∞'*)* 14.Be2 *(14.Bxh6* Prusikin,Michael: '??' *Nxd3+ 15.Nxd3 Qh4+* Prusikin,Michael: '-+'*)* 14...g5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.h4 Prusikin, Michael: '!' Prusikin,Michael: 'Prinzipiell gespielt! Prinzipiell gespielt! Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram *(16.0-0)*

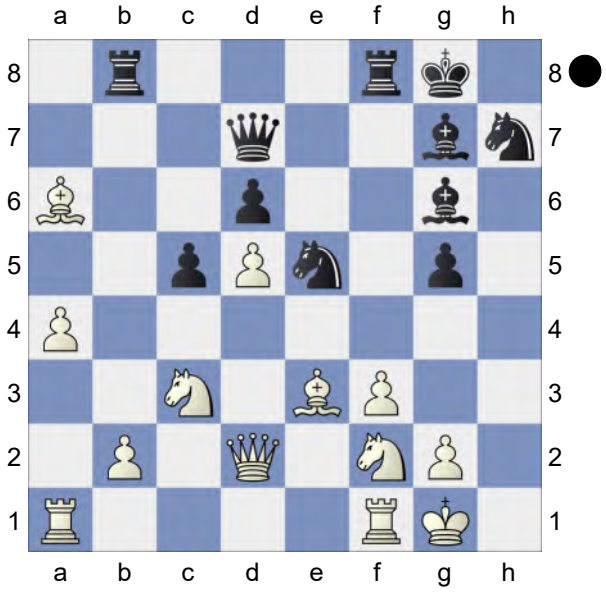


" 16...b5 Prusikin,Michael: '!!' Prusikin,Michael: 'Ein tolles intuitives und sehr "königsindisches" Opfer. Die kurze Rochade ist infolge des letzten weißen Zuges zumindest riskant, die lange nun aber auch nicht mehr sicher. Ein tolles intuitives und sehr "königsindisches" Opfer. Die kurze Rochade ist infolge des letzten weißen Zuges zumindest riskant, die lange nun aber auch nicht mehr sicher. Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'' *(16...Qe7* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *17.hxg5 hxg5 18.Nfe4* Prusikin,Michael: '↑' *)* 17.hxg5 hxg5 18.Nxb5 *(18.Bxb5* Arsovic,Goran *Rb8)* 18...Rb8

A1) 19.Nxa7 Prusikin,Michael: '??' Rxb2 20.Qxb2 Nxf3+ Prusikin,Michael: '-+';

A2) 19.0-0 Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' Qd7 20.a4 *(20.Nc3 g4 21.fxg4 Bxg4* Prusikin,Michael: ' ⩲*')* 20...a6 21.Nc3 Bg6

A2a) 22.Bxa6 Prusikin, Michael: 'Diagram



' Nxf3+ Prusikin,Michael: '!' 23.gxf3 Rxf3

A2a1) 24.Kg2 Prusikin, Michael: '?' Bxc3 25.Qxc3 *(25.bxc3 Be4 26.Kh2 Nf6 27.Bxg5 Rb2* Prusikin, Michael: '!' *28.Qxb2 Qh7+ 29.Kg2 Rxc3+ 30.Nxe4 Qxe4+* Prusikin,Michael: '-+' *)* 25...Be4 Prusikin, Michael: '-+!';

A2a2) 24.Bb5 Qe7 *(24...Qf5* Prusikin,Michael: '!?' *)* 25.Kg2 *(25.Nfd1 Rg3+ 26.Kf2 Rh3 27.Ne2 Nf6* Prusikin,Michael: '↑' *)* 25...Rxe3 26.Rae1 Prusikin,Michael: '∞';

A2b) 22.Rae1 Rb4 23.Bxg5 Nxg5 24.Qxg5 Bf6 25.Qe3 Qh7 Prusikin,Michael: '⩲';

A3) 19.Nc3 Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 18.Nb5'' 19...Qe8 Prusikin,Michael: '!' 20.Rc1

A3a) 20...Rb4 Prusikin, Michael: '!?' 21.a3

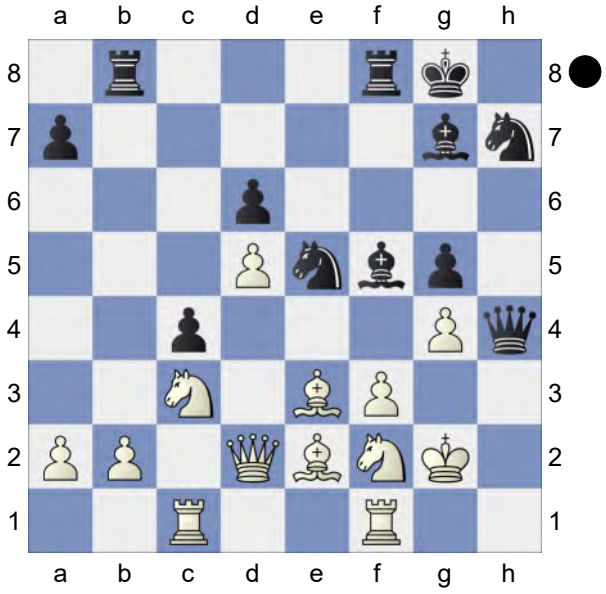
A3a1) 21...Nc4 Prusikin, Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.Kf1 *(23.Nce4 Rxc1+ 24.Qxc1 Qg6* Prusikin,Michael: ' ⩲*')* 23...g4 Prusikin,Michael: '⩲';

A3a2) 21...Rh4 22.Rxh4 gxh4 Prusikin,Michael: '⩲';

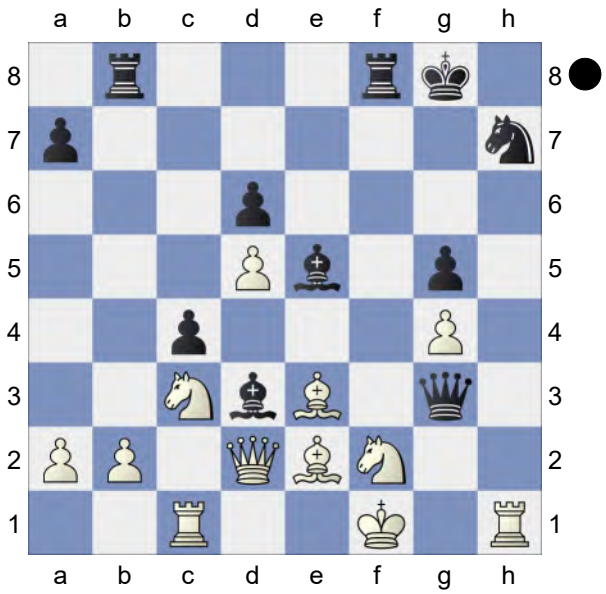
A3b) 20...Nf6 Prusikin, Michael: '!?' 21.Bxg5 Nh5 Prusikin,Michael: '∞';

A3c) 20...c4 Prusikin,Michael: '!?' Prusikin,Michael: 'Beugt eventuellen Betrugsvorwürfen vor. Nein, Spaß bei Seite, dieser Zug gefällt der Blechbüchse nicht, aber er erhält die Spannung aufrecht. Die Aufgaben, die der Anziehende zu lösen hat, bleiben schwierig. "Wohin mit dem König", z.B.' 21.0-0 Prusikin,Michael: '?!' Prusikin, Michael: 'Gibt eine eindeutige Antwort, aber das ist wohl die falsche.' *(21.Kf1* Prusikin, Michael: '!?'*; 21.Bxa7* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic, Goran' *Rb7 22.Be3 Qg6* Prusikin,Michael: ' ⩲*')* 21...Qh5 Prusikin,Michael: '!' 22.g4 Prusikin,Michael: '?' Prusikin, Michael: 'Wieder prinzipiell, aber für den weißen Monachen zu viel des Guten. Dieser erste richtige Fehler

von Weiß ist bereits der entscheidende. Wieder prinzipiell, aber für den weißen Monachen zu viel des Guten. Dieser erste richtige Fehler von Weiß ist bereits der entscheidende. Arsovic,Goran: '?!' '?!'' *(22.Bxa7 Rb7 23.Bd4 Bd3* Prusikin,Michael: '∞'*; 22.b3* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *cxb3 23.axb3 g4 24.Nxg4 Bxg4 25.fxg4 Nxg4 26.Rxf8+ Nxf8 27.Bf4 Qh4 28.Rf1 Ng6* Prusikin,Michael: '∞'*; 22.Nfe4* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Qg6 23.Ng3 Bd3* Prusikin,Michael: ' ⩲'*)* 22...Qh4 23.Kg2 Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram *(23.gxf5 Qg3+ 24.Kh1 Rf6* Prusikin,Michael: '-+'*; 23.Nfe4* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Bxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxb2* Prusikin,Michael: '!' *25.Qxb2 Nxf3+* Prusikin,Michael: '-+' *)*



" 23...Nxf3 Prusikin,Michael: '!' Prusikin,Michael: 'Räumung. Der Läufer braucht das feld e5!' *(23...Nxg4 24.Nxg4 Bxg4 25.Rh1* Prusikin,Michael: '+-'*)* 24.Bxf3 *(24.gxf5* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Qh2+ 25.Kxf3 Rxf5+* Prusikin,Michael: '+-'*)* 24...Be5 Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran: '-+!' '-+!'' 25.Rh1 *(25.Rg1* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran' *Bg6 26.Be4 Qh2+ 27.Kf1 Bxc3* Prusikin,Michael: '!' *28.Rxc3 Bxe4 29.Bd4 Rbe8* Prusikin,Michael: '-+'*)* 25...Qg3+ 26.Kf1 Bd3+ Prusikin,Michael: '!' 27.Be2 Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



" Rxb2 Prusikin,Michael: '!!' Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!'' 28.Qxb2 Qxe3 29.Bxd3 cxd3 Prusikin,Michael: '-+' Prusikin,Michael: 'Der Rauch hat sich verzogen. Weiß hat einen Turm mehr, ist am Zug - und völlig hilflos!' 30.Rc2 *(30.Re1 Qf3*

Prusikin,Michael: '-+' *31.Rh6* Prusikin,Michael: 'Arsovic, Goran' *Bd4* Prusikin,Michael: '-+' *)* 30...dxc2 31.Qxc2 Rxf2+ 32.Qxf2 Qxc3 33.Kg2 Qc4 0-1 (33) Oskooei,M (2682)-Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2772) European Club Cup, Porto Carras 2017 Juniors [Borg, Geoffrey D] Prusikin,Michael: 'Eine der schönsten Angriffspartien des Jahres soweit!';

B) 11.Bxh6 Prusikin,Michael: '??' Qh4+;

C) 11.Nge2 Prusikin,Michael: '!?' f5 12.Nf4 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Bf5 14.Bc4 Nd7 15.Ne6 Qb6 16.Nxg7 Kxg7 17.Bxh6+ Kg8 18.Bxf8 Bxe4 19.Bh6 Bf5 20.0-0 Qb4 21.Qxb4 cxb4 22.Bf4 Nb6 23.Bb3 Rd8 24.Rac1 Nf6 25.Rfd1 Rd7 26.g4 Bxg4 27.fxg4 Nxg4 28.h3 Nf6 29.Be3 Nh5 30.Bxb6 axb6 31.Rc4 g5 32.Rxb4 Nf4 33.h4 Kg7 34.hxg5 Nh3+ 35.Kg2 Nxg5 36.Rg4 Kh6 37.Rh1+ Kg6 38.Bc2+ Kf6 39.Rf1+ Ke5 40.Rxg5+ Kd4 41.Rf4+ Ke3 42.Rc4 Kd2 43.Bg6 b5 44.Rc2+ Ke3 45.Rg3+ Kd4 46.Rd2+ Ke5 47.Re3+ Kf4 48.Rf3+ Kg5 49.Bd3 Rc7 50.Bxb5 Rc5 51.Bd7 b5 52.Kh2 Kh4 53.Rg2 Rc4 54.Rh3# 1-0 (54) Itinerant69 (2603)-GolfeDuMorbihan (2567) Blitz 2023;

D) 11.g4 Nd7 12.Be2 Ne5 13.0-0-0 b5 14.Bxh6 b4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nb1 Qa5 17.h4 Qxa2 18.h5 g5 19.h6+ Kh8 20.Nh3 f6 21.f4 Nc4 22.Qc2 Ne3 23.Qd3 Nxd1 24.Rxd1 c4 25.Qd2 c3 26.bxc3 b3 27.f5 Rb8 28.Qb2 Qa4 29.Nd2 Qe8 30.Nf2 a5 31.Nd3 Ba6 32.c4 a4 33.Qc3 Rf7 34.Nb4 Bb7 35.Bd3 Rc7 36.Nf3 Bc8 37.Nd4 Qe5 38.Kd2 Rxb4 39.Nc6 Qf4+ 40.Ke2 Qxg4+ 41.Kd2 Qf4+ 42.Ke2 Rb6 43.Rf1 Qg4+ 44.Kd2 Rbxc6 45.dxc6 Rxc6 46.Be2 Qh4 47.Qa5 Qxh6 48.Qd8+ Qf8 49.Qa5 Kg7 50.Qd5 Qe7 51.Qd3 Rc5 52.Rh1 Qe5 53.Qh3 Bxf5 54.Ke1 Bxh3 0-1 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-mindSet2020 (2856) Blitz 2021]

[Mikhalevski,Victor: 'GM Bologan in his 2009 book recommends for Black' 10...h5 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Mikhalevski,V' 11.Nge2 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'and now the rare' Re8 *(11...Nh7* as in Sadler-Fedorowicz, London 1988.*)* 12.Nf4 *(12.Nc1 Nbd7 13.Be2 Ne5 14.h3 Nh7 15.0-0 f5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.g4 hxg4 18.hxg4 Bd7 19.Kg2 Qe7 20.Bf4 g5 21.Bg3 Nf8 22.Ne4 Nf7 23.Nd3 Ng6 24.Rac1 b5 25.b3 Rac8 26.Rfe1 c4 27.bxc4 bxc4 28.Ndf2 Be5 29.Nh3 Bxg3 30.Kxg3 Qe5+ 31.Kg2 Bxg4 32.Nhxg5 Nh4+ 33.Kg1 c3 34.Rxc3 Rxc3 35.Nxf7 Kxf7 36.Qxc3 Qxc3 37.Nxc3 Nxf3+ 38.Bxf3 Rxe1+ 39.Kf2 Rc1 40.Ne2 Rc4 41.Bxg4 Rxg4 42.Ke3 Ra4 43.Nd4 Rxa2 44.Nb5 Ke7 45.Nd4 a5 46.Nc6+ Kd7 47.Kd4 a4 48.Kc4 Rb2 49.Kc3 a3 50.Nd4 Rb1 51.Nc2 a2 52.Kd2 a1Q 53.Nxa1 Rxa1 54.Kd3 Ra5 55.Kc4 Rxd5 56.Kxd5 Kc7 57.Kd4* ½-½ (57) Iestri (2637)-Mapwright (2781) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Na6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.a4 Nc7 16.0-0 b5 17.axb5 Nxb5 18.Nxb5

Qxb5 19.Ra5 Qb3 20.Ra3 Qb5 21.Rfa1 Rab8 22.Rxa7 Qxb2 23.Qxb2 Rxb2 24.h4 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Rxe4 26.R7a3 c4 27.Re1 c3 28.Kf1 c2 29.Ra8+ Kh7 30.Rc8 Rb1 31.Rxc2 Rxe1+ 32.Kxe1 Rxe3+ 33.Kf2 Re4 34.g3 Be5 35.Ne2 Rb4 36.Rc7 Kg7 37.Ra7 Rb2 38.Ra5 Rb3 39.Nf4 Rb4 40.Ng2 Rb2+ 41.Kf3 Rb3+ 42.Kf2 Rxg3 43.Ne3 Rh3 44.Nc4 Bd4+ 45.Ke2 Bc5 46.Ra6 Rxh4 47.Nxd6 Rd4 48.Ne8+ Kf8 49.Nc7 Ke7 50.Rc6 Bd6 51.Ke3 Rg4 52.Nb5 Rg3+ 53.Ke4 Bb8 54.d6+ Kd7 55.Rb6 Rg4+ 56.Kd5 Bxd6 57.Rxd6+ Ke7 58.Rc6 Rg5+ 59.Kc4 Rxb5 60.Rc7+ Kd6 61.Kxb5 Kxc7 0-1 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-dieselbot (2670) Blitz 2021]

[10...Kh7 11.Nge2 Nbd7 *(11...Qa5 12.Ng3 a6 13.a4 b5 14.Be2 Nbd7 15.0-0 b4 16.Nd1 Qc7 17.a5 Re8 18.Nf2 Ne5 19.Rfc1 g5 20.h3 Qe7 21.Ng4 Ng6 22.Nxf6+ Qxf6 23.Rab1 Nf4 24.Bxf4 Qxf4 25.Qxf4 gxf4 26.Nh1 Bd4+ 27.Kf1 Rg8 28.Bd3 Bd7 29.Rc2 Bb5 30.Rd1 Rac8 31.b3 Bxd3+ 32.Rxd3 f5 33.Nf2 Bxf2 34.Kxf2 fxe4 35.fxe4 Rce8 36.Re2 Kg6 37.Rf3 Kg5 38.g3 fxg3+ 39.Rxg3+ Kf4 40.Rxg8 Rxg8 41.e5 dxe5 42.d6 Rd8 43.Rd2 e4 44.Rd5 e3+ 45.Ke2 Ke4 46.Rxc5 Rxd6 47.Rc4+ Rd4 48.Rc6 Rd2+ 49.Ke1 Kd3 50.Rxa6 Rb2 51.Rd6+ Kc2 52.Ke2 Rxb3 53.Rc6+ Kb2 54.a6 Ra3 55.Rxh6 Ka2 56.Rb6 b3 57.Kd3 e2 58.Kxe2 b2 59.h4 b1Q 60.Rxb1 Kxb1 61.Kf2 Rxa6 62.Kg3 Kc2 63.Kg4 Kd3 64.Kg5 Ke4 65.h5 Ke5 66.h6 Ra1 67.Kg6 Rg1+ 68.Kf7 Rh1 69.Kg7 Kf5 70.h7 Rg1+ 71.Kf8 Kg6 72.h8Q Ra1 73.Qxa1* 1-0 (73) mate-in-three (2636)-alexandr_gorokhov (2586) Blitz 2021*; 11...Re8 12.Nf4 Nbd7 13.Be2 Ne5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.b3 a6 16.a4 Rc8 17.a5 g5 18.Nd3 Nh5 19.Ra2 Qf6 20.Nxe5 Qxe5 21.Na4 Bxa4 22.Rxa4 Nf4 23.Bd1 f5 24.Bc2 Kg8 25.g3 Nxd5 26.Bxg5 hxg5 27.exd5 f4 28.Re4 Qc3 29.Qxc3 Bxc3 30.gxf4 gxf4 31.Rxf4 Rc7 32.Rg4+ Rg7 33.Rxg7+ Kxg7 34.Be4 Bxa5 35.Kf2 Kf6 36.h4 Rh8 37.Rh1 Bc3 38.h5 Kg5 39.Bg6 b5 40.Kg3 c4 41.bxc4 b4 42.f4+ Kf6 43.Kg4 b3 44.Rh3 Bd4 45.Rxb3* 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2618)-DenQ (2691) Blitz 2021*) 12.Ng3 Ne5 13.h3 h5 14.f4 Ned7 15.Bd3 h4 16.Nge2 Nh5 17.0-0 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bf2 Nb8 20.Kh1 Na6 21.Ng1 Bd4 22.Nf3 Bxf2 23.Qxf2 Nxf4 24.Rad1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Nb4 26.Re3 f4 27.Re4 b5 28.Qd2 Qf6 29.a3 a5 30.axb4 axb4 31.Ne2 Qh6 32.Qe1 Kg8 33.Nxh4 Qh7 34.Nxf4 Qh6 35.Nfg6 Bxh3 36.gxh3 Rxf1+ 37.Qxf1 Qg5 38.Ne7+ Kh8 39.Kh2 Qg7 40.Nhg6+ Qxg6 41.Nxg6+ Kg7 42.Ne7 Rh8 43.Rg4+ Kh7 44.Qd3+ Kh6 45.Qg6# 1-0 (45) RealChessMachine (2669)-AM1K (2431) Rapid 2021]

11.Nge2

[11.Bxh6 Mikhalevski,Victor: '(Mikhalevski,V) allows the usual trick' Nxe4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!' 12.Nxe4 Qh4+ 13.Kd1 Bxh6 14.g3 Qxe4 15.fxe4 Bxd2 16.Kxd2 Rxe4 17.Bg2 Re8 18.Ne2 Bg4 19.Nf4 Nd7 20.Rhe1 Ne5 21.b3 b5 22.Nd3 Nxd3 23.Kxd3 Bf5+ 24.Kc3 a5 25.a4 b4+ 26.Kd2 c4 27.bxc4 b3 28.Kc3 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Rb8 30.Kb2

Bd3 31.Bf1 Bc2 32.Re3 Rb4 33.Bd3 Rxa4 34.Bxc2 bxc2 35.Rc3 Kg7 36.Rxc2 Kf6 37.Kb3 Rb4+ 38.Kc3 Rb6 39.Rf2+ Ke5 40.Rxf7 Ra6 41.Re7+ Kf5 42.Re6 a4 43.c5 a3 44.Rxd6 Ra5 45.Kb4 a2 46.Kxa5 a1Q+ 47.Kb6 Qa8 48.c6 Ke5 49.Rd7 Qb8+ 50.Kc5 Qf8+ 51.Kb6 Qb8+ 52.Kc5 Qc8 53.Kb6 g5 54.Kc5 g4 55.Kb6 Qb8+ 56.Kc5 Qc8 57.Kb6 Qb8+ 58.Kc5 Qc8 ½-½ (58) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-ryansamurai (2635) Blitz 2021]

[11.Be2

A) 11...h5 12.a4 *(12.Bb5 Bd7 13.a4 a6 14.Bxd7 Nbxd7 15.Nge2 Ne5 16.Qc2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Rxa8 Qxa8 19.Nxb5 Qa5+ 20.Nbc3 Nc4 21.Bc1 Rb8 22.0-0 Nd7 23.b3 Nce5 24.Bd2 c4 25.bxc4 Nxc4 26.Rb1 Qa7+ 27.Kf1 Rc8 28.Nb5 Qc5 29.Qd3 Nde5 30.Qc3 Rb8 31.Na3 Ra8 32.Nxc4 Nxc4 33.Qb4 Ra2 34.Bf4 Ne3+ 35.Bxe3 Qxe3 36.Qe1 Qd3 37.Rd1 Qa6 38.Rd2 Ra1 39.Rd1 Ra2 40.h4 Bd4 41.Rxd4* 1-0 (41) klari64 (2671)-Stas-2444 (2605) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nh7 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '?' 13.Bb5 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '!?' Rf8N GM Ioannis Papaioannou: '?!' *(*Vorgänger: *13...Nd7 14.Nh3 a6 15.Be2 Ne5 16.Nf2 f5 17.0-0 Nf6 18.Kh1 fxe4 19.Nfxe4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Nf7 21.Bd3 Rb8 22.Rae1 Bf5 23.b4 Rc8 24.bxc5 dxc5 25.Qa2* ½-½ (45) Thorsteinsson,T (2469)-Tesic,Z (2416) ICCF email 2017*)* 14.Nge2 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: ' ±' Qh4+ 15.Bf2 Qe7 16.0-0 Nd7 17.f4 Ndf6 18.e5 Ng4 19.exd6 Qxd6 20.Ne4 Qe7 21.Bxc5 Qxe4 22.Ng3 Bd4+ 23.Qxd4 Qxd4+ 24.Bxd4 Rd8 25.f5 h4 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Ne4 Be6 28.dxe6 Rxd4 29.Rf4 1-0 (29) Navara,D (2676)-Wagner,D (2570) Mayrhofen 2022;

B) 11...Nh7 12.h4 h5 13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 g5 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.fxg4 Ne5 17.Nh3 Bxg4 18.h6 Bf6 19.Rdf1 Bxh3 20.Rxh3 a6 21.Rh2 g4 22.Rhf2 Bg5 23.Bxg4 Kh8 24.Bh5 Bxe3 25.Qxe3 Qg5 26.Qxg5 Nxg5 27.Rf5 Rg8 28.a4 b5 29.Rg1 f6 30.Rxf6 b4 31.Rf5 bxc3 32.Rfxg5 Rxg5 33.Rxg5 Nd3+ 34.Kc2 cxb2 35.Rg1 Rb8 36.Rb1 Ne5 37.Be2 Rb4 38.a5 Rxe4 39.Bxa6 Ra4 40.Rxb2 Rxa5 41.Rb6 Nf7 42.Bc8 Nxh6 43.Be6 Kg7 44.Rxd6 Ra7 45.Rc6 Nf7 46.d6 Kf6 47.Bxf7 ½-½ (47) Anton Guijarro,D (2642)-Sychev,K (2545) Moscow RUS 2019;

C) 11...a6 12.Bxh6 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxh6 15.Nf6+ Kf8 16.Qxh6 Bxh6 17.Nxe8 Kxe8 18.f4 Bg7 19.0-0-0 b5 20.Nf3 Nd7 21.Ng5 Nb6 22.h4 Na4 23.b3 Nc3 24.Rd2 a5 25.Rc2 a4 26.bxa4 b4 27.h5 gxh5 28.Bxh5 Rxa4 29.Nxf7 Nxa2+ 30.Kd2 b3 31.Nxd6+ Kd7 32.Rc4 Rxc4 33.Nxc4 Ba6 34.Bg4+ Ke8 35.Be2 Nc3 36.Nd6+ Kd7 37.Bxa6 Kxd6 38.Bc4 b2 39.Kc2 b1Q+ 40.Rxb1 Nxb1 41.Kxb1 Bd4 42.Kc2 Bf2 43.g4 Be3 44.f5 Bg5 45.Kd3 Bf6 46.Ke4 Bg5 47.Bd3 Bc1 48.Bc4 Bg5 49.Bb3 Bc1 50.f6 Bg5 51.Kf5 1-0 (51) Aczgego (2616)-Amofet (2556) Blitz 2025;

D) 11...Kh7 12.Rc1 Qe7 13.b3 Na6 14.Bxa6 bxa6 15.Nge2 Nd7 16.0-0 Nb6 17.Ng3 a5 18.Bf2 Bd7 19.Nce2 h5 20.Qxa5 h4 21.Nh1 Qg5 22.Be1 h3 23.Nhg3 Bd4+ 24.Bf2 hxg2 25.Kxg2 Bxf2 26.Rxf2 f5 27.h4 Qh6 28.Rh1 f4 29.Nf1 Re5 30.Kg1 Rh5 31.Rfh2 Kg8 32.Kf2 Kh7 33.Ke1 Re5 34.Nd2 Qg7 35.Rg1 Rae8 36.Rg5 Nxd5 37.Rxe5 Ne3 38.Rxe8 Qa1+ 39.Kf2 Nd1+ 40.Kg2 Ne3+ 41.Kf2 Nd1+ 42.Kg2 Ne3+ 43.Kf2 ½-½ (43) Anton Guijarro,D (2697)-Ragger,M (2670) Prague CZE 2020]

[11.Bb5 Nbd7 12.Nh3 a6 13.Be2 b5 14.Nf2 h5 15.a4 b4 16.Ncd1 a5 17.Rc1 Nb6 18.b3 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.0-0 Nfd7 21.Nb2 Bc3 22.Rxc3 bxc3 23.Qxc3 Qf6 24.Qd2 Raa8 25.Rc1 Rec8 26.h3 Rab8 27.Nfd3 Ne5 28.Nf2 Ned7 29.Nfd1 c4 30.bxc4 Nc5 31.Bd4 Qe7 32.Qh6 f6 33.Qxg6+ Qg7 34.Qf5 Nbd7 35.Rc2 Qg5 36.Ne3 Rb3 37.Qxg5+ fxg5 38.Nf5 Rcb8 39.Nd1 Rd3 40.Nde3 Rb1+ 41.Kh2 h4 42.g3 Nb3 43.Bb2 Rd2+ 44.Rxd2 Nxd2 45.Bc3 Nxf3+ 46.Kg2 Nde5 47.gxh4 Nxh4+ 48.Nxh4 gxh4 49.Bxe5 dxe5 50.d6 Kf7 51.c5 1-0 (51) jelmatos (2681)-Mapwright (2706) Blitz 2020]

[11.0-0-0 Kh7 12.h4 a6 13.h5 g5 14.Bd3 Kh8 15.f4 Ng4 16.Nf3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 gxf4 18.Qxf4 b5 19.Qxf7 b4 20.Ne2 Rf8 21.Qg6 Qf6 22.Qxf6 Bxf6 23.Kc2 Nd7 24.Nf4 Re8 25.Ng6+ Kg7 26.Rdf1 Nf8 27.Nxf8 Rxf8 28.Nh4 Bd7 29.Nf5+ Bxf5 30.Rxf5 a5 31.Rhf1 Be5 32.Rxf8 Rxf8 33.Rxf8 Kxf8 34.Be2 Ke7 35.b3 Kf6 36.Kd3 Kg5 37.Kc4 Kf4 38.Bf3 Ke3 39.Kb5 Kd2 40.Kxa5 Kc2 41.Kb5 Kb2 42.Be2 Kxa2 43.Bc4 Kb2 44.Kc6 Kc3 45.Kd7 Kd4 46.Ke6 Kxe4 47.Be2 Kf4 48.g4 Ke3 49.Bf1 Kf3 50.Kf5 Kf2 51.Bc4 Kg3 52.g5 Kh4 53.gxh6 Kxh5 54.h7 Kh6 55.h8Q+ Bxh8 56.Ke6 Be5 57.Kd7 Kg5 58.Kc6 Kf4 59.Kd7 Ke3 60.Kc6 Kd4 61.Kd7 Kc3 62.Kc6 Kb2 63.Kd7 Kc1 64.Kc6 Kd2 65.Kd7 Ke3 66.Kc6 Kf3 67.Kd7 Kg4 68.Kc6 Kf5 69.Kd7 Kf6 70.Kc6 Ke7 71.Kc7 Bf4 72.Kc6 Kd8 73.Kb6 Kd7 74.Kb7 Bg5 75.Kb6 Bd8+ 76.Kb7 Bc7 77.Ka6 Kc8 78.Kb5 Kb7 79.Ka4 Kb6 80.Bb5 Bd8 81.Bc4 Bf6 82.Bb5 Bd4 83.Bc4 Kc7 84.Bb5 Kd8 85.Bc4 Ke7 86.Bb5 Kf6 87.Bc4 Ke5 88.Kb5 Be3 89.Kc6 Bf4 90.Kd7 Bh2 91.Kc6 Kd4 92.Kd7 Ke3 93.Kc6 Kf3 94.Kd7 Kg4 95.Kc6 Kf5 96.Kd7 Kf6 97.Kc6 Ke7 98.Kc7 Ke8 99.Kc8 Be5 100.Kc7 Ke7 101.Kc6 Kd8 102.Kb6 Bf4 103.Kc6 Kc8 104.Kb6 Kd7 105.Kb7 Bg5 ½-½ (105) OnkelKonkel (2645)-ZoubkovaVila (2660) Blitz 2022]

[11.Bd3 Nbd7 12.Nge2 Ne5 13.0-0 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Bd7 15.Qd2 h5 16.a4 Nh7 17.f4 f5 18.e5 dxe5 19.Bxc5 e4 20.Bd4 Nf6 21.Rad1 a6 22.d6 b5 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qxd5 Be6 26.Qe5+ Qf6 27.Nd4 Bc4 28.Qxf6+ Kxf6 29.Rfe1 Rec8 30.d7 Rc5 31.Nxf5 gxf5 32.d8Q+ Rxd8 33.Rxd8 bxa4 34.Rd6+ Ke7 35.Rh6 Rb5 36.Rxh5 Bd3 37.Ra1 e3 38.Rxa4 Rxb2 39.Ra1 Be4 40.Rh3 Rxg2+ 41.Kf1 e2+ 42.Ke1 Rg1+ 43.Kxe2 Rxa1 44.Rh7+ Ke6 45.h4 Kd5 46.h5 Kd4 47.Rd7+ Bd5 48.h6 Ra2+ 49.Kd1

Rh2 50.h7 a5 51.Ra7 Kd3 52.Kc1 Kc3 53.Kd1 a4 54.Ke1 Kb3 55.Kf1 a3 56.Kg1 Rh1+ 57.Kf2 a2 58.Ke3 Rxh7 59.Rxh7 a1Q 60.Re7 Qc3+ 61.Kf2 Qf3+ 62.Ke1 Kc2 63.Re2+ Kc3 64.Rf2 Qe3+ 65.Kf1 Qg3 66.Rc2+ 1-0 (66) hirnloserverlierer (2609)-MTM2700 (2729) Blitz 2019]

[11.a4 Na6 12.Nge2 h5 13.Nc1 Nb4 14.Be2 a6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.N1a2 Nxa2 17.Rxa2 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Rxa8 Qxa8 20.Nxb5 Nxd5 21.Bh6 Bxb5 22.Bxb5 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Nb4 24.Bxe8 Qxe8 25.Qf4 d5 26.exd5 Nxd5 27.Qd2 Nb4 28.Re1 Qc8 29.h3 Nc6 30.Rc1 Qf5 31.Qc2 Qf4 32.Qxc5 Nd4 33.Re1 Qd2 34.Qc8+ Kg7 35.Qc3 Qf4 36.Re4 Qxe4 37.fxe4 1-0 (37) Clovis1088 (2608)-BulgarianBulldozer (2556) Blitz 2024]

11...Nbd7 Chess Evolution: 'Lc2 ist nicht zu verhindern.'

[11...a6 12.Bxh6 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxh6 15.Qxh6 Bxh6 16.Nxd6 Rd8 17.Nxc8 Rxc8 18.f4 Bg7 19.0-0-0 b5 20.d6 Rd8 21.Bg2 Ra7 22.Nc3 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rad7 24.Rhe1 Kf8 25.Re5 c4 26.Rc5 Kg7 27.a4 Rxd6 28.Rxd6 Rxd6 29.axb5 axb5 30.Rxb5 Nd7 31.Bf1 Nf6 32.Bxc4 Rc6 33.Rb4 Ng4 34.Kb2 Nxh2 35.Bd5 Rd6 36.c4 Nf1 37.Rb7 Rf6 38.c5 Rf5 39.Rd7 Ne3 40.Be6 Rxc5 41.Rxf7+ Kh6 42.g4 g5 43.f5 Nxg4 44.f6 Ne5 45.Rf8 Rc7 46.Bf5 g4 47.Re8 Nc4+ 48.Kb3 g3 49.Rg8 Nd6 50.Rg6+ Kh5 51.Rg7 Rc5 52.Bg4+ Kh4 53.Bf3 Rf5 54.Rh7+ Kg5 55.f7 Rxf3+ 56.Kb4 Rxf7 57.Rh8 Kf4 58.Rg8 Nf5 59.Kc4 Re7 60.Kd3 Re4 61.Kd2 Re3 62.Rf8 Rf3 63.Rxf5+ Kg4 64.Rg5+ Kxg5 65.Ke2 Kg4 66.Ke1 g2 0-1 (66) Violet_Pride (2708)-onewaytraffic (2632) Blitz 2023]

[11...Nh7 12.Nf4 a6 13.a4 Nd7 14.Be2 Ne5 15.0-0 Nf6 16.Bf2 c4 17.Bd1 Qa5 18.Bc2 Nfd7 19.Nfe2 Nc5 20.Bd4 Bd7 21.Kh1 Qb4 22.f4 Ned3 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Ng3 Rac8 25.e5 Qxb2 26.f5 Nb3 27.Nh5+ gxh5 28.f6+ Kh7 29.Bxd3+ cxd3 30.Qxb2 Nxa1 31.e6 1-0 (31) Postny,E (2623)-Khmelniker,I (2483) Israel ISR 2019]

12.Ng3 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'This line looks better with the queen on d1.'

[12.Nc1

A) 12...Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qe7 14.Ne2 f5 *(14...Ne5 15.Nf4)* 15.Nxd6 Qxd6 16.Bxh6;

B) 12...a6

B1) 13.a4

B1a) 13...Nh5 14.Nd3 *(14.g4* 0-1 Hochstrasser,M (2363)-Volokitin,A (2645)/Fuegen 2006/CBM 115/[Reeh] (32)*)* 14...f5 15.Nf2 g5 16.exf5 Ne5 17.Be2 Bxf5 18.0-0 Bg6 19.Rae1= with approximate equality in Sasikiran,K (2688)-Al Modiahki,M (2562)/Guangzhou 2010.;

B1b) 13...Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Qe7;

B2) 13.Be2 h5 *(13...b5 14.0-0 h5 15.Nd3 Ne5 16.Nf2 Nh7)*

B2a) 14.a4 Nh7 *(14...Qc7 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Kh1 c4 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Nxb6 19.N1a2 Nbd7 20.Rac1 Nc5 21.Bxc4 Nb3 22.Bxb3 Rxb3 23.Nb5 Qb8 24.Nd4 Rxb2 25.Rc2 Rxc2 26.Qxc2 Nxd5 27.Bg1 Nf4 28.Rb1 Qa8 29.Nb4 h4*

30.Qc6 Qxc6 31.Nbxc6 h3 32.g3 Ne6 33.Ne2 Bd7 34.Nb4 Bb5 35.Nc1 Ng5 36.Rb3 a5 37.Nd5 Bc6 38.Nf4 Nxf3 39.Nd5 Rxe4 40.Rd3 Re1 41.Ne2 Rxe2 42.Bd4 Re1+ 0-1 (42) VanuatuLover (2672)-Soham0705 (2672) Blitz 2025 *)* 15.Nd3 *(15.0-0 f5 16.exf5 Rxe3 17.fxg6 Nhf8 18.Kh1* 0-1 (18) VanuatuLover (2675)-EgomaniacGarlicMan (2628) Blitz 2025*)* 15...Ne5 *(15...Qh4+ 16.Nf2 Rb8 17.0-0 Ne5 18.Rab1 Bd7 19.b4 cxb4 20.Rxb4 f5 21.Rfb1 f4 22.Bxf4 Nxf3+ 23.Bxf3 Bxc3 24.Qxc3 Qxf4 25.Rxb7 Rxb7 26.Rxb7 Rc8 27.Rc7 Rxc7 28.Qxc7 Ng5 29.Qxd7 Qc1+ 30.Bd1 Qe3 31.g3 a5 32.Kg2 Nf7 33.Qe6 Kg7 34.e5 dxe5 35.d6 Qd4 36.d7 e4 37.Bc2 e3 38.Qxg6+ Kf8 39.Ne4 e2 40.Ng5 Qxd7 41.Nh7+ Ke7 42.Qf6+ Ke8 43.Kf2 Qd2 44.Qe6+ Kd8 45.Qxe2 Qd4+ 46.Qe3 Qb2 47.Qd3+ Ke8 48.Nf6+ Ke7 49.Kf3 Kf8* 0-1 (49) Leon_Livaic (2656)-Ajedrezactivo (2632) Blitz 2019 *)* 16.Nf2 *(16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.0-0 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Bd3 Qf6 20.Rae1 Re7 21.g4 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Qh4 23.Qxg6+ Rg7 24.Qe6+ Kh8 25.Re2 hxg4 26.f4 Bxc3 27.bxc3 g3 28.h3 g2 29.Rfe1 Nf6 30.Bf2 Qh6 31.Qf5 Rf8 32.Re6 Rgf7 33.Rxd6 Qg7 34.Qg5 Nh7 35.Qxg7+ Kxg7 36.Kxg2 Rxf4 37.Bg3 Rc4 38.Re7+ Kh8 39.Rdd7 Nf6 40.Be5 Rg8+ 41.Kh2* 1-0 (41) hirnloserverlierer (2611)-THEGRGR (2623) Blitz 2020 *)* 16...f5 17.0-0 GM Ioannis Papaioannou: ' ⩲' Rb8 *(17...Bd7 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Kh1 h4 20.Nh3 Ng6 21.Nf4 Nhf8 22.Rae1 Qf6 23.Nh5 Qf7 24.Nxg7 Qxg7 25.Bh6 Qf7 26.Bd3 Rxe1 27.Rxe1 Re8 28.a5 Kh7 29.Bg5 h3 30.g3 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Ne5 32.Qe3 Nxd3 33.Qxd3 Ng6 34.Qf1 f4 35.g4 Kg8 36.Qxh3 Qe8 37.Qf1 Qe5 38.h4 Be8 39.Kg2 Bf7 40.Qd3 Qe1 41.Ne2 Ne5 42.Qe4 Bg6 43.Qxf4 Qxe2+ 44.Kg3 Qe1+ 45.Kg2 Bd3 46.Qg3 Bf1+ 47.Kh2 Qe2+ 48.Kh1 Nxf3 49.Bf4 Nd4 50.Bxd6 Qe4+ 51.Kg1 Ne2+ 52.Kxf1 Nxg3+ 53.Bxg3 Qf3+ 54.Bf2 Qxg4 55.h5 Qxh5 56.d6 Qd5 57.Bg3 Kf7 58.Kf2 Ke6 59.Bf4 Kd7 60.Kg3 Qd4 61.Kg4 Qxb2 62.Kf5 Qd4 63.Be5 Qd5 64.Kf6 Qxd6+ 65.Bxd6 Kxd6 66.Kf5 Kd5 67.Kf4 c4 68.Ke3 Kc5 69.Kd2 Kb5 70.Kc3 Kxa5 71.Kxc4 b5+ 72.Kc3 Kb6 73.Kb2 a5 74.Kc2 b4 75.Kb2 Kb5 76.Kb3 a4+ 77.Ka2 Kc4 78.Ka1 b3 79.Kb1 Kb4 80.Ka1 a3 81.Kb1 Kc3 82.Ka1 a2* ½-½ (82) mancillador (2629)-Stas-2444 (2610) Blitz 2020*)* 18.h3 Qh4 19.Bf4 Bd7 20.a5 Rf8

21.exf5 gxf5 22.Kh1 Rbe8 23.Ra3 Qe7 24.Bh2 c4 25.Nfd1 Rc8 26.f4 Nd3 27.Bxd3 cxd3 28.Qxd3 Nf6 29.Bg1 Ne4 30.Re1 Qh4 31.Re3 Nxc3 32.Nxc3 Qxf4 33.Re7 Rf7 34.Qe2 Rxe7 35.Qxe7 Re8 36.Qxd7 Re1 37.Qd8+ Kh7 38.Ne2 Rxe2 39.Rf3 Qe4 40.Qxd6 Re1 41.Qd7 Qb1 42.Qxf5+ Qxf5 43.Rxf5 Bd4 44.Rxh5+ Kg6 45.g4 Rxg1+ 46.Kh2 Rb1 47.Kg3 Rxb2 48.Rf5 Bc3 49.d6 Rb5 50.d7 Bxa5 51.Rf8 Rd5 52.h4 Be1+ 53.Kf4 Bxh4 0-1 (52) Postny, E (2647)-Birnboim,N (2347) Jerusalem ISR 2015;

B2b) 14.0-0 Diagramm: Es gibt nur einen Gewinnplan mit dem Läufer auf g6 gefolgt von h5. Ansonsten ist kein Fortschritt erreichbar.

B2b1) 14...Ne5 15.Rb1 b5 *(15...Nh7 16.b4 c4 17.Bd4)* 16.b4 c4 17.h3;

B2b2) 14...Nh7! 15.Nd3 Ne5 *(15...c4 16.Nb4; 15...f5 16.Nf4; 15...b5 16.Rac1 Ne5 17.b3)* 16.Nf2 erlaubt Weiß, den König besser zu stellen.

B2b21) 16...f5 17.a3 b5 18.b4 Chess Evolution: '!' Chess Evolution: 'war die richtige Verteidigung. Die Idee ist dann, h4 zu spielen, womit die Aufgabe für Weiß viel schwerer wird, sich verbundene Freibauern zu schaffen. Die Chancen, dass Schwarz Remis hält sind größer als die von Weiß, zu gewinnen.'

B2b211) 18...c4 19.a4 Bd7 20.Ra3 Qf6 21.Rfa1 *(21.--)*;

B2b212) 18...cxb4 19.axb4 Bb7 20.exf5 *(20.Bh6)* 20...gxf5 21.f4 Nc4 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.Bd4;

B2b22) 16...b5 17.a3 Rb8 Diagramm *(17...f5 18.b4!* war die richtige Verteidigung. Die Idee ist dann, h4 zu spielen, womit die Aufgabe für Weiß viel schwerer wird, sich verbundene Freibauern zu schaffen. Die Chancen, dass Schwarz Remis hält sind größer als die von Weiß, zu gewinnen.*)* 18.b4 cxb4 *(18...c4* und Remis wegen des falschen Umwandlungsfeldes h8. *19.a4)* 19.axb4 Bb7 20.f4 Der König ist jetzt in der Ecke. Weiß muss jetzt beim Vorziehen des g-Bauern vorsichtig sein. Nd7 *(20...Nc4 21.Bxc4 bxc4 22.Bd4! Nf6 23.Rfe1)* 21.Bd4 Rc8! Jetzt kann der Bauer vor. 22.Rac1 Nhf6 Diagramm 23.Bd3! Netter Trick, um ein theoretisches Remis zu bekommen. Selbst mit 5 h-Bauern wäre die

Partie remis. Nb6! Pech für Schwarz, dass Weiß seinen g-Bauern behalten kann. 24.Ne2 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Nfd7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qb2+! Noch ein letzter Patttrick von Schwarz, der aber leicht zu parieren ist. *(27.Nd4* mit theoretischem Remis. *)* 27...Qf6 28.Qxf6+ Nxf6 Schwarz kann jetzt nicht mit dem Läufer ziehen. 29.g3 Nc4 *(29...Rc8)* 30.Bxc4 bxc4! Ein lehrreiches Endspiel! 31.Nc3 *(31.Rxc4!! Bxd5)* 31...Nd7+- gefolgt von g6-g7 mit Gewinn. 32.Rd1 f5 gewinnt auch. 33.Rd4 ist diesmal nicht patt. Nb6+- 34.Nfd1 Wenn der Läufer auf der Diagonalen bleibt, gewinnt Weiß mit fxe4+- und g6 im nächsten. 35.Ne3 Bc8 36.Nxe4? c3 ist auch remis. Wenn Schwarz lieber mit einem Läuferzug abwartet 37.Kf2 macht Schwarz Fortschritte mit Bb7! 38.Nxc3 Diagramm Re7! Hier kann Schwarz den Läufer nicht opfern. 39.h3 Ba8 40.g4 hxg4! Jetzt kann Weiß die bekannte Methode nutzen, damit der schwarze König nicht in die Ecke kommt. Weiß gewinnt einfach. 41.hxg4 Bb7 42.Kf3 Rc7 43.Ne4 Nc8 44.f5 gxf5 45.Nxf5+ Kg6+- 46.Nexd6 Auch Abwartezüge mit dem Läufer helfen nicht. Nxd6 47.Nxd6 Ba8 gefolgt von Kf4 und wir kommen zur Partie zurück, da Schwarz nicht mit Kg5 zwischen die Bauern kann, da sonst h7 kommt. 48.Kf4 war praktisch gesehen die bessere Möglichkeit. Rc1!± ist eine wichtige Ressource. Danach folgt Td6 und der Bauer wird gestoppt. Dann geht Weiß mit dem Läufer nach f3 und beginnt mit dem Bauernvormarsch. 49.Nf5 Rf1+ 50.Ke5 Kg5 Schwarz kann nicht nach dem Bauern g2 trachten, weil nach 51.Kd6 Rb1! 52.Kc5 Rc1+ 53.Kb6 Rc8 54.d6 Rb8++- Weiß gewinnt. Das in der Luft liegende 55.Kc7? erlaubt Schwarz, sich hübsch zu retten. Rb7+! 56.Kc8 Diagramm 1-0 (56) Carlsen,M (2864)-Kramnik,V (2803) Tal memorial 2013 [Chess Evolution]]

[12.Nd1 b5 *(12...Ne5 13.Nec3 h5 14.Be2 h4 15.h3 Nh5 16.0-0 Ng3 17.Bb5 Nxf1 18.Bxf1 f5 19.Rc1 fxe4*

20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Bg5 Qd7 22.Nf6+ Bxf6 23.Bxf6 Qh7 24.Ne3 Bd7 25.Qf2 Rf8 26.Bxh4 Bxh3 27.Qg3 Bd7 28.f4 Nf7 29.Bd3 Nh8 30.Nc4 Bf5 31.Bxf5 Rxf5 32.Nxd6 Rh5 33.Ne4 Rf8 34.Ng5 Qh6 35.Nf3 Qxf4 36.Qxf4 Rxf4 37.Bg3 Rxf3 38.gxf3 Rxd5 39.Rc2 Nf7 40.Kg2 Ng5 41.Bf4 Ne6 42.Be3 b6 43.Kf2 Kf7 44.f4 Kf6 45.Kf3 Kf5 46.b3 Rd3 47.Ke2 Rd5 48.Kf3 a5 49.Rh2 Rd3 50.Ke2 Rd7 51.Kf3 Re7 52.Rh8 Rf7 53.Rb8 Rf6 54.Kf2 Nxf4 55.Kf3 g5 56.Bf2 g4+ 57.Kg3 Ne2+ 58.Kg2 Nd4 59.Be3 Ke4 60.Re8+ Re6 61.Bf2 Rxe8 62.Bg3 Rf8 63.Bf2 Rf3 64.Bg3 Nf5 65.Be1 Ne3+ 66.Kg1 Rf1+ 67.Kh2 Rxe1 68.a4 Kf3 69.b4 g3+ 70.Kh3 Rh1# 0-1 (70) IsraeliViper (2601)-stickychessfingers (2707) Blitz 2022*)*
13.a4 b4 14.Rc1 Nxe4 15.fxe4 Nf6 16.Nf2 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Rxe4 18.Ng3 Re8 19.Be2 Qh4 20.Rc4 Qe7 21.Re4 Qd8 22.Rxe8+ Qxe8 23.Bxh6 Bd4 24.Bf4 Bb7 25.Bxd6 Rd8 26.Bc7 Rxd5 27.Qf4 Be3 28.Qc4 Rd4 29.Qc2 Bxg2 30.Rf1 Bxf1 31.Kxf1 Qc6 0-1 (31) lestri (2654)-Arnold-2005 (2706) Blitz 2023]
[12.Nf4 Ne5 13.Be2 g5 14.Nh3 Bxh3 15.gxh3]

12...h5 13.Be2
[13.Bg5 h4 14.Bxh4 Nxe4]
Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black has also tried'" 13...h4 Mikhalevski,Victor: '!?' Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'which forces''Mikhalevski,Victor: 'deserved serious attention as the d2-square is occupied and so the knight won't feel great on f1.'
[13...a6 Before playing h4 I decided to include a6 and a4. 14.0-0 White frees the h1-square for the the g3-knight, but makes b5 possible. *(*After *14.a4* I would play *h4)* 14...b5 This is already a very uncommon position.
15.Bh6 *(15.Rac1 Nh7 16.Nd1 h4 17.Nh1 f5 18.Nhf2 Qf6 19.b4 c4∞* ½-½ Hoelzl,F (2415)-Gallagher,J (2545)/Pula 1997/CBM 057 ext (68)*)*
15...h4!? Inviting the knight to f5.
A) Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After''After 16.Nf5 I prepared Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'rather than'' 16...gxf5 *(16...Bxh6!? 17.Nxh6+ Kg7* Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black's position is playable'' is also possible.*)* 17.Qg5 Nh5! 18.Qxh5 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qf6! 20.Qf4 Ne5! with a slight edge for Black.;
B) 16.Nh1 Nh5 After an exchange of the dark-squared bishops the f4-square is where the h5-knight will be happy to reach. *(16...h3!?;* I wasn't sure if I needed the complications after *16...Bxh6 17.Qxh6 b4 18.Nd1 Nxd5 19.Bc4⩲)* 17.Bxg7 *(17.a3!?* Preventing b4 makes sense, but the initiative remains in Black's hands. *Rb8!?∓;* After *17.Nf2 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qf6∓* Black would occupy the f4-square.*)* 17...Kxg7 18.a4! White needs something to play for and so he forces weakening of the c4-square. b4 19.Nd1 f5!? During the game I was confident

that this should be the move, although now it seems that I had a better alternative. Anyway opening up the position when White's pieces are misplaced looked rather logical. *(*Probably *19...Qf6!?* is objectively better. *)* 20.exf5?! An inaccuracy. White should have tried to keep the e-file closed. *(* Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After'' *20.Nhf2*= Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ','was safer with an approximately equal position. *f4!?* (Mikhalevski,V) comes to mind and Black has good chances in the closed position.*)* 20...Nb6!? This might be objectively not the best, but it leads to a spectacular attack with a draw in hand. I was also looking for other knight moves, but soon I realised that b6 is the best square for it as from there it can go to d5 and doesn't prevent other pieces from doing their jobs. *(20...Qf6!?∓* seems to keep a slight edge.*;* as well as the immediate *20...gxf5!?∓)*

B1) Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'At least safer is''In the event of 21.Nhf2 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '∞!?" gxf5 *(*or *21...Bxf5!?* and in both cases Black is fine. *)*;

B2) 21.fxg6 White accepts the challenge. 21...Rxe2!! The point of the previous move. 22.Qxe2 Nf4 White is an exchange and a few pawns up, but it's not easy to find a good defence.

B2a) Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The correct defence was only" Surprisingly only 23.Qc2! seems to keep the balance. Qg5 *(*If *23...Nbxd5* Mikhalevski,V *24.Nhf2!)* 24.g4! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'and if Black avoids a draw and plays''The only saving move. *(24.g3?* loses to *Bf5! 25.Qb3 Nh3+ 26.Kg2 Nxd5!-+* That's where the ♘b6-move turns out to be useful. *)* Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The draw is'' 24...Nh3+! Unfortunately Black has to repeat the moves here. *(24...Bxg4?* doesn't work. *25.fxg4 Qxg4+ 26.Ng3 hxg3 27.Ne3! ⩲gxh2+ 28.Kh1!+-;* although *24...Bd7!? 25.Nhf2 Nbxd5⩱* leads to some compensation for an exchange.*;* *24...Nbxd5* Mikhalevski,Vthen it is not clear whether he gets enough compensation after *25.Nhf2)* 25.Kg2 Nf4+ Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '=" 26.Kg1;

B2b) 23.Qe4? This natural move turns out to be a decisive mistake as White loses a crucial tempo. 23...Qg5 24.g4! The best defence. *(* Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Or'' *24.g3?* is bad in view of *Nbxd5!-+* Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.

net): '!''Once again the knight is handy on b6. *25.Ndf2* Mikhalevski,V *Bf5! 26.Qe1 Rh8!? 27.g4 Bxg6*-+ and Black's attack is decisive. *)*

B2b1) 24...Nbxd5 runs into 25.Nhf2! *(*But not *25.Ndf2? Bf5!!*-+ with the idea *26.Qxf5 Ne2+ 27.Kg2 Qxf5 28.gxf5 Ndf4#* A brilliant mating construction. *)*;

B2b2) 24...Nh3+⊕ Being in time trouble I decided to repeat the position once. 25.Kg2 Nf4+ 26.Kg1 Bd7!-+ Black's pieces enter the game with devastating effect.

B2b21) Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Or'' Other moves don't save White either: 27.Nhf2 Re8 28.Qb1 *(28.Qc2 Re2*-+ *29.Qc1* Mikhalevski,V *Qe5!*-+ with Black's domination.*)* 28...Qxd5 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?'' 29.Ne4 Bxg4-+;

B2b22) Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'For example,'' 27.Ng3 hxg3 28.hxg3 Nh3+! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?'' The most precise. 29.Kg2 Nxd5! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'with the idea of'' Again this knight!

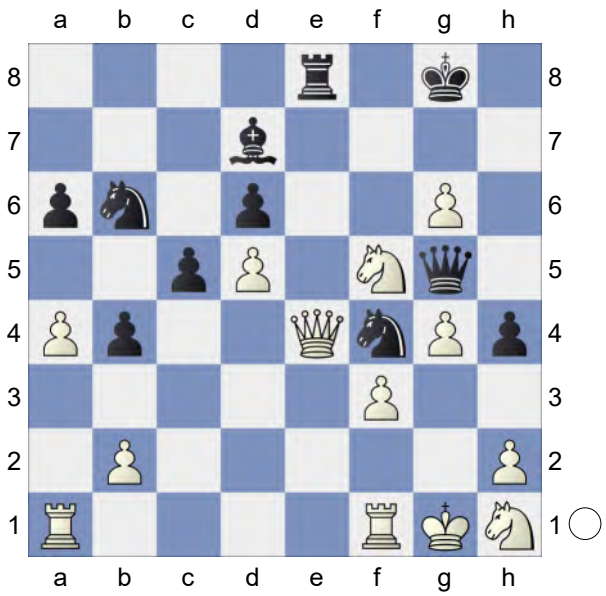
B2b221) 30.Kxh3 Qd2!! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!'' 31.Nf2 *(31.Rf2 Rh8+ 32.Kg2 Qh6!! 33.Kf1 Re8!*-+ Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+''*)* 31...Re8 32.Qb1 *(32.Rad1 Qh6+*-+ *)* 32...Qh6+ 33.Kg2 Ne3+ 34.Kg1 Rh8 35.Nh3 Qxh3 36.Kf2 Nxg4+! 37.fxg4 Qh2+ 38.Ke3 Re8+-+ and White gets mated.;

B2b222) 30.f4 Ndxf4+ 31.Rxf4 Nxf4+ 32.Qxf4 Qxg6-+;

B2b23) 27.Ne3 Setting a trap. 27...Re8! 28.Nf5+

B2b231) It's easy to fall into a trap. 28...Kf6?? 29.Nf2!!+- and suddenly it's White who is winning. *(29.Nxd6* leads only to a draw after *Nh3+ 30.Kg2 Nf4+=)*;

B2b232) 28...Kg8! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '-+' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



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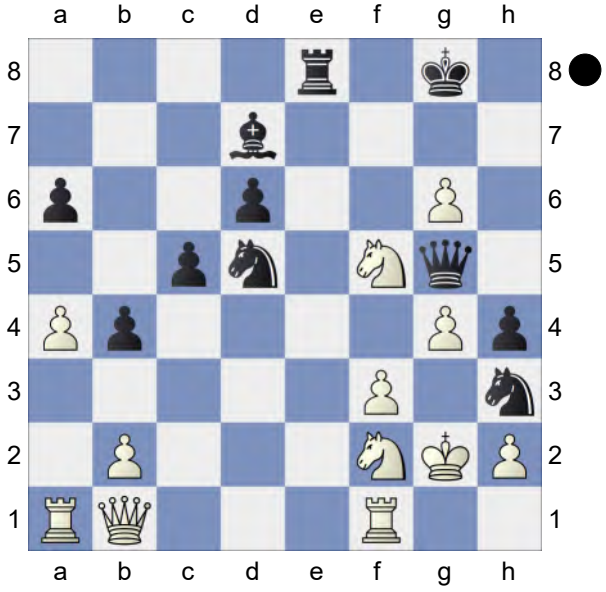
B2b2321)
Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'This is hopeless. Instead, White could have tried" After 29.Nf2 Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'even if he does not have enough for a queen after'' Re5!! The most precise, *(* although the simple *29...Rxe4!? 30.Nxe4 Qd8-+* is also enough for a win. *)*;
B2b2322) 29.Qb1 Nh3+ 30.Kg2 Nf4+ Winning some thinking time again.

31.Kg1
B2b23221)
Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Another road to victory was'' The computer's 31...Ne2+!?
Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'or'' 32.Kg2 *(32.Kf2 Bxf5 33.Qxf5 Qe3+ 34.Kg2 Nf4+ 35.Qxf4* Mikhalevski,V *Qxf4-+)* 32...h3+! 33.Kxh3 Nxd5
Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): ', etc.'' 34.Qa2 *(34.Kg2 Ndf4+ 35.Kf2 Bxf5 36.Qxf5 Qh4+ 37.Ng3 Qxh2+-+)* 34...Be6-+ is also convincing.;
B2b23222)
31...Nh3+ 32.Kg2 Nxd5!
B2b232221) or 33.Re1 Qd2+!
B2b2322211)
34.Kxh3 Rxe1! 35.Qxe1 *(35.Qa2 Re2!-+)* 35...Nf4+ 36.Kxh4 Ng2+-+;
B2b2322212)
34.Kf1 Qxh2! 35.Rxe8+ Bxe8

36.Qe4 Qxh1+
37.Ke2 Nhf4+
38.Kd2 Qg2+
39.Kd1 Bxg6-+
and Black wins.;
B2b232222)
33.Nf2 Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



" 33...Re2! Mikhalevski,V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black wins.'' White is pinned all over.
34.Nxd6 Bxg4! 0-1 (34) Akobian,V (2618)-Mikhalevski,V (2579) Caleta 2011 CBM 141 [Mikhalevski, Victor] The last piece has entered the attack. White resigned as he can't stop a forced mate. The game received the prize "The best game" in the 2011 Tradewise Gibraltar Chess Festival.]

14.Nf1 Mikhalevski,Victor: 'Mikhalevski, V: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '(as in Sadler-Gelfand, Oakham 1988).'" 14...b5
[14...a6 15.Qc2 b5 16.a4 b4 17.Nd1 Nh5!∓ 0-1 Sadler,M (2385)-Gelfand,B (2505)/Oakham 1988/TD (64)]
15.Bxb5 Rb8 16.Bg5
[16.Be2 Ne5 17.h3 Qa5 18.Rc1 Ba6 19.Nh2 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Rxb2 21.Qd1 Qa6 22.Rc2 Nd3+ 23.Kd2 Reb8 24.Qe2 Rxc2+ 0-1 (24) lestri (2662)-pupuchurru (2725) Blitz 2022]
16...Qa5 17.Bxd7 Nxd7 18.Rc1 Ne5 19.Ne3 Ba6 0-1 (19) Se7ens (2894)-BetterCollSoul (2868) Blitz 2024

[89] **7.Bd3** a6 8.a4 a5 9.Nge2 Na6 10.Qd2 Nb4 11.0-0 e5 12.Be3
[12.d5 Qc7 13.Kh1 Nd7 14.Rac1 Nc5 15.Bc2 f5 16.exf5 Nxc2 17.Qxc2 Bxf5 18.Qd1 Nd3 19.Rb1 Nc5 20.Rc1 h6 21.Be3 Nd3 22.Rb1 Nb4 23.Rc1 Rac8 24.Ng3 Bd3 25.Rf2 Bxc4 26.Rd2 Rfd8 27.b3 Ba6 28.Nb5 Bxb5 29.axb5 c5 30.Ne4 Qd7 31.Qf1 Ra8 32.Nc3 Qf5 33.Qc4 h5 34.Rf1 Kh7 35.g4 Qf7 36.gxh5 gxh5 37.Rg2 Qf5 38.Qh4 Bf6 39.Qf2 Rg8 40.Rfg1 Nd3 41.Qf1 Nf4 42.Bxf4 exf4 43.Ne4 Bd4 44.Rxg8 Rxg8 45.Rxg8 Kxg8 46.Qg2+ Kf8 47.Nxd6 Qb1+ 0-1 (47) klari64 (2601)-Nozdrachev,V (2500) Blitz 2021]

12...Re8 13.Rad1 exd4 14.Nxd4 d5 15.cxd5 cxd5 16.Bb5 Bd7 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bf2 Nb4 20.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 21.Qxe1 Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Qf8 23.b3 Re8 24.Qd2 Bf6 25.g4 Rd8 26.Qe2 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe7 28.Kg2 Kg7 29.Qd2 Qe6 30.Bd4 Qxb3 31.g5 Bxd4 32.Qxd4+ Kg8 33.Qd8+ Kg7 34.Nd6 Qc2+ 35.Kg3 Qd2 36.Ne8+ Kf8 37.Qxd2 1-0 (37) alexkaspi (2614)-Alliced (2556) Blitz 2021

90 **8...cxd5** 9.Nxd5
[9.cxd5 Na6 10.Nge2 Bd7 11.Nc1 Qe8 12.Nd3 h5 13.Be2 Nh7 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qe7 16.0-0 Rac8 17.Qe3 Nc5 18.Rfc1 a6 19.Nxc5 Rxc5 20.Nd1 Rfc8 21.Rxc5 Rxc5 22.Rc1 Rxc1 23.Qxc1 Qd8 24.Kf1 Nf6 25.h4 Ne8 26.g3 Qa5 27.a3 Nc7 28.Qc3 Qxc3 29.Nxc3 f5 30.exf5 Bxf5 31.Kf2 Kf7 32.g4 hxg4 33.fxg4 Bd7 34.Kg3 Ne8 35.Bf3 Nf6 36.g5 Nh5+ 37.Bxh5 gxh5 38.g6+ Kxg6 39.Ne4 Ba4 40.Nxd6 Bb3 41.Nxb7 Bxd5 42.Nd6 Kf6 43.b4 Bc6 44.Kf2 Ke6 45.Nc8 Bb7 46.Nb6 Kf5 47.Ke3 Kg4 48.Nd7 Kxh4 49.Nxe5 Kg3 50.Ng6 Bc6 51.Ne7 Bd7 52.Ng6 Be8 53.Nf4 h4 54.Ne2+ Kg2 55.Nf4+ Kg3 56.Ne2+ ½-½ (56) Ding,L (2637)-Zhou Jianchao (2660) Tianjin CHN 2011]
9...Nc6 10.Ne2 Be6 11.Nec3 Nd4 12.Bd3 Bxd5 13.cxd5 Qa5 14.Ne2 Qb6 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.0-0 Nd7 17.Rac1 Rfc8 18.f4 Nc5 19.f5 Re8 20.Rce1 a5 21.b3 Qb4 22.Qc2 Qc3 23.Qxc3 dxc3 24.Bc2 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Na6 26.a3 Bc5 27.Ra1 b5 28.Bf6 b4 29.a4 Nb8 30.g4 Nd7 31.g5 Nxf6 32.gxf6 Bd4 33.fxg6 hxg6 34.Rf3 Re5 35.Raf1 Rh5 36.Kg2 Re8 37.Rh3 Ree5 38.Rxh5 Rxh5 39.Rf3 Be5 40.h3 Rg5+ 41.Kf2 Kh7 42.h4 Rg4 43.Rh3 Kh6 44.Kf3 Rg1 45.Ke2 Rg2+ 46.Kd1 Rd2+ 47.Kc1 Bxf6 48.Bd1 Be5 49.Bf3 Bf4 50.Kb1 c2+ 51.Kb2 Rf2 0-1 (51) Clovis1088 (2750)-Eraschenkov,D (2349) Blitz 2021

91 **9...h5** 10.h4
[10.Nge2 cxd5 11.cxd5
A) 11...a6 12.h3 b5 13.g4 Nbd7 14.Ng3 *(14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Ng3 Nh7 16.Be7 Re8 17.Bxd6 h4 18.Nge2 Qb6 19.Ba3 Bf6 20.b4 Bg5 21.Qd3 Nhf6 22.Bc1 Nh7 23.Bg2 Bb7 24.Nd1 Rac8 25.Be3 Bxe3 26.Qxe3 Qd6 27.a3 Nb6 28.0-0 Rc2 29.Qd3 Rec8 30.Ne3 Rb2 31.Rfb1 Rxb1+ 32.Rxb1 Ng5 33.Rf1 Nc4 34.Nxc4 Rxc4 35.Qe3 f6 36.Rc1 Qc7 37.Bf1 Rxc1 38.Nxc1 Nxf3+ 39.Qxf3 Qxc1 40.Kh1 Qf4 41.Kg2 Qxf3+ 42.Kxf3 g5 43.Ke3 Kf8 44.Kd3 Ke7 45.Kc3 Kd6 46.Kb3 Bc8 47.a4 Bd7 48.Be2 Be8 49.Bd3 bxa4+ 50.Ka3 Bb5 51.Bc2 Bf1 52.Kxa4 Bxh3 53.Bd1 Bg2 54.Ka5 h3 55.Kxa6 h2 56.b5 h1Q 57.Ba4 Qf1 58.Kb7 Bxe4 59.b6 Bxd5+ 60.Ka7 Qc4 61.Be8 Qc5 62.Ka6 Bc6 63.Bxc6 Kxc6 64.Ka7 Qxb6+ 65.Ka8 Qb7# 0-1 (64) JINSIHOU (2651)-MassterofMayhem (2672) Blitz 2024)* 14...h4 15.Nge2 Nh7 *(15...Ne8 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bh6 Bg7 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bh6 Bg7 20.Bg5 ½-½ (19) dmitry-lavrik (2652)-RL12 (2608) Blitz 2021)* 16.Nc1 *(16.Bg2 Bf6 17.0-0 Bg5 18.Rac1 Bxe3+ 19.Qxe3 Qg5 20.Qxg5 Nxg5 21.Nd1 Nc5 22.a3*

Bd7 23.b4 Na4 24.Rc7 Rfd8 25.Ne3 Rac8 26.Rfc1 Kf8 27.Kf2 Ke8 28.f4 exf4 29.Nxf4 Rxc7 30.Rxc7 Rc8 31.Rxc8+ Bxc8 32.Nd3 f6 33.Nc2 Bd7 34.Nd4 Nc3 35.Ke3 Nb1 36.Nc2 Ke7 37.Kd4 Nd2 38.Nf4 Kf7 39.Ne3 Be8 40.Kd3 Nb1 41.Nc2 Bd7 42.Kd4 Nd2 43.Ne3 Bc8 44.Kd3 Nb1 45.Kc2 Nxa3+ 46.Kb3 Nc4 47.Nxc4 bxc4+ 48.Kxc4 f5 49.gxf5 gxf5 50.exf5 Bxf5 51.Kd4 Kf6 52.Bf1 Bc8 53.Bg2 Bd7 54.Bf1 Bb5 55.Bxb5 axb5 56.Ng2 Nxh3 57.Nxh4 Kg5 58.Nf3+ Kf4 59.Nd2 Ng5 60.Nb1 Nf3+ 61.Kd3 Ne1+ 62.Kd2 Nf3+ 63.Kd3 Ne5+ 64.Kd4 Nc4 65.Kd3 Ke5 66.Nc3 Na3 67.Ke3 Nc2+ 68.Kd2 Nxb4 69.Nxb5 Nxd5 70.Nxd6 Nf4 71.Nc4+ Ke4 72.Ne3 Kd4 73.Nd5 Ng2 74.Nc3 Nh4 75.Ne2+ Ke4 76.Ng3+ Kf4 77.Nf5 Kf3 78.Nxh4+ ½-½ (77) supertactic91 (2652)-feederman (2738) Blitz 2022 *)* 16...Bf6 17.Nd3 Bg5 18.0-0-0 Nb6 19.Nb4 Bd7 20.Kb1 Rc8 21.Nxa6 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.a3 Qf6 24.Nb4 Rfc8 25.Nc6 Bxc6 26.dxc6 R8xc6 27.Nd5 Qd8 28.f4 exf4 29.Bxf4 Rxe4 30.Bxg5 Nxg5 31.Rhf1 Re5 32.Qf2 Kg7 33.Qxh4 Rc5 34.Nf6 Re6 35.Qf2 Rxf6 36.Qd4 Ne6 ½-½ (35) Poirot_Hercule (2666)-Revan_2002 (2572) Blitz 2023;

B) 11...Nbd7 12.Nb5 *(12.g3 a6 13.Bg2 b5 14.0-0 Nb6 15.b3 Bd7 16.Nd1 a5 17.Nf2 b4 18.Rfc1 Bb5 19.Rc2 Nfd7 20.Rac1 f5 21.f4 h4 22.Nh3 hxg3 23.Nxg3 exf4 24.Nxf4 Ne5 25.Ne6 Qh4 26.Bg5 Qh7 27.Nxf8 Rxf8 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Rc7 f4 30.Bxf4 Nd3 31.Be4 Bd4+ 32.Be3 Qh6 33.Bh7+ Kh8 34.Bxd4+* 1-0 (33) gg-gm-gmg (2672)-Revan_2002 (2568) Blitz 2020*)* 12...Ne8 13.Nxa7 Nc5 14.b4 Rxa7 15.bxc5 dxc5 16.Bxc5 b6 17.Bb4 Qh4+ 18.Ng3 f5 19.Bb5 Nc7 20.Bc4 f4 21.Be7 Rf6 22.d6+ Ne6 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.d7 Bxd7 25.Qd6 Kg7 26.Bxe6 fxg3 27.Bxd7 gxh2+ 28.Kf1 Qg3 29.Be8 b5 30.Qc5 Re7 31.Bxb5 Bh4 32.Rd1 Rb7 33.a4 Rb8 34.Rd7+ Kh6 35.Qe3+ Bg5 36.Qa7 Rh8 37.a5 h4 38.Qc5 Rb8 39.a6 Bf4 40.a7 Rh8 41.Bc6 h3 42.Qf2 Qg5 43.a8R Rxa8 44.Bxa8 Be3 45.Qe2 Bg1 46.gxh3 Bc5 47.Qd2 Be3 48.Qxh2 Bd4 49.h4 Qe3 50.Qe2 Qc3 51.Bd5 Bb6 52.Bg8 g5 53.hxg5+ Kg6 54.Rh6+ Kxg5 55.Qg2+ Kf4 56.Rf6+ Ke3 57.Qg5# 1-0 (57) SlowChess Blitz 2.9 avx2 (3455)-Stoofvlees Ii B4 (3499) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

10...a6 11.Nh3 Bxh3 12.Rxh3 b5 [12...cxd5 13.cxd5 Nbd7 14.0-0-0 b5 15.Kb1 Qb8 16.Rh1 Rc8 17.Rc1 Qb7 18.g3 Nb6 19.a3 Nfd7 20.g4 Nf6 21.g5 Nfd7 22.b3 Rcb8 23.Na2 Nc5 24.Qc2 a5 25.Nc3 b4 26.Nb5 Bf8 27.a4 Rc8 28.Qa2 Nbd7 29.Rd1 Na6 30.Qd2 Be7 31.Bh3 Bf8 32.Ka2 Rd8 33.Qe2 Ndc5 34.Rc1 Rab8 35.Rhe1 Kh7 36.Qc4 Re8 37.Bg1 Kg8 38.Re2 Rbd8 39.Bf2 Rb8 40.Be3 Rbd8 41.f4 exf4 42.Bxf4 Qe7 43.e5 Qb7 44.e6 fxe6 45.Bxe6+ Kh8 46.Rce1 Nc7 47.Nxd6 Bxd6 48.Bxd6 N5xe6 49.Be5+ Kh7 50.dxe6 Rc8 51.Bb2

Nd5 52.Qb5 Qxb5 53.axb5 Kg8 54.Rd2 Nc3+ 55.Bxc3 bxc3 56.Rd6 Kf8 57.b6 Re7 58.Kb1 c2+ 59.Kc1 Ke8 60.Re2 Rb8 61.Rxc2 Reb7 62.Rcc6 Ke7 63.Rd7+ Rxd7 64.exd7 Kxd7 65.Rxg6 Rc8+ 66.Kb2 Rd8 67.Rh6 Kc8 68.Rxh5 Rd2+ 69.Ka3 Rd6 70.b4 axb4+ 71.Kxb4 Rxb6+ 1-0 (71) Stoofvlees Ii B4 (3499)-SlowChess Blitz 2.9 avx2 (3455) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

13.Rh1 b4 14.Nd1 a5 15.Nf2 Na6 16.dxc6 Rc8 17.g4 Nb8 18.c5 Nxc6 19.Qxd6 Nd4 20.Bxd4 exd4 21.Bb5 Qxd6 22.cxd6 hxg4 23.fxg4 Rfd8 24.e5 Nd7 25.Bxd7 Rxd7 26.Nd3 Re8 27.0-0-0 f6 28.exf6 Bxf6 29.Kc2 Rxd6 30.Kb3 Re3 31.Ka4 Bd8 32.Rh2 Rd5 33.Kb3 Rc5 34.Ka4 Rd5 35.Kb3 Rc5 36.Rhh1 Kg7 37.h5 gxh5 38.gxh5 Kh6 39.Rhg1 Kxh5 40.Rh1+ Kg6 41.Rhg1+ Kf7 42.Rgf1+ Ke8 43.Ka4 Rd5 44.Rh1 Kd7 45.Rh8 Be7 46.Rh7 Kc6 47.Rh8 Bd6 48.Rc8+ Kd7 49.Rc2 Rh5 50.Rcd2 Kc6 51.Nc1 Rd5 52.Rxd4 Rxd4 53.Rxd4 Re5 54.a3 bxa3 55.Rxd6+ Kxd6 56.Kxa3 ½-½ (56) Obsidian (3555)-Berserk (3589) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

9...Kh7 10.Rc1 cxd5 11.cxd5 a6 12.Na4 Nbd7 13.Nh3 Nh5 14.Bd3 b5 15.Nc3 Nc5 16.Bb1 b4 17.Ne2 Qa5 18.Nf2 Bd7 19.0-0 Rac8 20.g4 Nf4 21.Nxf4 exf4 22.Bxf4 Qb6 23.Kg2 Bb5 24.Rfe1 Rfe8 25.Be3 Qa5 26.h4 Bd7 27.h5 g5 28.e5+ Kh8 29.exd6 Na4 30.Bd4 Qxd5 31.Bxg7+ 1-0 (31) Surrender-at-20 (2641)-anonymouse777 (2617) Blitz 2021

10.a4 Nbd7 11.Bd3 Nc5 12.Bc2 a5 13.Nge2 Bd7 14.0-0 h5 15.h3 Rb8 16.Kh2 Re8 17.Rad1 cxd5 18.cxd5 h4 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Bd3 Kh7 21.Bb5 Bh6 22.Qc2 Rc8 23.b3 Nh5 24.Bxd7 Qxd7 25.Nb5 Rf8 26.Kh1 b6 27.Qa2 Be3 28.Na3 Rb8 29.Nc4 Bd4 30.Kh2 Qe7 31.Qd2 Rbd8 32.Rde1 Qf6 33.Rd1 Qe7 34.Nxb6 Rb8 35.Qxa5 Ng3 36.Nxg3 hxg3+ 37.Kxg3 Qf6 38.Rxd4 cxd4 39.d6 Rxb6 40.Qxb6 Qf4+ 41.Kf2 Qe3+ 42.Kg3 Qf4+ 43.Kf2 Qe3+ ½-½ (43) Berserk (3589)-Obsidian (3555) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

[92] **6...b6** 7.Bd3

[7.Qd2

A) 7...a6 8.h4 *(8.0-0-0 c5 9.Nge2 Nc6 10.g4 Rb8 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Nd7 13.f4 b5 14.dxc5 bxc4 15.cxd6 Nb4 16.Nd4 exd6 17.Bxc4 Nb6 18.Bb3 d5 19.e5 Nc4 20.Bxc4 dxc4 21.Kb1 Bg4 22.Nde2 Nd3 23.b3 Qa5 24.Ne4 Qa3 25.Nd4 Bxd1 26.Rxd1 cxb3 27.axb3 Rxb3+ 0-1 (27) Lucky1357924680 (2690)-santyaga1 (2506) Blitz 2024)* 8...c5 9.Nge2 Nc6 10.0-0-0 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Qxd8 Rxd8 13.Rxd8+ Nxd8 14.Nd5 Rb8 15.Bg5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 f6 17.Be3 Nf7 18.Nc3 Bh6 19.Bxh6 Nxh6 20.d6 Be6 21.Bxa6 Nf7 22.Rd1 Rd8 23.Na4 Rxd6 24.Rxd6 Nxd6 25.a3 f5 26.exf5 Nxf5 27.Nxb6 Nxh4 28.Bf1 Nf5 29.a4 Nd4 30.Kd2 Kf7 31.Kc3 Ke7 32.a5 Kd6 33.a6 Nc6 34.Nc4+ Kc7 35.Bd3 Nb4 36.Nxe5 Kb6 37.g4 Nxd3 38.Nxd3 h5 39.Nf4 hxg4 40.Nxe6 gxf3 41.Kd3 Kxa6 42.Nxc5+ Kb5 43.Ne4 g5 44.Kc3 g4 45.Ng3 Kc5 46.b4+ Kd5 47.Kb3 Kd4 48.b5 Ke3 49.b6 Kf2 50.Ne4+ Ke3 51.b7 Kxe4 52.b8Q f2 53.Qb7+ Ke3 54.Qg2 Ke2

55.Qxg4+ Ke1 56.Qf5 f1Q 57.Qxf1+ Kxf1 ½-½ (57) Consent_to_treatment (2714)-sachycvek (2665) Blitz 2022;

B) 7...c5

B1) 8.d5 e6 *(8...a6 9.h4 b5 10.Bh6 bxc4 11.h5 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Qb6 13.0-0-0 Nbd7 14.Nh3 Rb8 15.Rd2 Ne5 16.Ng5 Qa5 17.Nxh7* 1-0 (17) q4cr3f758g632ei (2628)-Pendos666 (2664) Blitz 2023*)* 9.Nge2 exd5 *(9...Ba6 10.Ng3 exd5 11.cxd5 Bxf1 12.Nxf1 Nbd7 13.Ng3 Ne5 14.Qe2 b5 15.Nxb5 Rb8 16.0-0 h5 17.Rfb1 h4 18.Nf1 h3 19.g3 Nxf3+ 20.Qxf3 Rxb5 21.Nd2 Nd7 22.Rf1 Rxb2 23.Rab1 Rxb1 24.Rxb1 Ne5 25.Qe2 Qa5 26.Nb3 Qa4 27.Bf4 Rb8 28.Rf1 c4 29.Nd4 c3 30.Bxe5 Bxe5 31.Nc6 Rf8 32.Qg4 Qxa2 33.Qxh3 Kg7 34.Nxe5 dxe5 35.Qh4 f6 36.Qg4 Qd2 37.Qd7+ Rf7 38.Qg4 c2 39.Qc8 Qe3+ 40.Kg2 Qxe4+ 41.Kh3 Rf8 42.Qc7+ Kh6 43.Qe7 Rh8 44.Qxf6 Rh7 45.Qf8+ Kg5+ 46.Qh6+ Rxh6#* 0-1 (46) superfm1 (2649)-Cerdifixer (2509) Blitz 2024*)* 10.cxd5 a6 *(10...Nbd7 11.Ng3 h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 Ne5 14.Bg5 h3 15.g3 Ba6 16.Ne3 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 a6 18.0-0 Qc7 19.f4 Nh7 20.Bh4 Nd7 21.a4 Bd4 22.Kh1 Rfe8 23.Qd3 Ndf6 24.Ned1 Ng4 25.Qf3 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Qd3 Qf7 28.Qf3 Nhf6 29.Bxf6 Nxf6 30.Rc1 Ng4 31.Ne2 Bg7 32.Ng1 Qh5 33.b4 Re4 34.bxc5 bxc5 35.Rb1 Rae8 36.Rb7 Bd4 37.Qd3 Re1 38.Qxa6 Rxd1 39.Qb5 Rxf1 40.Qxe8+ Qxe8* 0-1 (40) VanuatuLover (2624)-Zayebavshik (2475) Blitz 2024*; 10...Na6 11.Ng3 Re8 12.Bb5 Re7 13.0-0 h5 14.Bg5 Nc7 15.Bc6 Rb8 16.f4 Nh7 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.e5 Ba6 19.Nce4 dxe5 20.d6 Qd8 21.dxc7 Qxc7 22.Bd5 Bxf1 23.Rxf1 exf4 24.Rxf4 Rf8 25.Kh1 Be5 26.Rf3 Kg7 27.Ng5 Bxg3 28.hxg3 Nxg5 29.Qxg5 Qd6 30.Bb3 b5 31.a4 c4 32.Ba2 a6 33.axb5 axb5 34.Qxb5 Qd1+ 35.Kh2 h4 36.gxh4 Rh8 37.Qxc4 Qd6+ 38.Kh1 f5 39.Qc3+ Kh7 40.h5 Qd1+ 41.Kh2* 1-0 (41) fan_of_adele (2615)-Eraschenkov,D (2704) Blitz 2022*)* 11.a4 Nbd7 12.Ng3 h5 13.Be2 h4 14.Nf1 Ne5 15.h3 Nh5 16.f4 Nd7 17.Bxh5 gxh5 18.Nh2 Re8 19.Nf3 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Rxe4 21.Ng5 Re8 22.0-0 Qf6 23.Qb3 c4 24.Qa3 Nc5 25.Rae1 Nd3 26.Re2 Bf5 27.Qc3 Qxc3 28.bxc3 Re7 29.Nf3 Rae8 30.Nd4 Bd7 31.Rf3 Bxa4 32.Nf5 Bd1 33.Nxe7+ Rxe7 34.Kf1 Bxe2+ 35.Kxe2 f5 36.Kd2 b5 37.Rf1 a5 38.Bb6 a4 39.Rb1 Rb7 40.Bd4 Kf7 41.Ke3 Nc5 42.Kf3 Ne4 43.Ra1 Nf6 44.Bxf6 Kxf6 45.Ke3 Ra7 46.Ra3 Ke7 47.Kd4 Kd7 48.Ra1 Kc7 49.Ra3 Kb6 50.Ra1 Re7 51.Re1 Rxe1 52.g3 Re4# 0-1 (52) superfm1 (2692)-MrOlka (2600) Blitz 2024;

B2) 8.Rd1 cxd4 9.Bxd4 Nc6

10.Bf2 Bb7 11.Bd3 Ne5 12.Nge2 Rc8 13.b3 Nxd3+ 14.Qxd3 a6 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Nd5 Nc5 17.Qd2 b5 18.Bh4 Re8 19.Rc1 h6 20.Rfd1 g5 21.Bf2 bxc4 22.Rxc4 a5 23.Ne3 Ba6 24.Rc2 Nd3 25.Rxc8 Qxc8 26.Nf5 Nxf2 27.Nxg7 Nxd1 28.Nxe8 Qc5+ 29.Qd4 Bxe2 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-Eraschenkov,D (2707) Blitz 2022;

B3) 8.0-0-0 cxd4 9.Bxd4 Nc6 10.Be3 a6 11.Kb1 Be6 12.Nh3 Bxh3 13.gxh3 Nd7 14.Be2 Nc5 15.h4 h5 16.Rhg1 Rb8 17.Nd5 b5 18.Bh6 bxc4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Bxc4 Ne5 21.Be2 e6 22.Nc3 Qxh4 23.Qxd6 Qf6 24.Qxc5 Rfc8 25.Qd4 a5 26.Rgf1 Rb4 27.Qd2 Rcb8 28.b3 a4 29.f4 Ng4 30.Bxg4 hxg4 31.e5 Qf5+ 32.Qd3 Qh5 33.Ne4 axb3 34.a3 Ra4 35.Kb2 Rba8 36.Nf6 Qxh2+ 37.Qd2 Rxa3 38.Qxh2 Ra2+ 39.Kxb3 Rxh2 40.Rh1 g3 41.Rxh2 gxh2 42.Rh1 Rh8 43.Kc3 g5 44.fxg5 Kg6 45.Kd3 Kf5 46.Ke3 Kxe5 47.Rxh2 Rxh2 48.Ng4+ Kf5 49.Nxh2 Kxg5 50.Nf3+ Kf5 51.Nd4+ Kg4 52.Nf3 f6 53.Nd4 e5 54.Nf3 Kf5 55.Nh4+ Kg4 56.Nf3 Kf5 57.Nh4+ Kg4 58.Nf3 ½-½ (58) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Pendos666 (2728) Blitz 2022;

C) 7...Bb7 8.0-0-0 *(8.Nge2 Nbd7 9.Ng3 Rc8 10.Be2 c5 11.d5 e5 12.0-0 Ne8 13.a3 f5 14.f4 exf4 15.Bxf4 Ne5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bxe5 Bxe5 18.Nxf5 Kh8 19.Ne4 Ng7 20.Nxg7 Qh4 21.Ng3 Kxg7 22.Rf5 Kh8 23.Rh5 Qd4+ 24.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 25.Kh1 Bxb2 26.Rb1 Be5 27.Bd3 Rc7 28.Ne4 Bc8 29.Ng5 Bf5 30.Bxf5 Rxf5 31.g4 Rf2 32.Kg1 Bd4 33.Kh1 Be5 34.Re1 Kg8 35.Kg1 Rg7 36.Kxf2 Bd4+ 37.Kg2* 1-0 (37) Superfm1 (2648)-AlfilOscuro2 (2612) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Nbd7 9.g4 e5 10.d5 Nc5 11.Nge2 Qe7 12.h4 h5 13.Ng3 hxg4 14.h5 gxf3 15.h6 Bh8 16.h7+ Nxh7 17.Qh2 f5 18.exf5 g5 19.f6 Nxf6 20.Nf5 Qh7 21.Nh6+ Kg7 22.Bxg5 Rf7 23.b4 Nfd7 24.bxc5 Nxc5 25.Qg1 f2 26.Qg2 Rff8 27.Bf6+ Kxf6 28.Ng4+ Ke7 29.Rxh7+ Kd8 30.Qh3 Nd3+ 31.Bxd3 Bg7 32.Nxe5 Rf7 33.Nxf7+ Ke7 34.Ne5 Bc8 35.Rxg7+ Kf6 36.Rf7+ Kxe5 37.Qe3# 1-0 (37) Nikitosikbot (2923)-TuksuBot (2429) Rapid 2023]

7...Nbd7

[7...Bb7 8.Nge2 c5 9.Qd2 e6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Rad1 Rc8 12.b3 cxd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.exd5 exd5 15.Rfe1 dxc4 16.Bxc4 Ne5 17.Bf1 Nh5 18.Na4 Bd5 19.Qf2 Qe7 20.Nf5 gxf5 21.Rxd5 Rfd8 22.Rxd8+ Qxd8 23.Ba6 Rc7 24.Qe2 h6 25.Rd1 Qe7 26.h3 Ng6 27.Bf2 Qg5 28.Qe8+ Bf8 29.Bf1 Nhf4 30.Kh1 Ne6 31.Qb5 Rc2 32.Be1 Nef4 33.Bd2 Qd8 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-I_AM-Pink-Queen (2930) Blitz 2022]

[7...a6 8.Nge2 c5 9.d5 e6 10.a4 exd5 11.cxd5 Nbd7 12.Ng3 h5 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 Nh7 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.Be2 f5 17.Nf2 Ra7 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Nh3 Qe8 20.Nf4 Re7 21.Bf2 Bf6 22.Rfe1 Bg5 23.Bf1 Qf7 24.Be3

Qg7 25.Ne6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Nxf3+ 0-1 (26) alexkaspi (2616)-Eraschenkov,D (2691) Blitz 2022]

8.Nge2 Bb7

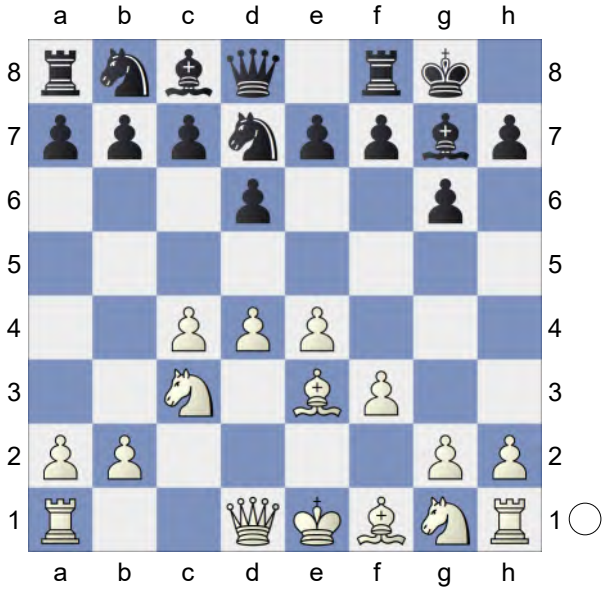
[8...c5 9.d5 *(9.0-0 e5 10.d5 Ne8 11.Ng3 h5 12.Qd2 h4 13.Nge2 f5 14.f4 exf4 15.Nxf4 Ne5 16.Ne6 Bxe6 17.dxe6 Nc7 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bg5 Qe8 20.e7 Rf7 21.Bxf5 Nxc4 22.Qe2 d5 23.Nxd5 Nxd5 24.Qxc4 Nxe7 25.Be6* 1-0 (25) Moiseenko,A (2631)-Matinian,N (2496) Chess.com INT 2019*)* 9...Ne5 10.Qd2 e6 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5 Nxd3 *(12...Bd7 13.a4 a6 14.Ng3 Qc7 15.Be2 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 Qb6 18.Nc3 Rfb8 19.Rxa8 Rxa8 20.h3 Be8 21.f4 Ned7 22.Kh2 Rb8 23.Rb1 h5 24.e5 dxe5 25.fxe5 Nxe5 26.Nge4 Nxe4 27.Nxe4 Nd7 28.b4 Be5+ 29.Kh1 Qd8 30.Nxc5 Nxc5 31.Bxc5 Qh4 32.Qe3 Bf4 33.Qf3 Bd7 34.Rf1 g5 35.Bd6 Bg4 36.Qf2 Qxf2 37.Rxf2 Bxd6 38.hxg4 Rxb4 39.g3 hxg4 40.Rf5 Bxg3 41.Rxg5+ Kf8 42.Rxg4 Rxg4 43.Bxg4 Ke7 44.Kg2* ½-½ (44) Superfm1 (2623)-Etezadi Pour Moghadam,O (2396) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Qxd3 a6 14.a4 Nd7 15.Rab1 Re8 16.b4 f5 17.bxc5 Ne5 18.Qc2 bxc5 19.Rfe1 Qa5 20.Bf2 Ra7 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Ne4 Bxe4 23.fxe4 Rf7 24.Bg3 c4 25.Nf4 Qc5+ 26.Bf2 Qa3 27.Ne6 Nd3 28.Rf1 Nxf2 29.Rxf2 Qe3 30.Rbf1 Bd4 31.Nxd4 Qxd4 32.Kh1 Rxf2 33.Qxf2 Qxf2 34.Rxf2 Rxe4 35.g3 Rd4 36.Rc2 Kg7 37.Kg2 Kf6 38.Kf3 Ke5 39.Re2+ Kxd5 40.Re7 c3 41.Ke3 c2 42.Rc7 Rc4 43.Rxc4 Kxc4 44.Kd2 Kb4 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2761)-Pendos666 (2679) Blitz 2023]

9.b3 e5 10.d5 c6 11.dxc6 Bxc6 12.Qd2 Nc5 13.Bc2 Qd7 14.0-0 Rad8 15.b4 Ne6 16.a4 Kh8 17.Rfd1 Qb7 18.a5 Qb8 19.axb6 axb6 20.Bb3 b5 21.Ra6 Qc8 22.Qa2 bxc4 23.Bxc4 Nf4 24.Ra5 N6h5 25.Bxf7 Bh6 26.Nxf4 Nxf4 27.Kh1 Bb7 28.Ra3 Qc7 29.Be6 Rf6 30.b5 Rb8 31.b6 Qd8 32.Bd5 Bxd5 33.Nxd5 Nxd5 34.Bxh6 Nb4 35.Qd2 Rxb6 36.Bg5 Na6 37.Qa5 d5 38.Raa1 Kg7 39.Rxd5 Qb8 40.Bxf6+ Kxf6 41.f4 Rb1+ 42.Rd1 Rxa1 43.Qxa1 Nc5 44.fxe5+ Qxe5 45.Qxe5+ Kxe5 46.Rd5+ Kxe4 47.Rxc5 Kf4 48.g3+ Kf3 49.Rc7 h5 50.Rg7 Kf2 51.Rxg6 Kf3 52.Rg5 Ke3 53.Rxh5 Kd4 54.h4 Ke3 55.Rg5 Kd3 56.h5 Kc3 57.h6 Kb3 58.h7 Kc3 59.h8Q+ Kc2 60.Qd4 Kb1 61.Qc3 Ka2 62.Ra5+ Kb1 63.Ra1# 1-0 (63) Lenya228_BOT (3042)-ChessatronBot (2467) Blitz 2024

6...Nfd7 Breaking the development code. This is a strange move that was favoured by Nisipeanu in the mid 1990's. While it has scored well, I have to be suspicious about such a reverse-developing move, especially as it leaves the black kingside. Breaking the development code. This is a strange move that was favoured by Nisipeanu in the mid 1990's. While it has scored well, I have to be suspicious about such a reverse-developing move, especially as it leaves the black kingside. Gary Lane: '!?' '!?' Gary Lane: 'It is a telling comment on this move that I could not find a reference to this idea when looking into older sources on the Sämisch. That is hardly surprising because, although the knight retreat can work

in some variations, here it just looks odd. Frankly, count the pieces and you can see that Black now only has the rook and bishop to guard against the expected surge on the kingside. My guess is that 6...Nfd7 was inspiration at the board, either that or Black was lulled into a false sense of security by seeing that Rumanian grandmaster Nisipeanu has played it before, though that was a long time ago before he became a star player. One or two other grandmasters have given it a go, but with generally poor results. All the same, Jianchao Zhou is rated 2652 so he must surely have had some home analysis to wow his opponent.

' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram



I don't like the look of this move, not only because it is moving the same piece twice in the opening, but also because it is removed from the kingside after White has put up the typical attacking formation with e4, f3 and ♗e3; perfectly geared towards h4-h5 and mate.' Breaking the development code. This is a strange move that was favoured by Nisipeanu in the mid 1990's. While it has scored well, I have to be suspicious about such a reverse-developing move, especially as it leaves the black kingside. 7.Qd2

[7.Nh3 e5 *(7...c5 8.Nf2 Nc6 9.d5 Nd4 10.Bd3 a5 11.0-0 Nb6 12.Qd2 a4 13.Nb5 Nxb5 14.cxb5 c4 15.Be2 a3 16.Bd4 axb2 17.Qxb2 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Bd7 19.a4 Rxa4 20.Rxa4 Nxa4 21.Qxc4 Nc5 22.Ra1 Qb6 23.Kf1 Rc8 24.h4 f5 25.e5 Ne4 26.Qxc8+ Bxc8 27.fxe4 dxe5 28.Ra8 Qc7 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Nd3 e4 31.Nb4 Kg7 32.Nc6 bxc6 33.dxc6 Qf4+ 34.Ke1 Qc1+ 35.Kf2 Qc5+ 36.Ke1 e3 37.Rxc8 Qc1+* 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-chechess888 (2619) Blitz 2021 *)* 8.Nf2 Nc6 9.dxe5 Ndxe5 10.Qd2 Re8 11.0-0-0 f5 12.Be2 fxe4 13.Nfxe4 Kh8 14.h4 Be6 15.h5 g5 16.h6 Bf6 17.Nxf6 Qxf6 18.Ne4 Qg6 19.Bxg5 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.Qc3+ Ne5 22.Bf6+ Kg8 23.Bxe5 Rxe5 24.Qxc4+ Kh8 25.Qxc7 Rg8 26.Qxd6 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-sabke (2641) Blitz 2022]

[7.h4 c5 8.Nge2 Nc6 9.h5 Qa5 10.Qd2 a6 11.Bh6 Bxd4 12.Bxf8 Nxf8 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.0-0-0 b5 15.hxg6 Nxg6 16.Qh6 Be6 17.Qxh7+ Kf8 18.Kb1 bxc4 19.Rh6 Rb8 20.Rxg6 Rxb2+ 21.Ka1 fxg6 22.Qh8+ Kf7 23.Rxd4 Qxc3 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Qh8+ Bg8 26.Qh6+ Ke8 27.Qxg6+ Bf7 28.Rxc4 Qa3 29.Ra4 Qxa4 30.Qxf7+ Kxf7 31.Kxb2 Qd4+ 32.Kb3 Qe3+ 33.Ka4

Qc1 34.Ka5 Qa3+ 35.Kb6 Qb4+ 36.Kc6 c4 37.Kd5 Qc5# 0-1 (37) Lucky1357924680 (2703)-warrior211 (2883) Blitz 2024]

[7.Nge2 c5 8.d5 Qb6 9.Qd2 Qb4 *(9...Ne5 10.Nc1 Qb4 11.Nd3 Nxd3+ 12.Bxd3 Nd7 13.Rc1 Ne5 14.b3 Nxd3+ 15.Qxd3 Bxc3+ 16.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 17.Rxc3 b5 18.Bg5 f6 19.Bh6 Re8 20.Kf2 bxc4 21.Rxc4 Ba6 22.Ra4 Bb5 23.Ra5 Reb8 24.Rc1 Rb7 25.Bd2 Bd7 26.f4 Kf7 27.Bc3 e5 28.dxe6+ Kxe6 29.Rd1 Bc6 30.Ra6 Rb6 31.Rxb6 axb6 32.Bxf6 Bxe4 33.Re1 Rxa2+ 34.Ke3 d5 35.Be5 Bxg2 36.b4 d4+ 37.Kd3 Kd5 38.bxc5 bxc5 39.Bxd4 c4+ 40.Kc3 Ra3+* 0-1 (40) MaLeKkoNihli (2603)-sabke (2705) Blitz 2021*)* 10.b3 b5 11.cxb5 a6 12.g3 axb5 13.Bg2 Qa5 14.Bh6 b4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd1 Ba6 17.0-0 Nb6 18.Ne3 N8d7 19.Rfc1 Qb5 20.Bf1 Ne5 21.Kg2 Qd7 22.Nf4 Bxf1+ 23.Rxf1 Ra7 24.Rac1 Rfa8 25.Rc2 Kg8 26.Ne2 Ra3 27.f4 Ng4 28.Nd1 Qa7 29.h3 Nf6 30.e5 Nfxd5 31.exd6 exd6 32.f5 Rxa2 33.fxg6 hxg6 34.Nf4 Rxc2 35.Qxc2 Qa2 36.Rf2 Qxc2 37.Rxc2 Nxf4+ 38.gxf4 Ra3 39.Rb2 d5 40.Ne3 d4 41.Ng4 Kg7 42.Ne5 Ra1 43.Nd3 Nd7 44.Kf3 Rh1 45.Ke4 Rxh3 46.Rd2 Rh5 47.Ne5 Nf6+ 48.Kd3 Rh3+ 49.Kc4 Rc3+ 50.Kb5 Rxb3 51.Kxc5 Ne4+ 0-1 (51) OnkelKonkel (2645)-sabke (2662) Blitz 2022]

[7.Bd3 c5 8.Nge2 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Nc6 10.Be2 Nde5 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Qd2 Rc8 13.Rac1 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nd5 Rxc1 18.Rxc1 Bc6 19.Qd4+ e5 20.Qxa7 Bxd5 21.exd5 Qg5 22.Rc2 Re8 23.Qf2 e4 24.fxe4 Rxe4 25.h3 Qxd5 26.Rd2 Qe6 27.Qg3 d5 28.Qc3+ Kh6 29.b3 Re3 30.Qd4 Re1+ 31.Kh2 Qd6+ 32.g3 Re5 33.Rf2 Kg7 34.Re2 f6 35.Rf2 h5 36.h4 Qe6 37.Qb4 b6 38.Qd4 Re4 39.Qd2 d4 40.Qd3 Qe5 41.Qa6 Re3 42.Qb7+ Kh6 43.Rg2 d3 44.Qxb6 Re2 45.Qd8 Rxg2+ 46.Kxg2 Qe2+ 47.Kg1 Kg7 48.Qd7+ Kf8 49.Qd8+ Kg7 50.Qd7+ Kh6 51.Qd8 Qe3+ 52.Kg2 Qe4+ 53.Kg1 g5 54.Qh8+ Kg6 55.Qg8+ Kf5 56.Qh7+ Ke5 57.Qe7+ Kd4 58.Qxf6+ Ke3 59.Qf2# 1-0 (59) pipita09 (2618)-Loay23 (2555) Blitz 2021]

7...c5 8.d5!

[8.Nge2 Nc6 9.d5 *(9.Rc1 a5 10.d5 Nce5 11.b3 Nb6 12.a4 Bd7 13.h3 f5 14.Bh6 Nexc4 15.bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qg5 Bf6 17.Qg3 Rf7 18.Nf4 Nb2 19.Ne6 Qb6 20.exf5 Bxc3+ 21.Rxc3 Rxf5 22.Bd2 Rxd5 23.Nf4 Re5+ 24.Be2 Nxa4 25.Re3 Qb1+ 26.Kf2 Qb2 27.Nxg6 Rxe3 28.Bxe3 hxg6 29.Qxg6+ Qg7 30.Bc4+ Kf8 31.Qe4 Bc6 32.Qh4 Ke8 33.Re1 Nb6 34.Bh6 Qd4+ 35.Qxd4 cxd4 36.Be6 a4 37.Bg5 Bd5 38.Bf5 e5 39.f4 Nd7 40.Bg6+ Bf7 41.Bf5 a3 42.fxe5 dxe5 43.Bxd7+ Kxd7 44.Bf6 a2* 0-1 (44) SouthAfricanWolf (2645)-chechess888 (2637) Blitz 2021*)* 9...Na5 is the idea I suppose. is the idea I suppose. *(*after *9...Nce5 10.Ng3* Black's 6th move looks silly*)* 10.Ng3 Ne5 11.b3 with a Benoni structure with a knight on a5.]

8...Qa5 Gary Lane: '!?' '!?' Gary Lane: 'An early excursion by the queen. The argument for it is that White tends to castle queenside in this

variation, so Black wants the queen ready and primed for the counter-attack; it also supports an eventual ...b7-b5. Other moves were:' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'I would go as far as to say that this is a silly move, but in practice even silly moves can be played. Basically, in chess you can do a lot of weird things and only be a bit worse.'

[Gary Lane: 'a)' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'A very young Nisipeanu, rated 2420 at the time, experimented with' Gary Lane: 'Other moves were:' 8...a6 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'a few times.'

A) 9.Nh3 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) b5!? 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nxb5 *(11.Bxb5!? Qa5 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Nf2 Ba6 14.0-0 Nbd7 15.Rfc1 Rfb8⩱ Tugui - Nisipeanu, Romania 1995.)* 11...Ne5 12.Nf2 Ra4!? 13.b3 Rb4 Dydyshko-Nisipeanu, Gelsenkirchen 1995. Here I think White would have been a good deal better after 14.Nc3 Ba6 15.Bxa6 Nxa6 16.0-0 , for example: c4 17.Ne2!±;

B) 9.a4

B1) 9...a5 Gary Lane 10.Nh3 Ne5 11.Nf2 f5 12.f4 *(12.Be2!? also seems reasonable, intending to castle kingside)* 12...Nf7 13.Be2 e5 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.0-0 Nc6 16.Nb5 led to brighter prospects for White in V.Raicevic-G.Starcevic, Belgrade 2005.;

B2) 9...Ne5 10.h3 f5 11.f4 also looks favourable to White. Nf7 Gary Lane 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Nf3 gave White an edge in M. Zainea-L.Nisipeanu, Rumanian Team Championship 1995, as Black's pieces lack harmony e5 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.Be2 Nc6⇄ Zainea-Nisipeanu, Calarasi 1995.]

[b) 8...Re8 Gary Lane 9.h4 Nf8?! *(*I reckon *9...h5!* is necessary to slow down the onslaught: the daring *10.g4* is not completely convincing after *hxg4 11.h5 Qa5!* with a double-edged position*)* 10.h5 Nbd7 11.Bh6 (this is similar to the main game where a direct approach turns out to be crushing) Bh8 12.Nh3 Ne5 13.Be2 a6?! Gary Lane: 'too slow: Black needs to distract White from the attack;' *(* too slow: Black needs to distract White from the attack; instead, maybe *13...Qa5* has some merit*)* 14.Ng5 f6 15.Bxf8! fxg5 *(15...Rxf8* allows White to win in style by *16.Nxh7! Kxh7 17.hxg6+ Kxg6 18.Qh6+ Kf7 19.f4 Ng6 20.f5* and if *Ne5* then *21.Qh5+ Kg7 22.Qh7#)* 16.Bh6 Nf7 17.hxg6 Nxh6 18.Rxh6 1-0 N.Minev-D.Pantaleev, Bulgarian Championship, Sofia 1959.]

9.Bh6 Very direct. White logically seeks to take advantage of Black's weakened kingside. Very direct. White logically seeks to take advantage of Black's weakened kingside. Gary Lane: 'White is following tradition by preparing to exchange the defending bishop. It is also a prelude to h2-h4 which if played immediately might be answered by ...h7-h5, stopping the further advance of the white pawn. ' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Jacob Aagaard (www.

chesstoday.net): 'White is taking advantage of the weakening of the kingside; both very attractive and at the same time very simple and logical.' Gary Lane: 'White is following tradition by preparing to exchange the defending bishop. It is also a prelude to h2-h4 which if played immediately might be answered by ... h7-h5, stopping the further advance of the white pawn.' Very direct. White logically seeks to take advantage of Black's weakened kingside.

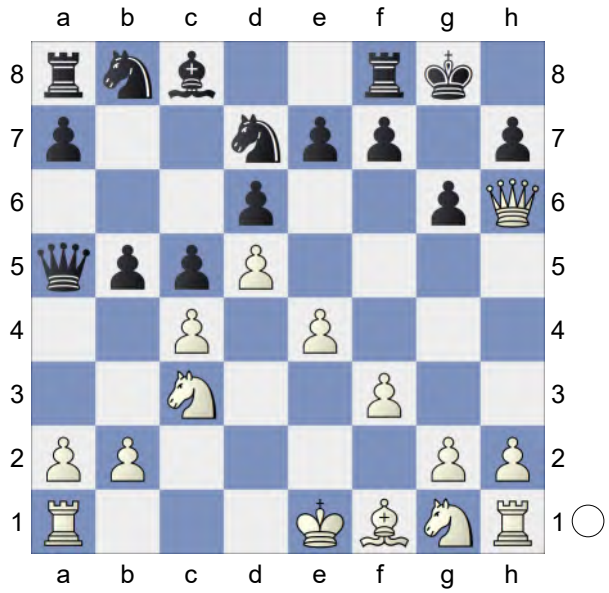
[9.h4 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) h5 is less clear.]

9...Bxh6?! This is a typical move in both the King's Indian and the Sicilian Dragon to lure White's queen away from the centre and queenside. Of course if the queen's position proves justified on h6, Black may regret his decision to invite White's strongest piece into his king's neighbourhood. This is a typical move in both the King's Indian and the Sicilian Dragon to lure White's queen away from the centre and queenside. Of course if the queen's position proves justified on h6, Black may regret his decision to invite White's strongest piece into his king's neighbourhood. Gary Lane: '!?' '!?' Gary Lane: 'An interesting idea, luring the white queen away from the queenside. I know from my own experience of the opening that this can work well, but I always had a knight on f6. The difference here is that, if he plays a casual move, Black could be thrown into an opening crisis because he only has the rook currently directly defending his king. ' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black is seeking to force the queen away from the queenside; usually this is a good strategy in this type of positions, but here Black has weakened his kingside so it does not make as much sense. ' This is a typical move in both the King's Indian and the Sicilian Dragon to lure White's queen away from the centre and queenside. Of course if the queen's position proves justified on h6, Black may regret his decision to invite White's strongest piece into his king's neighbourhood.

[9...Bxc3 10.bxc3 Re8 11.h4 Qa4 12.h5 Ne5 13.Bg7 Kxg7 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Qh6+ Kf6 16.f4 Nbc6 17.Qh4+ Kg7 18.dxc6 Nxc6 19.Be2 Qc2 20.Qh6+ Kf6 21.Qg5+ Kg7 22.Nf3 Bh3 23.Kf2 Rh8 24.gxh3 Rh5 25.Rhc1 Qxe4 26.Nd2 Rxg5 27.Nxe4 Rf5 28.Kg3 e5 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Rd1 Rf4 31.Nxc5 b6 32.Nd7 1-0 (32) Meyner,H (2643)-Gesicki,J (2383) LSS email 2015]

10.Qxh6 b5 This looks to fight for the initiative, but who will defend the black king? This looks to fight for the initiative, but who will defend the black king? Gary Lane: '!?' '!?' Gary Lane: 'Black is merrily carrying on with his plan of opening up the queenside – a brave decision – and he might get away with it if he plays like a computer. Otherwise, he seems to be in denial about the wretched state of his kingside.' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

[I much prefer 10...Ne5 (Gary Lane) . Then White cannot get away with the obvious plan of advancing the h-pawn to try and add the king's rook to the attack with 11.h4 f6 12.h5? , in view of the stunning reply g5! , when the white queen is trapped and ...Nf7 will seal its fate.]



Black would love to open up the queenside quickly, but White chooses to focus on the kingside.' Gary Lane: 'Black is merrily carrying on with his plan of opening up the queenside - a brave decision - and he might get away with it if he plays like a computer. Otherwise, he seems to be in denial about the wretched state of his kingside.'

11.h4! Gary Lane: 'A blatant attempt to steamroller Black and deliver mate. It might not be the most accurate continuation objectively speaking, but that ignores the practicalities of an actual game, especially as there is a suspicion that Black is making up the opening as he goes along.' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '?!'

[Perhaps Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Even though White has a very sound and consistent strategy, ' 11.cxb5 (Gary Lane) should be considered on the basis of the general rule: when advancing your pawns be ready to take time out to make some defensive moves. Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'was still not a bad move. After' a6 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) 12.h4!? Nf6 13.h5 White is better on both sides of the board; e.g. axb5 14.Bxb5 Ba6 15.Ba4! and the black pieces are still not too active. Still, there is no reason for such subtle play - cold logic works well.]

11...bxc4 Gary Lane: '?!' '?!' Gary Lane: 'The problem with taking on c4 is that it gives White the perfect excuse to ignore it and carry on attacking.' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '?' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'A fatal mistake. After this it is not possible for Black to create any counterplay on the queenside; giving White a lot of time to create an attack on the kingside.'

[As Black's kingside is looking precarious he needs to be ultra accurate, which demands that he finds 11...b4! Gary Lane

A) or 12.Nce2 Na6 13.h5 b3+ 14.Nc3 Nf6 and Black is fine 15.hxg6 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) fxg6 16.e5 *(16.a3 Nb4 17.Rd1 Na2 18.Nge2 Ba6 19.Rh4 Rf7∞)* 16...dxe5 17.Bd3 Rf7 18.Bxg6 Rg7 19.Bb1 Nb4 *(19...Qxc3+ 20.bxc3 b2 21.Bxh7+*

Rxh7 22.Qxh7+ Nxh7 23.Rb1 Rb8 24.g4±) 20.a3 Ba6∞;

B) 12.h5 Nf6 *(* taking the knight with *12...bxc3?* is a grave error, since Black falls to a vicious attack: *13.hxg6 cxb2+ 14.Ke2 Nf6 15.gxh7+ Kh8 16.Qxf8+ Ng8 17.Qxg8#)* 13.hxg6 *(13.Nce2* Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) *b3+ 14.Nc3)* 13...fxg6 14.Nce2 with roughly equal chances.]

[11...f6 (Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net)) is ugly. After 12.cxb5! White would be ready to play various types of positions, not only the all-out attacking ones.]

12.h5 Nf6 So Black has lost two tempi...

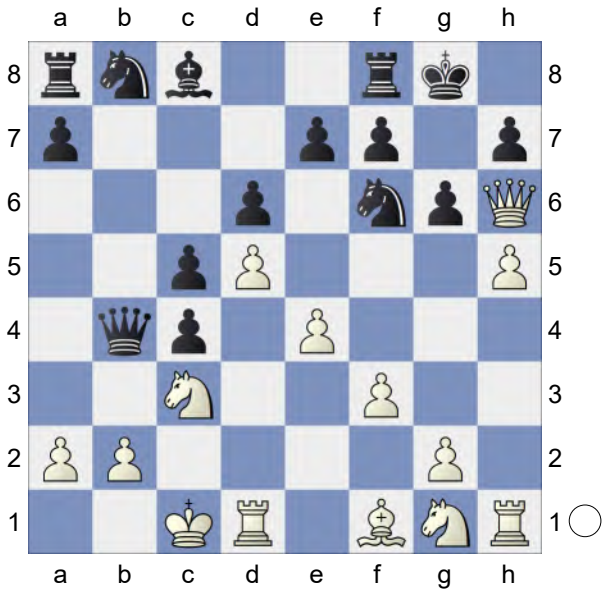
13.0-0-0 Gary Lane: 'White has smoothly developed and now his queen is ideally placed to push on to victory. He just needs to target the h7-pawn by manoeuvring a knight to g5 or eliminating the defending knight that has returned to f6.

' 13...Qb4 This seems to just lose, but I do not know what to recommend to Black at this point. This seems to just lose, but I do not know what to recommend to Black at this point. Gary Lane: '?' '?' Gary Lane: 'The pawn on c4 is protected and Black has a vague threat eventually to add a rook to the b-file. Still, the reality is that a single queen will need reinforcements – if you count the pieces on the queenside you can see that White has more than enough defenders in that sector.' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): '?' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

[If Black takes the h-pawn with 13...Nxh5 (Gary Lane) , then 14.g4 Nf6 15.g5 *(*or *15.Nh3* , heading for g5 *)* 15...Nh5 16.Nge2 , intending 17 Nf4!, is very good for White.]

[13...g5 (Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net)) is not possible immediately. White wins with 14.e5 dxe5 15.d6 and the knight is undermined. For example: Nbd7 16.dxe7 Re8 17.Qxg5+ Kh8 18.Rxd7! Nxd7 19.h6 Rg8 20.e8Q with mate to come.]

[13...Nbd7! Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) 14.Nh3 g5! was the only way to continue the game. White naturally accepts the pawn, and after 15.Qxg5+ Kh8 16.Bxc4 I rate his chances as higher, not the least because of the extra pawn; but we are still in the early middlegame, so a lot can happen.]



What is this? Is a 2652 rated player going to mate his opponent with a queen alone?' Gary Lane: 'The pawn on c4 is protected and Black has a vague threat eventually to

add a rook to the b-file. Still, the reality is that a single queen will need reinforcements - if you count the pieces on the queenside you can see that White has more than enough defenders in that sector.' This seems to just lose, but I do not know what to recommend to Black at this point. 14.e5! All that White needs to do is remove the f6-knight to deliver mate. All that White needs to do is remove the f6-knight to deliver mate. Gary Lane: 'A nice little combination to step up the pressure on the f6-knight.
' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'The typical breakthrough in the centre.' All that White needs to do is remove the f6-knight to deliver mate. 14...dxe5 15.d6! e6 Gary Lane: 'Black is in trouble:' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black has no choice; even though it might not have been entirely silly to resign already here.'

[Gary Lane: 'a)' Gary Lane: 'Black is in trouble:' 15...exd6 Gary Lane: 'allows a pretty finish:' 16.Nd5! Nxd5 17.hxg6 wins immediately. Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'is mate, and so is' wins immediately. Nf6 Gary Lane 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.Qxf6# .]

[b) 15...Nbd7 (Gary Lane) is met by 16.dxe7! *(16.Nd5* Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net) *Nxd5 17.hxg6 N5f6 18.dxe7 Re8* , when White does not want to allow a check on e1 in various variations, and thus improves his position with *19.a3* nudging the queen that has to protect c4, *Qb5* and then breaking through the defences. *20.Rxd7 fxg6 21.Rd8 Kf7 22.Qf8+ Ke6 23.g3* Black is toast. *)* 16...Re8 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Nd5 Qb7 19.Bxc4 (the threat of discovered check is lethal) Kh8 20.Nxf6 Nxf6 21.Qf8+ and wins.]

16.Nh3! Gary Lane: 'There are times when you just need a quiet move to improve your position and this is the case here. The knight prepares to leap to g5 and Black's counterplay on the queenside is invisible.
' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'The cavalry is coming.'

16...Nbd7

[Or 16...Nxh5 Gary Lane 17.Ng5 Nf6 18.Nxh7 Nbd7 19.Nxf6+ Nxf6 20.Qh8# .]

17.Ng5!

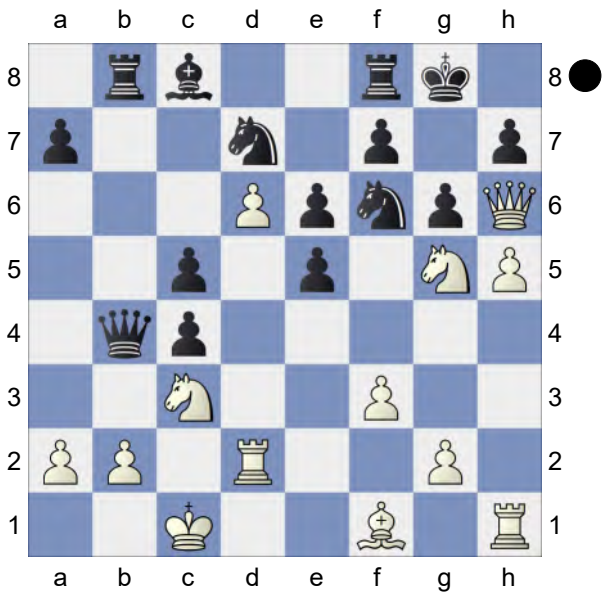
[17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Ng5 Rf7 19.Nxf7 Kxf7 20.Ne4 is also good enough.]

17...Rb8

[Gary Lane: 'The desperate attempt at survival with' Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Most confusion was maybe offered by' 17...gxh5 Gary Lane: 'allows the clever mating combination starting' 18.Nxh7! *(18.Rxh5* wins too *Re8* (Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net)) , but it is not too difficult to avoid 19.♘xh7 ♘xh5 with *19.Rh1* and Black has to resign.*)* 18...Nxh7 19.Rxh5 Ndf6 20.Bd3! *(20.Rh3* (Gary Lane) when Black can do nothing to prevent the threat of Rg3+ and Qg7 mate.*)* 20...cxd3 21.Rg5+ leads to a quick mate. leads to a quick mate.]

18.Rd2 Jacob Aagaard (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

[18.Rd2 gxh5 19.Rxh5 leaves Black defenceless.]



Black resigned, his kingside is torn to pieces.' 1-0 (18) Wang Hao (2722)-Zhou Jianchao (2652) Danzhou CHN 2010 [Vigorito, D]

6...Nc6 7.Qd2 [7.Nge2 Na5 8.Nc1 c5 9.dxc5 dxc5 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.Bxc5 Nc6 12.Nb3 *(12.Nd3 Nd7 13.Be3 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nde5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Bd4 Nc6 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Be2 Rac8 19.Kb2 b6 20.c5 Nxd4 21.cxd4 bxc5 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc3 Rb8 24.Rb1 e6 25.Bc4 exd5 26.Bxd5 Kf8 27.Rb3 Rb6 28.Rhb1 Rdb8 29.Bc4 Ke7 30.Rd1 f5 31.exf5 Bxf5 32.Rd5 Rc8 33.Rb5 Rxb5 34.Bxb5 Be6 35.Rd2 c4 36.Rd4 Rc5 37.Bxc4 Kf6 38.Kb4 Rc6 39.Bxe6 Rxe6 40.Rd2 Kf5 41.a4 Kf4 42.Kb5 Ke3 43.Ra2 a6+ 44.Ka5 g5 45.Rb2 h5 46.Rb6 Rxb6 47.Kxb6 Kf2 48.Kxa6 Kxg2 49.Kb7 Kxh2 50.a5 g4 51.fxg4 hxg4 52.a6 g3 53.a7 g2 54.a8Q g1Q 55.Qh8+ Kg2 56.Qg8+ Kf2 57.Qxg1+ Kxg1 ½-½ (57) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-SouthAfricanWolf (2713) Blitz 2023)* 12...b6 13.Be3 Nb4 14.Rc1 Be6 15.Nd4 Nh5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Be2 Be5 18.g3 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 Rxd3 20.Ke2 Rad8 21.Rhd1 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Rc8 23.Bd4 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 e5 25.Rd7 Rxc4 26.Rxe7 a6 27.Re6 b5 28.Kd3 Rd4+ 29.Ke3 Rc4 30.Kd3 Rd4+ 31.Kc2 b4 32.Ne2 Rc4+ 33.Kd3 Rc5 34.Rxa6 Ng7 35.Rb6 Ra5 36.Rxb4 Rxa2 37.Rb6 Kf7 38.Rb7+ Kf6 39.Nc3 Ra1 40.Nd5+ 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-grandmastergauri (2666) Blitz 2024]

[7.g4 e5 8.d5 Ne7 9.h4 h5 10.g5 Ne8 11.Bh3 f5 12.gxf6 Bxf6 13.Bxc8 Nxc8 14.Bf2 Kh7 15.Qd2 a6 16.a4 Nb6 17.b3 Nd7 18.a5 c6 19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Nge2 Rb8 21.Qc2 Ng7 22.Rd1 Be7 23.c5 dxc5 24.Qd3 Rb7 25.Qxa6 Qc7 26.Rd3 Nb8 27.Qc4 Rb4 28.Nd5 cxd5 29.Qxd5 Rd8 0-1 (29) Elda64 (2618)-grandmatt (2625) Blitz 2016]

[7.d5 Na5 8.Qd2 c5 9.Bd3 a6 10.Nge2 Rb8 11.0-0 e6 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.Nf4 Bxc4 14.Rfd1 b5 15.b3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 b4 17.Ncd5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Nc6 19.Rac1 a5 20.Bf4 a4 21.Ne3 Bd4 22.Kh1 Ne5 23.Qe2 axb3 24.axb3 Ra8 25.h3 Qh4 26.Nd5 Ra3 27.Rxd4 cxd4 28.Qd2 Nxf3 29.Qxb4 Ra2 30.Qxd6 Qf2 31.Ne7+ Kg7 32.Nf5+ gxf5 33.Bh6+ Kg8 34.Qxf8# 1-0 (34) Malek_Koniahli (2606)-MiniSip (2669) Blitz 2024]

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Be6 27.Rdd2 Be7 28.h3 Bh4+ 29.g3 Be7 30.g4 f5 31.exf5 gxf5 32.g5 Rc6 33.Re2 Kf7 34.Rcd2 Rca6 35.Nc7 R8a7 36.Nxa6 Rxa6 37.Kf3 Bc8 38.Bf2 Bb7+ 39.Kg3 Be4 40.Rxe4 fxe4 41.f5 Bd6+ 42.Kg4 Be5 43.Bxc5 Bc3 44.Re2 Rc6 45.Be3 Be5 46.Bf4 Bxf4 47.Kxf4 Ra6 48.h4 Ra8 49.h5 Ra5 50.Kxe4 Ra8 51.Kf4 Rd8 52.g6+ Kg7 53.Re7+ Kf8 54.Rxh7 Rd4+ 55.Kg5 Rd1 56.h6 Rg1+ 57.Kf6 Ke8 58.Rh8+ 1-0 (58) AgressiveMode (2690)-IDISJUDA (2628) Blitz 2021

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[93] **7.h4** Nbd7 8.g4 e5 9.d5 c5 10.h5 a6 11.Nge2 b5 12.Ng3 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Nb6 14.Be2 Bd7 15.Qd2 Qe7 16.Bh6 Rab8 17.Kf2 c4 18.Rh2 Na4 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Bxc4 Bb5 22.Bxb5 Rxb5 23.Rah1 Rfb8 24.b3 Rc5 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.g5 Nh5 27.Rxh5 gxh5 28.Nf5+ Kf8 29.Nxe7 Kxe7 30.Rxh5 Rbc8 31.Rxh7+ Kf8 32.Kg3 Rc2 33.Qb4 1-0 (33) GrazyHunter (2722)-Tottenham-Hotspur (2541) Blitz 2025

[94] **7...Nbd7** 8.0-0-0 [8.h4 a6 9.h5 e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.g4 b4 13.Nd1 a5 14.Rc1 Nc5 15.Nf2 Bd7 16.Ne2 Qb6 17.Ng3 Rfc8 18.Bh6 Bh8 19.Be2 Bb5 20.0-0 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Nfd7 22.Be3 Bf6 23.Kg2 Bh4 24.Rh1 Qd8 25.Rxh4 Qxh4 26.g5 Nxe4 27.Nfxe4 Rxc1 28.Bxc1 Rc8 29.Be3 a4 30.Nxd6 Rb8 31.Nde4

b3 32.a3 Rc8 33.Nc3 Qc4 34.Qxc4 Rxc4 35.Nge4 gxh5 36.Kh3 Kg7 37.Nd2 Rc8 38.Nxa4 Rc2 39.Nxb3 Kg6 40.d6 h6 41.gxh6 f5 42.Nac5 Nxc5 43.Nxc5 f4 44.d7 1-0 (44) Beginner741 (2737)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2649) Blitz 2021] [8.Nh3 e5 9.Nf2 *(9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 a6 11.Be2 b5 12.0-0 Nb6 13.Nf2 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Rfc1 Rb8 16.Na4 Bd7 17.Qd1 Qa5 18.Rxc4 Bb5 19.Bd2 Qd8 20.Rcc1 Bxa4 21.Qxa4 Rxb2 22.Bb4 Qb6 23.Be1 Qb5 24.Qxb5 axb5 25.Rc6 Rd8 26.Nd3 Re2 27.Bb4 Bf8 28.Kf1 Re3 29.Rd1 Nxe4 30.fxe4 Rxe4 31.a3 f5 32.Nf2 Re3 33.Rdc1 e4 34.Rc8 Rxc8 35.Rxc8 Kf7 36.Rc7+ Kg8 37.Rb7 Rb3 38.Rxb5 Rb1+ 39.Ke2 Rb2+ 40.Ke1 Rb1+ 41.Nd1 f4 42.a4 f3 43.gxf3 exf3 44.a5 Bg7 45.Rb8+ Kf7 46.Rb7+ Kg8 47.a6 Bd4 48.a7 f2+ 49.Ke2 Bxa7 50.Rxa7 f1Q+ 51.Kxf1* 1-0 (51) MaLeKkoNihli (2626)-MrSuccess (2643) Blitz 2022*)* 9...a6 10.Rc1 *(10.Be2 Rb8 11.0-0 b5 12.Rac1 exd4 13.Bxd4 c5 14.Be3 Ne5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 d5 17.Bxc5 dxe4 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Bd6 exf3 20.Bxb8 fxe2 21.Rfe1 Nfg4 22.Bxe5 Bxe5 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 24.h3 Bf4 25.hxg4 Bxc1 26.Rxe2 Rd5 27.a4 Rg5 28.Rc2 Be3+ 29.Kf1 Rxg4 30.b3 Rb4 31.Rc3 Bb6 32.Na3 Ba5 33.Nc4 Rxa4 34.bxa4 Bxc3 35.Ke2 f5 36.Kd3 Be1 37.Nd2 Kf7 38.a5 Bf2 39.a6 Ba7 40.Kc4 Ke6 41.Nb3 Ke5 42.Na5 Ke4 43.Nc6 Be3 44.Nb4 f4 45.Nd5 Ba7 46.Nc3+ Ke3 47.Nd5+ Kf2 48.Nxf4 Kg3 49.Nd5 Kxg2 50.Nc7 g5 51.Nb5 Bf2 52.Nd4 g4 53.a7 Bxd4 54.a8Q+* 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-grandmaster_06_06 (2562) Blitz 2022*)* 10...Re8 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.Be2 Rf8 14.0-0 Nh5 15.Nd3 f5 16.a4 Nf4 17.Bxf4 exf4 18.axb5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 axb5 20.exf5 Rxf5 21.Ne4 Rxd5 22.Qxf4 Ne5 23.Nb4 Rd4 24.Qe3 Nc4 25.Rxc4 bxc4 26.Bxc4+ Kh8 27.Nc2 Qxb2 28.Nxd4 Qxd4 29.Qxd4 Bxd4 30.Nxd6 Bd7 31.Rd1 Ra1 32.Rxa1 Bxa1 33.Nf7+ Kg7 34.Ng5 h6 35.Ne4 Bf5 36.Nd6 Bd7 37.h3 Be5 38.Ne4 Ba1 39.Nc5 Be8 40.Nd3 Bd7 41.Nf4 g5 42.Nd3 Bf5 43.Nc5 Bg6 44.Bd3 Bf7 45.Ne4 Bd4 46.Nd2 Ba1 47.Bc4 Bc3 48.Bxf7 Bxd2 49.Bh5 Bf4 50.Bg4 Bg3 51.Bc8 h5 52.Kg1 h4 53.Kf1 Kf6 54.Ke2 Bf4 55.Kd3 Bg3 56.Ke4 Bf4 ½-½ (56) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-IDISJUDA (2586) Blitz 2021] [8.c5 dxc5 9.dxc5 b6 10.cxb6 axb6 11.Bc4 Ne5 12.Bb3 Nd3+ 13.Ke2 Ba6 14.Kd1 Nxb2+ 15.Kc2 Nd3 16.Nge2 c5 17.Nf4 Nb4+ 18.Kb2 Qxd2+ 19.Bxd2 Rfd8 20.Be3 e6 21.Rad1 Ne8 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Rd1 Rxd1 25.Bxd1 Nd6 26.Kc2 Nc4 27.Bc1 Nd4+ 28.Kb1 Nxf3 29.gxf3 Bxc3 30.Be2 Be5 31.Nd3 Bxh2 32.a4 Ne5 33.Kc2 Nxd3 34.Bxd3 Bxd3+ 35.Kxd3 h5 36.Bg5 Kg7 37.Bd8 Bb8 38.Bxb6 h4 39.Ke2 h3 40.Kf2 c4 41.Bd4+ f6 42.a5 e5 43.Bc3 Kf7 44.Kg3 Ke6 45.Kxh3 Kd6 46.Bb4+ Kc6 47.Kg2 Kb5 48.Bc3 Bc7 49.a6 Kxa6 50.Kf1 Ba5 51.Ba1 Kb5 52.Ke2 Kb4 53.Kd1 Kb3 54.Kc1 Bc3 0-1 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2621)-Mr_Grey (2553) Blitz 2022] 8...a6 9.e5 Ne8 10.Bh6 b5 11.h4 b4

12.Ne4 dxe5 13.h5 Qa5 14.Kb1 f5 15.Bxg7 Nxg7 16.hxg6 fxe4 17.Rxh7 Rf4 18.g3 Nf8 19.gxf4 Bf5 20.Ka1 e3 21.Qh2 Nxg6 22.fxe5 b3 23.a3 Rb8 24.Rc1 Bc2 25.Rxg7+ Kxg7 26.Rxc2 Qe1+ 27.Rc1 Qxc1# 0-1 (27) Beginner741 (2740)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2646) Blitz 2021

[95] **8.Bh6** b5 9.h4 bxc4 10.h5 e5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Bxc4 exd4 14.Qxd4 d5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Nc6 17.Qh4 Qe7+ 18.Nge2 Bb7 19.0-0-0 Rad8 20.Nf4 1-0 (20) TaylorSwiftFans (2840)-littleplotkin (2763) Blitz 2022

8.c5 b5

[8...Nbd7 9.Bc4 *(9.Nh3 b5 10.cxb6 Qxb6 11.Nf2 Rb8 12.b3 Qc7 13.Rc1 e5 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Bc4 Rd8 16.Qe2 Qa5 17.0-0 Nf8 18.Nd3 Ne6 19.b4 Qc7 20.a3 Nd4 21.Qf2 Ne8 22.Rfd1 Nd6 23.Ba2 Qe7 24.Nxe5 Nxe4 25.Nxc6 Nxc6 26.Nxe4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Be6 28.Bc5 Qe8 29.Nd6 Qd7 30.Bxe6 Qxe6 31.Re1 Qb3 32.Qe3 Qxe3+ 33.Rxe3 Bd4 34.Bxd4 Nxd4 35.Re7 Rf8 36.Ra7 Nb5 37.Nxb5 axb5 38.h4 Kg7 39.Kh2 Kf6 40.Kg3 Ke6 41.Ra6+ Kd5 42.Ra7 Kc4 43.Kf4 h6 44.g4 f6 45.Rh7 Kb3 46.Rxh6 Kxa3 47.Rxg6 Kxb4 48.h5 Kc5 49.Rg7 b4 50.Rc7+ Kb5 51.Rb7+ Kc4 52.h6 b3 53.Kf5 Rh8 54.Kg6 Rg8+ 55.Kxf6 Rh8 56.Kg7 Rd8 57.h7 Kc3 58.h8Q Rxh8 59.Kxh8 Kb2 60.g5 Ka2 61.g6 Kb2 62.g7 Ka2 63.Rxb3 Ka1 64.g8Q Ka2 65.Qc4 Ka1 66.Qa4#* 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-salah_23 (2624) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 9...b5 10.cxb6 Nxb6 *(10...d5 11.Bd3 Nxb6 12.Nge2 e6 13.e5 Ne8 14.Rc1 f6 15.f4 fxe5 16.fxe5 Qh4+ 17.g3 Qe7 18.Nf4 Rb8 19.0-0 Bd7 20.b3 a5 21.Nce2 Qb4 22.Rc2 Nc7 23.Qc1 Qe7 24.Ng2 Rxf1+ 25.Qxf1 a4 26.Qc1 axb3 27.axb3 Qb4 28.Rc3 Nb5 29.Bxb5 Qxb5 30.Nef4 Bf8 31.Qd1 Ra8 32.Rc1 Ra2 33.Qg4 Qxb3 34.Rf1 Qc2 35.h4 Nc4 36.Rf2 Nxe3 37.Rxc2 Ra1+ 38.Kf2 Nxg4+ 39.Kf3 Nh2+ 40.Ke2 Ng4 41.Kf3 Nh6 42.g4 Ra3+ 43.Ne3 Nxg4 44.Kxg4 Rxe3 45.Ra2 h5+ 46.Kg5 Kf7 47.Ra7 Rg3#* 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2615)-FARMVILLE (2631) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Bd3 a5 12.Nge2 Ba6 13.0-0 Nfd7 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qd3 Ra8 16.Rac1 a4 17.Rfd1 Qb8 18.Nb1 Qb7 19.Nd2 Rfc8 20.Rc2 c5 21.Rdc1 cxd4 22.Bxd4 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Rc8 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Rxc8 Qxc8 26.Qd4+ f6 27.Nc3 Qc5 28.Qxc5 Nxc5 29.Kf1 e5 30.Ke2 Kf7 31.b4 axb3 32.Nxb3 Nxb3 33.axb3 Ke6 34.Kd3 f5 35.g4 h5 36.h3 h4 37.Na4 fxg4 38.fxg4 Nd7 39.b4 Nf6 40.Nc3 Nh7 41.Ne2 Ng5 42.Ng1 d5 43.exd5+ Kxd5 44.Ke3 Kc4 45.Nf3 Nxf3 46.Kxf3 Kd3 47.b5 e4+ 48.Kf4 e3 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-SouthAfricanWolf (2616) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...dxc5 10.dxc5 Ne5 11.Bb3 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 Rd8+ 13.Kc2 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Nge2 Nc4 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bf4 Nd7 18.b3 Na3+ 19.Kb2 Nb5 20.Be3 Nxc5

21.Bxc5 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Rd2+ 23.Ka3 Bxc3 24.Rad1 Bb2+ 25.Kb4 a5+ 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-CcJBerserkTout (2635) Blitz 2023]

[8...dxc5 9.dxc5 Qxd2+ *(9...Qa5 10.Bc4 Nbd7 11.a3 Ne5 12.Be2 Rd8 13.Qc2 Be6 14.b4 Qc7 15.Nh3 Bxh3 16.gxh3 Qd7 17.Kf2 Qxh3 18.Bf4 Nh5 19.Bg3 Nd3+ 20.Bxd3 Bd4+ 21.Ke2 Qg2+* 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-Mrdalica (2869) Blitz 2023*)* 10.Kxd2 e5 *(10...Nfd7 11.Kc2 a5 12.Nh3 a4 13.Nf4 a3 14.b4 Na6 15.Bxa6 bxa6 16.Rab1 a5 17.Rhd1 axb4 18.Rxb4 Ne5 19.Nd3 Be6 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Bd4 Bxh2 22.Ne2 Bc7 23.Nc1 Rfb8 24.Rxb8+ Rxb8 25.Nb3 f6 26.Be3 Be5 27.Bc1 Bxb3+ 28.axb3 Ra8* Normal 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-Marb2020 (2589) Blitz 2024*; 10...Nbd7 11.Kc2 Ne8 12.Na4 Nc7 13.Bc4 Nb5 14.Ne2 Nc7 15.Rad1 Ne5 16.Bb3 Be6 17.Nb6 Bxb3+ 18.axb3 Rad8 19.Bg5 Bf6 20.Bxf6 exf6 21.h3 Ne6 22.f4 Nxc5 23.fxe5 fxe5 24.Nc3 Rd4 25.b4 Rxb4 26.Nd7 Na4 27.Nxf8* 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Dr_Nezard (2559) Blitz 2021*)* 11.Bc4 Rd8+ 12.Kc2 Nbd7 13.Nge2 Bf8 14.b4 a5 15.a3 axb4 16.axb4 Rxa1 17.Rxa1 Kg7 18.Ra8 Re8 19.Kb3 Be7 20.Na4 Nf8 21.Nb6 Be6 22.Rxe8 Nxe8 23.Bxe6 Nxe6 24.Kc4 N6c7 25.Nc1 f6 26.Nb3 Kf7 27.Na5 Nb5 28.Nxb7 Na3+ 29.Kb3 Nb5 30.Na5 Na7 31.Nd7 Bd8 32.Nc4 Ke6 33.Ndb6 Nc7 34.Na5 Ncb5 35.Kc4 Na3+ 36.Kb3 N3b5 37.Bf2 Bc7 38.Nac4 Ke7 39.Na3 Ke6 40.Nxb5 Nxb5 41.Nc4 Kd7 42.Na3 Na7 43.Kc4 Bd8 44.b5 cxb5+ 45.Nxb5 Nc6 46.Be1 Ba5 47.Bxa5 Nxa5+ 48.Kd5 Nc6 49.Nd6 Nb4+ 50.Kc4 Nc6 51.Nb5 Na5+ 52.Kd5 Nc6 53.Nc3 Nb4+ 54.Kc4 Nc2 55.Nd5 f5 56.exf5 gxf5 57.Kb5 Nd4+ 58.Kb6 e4 59.fxe4 fxe4 60.Nf6+ Ke6 61.Nxe4 Kd5 62.Nf6+ Ke6 63.Nxh7 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-CRBorn (2667) Blitz 2022]

[8...d5 9.e5 Ne8 10.f4 f6 11.Nf3 Bg4 12.Be2 Nc7 13.0-0 Bxf3 14.Bxf3 f5 15.g4 e6 16.Ne2 Nd7 17.Bf2 b6 18.b4 a5 19.a3 a4 20.Qe1 Nb5 21.Bh4 Qe8 22.Qd2 bxc5 23.bxc5 Rf7 24.Nc3 Nxc3 25.Qxc3 Bf8 26.Rab1 Rb8 27.Rb4 Rxb4 28.Qxb4 Qa8 29.Be2 Qa7 30.Kg2 Nxc5 31.dxc5 Bxc5 32.Qc3 Qb6 33.Rc1 Be3 34.Qxc6 Qxc6 35.Rxc6 Bxf4 36.Bf6 Rb7 37.Rxe6 Rb2 38.Kf1 Rb1+ 39.Kf2 d4 40.Bc4 Be3+ 41.Ke2 Rb2+ 42.Kf3 Rf2+ 43.Kg3 f4+ 44.Kh3 Rf3+ 45.Kg2 Rf2+ 46.Kh1 h5 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Kiezking (2595) Blitz 2023]

9.cxb6 Qxb6

[9...Nbd7 10.Rc1 *(10.Bd3 Nxb6 11.Nge2 a5 12.0-0 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Rxa6 14.b3 a4 15.Qd3 Qa8 16.b4 a3 17.b5 cxb5 18.Nxb5 Ra5 19.Rab1 Qa6 20.Rb3 d5 21.Rfb1 Rc8 22.Rxa3 dxe4 23.fxe4 Rxa3 24.Qxa3 Qxa3 25.Nxa3 Nbd7 26.e5 Nd5 27.Bd2 h6 28.Kf1 Ra8 29.Rb3 Nf8 30.Nc3 e6 31.Nab5 Nxc3 32.Nxc3 Nd7 33.a4 Bf8 34.Rb7 Nb8 35.Rc7 Na6 36.Rc4 Nb4 37.Ke2 Nd5 38.Kd3 g5 39.Kc2 Kg7 40.Kb3 Nb6 41.Rc6 Nc8 42.Nb5 Ne7*

43.Rc4 Nf5 44.Bc3 Ne3 45.Rc6 Nxg2 46.a5 Ne3 47.a6 g4 48.a7 h5 49.Rb6 h4 50.Rb8 Rxa7 51.Nxa7 g3 52.hxg3 h3 53.Be1 h2 0-1 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-SouthAfricanWolf (2649) Blitz 2022 *)* 10...Nxb6 11.b3 a5 *(11...e5 12.dxe5 Ne8 13.exd6 f5 14.Bd3 Nxd6 15.Nge2 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Nd5 17.Bc5 Be5 18.Bxd6 Bxd6 19.Nxd6 Qxd6 20.0-0 Bf5 21.Bxf5 Rxf5 22.Ng3 Re5 23.Ne4 Qc7 24.Rc4 a5 25.Rfc1 Ra6 26.Kh1 a4 27.bxa4 Qa5 28.Qxa5 Rxa5 29.Rxc6 Rxa4 30.R6c5 Kg7 31.Nc3 Rd4 32.Nxd5 Rdxd5 33.Rxd5 Rxd5 34.a4 Rd2 35.Ra1 Rd6 36.a5 Ra6 37.h4 Kf6 38.Kh2 h5 39.g4 Ke5 40.Kg3 Kd5 41.Kf4 Kc5 42.Kg5* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2643)-Nomencuentras (2562) Blitz 2022*; 11...Nfd7 12.Nh3 Bb7 13.Nf2 c5 14.Be2 e5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.0-0 Ne6 17.Bd3 Nd4 18.Ne2 d5 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Bh6 dxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Nxe4 f5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Ng5 Re8 25.Rfe1 Qd5 26.Rc7+ Nd7 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Ng5 h6 29.Nh3 Rxe1+ 30.Qxe1 Qe5 31.Qxe5 Nxe5 32.Rc5 Nf7 33.Rd5 Rd8 34.Rxd8+ Nxd8 35.Kf2 Ne6 36.Ke2 Kf7 37.Kd3 Kf6 38.f4 g5 39.g3 Ke7 40.Kc4 Kd6 41.b4 Kc6 42.a4 Kd6 43.fxg5 hxg5 44.Nf2 f4 45.gxf4 gxf4 46.h4 Ke5 47.h5 Kf5 48.b5 axb5+ 49.axb5 Nc7 50.b6 Na6 51.Kxd4 Kg5 52.Nh3+ Kxh5 53.Nxf4+ Kg5 54.Ne6+ Kf5 55.Nc5* 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-Goldenpawn1211 (2578) Blitz 2023 *)* 12.Bd3 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Rxa6 14.Nge2 Nfd7 15.Nb1 a4 16.Rxc6 axb3 17.axb3 Qa8 18.Rc2 e5 19.d5 f5 20.0-0 Nf6 21.Nbc3 fxe4 22.fxe4 Ng4 23.Rxf8+ Qxf8 24.Ng3 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Ra1+ 26.Rc1 Bh6 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-Unknown404 (2663) Blitz 2022]

10.Nge2

[10.Rc1 a5 11.Bd3 Ba6 12.Na4 *(12.Bxa6 Nxa6 13.Nge2 Nd7 14.0-0 Nb4 15.Rfd1 Rfc8 16.Na4 Qb5 17.b3 Na6 18.Nf4 h5 19.Nd3 Nb4 20.Nxb4 axb4 21.Rc4 Rab8 22.Rdc1 h4 23.Bg5 e6 24.Bxh4 d5 25.R4c2 dxe4 26.fxe4 Nf6 27.Qe2 Qxe2 28.Rxe2 Nd7 29.Bf2 c5 30.Nxc5 Nxc5 31.Rxc5 Rxc5 32.dxc5 Bc3 33.Rc2 Rc8 34.Kf1 Kf8 35.a3 Ke7 36.a4 Kd7 37.Ke2 Kc6 38.Kd3 Rd8+ 39.Ke2 Rd1 40.Kxd1* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-Banelevich (2666) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Qb7 13.Ne2 Nfd7 14.0-0 Bxd3 15.Qxd3 Na6 16.Rc3 c5 17.Rb3 Qa7 18.dxc5 Naxc5 19.Nxc5 Nxc5 20.Qd5 Rfc8 21.Rb5 Qa6 22.a4 Nxa4 23.Ra1 Nc5 24.Raxa5 Qxa5 25.Rxa5 Rxa5 26.b4 Ra1+ 27.Kf2 Ne6 28.Qb3 Rb8 29.b5 Ra5 30.b6 Rb7 31.Nf4 Nxf4 32.Bxf4 Ra8 33.Be3 Rab8 34.Qb5 Bf8 35.Qc6 e6 36.h4 h5 37.g4 hxg4 38.fxg4 Be7 39.h5 gxh5 40.gxh5 Bd8 41.Qxd6 Bxb6 42.Bxb6 Rxb6 43.Qg3+ Kh7 44.Qf4 R6b7 45.Qf6 Rg8 46.Kf3 Rd7 47.Kf4 Rc7 48.Ke3 Rb7 49.Kd4 Ra7 50.Ke3 Ra3+ 51.Kf4 Ra7 52.Ke5 Ra5+ 53.Kd4 Ra7 54.Qf4 e5+ 55.Qxe5 Rd7+ 56.Ke3 Rgd8 57.Qf5+ Kg8 58.h6 Kf8 59.Qg5 Ke8 60.Qg7 Rd6 61.Qg8+ Kd7 62.Qg7 Kc6 63.Qc3+ 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment

(2682)-MaLeKkoNihli (2598) Blitz 2022]
[10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.Nge2 c5 12.Na4 Qc6 13.b3 c4 14.Rc1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Rxc4 Qe6 17.Bf2 Bb7 18.0-0 N7b6 19.Nc5 Nxc4 20.bxc4 Qc8 21.Nxb7 Qxb7 22.cxd5 Rab8 23.Bc4 Rfc8 24.Bb3 Qc7 25.Bg3 Qb6 26.Bxb8 Rxb8 27.Kh1 a5 28.Rc1 Qd6 29.Qxa5 Bh6 30.Rc2 Be3 31.Qc7 Qb4 32.Qc3 Qxc3 33.Rxc3 Bf2 34.g3 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Felini21 (2586) Blitz 2022]

10...a5

[10...Nbd7

A) 11.Nc1 Rb8 12.Nb3 Qb4 13.Nd1 e5 14.Qxb4 Rxb4 15.Be2 Bb7 16.Bd2 Rxd4 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Nf2 Re8 19.0-0 d5 20.Rac1 dxe4 21.fxe4 c5 22.Bf3 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 Bxe4 24.Bxe4 Rxe4 25.Rfe1 f5 26.b4 Bf8 27.bxc5 Bxc5 28.Kf1 Kf7 29.Rb1 Ke6 30.Bb4 g5 31.Bxc5 Nxc5 32.Rb6+ Kd5 33.Rb8 Nd3 34.Rd8+ Ke5 35.Rd1 Nb2 36.Rb1 Nc4 37.Kg1 Kf4 38.Rf1+ Kg4 39.h3+ Kg3 40.Rf3+ Kh4 41.Rxf5 Ne3 42.Rf7 h5 43.Rfd7 Nc2 44.Kf2 Rf4+ 45.Ke2 Re4+ 46.Kd3 Re3+ 47.Kxc2 Rc3+ 48.Kd2 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-BigAl1 (2624) Blitz 2022;

B) 11.b3 a5 12.Ng3 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Qxa6 14.Qe2 c5 15.Qxa6 Rxa6 16.Nge2 cxd4 17.Bxd4 Rc8 18.Kf2 Nc5 19.Rhd1 h5 20.Rac1 Rac6 21.Be3 Kf8 22.Nb5 Ncxe4+ 23.fxe4 Ng4+ 24.Kf3 Nxh2+ 25.Kg3 Ng4 26.Na7 Nxe3 27.Nxc8 Ra6 28.Rd3 Ng4 29.Rf3 Be5+ 30.Kh3 Ke8 31.Nf4 Kd7 32.Nd5 f6 33.Rc7+ Kd8 34.Ncxe7 g5 35.Nc6+ Ke8 36.Nxe5 dxe5 37.Rh7 a4 38.Nc7+ 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-ZhohoFF (2631) Blitz 2023;

C) 11.Nf4 Rb8 12.b3 c5 *(12...Qa5 13.Rc1 Bb7 14.Be2 c5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.0-0 Ncd7 17.Ncd5 Qxd2 18.Nxe7+ Kh8 19.Bxd2 Rfe8 20.Ned5 Bxd5 21.exd5 g5 22.Bxa6 gxf4 23.Bxf4 Nxd5 24.Bxd6 Rb6* 0-1 (24) HorstBrack (2630)-SKlimov (2645) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nfd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qd8 15.Rc1 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Ne5 17.Be2 Bb7 18.Ne3 a5 19.0-0 a4 20.bxa4 Ba8 21.Rb1 Qd7 22.Bb5 Qe6 23.Rfc1 h5 24.a3 Bh6 25.Qf2 Rfc8 26.Rxc8+ Rxc8 27.h4 Kh7 28.a5 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Bf1 Rg8 31.Kh1 Bf4 32.Qc2 Rf8 33.Re1 Bg3 34.Re2 Qf6 35.Kg1 Qxh4 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-ZhohoFF (2680) Blitz 2023;

D) 11.Ng3 Bb7 12.Be2 c5 13.d5 a5 14.h4 h5 15.0-0 Ba6 16.b3 Rfc8 17.Rfc1 Ne5 18.Rab1 Bxe2 19.Ngxe2 Qa6 20.Na4 Rab8 21.Nb2 Ne8 22.Nc4 Nxc4 23.Rxc4 Qxc4 24.bxc4 Rxb1+ 25.Kh2 Rb2 26.Qd3 Rxa2 27.f4 Nf6 28.Ng3 Ng4+ 29.Kh3 a4 30.e5 dxe5 31.f5 e4 32.Qxe4 Ra3 33.Nf1 Nf2+ 0-1 (33) gg-gm-gmg (2640)-PrettyPrincess2002 (2595) Blitz 2020;

E) 11.Rc1

E1) 11...Rb8 12.b3 a5 *(12...Qa5 13.Ng3 c5 14.Be2 cxd4 15.Bxd4 h5 16.0-0 h4 17.Nh1 h3 18.g3 Ne5 19.Nf2 Be6 20.Rfd1 Rfc8 21.Nb1*

Qxd2 22.Nxd2 a5 23.f4 Nc6 24.Be3 Nb4 25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Bc4 Nxa2 27.Bxe6 fxe6 28.Nc4 Nc3 29.Re1 Ncxe4 30.Nxh3 Nd5 31.Nf2 Nxf2 32.Kxf2 a4 33.Na5 a3 34.Re2 Nc3 35.Rc2 a2 0-1 (35)

Consent_to_treatment (2692)-ZhohoFF (2620) Blitz 2023*; 12...Re8 13.Nf4 Qb7 14.Be2 c5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.0-0 Ne6 17.Nfd5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Nc5 19.b4 Ne6 20.Rc2 Bd7 21.a3 Ba4 22.Rcc1 Bb5 23.Rc2 Ba4 24.Rcc1 h5 25.Bd3 Rec8 26.Rxc8+ Rxc8 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Qxc1 Bb5 29.Bf1 h4 30.Qd1 h3 31.g3 Bxf1 32.Qxf1 Bd4 33.Qc4 Bxe3+ 34.Nxe3 Qb6 35.Kf2 Nc7 36.a4 e6 37.Ke2 d5 38.exd5 exd5 39.Qc5 Qb8 40.Qd6 Qc8 41.Qc6 Qd8 42.Kd3 d4 43.Nc4 Ne6 44.Ne5 Qf6 45.f4 Qf5+ 46.Kc4 Qc2+ 47.Kd5 d3 48.Qe8+ Kh7 49.Qxf7+ Ng7 50.Qxg6+ Kg8 51.Qxd3 Qg2+ 52.Qe4 Qxh2 53.Ng6 Qd2+ 54.Ke5 Qd7 55.Ne7+ Qxe7+ 56.Kd4 Qxe4+ 57.Kxe4 h2 58.f5 h1Q+ 59.Ke5 Qg1 60.f6 Kf8 61.fxg7+ Kxg7 62.Ke6* 1-0 (62)

Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Gabdrakhmanov,A (2319) Blitz 2022 *)* 13.Ng3 Ba6 14.Bxa6 *(14.Be2 Rfc8 15.0-0 h5 16.Rfd1 h4 17.Bxa6 Qxa6 18.Nge2 h3 19.g3 c5 20.Nf4 cxd4 21.Bxd4 e5 22.Be3 exf4 23.Bxf4 Ne5 24.Qxd6 Qa7+ 25.Kh1 Nxf3 26.Rf1 Rb6 27.Qd3 Nxh2 28.Kxh2 Rbc6 29.Kxh3 Nd7 30.Nd5 Rxc1 31.Bxc1 Ne5 32.Qe2 Qd7+ 33.Kg2 a4 34.Bf4 axb3 35.axb3 Qe6 36.Rc1 Rxc1 37.Bxc1 Ng4 38.Bf4 f5 39.Kf3 fxe4+ 40.Qxe4 Nh2+ 41.Ke3 Ng4+ 42.Kf3 Nh2+ 43.Ke3 Ng4+ 44.Kf3* ½-½ (44)

Consent_to_treatment (2699)-ZhohoFF (2663) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Qxa6 15.Qe2 Qa8 16.0-0 Rfc8 17.Rfd1 c5 18.Na4 cxd4 19.Bxd4 Rxc1 20.Rxc1 Rc8 21.Rxc8+ Qxc8 22.Qd2 Qc7 23.Qc3 Qd8 24.Ne2 h5 25.Qc6 Ne5 26.Qc3 h4 27.h3 Ned7 28.Qc6 Ne5 29.Qc3 Ned7 30.a3 e5 31.Be3 d5 32.Bg5 dxe4 33.fxe4 Nb6 34.Nc5 Qd1+ 35.Kf2 Qb1 36.Bxf6 Bxf6 37.Qxa5 Bd8 38.Qd2 Bc7 39.a4 Kg7 40.a5 Nc8 41.Qd7 Bxa5 42.Qxc8 Qe1+ 43.Kf3 Qf1+ 44.Ke3 Qxg2 45.Qg4 Qf1 46.Nd3 Bb6+ 47.Kd2 Qb1 48.b4 Qa2+ 49.Ke1 Qb1+ 50.Nec1 Qc2 51.Qe2 Qc4 52.Kf1 Bd4 53.Kg2 Qc8 54.Nb3 Qb8 55.Nxd4 exd4 56.Qf3 Qa7 57.e5 Qb8 58.Qf6+ Kg8 59.e6 Qg3+ 60.Kh1 Qxh3+ 61.Kg1 Qxe6 62.Qxe6 fxe6 63.b5 Kf7 64.b6 Kf6 65.b7 e5 66.b8Q Kf5 67.Qxe5+ Kg4 68.Qxd4+ Kh5 69.Qe5+ g5 70.Nf4+ Kg4 71.Ng2 h3 72.Qe4+ Kh5 73.Kh2 g4 74.Qf5+ Kh6 75.Qf4+ Kh7 76.Qxg4 1-0 (76)

Consent_to_treatment (2717)-ZhohoFF (2631) Blitz 2023; **E2)** 11...c5 12.Nf4 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Qb8 14.Nfd5 Re8 15.Bc4 Bb7 16.0-0 Ne5

17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Nd5 Bg7 19.Bb3 a5 20.Ba4 Bxd5 21.Bxe8 Bxa2 22.Ba4 Be6 23.Kh1 h5 24.Rc2 h4 25.f4 Nc4 26.Qc3 Bxd4 27.Qxd4 Qa7 28.Rxc4 Bxc4 29.Qxc4 Rb8 30.f5 g5 31.Bb3 Rf8 32.f6 e6 33.Qc1 Qc5 34.Qxc5 dxc5 35.Bc4 Rb8 36.b3 Rb4 37.Ra1 Kh7 38.Rxa5 Kg6 39.e5 Kf5 40.Rxc5 Rb8 41.Kg1 g4 42.Kf2 Rd8 43.Ke3 Rd1 44.Bd3+ Kg5 45.b4 Re1+ 46.Kd2 Rg1 47.Be4 Kf4 48.Bc6 Ra1 49.b5 Ra2+ 50.Kc3 Ra3+ 51.Kb4 Ra1 52.b6 Rb1+ 53.Ka5 Ra1+ 54.Kb5 h3 55.gxh3 gxh3 56.b7 Rb1+ 57.Ka6 Ra1+ 58.Kb6 Rb1+ 59.Rb5 Rc1 60.b8Q Rc2 61.Qd6 Rxh2 62.Qd4+ Kg5 63.Qe3+ Kg4 64.Qe4+ Kg3 65.Rb3+ Kf2 66.Qc2+ Kg1 67.Rb1# 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-ZhohoFF (2619) Blitz 2023;

E3) 11...Qb7 12.Nf4 Rb8 13.b3 Rd8 14.Be2 e5 15.dxe5 Nxe5 16.0-0 Be6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bg5 Nf7 19.Bh4 Rd7 20.Qf4 e5 21.Qg3 Nh5 22.Qe1 Bh6 23.Rd1 Be3+ 24.Bf2 Qb6 25.Bc4 Kg7 26.Qxe3 Qc7 27.Qd2 Nf4 28.Be3 g5 29.g3 d5 30.gxf4 d4 31.Bf2 g4 32.Ne2 gxf3 33.Ng3 exf4 34.Qxf4 Kh8 35.Qxc7 Rxc7 36.Bxd4+ 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2732)-ZoubkovaVila (2681) Blitz 2022]

11.Nc1

[11.Rc1 Ba6 12.Nf4 Bxf1 13.Kxf1 Na6 14.Na4 Qb5+ 0-1 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-Cofi7 (2556) Blitz 2022]

[11.Na4 Qb4 12.Nec3 Ba6 13.a3 Qb3 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.0-0 Rab8 16.Rac1 Nc7 17.Qc2 Rfc8 18.Qxb3 Rxb3 19.Rc2 Nd7 20.Rfc1 Ne6 21.d5 Nd4 22.dxc6 Rxc6 23.Rd2 Nb5 24.Rdc2 Nxc3 25.Nxc3 Bxc3 26.Rxc3 Rcxc3 27.Rxc3 Rxb2 28.Rc8+ Kg7 29.Bd4+ 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-MaLeKkoNihli (2656) Blitz 2022]

11...Ba6 12.Na4 Qb7 13.Bxa6 Nxa6 14.Nd3 Nb4 15.0-0 Qb5 16.Nxb4 axb4 17.b3 Nd7 18.Rac1 Nb6 19.Nxb6 Qxb6 20.Rc2 Rfc8 21.Rfc1 Qb7 22.Rc4 Rab8 23.Qc2 Qa6 24.h4 h5 25.Rxc6 Rxc6 26.Qxc6 Qxa2 27.Qc2 Qa6 28.Qc4 Qa2 29.Kh2 Bf6 30.Bg5 Bxg5 31.hxg5 Qd2 32.Qc7 Re8 33.Qd7 Qf4+ 34.Kh3 Kf8 35.Rc4 Qxg5 36.Rxb4 Qc1 37.Kh2 Qe1 38.Rc4 Qf2 39.Qh3 Rb8 40.Rc8+ Rxc8 41.Qxc8+ Kg7 42.Qc3 h4 43.d5+ f6 44.b4 Qg3+ 45.Kg1 h3 46.Qd2 hxg2 47.Qf2 Qf4 48.Kxg2 Qg5+ 49.Kh2 Qh5+ 50.Kg2 Qg5+ 51.Kh2 Qf4+ 52.Kg2 f5 53.Qb2+ Kf7 54.exf5 Qxf5 55.b5 Qg5+ 56.Kf2 Qxd5 57.b6 Qd4+ 58.Qxd4 e5 59.Qd5+ Ke7 60.b7 g5 61.b8Q g4 62.Qbxd6+ Ke8 63.Q6xe5+ Kf8 64.Qd8+ Kf7 65.Qd7+ Kg6 66.Qdd6+ Kh7 67.Qee7+ Kg8 68.Qdd8# 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2733)-ZhohoFF (2674) Blitz 2023

8.Rc1 b5 9.d5

[9.a3 Nbd7 10.Bd3 Nb6 11.cxb5 cxb5 12.Nge2 d5 13.e5 Ne8 14.h4 f6 15.h5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Bh6 g5 19.Ng3 Bxh6 20.Rxh6 Kg7 21.Rh2 Nc7 22.d5 Rh8 23.Nh5+ Kg6 24.g4 f5 25.e6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Qxd2+ 27.Kxd2 Nxe6

28.gxf5+ Kxf5 29.Rch1 Rhd8+ 30.Kc1 Nc5 31.Ng3+ Kf4 32.Nge2+ Ke3 33.Kb1 Rd2 34.Nd1+ Kxf3 35.Rf2+ Ke4 36.Nec3+ Kd3 37.Rh3+ Kd4 38.Rxd2+ Ke5 39.Rd5+ Ke6 40.Rxc5 Rd8 41.Re3+ Kf6 42.Rce5 Kg6 43.Re6+ Kh5 44.Nf2 Kh4 45.Nfe4 Kg4 46.Rxe7 Kf4 47.Re2 g4 48.Nf6 g3 49.Nh5+ Kf3 50.Nxg3 1-0 (50) Paravyan,D (2612)-Dixit,N (2289) chess.com INT 2023]

9...b4

[9...cxd5 10.cxd5 Nbd7 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 e6 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Be2 d5 15.Bd4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Bc5 Qc7 18.Bxf8 Bxf8 19.0-0 Bc5 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rd8 22.Kh1 Nxd5 23.Rcd1 Bb6 24.Ne4 Qe7 25.Qg5 f6 26.Qh4 Kg7 27.Rfe1 Qf7 28.Nc3 Nb4 29.Qe4 Nd3 30.Re2 b4 31.Rf1 bxc3 32.bxc3 f5 33.Qc6 Nf2+ 34.Kg1 Nh3+ 35.Kh1 Nf2+ 36.Kg1 Nh3+ 37.Kh1 Nf4 38.Rb2 Nd5 39.Rd1 Ne7 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-MaLeKkoNihli (2614) Blitz 2022]

[9...bxc4 10.Bxc4 Bb7 11.Nge2 cxd5 12.Nxd5 Nbd7 13.0-0 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Qxd5 Bxb2 16.Rb1 Be5 17.Nd4 e6 18.Qc4 Rc8 19.Qxa6 Qh4 20.f4 Nc5 21.Qe2 Bg7 22.g3 Qd8 23.Bf2 Qa5 24.Nb3 Nxb3 25.axb3 Qb4 26.Rfd1 Rc3 27.Qd2 Qxe4 28.Qxd6 Rfc8 29.b4 Rc2 30.Qd3 Qb7 31.b5 h5 32.b6 R8c3 33.Qd8+ Kh7 34.Qd7 Qf3 35.Rf1 h4 36.Qd1 Re2 37.gxh4 Qg4+ 38.Kh1 Qf3+ 39.Kg1 Rd3 40.Qxd3 Qxd3 41.b7 Bd4 42.b8Q Qf3 43.Qb7 Bxf2+ 44.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 45.Kh1 Qxh2# 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-sillyMASTER (2822) Blitz 2021]

10.Nd1 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nbd7 12.Qxb4 Rb8 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Bc4 Nxc4 15.Rxc4 e6 16.Nc3 exd5 17.exd5 Re8 18.Nge2 Qe7 19.Bd4 Bd7 20.0-0 Bb5 21.Nxb5 axb5 22.Rc2 Qb7 23.Nf4 Nxd5 24.Bxg7 Nxf4 25.Qxf4 Kxg7 26.Qxd6 Qb6+ 27.Qxb6 Rxb6 28.Rd1 Re7 29.h3 h5 30.Rd5 b4 31.b3 Ra7 32.Rd4 Rba6 33.Rxb4 Rxa2 34.Rxa2 Rxa2 35.h4 Rb2 36.Kh2 Kf6 37.Kg3 Ke5 38.Rb5+ Kf6 39.Rb6+ Kf5 40.Rb7 f6 41.Rb5+ Ke6 42.b4 Kf7 43.Rb6 Kg7 44.Kh3 f5 45.Kg3 Kh6 46.Rb7 f4+ 47.Kxf4 Rxg2 48.b5 Rh2 49.Kg3 Rb2 50.b6 Rb4 51.Rb8 Kg7 52.Rb7+ Kf6 53.Kh3 Ke6 54.Rg7 Kf6 55.Rb7 Ke6 56.Rb8 Kf6 57.b7 Kg7 58.Kg3 Rb1 59.Kf4 Rb2 60.Ke4 Rb1 61.f4 Rb2 62.Kd5 Rd2+ 63.Kc4 Rc2+ 64.Kb5 Rb2+ 65.Kc6 Rc2+ 66.Kd6 Rd2+ 67.Ke5 Re2+ 68.Kd4 Rb2 69.Ke3 Rb3+ 70.Kf2 Rb2+ 71.Ke1 Rb1+ 72.Kd2 Rb6 73.Kc1 Rb5 74.f5 1-0 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2726)-Endgamegenious (2560) Blitz 2021

Mikhalevski,V: 'Other lines are:'

8.0-0-0 b5 9.g4

[9.h4 Mikhalevski,V: 'Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. Mikhalevski, V: 'Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. ' Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. Mikhalevski, V: 'Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V].' Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. Mikhalevski,

V: 'Moiseenko,A-Miroshnichenko,E, Canadian Open 2004 [Mikhalevski,V]. "]

9...Nbd7

[9...Qa5 10.h4 b4 11.Nb1 Qxa2 12.h5 Ra7 13.Bh6 e5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qxb4 exd4 16.Qxd6 h6 17.g5 Nxh5 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.gxh6+ Kh7 20.Qxf8 f5 21.Nh3 1-0 (21) Lucky1357924680 (2694)-Mathperson64 (2517) Blitz 2024]

10.h4

[10.e5 Ne8 11.f4 *(11.h4 dxe5 12.dxe5 Qa5 13.h5 Nxe5 14.Bh6 b4 15.Nb1 Qxa2 16.Bxg7 Nxg7 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh6 Nxc4 19.Qxh7+ Kf7 20.Rh2 Be6 21.Bd3 Ne5 22.Rh6 Nxd3+ 23.Rxd3 Qc4+ 24.Kd2 Qf4+ 25.Kd1 Qf6 26.g5 Qxg5 27.Nh3 Bxh3 28.Rxh3 Rh8 29.Qxh8 Rxh8 30.Rxh8 Ne6 31.Nd2 Nc5 32.Rd4 Qg1+* 0-1 (32) Lucky1357924680 (2641)-AimlessTractor (2673) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Rb8 12.Nf3 bxc4 13.Bxc4 d5 14.Bd3 Nc7 15.h4 Nb5 16.h5 Nxc3 17.Qxc3 Nb6 18.Rd2 Bxg4 19.Ng5 Nc4 20.Bxc4 dxc4 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Rdh2 Qd5 23.Qe1 c3 24.bxc3 Rb7 25.Qg3 Rfb8 26.Qxg4 Rb1+ 27.Kd2 Rxh1 28.Rxh1 Qxh1 29.Kc2 Qb1+ 0-1 (29) Lucky1357924680 (2689)-ZhohoFF (2585) Blitz 2024]

10...e5

[10...Qa5 11.Kb1 b4 12.Nce2 c5 13.h5 Bb7 14.Bh6 Nxe4 15.Qe3 cxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Rxd4 Nc3+ 18.bxc3 bxc3 19.Rh2 Be4+ 20.Qxe4 Rab8+ 21.Ka1 Nc5 22.Qxe7 Nb3+ 23.Kb1 Nxd4+ 24.Kc1 Qa3+ 0-1 (24) Lucky1357924680 (2664)-zhohoff (2638) Blitz 2024]

11.h5 exd4 12.Bxd4 Qc7 13.h6 Bh8 14.g5 Ne8 15.Bxh8 Kxh8 16.Nge2 Ne5 17.Nd4 bxc4 18.f4 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Qxd3 Rb8 21.Rh2 Bg4 22.Re1 Qb6 23.Rc2 Nc7 24.Na4 Qa5 25.Nc3 c5 26.Nc6 Qb6 27.Nxb8 Rxb8 28.Qc4 Be6 29.Nd5 Nb5 30.f5 Bxd5 31.exd5 Nd4 32.Rce2 Qd8 33.Re7 Rb4 34.Re8+ 1-0 (34) Lucky1357924680 (2720)-ZhohoFF (2659) Blitz 2024

8.g4 b5 9.Nge2 bxc4 10.Ng3 d5

[10...e5 11.h4 exd4 12.Bxd4 c5 13.Be3 Nc6 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.h5 Qa5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh2 Nb4 18.g5 Nxa2+ 19.Nxa2 Qxa2 20.gxf6 Rxf6 21.e5 Rxf3 22.Bg2 Rxg3 23.Qxh7+ Kf7 24.Rhf1+ Bf5 25.Bd5+ Ke8 26.Qg8+ Kd7 27.Qxg7+ Kc8 1-0 (27) MaLeKkoNihli (2614)-MennyHobber (2596) Blitz 2022]

11.e5 Nfd7 12.h4 c5 13.f4 cxd4 14.Qxd4 Nc6 15.Qxd5 Bb7 16.0-0-0 Ndb8 17.Bxc4 Qc8 18.Bb3 Nxe5 19.Qd2 Bxh1 20.fxe5 Bb7 21.e6 fxe6 22.h5 Bf3 23.Rg1 Bxg4 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Nge4 Bf5 26.Ng5 Nc6 27.Qh2 Rd8 28.Qh7+ Kf8 29.Nge4 Na5 30.Bh6 Nxb3+ 31.axb3 Bxe4 32.Qxg7+ Ke8 33.Bg5 Qc5 34.Re1 Qxg5+ 0-1 (34) MaLeKkoNihli (2633)-musik92 (2562) Blitz 2021

8.a4 a5

[8...Nbd7 9.a5 e5 *(9...b6 10.axb6 Qxb6 11.Bd3 Rb8 12.Na4 Qc7 13.Ne2 c5 14.0-0 cxd4 15.Nxd4 Nc5 16.Ra3 Nxa4 17.Rxa4 Nd7 18.Ra3 Nc5 19.Rb1 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Nb3 21.Qc3 Nxd4 22.Qxd4 e5 23.Qf2 Rb4 24.Rc1 Qb8 25.Rc2 Rb3 26.Rxb3 Qxb3 27.Rc3 Qb4 28.c5 dxc5 29.Qxc5 Qxb2 30.Qxe5 Be6 31.h4 h5 32.Kh2 Qa1 33.f4*

Qe1 34.Qf6 Qd2 35.Bxa6 Qd8 36.Qg5 Qxg5 37.hxg5 Ra8 38.Be2 Ra5 39.Kg3 Kg7 40.Bf3 Rb5 41.Rc1 Ra5 42.Kf2 Ra2+ 43.Ke3 Ra3+ 44.Kf2 Ra2+ 45.Kg3 Ra5 46.Rc3 Rb5 47.Kf2 Rb2+ 48.Ke3 Ra2 49.Rc5 Bg4 50.f5 gxf5 51.exf5 Ra3+ 52.Kf4 Bxf3 53.gxf3 Ra4+ 54.Ke5 h4 55.f4 h3 56.Rc2 Ra3 57.Ke4 Rb3 58.Rc6 Kf8 59.Rh6 Ke7 60.Rh7 Kf8 61.f6 Kg8 62.Rh6 Ra3 63.Kf5 Rg3 64.Rh5 Ra3 65.Kg4 Ra1 66.Rxh3 Rb1 67.Re3 Ra1 68.Kf5 Ra5+ 69.Re5 Ra1 70.Re8+ Kh7 71.g6+ fxg6+ 72.Kg4 Rg1+ 73.Kh3 1-0 (73) Kovalenko,I (2644)-Gabrielian,A (2541) Dombai RUS 2013 *)* 10.d5 Nc5 11.Qc2 Nh5 12.b4 Nd7 13.Bd3 Nf4 14.g3 Nxd3+ 15.Qxd3 c5 16.bxc5 Nxc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Nge2 Bh3 19.Kf2 f5 20.Rhb1 Rf7 21.Kg1 Qg5 22.Rb6 Raf8 23.Rab1 Bh6 24.Rxb7 Qe3+ 25.Qxe3 Bxe3+ 26.Kh1 Rxb7 27.Rxb7 fxe4 28.f4 exf4 29.Nxf4 Bxf4 30.gxf4 Rxf4 31.Rb1 e3 32.d6 Rxc4 33.Nd5 e2 34.Re1 Rd4 35.Nc3 Rd3 36.Nxe2 Re3 37.Kg1 Re6 38.d7 Rd6 39.Nf4 Bxd7 40.Re7 Bb5 41.Rc7 c4 42.Kf2 h5 43.Ke3 h4 44.Nh3 Rd3+ 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-S3r14LK1LL3r (2602) Blitz 2025]

9.Rd1 Qc7 10.Nge2 e5 11.d5 Na6 12.Nc1 Rd8 13.Be2 Nh5 14.0-0 f5 15.Bg5 Nf6 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bd3 Nc5 18.Bc2 Qb6 19.Kh1 Qxb2 20.Nd3 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Qb6 22.g4 Qd4 23.gxf5 Qxd3 24.Bxd3 Rf8 25.Be4 Ra6 26.dxc6 Nxe4 27.fxe4 Rxc6 28.Be7 Rxc4 29.Nb5 Rxe4 30.Nxd6 Rd4 31.Bxf8 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-delapoutre (2503) Blitz 2025

8.d5 e6 [8...cxd5 9.cxd5 b5 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.Nge2 Nc5 12.Nd4 Nxd3+ 13.Qxd3 Bb7 14.0-0 Qd7 15.Rfc1 Rac8 16.a4 bxa4 17.Nxa4 Rxc1+ 18.Bxc1 Qc7 19.Bd2 Rc8 20.Rc1 Qd8 21.Nc6 Bxc6 22.dxc6 d5 23.e5 Ne8 24.f4 f6 25.exf6 Nxf6 26.Qxa6 Ne4 27.Ba5 Qe8 28.g3 e6 29.Qb7 Bd4+ 30.Kg2 Nd6 31.Qd7 Nc4 32.Qxe8+ Rxe8 33.Bc3 Ba7 34.b3 Nd6 35.Be5 Nb5 36.c7 Rc8 37.Rc6 Kf7 38.Nb6 Bxb6 39.Rxb6 Nxc7 40.Rc6 Ra8 41.Rxc7+ Ke8 42.Rb7 Ra2+ 43.Kh3 Rc2 44.Rxh7 g5 45.Rg7 gxf4 46.gxf4 Kd8 47.Kg4 Rf2 48.Kg5 Rf1 49.Kf6 Rg1 50.Kxe6 Rh1 51.Rd7+ Kc8 52.Rxd5 Re1 53.Rd6 Kb7 54.Rd5 Kc6 55.Rd7 Kb5 56.Rd6 Kb4 57.Rd5 Ka3 58.Kd6 Ka2 59.f5 Kb1 60.f6 Kc2 61.Ke6 Rf1 62.Rd6 Rf4 63.Rc6+ Kd3 64.Rd6+ Ke2 65.Bxf4 Kf3 66.Rd5 Ke4 67.Re5+ Kf3 68.f7 Kg4 69.f8Q Kf3 70.Qf6 Kg4 71.Qg7+ Kh3 72.Bg5 Kg2 73.Bf6+ Kh1 74.Qg5 Kxh2 75.Qf5 Kh1 76.Re4 Kh2 77.Rg4 Kh1 78.Qg5 Kh2 79.Qh5# 1-0 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-No_Move_Left (2688) Blitz 2021]

9.dxe6 Bxe6 10.0-0-0 Qa5 11.Kb1 b5 12.Nd5 Qxd2 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Rxd2 Rd8 15.Nh3 Be7 16.Nf4 Nd7 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.g3 Ne5 19.f4 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Rc1 d5 22.b3 Rab8 23.Ka1 cxb3 24.Rxc6 dxe4 25.Rxe6 Rxd2 26.Bxd2 Kf7 27.Rxe4 Bf6+ 28.Kb1 bxa2+ 29.Kxa2 Rb2+ 30.Ka3 Rxd2 31.h4 Rd3+ 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Endgamegenious (2594) Blitz 2023

8.h4 h5 9.Nh3 b5 10.Nf2 bxc4

11.Bxc4 d5 12.Bb3 dxe4 13.fxe4 Ng4 14.Nxg4 Bxg4 15.0-0 e6 16.Na4 Qxh4 17.Rac1 Qd8 18.e5 a5 19.Nc5 Bf5 20.Ba4 Ra7 21.Bg5 f6 22.Rxf5 exf5 23.Ne6 fxg5 24.Nxd8 Rxd8 25.Bb3+ Kh7 26.Qxg5 Rxd4 27.e6 Bh6 28.Qf6 Re4 29.Rd1 Bg7 30.Qd8 Na6 31.Qxa5 c5 32.Qb6 Ra8 33.Qb7 Re8 34.Qxa6 Bd4+ 35.Kf1 Rf4+ 36.Ke2 Rf2+ 37.Kd3 Rxg2 38.Qc6 Re7 39.Qxg2 1-0 (39) hesenlinna (2641)-SNOEBE (2554) Blitz 2021

96 **8...Nbd7** 9.Nge2
[9.a4 e5 10.d5 Nc5 11.Bc2 a5 12.b3 Nh5 13.Nge2 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.0-0 Kh8 16.Rfd1 Bd7 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Nd7 20.Rad1 Ndf6 21.Re6 e4 22.f4 Ng4 23.Bd4 Bxd4+ 24.Rxd4 Rad8 25.Red6 Rxd6 26.Rxd6 Ne3 27.Bb1 Ng4 28.h3 Ngf6 29.g3 Ng7 30.Nd1 Nd7 31.Ne3 Nc5 32.Bc2 Nge6 33.Kf2 Kg7 34.Nd4 Nxd4 35.Rxd4 h5 36.h4 Rf6 37.Rd8 Kf7 38.Rh8 Rd6 39.Ke2 Kg6 40.Rg8+ Kf6 41.Rg5 Bd7 42.Rxh5 Be6 43.g4 Nd3 44.Bxd3 exd3+ 45.Kd2 fxg4 46.Rg5 Rd4 47.f5 Bd7 48.Rxg4 Rxg4 49.Nxg4+ Kxf5 50.Ne3+ Ke4 51.h5 Be8 52.h6 Bg6 53.Nd5 Ke5 54.Ne7 Bh7 55.Nc8 Kd4 56.Nb6 Kc5 57.Nd5 Bg6 58.Kc3 Bh7 59.Nf6 d2 60.Kxd2 Bg6 61.Kc3 Bh7 62.Nxh7 b5 63.Ng5 b4+ 64.Kd3 Kc6 65.h7 Kd6 66.h8Q Ke7 67.Qd4 Kf8 68.Qd5 Ke8 69.Nf3 Kf8 70.Qc5+ Ke8 71.Qb5+ Kf8 72.Qxa5 Kf7 73.Qxb4 1-0 (73) rhungaski (2652)-mbojan23 (2597) Blitz 2021]
9...e5 10.d5 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.g4 h5 13.g5 Nh7 14.Rg1 Nc5 15.Bc2 b4 16.Na4 Nxa4 17.Bxa4 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Nc1 a5 20.Nd3 f6 21.gxf6 Rxf6 22.Qg2 Raf8 23.Ke2 Rxf3 24.Qxg6 R8f6 25.Qxh5 Rh3 26.Qg4 Rxh2+ 27.Nf2 Qb5+ 28.Kd2 Rhxf2+ 29.Bxf2 Rxf2+ 30.Ke1 Rf7 31.Rc1 Nf8 32.Rc8 Qd3 33.Rxf8+ Rxf8 34.Qc8 Qe3+ 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2776)-Mrdalica (2842) Blitz 2023

97 **9.b3** Bb7 10.Nge2 Nbd7 11.0-0 e5 12.d5 Nb8
[12...cxd5 13.cxd5 Qa5 14.a3 Rfc8 15.b4 Qd8 16.a4 bxa4 17.Nxa4 Nh5 18.Rfc1 Qf8 19.Rxc8 Rxc8 20.Nc1 Nf4 21.Bf1 f5 22.Nb3 fxe4 23.fxe4 Nf6 24.Nc3 Ng4 25.Bb6 Bh6 26.Qe1 Qf6 27.h3 Nxh3+ 28.gxh3 Qf4 29.hxg4 Qxg4+ 30.Bg2 Bf4 31.Be3 Bg3 32.Bf2 Bf4 33.Ne2 Rc2 34.Nxf4 exf4 35.Nd4 f3 36.Nxf3 1-0 (36) xiqichess (2644)-drawingchest (2603) Blitz 2021]
13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.cxb5 Nb4 15.bxa6 Bc6 16.Bc4 d5 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bc5 Re8 20.Rad1 Qh4 21.Bxd5 Rad8 22.Bxc6 Rxd2 23.Rxd2 Rc8 24.a7 Qg5 25.Rc2 Qf5 26.Be4 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2746)-kzroma (2628) Blitz 2023
9.a3 Nbd7 10.Nge2 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.Bc2 Nh5 14.g4 Nf4 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.Bxf4 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.Rg1 fxe4 19.0-0-0 Bf5 20.Nxe4 Bxe4 21.fxe4 Qf6 22.Rxg7+ Kxg7 23.Bh6+ Kh8 24.Bxf8 Rxf8 25.Kb1 a5 26.Qxa5 Qf4 27.Qxb5 Qxh2 28.e5 Qxe5 29.Rh1 Ne4 30.Qd7 h5 31.Qg4 Nf6 32.Qg6 Rb8 33.b4 Rb7 34.Qh6+ Rh7 35.Bxh7 Nxh7 36.Qg6 Qd4 37.Qe8+ Kg7 38.Rg1+ Kh6 39.Qg6# 1-0 (39) Kittinaa (2719)-ZhohoFF (2628) Blitz 2023
9.d5 bxc4 10.Bxc4 cxd5 11.Nxd5

Nbd7 12.Ne2 Bb7 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.0-0 a5 15.Rac1 a4 16.Rfd1 Nb6 17.Bb5 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Bd4 Bxd4+ 20.Nxd4 Nd7 21.Nc6 Qb6+ 22.Qd4 Re8 23.Rc4 Qxd4+ 24.Rdxd4 Rb6 25.Nb4 a3 26.bxa3 Ra8 27.Rc7 Nc5 28.Rxe7 Rxa3 29.h4 Ra5 30.e5 Ne6 31.exd6 Nxd4 32.d7 Rd6 33.Re8+ Kg7 34.d8Q Rxd8 35.Rxd8 Ne2+ 36.Kf2 Nc3 37.Rd2 Ra4 38.Rb2 Nd1+ 39.Kg3 Nxb2 40.Nd5 Rxa2 41.Nf4 Nd1 42.h5 Ne3 43.hxg6 hxg6 44.Kh3 g5 45.Nh5+ Kg6 46.g4 Nf1 47.f4 Rh2# 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Fire_on_board7 (2624) Blitz 2021

9.c5 dxc5 10.dxc5 a5 11.Nge2 Na6 12.Rc1 Nd7 13.Nd1 Ne5 14.Bb1 Nb4 15.0-0 Be6 16.a3 Qxd2 17.Bxd2 Nbd3 18.Rc3 Rfd8 19.Nf4 Nxf4 20.Bxf4 b4 21.Rc1 bxa3 22.bxa3 Rab8 23.Nc3 Rb3 24.Na4 Rxa3 25.Nb6 h6 26.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 g5 28.Bc1 Rc3 29.Bd2 Rxc5 30.Na4 Rb5 31.Nc3 Rb2 32.Bc1 Rb3 33.Bd2 Nc4 34.Ba2 Nxd2 35.Bxb3 Nxb3 36.Na4 c5 37.Rd8+ Kh7 38.Ra8 Bd4+ 39.Kf1 c4 40.Re8 Bd7 41.Rd8 Bxa4 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-SouthAfricanWolf (2658) Blitz 2021

[98] **9...bxc4** 10.Bxc4 d5 11.exd5 cxd5 12.Bd3 Nc6 13.0-0 Nb4 14.Bb1 a5 15.a3 Nc6 16.Bd3 Ba6 17.Na4 Bxd3 18.Qxd3 Nd7 19.Rac1 Rc8 20.Nc5 Nxc5 21.Rxc5 e5 22.Rfc1 exd4 23.Nxd4 Ne5 24.Rxc8 Nxd3 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Nc6 Nxc1 27.Nxd8 Bxb2 28.a4 Bd4 29.Kf2 Nd3+ 30.Ke2 Bxe3 31.Kxe3 Nc5 32.Nc6 Nxa4 33.Nxa5 Nc3 34.g3 Nb5 35.Kf4 f6 36.Nc6 Kf7 37.Ke3 Ke6 38.f4 Kd6 39.Nb4 Nc7 40.Nd3 Ne6 41.g4 Nc5 42.Nf2 Nb3 43.h4 Kc5 44.f5 gxf5 45.gxf5 Kc4 46.Ng4 Kc3 47.Nxf6 d4+ 48.Kf4 Nc5 49.Ng4 d3 50.Nf2 d2 51.Ke3 Kc2 52.f6 h5 53.f7 Ne6 54.Ke4 Nf8 55.Kf5 Kc3 56.Kg5 Kd4 57.Kxh5 Ke3 58.Nd1+ Kf4 59.Kh6 Kf5 60.Kg7 Ne6+ 61.Kg8 Kg4 62.Kh7 Kxh4 63.Kg6 Kg4 64.Ne3+ Kf3 65.Nd1 Ke2 66.Nb2 d1Q 67.Nxd1 Kxd1 68.Kf6 Nf8 69.Kg7 Nd7 70.Kg6 Ke2 71.Kf5 Ke3 72.Ke6 Nf8+ 73.Kf6 Nd7+ 74.Ke7 Ne5 75.Ke6 Ng6 76.Kf5 Nf8 77.Kg4 1-0 (77) edgelorde (2734)-chabo_ftw (2736) Blitz 2021

10.Bh6

[10.b3

A) 10...e5 11.d5 *(11.0-0 exd4 12.Nxd4 Bb7 13.Rad1 Ne5 14.Nde2 Qa5 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxd2 bxc4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.bxc4 Rfd8 20.Rfd1 Be7 21.Bf4 d5 22.cxd5 cxd5 23.exd5 Bc5+ 24.Kf1 Rd7 25.Nc3 Bb4 26.Rd3 Bxc3 27.Rxc3 Rxd5 28.Rxd5 Bxd5 29.a3 a5 30.Rc7 a4 31.Kf2 h5 32.h4 Be6 33.Be5 Kf8 34.Bf6 Ke8 35.Ke3 Rc8 36.Re7+ Kf8 37.Ra7 Bb3 38.g4 Kg8 39.Kf4 hxg4 40.fxg4 Rc4+ 41.Kg3 Rc8 42.h5 gxh5 43.gxh5 Kh7 44.Bg5 Kg7 45.Ra6 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-crackcubano (2605) Blitz 2023)* 11...cxd5 12.cxd5 Nh5 13.Bf2 f5 14.Bc2 Ndf6 15.h3 fxe4 16.fxe4 b4 17.Nd1 Nf4 18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Rc1 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Re8 21.Qxf4 Bf5 22.0-0 Rxe4 23.Qd2 Qd7 24.Ne3 Bc3 25.Qd1 Rd4 26.Qf3 Be4 27.Ng4 Bxf3 28.Nf6+ Kg7 29.Nxd7 Be2 30.Bxd4+ Bxd4+ 31.Kh2 Bxf1 32.Rxf1 Rd8

33.Rd1 Ba7 34.Nb8 Bxb8 35.a3 bxa3 36.Ra1 Bc7 37.Rxa3 a5 38.Ra4 Rb8 39.b4 Rxb4 40.Ra1 Rc4 41.Rd1 Rc5 42.Kg3 Kf6 43.Kf4 g5+ 44.Ke4 h5 45.g4 Kg6 46.gxh5+ Kxh5 47.Kd4 Kh4 48.Rd3 Bb6 49.Ke4 Rc4+ 50.Kf5 a4 51.Rd2 Bc5 52.Ra2 Rf4+ 53.Ke6 a3 54.Rxa3 Rf3 55.Rxf3 1-0 (55) Stratersest (2734)-drawingchest (2612) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...bxc4 11.bxc4 c5 12.0-0 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nc5 14.Be2 Bb7 15.Rab1 Nfd7 16.Nd5 e6 17.Nc3 Qc7 18.Rfd1 Rad8 19.Nb3 Ne5 20.Bd4 h5 21.Qe3 Ned7 22.Rbc1 Rc8 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qd4+ Nf6 25.Qxd6 Rfd8 26.Qxc7 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Rxc7 28.Rd6 Nfd7 29.Kf2 Kf6 30.Ke3 Ke7 31.Rd2 Ne5 32.h3 Ncd7 33.Na5 Ba8 34.f4 Rc5 35.Nb3 Nxc4+ 36.Bxc4 Rxc4 37.Rd4 Rxc3+ 0-1 (37) curtainsjr (2756)-sillyMASTER (2864) Blitz 2022]

[10.0-0 e5 11.d5 cxd5 *(11...bxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 13.b3 cxd5 14.Bxd5 Nbxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Be6 17.Qd3 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Qxd5 Bxd5 20.Rfd1 Be6 21.Rac1 h6 22.Kf2 Rfc8 23.Nc3 f5 24.Na4 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Rc8 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8* ½-½ (26) amiraitowa (2687)-drawingchest (2597) Blitz 2023*)* 12.cxd5 Nc5 *(12...Nb6 13.b3 Bd7 14.Rac1 Nh5 15.g4 Nf6 16.Ng3 Ne8 17.Kh1 Nc8 18.Kg2 f5 19.exf5 Ne7 20.fxg6 Nxg6 21.Nh5 Nh4+ 22.Kg3 Nxf3 23.Rxf3 Rxf3+ 24.Kxf3 Qh4 25.Qg2 Nf6 26.Nxf6+ Bxf6 27.h3 Rf8 28.Ke2 Bg5 29.Ne4 Bxe3 30.Kxe3 Qh6+ 31.g5 Qxh3+ 32.Qxh3 Bxh3 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.Rh1 e4 35.Bxe4* 1-0 (35) AgressiveMode (2658)-zaguer (2637) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Rfc1 b4 14.Nd1 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 a5 16.b3 Ba6 17.Qd2 Nd7 18.Nb2 f5 19.Nc4 Nf6 20.exf5 gxf5 21.a3 Bxc4 22.Rxc4 f4 23.Bf2 e4 24.Bd4 Qd7 25.axb4 exf3 26.gxf3 Qh3 27.Qxf4 Nxd5 28.Qg3 Qxg3+ 29.hxg3 Rxf3 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.bxa5 Rxb3 32.a6 Rb6 33.a7 Rb7 34.Rca4 Nc7 35.Nd4 Kf6 36.Kf2 Ke5 37.Ke3 Kd5 38.Ra5+ Kc4 39.Rc1+ Kb4 40.Raa1 Nd5+ 41.Kd3 Rg7 42.Rcb1+ Kc5 43.Rb5# 1-0 (43) amiraitowa (2688)-ZhohoFF (2630) Blitz 2023]

[10.h4 e5 11.d5 bxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 13.Bb3 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Nfxd5 15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Be6 17.Qd2 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Qxd5 Bxd5 20.Nc3 Be6 21.h5 f5 22.h6 Bf6 23.Kf2 Kf7 24.Rhd1 Rfd8 25.b4 e4 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Rc1 Rd3 28.Na4 Bh4+ 29.Ke2 Ra3 30.Rc7+ Kf6 31.Nc3 exf3+ 32.gxf3 g5 33.Rxh7 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Kg6 35.Rc7 Be1+ 36.Kxe1 Rxc3 37.Bd4 Rxf3 38.h7 1-0 (38) theapartmentmilkyway (2614)-gila_main (2647) Blitz 2022]

10...e5 11.h4 exd4 12.Nxd4 Ne5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.h5 bxc4 15.Be2 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Rb8 17.f4 Nd3+ 18.Bxd3 cxd3 19.Nf3 Bg4 20.e5 Nd5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.f5 Ne3 23.f6+ Kg8 24.Na4 Qa7 25.Rde1 Nc4 26.Qxd3 Nxe5 27.Nxe5 dxe5 28.Qc4+ Qf7 29.Qxg4 Qxa2 30.Rxh7 Rxf6 31.Qh4 Rf4 32.Rh8+ Kf7 33.Rh7+ Ke6 34.Qe7+ 1-0 (34) cramor (2856)-ZhohoFF (2623) Blitz 2023

[99] **7.Nge2** a5

[7...Nbd7

A) 8.d5 a5 *(8...a6 9.g4 Rb8 10.a4 h5 11.h3 a5 12.Rg1 Nc5 13.Nc1 c6 14.Nd3 cxd5 15.cxd5 b6 16.Nxc5 bxc5 17.Bb5 Ne8 18.g5 Bxh3 19.Qd2 Nc7 20.Qe2 Bd7 21.Kf2 Nxb5 22.axb5 Qb6 23.Ra2 Bxb5 24.Nxb5 Qxb5 25.Qxb5 Rxb5 26.Rga1 Rfb8 27.Rxa5 Rxb2+ 28.Kg3 Re2 29.Ra8 Rxa8 30.Rxa8+ Kh7 31.Bc1 f5 32.gxf6 Bxf6 33.Ra7+ Kg8 34.Rd7 h4+ 35.Kh3 Rf2 36.Rxd6 Kf7 37.Kg4 Rg2+ 38.Kh3 Rg3+ 39.Kh2 Rxf3 40.Rc6 g5 41.Rc7+ Kg6 42.Rxc5 g4 43.d6 Rf2+ 44.Kg1 g3 45.d7 h3 46.Rc6 h2+ 47.Kh1 Rf1+ 48.Kg2 h1Q+* 0-1 (48) MothToTheFlame (2700)-littleplotkin (2702) Blitz 2023 *)*

A1) 9.Qd2 Nc5 *(9...Ne8 10.Nc1 f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Be2 Kh8 13.Nd3 Nb6 14.b3 a4 15.0-0 c6 16.Nb4 Bd7 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Rad1 axb3 19.axb3 Qc7 20.c5 dxc5 21.Bxc5 Rf7 22.Kh1 Be6 23.Qc2 Rc8 24.Rd2 Nd5 25.Rfd1 Nef6 26.Bc4 Bh6 27.Rd3 Rd8 28.Na6 Qb7 29.Na4 Rfd7 30.Bf2 Bf7 31.N4c5 Qc8 32.Nxd7 Rxd7 33.Nc5 Rd8 34.Qb2 Bg7 35.Qxe5 Ne4 36.Qxg7+ Kxg7 37.fxe4 fxe4 38.Bd4+ Kf8 39.Nxe4 Nf4 40.Bc5+ Kg7 41.Rxd8 Qg4 42.Bd4+ Kh6 43.Rd6+ Bg6 44.Rg1 Qf5 45.Ng3 Qc2 46.Be3 Kg5 47.Rd4 Qxg2+ 48.Rxg2* 1-0 (48) retardedplatypus123 (2605)-GRXbullet (2640) Blitz 2022*)*

10.g4 *(10.Nc1 Nh5 11.Nd3 b6 12.0-0-0 a4 13.Kb1 Bd7 14.g4 Nxd3 15.gxh5 Nf4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Ne2 Nh5 18.Ng1 Rb8 19.Rc1 Qh4 20.Bf2 Bh6 21.Qc2 Qg5 22.Rd1 Nf4 23.h4 Qh5 24.Bd3 Rf7 25.Qc3 Rbf8 26.Bc2 Ne2 27.Nxe2 Rxf3 28.Qb4 Rxf2 29.Nc3 Qf3 30.Rhe1 Bd2 31.Rg1 Bxc3 32.Qxc3 Qxc3 33.bxc3 R8f3 34.Rd3 a3 35.Rgd1 Rxd3 36.Rxd3 Bg4 37.Rg3 Be2 38.Bb3 Rf1+ 39.Kc2 Bd1+ 40.Kd2 Bxb3 41.axb3 a2* 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2611)-chessplayer202020 (2660) Blitz 2021*)* 10...h5 *(10...Nfd7 11.Ng3 b6 12.h4 Ba6 13.h5 f6 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bh6 Qe7 16.0-0-0 a4 17.Be2 Rf7 18.g5 fxg5 19.Bxg5 Nf6 20.Rh2 Raf8 21.Rdh1 Qd7 22.Bf1 Nh5 23.Nxh5 gxh5 24.Bh3 Qe8 25.Bf5 Rxf5 26.exf5 Rxf5 27.Bh6 Nd3+ 28.Qxd3 Bxh6+ 29.Kc2 Qf7 30.Rh3 Kf8 31.Ne4 Ke8 32.Rg1 Kd7 33.Qa3 Bxc4 34.Qxa4+ b5 35.Qa7 Rxf3 36.Rxf3 Qxf3 37.Nd2 Qd3+* 0-1 (37) ChessTheory64 (2600)-mohsenms (2578) Blitz 2022*)*

11.h3 c6 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Nb7 16.Rxc6 Rfc8 17.Rxc8+ Rxc8 18.b3 Bf8 19.Kb2 Nc5 20.Nc1 hxg4 21.hxg4 Nfd7 22.Nd3 a4 23.Nd5 axb3 24.axb3 Rb8 25.Nxc5 Bxc5 26.Bxc5 Nxc5 27.Nf6+ Kg7 28.g5 Rxb3+ 29.Kc2 Rxf3 30.Rh7+ Kf8 31.Rh8+ Ke7 32.Be2 Rf2 33.Kd1 Rg2 34.Nd5+ Bxd5

35.exd5 Rxg5 36.Rc8 Kd6 37.Rc6+ Kd7 38.Rxc5 f5 39.Rc6 e4 40.Re6 Rg3 41.Kd2 Ra3 42.c5 Ra5 43.c6+ Kc7 44.Re7+ Kd6 45.Rd7+ Ke5 46.c7 Rc5 47.Ba6 f4 48.c8Q Rxc8 49.Bxc8 g5 50.Bb7 g4 51.Re7+ Kf5 52.Bc8+ Kf6 53.Rxe4 g3 54.Ke2 g2 55.Kf2 f3 56.Re3 g1Q+ 57.Kxg1 Kg5 58.Kf2 Kf4 59.d6 1-0 (59) OnkelKonkel (2639)-sotirakis (2602) Blitz 2022;

A2) 9.g4 Nc5 10.Ng3 Ne8 11.Qd2 Bd7 12.0-0-0 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Bg5 Qc8 15.Nh5 fxe4 16.Nxg7 Nxg7 17.fxe4 Kh8 18.Rg1 Rg8 19.Bf6 Qf8 20.Qh6 Qf7 21.Be2 Raf8 22.Rdf1 Be8 23.Rxg7 Qxf6 24.Qxh7# 1-0 (24) DmitryKryakvin (2715)-BezDna2024 (2388) Blitz 2025;

B) 8.Qd2

B1) 8...c5 9.dxc5 dxc5 *(9...Nxc5 10.0-0-0 Ne6 11.Qxd6 Qa5 12.a3 Nd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Be6 15.Qb4 Qg5+ 16.Kb1 a5 17.Qb5 Qf4 18.Qe5 Qh6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.cxd5 Rac8 21.h4 Nh5 22.Qg5 Qxg5 23.hxg5 Ng3 24.Bxg7* 1-0 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Julien_So (2651) Blitz 2022 *)* 10.0-0-0 Qa5 11.Kb1 Nb8 12.Nd5 Qxd2 13.Rxd2 Nxd5 14.cxd5 b6 15.Nc3 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Nxa6 17.Nb5 f5 18.Bg5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Bf6 20.Be3 Kg7 21.Rhd1 Rf7 22.a3 Nc7 23.Nc3 Ne8 24.d6 Rd7 25.g4 h6 26.Nd5 Rad8 27.Nxf6 Nxf6 28.g5 Nxe4 29.gxh6+ Kh7 30.Re2 Rxd6 31.Rxd6 Rxd6 32.Bc1 Rd4 33.Be3 Rd7 34.Bc1 Rd4 35.Kc2 c4 36.Be3 Rd5 37.Bxb6 axb6 38.Rxe4 b5 39.a4 bxa4 40.Rxc4 Rd4 41.Rxd4 exd4 42.Kd3 Kxh6 43.Kxd4 Kh5 44.Kc4 Kh4 45.Kb4 Kh3 46.Kxa4 Kxh2 47.b4 g5 48.b5 g4 49.b6 g3 50.b7 g2 51.b8Q+ Kh1 52.Qh8+ Kg1 53.Kb3 Kf1 54.Qf6+ Ke2 55.Qe5+ Kf2 56.Qf4+ Ke1 57.Qg3+ Kf1 58.Qf3+ Kg1 59.Kc3 Kh1 60.Qh3+ Kg1 61.Kd3 Kf2 62.Qh2 Kf3 63.Qg1 Kg3 64.Ke3 Normal 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-NUMI7 (2586) Blitz 2024;

B2) 8...a6 9.g4 *(9.Ng3 Re8 10.Be2 exd4 11.Bxd4 Ne5 12.0-0 Be6 13.b3 Nc6 14.Be3 h5 15.Rfe1 h4 16.Nf1 h3 17.g3 Nh7 18.Rad1 Qc8 19.Nd5 Ne5 20.Nf4 Bd7 21.c5 Ng5 22.Kf2 Ng4+ 23.Kg1 Ne5 24.Kf2 Ng4+ 25.Kg1 Ne5* ½-½ (25) Superfm1 (2695)-tiburoncin97 (2637) Blitz 2024*; 9.d5 h5 10.h3 b5 11.g4 bxc4 12.Ng3 h4 13.Nf5 gxf5* 0-1 (13) Fastchess2345 (2682)-Rambo-Terminator (2554) Blitz 2024*; 9.Nc1 exd4 10.Bxd4 Re8 11.Be2 Ne5 12.0-0 Be6 13.Nd5 c5 14.Bc3 Bxd5 15.cxd5 b5 16.b3 Rc8 17.Nd3 Nfd7 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.a4 c4 20.axb5 axb5 21.bxc4 bxc4 22.Rac1 Nc5 23.Bxe5 Nb3 24.Qh6 Rxe5 25.Rxc4 g5 26.Rxc8 Qxc8 27.Qxd6 Qc5+ 28.Qxc5 Nxc5 29.Rc1 Nd7*

30.Rc7 Nf6 31.Bc4 Ne8 32.Rc6 Kf8 33.d6 Nf6 34.Rc7 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-kasparik_garik (2582) Blitz 2022*; 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 bxc4 11.Ng3 exd4 12.Bxd4 c5 13.Be3 Rb8 14.Bxc4 Ne5 15.Be2 Qa5 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Rxd2 Be6 19.Rxd6 Rxb2+ 20.Kxb2 Nc4+ 21.Kc2 Nxd6 22.Rb1 Nb5 23.Bxb5 axb5 24.Rxb5 Ra8 25.Bc1 Rxa2+ 26.Bb2 c4 27.Ne2 Be7 28.Rb8+ Bf8 29.Nd4 Bd7 30.Kb1 Ra7 31.Nb5 Bxb5 32.Rxb5 Ra8 33.Rb7 Rc8 34.Kc2 h5 35.h3 Bc5 36.Be5 Be3 37.Kc3 Bf2 38.Rb1 f5 39.exf5 gxf5 40.Bd4 Bxd4+ 41.Kxd4 c3 42.Rc1 c2 43.Kd3 Kf7 44.Rxc2 Rd8+ 45.Ke3 Kg6 46.Rc6+ Kg5 47.g3 Re8+ 48.Kf2 f4 49.h4+ Kf5 50.Rc5+ Kg6 51.Rg5+ Kh6 52.gxf4 Ra8 53.Kg3 Ra1 54.Re5 Rg1+ 55.Kf2 Rg8 56.Ke3 Kh7 57.Ke4 Rf8 58.Rxh5+ Kg6 59.Rg5+ Kh6 60.Rf5 Ra8 61.Rd5 Ra4+ 62.Ke5 Ra3 63.f5 Ra2 64.Rd6+ Kh5 65.f4 Re2+ 66.Kf6 Rg2 67.Rd8* 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-excavator23 (2557) Blitz 2022*)* 9...exd4 *(9...h5 10.h3 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.Nec3 Re8 14.Be2 exd4 15.Nxd4 Ne5 16.0-0 hxg4 17.hxg4 c5 18.Ndb5 d5 19.exd5 Nh7 20.Kg2 Bf6 21.a4 c4 22.Ne4 Bg7 23.Rad1 Nf6 24.Bg5 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Qd7 26.Qf4 Bxb5 27.axb5 Qxb5 28.Rf2 Ra2 29.Bf6 Qd7 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Qf6+ Kg8 32.Rh1* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-MitoticSpindle (2680) Blitz 2021*)* 10.Nxd4 c5 11.Nb3 Ne5 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0-0 *(13.g5 Nh5 14.Nd5 b5 15.Na5 Bxd5 16.cxd5 f5 17.gxf6 Qxf6 18.0-0 Nf4 19.Bxf4 Qxf4 20.Qxf4 Rxf4 21.a4 Raf8 22.axb5 axb5 23.Nb7 Nxf3+ 24.Rxf3 Rxf3 25.Bxf3 Rxf3 26.Nxd6 Bxb2 27.Ra8+ Kg7 28.Nxb5 c4 29.Rc8 Rb3 30.d6 Rxb5 31.d7 Bf6 32.d8Q Bxd8 33.Rxd8 Rc5 34.Rd2 Kf6 35.Rc2 Ke5 36.Kf2 Kd4* 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-Cerdifixer (2597) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Bxc4 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Bxe2 16.Nxe2 Nxf3 17.Ng3 Nxg4 18.Bxc5 Rac8 19.Kb1 Be5 20.Rd3 Nfxh2 21.Bxf8 Kxf8 22.Rc1 Rxc1+ 23.Kxc1 h5 24.Nd2 h4 25.Ngf1 Nf2 26.Rb3 h3 27.Nxh2 Bxh2 28.Nf1 Bf4+ 29.Kc2 h2 30.Nxh2 Bxh2 31.Rxb7 Nxe4 32.Rb6 a5 33.b4 axb4 34.Rxb4 f5 35.a4 g5 36.a5 g4 37.a6 Bg1 38.Rb5 Nd6 39.Rb1 Ba7 40.Kd3 Ke7 41.Rh1 Nf7 42.Rb1 Nd6 43.Rh1 Ke6 44.Rh6+ Kd5 45.Rh7 Nb5 46.Rf7 Ke6 47.Rb7 g3 48.Rxb5 g2* 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Nozdrachev,V (2495) Blitz 2022; **B3)** 8...Nh5 9.g4 exd4 10.Nxd4 Nhf6 11.0-0-0 a6 12.h4 h5 13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Re8 15.f5 Ne5 16.f6 Bf8 17.Kb1 Bg4

18.Rc1 c5 19.Nb3 b5 20.cxb5 c4 21.Nd4 axb5 22.Ndxb5 Qa5 23.Qd5 Reb8 24.Bh3 Be2 25.Rh2 Bd3+ 26.Ka1 Ra6 27.Na3 Qb4 28.Bd4 Nf3 29.Rf2 Nxd4 30.Qxd4 d5 31.Nxd5 Qb7 32.Ne7+ Bxe7 33.fxe7 Rxa3 34.e8Q+ Rxe8 35.bxa3 Rb8 36.Rb2 Qa7 37.Qxa7 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-CRmessi05 (2554) Blitz 2022;

B4) 8...Re8 9.d5 a5 10.g4 b6 11.0-0-0 Nc5 12.Kb1 a4 13.Nc1 Ba6 14.h4 Qd7 15.h5 Reb8 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Qh2 b5 18.cxb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Rxb5 20.Nxb5 Qxb5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Bg5 Ncd7 23.Qc2 Nf8 24.Qxc7 Rb8 25.Qc2 N6d7 26.Be3 Bg7 27.Nd3 Nb6 28.Rc1 Rc8 29.Qe2 Nc4 30.Rc3 Rb8 31.Bc1 Nd7 32.Qc2 Ndb6 33.Ka1 Ra8 34.g5 Na5 35.Qh2 Nb3+ 36.Kb1 Nc4 37.Qxh7+ Kf7 38.Qh3 Na3+ 39.bxa3 Nd4+ 40.Nb4 Ra7 41.Qc8 Rb7 42.Rc7+ Rxc7 43.Qxc7+ Kg8 44.Qxd6 Bf8 45.Qxg6+ 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-minosilar (2562) Blitz 2024;

B5) 8...exd4 9.Nxd4 c6 *(9...Ne8 10.Be2 Ne5 11.0-0 a6 12.Rad1 Qe7 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.h3 Nf6 15.Bg5 Be6 16.f4 Nc6 17.e5 Ne4 18.Bxd8 Nxd2 19.Rxd2 Raxd8 20.Nxc6 bxc6 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Nxc6 Rde8 23.b3 Bd7 24.Nb4 a5 25.Nd5 dxe5 26.Nxc7 Re7 27.Nd5 Ree8 28.fxe5 Bxe5 29.Nf6 Bxf6 30.Rxf6 Bf5 31.Ra6 Re5 32.Bf3 Rfe8 33.Ra7 Kg7 34.Bd5 R8e7 35.Rxe7 Rxe7 36.Kf2 h5 37.h4 Re8 38.Re2 Rxe2+ 39.Kxe2 Bb1 40.a3 Ba2 41.b4 axb4 42.axb4 Kf6 43.b5 Ke5 44.Bxf7 Kd6 45.c5+* 1-0 (45) Superfm1 (2621)-brahmashiraastra (2319) Rapid 2023 *)* 10.Be2 *(10.0-0-0 a6 11.Nb3 Re8 12.Qxd6 Bf8 13.Qd2 Bb4 14.a3 Bf8 15.h4 b5 16.Nd4 Qc7 17.Bf4 Qb6 18.Nc2 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nc5 20.Bd6 Bxd6 21.Qxd6 Be6 22.Bxe6 Nxe6 23.Qb4 Qc7 24.Nd4 Rab8 25.Nxe6 Rxe6 26.Qd4 c5 27.Qd2 Reb6 28.Na4 Rb3 29.Qd6 Qa5 30.Qxf6 Qxa4 31.Rd2 Qc4+ 32.Kb1 Qb5 33.Rhd1 Re8 34.Rd8 c4 35.Rxe8+ Qxe8 36.Rd8 Rb8 37.Rxe8+ Rxe8 38.Qc3 Rc8 39.b3 Rb8 40.Qxc4 Rb5 41.Qxb5 axb5 42.a4 b4 43.a5 Kg7 44.a6 f5 45.a7 Kh6 46.a8Q Kh5 47.exf5 h6 48.fxg6 Kxg6 49.Qe4+ Kh5 50.Qf5+ Kxh4 51.Qg4#* 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-isino (2563) Blitz 2022 *)*

B5a) 10...a6 11.0-0 *(11.Nc2 Ne5 12.0-0-0 Be6 13.b3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Qxd6 Qa5 16.Qb4 Qa6 17.Nd4 c5 18.Qxb5 cxd4 19.Qxa6 Rxa6 20.Bxd4 Ra5 21.b4 Ra3 22.Bxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxg7 Nxc3 24.Bxc3 Rxc3+ 25.Kb2 Re3 26.Rhe1 Ra8 27.Ra1 Rea3 28.b5 Kf8 29.b6 R3a5 30.Kc3 Ra3+ 31.Kb2 R3a4 32.a3 Rb8 33.Rab1 Rxb6+*

34.Kc2 Rc6+ 35.Kd2 Rxa3 36.Rec1 Rd6+ 37.Ke1 Kg7 38.Kf2 Ra2 39.Rd1 Rc6 40.Re1 Rcc2 41.Rbc1 Rcb2 42.Rcd1 Bc4 43.Kg3 Rxe2 44.Rxe2 Rxe2 45.Rd4 Rc2 46.h4 Bf1 47.Kf4 Rxg2 48.Rd7 Rg1 49.h5 Bh3 50.h6+ Kf6 51.Rxf7+ Kxf7 52.Ke4 Kf6 53.Kf4 g5+ 54.Ke4 Bg2 55.Ke3 Bxf3 56.Kxf3 Rh1 57.Kg4 Rh4+ 58.Kg3 Rxh6 59.Kg2 Rg6 60.Kf2 h5 61.Kg3 h4+ 62.Kf3 g4+ 63.Kg2 g3 64.Kh3 Kf5 65.Kg2 Kf4 66.Kg1 g2 67.Kf2 g1Q+ 68.Ke2 ½-½ (68) Matin_Shams (2602)-Peacefulwarrior1996 (2717) Blitz 2021*)* 11...Qe7 12.Rad1 Rd8 13.Nb3 Ne5 14.c5 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Rxd5 17.Qc1 Rxd1 18.Rxd1 Be6 19.Bg5 Qe8 20.Qd2 Bd5 21.f4 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Bxc4 23.f5 gxf5 24.Bh6 Qe7 25.Re1 Qf6 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qf4 Bxb3 28.axb3 Rd8 29.h3 Qd4+ 30.Qxd4+ Rxd4 31.Re7 Rb4 32.Re3 f4 33.Rc3 Kf6 34.Kf2 Kf5 35.Kf3 h5 36.Rd3 h4 37.Kf2 Ke5 38.Kf3 Re4 39.Rd7 Re3+ 40.Kg4 Rg3+ 41.Kxh4 Rxg2 42.Rxb7 f6 43.Re7+ Kf5 44.b4 Rg8 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-Patrik767 (2572) Blitz 2022;

B5b) 10...Re8 11.Nc2 Ne5 12.Rd1 Qa5 13.b4 Qc7 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Be6 16.c5 Nc4 17.Rxe6 Rxe6 18.Bxc4 Ree8 19.Ke2 Nd7 20.Nd4 Ne5 21.Bb3 Rad8 22.Rd1 Bf6 23.h3 Kg7 24.f4 Nd7 25.e5 Be7 26.e6 1-0 (26) jposthuma (2804)-JuleVerne (2706) Blitz 2022]

[7...Nc6

A) 8.Qd2 Re8 *(8...Nh5 9.0-0-0 f5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.exf5 Bxf5 12.Nd4 Bd7 13.g4 Nf6 14.Be2 Qe7 15.h4 Rae8 16.Bg5 Bc6 17.h5 Qf7 18.hxg6 Qxg6 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.Bxg7 Rxg7 21.Rh6 Qf7 22.Nf5 Rg6 23.Rxg6+ Qxg6 24.Qf4 Nf7 25.Bd3 Qg5 26.Qxg5+ Nxg5 27.f4 Nge4 28.Nxe4 Nxe4 29.Re1 Nf2 30.Rxe8+ Bxe8 31.Be2 Bd7 32.Ne3 Nh3 33.f5 Nf4 34.Bf1 Kf7 35.g5 Nh5 36.Kd2 Ng3 37.Bd3 c6 38.Ke1 Nh5 39.Kf2 Nf4 40.Bc2 Nh3+ 41.Kg3 Nxg5 42.Kf4 h6 43.Ng4 Kg7 44.f6+ Kf7 45.Nxh6+ Kxf6 46.Ng8+ Kg7 47.Kxg5 Kxg8 48.Kf6 Kf8 49.b4 b6 50.Be4 Be8 51.Ke6 Bf7+ 52.Kxd6 Bxc4 53.a3 Bb5 54.Bxc6 Bc4 55.Bd5 Bb5 56.Kc7 Ke7 57.Bc6 Bc4 58.Be4 a5 59.Kxb6 axb4 60.axb4 Kd6 61.Bc6 Bd3 62.Bb5 Be4 63.Ka7 Kc7 64.Ba6 Bc6 65.Bc4 Bd7 66.Ka6 Bc6 67.Bb5 Bd7 68.Bxd7 Kxd7 69.b5 Kc8 70.Ka7* 1-0 (70) Superfm1 (2605)-BehindBluEyes (2393) Rapid 2023*)* 9.d5 Nb8 10.g4 c6 11.Nc1 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nfd7 13.Nd3 Na6 14.Be2 Nac5 15.Nxc5 Nxc5 16.b4 Na6 17.a3 Bd7 18.0-0 Nc7 19.Rac1 a5 20.b5 Re7 21.b6 Na6 22.Nb5 Bxb5 23.Bxb5 Qf8 24.Rc4 f5 25.gxf5 gxf5 26.Bxa6 Rxa6 27.Rc7 Bf6 28.Qg2+ Qg7 29.Rfc1

Kf7 30.Qxg7+ Kxg7 31.Rxe7+ Bxe7 32.Rc7 Kf8 33.Rxb7 Ra8 34.Ra7 Rb8 35.b7 Kf7 36.Bb6 a4 37.Bc7 Rxb7 38.Rxb7 fxe4 39.Bxd6 Kg6 40.Rxe7 exf3 41.Kf2 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-foo0k (2615) Blitz 2023;

B) 8.d5

B1) 8...Na5 9.Nc1 c5 10.a3 *(10.Nb3 Nh5 11.Qd2 Nxb3 12.axb3 f5 13.Bd3 Nf4 14.Bc2 a6 15.g3 Nh3 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bh6 Bd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.0-0-0 f4 20.g4 Be8 21.Qg2 Qh4 22.Ne4 Rd8 23.Rhe1 Bg6 24.Nc3 Bf7 25.Bf5 b5 26.Ne4 h6 27.Re2 Ng5 28.Nxg5 hxg5 29.Kc2 Ra8 30.Ra1 Bg6 31.Bxg6 Kxg6 32.Qf1 Kg7 33.Qd1 Qh7+ 34.Qd3 Qxd3+ 35.Kxd3 Rh8 36.Ke4 Kf6 37.Ra5 bxc4 38.bxc4 Rhb8 39.Ra3 Rb4 40.b3 a5 41.Rea2 a4 42.Kd3 Rh8 43.bxa4 Rh3 44.a5 Rxf3+ 45.Kc2 Rxc4+ 46.Kd2 Rf2+ 47.Kd3 Rd4+ 48.Kc3 Rf3+ 49.Kc2 Rf2+ 50.Kc3 Rxa2 51.Rxa2 Rb4 52.a6 Rb8 53.a7 Ra8 54.Kc4 e4 55.Kb5 e3 56.Kb6 Ke5 57.Kb7 Rf8 58.a8Q Rxa8 59.Rxa8 Kxd5 60.Re8 c4 61.Kb6 c3 62.Kb5 c2 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-avantage_ru (2854) Blitz 2022; 10.g4 a6 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Ne8 13.Bd3 Nc7 14.b4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 b5 16.bxc5 bxc4 17.Qa4 dxc5 18.Qxc4 Nb5 19.Nb3 Nd4 20.Nxc5 Nc2+ 21.Kd2 Nxa1 22.Rxa1 Qa5 23.Nb3 Qa3 24.Rb1 Bd7 25.Bc5 Rfc8 26.Bxa3 Rxc4 27.Nc5 Bb5 28.Nb7 Rac8 29.Bb2 Rd4+ 30.Kc1 Bf8 0-1 (30) supertactic91 (2672)-ciudadajedrezescolar (2792) Blitz 2021; 10.dxc6 bxc6 11.b4 Nb7 12.Be2 Be6 13.b5 Qc8 14.Qd2 cxb5 15.cxb5 Rd8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.0-0 Nc5 19.Nb3 Nxb3 20.axb3 Qb7 21.Ra6 Rdc8 22.Bc4 Bf8 23.Rfa1 Rc5 24.Bxc5 dxc5 25.d6 1-0 (25) lordplayer64 (2611)-sUhujOe-007 (2474) Rapid 2022)* 10...b6 11.b4 Nb7 12.Be2 Bd7 *(12...Nh5 13.g4 Nf4 14.Nd3 Ng2+ 15.Kf2 Nxe3 16.Kxe3 Qh4 17.Kd2 Bd7 18.Kc2 cxb4 19.axb4 Rfc8 20.Kb3 a5 21.Nb5 a4+ 22.Rxa4 Rxa4 23.Kxa4 Rxc4 24.Nxe5 Nc5+ 25.Ka3 Rxb4 26.Kxb4 Bxe5 27.Nd4 Qf2 28.Nc6 Bf4 29.Kb5 Qe3 30.Kxb6 Nxe4+ 31.Qd4 Nc3 32.Qxe3 Bxe3+ 33.Kc7 Be8 34.Bc4 Bc5 35.Re1 Kf8 36.Kd8 Bb6+ 37.Kc8 Na4 38.Rb1 Bc5 39.Bb5 Nb6+ 40.Kb7 Nxd5 41.Nd4 Nc3 42.Bxe8 Nxb1 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-drawingchest (2670) Blitz 2021)* 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Nd3 f5 15.bxc5 Nxc5 16.Bxc5 bxc5 17.Rb1 Bh6 18.Kh1 Qh4 19.Qe1 Qf6 20.Rb7 Rf7 21.Nb5 a6 22.Nc7 Raf8 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Nxa6 Qg6 25.Nb8 Bc8 26.Rxf7 Rxf7 27.Nc6 Rg7 28.g4 fxg4 29.fxg4 Qe4+ 30.Bf3 Qxd3 31.gxh5 Bh3 32.Rf2 Be3 33.Re2 Rg1+ 34.Qxg1+ Bxg1 35.Kxg1 Qxf3 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment

(2716)-cyrilortega62 (2567) Blitz 2021;
B2) 8...Nb8 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.g4 a5 11.Nc1 Nc5 12.Nd3 Nxd3+ 13.Bxd3 c5 14.b3 Bd7 15.Ke2 a4 16.h4 Qb6 17.bxa4 Bxa4 18.Rab1 Qc7 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.Rxb5 Ra7 21.Rhb1 Rfa8 22.R1b2 Qd7 23.Kf2 h5 24.g5 Ne8 25.Kg2 Qc8 26.Kg3 Nc7 27.R5b3 Bf8 28.Bf1 Na6 29.Bh3 Qc7 30.a3 Nb8 31.Qc3 Be7 32.f4 exf4+ 33.Bxf4 Nd7 34.Rb1 Bf8 35.Qc1 Bg7 36.Rd3 Ne5 37.Bxe5 Bxe5+ 38.Kg2 Qa5 39.Rbb3 Qa4 40.Rf3 Rb8 41.Qf1 b5 42.Rxb5 Rxb5 43.cxb5 c4 44.b6 Rb7 45.Bc8 Qc2+ 46.Rf2 Qxe4+ 47.Kh3 c3 48.Bxb7 Qg4# 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-ChessMasterAssasin (2597) Blitz 2023;
B3) 8...Nd4 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Bxd4 c5
B3a) 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Be2 Rb8 13.Qd2 d5 *(13...Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 f5 16.Nxd6 Qe7 17.Nxc8 Rbxc8 18.0-0 Qxe2 19.Rae1 Qc2 20.Re7* 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2619)-Jogun_kabser (2551) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.cxd5 cxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.exd5 Qb6 18.0-0-0 Bf5 19.Qd4+ f6 20.Qxb6 Rxb6 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.Rhe1 Rc8+ 23.Kb1 Kf8 24.h4 Rcb8 25.Re2 a5 26.h5 gxh5 27.Rh1 Be8 28.Bxh7 a4 29.a3 Bb5 30.Rd2 R6b7 31.Bc2 Be8 32.Bd1 Rc7 33.Rh4 Bg6+ 34.Ka2 Rc1 35.b4 axb3+ 36.Bxb3 Re8 37.Rb4 Ree1 38.a4 Ra1+ 39.Kb2 Rec1 40.d6 Rab1+ 41.Ka3 Ra1+ 42.Ba2 Rc3+ 43.Kb2 Rac1 44.d7 R1c2+ 45.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 46.Ka3 Rd2 47.Rb8+ Ke7 48.d8Q+ Rxd8 49.Rxd8 Kxd8 50.Be6 Kc7 51.Bh3 Kb6 52.Kb4 h4 53.Kc3 Ka7 54.Kd4 Kb6 55.a5+ Kxa5 56.Kd5 1-0 (56) Aczgego (2643)-sina_iran (2785) Blitz 2021;
B3b) 11.Be3 Re8 12.Qd2 a6 13.Be2 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Re7 16.0-0 Ba6 17.a4 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 Ne8 19.Bg5 f6 20.Bf4 g5 21.Bg3 h5 22.h4 Bh6 23.Qc3 Rg7 24.hxg5 Bxg5 25.f4 Bh6 26.b3 Rg4 27.Rae1 Qd7 28.e5 Qg7 29.Bh2 fxe5 30.fxe5 Rxg2+ 31.Kh1 Bd2 32.Qh3 Bxe1 33.Qxg2 Bh4 34.exd6 Rd8 35.Be5 Qxg2+ 36.Kxg2 Ng7 37.Kh3 Bg5 38.Rg1 Bh6 39.Nc7 Kf7 40.Bxg7 Rxd6 41.Bxh6 Rxh6 42.Rd1 Rd6 43.Nb5 Rd7 44.d6 Ke6 45.Re1+ Kd5 46.Re7 Rd8 47.Kh4 c4 48.bxc4+ Kxc4 49.d7 Kc5 50.Rh7 Kc6 51.Kxh5 Rxd7 52.Rxd7 Kxd7 53.Nc3 Kc6 54.Kg5 Kc5 55.Kf4 Kb4 56.Ke4 Ka5 57.Ke3 Ka6 58.Kd4 Ka5 59.Kc4 Ka6 60.Kb4 Kb6 61.a5+ Ka6 62.Ka4 Ka7 63.Kb5 Kb7 64.a6+ Ka7 65.Ka5 Ka8 66.Kb6 Kb8 67.Ne4 Ka8 68.Nf6 Kb8 69.Ne8 Ka8

70.Nc7+ Kb8 71.a7+ Kc8 72.a8Q+ Kd7 73.Qc6+ Ke7 74.Nb5 Kf7 75.Qd6 Kg7 76.Kc6 Kh7 77.Kd5 Kg7 78.Ke5 Kh7 79.Qf6 Kg8 80.Qe7 Kh8 81.Kf6 Kg8 82.Qg7# 1-0 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-JoKeR_Official (2672) Blitz 2022;

B4) 8...Ne7

B4a) 9.Ng3 Ne8 10.Be2 f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Nh5 Bh8 13.f4 Ng6 14.Qd2 Nf6 15.0-0-0 Nxh5 16.Bxh5 Qh4 17.Bxg6 hxg6 18.g3 Qf6 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.h4 f4 21.gxf4 exf4 22.Bc5 Rf7 23.Rde1 Bg4 24.Ne4 Qf5 25.Ng5 Rd7 26.Bd4 Bxd4 27.Qxd4 c6 28.Re5 Qf8 29.Rf1 cxd5 30.Rxf4 Bf5 31.Rxd5 Rxd5 32.Qxd5+ Kh8 33.h5 Re8 34.hxg6 Re1+ 35.Kd2 Qb4# 0-1 (35) BestBrazilian (2785)-Nesty_Javi_Chess (2594) Blitz 2020;

B4b) 9.g4

B4b1) 9...c6 10.Qd2 cxd5 *(10...Ne8 11.0-0-0 f5 12.g5 c5 13.Kb1 a6 14.Nc1 Rb8 15.Bd3 Bd7 16.Qe2 Nc7 17.a3 b5 18.cxb5 axb5 19.b4 c4 20.Bc2 Ra8 21.Kb2 Qc8 22.Nb1 Qa6 23.Na2 Ncxd5 24.exd5 f4 25.Bf2 e4+ 26.Bd4 e3 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Nac3 Nf5 29.Bxf5 Bxf5 30.Rd4 Bd3 31.Rxd3 cxd3 32.Qxd3 Rae8 33.Qd4+ Kg8 34.Ne4 Re5 35.Nbc3 Ra8 36.Ra1 e2 37.Nxe2 Qb7 38.N2c3 Kf8 39.h4 Rae8 40.Nxd6 Re2+ 41.Nxe2 Rxe2+ 42.Kb3 Qc7 43.Qc5 Qd7 44.Ne4+ Kg8 45.Rc1 Qh3 46.Qc8+ Qxc8 47.Rxc8+ Kf7 48.d6 Re3+ 49.Rc3 Ke6 50.Rxe3 fxe3 51.Kc3 h6* 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-GarlicBread16 (2653) Blitz 2023*; 10...Qa5 11.Nc1 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.Nb3 Qd8 14.Be2 Ne8 15.0-0-0 f5 16.gxf5 gxf5 17.h4 f4 18.Bf2 Kh8 19.h5 Bf6 20.Kb1 a6 21.h6 b5 22.a3 Ng6 23.Rdg1 Rc8 24.Na2 Rg8 25.Nb4 a5 26.Nc6 Bxc6 27.dxc6 a4 28.Na5 Nc7 29.Nb7 Qe7 30.Qxd6 Qf7 31.Qd7 Qb3 32.Nc5* 1-0 (32) Knightindiandefence (2656)-Pawn_Avalanche (2615) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.cxd5

B4b11) 11...a5 12.Nc1 a4 *(12...Bd7 13.Nd3 b5 14.Be2 b4 15.Nd1 Bb5 16.N1f2 Nd7 17.0-0-0 b3 18.axb3 a4 19.b4 a3 20.b3 a2 21.Kb2 f5 22.gxf5 gxf5 23.Bg5 f4 24.Rhg1 Kh8 25.Ra1 Bf6 26.Bh6 Rf7 27.Rxa2 Rxa2+ 28.Kxa2 Ng6 29.Ng4 Qb6 30.Rc1 Bg7 31.Rc8+ Rf8 32.Rxf8+ Ngxf8 33.Bg5 Qa6+ 34.Kb2 Nb6 35.Qc2 Qa7 36.Nc1 Bd7 37.Nf6 h6 38.Bh4 Ng6 39.Nxd7 Nxh4 40.Nc5 dxc5*

41.bxc5 Nc8 42.b4 Ng2 43.Nb3 Ne3 44.Qd3 Bf8 45.Qa6 Qg7 46.Qxc8 Kg8 47.Qe6+ Kh8 48.d6 Qg2 49.Nc1 Bxd6 50.Qxd6 Nc4+ 51.Kb3 Nxd6 52.cxd6 Qg3 53.Nd3 Qg2 54.d7 Qg8+ 55.Kc3 Qd8 56.Nc5 Kg7 57.Bc4 Kf6 58.b5 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Shaxevmat64 (2550) Blitz 2022*)* 13.a3 Qa5 14.Nd3 Bxg4 15.fxg4 Nxg4 16.Bh3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 f5 18.0-0 f4 19.Be6+ Kh8 20.Qf2 g5 21.Rac1 Ng6 22.Kh1 Nh4 23.Rg1 Bf6 24.Ne1 Qa7 25.Qxa7 Rxa7 26.Nb5 Ra6 27.Nc3 Rb6 28.Nxa4 Rb3 29.Rc3 Rxc3 30.Nxc3 h5 31.h3 Be7 32.Rf1 f3 33.Kh2 f2 34.Nd3 Nf3+ 35.Kg2 Nh4+ 36.Kh1 Rf3 37.Nxf2 Ng6 38.Kg2 Nh4+ 39.Kh2 g4 40.hxg4 Bg5 41.Ne2 Re3 42.Ng3 Bf4 43.Nfh1 Nf3+ 44.Kg2 Ne1+ 45.Kh3 hxg4+ 46.Kxg4 Nd3 47.Nh5 Bh6 48.N1g3 Nf4 49.Nxf4 exf4 50.Nf5 Kh7 51.Nxe3 fxe3 52.Kf3 Kg6 53.Ke2 Bg5 54.Rf7 b6 55.a4 Bf6 56.b4 Bd4 57.a5 bxa5 58.bxa5 Bc5 59.a6 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2732)-rolly9891 (2671) Blitz 2022;

B4b12) 11...Ne8 12.Nc1 a6 13.Nd3 b5 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Kb1 Qa5 16.Ne2 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 f5 18.g5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Bg4 20.Ng3 a5 21.Be2 Bd7 22.Rc1 Nc8 23.Rdd1 b4 24.Nf2 Na7 25.Bg4 Bxg4 26.Nxg4 Nb5 27.Kc2 Nd4+ 28.Bxd4 exd4 29.Kd3 Ra7 30.Rf1 Rxf1 31.Rxf1 Rc7 32.Ne2 Be5 33.h3 Kg7 34.Rf2 a4 35.Nxd4 Bxd4 36.Kxd4 Rc1 37.Nh6 Nc7 38.Rf7+ Kh8 39.Rf8+ Kg7 40.Rg8# Normal 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-elsas (2511) Blitz 2024;

B4b13) 11...h5 12.g5 Nd7 13.Rg1 Nc5 14.b4 Na6 15.a3 Bd7 16.0-0-0 Nc7 17.Kb2 a5 18.Nc1 axb4 19.axb4 Na6 20.Nd3 b5 21.Ra1 Qc7 22.Be2 Rfc8 23.Rgc1 f5 24.Na4 Qxc1+ 25.Rxc1 bxa4 26.Rxc8+ Nxc8 27.Nc1 a3+ 28.Kxa3 f4 29.Bf2 Nc5+ 30.Kb2 Na4+ 31.Kb3 Ncb6 32.Na2 Rc8 33.Qe1 Bf8 34.Qf1 Be7 35.Bb5 Bxb5 36.Qxb5 Bd8 37.h4 Kf8 38.Qa6 Ke7 39.Qa7+ Rc7 40.Bxb6 Rxa7 41.Bxa7 Bb6 42.Bxb6 Nxb6 43.Nc3 Kd7 44.Na4 Na8 45.Kc4 Nc7 46.b5 Na8 47.b6

Kc8 48.Kb5 Kb7 49.Ka5 Kb8 50.Ka6 Nxb6 51.Kxb6 Kc8 52.Kc6 Kb8 53.Kxd6 Ka7 54.Kxe5 Ka6 55.Nc3 Ka5 56.Ne2 Kb4 57.Nxf4 Kc4 58.Nxg6 Kc3 59.Kf4 Kd2 60.d6 Ke2 61.d7 Kf2 62.d8Q Kg2 63.Qh8 Kh3 64.Qxh5 Kg2 65.Qg4+ Kf2 66.h5 Ke2 67.h6 Kd3 68.Ke5 Kc4 69.f4 Kd3 70.f5 Ke3 71.Qf4+ Kd3 72.Kd5 Ke2 73.e5 Kd3 74.Qg3+ Kc2 75.Kd4 Kb2 76.Kc4 Kc2 77.Qf2+ Kd1 78.Kc3 Kc1 79.Qe1# 1-0 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2619)-Pran Govinda Parashar Kashyap (1600) Blitz 2021;

B4b14) 11...Nd7 12.Nc1 f5 13.g5 f4 14.Bf2 Nc5 15.Nd3 b6 16.b4 Nxd3+ 17.Bxd3 a5 18.b5 Bh3 19.Rg1 Nc8 20.Na4 Rf7 21.Rc1 Rc7 22.Rxc7 Qxc7 23.Ke2 Bf8 24.Rc1 Qd8 25.Qc3 Qxg5 26.Nxb6 Nxb6 27.Bxb6 Qg2+ 28.Bf2 Be7 29.b6 Bh4 30.Qe1 Bg4 31.fxg4 f3+ 32.Kd2 Bxf2 33.Qf1 Bxb6+ 34.Kc3 Bd4+ 35.Kc4 Rc8+ 36.Kb5 Qb2+ 37.Ka6 Qb6# 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2738)-GPran (2559) Blitz 2022;

B4b2) 9...Bxg4 10.fxg4 Nxg4 11.Qd2 f5 12.0-0-0 f4 13.Bg1 f3 14.Kb1 fxe2 15.Qxe2 h5 16.h3 Nf6 17.h4 Bh6 18.Bh3 Kh7 19.Be3 Neg8 20.Rhg1 Nd7 21.Rg3 Bxe3 22.Qxe3 Nc5 23.Rdg1 Rf6 24.b4 Na6 25.a3 Qe7 26.Be6 Nh6 27.Rg5 Raf8 28.Qg3 Rf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 30.Kb2 Rf6 31.Nd1 c6 32.Ne3 Nc7 33.Bh3 cxd5 34.exd5 Qf7 35.Be6 Nxe6 36.dxe6 Qxe6 37.Nd5 Rf5 38.Qe3 Ng4 39.Qxa7 Rf2+ 40.Kb3 Rf3+ 41.Kb2 Qf7 42.Nc3 Ne3 43.c5 Nc4+ 44.Kc2 Rf2+ 45.Kc1 Qf4+ 46.Kb1 Rb2+ 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-RomChartres (2567) Blitz 2023;

B4b3) 9...a5 10.Qd2

B4b31) 10...Nd7 11.Nc1 *(11.h4 Nb6 12.Ng3 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Nh5 f4 15.Bf2 Ng6 16.Nxg7 Kxg7 17.h5 Ne7 18.h6+ Kh8 19.0-0-0 Ng6 20.Kb1 Bd7 21.c5 Nc8 22.Rc1 Qe7 23.cxd6 Nxd6 24.Bh3 Bxh3 25.Rxh3 Qd7 26.Rhh1 Rg8 27.Be1 Ne7 28.Qe2 Rg6 29.Nd1 a4 30.Bc3 Nf7 31.Nf2 Rg2 32.Qf1 Rag8 33.Ng4 R2xg4 34.fxg4 Rxg4 35.Rg1 Nxh6 36.Bxe5+ Kg8 37.Qh3 Ng6 38.Bc3 Nh4 39.Rxg4+ Qxg4 40.Qxg4+ Nxg4 41.Rg1 h5 42.e5 Kf7 43.e6+*

Ke7 44.Bb4+ Ke8 45.Rc1 Nf6 46.Rxc7 Kd8 47.Rxb7 Nxd5 48.e7+ Nxe7 49.Bxe7+ Kc8 50.Rb4 Ng6 51.Bg5 f3 52.Rc4+ Kd7 53.Rc3 Ke6 54.Rxf3 Kd5 55.Rf2 Ke4 56.Rh2 Kf5 57.Rxh5 Kg4 58.Rh7 Kxg5 59.Ra7 Ne5 60.Ra5 Kf4 61.Rxa4+ Ke3 62.a3 Nd3 63.Rb4 Nxb4 64.axb4 Kd4 65.Ka2 Kc4 66.Ka3 Kb5 67.Kb3 Kb6 68.Kc4 Kb7 69.b5 Kb6 70.Kb4 Kb7 71.Kc5 Kc7 72.b6+ Kb8 73.Kc6 Kc8 74.b3 Kb8 75.b7 Ka7 76.Kc7 Ka6 77.b8Q Ka5 78.Kc6 Ka6 79.Qa8# 1-0 (79) mbchessmaster (2608)-Mario_Ujevic (2575) Blitz 2021 *)* 11...Nc5 12.Nd3 b6 13.0-0-0 Ba6 14.b3 Qd7 15.Be2 Nxd3+ 16.Bxd3 Kh8 17.h4 f5 18.g5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Rf7 20.Qg2 Raf8 21.Rdf1 Bc8 22.Be2 Qe8 23.Nb5 Qd8 24.Rxf7 Rxf7 25.Rf1 Kg8 26.Rxf7 Kxf7 27.Bg4 Bd7 28.Bxd7 Qxd7 29.Qf3+ Ke8 30.Kc2 Ng8 31.a3 Bf8 32.b4 axb4 33.axb4 Be7 34.Bf2 Bd8 35.Kd3 Qc8 36.Ke2 Qd7 37.Kf1 Qc8 38.Kg2 Qd7 39.Kg3 Qc8 40.Qa3 h6 41.Be3 hxg5 42.hxg5 Ne7 43.Qa1 Ng8 44.Qh1 Qd7 45.Qh8 Kf8 46.Qh1 c6 47.Nc3 cxd5 48.Nxd5 b5 49.Qf1+ Kg7 50.cxb5 Qc8 51.b6 Qc6 52.Qa6 Ne7 53.Qa7 Kf7 54.b7 Nxd5 55.exd5 Qc3 56.b8Q+ Be7 57.Qbb7 Qe1+ 58.Bf2 Qc3+ 59.Qe3 Qc2 60.Qf3+ Ke8 61.Qb8+ Kd7 62.Qg4+ Qf5 63.Qxf5+ gxf5 64.g6 f4+ 65.Kg4 e4 66.Qb7+ Ke8 67.Kxf4 Bf6 68.Kxe4 Be5 69.Kf5 Kd8 70.Ke6 Ke8 71.Qf7+ Kd8 72.Qd7# 1 - 0 (7 2) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-ReturnKing2005 (2634) Blitz 2023;

B4b32) 10...Ne8 11.Rg1 c6 12.0-0-0 a4 13.Kb1 Qa5 14.Nc1 Kh8 15.h4 f5 16.g5 cxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.h5 gxh5 19.Rh1 Rf7 20.Rxh5 b5 21.Qh2 Bf8 22.Bd3 b4 23.Rh1 Rg7 24.Rxh7+ Kg8 25.Qh5 Ng6 26.Rxg7+ Bxg7 27.N3e2 f4 28.Qxg6 fxe3 29.Ng3 Qd8 30.Nf5 Bxf5 31.exf5 Ra7 32.f6 Nxf6 33.gxf6 Qxf6 34.Rh8+ Kxh8 35.Qh7# 1 - 0 (3 5) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-foo0k (2560) Blitz 2025;

B4b4) 9...h5 10.g5 Nh7 11.Rg1 Bd7 12.Qd2 Qc8 13.0-0-0 a6 14.Kb1 b5 15.c5 Bh3 16.c6 Bxf1

17.Rdxf1 f5 18.h4 fxe4 19.fxe4 Qh3 20.Bf2 Rf3 21.Rh1 Qg4 22.Rfg1 Qc8 23.Be3 b4 24.Nd1 Qb8 25.Rf1 Rxf1 26.Rxf1 Qb5 27.Rf3 b3 28.a3 Qc4 29.Nec3 a5 30.Qe2 Qxe2 31.Nxe2 a4 32.Ndc3 Nf8 33.Nb5 Rc8 34.Nec3 Nh7 35.Nxa4 Nf8 36.Nac3 Nh7 37.Kc1 Nf8 38.Kd2 Nh7 39.Kd3 Nf8 40.Kc4 Nh7 41.Kxb3 Nf8 42.Kc4 Nh7 43.b4 Nf8 44.a4 Nh7 45.a5 Nf8 46.Na3 Ra8 47.Kb3 Nh7 48.Ka4 Nf8 49.Nc4 Rc8 50.b5 Nh7 51.Rf1 Nf8 52.b6 1 - 0 (5 2) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-MisPrefes2 (2590) Blitz 2022;

B4b5) 9...Nd7 10.Qd2 f5 *(10...c6 11.dxc6 Nxc6 12.Qxd6 Nb6 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Nd5 Nd4 16.Nxd4 exd4 17.Nxb6 Ra5 18.Bd3 Be6 19.0-0 h5 20.gxh5 Rxh5 21.f4 Bh6 22.Nd5 Rh4 23.f5 gxf5 24.Ne7+ Kf8 25.Nxf5 Bxf5 26.Rxf5 Be3+ 27.Kh1 Bf4 28.Rf1 Rxh2+ 29.Kg1 Rd2 30.R1xf4 Rxd3 31.Rxf7+ Kg8 32.Rxb7 Rd1+ 33.Kg2 d3 34.Rg4+ Kf8 35.Rh4 Kg8 36.Rhh7 Rd2+ 37.Kf3 Re2 38.Rbg7+ Kf8 39.Rh8+ Kxg7 40.Rxd8 Rxb2 41.Rxd3 Rxa2 42.e5 Kf7 43.Ke4 Ke6 44.Rd6+ Ke7 45.Rh6 Rc2 46.Kd5 Rd2+ 47.Kc6 Re2 48.e6 Rc2 49.c5 Rd2 50.Kb6 Rb2+ 51.Kc7 Rc2 52.c6 Rb2 53.Kc8 Rc2 54.c7 Rb2 55.Rh4 Kxe6 56.Kd8 Rd2+ 57.Ke8 Rg2 58.c8Q+* 1-0 (58) Jakob19 (2 6 9 3) - FaitesEntrerleKraken (2554) Blitz 2021 *)*

B4b51) 11.gxf5 gxf5 12.exf5 *(12.0-0-0 Kh8 13.h4 f4 14.Bf2 b6 15.Bh3 Nf6 16.Bxc8 Qxc8 17.Kb1 Nh5 18.Rdg1 Bf6 19.Rg4 a6 20.Nc1 Ng6 21.Nd3 Qd8 22.Nb4 Qe7 23.Nc6 Qf7 24.Rhg1 Rg8 25.Qd1 Ne7 26.Qf1 Rg6 27.Nxe7 Bxe7 28.Rxg6 hxg6 29.Qh3 Kg7 30.Qd7 Bf6 31.Qxf7+ Kxf7 32.b4 Rh8 33.Rg4 Ng3 34.Bxg3 fxg3 35.Rxg3 Rxh4 36.Na4 Be7 37.Nb2 Rh2 38.a3 Bh4 39.Rg4 Bf2 40.f4 Bd4 41.Nd3 Rd2 42.Rg3 exf4 43.Nxf4 Be5 44.Rf3 Bxf4 45.Rxf4+ Kg7 46.Kc1 Rd4 47.c5 bxc5 48.bxc5 Rc4+ 49.Kb2 Rxc5 50.Kb3 c6 51.dxc6 Rxc6 52.Kb4 Rc5 53.Rg4 a5+ 54.Kb3 Re5 55.Rf4 g5 56.Rg4 Kf6 57.Kc4 Ke6 58.Kd4 Rb5 59.Rg3 a4 60.Rc3 Re5 61.Rc4 g4 62.Rxa4 Rg5 63.Rc4 g3 64.Rc1 g2 65.Rg1 Rg4 66.Ke3*

Ke5 67.Kf3 Rf4+ 68.Kxg2 Rg4+ 69.Kf2 Rxg1 70.Kxg1 Kxe4 71.Kf2 Kd3 72.Kf3 Kc3 73.Ke4 d5+ 74.Kxd5 Kb3 75.Kd6 Ka4 76.Kd7 Kxa3 ½-½ (76) mbchessmaster (2623)-Gyalog75 (2608) Blitz 2021 *)* 12...Nxf5 13.0-0-0 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nc5 15.h4 Qf6 16.Bg2 Bh6 17.f4 exf4 18.Qf3 Bf5 19.Nd4 Rae8 20.Nxf5 Qxf5 21.Bh3 Qf6 22.Be6+ Nxe6 23.dxe6 Qxe6 24.Kb1 Qf5+ 25.Ka1 Re3 26.Qxb7 Qc5 27.Nd5 Re2 28.Rhg1+ Kh8 29.Qb3 f3 30.Qc3+ Re5 31.Rdf1 f2 32.Rg2 Bg7 33.Qd2 Qxc4 34.Rfxf2 Qf1+ 0 - 1 (3 4) WhiteBishop4761 (2640)-JuleVerne (2606) Blitz 2022;

B4b52) 11.g5

B4b521) 11...Nc5 12.b4 Na6 *(12...Nd7 13.0-0-0 a5 14.a3 axb4 15.axb4 Nb6 16.Qd3 fxe4 17.fxe4 Bg4 18.Rg1 Bh5 19.Kb2 Na4+ 20.Kb3 Nxc3 21.Qxc3 Rxf1 22.Rdxf1 Bxe2 23.Ra1 b5 24.c5 Bc4+ 25.Kb2 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 Qf8 27.Ra7 Qd8 28.c6 h5 29.Qa3 Nxc6 30.dxc6 Kh7 31.Qa5 d5 32.Qxc7 Qf8 33.Qxg7+ Qxg7 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.c7 d4 36.c8Q* 1-0 (36) gg-gm-gmg (2669)-ElhachaGM (2628) Blitz 2020*)* 13.a3 fxe4 14.fxe4 c6 15.0-0-0 cxd5 16.cxd5 Bg4 17.Rg1 Bf3 18.Bh3 Nc7 19.Rdf1 Kh8 20.Rg3 Bh5 21.Rxf8+ Qxf8 22.Rg1 a5 23.Rf1 Qe8 24.Kb2 axb4 25.axb4 Nb5 26.Ra1 Rxa1 27.Kxa1 Na3 28.Qa2 Nxd5 29.Nxd5 Qa4 30.Nec3 Qa6 31.b5 Qa5 32.Kb2 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-JuleVerne (2688) Blitz 2022;

B4b522) 11...f4 12.Bf2 Kh8 *(12...a5 13.h4 Nc5 14.Nc1 c6 15.Nd3 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3 cxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.0-0-0 Qc7 19.Kb1 Rfc8 20.Rc1 Qd8 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 Qd7 23.Rhh1 a4 24.Qb5 Qd8 25.Nxa4 Bf8 26.Nb6 Rxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Ra6 28.Qd7 Qb8 29.Qe6+ Kh8 30.Nd7 Qa8 31.a3 b5 32.Be1* 1 - 0 (3 2) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-eldaruralsk (2489) Blitz 2024*)* 13.h4 h5 14.Nc1 Nc5 15.Nd3 b6 16.b4

Nxd3+ 17.Bxd3 a5 18.b5 Bd7 19.Bf1 Nc8 20.Bh3 Bxh3 21.Rxh3 Qd7 22.Rh1 Ne7 23.Ke2 Rae8 24.Qe1 Nf5 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Qd2 e4 27.Bd4 Kh7 28.Bxg7 Qxg7 29.Rad1 exf3+ 30.Kf2 Re3 31.Rc1 Rfe8 32.Rhe1 R8e7 33.Kf1 Qh8 34.Nb1 Kg6 35.Qf2 Qd4 36.Rxe3 fxe3 37.Qxf3 e2+ 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-oynakbeyy (2817) Blitz 2022;

B4b523) 11...fxe4 12.fxe4 a5 13.0-0-0 Nc5 14.h4 Bg4 15.Rg1 Bf3 16.Bg2 Qd7 17.Bxf3 Rxf3 18.Rg2 Raf8 19.Ng1 Rf1 20.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 21.Kc2 Nf5 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.exf5 Qxf5+ 24.Kb3 e4 25.Nge2 Rf3 26.d6 Rd3 27.Qf4 cxd6 28.Qxf5 gxf5 29.Rf2 Rf3 30.Rxf3 exf3 31.Ng3 f4 32.Nge4 Bd4 33.Nd1 Kf8 34.Kc2 Ke7 35.Kd3 b5 36.b3 bxc4+ 37.bxc4 Ke6 38.Ndf2 d5 39.cxd5+ Kxd5 40.Nc3+ Ke5 41.Ncd1 Kf5 42.Kc4 Be3 43.a4 Kg6 44.Kd3 Bd4 45.Ke4 Kh5 46.Kxf3 c4 47.Ne4 Be5 48.Nd2 c3 49.Nb3 c2 50.Nf2 Kxh4 51.Nd3 Bc7 52.Nxf4 Kxg5 53.Ne6+ Kf5 54.Nxc7 Ke5 55.Nc1 Kd4 56.Nb5+ Kc4 57.Ke2 Kb4 58.Nd4 Kxa4 59.Nxc2 Kb5 60.Ne3 a4 61.Nf1 a3 62.Kd2 Kb4 63.Kc2 a2 64.Nxa2+ Kc4 65.Kd2 Kd4 66.Ke2 Ke4 67.Kf2 Kf4 68.Kg2 Kg4 69.Ng3 h5 70.Nh1 h4 71.Nc3 h3+ 72.Kh2 Kf3 73.Ne2 Ke3 74.Ng1 Kd2 75.Nxh3 Ke1 76.Kg3 Kf1 77.N1f2 Ke1 78.Nf4 Kd2 79.Ng4 Kc3 80.Nf6 Kd4 81.N6h5 Ke5 82.Kg4 Ke4 83.Ng6 Kd4 84.Nh4 Kd3 85.Nf5 Ke4 86.Nf4 Ke5 87.Kg5 Ke4 88.Ng6 Kd3 89.Ngh4 Ke2 90.Nh6 Kd2 91.Kf6 Kd3 ½ - ½ (91) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Nikson135 (2667) Blitz 2022;

B4b524) 11...a5

B4b5241) 12.0-0-0 Nc5 13.Kb1 a4 14.Nc1 b6 15.Be2 Bd7 16.Nd3 *(16.b4 axb3 17.axb3 Qb8 18.b4 Na4 19.Nb5 Rd8 20.Nd3 c6 21.Nc3 b5 22.Nxa4 bxa4 23.Ka2 cxd5*

24.cxd5 Bb5 25.Rc1 Qb7 26.Nb2 Bxe2 27.Qxe2 Qxb4 28.Qc4 Qb7 29.Nd3 Rdc8 30.Qb4 Qa6 31.Rhd1 Kf7 32.Qb6 Qxb6 33.Bxb6 Ke8 34.Be3 Kd7 35.Nb4 h6 36.h4 hxg5 37.hxg5 Rh8 38.Rh1 fxe4 39.fxe4 Rab8 40.Ka3 Rxh1 41.Rxh1 Rf8 42.Rh7 Rf3 43.Rxg7 Rxe3+ 44.Kxa4 Rxe4 45.Kb5 Ke8 46.Nc6 Nxd5 47.Rg8+ Kf7 48.Ra8 Ke6 49.Re8+ Kf5 50.Rf8+ Kxg5 51.Rg8 Rd4 52.Rd8 Rd2 53.Kc4 Nc3 54.Kxc3 Rd1 55.Nb4 Rd5 56.Nc2 Rc5+ 57.Kd3 d5 58.Kd2 Rc6 59.Ne3 Rb6 60.Rxd5 Rb5 61.Rxb5 Kf4 62.Rb4+ Kf3 63.Rb3 e4 64.Rb2 1 - 0 (6 4) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-sina_iran (2739) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Qb8 17.h4 Qa7 18.Rc1 Rfb8 19.Rhd1 Qa5 20.Rh1 Nb3 21.Qc2 Nd4 22.Qd1 Nc8 23.Bd2 Qa6 24.Bf1 Qb7 25.Nb5 Nxb5 26.cxb5 Na7 27.Nb4 Nxb5 28.Bxb5 Bxb5 29.Nc6 fxe4 30.fxe4 Bd3+ 31.Ka1 Bxe4 32.Nxb8 Rxb8 33.Rf1 Bxd5 34.Qc2 a3 35.Qxc7 e4 36.Qxb7 axb2+ 37.Kb1 bxc1Q+ 38.Rxc1 Rxb7 39.Be3 Kf7 40.Rf1+ Ke6 41.Rd1 Be5 42.Rf1 Bc4 43.Rc1 Bd3+ 44.Rc2 Rc7 0 - 1 (4 4) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-sina_iran (2740) Blitz 2021; **B4b5242)** 12.Nc1 Nc5 13.Nd3 b6 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Kb1 Nc8 16.Rc1 f4 17.Bxc5 bxc5 18.h4 h6 19.Rg1 hxg5 20.hxg5 Nb6 21.Nf2 Kf7 22.Nb5 Rh8 23.Na3 Rh2 24.Rg2 Rxg2 25.Bxg2 Qxg5 26.Bh3 Bxh3 27.Nxh3 Qg3 28.Ng1 Ke7 29.Nb5 Kd7 30.Qd3 Rh8 31.Ne2 Qf2 32.Nec3 Rh2 33.Nd1 Qe2 34.Qc3 Qd2 35.Qxd2 Rxd2 36.b3 Rd3 37.Ndc3 Rxf3 38.Rg1 Rg3

39.Rxg3 fxg3 40.Ne2 g2 41.Kc2 Bh6 42.Kd3 Bf4 43.Nbc3 Bh2 0-1 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2744)-oynakbeyy (2732) Blitz 2022;

B4c) 9.h4 Nd7 10.h5 f5 11.hxg6 hxg6 12.Qd2 f4 13.Bf2 a5 14.0-0-0 b6 15.Kb1 Nc5 16.Bh4 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Rxf6 18.g3 Qf8 19.gxf4 exf4 20.Bh3 Bxh3 21.Rxh3 Qg7 22.Nd4 Raf8 23.Rdh1 g5 24.Qh2 Rg6 25.Rh7 Qxd4 26.Rxe7 1-0 (26) Shod (2678)-Azamat86 (2574) Blitz 2020;

B4d) 9.Qd2

B4d1) 9...c6 10.0-0-0 cxd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.Kb1 b5 13.Rc1 b4 14.Nd1 Qa5 15.g4 Rfc8 16.Nf2 Ne8 17.h4 Nc7 18.h5 Nb5 19.hxg6 Nxg6 20.Bg2 Rab8 21.Ka1 Qa6 22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 23.Rc1 b3 24.Rxc8+ Bxc8 25.Nc1 Nh4 26.Bf1 Bd7 27.Nxb3 Nxf3 28.Qb4 Qc8 29.Bxb5 Qb8 30.Bxa7 Qxb5 31.Qxb5 Bxb5 32.Bb8 Bf8 33.a3 Bc4 34.Nd2 Nxd2 35.b4 Bb5 36.Kb2 Ba4 37.Kc3 Nb1+ 38.Kb2 Nd2 39.Kc3 Nf3 40.Kc4 Nd4 41.Ba7 Nb5 0-1 (41) gogotaniye (2784)-Artem_chess01 (2676) Blitz 2023;

B4d2) 9...Nd7 10.0-0-0 f5 11.Kb1 Nf6 12.Nc1 fxe4 13.fxe4 Ng4 14.Be2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Bd7 16.Rhf1 a6 17.c5 h6 18.h3 Kh7 19.Rxf8 Qxf8 20.Rf1 Qg8 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.Qb6 Qb8 23.Rf7 Nc8 24.Qd8 1-0 (24) jposthuma (2764)-Tacticalwinner65 (2543) Rapid 2022;

B4d3) 9...h5 10.0-0-0 a6 11.Kb1 *(11.Ng3 Kh7 12.h4 Nfg8 13.Kb1 f5 14.exf5 Nxf5 15.Nxf5 Bxf5+ 16.Bd3 Nh6 17.Bg5 Qd7 18.Ne4 b5 19.Qc2 b4 20.c5 a5 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.Qc6 Qxc6 23.dxc6 d5 24.Nd6 Bxd3+ 25.Rxd3 Ra6 26.Rc1 d4 27.Be7 Nf5 28.Bxf8 Bxf8 29.Nxf5 gxf5 30.c7* 1-0 (30) Superfm1 (2661)-Heuss4726Player (2470) Blitz 2024*)* 11...b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Bd7 14.Nec3 Nc8 15.Rc1 Kh7 16.Bd3 Ne8 17.a4 c6 18.dxc6 Bxc6 19.Rhd1 Nb6 20.b3 d5 21.Bxb6 Qxb6 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 e4 24.Bxe4 Qf6 25.Ka2 Rb8 26.Rc6 Qe5 27.d6 Nf6 28.d7 Nxd7 29.Qc3 Qxh2 30.Qc2 Ne5 31.Rc7 Qf4 32.Nd6 Qf6 33.g3 Rbd8 34.f4 Rxd6 35.Rxd6 Qxd6 36.fxe5 Qxe5 37.Ka3 Rb8 38.Bb7 Qd6+ 39.b4 Qxg3+ 40.Ka2 Qe5 41.a5 Rd8 42.a6 Qe3 43.Rxf7 Rd2 44.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 45.Kb3 Qd3+

46.Ka4 Qc2+ 47.Kb5 Qd3+ 48.Kb6 Qd8+ 49.Ka7 Kg8 50.Rxg7+ Kxg7 51.b5 h4 52.b6 h3 53.Bc6 h2 54.Kb7 g5 55.a7 Qe7+ 0-1 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Heuss4726Player (2516) Blitz 2025;

B4d4) 9...Nh5 10.g4 Nf4 *(10...Nf6 11.0-0-0 Ne8 12.Ng3 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Nh5 f4 15.Bf2 Bh8 16.c5 Ng6 17.Rg1 dxc5 18.d6 Nxd6 19.Bc4+ Rf7 20.Bxf7+ Kxf7 21.Bxc5 Qh4 22.Nd5 Nb5 23.a4 Nd4 24.Bxd4 Qxh5 25.Qc3 exd4 26.Qxc7+ Kf8 27.Qd8+ Kf7 28.Qc7+ Kf8 29.Nxf4 Qh6 30.Qd8+ Kg7 31.Qxd4+ Kf7 32.Qd5+ Kf8 33.Qd8+ Kf7 34.Rg5 Bf6 35.Qd5+ Kf8 36.Qd6+ Be7 37.Nxg6+ hxg6 38.Qf4+ Kg7 39.h4 Be6 40.Qe5+ Kf7 41.Qf4+ Bf6 42.Kb1 Rc8 43.e5 Qg7 44.exf6 Qxf6 45.Qxf6+ Kxf6 46.Rb5 Bf5+ 47.Ka1 a6 48.Rb4 b5 49.Rbd4 bxa4 50.Rd6+ Kf7 51.Ka2 Rc4 52.Ka3 Rb4 53.R6d4 Rb3+ 54.Kxa4 Rxb2 55.Ka5 Rb5+ 56.Kxa6 Rb3 57.Ka7 Ra3+ 58.Kb8 Rb3+ 59.Kc7 Rc3+ 60.Kd6 Rxf3 61.Rc4 Rh3 62.Kc5 Rg3 63.Rcd4 Rg4 64.Rd7+ Kf6 65.Kc6* 1-0 (65) mbchessmaster (2638)-Khalid00001 (2446) Rapid 2021 *)* 11.Nxf4 exf4 12.Bxf4 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.0-0-0 *(14.Rg1 fxe4 15.fxe4 Ng6 16.Bg5 Qe8 17.Bd3 Ne5 18.Be2 Kh8 19.0-0-0 Rf2 20.Bh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Qf8 22.Qxf8+ Rxf8 23.Nb5 Bd7 24.Rdf1 Rxf1+ 25.Rxf1 Kg7 26.Nd4 Rf8 27.Rxf8 Kxf8 28.Kd2 Ke7 29.Ke3 c5 30.Nf3 Ng6 31.a3 Kf6 32.b4 b6 33.Nd2 Kg5 34.b5 Bg4 35.Bxg4 Kxg4 36.Nf3 h5 37.e5 dxe5 38.d6 Nf8 39.Nxe5+ Kh3 40.d7 Ne6 41.Nc6 Kxh2 42.Kf2 Kh3 43.d8Q Nxd8 44.Nxd8 Kg4 45.Nc6 Kf4 46.Nxa7 Ke5 47.Nc8 Kd4 48.Nxb6 h4 49.a4 Kc3 50.a5 Kb4 51.a6 Ka5 52.a7 Kxb6 53.a8Q h3 54.Qc6+ Ka5 55.b6 h2 56.Qb5#* 1-0 (56) Superfm1 (2600)-RoncolaGod (2471) Rapid 2023 *)* 14...fxe4 15.Nxe4 Ng6 16.Bg5 Qe8 17.Be2 Bf5 18.Ng3 Bh3 *(18...Qa4 19.Nxf5 Rxf5 20.Kb1 Re8 21.Rhe1 Qd7 22.Ka1 Qf7 23.a3 Rfe5 24.f4 Re3 25.Bd3 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 27.Qxe1 h6 28.Qe6 Qxe6 29.dxe6 hxg5 30.Bxg6 Bf6 31.fxg5 Bxg5 32.Kb1 Kf8 33.Kc2 Ke7 34.Bf5 c6 35.b3 Kf6 36.Bg4 Ke5 37.Kd3 Kf4 38.h3 Bf6 39.b4 Be7 40.a4 Bf6 41.b5 Be7 42.bxc6 bxc6 43.a5 Bf6* 0-1 (43) Lakridstrollet (2603) -

GreenFieldsPrince12 (2817) Blitz 2022*)* 19.Rde1 Qa4 20.Kb1 Ne5 21.Rc1 Nxf3 22.Bxf3 Rxf3 23.Bh6 Be5 24.Rhe1 Qe8 25.Ka1 Qg6 26.Ne4 Kh8 27.Ng5 Rf6 28.Nxh3 Qxh6 29.Qxh6 Rxh6 30.Ng5 Rf8 31.Rf1 Rxf1 32.Rxf1 Rxh2 33.Nf7+ Kg7 34.Nxe5 dxe5 35.Kb1 h5 36.Rd1 Kf6 37.d6 cxd6 38.Rxd6+ Ke7 39.Rh6 e4 40.Rh7+ Kd6 41.Rxb7 e3 42.Kc1 Rh1+ 43.Kc2 e2 0-1 (43) revan_2002 (2660)-KPrometeo (2542) Blitz 2024;

B4d5) 9...Ne8 10.g4 *(10.h4 f5 11.h5 f4 12.Bf2 Nf6 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Kb1 b6 16.Ng1 Kf7 17.Nh3 Bxh3 18.gxh3 Rh8 19.h4 Nh5 20.Bh3 Bf6 21.Be6+ Kf8 22.Rdg1 Ng7 23.Bg4 Ng8 24.Qc2 Bxh4 25.Nb5 a6 26.Nxc7 Bxf2 27.Rxh8 Bxg1 28.Nxa8 Qxa8 29.Qg2 Bd4 30.Be6 Nxe6 31.Qxg6* 1-0 (31) Aghasiyev,K (2616)-MannyQT (2638) Blitz 2021 *)* 10...f5 *(10...b6 11.Rg1 Kh8 12.Nc1 f5 13.g5 fxe4 14.fxe4 Rf7 15.Nd3 Bf8 16.0-0-0 Ng7 17.Be2 Bd7 18.h4 Ng8 19.Rdf1 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 Be7 21.Kb1 Qc8 22.Qd1 Bh3 23.Rf2 Qd7 24.Nb4 Rf8 25.Qg1 a5 26.Nc6 Rxf2 27.Qxf2 Bg4 28.Bxg4 Qxg4 29.Qf7 Bd8 30.Nxd8* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-HYCCN01 (2630) Blitz 2022 *)*

B4d51) 11.exf5 gxf5 12.gxf5 Nxf5 13.Bg5 Nf6 14.0-0-0 Qe8 15.Ng3 Nh5 16.Bd3 Kh8 17.Nce4 Nd4 18.Rdf1 Rxf3 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Qxh6 Nf4 21.Rxf3 Nxf3 22.Bb1 Qf7 23.Ng5 Nxg5 24.Qxg5 Bh3 25.Qh4 Rg8 26.Bxh7 Qxh7 27.Qf6+ Qg7 28.Qh4+ Qh7 29.Qf6+ Rg7 30.Qd8+ ½-½ (30) BestBrazilian (2760)-Nesty_Javi_Chess (2620) Blitz 2020;

B4d52) 11.g5

B4d521) 11...f4 12.Bf2 a6 *(12...h6 13.h4 h5 14.0-0-0 a5 15.b3 b6 16.Kb2 Bd7 17.Bh3 Qc8 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Qc1 c6 20.dxc6 Nxc6 21.Nd5 Rb8 22.Nxb6 Qa7 23.Rdg1 Rxb6 24.Bxb6 Qxb6 25.Qd2 Nd4 26.Nxd4 exd4 27.Kb1 Nc7 28.Rd1 Ne6 29.Qb2 Nc5 30.Rxd4 Na4* 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Bengalboy001 (2570) Blitz 2023*; 12...h5 13.h4 c5 14.Nc1 Rf7 15.Nd3 Rb8 16.a3 a6 17.b4*

b5 18.bxc5 bxc4 19.Nb2 dxc5 20.Bxc5 Qa5 21.Bxe7 Rxb2 22.Qxb2 Rxe7 23.Rc1 Rb7 24.Qd2 Nd6 25.Nd1 Qxa3 26.Be2 Bf8 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2644)-fabipereira95 (2588) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nc1 Bd7 14.Nd3 Qc8 15.h4 b5 16.c5 c6 17.cxd6 Nxd6 18.Nc5 b4 19.dxc6 bxc3 20.Qxd6 cxb2 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Rb1 Qxc6 23.Qxd7 Qxd7 24.Nxd7 Rac8 25.Nxf8 Rxc4 26.Ne6 Rc1+ 27.Kd2 Rg1 28.Rhxg1 1-0 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-filmer75 (2523) Blitz 2024;

B4d522) 11...fxe4 12.fxe4 c6 13.0-0-0 cxd5 14.cxd5 a6 15.Kb1 b5 16.Rc1 Bd7 17.h4 b4 18.Nd1 a5 19.Bh3 Bxh3 20.Rxh3 Qd7 21.Rg3 Bh8 22.Nf2 Ng7 23.Ng4 Nh5 24.Nh6+ Kg7 25.Nd4 Nxg3 26.Ne6+ Qxe6 27.dxe6 Nxe4 28.Qd3 d5 29.Rc7 Rfe8 30.Qxd5 Nf6 31.Qxe5 Kf8 32.gxf6 Ng8 33.Rf7# 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-hamidebh001 (2759) Blitz 2023;

B4d53) 11.h3 fxg4 12.fxg4 Bd7 *(12...c5 13.Ng3 a6 14.Be2 Bd7 15.0-0-0 Nc7 16.h4 b5 17.Rdg1 bxc4 18.h5 Nb5 19.hxg6 Nxg6 20.Nf5 Rf7 21.Bxc4 Be8 22.Qh2 Nf8 23.g5 Rb7 24.g6 Raa7 25.gxh7+ Kh8 26.Bg5 Qa5 27.Bf6 Nxc3 28.Nxg7* 1-0 (28) Sethuraman,S (2623)-Maloberti,D (2069) Grosseto-Prugna FRA 2015 *)* 13.0-0-0 b6 14.Kb1 Nf6 15.Ng3 a6 16.Rc1 Kh8 17.Be2 Nfg8 18.g5 Qc8 19.h4 Bg4 20.h5 gxh5 21.Nxh5 Ng6 22.Bxg4 Qxg4 23.Qh2 Rf7 24.Ng3 Bf8 25.Nf5 Rxf5 26.Qxh7# 1-0 (26) Bandhawk (2631)-ImagineKnight (2521) Rapid 2024;

B4d54) 11.gxf5 gxf5 12.0-0-0 f4 *(12...fxe4 13.fxe4 Ng6 14.h4 Nf4 15.h5 Kh8 16.h6 Bf6 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bxf4 c6 19.Bh3 Bxh3 20.Rxh3 cxd5 21.exd5 Rc8 22.b3 Qa5 23.Kb1 a6 24.Ne4 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 Be7 26.Bg5 Bxg5 27.Nxg5 b5 28.cxb5 axb5 29.Re2 Nc7 30.Re7 Rf1+ 31.Kb2 Rf2+ 32.Kb1 Rf1+ 33.Kb2 Rf2+ 34.Kb1 Rf1+* ½-½ (34) DoloresCrotal (2764)-hamidebh001 (2619) Blitz

2024; 12...Ng6 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.Ng3 Qh4 15.Rg1 Bd7 16.Bg5 Qd4 17.Qg2 Qb6 18.Nh5 Bh8 19.Bd3 Bf5 20.Ne4 c6 21.Kb1 cxd5 22.cxd5 Rc8 23.Bh6 Rf7 24.Ng5 Bxd3+ 25.Rxd3 Rfc7 26.Ne4 Rc2 27.Bc1 Rxg2 28.Rxg2 Kf8 29.Nhg3 Nf6 30.Nxf6 Bxf6 31.Ne4 Ke7 32.h4 Nxh4 33.Rh2 Qg1 34.Rc2 Rxc2 35.Kxc2 Qg2+ 36.Kb1 Nxf3 0 - 1 (3 6) WhiteBishop4761 (2671)-penkinkr (2619) Blitz 2022) 13.Bf2 a6 (13...Nf6 14.Kb1 Kh8 15.c5 Bd7 16.Nc1 Ng6 17.Bb5 a6 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Nb3 Qh3 20.Qe2 Rfb8 21.Nd2 b6 22.cxd6 cxd6 23.Nc4 Bf8 24.Nxb6 Ra7 25.Nca4 Rab7 26.Rd3 Nd7 27.Rb3 Nxb6 28.Nxb6 Qg2 29.Qf1 Qg5 30.Qxa6 Be7 31.a4 Qg2 32.Qf1 Qxf1+ 33.Rxf1 Bd8 34.a5 Ra7 35.Ra3 Ra6 36.Rc1 Nh4 37.b4 Bxb6 38.Bxb6 Rbxb6 39.axb6 Rxa3 40.Rc8+ Kg7 41.Kb2 Ra4 42.Kb3 Ra6 43.b7 Rb6 44.b8Q Rxb8 45.Rxb8 Nxf3 46.Kc4 Nd4 47.Ra8 f3 48.Ra2 Ne2 49.Ra1 f2 50.Rf1 Nf4 51.Rxf2 1-0 (51) supertactic91 (2699)-New-Alpha-zero (2518) Rapid 2022; 13...Ng6 14.Kb1 Nf6 15.Nc1 Nd7 16.Nd3 Bf6 17.c5 dxc5 18.Nxc5 Be7 19.Ne6 Qe8 20.Nxc7 Qd8 21.Nxa8 b6 22.d6 1-0 (22) MrAble (2606)-XristosPro (2444) Rapid 2021) 14.Kb1 Kh8 15.Nc1 Bd7 16.h4 Rb8 17.h5 h6 18.Nb3 b5 19.c5 b4 20.Ne2 Ba4 21.Nec1 dxc5 22.Re1 c6 23.Nxc5 Bb5 24.Ne6 Qd6 25.Bc5 Qd7 26.Nxf8 Bxf8 27.Bh3 Qd8 28.d6 Ng8 29.Rd1 a5 30.Be6 Nef6 31.Rhg1 Bg7 32.Rg6 Qe8 33.Bf5 Rd8 34.Rdg1 Bf8 35.Qg2 Qf7 36.Nb3 a4 37.Na5 Bxd6 38.Be6 Qh7 39.Bxg8 Nxg8 40.Bxd6 Bd3+ 41.Ka1 Rf8 42.Bxe5+ 1-0 (42) MCjgp_Twitch (2801)-Deichmann (2555) Blitz 2022]

[7...exd4 8.Nxd4

A) 8...Nbd7 9.Be2

A1) 9...Nc5 10.0-0 Re8 11.Qd2

A1a) 11...Bd7 12.Rad1 a5 13.b3 (13.Rfe1 Qe7 14.a3 a4 15.Bg5 h6 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bxh6 g5 19.h4 gxh4 20.Kf2 Kh7 21.Be3 Rg8 22.Rh1 Be5 23.Qc2 Qf6 24.Ke1 Rxg2 25.Bf2 Rxf2 26.Kxf2 Bxd4+ 27.Ke1 Be5 28.Kd2 Qf4+ 29.Ke1 Qg3+ 30.Kd2 Qf4+

31.Ke1 Rg8 32.Rd2 h3 33.Kd1 h2 34.Rd5 Rg1+ 0-1 (34) Superfm1 (2611)-PeterBolwerk (2445) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...a4 14.b4 Ne6 15.a3 Nh5 16.g3 c5 17.Nxe6 Bxe6 18.Nb5 cxb4 19.Qxb4 Bf8 20.Nxd6 Qc7 21.Nxe8 Rxe8 22.Qxa4 Rc8 23.f4 Nf6 24.Qc2 Bxa3 25.e5 Ng4 26.Bd4 Bc5 27.Qe4 Bf5 28.Qd5 Ne3 29.Qxc5 Qxc5 30.Bxc5 Rxc5 31.Rd8+ Kg7 32.Rc1 b5 33.Kf2 Nxc4 34.Rd4 Be6 35.g4 Rc8 36.Bxc4 Bxc4 37.Ke3 Ra8 38.f5 Ra3+ 39.Kf4 h6 40.h4 Rh3 41.f6+ Kh7 42.Rd7 Be6 43.Re7 Rxh4 44.Rxe6 fxe6 45.Rc7+ Kh8 46.Rc8+ Kh7 47.f7 g5+ 48.Kg3 1-0 (48) Lucky1357924680 (2691)-DR_speedrun_2700 (2564) Blitz 2024;

A1b) 11...c6 12.Rad1 Ne6 13.Nxe6 Bxe6 14.Qxd6 Qa5 15.Qc5 Qxc5 16.Bxc5 Nd7 17.Bd4 Ne5 18.b3 Red8 19.Kh1 Rxd4 20.Rxd4 Nxf3 21.Rdd1 Nxh2 22.Kxh2 Bxc3 23.c5 a5 24.Bc4 Re8 25.Bxe6 Rxe6 26.Rd7 Rxe4 27.Rfxf7 Be5+ 28.g3 h5 29.Kg2 Rg4 30.Rfe7 Rd4 31.Re8# 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Lavrik87 (2314) Blitz 2024;

A2) 9...Re8 10.0-0 c6 11.Bf2 Nf8 *(11...a5 12.Qc2 Qe7 13.Rad1 Nc5 14.Rfe1 Bd7 15.Bf1 Rad8 16.Nb3 Nxb3 17.axb3 Be6 18.Bb6 Ra8 19.Qf2 Rec8 20.Bd4 Nd7 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd4+ Qf6 23.Qxd6 Qe5 24.f4 Qxd6 25.Rxd6 Nc5 26.Na4 Nxb3 27.Nb6 Rd8 28.Rxe6 fxe6 29.Nxa8 Rxa8 30.Rd1 Nc5 31.e5 Kf7 32.h4 Ke7 33.Kf2 Ra6 34.Kf3 Rb6 35.Rd2 Rb3+ 36.Ke2 Ne4 37.Rc2 h5 38.Ke1 Nc5 39.Kd2 Ne4+ 40.Kc1 Ng3 41.Be2 Nf5 42.Rc3 Rxc3+ 43.bxc3 Nxh4 44.g3 Nf5 45.Bd3 Nxg3* 0-1 (45) orhanilu (2661)-Yuri_Guenther (2637) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Qd2 d5 13.exd5 cxd5 14.c5 Ne6 15.b4 Nh5 16.Rad1 Nef4 17.Kh1 Bh6 18.Qc2 Nxe2 19.Ncxe2 Qf6 20.b5 Bd7 21.c6 bxc6 22.bxc6 Rec8 23.Rc1 Be8 24.Rcd1 Bxc6 25.Nxc6 Rxc6 26.Qb3 Re8 27.Qxd5 Rxe2 28.Bd4 Qe6 29.Qd8+ Bf8 30.Qa8 Rcc2 31.Bc5 Ng3+ 0-1 (31) brianthegreat (2718)-JuleVerne (2705) Blitz 2022;

B) 8...Re8 9.Qd2

B1) 9...Nbd7

B1a) 10.Be2 a6 11.0-0 Nc5 *(11...Rb8 12.Rfd1 Ne5 13.Rac1 Bd7 14.Bg5 c5 15.Nc2 Be6 16.Ne3 Nc6 17.Qxd6 Qa5 18.Qf4 Nh5 19.Qh4 h6 20.Bf4 Bf6 21.Qf2 Nxf4 22.Bf1 Nd4 23.g3 Nh5 24.Ned5 Bxd5 25.Nxd5 Bg7 26.b3 Nf6 27.Bg2 Nxd5 28.cxd5 Rbc8 29.f4 b5 30.e5 Qb6 31.d6 Rcd8 32.Bd5 Ne6 33.b4* 1-0 (33) MaLeKkoNihli (2616)-Bendzalo (2636) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Rad1 Qe7 13.Rfe1 Ne6 14.Bf1 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Be6

16.f4 Rad8 17.f5 Bd7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.cxd5 Qh4 21.Qc3+ Kg8 22.Qxc7 gxf5 23.g3 Qf6 24.Bg2 fxe4 25.Rxe4 Rxe4 26.Bxe4 Bb5 27.Bg2 Rd7 28.Qc8+ Kg7 29.Bf1 Re7 30.Qg4+ Qg6 31.Qxg6+ hxg6 32.Bxb5 axb5 33.Kf2 Rc7 34.Rd2 Rc5 35.Ke3 Kf6 36.Rf2+ Ke7 37.Kd4 Rc4+ 38.Kd3 Rc5 39.Ke4 Rc4+ 40.Ke3 Rc5 41.Rd2 Kf6 42.b4 Rc4 43.a3 Rc3+ 44.Kd4 Rxa3 45.Rf2+ Ke7 46.Re2+ Kd7 47.Rf2 f5 48.Re2 Rb3 49.Re6 Rxb4+ 50.Kc3 Rg4 51.Rf6 Kc7 52.Rf7+ Kb6 53.Rd7 Kc5 54.Rxb7 b4+ 55.Kd3 Kxd5 56.Rb5+ Ke6 57.Rb8 Re4 58.Re8+ Kf6 59.Rd8 Ke6 60.Re8+ Kf6 61.Rd8 Ke7 62.Rg8 Kf6 63.Rd8 ½-½ (63) superfm1 (2631)-Rodion2203 (2321) Blitz 2024;

B1b) 10.0-0-0 Nc5 11.Kb1 c6 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bxc5 d5 14.cxd5 cxd5 15.Bb5 Bd7 16.Bxd7 Qxd7 17.Ba3 Rab8 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Qxd5 Qa4 20.Rd3 Rec8 21.Rb3 Rxb3 22.axb3 Qa6 23.Rd1 h5 24.Qd3 Qf6 25.g3 Kh7 26.f4 Qe6 27.e5 Qh3 28.Rd2 h4 29.Ka2 Rc1 30.Rc2 Rh1 31.Qf3 Rxh2 32.Rxh2 Qxh2 33.gxh4 Qxh4 34.f5 Bxe5 35.fxg6+ Kxg6 36.Qd3+ Kg7 37.Qe3 Qd4 38.Qg5+ Kh7 39.Qh5+ Kg8 40.Qe2 f6 41.Qg2+ Kf7 42.Qb7+ Kg6 43.Qg2+ Kf5 44.Bf8 Ke6 45.Bh6 f5 46.Bc1 f4 47.Qc6+ Kf5 48.Qc4 f3 49.Qf1 Qe4 50.b4 Qe2 51.Qh3+ Ke4 0-1 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-MaLeKkoNihli (2690) Blitz 2022;

B2) 9...Nc6 10.0-0-0 *(10.Nc2 a6 11.Be2 Ne5 12.Rd1 Bd7 13.a4 a5 14.0-0 Bc6 15.Nd4 Ned7 16.Qc2 Qe7 17.Rfe1 Nc5 18.Bf1 Qf8 19.b3 Bd7 20.Bf2 c6 21.h3 Rad8 22.g3 Bc8 23.Bg2 Nfd7 24.f4 Na6 25.Na2 Ndc5 26.g4 Qe7 27.Qb1 Qc7 28.Qc2 Qb6 29.Rb1 Qc7 30.Rbd1 Ne6 31.Nxe6 Rxe6 32.Nc1 Nb4 33.Qd2 Ree8 34.Nd3 d5 35.exd5 Rxe1+ 36.Qxe1 Nxd3 37.Rxd3 Qxf4 38.Bb6 Rf8 39.Bc5 Rd8* 1-0 (39) Ma Qun (2626)-Zeng,C (2551) China CHN 2019*)*

10...Nxd4 *(10...Nd7 11.h4 h5 12.Nb3 Nde5 13.Be2 a5 14.Nd5 a4 15.Nd4 a3 16.b3 Be6 17.Bg5 Qc8 18.Nb5 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Nb8 20.f4 Ng4 21.e5 dxe5 22.Bxg4 Qxg4 23.Nxc7 Rc8 24.d6 e4 25.Kb1 Nd7 26.Nxa8 Rxa8 27.Rc1 f6 28.Qd5+ Kh8 29.Qxe4 fxg5 30.hxg5 Nf8 31.Rc7 Rd8 32.Rxg7 Kxg7 33.Qe7+ Kg8 34.Re1 Rd7 35.Qe5 Qxg2 36.f5 gxf5 37.Re2 Qh1+ 38.Kc2 Rg7 39.Qxf5 Qa1 40.Qd5+ Kh8 41.b4 Qb2+ 42.Kd3 Qb1+ 43.Kd2 Rf7 44.Qxf7 Qb2+ 45.Kd3 Nd7* 1-0 (45) Surrender-at-20 (2636)-Nikiton4ik (2640) Blitz 2021*)*

11.Bxd4 a6 *(11...c5 12.Be3 Qa5 13.Kb1 Be6 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Rxd2 Rad8 17.Be2 Be5 18.g3 f5 19.Bg5 Rd7 20.exf5 Bxf5+ 21.Bd3 Rf7 22.Re1 Ref8 23.Bxf5 Rxf5 24.f4 Bg7 25.Rxd6 h6 26.Be7 Re8 27.Rde6 Kf7 28.R6e4 g5 29.fxg5 hxg5 30.g4 Rf4 31.Rxf4+ gxf4 32.Bh4 Rh8 33.Bg5 Rxh2 34.Re7+ Kg6 35.Rxb7 Kxg5 36.Rxg7+ Kf6 37.Rg8 Kf7 38.Rg5 Ke6 39.Rf5 Rf2 40.a3 f3 41.Ka2 Rf1 42.Rxc5 f2 43.Rf5 a5 44.c5 a4 45.c6 Kd6 46.Rf6+ Ke7 47.g5 Kd8 48.g6 Ke7 49.Rf3 Rg1 50.Rxf2 Rxg6 51.Rf4 Rg4 52.Rxg4* 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2618)-sh20032006 (2593) Blitz 2021*)*
12.Kb1 *(12.h4 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Bd7 15.Bxd7 Qxd7 16.h5 Reb8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.g4 Qe6 19.g5 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.f4 Qc4 22.Kb1 Ra5 23.f5 Re5 24.Qd4 Qxd4 25.Rxd4 Rbe8 26.Rh4 Rh8 27.f6+ Kf8 28.Nd5 Rxg5 29.Ra4 Kg8 30.Ra7 Rg1+ 31.Kc2 c6 32.Ne7+ Kh7 33.Nf5 Rf8 34.Nxd6 Kh6 35.Nxf7+ Rxf7 36.Rxf7 Kg5 37.Rh2 Rf1 38.Rf2 Rxf2+ 39.Kc3 Nxf6 40.Kc4 Nxe4 41.Rxf2 Nxf2 42.Kc5 Ne4+* 0-1 (42) retardedplatypus123 (2623)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2695) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Bd7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Qe7 *(14...c6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.Qxd6 Qxd6 18.Rxd6 f5 19.Bd3 Rad8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Kc2 fxe4 22.Bxe4 Bxe4+ 23.fxe4 Kf6 24.Rf1+ Ke5 25.Rf7 b5 26.Rxh7 Kxe4 27.Re7+ Kf5 28.Re3 Rd6 29.Rd3 Rc6+ 30.Kd2 Ke4 31.Re3+ Kf4 32.Rf3+ Ke4 33.Rg3 Rd6+ 34.Kc3 Rc6+ 35.Kb3 Kf4 36.Rf3+ Ke4 37.Rf8 Rd6 38.g3 Rd2 39.Rf6 g5 40.h4 gxh4 41.gxh4 a5 42.Ra6 a4+ 43.Kc3 Rh2 44.Rb6 Rh3+ 45.Kb4 Rh2 46.Ka3 Rh3+ 47.b3 axb3 48.axb3 Rxh4 49.Rxb5 Kd3 50.Rc5 Rh7 51.b4 Kd4 52.Rc8 Kd5 53.b5 Kd6 54.Rc6+ Kd7 55.Kb4 Rh8 56.Ka5 Ra8+ 57.Kb6 Rb8+ 58.Kc5 Ra8 59.Kb6 Rb8+ 60.Ka6 Ra8+ 61.Kb7 Ra5 62.b6 Ra1 63.Rc7+ Kd8 64.Rc2 Ra2 65.Rxa2* 1-0 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2617)-sh20032006 (2594) Blitz 2021*)*
15.h4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qe5 17.h5 Qxd4 18.Rxd4 f5 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bd3 Kg7 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Rdh4 Rh8 23.Rxh8 Rxh8 24.Rxh8 Kxh8 25.f4 Kg7 26.Kc2 Kf6 27.Kc3 Be8 28.Kd4 Bh5 29.b4 Bf7 30.a4 Be8 31.a5 Bd7 32.Ke3 Ba4 33.Bc4 Bc2 34.Kf2 Be4 35.Kg3 Kg6 36.Kh3 Kh5 37.g3 Kg6 38.Kh4 Bf3 39.Bb3 Kf6 40.Kh3 Kg6 41.Kh2 Kh5 42.Bc2 Kg6 43.Bb3 Kh5 44.Kg1 Kg4 45.Kf2 Be4 46.Bd1+ Kh3 47.Bb3 Kh2 48.Bc4 Kh3 49.Bf1+ Kg4 50.Be2+ Kh3 51.Bc4 Kg4 52.Ba2 Kh5 53.Kg1 Kg4 54.Kf2 Kh3 55.Bc4 Kg4 56.Be2+ Kh3 57.Bf1+ Kg4 58.Be2+

½-½ (58) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Mrios (2609) Blitz 2021;

C) 8...Qe7 9.Be2 Nbd7 10.0-0 c6 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.h3 Rd8 13.Rae1 Ned7 14.Bg5 Nc5 15.Bd1 Re8 16.b4 Ne6 17.Nf5 gxf5 18.exf5 Qf8 19.fxe6 Bxe6 20.Ne4 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 h6 22.Be3 d5 23.Rh4 dxc4 24.Bxh6 Bxh6 25.Rxh6 Rad8 26.Qf4 Qg7 27.Bc2 Rd4 28.Be4 f5 29.Rh5 fxe4 30.Rg5 Rd7 31.fxe4 c3 32.Rxg7+ Rxg7 33.Rc1 Bxh3 34.Rxc3 Bxg2 35.Rg3 Bxe4 36.Rxg7+ Kxg7 37.Qc7+ Kf8 38.Qxb7 Re7 39.Qb8+ Kf7 40.Qf4+ Ke8 41.Qd6 Bd5 42.b5 Rd7 43.Qb8+ Ke7 44.Qe5+ Kd8 45.a4 cxb5 46.axb5 Kc8 47.Qe8+ Kc7 48.Kf2 Bb7 49.Qe5+ Kb6 50.Qe3+ Kc7 51.Qxa7 Rd5 52.b6+ Kc6 53.Qb8 Rb5 54.Qc7+ Kd5 55.Qxb7+ Kc5 56.Qc7+ Kd5 57.b7 Rb2+ 58.Kg3 Rb3+ 59.Kg4 Rb4+ 60.Kg5 Rb1 61.b8Q Rh1 62.Kf6 Rh6+ 63.Kg5 Normal 1-0 (63) MothToTheFlame (2643)-Prototype6 (2772) Blitz 2024;

D) 8...c6

D1) 9.Be2 Re8 *(9...d5 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.e5 Nh5 12.f4 f6 13.Bxh5 fxe5 14.fxe5 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxh5 16.Qxh5 gxh5 17.Nxd5 Bxe5 18.Rc1 Nc6 19.Nxc6 bxc6 20.Ne7+ Kh8 21.Nxc6 Bxb2 22.Rc2 Bg7 23.Bd4 Bg4 24.Bxg7+ Kxg7 25.Kd2 Rf2+ 26.Kc1 Rxc2+ 27.Kxc2 Rc8 28.Re1 Rxc6+ 29.Kd3 Ra6 30.Re7+ Kf6 31.Rxh7 Bf5+* 0-1 (31) Lucky1357924680 (2692)-BadApp_le (2580) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Qd2 *(10.Bf2 d5 11.exd5 cxd5 12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Qd2 Nc6 14.0-0 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Nxc3* 0-1 (16) positinal_style (2637)-Computercheat (2619) Blitz 2022 *)* 10...d5

D1a) 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.Bg5 dxe4 13.Nxe4 *(13.0-0-0 e3 14.Bxe3 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Qxd2+ 16.Bxd2 bxc6 17.Bc4 Be6 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.Kc2 Nd5 20.Rhe1 Rae8 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.b3 Rc8+ 24.Kd3 Kf7 25.Bf4 e5 26.Bd2 Ke6 27.Re1 a6 28.Bc3 e4+ 29.fxe4 Rxc3+ 30.Kd2 d4 31.Rf1 Re3 32.Rc1 Kd6 33.Rc4 Rxe4 34.Ra4 Rf4 35.Rxa6+ Kd5 36.Kd3 Rf2 37.Ra5+ Ke6 38.Ra6+ Kf5 39.Ra7 Be5 40.Rxh7 Rxa2 41.Rf7+ Ke6 42.Rf8 Rxg2 43.Re8+ Kf5 44.Rf8+ Bf6 45.b4 Rxh2 46.b5 Rh3+ 47.Kc4 Rc3+ 48.Kd5 d3 49.Ra8 d2 50.Ra1 Rd3+* 0-1 (50) Lucky1357924680 (2607)-Computercheat (2570) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Nxe4 14.Bxd8 Nxd2 15.Nb5 Rxd8 16.Nc7 Bxb2 17.Rd1 Bc3 18.Kf2 Nc6 19.Nxa8 Be6 20.Nc7 Bxa2 21.Nb5 Bb4 22.Ra1 Be6 23.Rhd1 a6 24.Nc7 Bb3 25.Rdc1 a5 26.Bb5 Nd4 27.Ba4 Bxa4 28.Rxa4 b5 29.Raa1 N2b3 0-1 (29) Matin_Shams (2617)-izel2 (2682) Blitz 2021;

D1b) 11.exd5 cxd5 12.0-0-0 *(12.0-0 Nc6 13.Rad1 Qe7*

14.Bg5 dxc4 15.Bxc4 Qc5 16.Bb3 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Qxg5 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-meow95 (2446) Blitz 2024 *)* 12...dxc4 13.Bxc4 a6 14.Bb3 b5 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.Rhe1 Bb7 17.Rxe8+ Qxe8 18.Qe1 Nbd7 19.Ne6 b4 20.Ng5 Bg7 21.Qxe8+ Rxe8 22.Bxf7+ Kh8 23.Bxg7+ Kxg7 24.Bxe8 Ne5 25.Na4 Nxe8 26.Re1 Nd3+ 27.Kd2 Nxe1 28.Kxe1 Nc7 29.Nc5 Bd5 30.a3 bxa3 31.bxa3 a5 32.Kd2 h6 33.Nge4 Nb5 34.a4 Na7 35.Kc3 Nc6 36.Nd6 Kf6 37.Nc4 g5 38.Nb3 Bxc4 39.Kxc4 g4 40.fxg4 Ne5+ 41.Kb5 Nxg4 42.Nxa5 Nxh2 43.Nc6 Nf1 44.a5 Ne3 45.a6 Nd5 46.a7 Nc7+ 47.Kb6 Nd5+ 48.Kb7 Nf4 49.a8Q Nxg2 50.Qf8+ Ke6 51.Qg8+ Kf5 52.Qxg2 h5 53.Nd4+ Kf4 54.Qh2+ Kg4 55.Nf3 h4 56.Qxh4+ Kxf3 57.Qa4 Ke3 58.Kc6 Kd3 59.Kc5 Kc3 60.Qd4+ Kb3 61.Qc4+ Ka3 62.Kd4 Kb2 63.Qd3 Kc1 64.Kc4 *(64.Qc3+ Kb1 65.Kd3 Ka2 66.Qc2+ Ka1* ½-½ (98) hypebeast024 (2640)-playRapidNotBlitz (2646) Rapid 2024*)* 64...Kb2 65.Qb3+ Ka1 66.Qg3 Kb2 67.Kb4 Kc2 68.Qe3 Kd1 69.Qf2 Kc1 70.Kc3 Kd1 71.Qf1# 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2724)-A_L_E (2624) Blitz 2022;

D2) 9.Nb3 Re8 10.Qd2 Be6 11.0-0-0 Nbd7 12.Be2 a5 13.Nd4 a4 14.Nxe6 Rxe6 15.a3 Qa5 16.Kb1 Nc5 17.g4 Nfd7 18.h4 Rae8 19.Bf2 Nb3 20.Qc2 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 Qxc3 22.bxc3 Ne5 23.h5 Na5 24.c5 dxc5 25.Bxc5 Nec4 26.hxg6 fxg6 27.Rd7 b6 28.Bb4 c5 29.Bxa5 Nxa5 30.Rhxh7 Re5 31.Bb5 Rc8 32.Rdg7+ Kf8 33.Ra7 Kg8 34.c4 Nb3 35.Rag7+ Kf8 36.Rxg6 Nd2+ 37.Kc2 Nxf3 38.Rh8+ Kf7 39.Rxc8 Kxg6 40.Rc6+ Kg5 41.Rxb6 Rxe4 42.Kd3 Rxg4 43.Ra6 Ne5+ 44.Kc3 Rg3+ 45.Kb2 Kf4 46.Rxa4 Ke4 47.Ra8 Nd3+ 48.Kc2 Ne5 49.Rd8 Rg2+ 50.Kb3 Rg3+ 51.Ka4 Nd3 52.Ka5 Ne5 53.a4 Rc3 54.Kb6 Nxc4+ 55.Bxc4 Rxc4 56.a5 Rc1 57.a6 c4 58.a7 Rb1+ 59.Kc5 Ra1 60.a8Q+ Rxa8 61.Rxa8 c3 62.Kb4 c2 63.Rc8 c1Q 64.Rxc1 Kd3 65.Rc3+ Kd2 66.Kb3 1-0 (66) Superfm1 (2634)-Computercheat (2575) Blitz 2024;

D3) 9.Qd2

D3a) 9...Re8 10.0-0-0 d5 *(10...Nbd7 11.Nb3 a5 12.Qxd6 a4 13.Nc5 a3 14.b3 Qa5 15.N5a4 Ng4 16.Bd4 Bh6+ 17.Kb1 Ne3 18.Re1 Nxf1 19.Rhxf1 Re6 20.Qg3 Bd2 21.Rd1 b5 22.cxb5 Bxc3 23.Bxc3 Qxb5 24.Qc7 Re8 25.Qd6 Rxa4 26.Ka1 Ra8 27.h4 Re6 28.Qd4 f6 29.h5 Qxh5 30.f4 Qc5 31.Qd3 Rxe4 32.Rc1 Qd5 33.Qc2 Nc5 34.Rfd1 Qe6 35.b4 Re2 36.Rd2 Rxd2 37.Bxd2 Ne4 38.Be3 Ba6*

39.Bd4 Bc4 40.f5 gxf5 41.g4 Bd5 42.Qh2 fxg4 0-1 (42) lukas_111111 (2603)-morchiashvilib (2604) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.exd5 cxd5 12.Nb3 Nc6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bxh6 Bh8 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.cxd5 Nb4 17.Bc4 Bd7 18.a3 Rac8 19.Qd4 Nh7 20.Qxb6 axb6 21.Nd2 Nxg5 22.axb4 b5 23.h4 Nh7 24.Bb3 Nf6 25.g4 Re3 26.Kb1 Ne8 27.Nce4 f5 28.gxf5 gxf5 29.Ng5 Nd6 30.Bc2 Nc4 31.Nf1 Re2 32.Ng3 Rxc2 33.Kxc2 Ne3+ 34.Kb3 f4 35.N3e4 Nxd1 1-0 (35) baguliches (2661)-Greifax (2581) Blitz 2023;

D3b) 9...d5 10.cxd5 *(10.exd5 cxd5 11.0-0-0 dxc4 12.Bxc4 a6 13.Bh6 b5 14.Bb3 b4 15.Na4 Bd7 16.Kb1 Qa5 17.Qg5 Qxg5 18.Bxg5 Nc6 19.Nb6 Nxd4 20.Rxd4 Bf5+ 21.Bc2 Rab8 22.Bxf5 Rxb6 23.Bc2 h6 24.Be3 Re8 25.Rd3 Rbe6 26.Bd2 a5 27.Ba4 R8e7 28.Bd1 Kh7 29.Rf1 Nd7 30.Rd5 Re5 31.Rxe5 Rxe5 32.Re1 Nb6 33.Rxe5 Bxe5 34.g3 Nc4 35.Bc1 g5 36.Be2 Nd6 37.Bd3+ Kg7 38.Be3 f5 39.Bb6 a4 40.Bc5 b3 41.axb3 axb3 42.Bxd6 Bxd6 43.Bxf5 Kf6 44.Bh7 h5 45.Bg8 h4 46.gxh4 gxh4 47.h3 Kg5 48.Bxb3 Kf4 49.Be6 Kxf3 50.Kc2 Kf4 51.Kb3 Kg5 52.Ka4 Bg3 53.b4 Kf6 54.Bg4 Ke7 55.Kb5 Kd8 56.Kc6 Bf2 57.b5 Ke7 58.b6 Bxb6 59.Kxb6 Kf8 60.Kc6 Kg7 61.Kd5 Kh8 62.Ke5 Kg8 63.Kf5 Kh8 64.Kg5 Kg8 65.Kxh4 Kh8 66.Kg5 Kg8 67.h4 Kh8 68.h5 Kg8 69.h6 Kh8 70.Kg6 Kg8 71.h7+ Kh8 72.Bf5* ½-½ (72) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-A_L_E (2607) Blitz 2022*)* 10...cxd5 11.e5 Ne8 *(11...Nfd7 12.f4 Nc5 13.0-0-0 Nba6 14.Be2 Nb4 15.Kb1 f6 16.a3 fxe5 17.fxe5 a5 18.Rhf1 Bxe5 19.Rxf8+ Qxf8 20.axb4 axb4 21.Nxd5 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Bf5+ 23.Bd3 b3 24.Nf6+ Kf7 25.Qxc5 Bxd3+ 26.Rxd3* 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2746)-JuleVerne (2695) Blitz 2022 *)*

D3b1) 12.f4 Nc6 *(12...f6 13.e6 Nc7 14.f5 gxf5 15.Nxf5 Bxe6 16.Nxg7 Kxg7 17.Bh6+ Kh8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.Bd3 Nc6 20.0-0 Qg7 21.Rae1 Ne5 22.Bf5 Bf7 23.Re3 Qg5 24.Qe1 d4 25.Rg3 Qh4 26.Rg8+ Rxg8 27.Qxh4 dxc3 28.Qxf6+* 1-0 (28) bodoque50 (2613)-Mavi_Alpha (2617) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.Be2 Nc7 14.Nb3 Be6 15.Rd1 a5 16.0-0 a4 17.Nc5 b6 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Bxb6 Qb8 20.Bc5 Rd8 21.Kh1 Na6 22.Bd6 Qb7 23.Bf3 a3 24.Nxd5 exd5 25.Qxd5+ Kh8 26.Qxc6 Qxb2 27.Qxa8 Rxa8 28.Bxa8 Qxa2 29.Bd5 Qb2 30.Bc4 Nb4 31.Rb1 1-0 (31)

Consent_to_treatment (2642)-Computercheat (2589) Blitz 2022;

D3b2) 12.Bg5 Qd7 13.Nb3 Bxe5 14.Nc5 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 Qd6 16.Rd1 Nc6 17.Kf2 d4 18.Qc1 f6 19.Bf4 Ne5 20.Nb3 Qb6 21.Nxd4 Be6 22.Be3 Bxa2 23.Rd2 Be6 24.Rc2 Qd6 25.Be2 Ng7 26.Rd1 Rac8 27.Nf5 Rxc2 28.Nh6+ Kh8 29.Qxc2 Qe7 30.Bxa7 Rc8 31.Qd2 Ne8 32.Bd4 Bb3 33.Rc1 Rxc1 34.Qxc1 Kg7 35.Qe3 Nc6 36.Qxe7+ Nxe7 37.Ng4 Kf7 38.Bc3 Ke6 39.Ba5 Nd6 40.Ne3 Nc6 41.Bc7 f5 42.g3 Ba4 43.Nc4 Ne8 44.Bf4 Nd4 45.Bf1 Bb5 46.Be3 Nc2 47.Bd3 Nb4 48.Be2 Nf6 49.b3 Ba6 50.h3 Nd7 51.g4 Nd5 52.Bd4 fxg4 53.hxg4 Nf4 54.Bf1 Kd5 55.Be3 g5 56.Nb6+ Nxb6 57.Bxa6 bxa6 58.Bxb6 Ke5 59.Ba7 Ne6 60.Ke3 Kd5 61.Kd3 Nc5+ 62.Kc3 h6 63.Kc2 Kc6 64.b4 Nd7 65.Bd4 Nf8 66.Bg7 Ne6 67.Bxh6 Nd4+ 68.Kd3 Nxf3 69.Ke4 Nh2 70.Kf5 Kb5 71.Bf8 a5 72.bxa5 Nxg4 73.Kxg4 Kxa5 74.Kxg5 ½-½ (74) NikitosikVariantsbot (2784)-Mate-AI (2896) Rapid 2023]

[7...c6 8.d5 *(8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Rd1 Rxd1+ 11.Kxd1 Be6 12.b3 Na6 13.Nc1 Nd7 14.Nd3 b6 15.Kc2 Rd8 16.Be2 h6 17.Rd1 Bf8 18.Nxe5 Nb4+ 19.Kb1 Bg7 20.f4 Bxe5 21.fxe5 Kg7 22.c5 b5 23.Rd6 Rc8 24.a3 Na6 25.b4 Nxe5 26.Bd4 Kf6 27.Nd5+ cxd5 28.exd5 Nc7 29.dxe6 Nxe6 30.Bb2 Kf5 31.Rd5 f6 32.g4+ Kg5 33.Bxe5 fxe5 34.Rxe5+ Kf6 35.Re3 a5 36.h4 axb4 37.g5+ hxg5 38.Bg4 Rc6 39.axb4 gxh4 40.Kb2 Nf4 41.Bf3 Ra6 42.Ra3 Rxa3 43.Kxa3 Ke5 44.c6 Ne6 45.Kb3 Kd4 46.Bg4 Nc7 47.Bc8 g5 48.Bd7 Ke3 49.Kc3 Kf3 50.Kd3 g4 51.Bf5 h3 52.Be4+ Kf2 53.Kd4 g3 54.Kc5 g2 55.Kd6* 0-1 (55) positinal_style (2663)-MrSuccess (2645) Blitz 2022*)* 8...cxd5 9.cxd5

A) 9...a5 10.Qd2 Na6 11.g4 Nd7 12.Ng3 Ndc5 13.h4 f5 14.gxf5 gxf5 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.Nh5 fxe4 17.Nxg7 exf3 18.0-0-0 Nb4 19.Kb1 Kxg7 20.Bh6+ Kh8 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 Rf6 23.Rg3 Rg6 24.Rxg6 hxg6 25.Qg5 Kh7 26.h5 Rg8 27.Rg1 1-0 (27) estudiante2008 (2702)-JuleVerne (2665) Blitz 2022;

B) 9...Nh5 10.Qd2 *(10.g4 Nf4 11.Nxf4 exf4 12.Bxf4 Nd7 13.Be2 Ne5 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.g5 Ng6 17.Bd2 f4 18.Ne4 Bf5 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Bc3 h6 21.Qb3 hxg5 22.Nh5 Be5 23.Qxb7 Bd7 24.Bd3 Rb8 25.Qxa7 Ra8 26.Qb7 Rb8 27.Qa7 Ra8 28.Qf2 Bf5 29.Bxf5 Rxf5 30.Qg2 Nh4 31.Qg4 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Re5 33.Kh1 Qe7 34.Rab1 Rg8 35.Rb2 Re1 36.Rbf2 Qe3 37.Qg1 Re8 38.Nf6* 1-0 (38) Lucky1357924680 (2671)-MassterofMayhem (2671) Blitz 2024*)* 10...f5 11.0-0-0 Nd7 12.Kb1 a6 13.g4 fxg4 14.fxg4

Nf4 15.h4 b5 16.g5 b4 17.Na4 Rb8 18.Bxf4 exf4 19.Nxf4 Rxf4 20.Qxf4 Ne5 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 Qd7 23.Rhh1 Qxa4 24.Qd2 b3 25.a3 Qxe4+ 26.Ka1 Nc4 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Stas-2444 (2615) Blitz 2024;

C) 9...Ne8 10.Qd2 f5 11.0-0-0

C1) 11...fxe4 12.Nxe4 Nf6 13.N2c3 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Nd7 15.Nxd6 Qc7+ 16.Nc4 b5 17.Qa5 Nb6 18.Qxb5 Nxc4 19.Bxc4 Qd7 20.d6+ Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Arbakov,V (2500)-Ausfelder,R/Wuerzburg 1995/EXT 2000';

C2) 11...Nd7 12.exf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(12.Kb1 Nb6 13.Nc1 Bd7 14.Be2 Nf6 15.Ka1 Rc8 16.h3 Nh5 17.g4 fxg4 18.hxg4 Nf4* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 Balanel,I-Najdorf,M/Moscow 1956/MCD (57)'*)* 12...gxf5 13.Kb1;

C3) 11...Nf6 12.exf5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(12.Kb1 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.fxe4 Nd7 15.Nc3 Nf6 16.Be2 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Rc1 Qa5* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Zilberstein,V (2470)-Gufeld,E (2500)/Tbilisi 1973/MCD (43)'*)* 12...gxf5 13.Bg5;

C4) 11...Na6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 12.Kb1 *(12.exf5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *gxf5 13.Bg5)* 12...Bd7 13.Nc1 Nc5 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.d6 Kh8 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 Lalic,B (2515)-Zlotnik,B (2424)/El Sauzal 2004/CBM 103 ext (29)';

C5) 11...Bd7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'The old idea rediscovered by GM V.Kupreichik.'

C5a) 12.Kb1 b5 13.a3 *(13.Nc1 b4 14.N3e2 a5* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Bielicki,C-Incutto,C/Buenos Aires 1960/MCD (42)'*)* 13...a5 14.Nc1 b4 15.axb4 axb4 16.N3a2 Nf6 17.Bd3 Na6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Nxb4 Ra4 Krasenkow,Michal: '→' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 Arbakov,V (2515)-Kupreichik,V (2520)/Passau 1996/EXT 2001 (32)';

C5b) 12.exf5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'N!'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This idea is quite typical for the Sämisch and works in many variations but has somehow been ignored by GMs in this particular system (see above).' 12...gxf5 13.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(13.Bg5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'is more standard.'*)* 13...fxg4 14.fxg4 Bxg4 15.Rg1 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ♕' Bh5 *(15...Qd7 16.Re1)* 16.Rg5 Nf6 17.Bh3 Nbd7 18.Ng3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'But this exchange sacrifice is unnecessary.' *(18.Rdg1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⌓' *Bg6 19.Be6+ Kh8 20.Rxg6* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: '(now appropriate!)' *hxg6 21.Rxg6*

Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ') 18...Bxd1 19.Nf5 Bh5 20.Rxg7+ *(20.Nxg7 Bg6 21.Ne6 Qa5 22.Bf5 Kf7* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞ !' *)* 20...Kh8 21.Bh6 *(21.Bg5 Rf7 22.Rxf7 Bxf7 23.Nxd6 Qf8* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞!' *)*

C5b1) 21...Rg8 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'would cast doubt on White's idea, e.g.'

C5b11) 22.Rxg8+ Kxg8 23.Qg2+ *(23.Qg5+ Bg6 24.Nxd6 Nc5; 23.Nxd6 Ng4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *)* 23...Bg6 24.Nh4 Kh8 25.Nxg6+ hxg6 26.Qxg6 Qg8;

C5b12) 22.Qg5 Bg6 23.Re7 e4 Krasenkow, Michal: '⇄';

C5b2) 21...Bg6 Krasenkow, Michal: '?' 22.Ne7 Qe8 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(22...Nc5* Krasenkow, Michal: ' □' *23.Qg5 Nd3+ 24.Kb1 Nf4+ 25.Nxg6+ hxg6 26.Rxb7* Krasenkow, Michal: '→' *)* 23.Qg5 Rf7 24.Nxg6+ hxg6 25.Qxg6 Re7 26.Qg5 Qf8 *(26...Rc8 27.Be6* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 27.Rg6 Qf7 28.Be6 Ne4 29.Nxe4 Qf1+ 30.Kd2 1-0 (30) Seebacher,O (2662)-Gonzalez,J (2571) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Zsolt Karacsony];

D) 9...Nbd7 10.g4 *(10.Ng3 a6 11.a4 Qa5 12.Be2 h5 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 Nc5 15.Nf2 Nh5 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Nf4 18.Qd2 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Bd7 20.Rfb1 Rfc8 21.b4 Qc7 22.Rc1 Qc4 23.Qb1 h3 24.gxh3 Bxh3 25.Kf2 Qc7 26.Bg5 f5 27.Ne2 Qb6+ 28.Kg3 fxe4 29.Kxh3 exf3 30.Ng3 Kf7 31.Qe4 Qf2 32.Rxc8 Rxc8 33.Rf1 Rh8+ 34.Kg4 Qxh2 35.Qxf3+ Kg8 36.Qf7+* Normal 1-0 (36) licg (2601)-Oleg114 (2635) Blitz 2024*)* 10...Nc5 11.Ng3 Bd7 12.h4 Ne8 13.h5 f5 14.h6 f4 15.hxg7 Nxg7 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.Nge2 h5 18.gxh5 Nxh5 19.Qb3 b5 20.Bh3 Qh4+ 21.Kd2 Bxh3 22.Nxb5 Ng3 23.Nxg3 fxg3 24.d6+ Kg7 25.Ke2 g2 26.Rhg1 Rxf3 0-1 (26) MrAble (2630)-samiros1989 (2372) Rapid 2023;

E) 9...Na6

E1) 10.Qd2 Nc5 *(10...Bd7 11.Ng3 Qa5 12.Be2 Rfc8 13.0-0 Nc5 14.Rfb1 Na4 15.Nxa4 Qxa4 16.b3 Qa3 17.Rc1 b5 18.Qe1 Qb2 19.Rcb1 Qc3 20.Qf2 Qa5 21.a4 b4 22.Rc1 Rc3 23.Bd2 Rxb3 24.Bd1 Rb2 25.Qe1 Qb6+ 26.Kh1 a5 27.Nf1 Nh5 28.Ne3 Qd4 29.Nc4 Rxd2 30.Qxd2 Qxd2 31.Nxd2 Bh6 32.Rc2 Nf4 33.Nb3 Nd3 34.Be2 Nc5 35.Nxc5 dxc5 36.Rxc5 Be3 37.Rc7 Bd4 38.Rxd7 Bxa1 39.Bc4 Rc8 40.h4 Rxc4 41.Ra7 b3 42.Rxa5 Rb4 43.Ra8+ Kg7 44.d6 b2 45.d7 b1Q+ 46.Kh2 Bd4 47.d8Q Qg1+ 48.Kh3 Qh1+ 49.Kg3 Qe1+ 50.Kh3 Qh1+ 51.Kg3 Bf2+ 52.Kxf2 Rb2+ 53.Ke3 Qe1+ 54.Kd3 Qd2+ 55.Kc4 Rb4+ 56.Kc5 Qc3+ 57.Kd6* 1-0 (57) MaLeKkoNihli (2629)-aZaMaT86 (2628) Blitz

2022) 11.Nc1 Nh5 12.Nd3 Nxd3+ 13.Bxd3 f5 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Kb1 Nf4 16.Bc2 b5 17.g3 Nh5 18.Ne2 Nf6 19.Rhf1 a5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bg1 b4 23.h3 Nh6 24.fxe5 dxe5 25.d6 Kh8 26.Be3 Rf6 27.Bg5 Qf8 28.Bxf6 Qxf6 29.g4 e4 30.Bxe4 Re8 31.g5 Qe5 32.Bf3 Nf7 33.Rfe1 Nxg5 34.Nd4 Ne4 35.Bxe4 fxe4 36.Nf3 Qg3 37.Ng5 e3 38.Qd5 h6 39.Rg1 Qf4 40.Rdf1 Qd4 41.Nf7+ Kh7 42.Qb3 Qe4+ 43.Ka1 Be6 44.Ng5+ hxg5 45.Qa4 Qe5 46.Rb1 e2 47.Qc2+ Bf5 48.Qxe2 Bxb1 49.Rc1 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-Mavi_alpha (2598) Blitz 2021;

E2) 10.Ng3 Bd7 11.Be2 Qa5 12.a3 Rfc8 13.0-0 h5 14.b4 Qd8 15.Rc1 h4 16.Nh1 Nh5 17.Qd2 Nf4 18.Nf2 Qg5 19.Bxf4 exf4 20.Nb5 Be5 21.Nxa7 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Rxa7 23.Kf1 Ra8 24.h3 Rc8 25.Rxc8+ Bxc8 26.Qc2 Bd7 27.Nd3 Kg7 28.Qc4 b5 29.Qc1 Qe7 30.Nxf4 Qg5 31.Ne6+ 1-0 (31) OnkelKonkel (2651)-drawingchest (2623) Blitz 2022;

F) 9...a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '- see Kuzubov - Khairullin in CBM 107 (annotations by IM L.Hazai).'

F1) 10.a4 Nbd7 11.Qd2 Nc5 12.Nc1 *(12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.a5 Ne8 14.Nc1 Nd6 15.Be2 Qh4+ 16.g3 Qh3 17.Bf1 Qh5 18.Bg2 Bh6 19.Qe2 Qg5 20.Nd3 c4 21.Nf2 Qe3 22.Qxe3 Bxe3 23.Ke2 Bd4 24.Bh3 Bxf2 25.Bxc8 Raxc8 26.Kxf2 f5 27.Ke2 Rf6 28.Rab1 Rc5 29.b4 cxb3 30.Rxb3 Rxa5 31.Rc1 b5 32.f4 Nc4 33.fxe5 Nxe5 34.Rb4 Nc4 35.Rxc4 bxc4 36.e5 Rb6 37.Ke3 g5 38.Kd4 f4 39.gxf4 gxf4 40.Rf1 Rb2 41.Rxf4 Rxh2 42.e6 Rd2+ 43.Ke5 Rd3 44.e7 Re3+ 45.Ne4* 1-0 (45) Aghasiyev, K (2622)-Lavrik87 (2579) Blitz 2021) 12...Nh5 *(12...a5 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.Nd3 b6 15.b3 Nh5 16.Nb2 f5 17.0-0-0 fxe4 18.fxe4 Nf4 19.Kb1 Bg4 20.Rc1 Bf6 21.Bc4 Bg5 22.Rcf1 Kg7 23.Qc2 Rf6 24.Bb5 Qe7 25.h3 Bd7 26.Nc4 Bxb5 27.Nxb5 Raf8 28.Rf3 Nh5 29.Rhf1 Rxf3 30.Rxf3 Rxf3 31.gxf3 Nf4 32.Nxb6 Nxh3 33.Nc4 Qf6 34.Qd1 h5 35.d6 h4 36.d7 Nf4 37.Nxa5 h3 38.Nd6 Qe7 39.Nc6 Qf8 40.Nxe5 h2 41.Ndf7 Bf6 42.d8Q Bxd8 43.Nxd8 Qxd8 44.Qxd8 h1Q+ 45.Ka2 Qg2+ 46.Ka3 Qf1 47.Qe7+ Kh6 48.Nf7+ Kg7 49.Nd6+ Kh6 50.Qh4+ Nh5 51.Ka2 Qe2+ 52.Ka3 Qd1 53.Qh2 Qa1+ 54.Qa2 Qd1 55.Nc4 Qe1 56.Qd2+ Qxd2 57.Nxd2 Nf6* 1-0 (57) Tony23Man (2627)-Oleg114 (2624) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be2 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Bg5 Qe8 16.b4 Nd7 17.0-0 Kh8 18.Nd3 Qg6 19.g4 Nhf6 20.h3 Rg8 21.Kh2 Nb6 22.Nf2 e4 23.fxe4 fxg4 24.hxg4 Bf8 25.Bxf6+ Qxf6 26.Qe3 Bh6 27.Qh3 Bf4+ 28.Kg2 Qg7 29.Rh1 Be5 30.Rac1 Bd7 31.a5 Rac8 32.axb6 Rxc3 33.Rxc3 Bxc3 34.e5 Bxe5

35.Bd3 Rf8 36.Qxh7+ Qxh7 37.Rxh7+ Kg8 38.Rxd7 1-0 (38) casuallychess (2655)-kichot78 (2588) Blitz 2021;

F2) 10.g4 b5 11.Ng3 Nbd7 12.Qd2

F2a) 12...Qa5 13.h4 *(13.Bd3 Nc5 14.Bc2 b4 15.Nce2 Qb5 16.0-0 a5 17.Rf2 Ba6 18.Nc1 Rac8 19.a4 Qb7 20.Nb3 Nxb3 21.Bxb3 Nd7 22.Bd1 Nb6 23.b3 Rc3 24.Qe1 Rfc8 25.Bd2 R3c7 26.Be2 Nd7 27.Bxa6 Qxa6 28.Qe2 Qxe2 29.Rxe2 Rc2 30.Be3 R2c3 31.Rb1 Bf6 32.Kg2 Bd8 33.Bd2 Rc2 34.Be3 Bh4 35.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 36.Kh3 Bxg3 37.hxg3 Rc3 38.Bh6 Rxf3 39.Kg2 Rc3 40.Kf2 Nc5 41.Be3 Nxe4+ 42.Ke2 Nxg3+ 43.Kf3 f5 44.Kxg3 f4+ 45.Kh4 Rxe3 46.Kg5 Kg7 47.Rc1 Rc3 48.Rh1 Rxb3 49.Rc1 Rc3 50.Rh1 b3 51.Kh4 b2 52.Rb1 Rb3 53.g5 e4 54.Kg4 e3 55.Kf3 h6 56.gxh6+ Kxh6 57.Kxf4 g5+ 58.Kf3 g4+ 59.Kxg4 e2 60.Kf4 e1Q 61.Rxe1 b1Q 62.Re6+ Kg7 63.Re7+ Kf6 64.Re6+ Kf7 65.Kg5 Qf5+ 66.Kxf5* 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Karl0choa (2713) Blitz 2022*)*

13...Nc5 14.Nd1 *(14.Kf2 b4 15.Nce2 Bxg4 16.Bg2 Bd7 17.h5 Bb5 18.Nc1 Rac8 19.Bh6 Qb6 20.Be3 a5 21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 dxc5 23.Rac1 Qd6 24.h6 Bh8 25.Nf5 gxf5 26.Bxc5 Ng4+ 27.fxg4 Qf6 28.gxf5 Rfd8* 1-0 (28) gg-gm-gmg (2645)-pbl49 (2583) Blitz 2020*)*

14...b4 15.Rc1 Qxa2 16.Bc4 Qa4 17.h5 Nb3 18.Qc2 Nc5 19.b3 Qa3 20.h6 Bh8 21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.gxf5 a5 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Nb2 a4 25.Nxa4 Rxa4 26.bxa4 Qxf3 27.Rf1 Qe3+ 28.Kd1 Nxe4 29.Qd3 Nc3+ 30.Kc2 Qxh6 31.d6 e4 32.Qg3 Bd4 33.fxg6 hxg6 34.Rxf7 Rxf7 35.Rf1 Kh8 36.Rxf7 Qh1 37.Rf1 b3+ 38.Kxb3 Qh7 39.d7 Qxd7 40.Qb8+ Kg7 41.Rf7+ Qxf7 42.Bxf7 Kxf7 43.a5 e3 44.Qf4+ Ke6 45.a6 e2 46.Qg4+ Kf6 47.Qf3+ Ke5 48.Qg3+ Kf5 49.a7 Be5 50.Qf2+ Ke4 51.a8Q+ Kd3 52.Qaf3+ 1-0 (52) Dr-CRO (2676)-piotr35 (2716) Blitz 2020;

F2b) 12...Ne8 13.h4 *(13.Be2 Nb6 14.b3 b4 15.Nd1 f5 16.Qxb4 Rb8 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.exf5 e4 19.Rc1 exf3 20.Bxf3 Bxf5 21.0-0 Bd3 22.Rf2 Nc4 23.Qe1 Ne5 24.Bg2 Nf6 25.h3 Qd7 26.Nb2 Bg6 27.Qd2 Nh5 28.Nxh5 Bxh5 29.Rcf1 Rxf2 30.Rxf2 Re8 31.Bh6 Bxh6 32.Qxh6 Bg6 33.Qf4 Rc8 34.Nc4 Nd3 35.Qxd6 Qxd6 36.Nxd6 Rd8 37.Rf6 Kg7 38.Nb7 Re8 39.Rf1 Re2 40.d6 Ne5 41.Rd1 Bf5 42.Nc5 Nd7 43.Rd5 Nxc5 44.Rxf5 Nd7 45.Ra5 Rd2 46.Rxa6 Ne5 47.a4 Nd3 48.Rb6 Nf4 49.Bf1 Kg6*

50.a5 Kg5 51.a6 Kh4 52.Rb4 Kg3 53.Rxf4 Kxf4 54.a7 Ra2 55.d7 Rxa7 56.d8Q Rg7+ 57.Kh2 1-0 (57) OnkelKonkel (2637)-EMrahaC (2515) Rapid 2022*)* 13...Nb6 14.h5 f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.h6 Bh8 18.Nxf5 Rxf5 19.Bh3 Rf6 20.Bg5 Nc4 21.Qg2 Kf8 22.Be6 Nc7 23.Bxf6 Qxf6 24.Qg8+ Ke7 25.Qxh7+ Kd8 26.Qd7# 1-0 (26) Lucky1357924680 (2669)-beast2020 (2620) Blitz 2024;

F2c) 12...Nc5 13.b4 Na4 14.Nxa4 bxa4 15.h4 Rb8 16.h5 Bxg4 17.hxg6 Bxf3 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.Rg1 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bxe4 21.Qh2 Bg6 22.a3 Rc8 23.Be2 Rc2 24.Rc1 Qc8 25.Rxc2 Qxc2 26.Kf2 Qf5+ 27.Kg2 Rc8 28.Rc1 Rxc1 29.Bxc1 Qc2 30.Kf2 Qxc1 31.Qh4 Qf4+ 32.Qxf4 exf4 33.Bxa6 Be4 34.Bb7 Bd4+ 35.Kf1 f3 0-1 (35) MaLeKkoNihli (2663)-Prettyfly (2616) Blitz 2022;

F2d) 12...h5 13.gxh5 Nxh5 14.Nxh5 gxh5 15.0-0-0 Kh7 16.Kb1 Nf6 17.Rg1 Rg8 18.Be2 Bd7 19.Rdf1 b4 20.Nd1 a5 21.Nf2 Qf8 22.f4 Bh6 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Rxg8 Nxg8 25.Bxh5 Bxe3 26.Qxe3 Qh6 27.Qf3 f6 28.Bg4 Bb5 29.Bf5+ Kh8 30.Ng4 Qh4 31.Rg1 Ra7 32.Rg3 1-0 (32) WhiteBishop4761 (2639)-Baidetskyi,V (2464) Blitz 2023;

F2e) 12...Nb6 13.b3 b4 *(13...Bb7 14.Bd3 Rc8 15.0-0 b4 16.Nd1 Nfxd5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Rc1 Rxc1 19.Qxc1 Nxe3 20.Nxe3 d5 21.Qc5 e4 22.Bb1 d4 23.Nc4 d3 24.Qd6 exf3 25.Bxd3 Qh4 26.Be4 Rd8 27.Qf4 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Bxe4 29.Nxe4 f2 30.Kg2 h5 31.h3 Ba7 32.Nxf2 Bb8 33.Qf3 hxg4 34.Nxg4 f5 35.Nge5 Qg5+ 36.Qg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kxg3 Rd3+ 38.Rf3 Rd1 39.Re3 Kg7 40.Kf3 Rf1+ 41.Kg2 Ra1 42.Re2 g5 43.Nc6 Bf4 44.Nxb4 Kg6 45.Nxa6 Rc1 46.Nc5 Kh5 47.Nd3 Bc7 48.Nxc1 g4 49.Nd3 g3 50.Nce5 Kg5 51.Nf3+ Kf6 52.b4 f4 53.a4 Bb6 54.a5 Bc7 55.a6 Bb6 56.b5 Kf5 57.Nb4 Be3 58.Nd5 Ba7 59.b6 Bxb6 60.Nxb6 Kg6 61.a7 Kh5 62.a8Q Kg6 63.Qe4+ Kh5 64.Qxf4 Kg6 65.Re6+ Kh5 66.Rh6#* 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-Mikheev01 (2589) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Nd1 a5 15.Rc1 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxg4 17.Be2 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Bf6 19.Rc6 Rb8 20.0-0 Bg5 21.Qf2 Bf4 22.Kh1 f5 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Bd3 Nxd5 25.Bc4 Kh8 26.Bxd5 Qh4 27.Ne2 1-0 (27) gg-gm-gmg (2716)-durasno (2582) Blitz 2022]

[7...Nh5 8.g4 *(8.Qd2 f5 9.exf5 gxf5 10.0-0-0 Nc6 11.Kb1 f4 12.Bf2 Bf5+ 13.Ka1 Nb4 14.a3 Nc2+ 15.Ka2 a5 16.dxe5 Nb4+ 17.axb4 axb4+ 18.Kb3 Bxe5 19.Bd4 bxc3 20.Nxc3 c5 21.Bxe5 Qb6+ 22.Nb5 dxe5*

23.Qd5+ Be6 24.Qxe5 Qxb5+ 25.Kc2 Qa4+ 26.Kc1 Bf5 27.Bd3 Bxd3 28.Rxd3 Qa1+ 29.Kc2 Qxh1 30.Qg5+ Ng7 31.Rd7 Rf7 32.Rxf7 Kxf7 33.Qxf4+ Kg8 34.Qd2 Qf1 35.Qd5+ Kh8 36.Qxb7 Qxg2+ 37.Kb1 Rf8 Normal 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-Gleb_Galkin (2482) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Nf6 9.Qd2 exd4 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Be2 Be6 13.Nxe6 fxe6 14.h4 a6 15.h5 b5 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Kb1 bxc4 18.Bg5 Rb8 19.f4 Nd3 20.Bxd3 cxd3 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Qd4 23.exf6 Bxf6 24.Bxf6 Rxf6 25.Qh2 Rf7 26.Ka1 a5 27.Rxd3 Qf6 28.Rf3 1-0 (28) Shod (2682)-Azamat86 (2570) Blitz 2020]

[7...a6 8.d5 *(8.Qd2 Re8 9.d5 c5 10.g4 h5 11.h3 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Ba6 14.Nec3 Kh7 15.Bg5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Re7 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.h4 f6 19.Be3 Qf8 20.a4 Rf7 21.Rg1 Bh6 22.Bxh6 Qxh6 23.Be8 Rg7 24.Qxh6+ Kxh6 25.Nb5 Na6 26.Nxd6 Nb4 27.Kd2 Rb8 28.Bb5 Nf4 29.Rac1 Rc7 30.Ne8 Rxe8 31.Bxe8 Nbd3 32.Rc3 Nxb2 33.Rb1 Rb7 34.Kc2 Re7 35.Bb5* 1-0 (35) Erdos,V (2623)-Paczka,P (1799) Warsaw POL 2011*)* 8...Ne8 9.g4 f5 10.exf5 gxf5 11.gxf5 Bxf5 12.Qd2 Nd7 13.0-0-0 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bg6 15.Bh3 Rxf3 16.Rdf1 Nd3+ 17.Kd1 e4 18.Be6+ Kh8 19.Ngxe4 Nxb2+ 20.Kc2 Nxc4 21.Rxf3 Nxd2 22.Kxd2 Qh4 23.Bg5 Bxc3+ 24.Kxc3 Qxe4 25.Rf8+ Kg7 26.Rg8# 1-0 (26) Lucky1357924680 (2680)-delapoutre (2516) Blitz 2024]

[7...Nfd7

A) 8.d5 Qh4+ *(8...a5 9.g4 Na6 10.Ng3 Ndc5 11.h4 f5 12.gxf5 gxf5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.Nxf5 Rxf5 15.Bh3 Qf8 16.Qe2 Rxf3 17.Bg4 Rxe3 18.Qxe3 Nb4 19.Ke2 Nc2 20.Raf1 Nxe3 21.Rxf8+ Rxf8 22.Kxe3 Bh6+ 23.Ke2 Rf4 24.Rg1 Kf7 25.b3 c6 26.Bh5+ Ke7 27.Bg4 Ne4 28.Nxe4 Rxe4+ 29.Kd3 Rd4+ 30.Kc3 cxd5 31.cxd5 Rxd5 32.Bf5 Rd4 33.h5 Rh4 34.Bxh7 Rxh5 35.Be4 Rh3+ 36.Kc4 b6 37.Rg6 Be3 38.Bd5 Bc5 39.Re6+ Kd7 40.Rg6 Rh4+ 41.Kc3 Bd4+ 42.Kc4 Bc5+ 43.Kc3 Bb4+ 44.Kc2 e4 45.Rg7+ Ke8 46.Rg6 Rh2+ 47.Kd1 Rxa2 48.Re6+ Kd7 49.Rxe4 Rd2+* 0-1 (49) MrAble (2637)-PROGRESSUS-CHESS (2478) Rapid 2022*)* 9.g3 Qe7 10.Qd2 f5 11.0-0-0 Na6 12.exf5 gxf5 13.f4 Ndc5 14.Kb1 exf4 15.Nxf4 Bd7 16.Bd4 Ne4 17.Qe1 Rae8 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.Nxe4 fxe4 20.Qe3 Nc5 21.Bg2 a5 22.Rhe1 a4 23.Qd4 Qh6 24.h4 Bg4 25.Rc1 Re5 26.Re3 Rxf4 27.gxf4 Qxf4 28.Rce1 Bf5 29.b4 Nd3 30.Rf1 Qh2 31.Rxf5 Rxf5 32.Qxe4 Qg1+ 33.Kc2 Rf2+ 34.Re2 Ne1+ 35.Kc3 Rxe2 36.Qxe2 Nxg2 37.Qg4+ Kf7 38.Qd7+ Kf6 39.Qe6+ Kg7 40.Qd7+ Kh6 41.Qe6+ Kh5 42.Qf5+ Kxh4 43.Qxh7+ Kg3 44.Qg6+ Kf2 45.Qc2+ Kf3 46.Qf5+ Nf4 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-gmnadlor (2671) Blitz 2021;

B) 8.Qd2 exd4 9.Nxd4 Nc6 10.Be2 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bxd4 12.Qxd4 Qf6 13.Qxf6 Nxf6 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Kf2 d5 18.exd5 cxd5

19.Rhd1 Bb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Ke3 Kg7 22.b4 Kf6 23.Kd4 Rfe8 24.Bd3 Ke6 25.Re1+ Kd6 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.a4 f5 28.f4 Bc6 29.b5 Bb7 30.a5 Rb8 31.a6 Bc8 32.Rc6+ Ke7 33.Rc7+ Kd6 34.Rxa7 Bd7 35.Rb7 Rxb7 36.axb7 Kc7 37.Kxd5 Kxb7 38.Kc5 Be6 39.b6 Bb3 40.g3 h5 41.Be2 Bf7 42.Bf3+ Kb8 43.Bd5 Be8 44.Kd6 Normal 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-ACA-CoachElo (2569) Blitz 2024]

8.Qd2 exd4 9.Nxd4 Re8 10.Be2 Nc6 11.0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.b3 Nd7 14.Rad1 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qf6 16.Nd5 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 Rac8 18.Rc1 f5 19.Bf1 fxe4 20.Rxe4 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rxe4 22.fxe4 Kf7 23.Bb5 Ne5 24.Kf2 c6 25.dxc6 bxc6 26.Be2 Ke7 27.Ke3 c5 28.h3 Rb8 29.Bc4 Rb4 30.Bd5 Rd4 31.Ke2 g5 32.Rf1 h6 33.h4 gxh4 34.Rh1 Ng6 35.Rf1 Ne5 36.Rf5 a4 37.Rh5 a3 38.Rxh4 Nd3 39.Rxh6 Nc1+ 40.Ke3 Nxa2 41.Rh7+ Kf6 42.Rf7+ Kg5 43.Rg7+ Kh6 44.Ra7 Nb4 45.Rxa3 Nc2+ 0-1 (45) Ricky_Zhou (2847)-NoRolex (2874) Blitz 2022

7.Be2 Nc6 8.dxe5

[8.d5 Nd4 9.Bd3 c5 10.Nge2 Nh5 11.Qd2 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.0-0-0 a6 14.Kb1 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Ba6 17.Nbc3 Bxd3+ 18.Qxd3 Qa5 19.Rhf1 Rfb8 20.Rd2 Qb4 21.g4 c4 22.Qxd4 exd4 23.Nxd4 Bh8 24.gxh5 Qxc3 0-1 (24) penguingim1 (2657)-Kastorcito (2558) Blitz 2020]

8...dxe5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 Nd4 12.Rc1 c6 13.Bc4 b5 14.Bxd4 bxc4 15.Be3 cxd5 16.exd5 Rxd5 17.Rxc4 Ba6 18.Rc7 Rad8 19.Kf2 Rd1 20.Rxa7 Rf1+ 21.Kg3 Bd3 22.h4 f5 23.Bg5 f4+ 24.Kh2 Rc8 25.Nh3 Rxh1+ 26.Kxh1 h6 27.Be7 Rc2 28.Ra8+ Kf7 29.Ra7 Bf1 30.Bc5+ Kg8 31.Bf2 Rxb2 32.a4 g5 33.hxg5 hxg5 34.Kg1 Bc4 35.Nxg5 Bf8 36.Ne4 Ra2 37.Nf6+ 1-0 (37) TaylorSwiftFans (2704)-cyrilortega62 (2587) Blitz 2021

[100] **7...Nh5** 8.Qd2 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Now we are back in standard theory.
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[8.Nge2 Nd7 9.Qd2 a6 10.Ng3 *(10.0-0-0 b5 11.g4 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 bxc4 14.Bxc4 Rb8 15.Bh6 Ne5 16.Be2 Qh4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h3 g5 19.f4 gxf4 20.Qxf4 Bd7 21.Rhf1 Rb4 22.g5 Qxf4+ 23.Rxf4 Rfb8 24.b3 Bxh3 25.Rh1 Bd7 26.Rfh4 Rh8 27.Rf1 a5 28.Rhf4 a4 29.Kc2 axb3+ 30.axb3 Rhb8 31.Rb1 Kg6 32.Rh4 Kg7 33.Na2 R4b7 34.Rbh1 Rxb3 35.Rxh7+ Kf8 36.Rh8+ Ke7 37.Rxb8 Rxb8 38.Nc3 Rg8 39.Rg1 Ng6 40.Kd2 Nf4 41.Ke3 Nh3 42.Rg3 Rxg5 43.Rxg5 Nxg5 44.Kf4 f6 45.Bb5 Nf7 46.Bxd7 Kxd7 47.Nb5 Ne5 48.Kf5 c6 49.dxc6+ Kxc6 50.Nd4+ Kc5 51.Ne6+ Kc4 52.Kxf6 Kd3 53.Kf5 Nc4 54.Nf4+ Kd4 55.Ne6+ Ke3 56.Ng5 Nd2 57.Ke6 Nxe4 58.Nf7 d5 59.Kxd5 Nc3+ 60.Kc6 Ne4 61.Nd8 Nf6 62.Kb7 Nd5 63.Nc6 Nf4 64.Nb4 Ne6 65.Nc2+ Kd2 66.Na3 Kd3 67.Kc6 Ke4 68.Nb5 Ke3 69.Nd6 Nd4+ 70.Kd5 Nf5 71.Nxf5+* ½-½ (71) lordplayer64 (2632)-learningtheory2002 (2611) Blitz 2022*)*

10...Nf4 11.Bxf4 exf4 12.Nge2 b5

13.Nxf4 Nc5 14.Nd3 f5 15.Nxc5 dxc5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Bxb5 Rb8 18.a4 fxe4 19.Nxe4 Bd4 20.h4 Qxd5 21.h5 gxh5 22.Rc1 Rxb5 23.axb5 Kh8 24.Rxc5 Qxc5 25.Nxc5 Re8+ 26.Ne4 1-0 (26) Superfm1 (2685)-tiburoncin97 (2647) Blitz 2024] 8...f5 "(Giri: I don't believe in this line. Black doesn't have the usual attack on the king, which somehow diminishes the strength of this f5-push. On the other hand, he intends to close the whole board and build some sort of a fortress.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: I don't believe in this line. Black doesn't have the usual attack on the king, which somehow diminishes the strength of this f5-push. On the other hand, he intends to close the whole board and build some sort of a fortress.)'''' "I don't believe in this line. Black doesn't have the usual attack on the king and then somehow this f5 push loses its strength. On the other hand he intends to close the whole board and build some sort of a fortress. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'I don't believe in this line. Black doesn't have the usual attack on the king and then somehow this f5 push loses its strength. On the other hand he intends to close the whole board and build some sort of a fortress.''"Ich glaube nicht an dieses Abspiel. Schwarz hat nicht en üblichen Angriff auf den König, und dann verliert dieser f5-Vorstoß irgendwie seine Kraft. Andererseits beabsichtigt er, das ganze Brett zu schließen und eine Art Festung zu errichten. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Ich glaube nicht an dieses Abspiel. Schwarz hat nicht en üblichen Angriff auf den König, und dann verliert dieser f5-Vorstoß irgendwie seine Kraft. Andererseits beabsichtigt er, das ganze Brett zu schließen und eine Art Festung zu errichten.'" ['ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:'''' 8...Qh4+ Giri,Anish: '!?"ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'is a move I've studied a little, as after the semi-forced sequence Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'is a move I've studied a little, as after the semi-forced sequence'''' 'is the move I have studied a little, as after the semi-forced sequence ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'is the move I have studied a little, as after the semi-forced sequence''"ist der Zug, den ich ein wenig studiert habe, denn nach der halb-forcierten Folge ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'ist der Zug, den ich ein wenig studiert habe, denn nach der halb-forcierten Folge'" 9.g3 *(9.Bf2 Qf4)* 9...Nxg3 Giri,Anish: '!' 10.Qf2 *(10.hxg3 Qxh1 11.0-0-0 f5 12.Bd3 Na6 13.Kb1 Nb4 14.Bf1 a5 15.Bg2 Qh2 16.a3 Na6 17.Qf2 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Bf5* 0-1 (18) Knightindiandefence (2664)-morchiashvilib (2613) Blitz 2021*)* 10...Nxf1 11.Qxh4 Nxe3 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'the position is fascinating and unclear. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'the position is fascinating and unclear.'''"the position is very fascinating and unclear. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'the position is very fascinating

and unclear.'''"ist die Stellung sehr faszinierend und unklar. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'ist die Stellung sehr faszinierend und unklar. '"

A) Vigorito, D: 'Strange is' 12.Kd2 Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' Nxc4+ 13.Kc2 Ne3+ *(13...Na6)* 14.Kb3 Vigorito, D: '?' '?' Na6 15.a3 c6 16.Qf2 cxd5 17.Qxe3 d4 18.Qd2 dxc3 19.bxc3 Be6+ Vigorito, D: 'with a fantastic position for Black in Cernousek, L (2424)-Neuman, P (2454) Rakovnik 2011.' Vigorito, D: 'with a fantastic position for Black in Cernousek, L (2424)-Neuman, P (2454) Rakovnik 2011.';

B) 'For Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'For"' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The alternative is''The alternative is Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The alternative is''' '12.Qf2 'see Studnicka, T (2282)-Klima, L (2425)/ Pilsen-Lobzy 2003 in the archives. Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Vigorito, D: 'see Studnicka, T (2282)-Klima, L (2425)/ Pilsen-Lobzy 2003 in the archives. Schipkov,Boris: '!"' ' Vigorito, D: 'see Studnicka, T (2282)-Klima, L (2425)/ Pilsen-Lobzy 2003 in the archives."Schipkov,Boris: 'with the idea of h2-h4.''with the idea of h2-h4. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'with the idea of h2-h4.'" ' Nxc4 13.Qe2 Nb6 14.h4 h5 15.Nb5 Na6 16.Nh3 Bd7 17.Ng5 Nc5 18.Nxc7 Rac8 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.Qxb5 Bf6 21.0-0 Nca4 22.Rac1 a6 23.Qb4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Bd8 25.Qxd6 Nxb2 26.Nh7 Re8 27.Nf6+ Bxf6 28.Qxb6 Nd3 29.Rc3 Bd8 30.Qxb7 Nf4 31.Rc8 g5 32.Kh1 Rf8 33.Qb8 Be7 34.Rxf8+ Bxf8 35.hxg5 Ng6 36.d6 Kg7 37.d7 Be7 38.d8Q Bxd8 39.Qxd8 h4 40.Qf6+ Kg8 41.Qxa6 Kg7 42.Qf6+ Kg8 43.a4 Nf4 44.Qxe5 Nd3 45.Qe8+ Kg7 46.Qd8 Nf2+ 47.Kg2 Nd1 48.Qxd1 Kg6 49.f4 h3+ 50.Kxh3 f5 51.Qd6+ Kh5 52.Qh6# 1-0 (52) DustinRansom239 (2614)-MaLeKkoNihli (2644) Blitz 2022;

C) 12.Ke2 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White frees the first rank for his rooks. ''White frees the first rank for his rooks. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White frees the first rank for his rooks.'" ' 12...Nxc4 'Schipkov,Boris: 'It is amazing: one black knight takes two pawns and two bishops. ''It is amazing: one black knight takes two pawns and two bishops. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'It is amazing: one black knight takes two pawns and two bishops. '" '

C1) 'This is the commonest, but White has had similar results with Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'This is the commonest, but White has had similar results with'" Vigorito, D: 'This is the commonest, but White has had similar results with' 13.b3 'A recent example: Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'A recent example:''' Nb6 *(13...Na3* Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?*')* 14.Nh3 Bd7 15.Nf2 Na6 16.Ng4 f5 17.exf5 Rxf5 18.Nh6+ Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Vigorito, D: 'and now Black erred with the natural' Raf8 Vigorito, D: '?' '?' *(* Vigorito, D:

'oddly enough, this boxes in the king' Vigorito, D: 'oddly enough, this boxes in the king' *19...Nb4* Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea' *20.Rag1 N6xd5 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Rxg6+ hxg6 23.Qxg6+ Kf8* Vigorito, D: '!' '!') 20.Rag1 Vigorito, D: '!' '!' R8f7 *(20...Rxf3 21.Rxg6+)* 21.h4 Vigorito, D: 'and White's attack was decisive in Kryakvin, D (2573)-Petrova, O (2230) Armavir 2011.' Vigorito, D: 'and White's attack was decisive in Kryakvin, D (2573)-Petrova, O (2230) Armavir 2011.';

C2) 13.Nh3;

C3) 13.Rc1 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White tries to attack the c4-knight and c7-pawn.''White tries to attack the c4-knight and c7-pawn. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'White tries to attack the c4-knight and c7-pawn.'" '

C3a) 'There is also Piket's Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'There is also Piket's'" 13...Bd7 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?''with the idea Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea'" Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'is playable too."

C3a1) 14.b3

C3a11) 14...Na3 Vigorito, D: '!'

C3a111) 15.Kd2 Vigorito, D: '?!' Na6 16.Nge2 f5 *(16...h5* Vigorito, D: '!' *17.Nd1 Bh6+ 18.Ne3 Nb5* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 17.exf5 Rxf5 18.Ne4 Raf8 19.Rcf1 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19.Ng5* Vigorito, D: '!' *h5 20.Ne6 Bxe6 21.dxe6 Bh6+ 22.Kc3 Bxc1 23.Rxc1 Nb5+ 24.Kb2 c6 25.Qe7* Vigorito, D: ' ± ' *)* 19...Rh5 20.Qe7 Bh3 *(20...Bb5* Vigorito, D: '=!' *)* 21.N2g3 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Laurusas,T (2329)-Skuja,A (2188)/Riga 2011/EXT 2012 (35)' Rh6 22.Rf2 Nb5 Vigorito, D: '⇄';

C3a112) 15.Nh3

C3a1121) 15...f6 Vigorito, D: '!?' 16.Nf2 Na6 17.Nd3 Rae8 *(17...f5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*; 17...Rf7* Vigorito, D: '!?' *)* 18.Qf2 *(18.Kf2* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 18...Bh6 Vigorito, D: '!' 19.Qxa7 *(19.Rcg1 Nc2 20.Kd1 Ne3+ 21.Ke1 f5* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 19...Ra8 20.Qf2 Bxc1 21.Rxc1 Nb5 22.Nxb5 Bxb5 23.a4 Nb4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(23...Bxd3+* Vigorito, D: '!' *24.Kxd3 f5* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 24.axb5 Vigorito, D: '?' *(24.Rxc7* Vigorito, D: '!' *Bxd3+ 25.Ke3 g5 26.Qd2*

Na6 27.Rc1 Nc5 28.Rxc5 dxc5 29.Kxd3 Vigorito, D: '±' *)* 24...Ra2+ 25.Ke3 Rxf2 26.Nxf2 c5 Vigorito, D: '=' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Cotreau,K (2194)-Dame,E (1888)/ Merrimack 2003/ EXT 2005 (32)';

C3a1122) 15...a5 Vigorito, D: '?!' 16.Rhg1 Vigorito, D: '!' Na6 *(16...f6 17.f4* Vigorito, D: '±!' *)* 17.Ng5 Vigorito, D: '!' h5 *(17...h6 18.Ne6 Rfe8 19.f4* Vigorito, D: '!' *exf4 20.Nxg7 Kxg7 21.Qxf4* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 18.Ne6 fxe6 19.Rxg6 Vigorito, D: '+-' Be8 20.Rg5 *(20.Rxg7+* Vigorito, D: '!' *Kxg7 21.Qe7+ Bf7 22.Rg1+ Kh7 23.Rg5 Nc2 24.Qf6* Vigorito, D: '+-') 20...Kh7 21.Rcg1 Bh6 22.Qg3 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Caldeira,A (2220)-Toth,C (2380)/ Americana 1996/ EXT 1998 (31)';

C3a12) 14...Nb6 Vigorito, D: '?!' 15.Nh3

C3a121) 15...a5 16.a4 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(16.Rhg1* Vigorito, D: '±!' *)* 16...Na6 17.Nf2 Nc5 18.Rb1 f5 Vigorito, D: '⇄!' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Wauters,A (2218)-Heinis,V (2220)/ France 2004/EXT 2005 (37)';

C3a122) 15...f6 16.Nf2 c5 17.Rcg1 *(17.Ng4* Vigorito, D: '!?' *)* 17...Nc8 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(17...Na6* Vigorito, D: '!?' *)* 18.a4 *(18.Qg3* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Ne7 19.h4 h6 20.a4 Na6 21.Nd3* Vigorito, D: ' ±' *)* 18...Na6 19.Nd3 Vigorito, D: ' ±' Rb8 *(19...Ne7)* 20.Qg3 Vigorito, D: '!' Ne7 21.h4 h5 *(21...h6 22.f4* Vigorito, D: '→' *)* 22.Nb5 Bxb5 23.axb5 Nc7 24.Nxc5 Vigorito, D: '!' dxc5 25.d6 Ne6 26.dxe7 Rf7 27.Rd1 Rxe7 28.Rd6 *(28.Kf2)* 28...Nf4+ 29.Kf2 Rc8 30.Rc1 c4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(30...Rf7* Vigorito, D: ' ± ' *)* 31.Rxc4 Rxc4 32.bxc4 Vigorito, D: '+-' Rc7 33.Qh2 Rxc4 34.Kg3 Rc7 35.Qd2 Rc1 36.Kh2 Ra1 37.Rd7 Bf8 38.Rc7 *(38.Qc2* Vigorito, D: '+-') 38...b6

39.Rc8 Ra3 40.Rxf8+ Vigorito, D: '1-0 Levitt,J (2465)-Parker,J (2335)/ Hastings 1991/CBM 026 ext';

C3a2) 14.Nd1 Nb6

C3a21) 15.Ne3 Vigorito, D: '!' '!''Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: '!''' c6 Vigorito, D: '!' 16.Nh3 cxd5 17.exd5 *(17.Nxd5 Nc6 18.Kf2* Vigorito, D: '⩲' *)* 17...Na6 Vigorito, D: '?' *(17...f6* Vigorito, D: '⩲!?' *)* 18.Ng5 Vigorito, D: '±' h6 *(18...h5 19.Rhg1* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 19.Ne4 Nb4 20.Nc3 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20.Rhd1* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Bb5+ 21.Kf2 Nd3+ 22.Rxd3 Bxd3 23.Nxd6* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 20...e4 Vigorito, D: '!' 21.fxe4 Rae8 Vigorito, D: '⩲' 22.a3 *(22.Rhg1 Re5 23.a3 Na6 24.b4* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲'*)* 22...Na6 23.b4 Vigorito, D: '⩲' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Kuzmin,A (2520)-Piket,J (2590)/ Ostend 1991/CBM 026 ext (66)';

C3a22) 15.Nh3 Vigorito, D: '⩲';

C3a23) 15.Rxc7 Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!' '?!'' 15...Na6 16.Rxd7 Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!''Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: '?!''' *(16.Rxb7 Bc8 17.Re7 Nd7* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *; 16.Rc1 Bb5+* Vigorito, D: '⇄'*; 16.Rc3 f5 17.Nh3 Bf6 18.Ng5 Bxg5 19.Qxg5 fxe4 20.fxe4 Rf4* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 16...Nxd7 17.Nh3 Rac8 Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ⇄' '⇄" 18.Ne3 f6 Vigorito, D: '!' '!''see Volzhin, A (2505)-Rohl, J (2415)/Ubeda 1997. Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'see Volzhin, A (2505)-Rohl, J (2415)/Ubeda 1997.''' 19.Kd2 Ndc5 20.Nf2 Nb4 21.Ra1 b5 22.Qh3 Rc7 23.Ned1 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(23.Ke2* Vigorito, D: '=' *)* 23...f5 Vigorito, D: '!' 24.Nc3 Rcf7 Vigorito, D: '∓' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Volzhin,A (2505)-Rohl Montes,J (2415)/Ubeda 1997/CBM 056 ext (44)';

C3b) 13...c6 Vigorito, D: '?!' 14.b3 Nb6 15.Nh3

C3b1) 15...Bd7 16.Nf2 *(16.Rhd1* Vigorito, D: ' ±!?'*)* 16...h5 17.Rhd1 *(17.Nfd1* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 17...Rc8 18.a4 a5 19.Qg5 Na6 Vigorito, D: ' ±' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Horvath,M (2004)-Newrkla,K (1979)/Tweng 2007/CBM 119 ext (50)';

C3b2) 15...Na6 16.Nf2 *(16.Rhd1* Vigorito, D: '!' *cxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Rxd5 Bxh3 19.Qxh3 Rfd8* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 16...Bd7 *(16...Nc7)* 17.Rhd1 *(17.dxc6* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 17...Rad8

(17...c5) 18.Ng4 f6 19.Ne3 c5 20.Rg1 Vigorito, D: ' ±' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Martin,S (2220)-Panzalovic,S (2380)/ Germany 1994/EXT 2002 (37)';

C3c) 13...Nxb2 Vigorito, D: '?' Vigorito, D: 'is bad.' 14.Rc2 Nc4 15.Nb5 c6 16.Nc7 Vigorito, D: '+-';

C3d) 13...Na6 'Schipkov, Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?''' ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Black defends the c7-pawn and plans ...♘c5 or ...♘b4 in the near future.''Black defends the c7-pawn and plans ...♘c5 or ...♘b4 in the near future. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Black defends the c7-pawn and plans ...♘c5 or ...♘b4 in the near future.''' '

C3d1) 14.Nh3

C3d11) 14...f6 15.Nb5 *(15.Nd1* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 15...Bd7 16.b3 *(16.Nxc7 Nxc7 17.b3 b5 18.bxc4 bxc4 19.Ke3* Vigorito, D: '±' *)* 16...Bxb5 17.bxc4 Bd7 18.Nf2 b5 Vigorito, D: ' ±!' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Van Beers,E (2210)-Maes,W (2170)/ Lommel 1995/EXT 2005 (35)';

C3d12) Vigorito, D: 'Black could try' 14...Nxb2 Vigorito, D: '!?';

C3d13) 14...Bd7 Vigorito, D: '?!'

C3d131) 15.Rhg1 Vigorito, D: '!?' Nc5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(15...f6* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 16.b4 Vigorito, D: '!' Na6 17.Ng5 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Here this manoeuvre is very strong, because Black's knights cannot help on the kingside.' h6 18.Ne6 Vigorito, D: '!' Rfe8 *(18...fxe6 19.Rxg6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*; 18...Bxe6 19.dxe6 g5 20.Qg4 c6 21.h4* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 19.b5 Nc5 20.Nxc7 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Gual Pascual,A (2390)-Cordero Galan, G/St Cugat 1996/EXT 1999 (55)';

C3d132) 15.b3

C3d1321) 15...Na3 Vigorito, D: ' ±!?' 16.Nf2 *(16.Rhg1* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 16...b5 *(16...f5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 17.Ng4 *(17.Kd2)* 17...f6 *(17...b4* Vigorito, D: '⇄!?' *)* 18.Ne3 b4 Vigorito, D: '⇄' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Sommer,M (2125)-Wagner,F (2028)/ Nuremberg 2005/ EXT 2007 (33)';

C3d1322) 15...Nb6 Vigorito, D: '?!' 16.Rhg1

C3d13221) 16...c6

Vigorito, D: '?!' 17.Ng5 Vigorito, D: '!' h6 18.Ne6 Rfe8 Vigorito, D: '?' *(18...Bxe6* Vigorito, D: '!?' *19.dxe6 g5 20.Qg4 Nc7 21.e7 Rfe8 22.h4 Ne6 23.hxg5 hxg5 24.Rcd1 Nc8 25.Kf2 Rxe7 26.Ne2 Rd7 27.Qh3 Rd8 28.Ng3 Ne7 29.Rh1* Vigorito, D: '**±**'*; 18...fxe6* Vigorito, D: '?' *19.Rxg6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 19.Nxg7 Kxg7 20.dxc6 Bxc6 21.Nd1 Nc8 22.Ne3 Vigorito, D: '+-' Ne7 23.Rcd1 Bb5+ 24.Kf2 Nb4 25.Ng4 Ng8 26.Rxd6 Nd3+ 27.Ke3 Nf4 28.Nxe5 g5 29.Qxf4 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Bentley,J (2183)-Moes,W (2027)/ Port Erin 2003/ CBM 096 ext';

C3d13222) 16...f6

C3d132221)

17.Nf2 Vigorito, D: '!?'

C3d1322211)

17...g5 Vigorito, D: '?!' 18.Qg3 c5 19.h4 h6 20.Ng4 c4 21.Rh1 *(21.bxc4* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 21...Nc5 22.hxg5 hxg5 23.Qh2 Bxg4 24.fxg4 Nd3 25.Rcf1 Nf4+ 26.Rxf4 Vigorito, D: '!' exf4 27.Nb5 *(27.Qh7+* Vigorito, D: '!' *Kf7 28.Nb5* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 27...Rad8 *(27...Rf7 28.Nxd6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 28.Nc7 *(28.Qh7+ Kf7 29.Qh5+ Ke7 30.Qg6* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 28...Rfe8 29.Ne6 *(29.Qh7+ Kf8 30.Qg6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 29...Rxe6 30.dxe6 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Christensen,C-Danielsen,H (2390)/ Copenhagen 1992/ EXT 2002 (38)';

C3d1322212)

17...Rad8 18.Ng4 Be8 *(18...Nc8)* 19.Ne3 *(19.Nh6+* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Kh8 20.Rg3 Rd7 21.Rcg1 Nb4 22.Rh3 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Kg8* Vigorito, D: '**±**'*)* 19...Nc8 *(19...c6)* 20.a4 *(20.a3* Vigorito, D: '**±**'*)*

17...c6 18.a4 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(18.dxc6* Vigorito, D: '!?' *bxc6 19.Rcd1 Nc8 20.Qg3 Nc5 21.h4* Vigorito, D: ' ± ' *)* 18...Nc5 19.a5 Nc8 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19...Nxb3* Vigorito, D: '!' *20.axb6 axb6* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 20.Rb1 Ne7 21.b4 Na6 22.b5 Vigorito, D: ' ± ' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Borvander,T-Nilsson,A/Sweden 1993/EXT 2000 (55)';

C3d132222) 17.f4 exf4 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(17...Rf7* Vigorito, D: ' ± !?' *)* 18.Nxf4 Vigorito, D: '±' Rae8 Vigorito, D: '?' *(18...g5 19.Qg3 Rae8 20.Kd2 Nc5 21.Rce1* Vigorito, D: ' ± ' *)* 19.Nxg6 Vigorito, D: '!' hxg6 20.Rxg6 Rf7 *(20...Re5 21.Rcg1 Rg5 22.R6xg5 fxg5 23.Qxg5 Rf7 24.e5 dxe5 25.Ne4* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 21.Rcg1 Nc5 22.Kd1 f5 23.Rh6 Vigorito, D: '+-' Kf8 20...c6 21.f4 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(21.Rcd1* Vigorito, D: ' ± !?' *)* 21...exf4 22.Qxf4 Nc5 Vigorito, D: '!' 23.b4 Nb3 Vigorito, D: '⇄' 24.Rb1 Nd4+ 25.Kd3 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(25.Kd2)* 25...f5 Vigorito, D: '!' 26.Qh4 Bd7 Vigorito, D: ' ∓ ' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Nielsen,N-Kjeldsen, J (2380)/Tonder 1993/EXT 2000 (38)';

C3d1322213) 17...f5 Vigorito, D: '?'

C3d13222131) 18.Nh3 Vigorito, D: '!' Bf6 19.Ng5 Bxg5 20.Qxg5 Kg7 21.h4 Rf6 22.h5 Rh8 23.hxg6 h6 *(23...hxg6 24.Rh1* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 24.Qh4 Nc8 25.Rcf1 Ne7 26.f4 Vigorito, D: '+-';

C3d13222132) 18.Nd3 Vigorito, D: '?' 18...Rf7 19.a4 Raf8 Vigorito, D: '±' Vigorito, D: '1/2 De Groot,A-De Vries, W/Netherlands 1993/Corr Nr. 1 (33)';

C3d1322214)

24.Rh7 Nxe4
25.Nxe4 Rxe4
26.Qd8+ Re8
27.Qg5 Nxd5
28.Rxg7 Nf6
29.Qg6 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Van der Sterren,P (2475)-Berg,K (2420)/ Kerteminde 1991/ CBM 023';

C3d2) 14.b3 Na3! 15.Nh3 Nb4!? is interesting, and White has only a slight advantage.;

C3d3) 14.Nd1 'Schipkov, Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?''' ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White defends the b2-pawn and intends ♘e3.''White defends the b2-pawn and intends ♘e3. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'White defends the b2-pawn and intends ♘e3.''' ' 14...Nb6 15.Ne3 Bd7 16.Nh3 'This could be considered the main position. Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'This could be considered the main position.''''Schipkov,Boris: 'White plans ♖g1 and then ♘g5, followed by ♘e6 to storm the kingside. This is a typical knight manoeuvre in this line.''White plans ♖g1 and then ♘g5, followed by ♘e6 to storm the kingside. This is a typical knight manoeuvre in this line. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White plans ♖g1 and then ♘g5, followed by ♘e6 to storm the kingside. This is a typical knight manoeuvre in this line.''' '

C3d31) 16...f6 'is the accepted defensive method. Black wants to keep the white knights at bay. See my notes to Sulskis, S (2554)-Fedorov, A (2618) Eforie Nord ROU 2010 in the archives. Schipkov, Boris: '!?' '!?' Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'is the accepted defensive method. Black wants to keep the white knights at bay. See my notes to Sulskis, S (2554)-Fedorov, A (2618) Eforie Nord ROU 2010 in the archives.''' Vigorito, D: 'is the accepted defensive method. Black wants to keep the white knights at bay. See my notes to Sulskis, S (2554)-Fedorov, A (2618) Eforie Nord ROU 2010 in the archives.'Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Black defends from the ♘g5 threat beforehand."

C3d311) 17.Nf2

C3d3111) 17...Rae8 18.Nd3 *(18.Rhg1)* 18...Re7 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(18...f5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 19.Rc3 *(19.b3* Vigorito, D: '!?' *c6* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲ '*)*

19...h5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19...Ref7* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20.Rg1 Kh7 *(20...Be8* Vigorito, D: '±'*)* 21.Rcc1 *(21.f4* Vigorito, D: '!' *Be8 22.f5 g5 23.Qg3 c6 24.dxc6 Bxc6* Vigorito, D: '±'*)* 21...Bh6 22.b3 Bb5 Vigorito, D: '±' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Peek,M (2365)-Van Laatum,G/Dieren 1989/EXT 1997 (29)';

C3d3112) 17...Bb5+ 18.Kd2 c6

C3d31121)

19.dxc6 Bxc6 20.Nd3 *(20.Kc2 Nc7 21.Kb1* Vigorito, D: '±'*)* 20...Rf7 *(20...d5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 21.Rhg1 *(21.Kc2* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 21...d5 22.exd5 Nxd5 Vigorito, D: '⇄' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Bazant,P-Svatos,J (2370)/Pardubice 1992/EXT 2000 (58)';

C3d31122)

'Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'White looks to grab space. '" 19.Rhg1 Vigorito, D: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'would be a normal way of playing.''' Rac8 20.Rg3 *(20.Nfg4* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Rc7* Vigorito, D: '±'*)* 20...cxd5 21.Rxc8 *(21.Nxd5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 21...Rxc8 22.Nfg4 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(22.exd5* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Nc7 23.Ne4* Vigorito, D: '±' *)*

C3d311221)

22...Nb4 Vigorito, D: '!?' 23.a3 *(23.Nxf6+ Bxf6 24.Qxf6 d4* Vigorito, D: '='*)* 23...d4 24.axb4 dxe3+ 25.Nxe3 Vigorito, D: '±';

C3d311222)

22...g5 Vigorito, D: '?' 23.Nxf6+ Vigorito, D: '!' Bxf6 24.Qh6 Rf8 25.Rxg5+ Bxg5 26.Qxg5+ Kf7 27.Nf5 Vigorito, D: '+-' Nc8 28.Qg7+ *(28.Qh5+ Kg8 29.Qh6* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 28...Ke8 29.Qxb7 Bd7 30.Qxa6 Rf6 31.a4 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Drott,H-Steinberger,H/ICCF corr 1995/Corr 2000 (46)';

C3d31123) 19.b3 cxd5 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20...Rf7* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 21.exd5 f5 22.Nh3 Bf6 *(22...h6* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 23.Ng5 Rf7 24.Qg3 *(24.Qh6* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 24...Bxg5+ *(24...Re7* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 25.Qxg5 Nb4 Vigorito, D: ' ± ' 26.h4 Vigorito, D: '!' Nxd5 27.h5 Rg7 28.Rcg1 Kf7 Vigorito, D: '?' *(28...Re8* Vigorito, D: ' ± '*)* 29.hxg6+ Vigorito, D: '+-' hxg6 30.Rh7 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Dinstuhl,V (2320)-Tolhuizen,L (2275)/ Budapest 1992/ EXT 2002';

C3d3113) 17...f5 Vigorito, D: '!' 18.Qg5 *(18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Nxf5 Rxf5 20.Rhd1 Raf8* Vigorito, D: '⇄' Vigorito, D: 'Black gets nice counterplay.'*)* 18...Bb5+ 19.Ke1 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nc5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20...Rf4* Vigorito, D: '⇄!?' *; 20...Nd7* Vigorito, D: '⇄!?' *)* 21.Rxc5 Vigorito, D: '!' dxc5 22.h4 Vigorito, D: '± ' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Grothe,G-Hoffmann, H/Germany 1995/ Corr 2000 (41)';

C3d3114) 17...Nc8 Vigorito, D: '?!'

C3d31141) 18.Rc3 Vigorito, D: '?!'

C3d311411) 18...c5 Vigorito, D: '!?' 19.Rcc1 *(19.b3 Nc7 20.a4 b5 21.Ra1 a5* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 19...Nc7 Vigorito, D: '⇄!';

C3d311412) 18...Ne7 Vigorito, D: '?!' 19.Rhc1 Rac8 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19...c5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20.Rb3 Rb8 21.Nd3 Vigorito, D: '± ' Rf7 22.Qe1 Nc8 Vigorito, D: '?' *(22...Ba4* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 23.Qa5 Nb6 24.Rxc7 Vigorito, D: '!' f5 *(24...Nxc7 25.Qxa7 Re8 26.Qxb6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 25.Rc2 *(25.Rcc3* Vigorito, D: '!' *fxe4*

26.fxe4 Rbf8 27.Rxb6 Vigorito, D: '!' *axb6 28.Qxb6* Vigorito, D: '+-'*; 25.Rxb7 Rxb7 26.Qxa6 Bc8 27.Rc3* Vigorito, D: '±' *)* 25...fxe4 26.fxe4 Rbf8 *(26...Ba4 27.Rxb6 Bxc2 28.Rxd6* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 27.Rxb6 Vigorito, D: '!' axb6 28.Qxb6 Bh6 *(28...Nc5 29.Rxc5* Vigorito, D: '!' *dxc5 30.Nxc5* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 29.Qxd6 Vigorito, D: '+-' Rf3 30.Nf5 Vigorito, D: '!' gxf5 31.Qxh6 fxe4 32.Ne1 Vigorito, D: '1/2 Kasparov,G (2775)-Seirawan,Y (2610)/ Barcelona 1989/ CBM 012 ' *(32.Qg5+* Vigorito, D: '!' *Kh8 33.Qxe5+ Kg8 34.Qxe4 R3f6 35.Rc3 Bf5 36.Qd4 Nb8 37.Ne5* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)*; **C3d31142)** 18.Nd3 Vigorito, D: '!?' 18...c5 *(18...Bb5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 19.Qg3 *(19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Qg3* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 19...Bh6 *(19...f5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20.h4 Vigorito, D: '±' Bxe3 *(20...Bb5* Vigorito, D: '?!' *21.a4 Bxd3+ 22.Kxd3 Nb4+ 23.Ke2 f5 24.h5* Vigorito, D: '!' *Bxe3 25.hxg6 h6 26.Rxh6* Vigorito, D: '+-!' *Bxh6 27.Qh3 Kg7 28.Rh1 Bg5 29.Qh7+ Kf6 30.Qd7 Bh6 31.Rxh6* Vigorito, D: '1-0 Levitt,J (2480)-Martin,A (2425)/ Glasgow 1989/EXT 2010'*; 20...f5 21.h5 g5 22.Nc4 Rf6 23.b3 b5 24.Ncxe5* Vigorito, D: '!' *dxe5 25.Nxe5* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 21.Kxe3 Ne7 22.h5 *(22.Kd2)* 22...g5 23.f4 h6 *(23...exf4+ 24.Nxf4 Rae8 25.Kd2* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 24.fxe5 fxe5 25.Rhf1 Rae8 26.Rxf8+ Rxf8 27.Rc2 Rf4 28.Rf2 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Maedler,M-Sowray, P/Germany 1990/

Corr 2002 (48)';
C3d312) 17.Rhg1 Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'This position can also arise after 13.♘h3.'
C3d3121) 17...Rae8 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?'
C3d31211) 18.Nf2 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?'
C3d312111) 18...Re7 Vigorito, D: '?' 19.Nfg4 h5 20.Nh6+
C3d3121111) 20...Kh7 21.Qg3 *(21.Rxg6* Vigorito, D: '!' *Kxg6 22.Nhf5 Rff7 23.Rg1+ Kh7 24.Ng4 Bxf5 25.Qxh5+ Kg8 26.Nh6+ Kf8 27.Nxf5 Kg8 28.Qg6 Nb4 29.h4* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 21...Be8 22.Nhf5 Rd7 23.Nxg7 Rxg7 24.Rg2 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Steen,P (2160)-Smits,M (2259)/Belgium 2006/EXT 2007 (69)';
C3d3121112) 20...Bxh6 21.Rxg6+ Bg7 22.Rcg1 Vigorito, D: '+-' Rff7 23.Qxh5 Bb5+ 24.Ke1 Nc5 25.Rh6 Nd3+ 26.Kd2 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Mastrovasilis,A (2240)-Theodorakopoulos,G (2010)/Athens 1996/CBM 055 ext';
C3d312112) 18...f5 Vigorito, D: '!?' 19.Nh3 Vigorito, D: '!?' *(19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.fxe4 Rf4 22.Rg4 Nd7* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲'*)* 19...fxe4 20.fxe4 Nc5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20...Bf6* Vigorito, D: '!?' *21.Ng5 Re7* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲'*)* 21.Rxc5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(21.Ng5* Vigorito, D: '!' *h6 22.Ne6* Vigorito, D: '±' *)* 21...dxc5 Vigorito, D: '⇄' Vigorito, D: '1/2 Daum,G-Heyl,G/Germany 1989/Corr Nr. 1 (44)';
C3d312113) 18...Rf7 Vigorito, D: '?!' 19.Nfg4 Vigorito, D: '↑!' c6 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19...Kh8* Vigorito, D: ' ±'*)* 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.Nh6+ Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Nc8

23.Nf5 Vigorito, D: '!' Bxf5 24.exf5 Ne7 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.Rxg6+ Nxg6 27.Qxg6+ *(27.Rg1* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 27...Kf8 28.Rxc6 Nc5 29.Rxd6 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Ibragimov,I (2550)-Papastavropoulos, A (2195)/Athens 1993/TD (39)';

C3d31212) 18.Rg2 Re7 *(18...c6* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 19.Kf1 Nc5 *(19...Nb4* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20.Rd2 *(20.Rd1* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20...h5 *(20...a5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 21.b4 Na6 22.a3 Kh7 Vigorito, D: '±' Vigorito, D: '0-1 Spycher,B-Piket,J (2390)/Groningen 1986/EXT 1997 (36)';

C3d3122) 17...Rad8 Vigorito, D: '?!' 18.b3 Vigorito, D: '!?' *(18.Rg3* Vigorito, D: '±!?' *)* 18...c6 19.dxc6 *(19.Nf5* Vigorito, D: '±!'*)* 19...bxc6 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(19...Bxc6* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20.Nf5 Vigorito, D: '!' gxf5 *(20...Nc8 21.f4* Vigorito, D: '→' *)* 21.Rxg7+ Vigorito, D: '!' Kxg7 22.Rg1+ Kf7 23.Qh5+ Ke6 24.Qxf5+ Kf7 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Karpov,A (2695)-Velimirovic,D (2525)/Skopje 1976/MCD (65)' 25.Qxh7+ Ke8 26.Qh5+ Rf7 27.Rg8+ Ke7 28.Rxd8 Bxh3 29.Qh8 Vigorito, D: '+-';

C3d3123) 17...Rf7

C3d31231) 18.Nf2 Vigorito, D: '?!' Nc5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(18...f5* Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Often this break is good after ♘f2, because Black stops the manoeuvre ♘f2-g4, and if White takes on f5, then Black can play on the f-file.' *19.exf5 Bxf5* Vigorito, D: '±'*)* 19.Nfg4 *(19.b4* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 19...Kh8 20.Nh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Rg8 Vigorito, D: '0-1 Graf,A-Neverov,V/USSR 1990/Corr 2000 (31)' 22.h4 Vigorito, D: '±!'

Bb5+ 23.Kd1 Nd3 24.h5 Vigorito, D: '→!';

C3d31232) 18.b3 Vigorito, D: '!?' 18...Nc5 Vigorito, D: ' ⩲!?' 19.Nf2 *(19.Rcd1* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 19...a5 Vigorito, D: '!?' 20.Kd2 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20.Nfg4* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 20...c6 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20...f5* Vigorito, D: '⇄!' *)* 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Nfg4 Bxg4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(22...Kh8* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 23.Qxg4 Re8 24.h4 Bh6 25.h5 Bg5 Vigorito, D: '+-' Vigorito, D: '1-0 Wells,P (2485)-Neverov,V (2550)/ Odorheiu Secuiesc 1993/CBM 036 (49)';

C3d32) 16...Rae8 17.Rhg1 *(17.b3* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 17...c6 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(17...f6)* 18.dxc6 bxc6 *(18...Bxc6 19.Nf5 f6 20.Nxd6* Vigorito, D: ' ⩱'*)* 19.Nf5 Nc8 Vigorito, D: '1/2 Miniboeck,G (2345)-Roth, P (2244)/Hartberg 2004/ CBM 101 ext (53)' 20.Ng5 Vigorito, D: '!' h5 21.Ng3 f6 22.Nh7 Kxh7 23.Nxh5 Bh6 24.Nxf6+ Rxf6 25.Qxf6 Vigorito, D: '+-';

C3d33) 16...Bb5+ Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?''Schipkov,Boris: '?' '?' '?''Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?'" ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'This is a mistake, because Black's light-squared bishop now does not control the important g4, f5 and e6 squares and White can easily attack with ♘f5, ♘g4 or ♘g5-e6. Black could try the logical 16... f6, where White has only a small edge.''This is a mistake, because Black's light-squared bishop now does not control the important g4, f5 and e6 squares and White can easily attack with ♘f5, ♘g4 or ♘g5-e6. Black could try the logical 16... f6, where White has only a small edge. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'This is a mistake, because Black's light-squared bishop now does not control the important g4, f5 and e6 squares and White can easily attack with ♘f5, ♘g4 or ♘g5-e6. Black could try the logical 16... f6, where White has only a small edge.'" ' 17.Kd2

C3d331) 'Chipping at the centre. Black can

also adopt the turtle formation immediately with Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Chipping at the centre. Black can also adopt the turtle formation immediately with''' Vigorito, D: 'Chipping at the centre. Black can also adopt the turtle formation immediately with' 17...f6 18.Rhg1 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!''' 'Rf7 'which would likely transpose. Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'which would likely transpose.''' Vigorito, D: 'which would likely transpose.' 19.Nf2 Vigorito, D: '!' *(19.b3)* 19...c6 20.Nfg4 cxd5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(20...Kh8 21.Nh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Rg8* Vigorito, D: ' ±*')* 21.Nf5 Vigorito, D: '+-!' gxf5 22.Nh6+ Kf8 23.Nxf7 Kxf7 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 25.Rg1+ Kf7 26.Qxh7+ Vigorito, D: '1-0 Pierzak,R-Ciecielski,J/Poland 1998/Corr 2000';

C3d332) 17...c6 18.Rhg1 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ±!' '±!' 'Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!''' '±!'' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The rook marches into the battle. White threatens ♘f5 and ♘g5.''The rook marches into the battle. White threatens ♘f5 and ♘g5. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The rook marches into the battle. White threatens ♘f5 and ♘g5.''' 'f6 *(18...cxd5* Vigorito, D: '?!' *19.Nf5* Vigorito, D: '!' *Nd7 20.Ng5 Nf6 21.Rg3 Rfe8 22.Nxh7* Vigorito, D: '!' *Nxh7 23.Rh3 Kf8 24.Rg1 Nf6 25.Nxg7 Ke7 26.Nxe8 Rxe8 27.f4 Nc5 28.exd5 Nce4+ 29.Kd1* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 19.f4 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?''Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' '± !'' ± '' ± !'' ± ' '±!''Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: ' ± '' ± !''' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'A typical advance in such positions. Usually White also pushes his h-pawn to crush Black's kingside.''A typical advance in such positions. Usually White also pushes his h-pawn to crush Black's kingside. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'A typical advance in such positions. Usually White also pushes his

h-pawn to crush Black's kingside.''' ' *(* Vigorito, D: 'White looks to grab space.' *19.Nf2* Vigorito, D: 'would be a normal way of playing.' *)*

C3d3321)

'Instead Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Instead''' 19...cxd5 20.exd5 Bd7 'does not stop White's advance. Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'does not stop White's advance.''' 21.f5 Vigorito, D: '!' '!"Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' '±' '±"Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ±"' ' gxf5 *(21...Bxf5 22.Nxf5 gxf5 23.Rc3* Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea Rg3' *f4 24.Nf2* Vigorito, D: 'and now Rh3 is coming' *)* 22.Rcf1 f4 Vigorito, D: 'and now' 23.Nxf4 Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: 'looks promising, for example' exf4 24.Rxf4 Kh8 *(24...Rae8 25.Rxf6* Vigorito, D: '!' '!'; *24...f5 25.Qg3 Rf7 26.Nxf5)* 25.Nf5 Bxf5 26.Rxf5 Rf7 27.Rh5 Bf8 28.Rg3 Vigorito, D: '→' '→';

C3d3322) 19...Rf7 20.f5 g5

C3d33221)

'Also promising is Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Also promising is''' 21.Nxg5 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?"Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!"Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!"' ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is also strong.''is also strong. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is also strong.'" ' fxg5 22.Rxg5 Kh8 23.Rh5 Bf8

C3d332211) 24.f6 Vigorito, D: '!' '!"looks dangerous, the idea is Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'looks dangerous, the idea is''' Nd7 25.Qg4 Vigorito, D: '!' '!' *(25.Qg5 Nxf6)* 25...Nxf6 26.Qg6 Nxe4+ 27.Qxe4 Nc5 28.Rxc5 dxc5 29.Ng4 Rd8 30.Nf6 *(30.Nxe5 Rxd5+ 31.Ke3 Rxe5 32.Qxe5+ Bg7 33.Qe8+ Rf8 34.Qg6 h6*

35.Rxc5 Vigorito, D: '+-') 30...Rxd5+ 31.Nxd5 cxd5 32.Qg6 *(32.Qxe5+ Bg7 33.Qg3* Vigorito, D: '+-') 32...Rf2+ 33.Ke3 Re2+ 34.Kf3 e4+ 35.Kf4 Vigorito, D: '+-';

C3d332212)

24.Rg1 'Schipkov, Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!''Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!'" ' 24...Nd7 25.Qg5 Vigorito, D: '?' '?' *(25.Ng4* 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!' '±!' 'Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '±!'" ' ±!") 25...Be7 26.Qg6 Raf8 'and Black's material advantage eventually prevailed in Vdovichenko, V (2182) -Solomaha, A (2286) Kiev 2009. Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓' '∓' '∓' Schipkov, Boris: '0-1 Vdovichenko,V (2182)-Solomaha,A (2286)/Kiev 200'0-1 Vdovichenko,V (2182)-Solomaha,A (2286)/Kiev 2009/ CBM 131 Extra (73) Vigorito, D: 'and Black's material advantage eventually prevailed in Vdovichenko, V (2182) -Solomaha, A (2286) Kiev 2009. Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓' Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 Vdovichenko,V (2182)-Solomaha,A (2286)/Kiev 2009/ CBM 131 Extra (73)''' 9/CBM 131 Extra (73)" Vigorito, D: 'and Black's material advantage eventually prevailed in Vdovichenko, V (2182) -Solomaha, A (2286) Kiev 2009. ';

C3d33222) 21.Qh5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?''Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?'" '

C3d332221)

'If Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'If''' 21...cxd5 22.exd5 Nb4 *(22...Nc7 23.Nxg5* Vigorito, D: '!' *fxg5 24.Rxc7* Vigorito, D: '!' *Rxc7 25.Qxg5 Rf7 26.f6 Nd7 27.fxg7 Nc5 28.Qh4 Rf2+ 29.Kc1 Bd7 30.Qe7 Rc8 31.Kb1* Vigorito, D: '+-') 23.Rxg5

Vigorito, D: '!!' '!!''Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' '!''Vigorito, D: '!!' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!''' N4xd5 *(23...fxg5* Vigorito, D: '?' '?' *24.Nxg5* Vigorito, D: '+-' '+-'*; 23...Re7 24.Rg3 N4xd5 25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.Nf2 Nf4 27.Qh4 Rf8 28.Ne4 Kh8 29.Rcg1* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Rg4 Vigorito, D: '±' '±' *(25.Rg3 Be8 26.Nf2* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)*;

C3d332222)

21...Nc5 22.Nf2 cxd5 23.exd5 'White's kingside is very clear, while Black's seemingly active minor pieces are very far away from the black king. Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'White's kingside is very clear, while Black's seemingly active minor pieces are very far away from the black king.''' Vigorito, D: 'White's kingside is very clear, while Black's seemingly active minor pieces are very far away from the black king.' e4 'Black hopes to create some play with this natural move, but it's just not there. Schipkov, Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Black hopes to create some play with this natural move, but it's just not there.''' Vigorito, D: 'Black hopes to create some play with this natural move, but it's just not there.' *(23...Be8 24.h4 Re7 25.Qf3 h6 26.Ne4 Nxe4+ 27.Qxe4 Na4 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Nc4 Rd8 30.b4* Vigorito, D: '+-'*)* 24.h4 Vigorito, D: '!' '!''Schipkov,Boris: '+-' '+-' '+-''Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: '+-''' ' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Another typical advance. White has a powerful attack.''Another typical advance. White has a powerful attack. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Another typical

advance. White has a powerful attack.''' '
C3d3322221)
24...gxh4
25.Qxh4 *(25.Rg4 Rd8 26.Rcg1* Vigorito, D: '+-'*; 25.Rxc5 dxc5 26.Nxe4 Re8 27.Nxc5* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)*;
C3d3322222)
Vigorito, D: 'and' 24...h6 25.Nfg4;
C3d3322223)
24...Raf8
'Hoping to get some open lines. Also depressing are Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Hoping to get some open lines. Also depressing are''' 25.hxg5 fxg5 26.Rxg5 Kh8 27.Rcg1 Nbd7 28.Rxg7 Vigorito, D: '!' '!' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The decisive combination.''The decisive combination. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The decisive combination.''' ' Rxg7 29.Rxg7 Kxg7 30.Nfg4 'White threatens the simple Qh6+ and Qxd6 when Black's minor pieces will lose their footing. There is no good defence. Black could just resign here. Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'White threatens the simple Qh6+ and Qxd6 when Black's minor pieces will lose their footing. There is no good defence. Black could just resign here.''' Vigorito, D: 'White threatens the simple Qh6+ and Qxd6 when Black's minor pieces will lose their footing. There is no good defence. Black could just resign here.' *(30.Qg5+ Kh8 31.Qe7* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 30...Rf6 *(30...Kh8 31.Qg5 Nd3 32.Qe7 N3e5 33.Nxe5 dxe5 34.b3* Vigorito, D: '+-' *)* 31.Nxf6 Nxf6 32.Qh2 Ne8 33.Ng4 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Winning. ''Winning. Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Winning.''' ' Nd7 34.Qh6+ Kg8 35.Qg5+ *(35.Qe6+*

Kf8 36.f6 Vigorito, D: '+-') 35...Kf8 36.f6 1-0 (36) Kocsis,G (2664)-Wagner,F (2552) Santa Cruz de la Palma 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [Patrici, N]]

9.Bd3

[9.0-0-0

A) Giri,Anish: 'Lately Black has preferred the dynamic Vigorito, D: 'Lately Black has preferred the dynamic" 9...a6 10.Kb1 *(10.c5 Nd7 11.cxd6 cxd6 12.Kb1 b5 13.Bd3 Nc5 14.Bc2 Bd7 15.Rc1 b4 16.Nd1 Rb8 17.b3 a5 18.Nb2 fxe4 19.fxe4 Nf6 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Nf3 Bb5 22.Bd3 Ng4 23.Rxc5 Bh6 24.Qe2 Bd7 25.Nc4 Re8 26.Rxa5 Bb5 27.Rxb5 Rxb5 28.Ncxe5 Rxe5 29.Nxe5 Nxe5 30.Bxb5 Bg7 31.Rf1 Qb6 32.Rd1 Qf6 33.d6 h5 34.d7 Nxd7 35.Bc4+ Kh7 36.Rxd7 Qa1+ 37.Kc2 Qc3+ 38.Kd1 Qa1+ 39.Kd2 Qc3+ 40.Kd1 Qa1+ 41.Kc2 Qc3+ 42.Kb1 Qa1+ 43.Kc2 ½-½ (43) estudiante2008 (2681)-elinflado (2672) Blitz 2022)* 10...Nd7 *(10...Qe8 11.Bd3 Nd7 12.Nge2 Ndf6 13.h3 f4 14.Bf2 b6 15.Bc2 Nd7 16.Ba4 Nhf6 17.Bc6 Rb8 18.b4 g5 19.Nc1 h5 20.Nb3 g4 21.hxg4 hxg4 22.c5 g3 23.Bg1 Kf7 24.cxd6 cxd6 25.a4 Rh8 26.Rxh8 Qxh8 27.Ka2 Ng8 28.a5 bxa5 29.bxa5 Ne7 30.Na4 Nf6 31.Nb6 Ng6 32.Rc1 Bf8 33.Na4 Nh4 34.Ba7 Bd7 1-0 (34) alexkaspi (2616)-Liopa_Eva (2615) Blitz 2022)* 11.Bd3 Nc5 12.Bc2 b5 Giri,Anish: '- see Battaglini, G (2452)-Cheparinov, I (2650) Bastia 2011 Vigorito, D: '- see Battaglini, G (2452)-Cheparinov, I (2650) Bastia 2011" 13.b4 *(13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Ba6 15.Nc3 Qb8 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nge2 Qb4 18.Bxc5 Qxc5 19.Nc1 Rfb8 20.Nb3 Qb6 21.Qg5 Nf6 22.Qxf5 Bc4 23.g4 e4 24.Nxe4 Nxe4 25.Qxe4 Rxa2 26.Qxh7+ Kf8 27.Qf5+ Kg8 28.Qh7+ Kf8 29.Qf5+ Kg8 30.Qh7+ ½-½ (30) amiraitowa (2619)-MassterofMayhem (2670) Blitz 2023)* 13...Nd7 14.c5 a5 15.a3 axb4 16.axb4 dxc5 17.bxc5 b4 18.Na2 Rb8 19.Bb3 Kh8 20.Ne2 Nf4 21.g3 Nxe2 22.Qxe2 fxe4 23.fxe4 Nf6 24.Bd2 Bg4 25.Qc4 Bxd1 26.Rxd1 Qd7 27.Nxb4 Qg4 28.Re1 Qf3 29.Bc3 Ng4 30.Nc2 Nf2 31.Ka2 Nd1 32.Bb4 Ra8+ 33.Kb1 Rfb8 34.d6 cxd6 35.cxd6 Rc8 36.Qd5 Nc3+ 37.Bxc3 Qxc3 38.d7 Ra1+ 39.Nxa1 Qxe1+ 40.Ka2 Rd8 41.Qe6 Qa5+ 42.Kb1 Qb4 43.Qe8+ Qf8 44.Qe6 Qf6 45.Qd5 Qe7 46.Ba4 Qb4+ 47.Bb3 Qe7 48.Ba4 Qb4+ 49.Qb3 Qxb3+ 50.Nxb3 Kg8 51.Nc5 Kf7 52.Nb7 Ke7 53.Nxd8 Kxd8 54.Kc2 Bf6 55.Kd3 Ke7 56.Ke2 Kd8 57.Kf3 g5 58.Bb5 h6 59.Kg4 Bg7 60.Kh5 Bf6 61.Kg6 Be7 62.Kxh6 Bf6 63.Kg6 Be7 64.Kf5 Bd6 65.Kg4 Be7 66.h4 Bf6 67.h5 1-0 (67) LosingAdvantage (2632)-MassterofMayhem (2680) Blitz 2022;

B) 9...a5 10.Bd3 Kh8 11.Nge2 a4

12.a3 b6 13.Kb1 Nd7 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Ng3 Nf4 16.Nxf5 Nxd3 17.Nxg7 Kxg7 18.Bh6+ Kh8 19.Qxd3 Nc5 20.Qe3 Bf5+ 21.Ka2 Rg8 22.g4 Bc2 23.Rde1 Bb3+ 24.Kb1 Qh4 25.Ne4 Bxc4 26.Bg5 Bd3+ 27.Ka1 Rxg5 28.Qxg5 Qxg5 29.Nxg5 Nb3+ 30.Ka2 Bc4 31.Kb1 Bd3+ 32.Ka2 Nd2 33.Ne6 Bc4+ 34.Ka1 Nb3+ 35.Kb1 Rc8 36.Rd1 Be2 37.Rc1 Nxc1 38.Rxc1 Bxf3 39.h3 Bxd5 40.Nxc7 Bb7 41.Nb5 Be4+ 0-1 (41) dareguerra (2620)-ElZeyega (2619) Blitz 2022;

C) 9...Na6;

D) 9...f4 Giri,Anish: '!?"Vigorito, D: 'A surprising choice from Carlsen. ''(Giri: I was surprised to see Magnus decide on this move so fast and indeed it's a rare one. However, his concept isn't as bad as I at first thought. He intends to close the queenside with an eventual c5, when it'll be hard for White to break through with his usual b4-plan.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: I was surprised to see Magnus decide on this move so fast and indeed it's a rare one. However, his concept isn't as bad as I at first thought. He intends to close the queenside with an eventual c5, when it'll be hard for White to break through with his usual b4-plan.)'''' "I was surprised to see that Magnus would decide on this move so fast and indeed it's a rare one. However his concept isn't as bad as I thought at first. He intends to close the queenside with eventual ...c5 and then it will be hard for White to break through with his usual b4 plan. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'I was surprised to see that Magnus would decide on this move so fast and indeed it's a rare one. However his concept isn't as bad as I thought at first. He intends to close the queenside with eventual ...c5 and then it will be hard for White to break through with his usual b4 plan.'" 'Ich war überrascht zu sehen, dass Magnus sich so schnell für diesen Zug entschied, und in der Tat ist er auch ungewöhnlich. Allerdings ist sein Konzept nicht so schlecht, wie ich zunächst dachte. Er beabsichtigt, den Damenflügel mit späterem ...c5 zu schließen, und dann wird es für Weiß schwer sein, mit seinem üblichen b4-Plan durchzubrechen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Ich war überrascht zu sehen, dass Magnus sich so schnell für diesen Zug entschied, und in der Tat ist er auch ungewöhnlich. Allerdings ist sein Konzept nicht so schlecht, wie ich zunächst dachte. Er beabsichtigt, den Damenflügel mit späterem ...c5 zu schließen, und dann wird es für Weiß schwer sein, mit seinem üblichen b4-Plan durchzubrechen.''' 10.Bf2 Bf6 Giri,Anish: 'Vigorito, D: 'seeking to exchange bishops with ...Bh4.' Vigorito, D: 'seeking to exchange bishops with ...Bh4.'' *(* Giri,Anish: 'This may well be the best available, although' *10...a6* Giri,Anish: ', with the idea of ...b5, is to be considered. Nevertheless, the manoeuvring of ... Bf8-g7-f6-e7 is uncomfortable to

look at, especially if Black could also have played this in one turn, with ...Be7 on move 6.'*)* 11.Qe1 ''(Giri: Preventing Bh4.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'White wants to avoid the exchange of Black's bad bishop, with ...Bh4.
ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Preventing Bh4.)'''' ' 'Preventing ...♗h4. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Preventing ...♗h4.''' ChessBase: 'Esta jugada es una novedad teórica de Vallejo"Verhindert ...♗h4. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'Verhindert ...♗h4.''' *(* Giri,Anish: 'White can also play' *11.Nge2 Bh4 12.Bg1* Giri,Anish: 'but then his bishop is buried.'*)* 11...Nd7 "(CV: 11... Be7 12.g4 Ng7 13.h4 Nd7 14.Nge2 h6 15.Kb1 c5 16.a3 a6 Ivanchuk,V (2695) -Gurevich,M (2650)/Linares 1991) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(CV: 11... Be7 12.g4 Ng7 13.h4 Nd7 14.Nge2 h6 15.Kb1 c5 16.a3 a6 Ivanchuk,V (2695) -Gurevich,M (2650)/Linares 1991)'''' ' *(* Giri,Anish: 'This is not very different from Vigorito, D: 'This is not very different from'' *11...Be7 12.g4 Ng7 13.h4* Giri,Anish: 'It all looks very good for White as he has more space on queenside. After Vigorito, D: 'It all looks very good for White as he has more space on queenside. After'' *Nd7 14.Nge2 h6 15.Kb1 c5 16.a3 a6 17.Nc1 Ne8 18.Bd3* Giri,Anish: 'Black felt compelled to play' *b5* Giri,Anish: 'in Ivanchuk, V (2695) -Gurevich, M (2650) Linares 1991, but he never quite got enough for the pawn Vigorito, D: 'in Ivanchuk, V (2695)-Gurevich, M (2650) Linares 1991, but he never quite got enough for the pawn''*)* 12.Kb1 *(*Giri,Anish: 'Possibly also' *12.g4 Ng7 13.h4* Giri,Anish: '. This is sensible enough, and gains space, but it also blocks the kingside.'*)* 12...Be7 *(* Giri,Anish: 'A well-known chess analysis engine suggests that' *12...Bg7;* Giri,Anish: 'and' *12...Bh8* Giri,Anish: 'are the most satisfactory moves for Black. Human players would tend to regard this as illogical.'*)* 13.g3!?⩲ 1/2 (36) Giri,A (2720)-Carlsen,M (2861) Wijk aan Zee 2013 Giri, Anish: '!?'"(CV: 13.Nge2 b6 14.b4 a5 15.a3 Bb7 16.Nc1 Nb8 17. Nb3 axb4 18.axb4 Na6 Gheorghiu,F (2525)-Angantysson,H (2305)/ Reykjavik 1986) (Giri: From now on I was playing in the modern spirit. While earlier players might have played g4! Ng7 h4! and written +/- due to the long-term queenside plan, I feel that nowadays such a dogmatic view is no guarantee of victory. I was instead aiming for some more concrete action. For example, I now want to play Bh3 and once the h5-knight moves I can even consider something active like gxf4 and Bxd7.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri shows that he wants to open up lines on the kingside, rather than close them down. It is doubtful whether White can do much by advancing pawns on the queenside instead, but it has been tried, with mixed success.
How should Carlsen defend?

ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(CV: 13.Nge2 b6 14.b4 a5 15.a3 Bb7 16.Nc1 Nb8 17. Nb3 axb4 18. axb4 Na6 Gheorghiu,F (2525)-Angantysson,H (2305)/Reykjavik 1986) (Giri: From now on I was playing in the modern spirit. While earlier players might have played g4! Ng7 h4! and written +/- due to the long-term queenside plan, I feel that nowadays such a dogmatic view is no guarantee of victory. I was instead aiming for some more concrete action. For example, I now want to play Bh3 and once the h5-knight moves I can even consider something active like gxf4 and Bxd7.)"" ' 'From now on I was playing in the modern spirit. While earlier players might have played g4! ♘g7 h4! and would have written +/- due to the long term queenside plan, I feel that nowadays such a dogmatic view is not a guarantee of victory. Instead I was aiming for some more concrete action, now for example I want ♗h3 and once the h5-knight goes I may think of even some action like gxf and ♗xd7. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'From now on I was playing in the modern spirit. While earlier players might have played g4! ♘g7 h4! and would have written +/- due to the long term queenside plan, I feel that nowadays such a dogmatic view is not a guarantee of victory. Instead I was aiming for some more concrete action, now for example I want ♗h3 and once the h5-knight goes I may think of even some action like gxf and ♗xd7.''' 'Von jetzt an spielte ich im modernen Geist. Während frühere Spieler vielleicht g4! ♘g7 h4! gespielt und +/- geschrieben hätten aufgrund des langfristigen Damenflügelplans, meine ich, dass heutzutage so eine dogmatische Sicht keine Siegesgarantie mehr ist. Stattdessen strebte ich konkretere Handlungen an, zum Beispiel will ich ♗h3, und wenn der h5-Springer einmal weggeht, kann ich sogar an eine Aktion wie gxf und ♗xd7 denken. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Von jetzt an spielte ich im modernen Geist. Während frühere Spieler vielleicht g4! ♘g7 h4! gespielt und +/- geschrieben hätten aufgrund des langfristigen Damenflügelplans, meine ich, dass heutzutage so eine dogmatische Sicht keine Siegesgarantie mehr ist. Stattdessen strebte ich konkretere Handlungen an, zum Beispiel will ich ♗h3, und wenn der h5-Springer einmal weggeht, kann ich sogar an eine Aktion wie gxf und ♗xd7 denken.''' *(* Giri,Anish: 'Here Zenón Franco: 'While earlier players might have played' Here While earlier players might have played' *13.g4* Giri,Anish: 'as in the Ivanchuk game, looks very good for White. Zenón Franco: '!' as in the Ivanchuk game, looks very good for White. '!' Vigorito, D: 'as in the Ivanchuk game, looks very good for White.'' *Ng7 14.h4!* and would have written "**±**" due to the long term queenside plan, I feel that nowadays such a dogmatic view is not a guarantee of victory. Instead I was aiming for some more concrete action". and

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D1) Giri,Anish: 'Zenón Franco: 'and he suggested instead' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri:' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri:' and he suggested instead' 13...a6 Giri,Anish: 'Zenón Franco: ', followed by preparing ...c5 with useful moves such as ...Kh8 and ...Rb8. ' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'followed by some waiting moves like Kh8 and Rb8 would prepare c5 and make my task much more difficult.' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'followed by some waiting moves like Kh8 and Rb8 would prepare c5 and make my task much more difficult.' , followed by preparing ...c5 with useful moves such as ...Kh8 and ...Rb8. ' Giri,Anish: 'followed by some waiting moves, like ...♔h8 and ...♖b8 would prepare ...c5 and would make my task much more difficult.'Giri,Anish: ', gefolgt von ein paar Wartezügen wie ...♔h8 und ...♖b8, würde ...c5 vorbereiten und meine Aufgabe deutlich erschweren.'

D1a) 14.Rc1 Giri,Anish: ', for example, is a good and natural move for White, in almost all reasonable lines, making it difficult for Black to play ...b5, in view of the opening up of the c-file. The point of a good waiting move is often to encourage the opponent to move a piece from a good square to a slightly less good square. In this line, then, Black has' c5 Giri,Anish: ', when' 15.dxc6 bxc6 Giri,Anish: 'is less effective than in the game, as White has vacated the rook from the d-file.';

D1b) Giri,Anish: 'It is not all that obvious how White can otherwise bring his pieces into better play.' 14.Qd2 Rb8 *(14...c5* Giri,Anish: '?!' *15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Nd5* Giri,Anish: '!' Giri,Anish: ', with advantage'*)* Giri,Anish: 'probably does not give White too many possibilities to improve his pieces, without moving the pawns, so maybe it is time to think about' 15.g4 Ng7 16.h4 h6 Giri,Anish: '. White can then bring his kingside minor pieces into play, but his edge seems minimal.';

D1c) 14.--;

D2) 13...c5 Giri,Anish: '?'"(Giri: Too soon. Magnus assumed he'd be able to exploit my undeveloped kingside in the complications, but in fact his pieces lack coordination.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: '?!' Colin Crouch: 'Giri as White is piling up his pressure on the opponent. He has gained space in the centre, and he is keeping open the question of whether he is going to play g4, or whether, with correct timing, he will try to exchange on f4. Carlsen has to think all the time about how to

combat these two choices with the pawn. He will never have the possibility of forcing White to make the decision. It is all up to Giri, who therefore keeps the initiative.
Even so, looking at the structure of the queenside pawns, it is White, after a lot of preparation, who wants to advance there. The d5-pawn is the leading pawn on the queenside, and the natural plan of action is ultimately to play c5. There are three lines of attack on the queenside, with the c-pawn (attacking Black's d6-pawn), then the b- and a-pawns and files. Black has only the g- and h-pawns to attack on the kingside.
Often in the King's Indian, Black needs to play pro-actively on the queenside, to create problems, before White can set up the slow grind. Carlsen's move is made along these lines, but it is not so clear that it was totally successful. Giri in his commentary afterwards felt that he was doing well. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Too soon. Magnus assumed he'd be able to exploit my undeveloped kingside in the complications, but in fact his pieces lack coordination.)'''' ' 'Too early. Magnus assumed that he would be able to take advantage of my undeveloped kingside in the complications but in fact his pieces lack coordination. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Too early. Magnus assumed that he would be able to take advantage of my undeveloped kingside in the complications but in fact his pieces lack coordination.'''Zu früh. Magnus nahm an, dass er in den Komplikationen Vorteil aus meinem unterentwickelten Königsflügel würde ziehen können, tatsächlich aber mangelt es seinen Figuren an Koordination. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Zu früh. Magnus nahm an, dass er in den Komplikationen Vorteil aus meinem unterentwickelten Königsflügel würde ziehen können, tatsächlich aber mangelt es seinen Figuren an Koordination.''' 14.dxc6 Giri,Anish: '''Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!'''' ' !' bxc6 ChessBase: 'Las negras no parecen tener ningún problema en este final. Como nos tiene acostumbrados Anand ha obtenido una clara ventaja de tiempo: los relojes marcan 18 mn. para él y 12 mn. para Paco.' 15.c5 Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: 'A typical pawn sacrifice to break up the black structure. If White hesitates Black will consider ...c5 himself, and possibly ...Ng7-e6-d4.''(Giri: From now on I began to really like my position while Carlsen was starting to dislike his.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'And so White has been able to make the much desired pawn break with c5, without needing to have made

any kingside developing moves. The development can of course come later, with Bc4+. The only slight problem for White is that he has given away a pawn, but that is a relatively small amount. Black's extra pawn is part of a doubled isolated pair, and his exchange on c5 leaves the e5-pawn weakened, another line of attack for White.

Commenting over the next stage of the game, Giri said that: "My position looked better and better with every move".

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D2a) 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:''''18.Ne2 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'was another option, but the text move is better. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'was another option, but the text move is better.''''was another option, but the text move is better. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'was another option, but the text move is better.''' 'war eine andere Option, aber der Textzug ist besser. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'war eine andere Option, aber der Textzug ist besser.''' Nb6 *(18...Ba6 19.Nxf4* Giri,Anish: '!*'; 18...Ng7 19.Nc1 Ne6 20.Nb3)* 19.Nxc5 Rf7 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'and Black has a better version of the game, as my knight on e2 is the cause of some disharmony. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'and Black has a better version of the game, as my knight on e2 is the

cause of some disharmony. "" 'and Black has a better version of the game, as my knight on e2 is causing some lack of harmony. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'and Black has a better version of the game, as my knight on e2 is causing some lack of harmony.''"und Schwarz hat eine bessere Version der Partie, da mein Springer auf e2 gewissen Harmoniemangel verursacht. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'und Schwarz hat eine bessere Version der Partie, da mein Springer auf e2 gewissen Harmoniemangel verursacht. "";

D2b) 18.Bh3 Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: 'With this move White regains the pawn and keeps an edge due to his better pawn structure.''(Giri: Simple and strong. Now I'm threatening to take on d7 and get control of the key c5-square. At this point Black's position looks busted, but after burning a lot of time Magnus found a way to get practical chances.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Simple and strong. Now I'm threatening to take on d7 and get control of the key c5-square. At this point Black's position looks busted, but after burning a lot of time Magnus found a way to get practical chances.)"" Vigorito, D: 'With this move White regains the pawn and keeps an edge due to his better pawn structure.'' 'Simple and strong, now I threatened to take on d7 and get control of the key c5-square. From now on the black position looks busted but after burning a lot of time Magnus found some way to get practical chances. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Simple and strong, now I threatened to take on d7 and get control of the key c5-square. From now on the black position looks busted but after burning a lot of time Magnus found some way to get practical chances.''' 'Einfach und stark; jetzt drohte ich, auf d7 zu nehmen und das Schlüsselfeld c5 in den Griff zu bekommen. Von jetzt an sieht die schwarze Stellung pleite aus, aber nachdem er eine Menge Zeit verbraten hatte, fand Magnus einen Weg, praktische Chancen zu bekommen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Einfach und stark; jetzt drohte ich, auf d7 zu nehmen und das Schlüsselfeld c5 in den Griff zu bekommen. Von jetzt an sieht die schwarze Stellung pleite aus, aber nachdem er eine Menge Zeit verbraten hatte, fand Magnus einen Weg, praktische Chancen zu bekommen.''' 18...Nb6 ChessBase: 'Anand sigue

jugando muy rápido y además su posición es totalmente satisfactoria: con su última jugada permite el cambio de torre y peón por dos piezas. en general las posiciones resultantes son valoradas como de igualdad por Rybka.' 19.Nxc5 ChessBase: '!?' 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'If, for example,'''' 19...Rf7 Giri,Anish: '"Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Carlsen has set up a tight defence for Black, making sure that all his pieces are in play, defensively at least, and that he has set up some counterplay with his pieces. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: ' ? ' ' ' ' ' ? ' *(* 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:"'' *19...Rd8* Giri,Anish: '!''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'was strong. After the natural Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'was strong. After the natural''''was strong now after the natural ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'was strong now after the natural''"War stark. Nun wirkt die Stellung nach ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'War stark. Nun wirkt die Stellung nach''' *20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Bxc8 Qd1+ 22.Qc1 Qxc1+ 23.Kxc1 Rxc8* 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'the position looks disastrous for Black, but unbelievably White is unable to untangle his pieces, as Ne2 can be met by fxg3 hxg3 Rf8. So instead of that I'd have had to look for something more sophisticated. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'the position looks disastrous for Black, but unbelievably White is unable to untangle his pieces, as Ne2 can be met by fxg3 hxg3 Rf8. So instead of that I'd have had to look for something more sophisticated.''''the position looks disastrous for Black, but unbelievably White is unable to untangle his pieces as ♘e2 can be met by fxg hxg ♖f8. So instead of that I would have had to look for something more sophisticated. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'the position looks disastrous for Black, but unbelievably White is unable to untangle his pieces as ♘e2 can be met by fxg hxg ♖f8. So instead of that I would have had to look for something more sophisticated.''' 'katastrophal für Schwarz, aber unglaublicherweise ist Weiß nicht in der Lage, seine Figuren zu entwirren, da ♘e2 mit fxg hxg ♖f8 begegnet werden kann. Daher würde ich stattdessen etwas Anspruchsvolleres suchen müssen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'katastrophal für Schwarz, aber unglaublicherweise ist Weiß nicht in der Lage, seine

Figuren zu entwirren, da ♘e2 mit fxg hxg ♖f8 begegnet werden kann. Daher würde ich stattdessen etwas Anspruchsvolleres suchen müssen.''') 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'The one part of the board in which White cannot bring his own pieces into active play is on the kingside corner, and the lack of development of his rook and knight. Indeed, although he did not lose the game, neither of these pieces moved. It ended up with a draw by repetition, after a sacrifice on White's queenside. One wonders though whether Giri could have played for much more, by finding a way to bring his g1-knight into play. A hint for the reader in playing through the next few moves?

'''' 20.b3 Giri,Anish: '!'"(Giri: Another simple and strong move. Now nothing works for Black.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Cutting out a few counterattacking ideas on the g-file.

ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Another simple and strong move. Now nothing works for Black.)'''' ' 'Another simple and strong move. Now nothing works for Black. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Another simple and strong move. Now nothing works for Black.''' 'Noch ein einfacher und starker Zug. Jetzt funktioniert nichts für Schwarz. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Noch ein einfacher und starker Zug. Jetzt funktioniert nichts für Schwarz.'''' *(* Giri,Anish: 'White would like to play' *20.Bxc8* Giri,Anish: 'but he must take precautions against' *Bxc5 21.Bxc5 Na4; 20.Ne6* Giri,Anish: '?' Giri,Anish: ', Black has' *Na4* Giri,Anish: '!' Giri,Anish: '.'*)* 20...fxg3 Giri,Anish: 'Vigorito, D: 'Black plays this now or else White will take on c8 and play g4. At least now the f3-pawn will require protection.' Vigorito, D: 'Black plays this now or else White will take on c8 and play g4. At least now the f3-pawn will require protection.'' *(* Giri,Anish: 'Probably not what Carlsen would ideally have wanted, in terms of pawn structure, but he will want to move the knight off h5, and' *20...Ng7* Giri,Anish: '?!' *21.gxf4 exf4 22.Bxc8 Bxc5 23.Bxc5 Qxc8 24.Ne2* Giri,Anish: 'leaves Black's pawns even less comfortable. White meanwhile has finally developed his knight, and has achieved a connected passed pawn in the centre.'*)* 21.hxg3 Bxc5 22.Qxc5 Ng7 Giri,Anish: '!'"(Giri: Black has nothing better. Here I had many options and perhaps made the wrong choice,

practically speaking.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Black has nothing better. Here I had many options and perhaps made the wrong choice, practically speaking.)'''' "Black has no better move than that. Here I have many options and perhaps I made a wrong choice practically speaking. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Black has no better move than that. Here I have many options and perhaps I made a wrong choice practically speaking.'" 'Schwarz hat keinen bessern Zug als diesen. Hier habe ich viele Möglichkeiten, und ich traf, praktisch gesehen, vielleicht die falsche Wahl. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Schwarz hat keinen bessern Zug als diesen. Hier habe ich viele Möglichkeiten, und ich traf, praktisch gesehen, vielleicht die falsche Wahl.'"

D2b1) "Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri:'"' ' 23.f4 Giri,Anish: '!?'"was suggested by the computer after which many people suddenly found it very natural. In fact it's not so easy: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: ', breaking open the centre, is definitely worth considering. Then after ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'was suggested by the computer after which many people suddenly found it very natural. In fact it's not so easy:'''' "was suggested by computers and then many people found it suddenly very natural. In fact it's not so easy: ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'was suggested by computers and then many people found it suddenly very natural. In fact it's not so easy:'" 'wurde von Computern vorgeschlagen, und danach fanden es viele Leute plötzlich sehr natürlich. Tatsächlich ist die Sache nicht so einfach: ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'wurde von Computern vorgeschlagen, und danach fanden es viele Leute plötzlich sehr natürlich. Tatsächlich ist die Sache nicht so einfach:''' exf4 24.gxf4 Giri,Anish: '!'"Frankly I didn't even really consider this, instead trying to make Nf3!? or Bd4!? work. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: ', White has two excellent connected central pawns, and even more to the point, he is finally ready to get the knight into active play. If Black plays quietly, he could still end up in trouble.

Black can try to simplify,

with ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Frankly I didn't even really consider this, instead trying to make Nf3!? or Bd4!? work.'''' "Frankly I didn't really consider this one, trying to make ♘f3!? or ♗d4!? work. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'Frankly I didn't really consider this one, trying to make ♘f3!? or ♗d4!? work. '" 'Offen gesagt hatte ich das nicht wirklich auf der Rechnung, da ich versuchte, ♘f3!? oder ♗d4!? zum Funktionieren zu bringen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Offen gesagt hatte ich das nicht wirklich auf der Rechnung, da ich versuchte, ♘f3!? oder ♗d4!? zum Funktionieren zu bringen. '" Qxf4 "Now it's forced. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Now it's forced.'''' ' 'Now it's forced ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'Now it's forced''' 'Nun ist es forciert. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Nun ist es forciert.''' *(* Giri,Anish: 'although not' *24...Rxf4* Giri,Anish: '?' *25.Bg3)* 25.Rd8+ Rf8 26.Rxf8+ *(26.Qxf8+ Qxf8 27.Rxf8+)* 26...Qxf8 27.Qxf8+ Kxf8 28.Bxc8 Rxc8 29.Rxh7 "and White has a fantastic endgame, although Black has some drawing chances. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: '. White is much better, in the suddenly reached endgame. Pawns are level, but White's bishop and knight are far better than the two knights, which are uncoordinated. White's bishop has its impact on both sides of the board. In addition, White has the better pawn structure, his attacking passed e-pawn being more effective than Black's passive passed g-pawn. On the queenside, White's connected a- and b-pawns work well together, while Black is in danger of dropping either or both the a- and c-pawns. Perhaps this is not quite enough for White to claim a clear win, but he must have excellent chances.

Still, just winning the c-pawn is also good. Giri's loss of complete positional control came later. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'and White has a fantastic endgame, although Black has some drawing chances. '"' 'and White has a fantastic endgame, but Black has some drawing chances. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'and White has a fantastic endgame, but

Black has some drawing chances.'''"und Weiß hat ein fantastisches Endspiel, allerdings besitzt Schwarz einige Remischancen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'und Weiß hat ein fantastisches Endspiel, allerdings besitzt Schwarz einige Remischancen.''' Kg8 Giri,Anish: '!'ChessBase: 'y la partida acabó en tablas después de muchas jugadas.' ChessBase: 'En otra de las partidas Paco prefirió' 30.Rh6 Rf8 Giri,Anish: '!';

D2b2) 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:'''' 23.Qd6 Giri,Anish: '!?''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'isn't much, even though it's much easier for White to play than the game. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'isn't much, even though it's much easier for White to play than the game.'''' 'is not much, even though it's much easier to play for White than the game. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'is not much, even though it's much easier to play for White than the game.'''bietet nicht viel, obwohl es für Weiß viel einfacher zu spielen ist als die Partie. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'bietet nicht viel, obwohl es für Weiß viel einfacher zu spielen ist als die Partie.''' Qxd6 24.Rxd6 Bxh3 25.Rxh3 *(25.Nxh3 Rxf3 26.Bxb6 axb6 27.Ng5 Rxg3 28.Nxh7 Nh5* Giri,Anish: '!*)* 25...Rc7 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'intending c5-c4. This shouldn't be much, but White is still better. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'intending c5-c4. This shouldn't be much, but White is still better.'''' 'intending c5-c4. Shouldn't be much but White is still better. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'intending c5-c4. Shouldn't be much but White is still better.''' ChessBase: 'Y después de grandes complicaciones Topalov acabó ganando lo que a la postre le dió la victoria final en el torneo.' 'mit der Absicht c5-c4. Sollte nicht viel sein, aber Weiß steht trotzdem besser. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'mit der Absicht c5-c4. Sollte nicht viel sein, aber Weiß steht trotzdem besser.''' 26.Rh1 Giri,Anish: '!';

D2b3) 23.Rc1 Giri,Anish: '''Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri aims to win the c- pawn as quickly as possible, but is there a more tactical option? ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?!'''' ' ?!'

23...Be6 Giri,Anish: '!!'"(Giri: I missed this very powerful resource. Now Black gets some counterplay out of absolutely nowhere and my task becomes much more difficult. It's one of those rare cases when the best move isn't actually the engine's first line.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: I missed this very powerful resource. Now Black gets some counterplay out of absolutely nowhere and my task becomes much more difficult. It's one of those rare cases when the best move isn't actually the engine's first line.)'''' ' 'I missed this very powerful resource. Now Black gets some counterplay out of absolutely nowhere and my task becomes much more difficult. This is a rare case when the best move is not actually the first line of the engine. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'I missed this very powerful resource. Now Black gets some counterplay out of absolutely nowhere and my task becomes much more difficult. This is a rare case when the best move is not actually the first line of the engine.''' ChessBase: 'Anand juega con ambición.' 'Diese sehr kraftvolle Ressource hatte ich übersehen. Nun erhält Schwarz aus dem absoluten Nichts heraus einiges Gegenspiel, und meine Aufgabe wird deutlich schwerer. Dies ist ein seltener Fall, wo der beste Zug tatsächlich nicht das erste Abspiel der Engine ist. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Diese sehr kraftvolle Ressource hatte ich übersehen. Nun erhält Schwarz aus dem absoluten Nichts heraus einiges Gegenspiel, und meine Aufgabe wird deutlich schwerer. Dies ist ein seltener Fall, wo der beste Zug tatsächlich nicht das erste Abspiel der Engine ist. '" *(* Giri,Anish: 'Black's position looks critical strategically. Carlsen looks to get counterplay rather than grimly defending the pawn with something like Vigorito, D: 'Black's position looks critical strategically. Carlsen looks to get counterplay rather than grimly defending the pawn with something like'' *23...Bb7)* 24.Qxc6 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'After the game, Giri saw this as "a little bit too overoptimistic", but it still seems fine.

"" Qe7 "(Giri: Here, objectively speaking, I probably have a huge advantage, but in a practical game things aren't so simple with a slightly dubious king and no development. I felt I was starting to lose some control.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Here, objectively speaking, I probably have a huge advantage, but in a practical game things aren't so simple with a slightly dubious king and no development. I felt I was starting to lose some control.)"" ' 'Here objectively speaking I probably have a huge advantage but in the practical game things aren't as simple with a slightly dubious king and no development. I feel I started losing some control. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Here objectively speaking I probably have a huge advantage but in the practical game things aren't as simple with a slightly dubious king and no development. I feel I started losing some control.''' 'Objektiv gesehen habe ich hier vermutlich riesigen Vorteil, aber in der praktischen Partie sind, bei leicht heiklem König und keiner Entwicklung, die Dinge nicht so einfach. Ich bekam das Gefühl, etwas die Kontrolle zu verlieren. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Objektiv gesehen habe ich hier vermutlich riesigen Vorteil, aber in der praktischen Partie sind, bei leicht heiklem König und keiner Entwicklung, die Dinge nicht so einfach. Ich bekam das Gefühl, etwas die Kontrolle zu verlieren.''' 25.Qc5 Qf6 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'A sudden switch to the kingside. Carlsen is working very hard to keep counterplay.

"" 26.Bg2 Giri,Anish: '?'''(Giri: A machine move, but once I made it I started to regret it a lot. Somehow it feels too slow.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: A machine move, but once I made it I started to regret it a lot. Somehow it feels too slow.)'''' ' 'A machine-move, but once I had made it I started to regret it a lot. Somehow it feels too slow. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'A machine-move, but once I had made it I started to regret it a lot. Somehow it feels too slow. '" 'Ein Maschienenzug, aber sobald ich ihn gemacht

hatte, begann ich, ihn sehr zu bereuen. Irgendwie fühlt es sich zu langsam an. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Ein Maschienenzug, aber sobald ich ihn gemacht hatte, begann ich, ihn sehr zu bereuen. Irgendwie fühlt es sich zu langsam an.''' ('ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:'''' *26.Bf1* Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?' '!?' Vigorito, D: 'would allow the possibility of Ba6.' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'is even more of a machine move, as now I'm not even threatening to develop my knight. For example, Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'is even more of a machine move, as now I'm not even threatening to develop my knight. For example,''' Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'would allow the possibility of Ba6.' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'is even more of a machine move, as now I'm not even threatening to develop my knight. For example, Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'is even more of a machine move, as now I'm not even threatening to develop my knight. For example,''' Vigorito, D: 'would allow the possibility of Ba6." 'is an even more machine-move as now I don't even threaten to develop my knight. For example ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'is an even more machine-move as now I don't even threaten to develop my knight. For example''"ist sogar noch maschinenmäßiger, denn jetzt drohe ich nicht einmal, meinen Springer zu entwickeln. Zum Beispiel ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'ist sogar noch maschinenmäßiger, denn jetzt drohe ich nicht einmal, meinen Springer zu entwickeln. Zum Beispiel''' *Rfb7* 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'and now I have Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'and now I have'''' 'now I have ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'now I have''' ', und jetzt habe ich ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: ', und jetzt habe ich''' *27.Ba6* Giri,Anish: '!' *Na4 28.Qa5* Giri,Anish: '!''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: '!''' *Rxb3+ 29.axb3 Rxb3+ 30.Kc2* ChessBase: 'y las negras están muy bien en Krogius,N-Spassky, B Tbilisi 1959'ChessBase: 'Topalov jugó contra Paco dos veces en la citada final' *30...Rb2+ 31.Kd1 Rxf2 32.Be2* Giri,Anish: '!''ChessBase, chessvibes &

Giri: 'and Black runs out of resources. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'and Black runs out of resources.''''and Black runs out of resources. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'and Black runs out of resources.''' 'und Schwarz gehen die Mittel aus. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'und Schwarz gehen die Mittel aus.''') 26...Rfb7 Giri,Anish: '!'''(Giri: I now started to feel pretty uncomfortable and disappointed about the course of the game and decided to try and keep the situation under control. My feeling was right, as after my extremely awkward last move all my advantage had gone and the game was becoming pretty random.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: I now started to feel pretty uncomfortable and disappointed about the course of the game and decided to try and keep the situation under control. My feeling was right, as after my extremely awkward last move all my advantage had gone and the game was becoming pretty random.)'''' ' ChessBase: '!' 'Now I started to feel pretty uncomfortable and disappointed about the course of the game and I decided to try to keep control of the situation. My feeling was right indeed as after my absolutely awkward last move all my advantage is gone and the game is becoming pretty random. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Now I started to feel pretty uncomfortable and disappointed about the course of the game and I decided to try to keep control of the situation. My feeling was right indeed as after my absolutely awkward last move all my advantage is gone and the game is becoming pretty random.''' ChessBase: 'esta jugada no sería posible de haber forzado b6 con 24.Td5' 'Jetzt begann ich, mich ziemlich unwohl zu fühlen und enttäuscht über den Lauf der Partie, und ich beschloss zu versuchen, die Situation unter Kontrolle zu behalten. Mein Gefühl war in der Tat berechtigt, denn nach meinem absolut scheußlichen letzten Zug ist mein fanzer Vorteil futsch, und die Partie wird ziemlich zufällig. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'Jetzt begann ich, mich ziemlich unwohl zu fühlen und enttäuscht über den Lauf der Partie, und ich

beschloss zu versuchen, die Situation unter Kontrolle zu behalten. Mein Gefühl war in der Tat berechtigt, denn nach meinem absolut scheußlichen letzten Zug ist mein fanzer Vorteil futsch, und die Partie wird ziemlich zufällig.'"

D2b31) Giri,Anish: 'Still' 27.Bf1 Giri,Anish: 'is possible';

D2b32) Giri,Anish: 'In a 'win at all costs' encounter, he might perhaps have played it differently.' 27.Ne2 Giri,Anish: '!' Giri,Anish: 'finally gets the rook into play.'

D2b321) Giri,Anish: 'Then the wild sacrificial lines do not quite seem to work. For example,' 27...Nd7 Giri,Anish: '?!' 28.Qa5 Bxb3 29.axb3 Rxb3+ 30.Ka1 Giri,Anish: ', and White's queen is on a good square, protecting any attacks against the king.';

D2b322) Giri,Anish: 'Or, apparently more dangerously,' 27...Na4 Giri,Anish: '?!' 28.Qa5 Bxb3 29.axb3 Rxb3+ 30.Kc2 Rxf3 *(30...Nc3 31.Nxc3 Rb2+ 32.Kd1* Giri,Anish: 'does not work; a later Nd5 will cover the d-file'*)* 31.Qd5+ Kh8 32.Bxa7 Giri,Anish: '. Now the attempted perpetual, with' Rc8+ *(* Giri,Anish: 'instead,' *32...Rd8 33.Qxd8+ Qxd8 34.Bxf3* Giri,Anish: 'wins the queen for Black, but is far too expensive, with two rooks plus a bishop in return'*)* 33.Kb1 Rb8+ Giri,Anish: ', runs out of pieces for Black, after' 34.Bxb8 Qb6+ 35.Kc2 Giri,Anish: ', and White, as well as the major pieces, has three minor pieces which between them help cover any gaps in his defence.';

D2b323) Giri,Anish: 'Black does not of course have to throw away his pieces.' 27...a5 Giri,Anish: 'adds to the pressure with the pawn, and it would be extremely unwise for White to open up the a-file by taking the pawn. White can try to claim a slight edge with' 28.Qc3 a4 29.b4 Rc8 30.Bc5 Giri,Anish: ', and the battle continues. Possibly Black then plays' Qf7 *(* Giri,Anish: 'rather than' *30...Nd7 31.Ka1*

Giri,Anish: ', with an edge to White'*)* 31.Ka1 Giri,Anish: '!?' *(31.a3 Nd7* Giri,Anish: 'is now about equal'*)* 31...Bxa2 32.Qxe5 Bc4 33.Nf4 Giri,Anish: '. White's king looks at first to be far too open to be comfortable, but he has excellent control of the dark squares, and Black's a-pawn blocks any checks on the file. White still looks better after' Nd7 34.Qd4 Nxc5 35.bxc5 Giri,Anish: ', but it is understandable enough for Giri that he was happy enough with a clear draw. The tactics looked complicated and unpredictable, and he would very much have wanted to keep his plus score against Carlsen. He has, after all, a career reputation to protect.';

D2b324) 27...--;

D2b33) 27.Ka1 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri admitted that he was scared of losing this position, and that a couple of moves later, he saw the repetition that got played, but that by this stage he was not too worried, as he would be safe enough for a draw.""

D2b331) 'Vigorito, D: 'Black looks to have enough play after' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:"" 27...a5 Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?' '!?' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'would have been a painful blow. Most likely I would have tried to chicken out with Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'would have been a painful blow. Most likely I would have tried to chicken out with''' Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'would have been a painful blow. Most likely I would have tried to chicken out with Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'would have been a painful blow. Most likely I would have tried to chicken out with'''' 'would have been a painful blow. I would have most likely tried to chicken out with ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'would have

been a painful blow. I would have most likely tried to chicken out with'" 'wäre ein unangenehmer Schlag gewesen. Höchstwahrscheinlich hätte ich versucht, mit ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'wäre ein unangenehmer Schlag gewesen. Höchstwahrscheinlich hätte ich versucht, mit'" 28.Ne2 Giri,Anish: '!' ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'Las blancas no pueden ocupar la séptima fila con' *(28.Qxa5* Giri,Anish: '?' *Ra8)* 28...a4 ChessBase: '?' 29.b4 Giri,Anish: '!' ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'y las negras ganan.' ChessBase: 'Una alternativa interesante es' 29...Nd7 ChessBase: 'En una antigua partida de Boris Spassky las blancas continuaron' 30.Qc2 Rxb4 31.Rb1 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: ', which would probably have been quite smart. The position is balanced here. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: ', which would probably have been quite smart. The position is balanced here.'''' 'and that would probably be quite smart. Here the position is balanced. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'and that would probably be quite smart. Here the position is balanced. '" 'den Schwanz einzuziehen, und das wäre wahrscheinlich ziemlich clever gewesen. Hier ist die Stellung ausgeglichen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'den Schwanz einzuziehen, und das wäre wahrscheinlich ziemlich clever gewesen. Hier ist die Stellung ausgeglichen. '";

D2b332) 27...Nd7 Giri,Anish: '?''Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' '?!''Objectively a mistake, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though he probably missed my defence as well). Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'White is not too unhappy that the knight retreats, even though it opens up the sacrifice on the b-file.

ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Objectively a mistake, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though he probably missed my defence as well).'''' Vigorito, D: '?!''Objectively a mistake, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though he probably missed my defence as well). Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'White is not too unhappy that the knight retreats, even though it opens up the sacrifice on the b-file. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Objectively a mistake, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though he probably missed my defence as well).'''' 'A mistake objectively, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though himself he probably missed my defence as well). ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'A mistake objectively, but Magnus managed to bluff me (though himself he probably missed my defence as well).''' 'Objektiv ein Fehler, aber Magnus schaffte es, mich zu bluffen (wobei er selbst meine Verteidigung wahrscheinlich ebenfalls übersehen hatte). ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'Objektiv ein Fehler, aber Magnus schaffte es, mich zu bluffen (wobei er selbst meine Verteidigung wahrscheinlich ebenfalls übersehen hatte). '''

D2b3321)

'Vigorito, D: 'If White found' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: White had to find' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri: White had to find'''' 28.Qa3 Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: 'intending simply Ne2-c3, Black would have trouble finding play.' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Instead of this he allowed Magnus Carlsen to sacrifice a piece to force a perpetual and the game ended in a draw.''seemed too risky, but in fact it

appears I have a defence everywhere - Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Instead of this he allowed Magnus Carlsen to sacrifice a piece to force a perpetual and the game ended in a draw. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'seemed too risky, but in fact it appears I have a defence everywhere -'''' Vigorito, D: 'intending simply Ne2-c3, Black would have trouble finding play." 'seemed too risky, but in fact everywhere I seem to have a defence - ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'seemed too risky, but in fact everywhere I seem to have a defence - '" 'wirkte zu riskant, tatsächlich aber scheine ich überall eine Verteidigung zu haben - ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'wirkte zu riskant, tatsächlich aber scheine ich überall eine Verteidigung zu haben -'''a5 Giri,Anish: '!?''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Almost in time. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Almost in time."" 'It's almost in time. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'It's almost in time.''' 'Ist fast rechtzeitig. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Ist fast rechtzeitig.''' *(* ChessBase: 'En caso de' *28...Bxb3* Giri,Anish: 'Vigorito, D: '?' '?' '?'' *29.axb3 Rxb3 30.Qa2* Giri,Anish: '!''Vigorito, D: 'does not work.' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'I missed this detail, though I wasn't really looking for it as I was happy with the idea of pinning his bishop with my queen on the sixth rank. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'I missed this detail, though I wasn't really looking for it as I was happy with the idea of pinning his bishop with my queen on the sixth rank."" 'I missed this

detail. Though I wasn't really looking for it as I was happy with the idea of pinning his bishop with my queen on the sixth rank. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'I missed this detail. Though I wasn't really looking for it as I was happy with the idea of pinning his bishop with my queen on the sixth rank.''' 'Dieses Detail übersah ich. Allerdings suchte ich auch nicht direkt danach, denn ich war zufrieden mit der Idee, seinen Läufer mit meiner Dame auf der sechsten Reihe zu fesseln. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Dieses Detail übersah ich. Allerdings suchte ich auch nicht direkt danach, denn ich war zufrieden mit der Idee, seinen Läufer mit meiner Dame auf der sechsten Reihe zu fesseln.''') 29.Ne2 a4 30.Qxa4 ChessBase: 'las blancas estarían un poco mejor' ChessBase: 'Conducía a la igualdad total.' 30...Qd8 Giri,Anish: ''!''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'But now I have an incredible resource - Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'But now I have an incredible resource -'''' 'but now I have an incredible resource - ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'but now I have an incredible resource -''' ', aber jetzt habe ich eine unglaubliche Ressource - ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: ', aber jetzt habe ich eine unglaubliche Ressource -''' 31.Rc6 Giri,Anish: '!' Rb5 32.Rhc1 Ra5 33.Rc8 Giri,Anish: ''!''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'and White somehow ends up on top again. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'and White somehow ends up on top again.'''' 'and somehow White ends up on

top again. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'and somehow White ends up on top again.'' 'und irgendwie ist Weiß am Ende wieder obenauf. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'und irgendwie ist Weiß am Ende wieder obenauf.'";

D2b3322) 28.Qa5 Giri,Anish: '!' Giri, Anish: 'looks like the way to play for a win, but it is all highly complicated, and difficult to play when short of time.'

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Giri,Anish: 'The immediate tactical point is that if' 28...Bxb3 Giri,Anish: '?' 29.axb3 Rxb3 30.Bf1 Giri,Anish: '!' Giri,Anish: 'and the bishop is a splendid defender, with the threat of Bc4+, and extra coverage of any potential rook pins on a6.';

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Giri,Anish: 'Instead,' 28...Rb5 Giri,Anish: ', then' 29.Qxa7 Giri,Anish: '!' Giri, Anish: 'is frightening to think about, for White, but if he can hold the king, he should be able to win. If' Qd8 30.Qc7 Qf8 31.Bh3 Giri,Anish: '!' Giri,Anish: '(another good bishop counterattack)' Qa3 32.Bxe6+ Nxe6 33.Qc4 Kh8 34.Ne2 Rxb3 35.Rb1 Ndc5 *(35...Rb2* Giri,Anish: '?' Giri, Anish: 'loses immediately, after' *36.Qxe6* Giri,Anish: '; an interesting optical illusion' *)* 36.Bxc5 Rxb1+ 37.Rxb1 Rxb1+ 38.Kxb1 Nxc5 39.Nc3 Giri,Anish: ', and White should win the queen and knight ending a pawn up.

So was Giri actually winning, and was it another Carlsen escape? It seems like it.';

D2b33223) 28...--;

D2b3323) 28.Qd6 Giri,Anish:

'?''Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' '?!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Again, Giri is highly conscious that if there is the slightest error, his position could easily collapse. He opted for caution. In particular, he wanted to keep that bishop pinned for as long as possible, to reduce any dangers of sacrifices on b3.''' Vigorito, D: '?!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Again, Giri is highly conscious that if there is the slightest error, his position could easily collapse. He opted for caution. In particular, he wanted to keep that bishop pinned for as long as possible, to reduce any dangers of sacrifices on b3.'''' 28...Ne8 Giri,Anish: '?''(Giri: Magnus could already have taken on b3, or played a5, but the blindness continued as we still didn't see this Qa3-a2 idea.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Magnus could already have taken on b3, or played a5, but the blindness continued as we still didn't see this Qa3-a2 idea.)'''' ' 'Magnus could have already taken on b3, or have played a5, but we still didn't see this ♕a3-a2 idea so the blindness continued.

ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Magnus could have already taken on b3, or have played a5, but we still didn't see this ♕a3-a2 idea so the blindness continued.''' 'Magnus hätte bereits auf b3 schlagen oder a5 spielen können, aber wir beide sahen noch immer nicht diese ♕a3-a2-Idee; die Blindheit hielt also an.

ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Magnus hätte bereits auf b3 schlagen oder a5 spielen können,

aber wir beide sahen noch immer nicht diese ♕a3-a2-Idee; die Blindheit hielt also an.
"" *(* Giri,Anish: 'Already' *28...Bxb3* Giri,Anish: '!' Giri, Anish: 'is possible.' *29.Qxf6 Nxf6 30.axb3 Rxb3 31.Rc2 Rb1+ 32.Ka2 R1b5* Giri,Anish: 'and White seems to have nothing better than' *33.Ka1)*

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'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:''''29.Qa3 Giri,Anish: '!' ChessBase: 'y las blancas eluden todo peligro tras el cambio de damas. Ambos Grandes Maestros acordaron tablas. Anand ha luchado por la victoria exprimiendo todas la posibilidaes que ofrecia la posición y sin eludir en ningún momento el riesgo -así son los campeones de mundo.- pero Paco ha estado a la altura de las circunstancias y casi sin tiempo a desplegado un juego brillante.' ChessBase: 'lapartida pudo haber continuado así' 29...a5 *(29...Bxb3 30.axb3* ChessBase: 'Era una posibilidad, en la posición resultante es dificil valorar que peones pasados valen más. ' ChessBase: 'era muy interesante la sutil' *30...Rxb3* ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'y contra' *31.Qa2)* 30.Ne2 a4 31.Qxa4 Nb6 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Black has compensation, but it shouldn't be enough. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Black has compensation, but it shouldn't be enough.'''' 'Black has compensation but it shouldn't be enough. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Black has compensation but it shouldn't be

enough.''' 'Schwarz hat Kompensation, sie sollte allerdings nicht ausreichen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Schwarz hat Kompensation, sie sollte allerdings nicht ausreichen.'" 32.Bxb6 Rxb6 33.Rc6 Bxb3 ChessBase: 'y tablas' 34.Rxf6 Bxa4 35.Rxb6 Rxb6 36.Nc3;

D2b33232) 29.Qa6 Giri,Anish: '?!'"(CV: ? 29.Qa3 and White is a healthy pawn up.) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '?!' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(CV: ? 29.Qa3 and White is a healthy pawn up.)"" '

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'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:''''29...Nc7 Giri,Anish: '!?''ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'was my main fear, and actually my intuition is supported by my computer, which still needs a lot of time to realize what's what. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'was my main fear, and actually my intuition is supported by my computer, which still needs a lot of time to realize what's what.'''' 'was my main fear. And actually my intuition is being supported by my computer which still needs a lot of time to realise what is what. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'was my main fear. And actually my intuition is being supported by my computer which still needs a lot of time to realise what is what.''' 'war meine größte Befürchtung. Und tatsächlich wird meine Intuition von meinem Computer gestützt, der nach wie vor eine Menge Zeit braucht, um zu

begreifen, was Sache ist. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'war meine größte Befürchtung. Und tatsächlich wird meine Intuition von meinem Computer gestützt, der nach wie vor eine Menge Zeit braucht, um zu begreifen, was Sache ist.''' 30.Qd6 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'I was trying to see whether this forces a draw, and it seems it does. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'I was trying to see whether this forces a draw, and it seems it does.''''' 'I was trying to see whether this one forces a draw and it seems that it does. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'I was trying to see whether this one forces a draw and it seems that it does.''' 'Ich versuchte zu sehen, ob dies ein Remis forciert, und offenbar ist es so. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Ich versuchte zu sehen, ob dies ein Remis forciert, und offenbar ist es so.''' *(30.Qa5 Bxb3; 30.Qa4 Rb4 31.Qc6* ChessBase: '!' *Qe7)* 30...Nb5 ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'de nuevo Anand esquiva la repetición de jugadas.' *(30...Bxb3* Giri,Anish: '!' *31.Qxd7 Qf7* Giri,Anish: '!!' ChessBase: 'La posición ha dado un vuelco,: el ataque al rey pasa a ser el factor que puede decidir la partida.'*)* 31.Qa6 Nd4 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: ', to avoid a repetition, but now I get a tempo. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: ', to avoid a repetition, but now I get a tempo.'''' 'to avoid repetition but now I get a tempo ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri:

'Giri,Anish: 'to avoid repetition but now I get a tempo'" 'um die Wiederholung zu vermeiden, aber nun bekomme ich ein Tempo. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'um die Wiederholung zu vermeiden, aber nun bekomme ich ein Tempo.''' 32.Bh3 Giri,Anish: '!' Rb6 33.Bxe6+ Qxe6 ChessBase: 'la carrera de peones está servida, el peón a tiene evidente peligro, pero....' 34.Qc4 Nxb3+ 35.axb3 Qxc4 36.Rxc4 ChessBase: 'las blancas también tienen un peligroso elemento en f6' Rxb3 ChessBase: 'Vallejo tiene menos de un minuto en el reloj' 37.Rc2 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'with the same drawish motif. Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'with the same drawish motif. "" 'with the same drawish motif. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'with the same drawish motif.''' 'mit demselben Remismotiv. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'mit demselben Remismotiv.'";

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29...Bxb3

Giri,Anish: '!?''Vigorito, D: '!' '!' '!' Vigorito, D: 'Carlsen grabs his second chance. ''(CV: ! This trick forces a draw instantly.) (Giri: I wasn't too upset about this, as I actually already saw some draws arising in other lines.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'This was an escape by Carlsen, rather than an escape by Giri. The position is now drawn. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(CV: ! This trick forces a draw instantly.) (Giri: I wasn't too upset

about this, as I actually already saw some draws arising in other lines.)"" Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Carlsen grabs his second chance. ''(CV: ! This trick forces a draw instantly.) (Giri: I wasn't too upset about this, as I actually already saw some draws arising in other lines.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'This was an escape by Carlsen, rather than an escape by Giri. The position is now drawn. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '!?' ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(CV: ! This trick forces a draw instantly.) (Giri: I wasn't too upset about this, as I actually already saw some draws arising in other lines.)'''' ' 'I wasn't too upset about it, as I was actually already seeing some sort of draw arising in other lines. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'I wasn't too upset about it, as I was actually already seeing some sort of draw arising in other lines.'" 'Das regte mich nicht sonderlich auf, denn ich sah bereits eine Art von Remis, wie es in anderen Abspielen entsteht. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Das regte mich nicht sonderlich auf, denn ich sah bereits eine Art von Remis, wie es in anderen Abspielen entsteht.''' 30.Qxf6 Nexf6 "(Giri: Initially I thought I was better in this endgame due to my two bishops, but after a long think I realized that wasn't really the case, so I decided that was enough fun for one day.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Initially I thought I was better in this

endgame due to my two bishops, but after a long think I realized that wasn't really the case, so I decided that was enough fun for one day.)'''' ' 'Initially I was thinking I am better in this endgame due to my two bishops but after a long think I realised that it's not really the case and so I decided that it has been enough fun. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Initially I was thinking I am better in this endgame due to my two bishops but after a long think I realised that it's not really the case and so I decided that it has been enough fun.'" 'Anfänglich meinte ich, in diesem Endspiel aufgrund meiner zwei Läufer besser zu stehen, aber nach langem Nachdenken begriff ich, dass dies nicht wirklich der Fall ist, und daher beschloss ich, dass es genug Spaß gewesen war. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Anfänglich meinte ich, in diesem Endspiel aufgrund meiner zwei Läufer besser zu stehen, aber nach langem Nachdenken begriff ich, dass dies nicht wirklich der Fall ist, und daher beschloss ich, dass es genug Spaß gewesen war. "" 31.axb3 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'White's kingside pieces are too far behind in development to have any realistic attempt to play for a win, by not taking the bishop. "" *(* 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:'''' *31.Nh3* ChessBase: '!?' ChessBase: 'Anand no repite jugadas, la ventaja de tiempo en una posición de desequilibrio material justifica este intento de

ganar una partida que seguramente debe estar igualada' *Be6 32.Rb1 Rxb1+ 33.Rxb1* ChessBase: 'Las negras siguen arriesgando, ahora las blancas logran activar la torre y la posición se agudiza.' *Rc8* Giri,Anish: '!'; 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:"" *31.Rb1 Be6 32.Ne2 Kg7 33.Rxb7* ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'entragando el peón de h6 para concentar toda la fuerza de sus piezas contra los peones del flanco de dama blanco' *Rxb7 34.Rb1 Nb6* 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'and I'd have problems meeting moves like Rc7 and Rd7, threatening to enter on the second rank. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'and I'd have problems meeting moves like Rc7 and Rd7, threatening to enter on the second rank. "" 'and I will have problems to answer ...♖c7 and ...♖d7 kind of moves, threatening to enter the second rank. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'and I will have problems to answer ...♖c7 and ...♖d7 kind of moves, threatening to enter the second rank.'" 'und ich werde Probleme haben, Züge wie ...♖c7 und ...♖d7 zu beantworten, die drohen, die zweite Reihe zu besetzen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'und ich werde Probleme haben, Züge wie ...♖c7 und ...♖d7 zu beantworten, die drohen, die zweite Reihe zu besetzen.'" *)* 31...Rxb3 32.Rc2 Rb1+ ChessBase: 'Anand mantiene una importante ventaja de tiempo 12 mn. contra 4 mn.' 33.Ka2 R1b4 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri:

'Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'And it's time for a repetition. "" 34.Ka1 *(* Giri,Anish: 'White cannot play Vigorito, D: 'White cannot play'' *34.Rc3* Giri,Anish: '?' *Rb2+ 35.Ka3 Rxf2)* 34...Rb1+ ''(Giri: Neither of us can really deviate.) Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: Neither of us can really deviate.)"" ' 'Neither of us can really deviate. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Neither of us can really deviate.''' 'Keiner von uns kann wirklich abweichen. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Keiner von uns kann wirklich abweichen. '" 35.Ka2 R1b4 36.Ka1 ½-½ (36) Grube,J (2720)-Molina,R (2861) England 2013''(Giri: It's always fun with Magnus :)) Giri, Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: '(Giri: It's always fun with Magnus :))'''' ' CBM 89 [Gonzalez Perez, A] 'It's always fun with Magnus. :) ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'It's always fun with Magnus. :)''' 'Mit Magnus macht es immer Spaß. :) ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Mit Magnus macht es immer Spaß. :)'"] ['ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri: Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'Giri:'''' 9.exf5 Giri,Anish: '!?"ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'is also very challenging, as now after Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'is also very challenging, as now after'"'is also very challenging, now after ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'is also very challenging, now after'"'ist ebenfalls recht anspruchsvoll; jetzt kann nach ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'ist ebenfalls recht anspruchsvoll; jetzt kann nach'" gxf5 10.0-0-0 'ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'White can prepare g4 one day. The play is somewhat more dynamic here. Giri,Anish: 'Colin Crouch: 'White can prepare g4 one day. The play is somewhat more dynamic here.'''' 'White can prepare g4 one day. The

play is somewhat more dynamic here. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri, Anish: 'White can prepare g4 one day. The play is somewhat more dynamic here.'" 'Weiß eines Tages g4 vorbereiten. Hier ist das Spiel etwas dynamischer. ChessBase, chessvibes & Giri: 'Giri,Anish: 'Weiß eines Tages g4 vorbereiten. Hier ist das Spiel etwas dynamischer.'"

A) 10...Na6 11.Bd3 Nc5 12.Bc2 a5 13.Nge2 Bd7 14.Rhg1 a4 15.a3 Qf6

A1) 16.Kb1 Rae8 *(16...b6 17.Rde1 Rae8 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Bxa4 Bxa4 20.Nxa4 e4 21.f4 Qg6 22.Qe3 Nf6 23.h3 Nd7 24.g4 Rb8 25.Ka2 Kh8 26.Rg2 Nb6 27.Nxb6 Rxb6 28.b3 Qf6 29.Qc1 e3 30.gxf5 Rxb3 31.Rxg7 Rfb8 32.Nc3 Rxc3* 0-1 (32) cubanito2002 (2664)-Ramil_Faizrakhmanov (2615) Blitz 2020*)* 17.Rde1 f4 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Ne4 Qe7 20.N2c3 Nf6 21.Bxa4 Nxe4 22.fxe4 Bxa4 23.Nxa4 b6 24.Ref1 Qh4 25.h3 Rf6 26.Nc3 Rg6 27.Rf3 Kh8 28.Nb5 Re7 29.Qf2 Bf6 30.g4 fxg3 31.Rgxg3 Qxe4+ 32.Qc2 Qxc2+ 33.Kxc2 Kg7 34.d6 cxd6 35.Nxd6 Re6 36.Ne4 Bh4 37.Rg4 Rxg4 38.hxg4 Rg6 39.Rf5 Rxg4 40.Rxe5 Bf6 41.Re6 Rg2+ 42.Kd3 Bxb2 43.Rxb6 Bxa3 44.Nd6 h5 45.Nf5+ Kf7 46.Ke4 Bb2 47.Kf3 Rc2 48.Rh6 Rxc4 49.Nd6+ Kg7 50.Nxc4 Kxh6 51.Nxb2 c4 52.Nxc4 h4 53.Kg4 h3 54.Kxh3 ½-½ (54) cubanito2002 (2672)-Ramil_Faizrakhmanov (2607) Blitz 2020;

A2) 16.g4 fxg4 17.fxg4 Nf4 18.Rdf1 Nxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Qh4 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Bf5 Be8 22.Ne4 b6 23.Kb1 Bg6 24.Rf3 Bh6 25.Ng3 Bf4 26.Bxg6 hxg6 27.Ne4 Kg7 28.h3 Rf7 29.Rgf1 Raf8 30.Qd3 g5 31.Ka2 Qh6 32.Qc2 Qg6 33.Qe2 Kh7 34.Ka1 Kg8 35.Ka2 c6 36.Kb1 b5 37.d6 bxc4 38.Qxc4 Kg7 39.Ka2 Rd8 40.Nxc5 Rxd6 41.Qxa4 Rd2 42.Qb3 Kh6 43.Rd3 Rxd3 44.Qxd3 Qf6 45.Qe4 Qd6 46.Nb3 Qd5 47.Rf3 Qxe4 48.Rc3 Qd5 49.Kb1 Rb7 50.Nc5 Rb5 51.b4 e4 52.Kc2 e3 53.Nd3 Qe4 54.Rc4 Qxc4+ 55.Kd1 Qxd3+ 56.Ke1 Qd2+ 57.Kf1 Qf2# 0-1 (57) cubanito2002 (2680)-Ramil_Faizrakhmanov (2599) Blitz 2020;

B) 10...Nd7 11.Bd3 a6 12.Nge2 Nc5 13.Bc2 b5 14.b4 *(14.g4 Nf4 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.Bxf4 fxg4 17.fxg4 b4 18.Ne4 b3 19.axb3 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Rb8 21.Bc2 Qf6 22.Qd3 Qxf4+ 23.Rd2 Rf7 24.Qxh7+ Kf8 25.Re1 Bxb2+ 26.Kxb2 Rxh7 27.Rde2 Rf7* 0-1 (27) MaLeKkoNihli (2657)-Revan_2002 (2626) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nd7 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bb3 Nb6 17.Nxb5 Ba6 18.Nec3 Qd7 19.a4 Bxb5 20.axb5 Ra3 21.Kb2 Rfa8 22.Ra1 Rxa1 23.Rxa1 Rxa1 24.Kxa1 Nf4 25.g3 Ng6 26.Kb1 f4 27.Bxb6 cxb6 28.g4 e4 29.Nxe4 Qxb5 30.Nxd6 Qf1+ 31.Bd1 Ne5 32.Nf5 Qc4 33.Nxg7 Kxg7 34.d6 Nd7 35.Bc2 Kf8 36.Kb2 b5 37.Bxh7 Nb6 38.Bc2

Ke8 39.Bb3 Qf1 40.d7+ Kd8 41.g5 Qg1 42.h4 Nxd7 43.Be6 1-0 (43) AgressiveMode (2735)-MassterofMayhem (2672) Blitz 2021]

9...Nd7 10.Nge2 Ndf6

[10...Nc5 11.Bc2 fxe4 12.Nxe4 Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Nf4 14.Nc3 Bh6 15.0-0-0 g5 16.h4 Bf5 17.g3 Bxe4 18.Nxe4 Ng6 19.hxg5 Bg7 20.Rdf1 Qd7 21.g4 Qa4 22.b3 Qd7 23.Ng3 b5 24.c5 dxc5 25.Bxc5 Rf4 26.Nh5 Rd8 27.Nxf4 Nxf4 28.Rd1 Qf7 29.Qc2 Ng6 30.Qf5 Qe8 31.Qe6+ Qxe6 32.dxe6 Re8 33.Rd7 Rxe6 34.Rxc7 e4 35.f4 Nxf4 36.Rc8+ Kf7 37.Rf1 e3 38.Rxf4+ Kg6 39.Rf1 e2 40.Re1 Bc3 41.Rg8+ Kf7 42.Rf8+ Kg7 43.Rxe2 Be1 44.Rxe6 1-0 (44) edgelorde (2724)-JuleVerne (2660) Blitz 2021]

[10...a6 11.0-0 f4 12.Bf2 g5 13.b4 Nhf6 14.g4 h5 15.h3 hxg4 16.hxg4 Nxg4 17.fxg4 Nf6 18.c5 Bxg4 19.cxd6 cxd6 20.Na4 Bh3 21.Bb6 Qd7 22.Nec3 Qg4+ 23.Kh1 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Kf7 25.Qg2 Rh8+ 26.Kg1 Qh5 27.Bf2 g4 28.Bg3 Ke7 29.Nb6 Raf8 30.Bxf4 exf4 31.Rxf4 Nd7 32.Rxf8 Rxf8 33.Nxd7 Kxd7 34.Ne2 Be5 35.Ng3 Bd4+ 0-1 (35) MaLeKkoNihli (2618)-MassterofMayhem (2689) Blitz 2021]

11.0-0-0 a6 12.Kb1 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Bxe4 b5 15.c5 Bf5 16.Ng3 Bxe4+ 17.Nxe4 Nf4 18.cxd6 cxd6 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Rxc8 Qxc8 21.Rc1 Qd7 22.Rc6 1-0 (22) CaliforniaBeaST (2838)-MassterofMayhem (2668) Blitz 2023

7...a5 8.Qd2 Na6

[8...Nh5 9.0-0-0 Na6 10.h4 Nc5 11.Be2 f5 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.Nb5 Qf7 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Be3 b6 16.Nh3 f4 17.Bxc5 bxc5 18.Ng5 Qe7 19.Bd3 h6 20.Ne4 Bf5 21.Kb1 Bxe4 22.Bxe4 Ng3 23.Rhf1 Nxf1 24.Rxf1 Qxh4 25.Nxc7 Ra7 26.Ne6 Rb8 27.Bc2 e4 28.b3 e3 29.Qd3 Be5 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.g4 e2 32.Rg1 e1Q+ 33.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 0-1 (33) Knightindiandefence (2617)-McManow (2631) Blitz 2021]

9.Bd3

[9.Be2 c6 10.0-0-0 cxd5 11.cxd5 Nc5 12.h4 h5 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.Bb5 Bd7 15.a4 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 c4 17.Ne2 Nd7 18.Nec3 Nc5 19.Kb1 f5 20.g4 fxg4 21.fxg4 Rf4 22.gxh5 gxh5 23.Qe2 Rg4 24.Qxc4 Rc8 25.Qe2 Qd7 26.Rdg1 Nb3 27.Rxg4 hxg4 28.Rg1 Nd4 29.Qxg4 Qxg4 30.Rxg4 Kf7 31.d6 Rd8 32.Nd5 Bf8 33.Rg5 Nxb5 34.axb5 Bxd6 35.Rf5+ Ke6 36.Rf6+ Kd7 37.h5 Rh8 38.h6 Rh7 39.Rg6 Bf8 40.Nf6+ Ke6 41.Nxh7+ Kf7 42.Nxf8 1-0 (42) hesenlinna (2645)-Juve2020 (2590) Blitz 2021]

9...c6 10.Nge2 Nh5

[10...Nc5 11.Bc2 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.0-0 b5 14.a3 Qc7 15.b4 Na6 16.Rab1 Rfc8 17.Bd3 axb4 18.axb4 Qb7 19.Rfc1 Ne8 20.Na2 Nec7 21.Rc2 Rab8 22.Rbc1 Na8 23.Rxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rxc8+ Qxc8 25.Qc3 Qb7 26.Nec1 Nb6 27.Nb3 Na4 28.Qc2 h5 29.Na5 Qa8 30.Nc6 Qb7 31.Qe2 Nc7 32.Na5 Qb8 33.Qc2 Kh7 34.Nc3 Bh6 35.Bf2 Na6 36.Nc6 Bxc6 37.dxc6 Nxb4 38.Qb3 Nxd3 39.Qxf7+ Bg7 40.Nd5 Nxf2 41.Kxf2 Kh8 42.c7 Qa7+ 43.Kg3 Qa8 44.Ne7 Nb6 45.Qxg6 h4+ 46.Kxh4 Qf8 47.Qh5+ Bh6 48.Ng6+ 1-0 (48) alexkaspi (2600)-leopslr (2554) Blitz 2022]

11.g4 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Nc5 14.Be2 f5 15.dxc6 fxe4 16.Qxd6 exf3 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Bf1 bxc6 19.Be3 Rb8 20.Rd1 Rxd1+ 21.Nxd1 Na4 22.b3 Nc3 23.Nxc3 Bxc3+ 24.Kf2 Bxg4 25.Bd3 Rd8 26.Be4 c5 27.h3 Bh5 28.Bd5+ Kg7 29.Bxc5 Re8 30.Be3 Bf6 31.h4 Be5 32.Bxf3 Rf8 33.Rh3 Bg4 0-1 (33) xxysoul6 (2827)-JuleVerne (2714) Blitz 2021

7...b6 8.g4 c5 9.h4 h6 10.Qd2

[10.Be2 Bb7 11.Qd2 h5 12.Bg5 Qc8 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.0-0-0 Nd7 15.gxh5 gxh5 16.Nb5 Qb8 17.Nh3 Kh7 18.Rdg1 a6 19.Rg5 Bxg5 20.Qxg5 Rg8 21.Qxh5+ Kg7 22.Ng5 Nf6 23.Qxf7+ Kh6 24.Qxf6+ Rg6 25.Nf7+ Kh7 26.Qf5 Qc8 27.Ng5+ Kh6 28.Nxd6 Qf8 29.Ndf7+ Qxf7 30.Nxf7+ Kg7 31.h5 Rg2 32.h6+ Kg8 33.h7+ Kg7 34.Nxe5 Bc8 35.h8Q# 1-0 (35) AlphaZero_Komodo (2685)-Boris-Trapsky (2247) Rapid 2021]

10...h5 11.Bg5 hxg4 12.fxg4 Bxg4 13.Qg2 Nbd7 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Ngxe2 Qb8 16.h5 b5 17.h6 b4 18.hxg7 Kxg7 19.Bh6+ Kg8 20.Nd1 b3 21.a3 Rd8 22.Ne3 Qb7 23.Nf5 Nh7 24.Ne7+ Kh8 25.Bg5 Kg7 26.Rxh7+ Kf8 27.Rh8+ Kg7 28.Nf5+ gxf5 29.Bh6+ Kxh8

[29...Kf6 30.Qg5# 1-0 (30) AlphaZero_Komodo (2692)-Boris-Trapsky (2240) Rapid 2021]

30.Qg7# 1-0 (30) chessishard4you (2743)-Boris-Trapsky (2402) Rapid 2022

7...c5 8.Qd2 a6 9.Nge2

[9.a4 b6 10.g4 h5 11.g5 Ne8 12.h4 Kh7 13.Bd3 f5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Bxf5 gxf5 16.0-0-0 Kg6 17.Nge2 Nd7 18.Ng3 Nc7 19.Qe2 f4 20.Qd3+ Kf7 21.Nxh5 fxe3 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.Nxg7 Kxg7 24.Qxe3 Rf4 25.h5 Raf8 26.Rh3 b5 27.h6+ Kg6 28.h7 Rh8 29.Rh6+ Kg7 30.Rdh1 bxc4 31.Qd2 Ne8 32.Qc2 Qf7 33.Qxc4 Rxf3 34.Qxa6 Qf4+ 35.Nd2 Rf2 36.Rd1 Qxg5 37.Rxd6 Nxd6 38.Qxd6 Nf8 39.Qxc5 Rxd2 40.Rxd2 Rxh7 41.d6 Rh2 42.Qc7+ Kg8 43.Qc3 Qg1+ 44.Kc2 Qg6+ 45.Kb3 Rxd2 46.Qxd2 Qe6+ 47.Ka3 Nd7 48.Qg2+ Kf8 49.Qb7 Qxd6+ 50.Qb4 Nc5 51.b3 Kf7 52.a5 Qd5 53.Qb8 Nd3 54.Qa7+ Kf6 55.Qb6+ Kf5 56.Qb4 Nxb4 57.Kxb4 Qa8 0-1 (57) Knightindiandefence (2707)-SsULTANOvV (2561) Blitz 2021]

9...Ne8

[9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nxb5 Ba6 12.Nec3 Nbd7 13.Nxd6 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 Qa5 15.Kf2 Qa6 16.Ndb5 Rfb8 17.Nc7 Qb7 18.Nxa8 Qxa8 19.Rfb1 Ne8 20.Qe2 Nd6 21.b3 f5 22.a3 Qa5 23.b4 cxb4 24.axb4 Qc7 25.Rc1 Qd8 26.Bc5 Qh4+ 27.Kg1 Bf8 28.Ra7 Nf6 29.Ra6 Rd8 30.Bf2 Qg5 31.Be3 Qh4 32.Bf2 Qg5 33.Raa1 fxe4 34.fxe4 Ng4 35.b5 Rb8 36.b6 Nxf2 37.Qxf2 Nc4 38.Na4 Bh6 39.Rxc4 Rf8 40.Qxf8+ Bxf8 41.b7 1-0 (41) OUT-knock123 (2660)-NoahSkyler (2563) Blitz 2022]

10.g4 f5 11.gxf5 gxf5 12.exf5 Qh4+ 13.Ng3 Rxf5 14.Nce4 h6 15.0-0-0 Rxf3 16.Be2 Rf4 17.Bxf4 exf4 18.Nh5 Be5 19.Rhg1+ Kf8 20.Nxf4 Bxf4 21.Rdf1 Ke7 22.Rxf4 Qxh2 23.Qe3 Kd8 24.Bf3 Qh3 25.Rh1 Qd7 26.Rxh6 Qe7 27.Rh8 Bd7 28.Bh5 Kc7 29.Rf7 Qe5 30.Rhh7 Kb6 31.Re7 1-0 (31) Cheparinov,I (2709)-Bounis,V (2253) Plovdiv BUL 2013

7...Nbd7 8.Qd2

[8.g4 a5 *(8...Nh5 9.gxh5 f5*

10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Nge2 f4 12.Bf2 Nf6 13.h4 Nh5 14.Bh3 Bxh3 15.Rxh3 Kh7 16.Kd2 a6 17.a4 Rb8 18.a5 c6 19.Kc2 c5 20.Rh1 b6 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.Qb1 Qb3+ 23.Kd2 Qxc4 24.Ra4 Qb3 25.Rxa6 Qxb2+ 26.Qxb2 Rxb2+ 27.Kc1 Rfb8 28.Rxd6 Bf8 29.Rc6 c4 30.Bc5 Bxc5 31.Rxc5 Ng3 32.Re1 R2b3 33.Rxc4 Ra3 34.Ra4 Nxe2+ 35.Rxe2 Rxc3+ 36.Rc2 Rxf3 37.Rc7+ Kh6 38.Raa7 Kh5 39.Rh7+ Kg4 40.h5 Rf1+ 41.Kd2 Rf2+ 42.Ke1 Kf3 43.Ra3+ Kg2 0-1 (43) K1_K1_K1_K1_K1 (2612)-SHORT21 (2625) Blitz 2023*)* 9.h4 Nc5 10.h5 gxh5 11.g5 Ne8 12.Rxh5 f5 13.Bh3 f4 14.Bxc8 Rxc8 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nd6 17.0-0-0 Qe8 18.Qh2 Qg6 19.Nge2 Nxc4 20.Rg1 Nd6 21.Rh6 Bxh6 22.gxh6 Rf6 23.Qh4 Rcf8 24.Rxg6+ Rxg6 25.Qe7 Nf7 26.Nb5 Rxh6 27.Nxc7 Rg6 28.Ne6 Ra8 29.a4 h5 30.d6 Nxd6 31.Ng5 1-0 (31) dudu666 (2627)-GreenFieldsPrince12 (2749) Blitz 2021]

8...Nc5 9.b4 Ncd7 10.Rc1 a5 11.a3 axb4 12.axb4 b6 13.Nge2 Nh5 14.Ng3 Nf4 15.Bd3 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Nxf5 e4 19.fxe4 Ne5 20.Qe2 Bxf5 21.exf5 Rxf5 22.Bf2 Qg5 23.0-0 Raf8 24.Ne4 Qg6 25.Bg3 Bh6 26.Rcd1 Ng4 27.h3 Ne3 28.Rxf5 Qxf5 29.Rd4 Qf1+ 30.Qxf1 Rxf1+ 31.Kh2 Rb1 32.h4 Nf1+ 33.Kh3 Rxb4 34.Nf6+ Kf7 35.Ng4 Nxg3 36.Nxh6+ Kg6 37.Ng4 Nf5 38.Rf4 Rb3+ 39.Kh2 Nxh4 40.Ne3 Rxe3 41.Rxh4 Re5 42.Rh3 Rg5 43.Rc3 Rf5 44.Rb3 Rf4 45.Ra3 Rxc4 46.Ra7 Rc5 47.Ra8 Rxd5 48.Rc8 b5 49.Rd8 Kf5 50.Rd7 Ke4 51.Rd8 Kd4 52.Re8 b4 53.Rb8 b3 54.Rb4+ Kc3 55.Rb8 1-0 (55) MaLeKkoNihli (2673)-oynakbeyy (2827) Blitz 2022

[101] **8.Bd3** cxd5

[8...Nh5 9.Nge2 cxd5 10.cxd5 f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.g4 fxg4 13.Qc2 gxf3 14.Bxh7+ Kh8 15.Ng3 Nf6 16.Bf5 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Qg6 Qh4 19.Nce4 Bf5 20.Qg5 Qxg5 21.Bxg5 Na6 22.Nxd6 Nb4 23.0-0 Bh3 24.Rf2 Nxd5 25.Re1 Nf4 26.Bxf4 Rxf4 27.Re3 Rd8 28.Nge4 Rxe4 29.Rxe4 Rxd6 30.Rh4+ Kg8 31.Rxh3 e4 32.Rf1 Rd2 33.Rh4 Bd4+ 34.Kh1 Re2 35.h3 Kf7 36.Rf4+ Ke6 37.b3 Ke5 38.Rf8 Kd5 39.Re8 Be5 40.Rd1+ Bd4 41.Rd8+ Ke5 42.R8xd4 Kf4 43.Rd5 Kg3 44.Rd8 Rh2+ 45.Kg1 Rg2+ 46.Kf1 Rf2+ 47.Kg1 Rg2+ 48.Kf1 Rf2+ 49.Ke1 Re2+ 50.Kf1 Rf2+ ½-½ (50) dmitry-lavrik (2634)-MilovanR (2622) Blitz 2021]

9.cxd5 Nbd7 10.Nge2 a6 11.0-0 h5 12.b4 h4 13.Qd2 Nh5 14.Rfc1 Bf6 15.Rc2 Kh7 16.Rac1 Rg8 17.Na4 g5 18.h3 Nf4 19.Rc7 Qe8 20.Nxf4 gxf4 21.Bxf4 exf4 22.e5+ Kh8 23.exf6 b5 24.Qxf4 1-0 (24) ChessElation94 (2755)-beast2020 (2655) Blitz 2025

[102] **8...cxd5** 9.cxd5 a6

[9...Nh5 10.0-0-0 f5 *(10...a6 11.g4 Nf4 12.Nge2 Nd7 13.Kb1 b5 14.Rc1 Rb8 15.h4 Nxe2 16.Bxe2 Nb6 17.h5 Bf6 18.g5 Bh8 19.Nd1 Bd7 20.Nf2 Qe7 21.b3 Rfc8 22.Qa5 Rc5 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Nd3 Nxd5 25.Nxc5 Nf4 26.Qc7 Re8 27.Bf1 Bc8 28.Qxe7 Rxe7 29.Nd3 Bb7 30.Nxf4 exf4 31.Bh3 Be5 32.Bc8 gxh5 33.Bxb7 Rxb7 34.Rxh5*

1-0 (34) Jones,G (2635)-Morrison,G (2339) Hinkley ENG 2012*)* 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Kb1 a6 13.Bd3 b5 14.Nge2 b4 15.Na4 Nd7 16.Ng3 Nxg3 17.hxg3 Nf6 18.Nb6 Rb8 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Rc1 Qd7 21.Rc6 b3 22.a4 Kh8 23.Bxa6 f4 24.gxf4 exf4 25.Bxf4 Nxd5 26.Qxd5 Rxf4 27.Bd3 h6 28.Rxd6 Qxa4 29.Rdxh6+ Bxh6 30.Rxh6+ Kg7 31.Qg5+ Kf7 32.Qg6+ Ke7 33.Rh7+ Kd8 34.Qd6+ Ke8 35.Qe7# 1-0 (35) AgressiveMode (2699)-Jain Kashish Manoj (2162) Blitz 2021]

10.Bd3

[10.0-0-0 b5 11.Kb1 Nbd7 12.Bd3 Nb6 *(12...Nc5 13.Bh6 Bd7 14.Nce2 Rc8 15.h4 b4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h5 Qb6 18.g4 Ba4 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.g5 Bxd1 22.gxf6 Rf7 23.Nh3 Nxd3 24.Rxd1 Qc7 25.Qd2 Nc5 26.Ng5 Rxf6 27.Rh1 h5 28.Ng3 b3 29.a3 Nd7 30.Ka1 Qc2 31.Qe1 Nc5 32.Qg1 Nd3* 0-1 (32) AgressiveMode (2658)-SsULTANOvV (2626) Blitz 2021*)* 13.g4 Bd7 14.Rc1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Bh6 Qa5 17.Nge2 Rab8 18.h4 Rb4 19.h5 Rfb8 20.Rc2 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Qb6 22.Qd2 Kf8 23.Ka1 Ke7 24.h6 Ne8 25.g5 Nc7 26.Rb1 Nb5 27.Nxb5 Qxb5 28.Nc3 Qa5 29.f4 Ba4 30.Rcc1 Bb3 31.a3 R4b7 32.fxe5 dxe5 33.Rf1 Rb6 34.Qh2 Kf8 35.Qxe5 1-0 (35) AgressiveMode (2691)-satlan (2734) Blitz 2021]

10...b5 11.b4 Nbd7 12.a4 Bb7 13.Nge2 bxa4 14.Nxa4 Nh5 15.0-0 f5 16.Nb2 Nf4 17.Nc4 Nxd3 18.Qxd3 Nf6 19.Na5 Qd7 20.h3 Rfc8 21.Rfc1 Nh5 22.Nc6 Kh8 23.Na5 Rxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Rc8 25.Rc4 Qb5 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Qxb5 axb5 28.Nc3 Bd7 29.Nc6 Nf4 30.Nxb5 Nd3 31.Nxd6 Bf8 32.Nf7+ Kg7 33.Nfxe5 Nxe5 34.Nxe5 Bb5 35.Bc5 Kf6 36.Nc6 1-0 (36) curtainsjr (2725)-JuleVerne (2631) Blitz 2021

8...Re8 9.Nge2 Qc7 10.g4 Na6 11.Ng3 Nc5 12.b4 Na6 13.a3 cxd5 14.cxd5 Nd7 15.Rc1 Qd8 16.h4 Nb6 17.h5 f5 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.Nxf5 Bxf5 20.exf5 Bf6 21.Bb5 Rf8 22.Ne4 Bh4+ 23.Ke2 Rxf5 24.h6 Nc7 25.Rxc7 Qxc7 26.Rxh4 Raf8 27.Rg4+ Kh8 28.Rg7 R5f7 29.Rg3 Rg8 30.Rxg8+ Kxg8 31.Bg5 a6 32.Nf6+ Rxf6 33.Bxf6 axb5 34.Qg5+ Kf8 35.Qf5 Qc4+ 36.Kf2 Nxd5 37.Bg5+ Kg8 38.Qe6+ Kf8 39.Qxd6+ Kf7 40.Qd7+ Kg6 41.Qg7+ Kh5 42.Kg3 Nc3 43.Bf6 Qf4+ 44.Kg2 Qd2+ 45.Kh3 Qxh6 46.Qg4# 1-0 (46) ChessTheory64 (2621)-varaman (2425) Rapid 2023

[103] **9.0-0-0** cxd5 10.Nxd5 Nxd5 11.Qxd5 Nb4 12.Qxd6 Nxa2+ 13.Kb1 Qa5 14.Qd2 Nb4 15.b3 Be6 16.Qb2 Rfd8 17.Rxd8+ Rxd8 18.Be2 Nd3 19.Bd2 Qb6 20.Bxd3 Rxd3 21.Kc2 Bxc4 22.b4 Rxd2+ 23.Kxd2 Bh6+ 24.Kd1 Qb5 25.Ne2 Bf8 26.Nc3 Qb6 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.exd5 Bxb4 29.Qb3 Qd4+ 30.Kc2 Qd2+ 31.Kb1 a5 32.Rd1 Qxg2 33.d6 Qg5 34.d7 Qd8 35.Qd5 Be7 36.Qxb7 e4 37.fxe4 Kg7 38.Ka2 a4 39.Rd5 a3 40.Rb5 Qf8 41.Qc8 Bd8 42.Rb8 Qd6 43.Qc3+ Kh6 44.Rxd8 Qe6+ 45.Qb3 Qxe4 46.Rc8 Qe2+ 47.Rc2 Qe7 48.Qd5 Qd8 49.Rc8 Qh4 50.Qd2+ Kg7 51.d8Q 1-0 (51) Ocheret (2621)-Mavi_alpha (2573) Blitz 2021

[104] **10.cxd5** h5 11.g5 Nd7

[11...Ne8 12.h4 Bd7 13.Rb1 f5 14.b4 fxe4 15.fxe4 Rc8 16.Bd3 Nb8

17.Nge2 a6 18.Rf1 Rxf1+ 19.Kxf1 b5 20.Kg1 Bf8 21.Nc1 Qc7 22.Nd1 Be7 23.Rb2 Ng7 24.Nb3 Bd8 25.Nf2 Be8 26.Na5 Qe7 27.Bf1 Kh7 28.Qe1 Bd7 29.Qd2 Be8 30.Kg2 Qf7 31.Rb1 Qc7 32.Kh2 Qf7 33.Bg2 Bd7 34.Rf1 Qe7 35.Qe2 Rc3 36.Qd2 Rc8 37.Rg1 Qf7 38.a3 Qe7 39.Ra1 Ne8 40.Nd1 Bg4 41.Nf2 Bd7 42.Nb7 Ng7 43.Rf1 Rc4 44.Na5 Rc8 45.Bf3 Be8 46.Bg2 Bd7 47.Re1 Qf7 48.Ra1 Qe7 49.Rf1 Ne8 50.Nb7 Ng7 51.Na5 Ne8 52.Bf3 Ng7 53.Nd3 Kg8 54.Nb3 Bc7 55.Bg2 Bg4 56.Nf2 Bd8 57.Na5 Bxa5 58.bxa5 Nd7 59.Nd3 Qd8 60.Qe1 Kh7 61.Bd2 Rc4 62.Qe3 Qc8 63.Rf2 Rd4 64.Bb4 Qc7 65.Rf7 Rc4 66.Qf2 Rc2 67.Bd2 Qd8 68.Qe3 Qg8 69.Rf2 Qc8 70.Nb4 Rb2 71.Nc6 Nc5 72.Bc3 Rb3 73.Rf6 Qc7 74.Qf2 Rxc3 75.Rxg6 Kxg6 76.Qf6+ Kh7 77.g6+ Kg8 78.Ne7+ Qxe7 79.Qxe7 Nd7 80.Qxd6 Rc2 81.Kg1 Rc1+ 82.Bf1 Ne8 83.Qe7 Ng7 84.Kf2 Rc8 85.Ke3 Rf8 86.Be2 Nf6 87.Qb7 Bc8 88.Qc6 Kh8 89.Bd3 Ng4+ 90.Kd2 Kg8 91.Qc7 Nh2 92.Be2 Bg4 93.Qxe5 Bxe2 94.Qxh2 Bf1 95.Qe5 b4 96.axb4 Bb5 97.Qg5 Re8 98.Qh6 Rxe4 99.Qh7+ Kf8 100.Qh8+ Ke7 101.Qxg7+ Kd6 102.Qf6+ Kxd5 103.Qf5+ Re5 104.Qf3+ Ke6 105.g7 Rd5+ 106.Qxd5+ Kxd5 107.g8Q+ Kd6 108.Qg6+ Kd5 109.Qxh5+ Kd4 110.Qc5+ Ke4 111.h5 Ba4 112.h6 Bb3 113.h7 Kf4 114.h8Q Bd1 115.Qh3 Bc2 116.Qce3# 1-0 (116) ShashChess_MsP (2862)-Mate-AI (2840) Blitz 2023]

12.Nb5 Ndc5 13.b4 Na4 14.Rc1 f5 15.a3 Rf7 16.Qc2 Nb6 17.Ne2 fxe4 18.fxe4 Bf8 19.h4 Bg4 20.Qd3 Na4 21.Nec3 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Nc7 23.Be2 Bxe2 24.Qxe2 a6 25.a4 Rc8 26.Qg2 Na8 27.Qh3 Rc4 28.Kd2 Rfc7 29.Rhf1 Bg7 30.b5 Re7 31.Kd3 Rd4+ 32.Bxd4 exd4 33.Ne2 Qa5 34.Rc8+ Kh7 35.Rxa8 Qxa4 36.Qc8 Qb3+ 37.Kd2 Qb4+ 38.Kd1 Qb3+ 39.Kc1 Qa3+ 40.Kc2 Qa4+ 41.Kd3 Qa3+ 42.Kd2 Qa2+ 43.Kd3 Qa3+ 44.Kc2 Qa2+ 45.Kd1 Qb3+ 46.Qc2 Qh3 47.Ke1 Qxh4+ 48.Kd1 Qh3 49.Ke1 Qh4+ 50.Kd1 Qh3 51.Ke1 Qh4+ ½-½ (51) ShashChess_MsP (2864)-Mate-AI (2842) Blitz 2023

105 **7.Qd2** Nc6

[7...Nbd7

A) 8.Bh6 c5 9.d5 b5 10.cxb5 Qa5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Nh3 Ne5 13.a4 Bxh3 14.f4 Bxg2 15.fxe5 Bxh1 16.exf6+ exf6 17.Kf2 Rfe8 18.Bd3 c4 19.Bc2 axb5 20.Rxh1 bxa4 21.Bxa4 Reb8 22.Bc6 Qb6+ 23.Kf3 Ra5 24.Rb1 Qc5 25.Qe3 Qb4 26.Qd4 Qb6 27.Ke3 Rc5 28.Rf1 Ra5 29.Rf2 Qxd4+ 30.Kxd4 Rb4 31.Rc2 h5 32.Ne2 c3+ 33.Kxc3 Rxe4 34.b4 Ra7 35.Nd4 Ra3+ 36.Kc4 Ra1 37.Rd2 Rb1 38.b5 f5 39.Kc3 f4 40.Nb3 Re3+ 41.Rd3 Rxd3+ 42.Kxd3 Rxb3+ 43.Ke2 g5 44.Bd7 g4 45.Kf2 Kf6 46.Kf1 Kg5 47.Kf2 Rb2+ 48.Ke1 f3 49.Bc6 h4 50.Bd7 g3 51.hxg3 hxg3 52.Bh3 g2 53.Bxg2 fxg2 54.b6 g1Q# 0-1 (54) jposthuma (2783)-Molt7n (2840) Blitz 2021;

B) 8.h4 h5 9.Bh6 e5 10.Bxg7 Kxg7 11.Nh3 Qe7 12.Nf2 b6 13.d5 a5 14.Bd3 Nc5 15.Bc2

Bd7 16.b3 c6 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Rd1 Rad8 19.0-0 Ne6 20.Ne2 Nh7 21.g3 Qf6 22.Qe3 Nc5 23.Kg2 Rg8 24.Nh3 Nf8 25.Kh2 Nfe6 26.f4 exf4 27.Nexf4 Qe5 28.Nxe6+ fxe6 29.Ng5 Rdf8 30.Nf3 Qb2 31.Rd2 Rf6 32.Bb1 Qa1 33.Bd3 Qc3 34.Re1 Rgf8 35.Ng5 Qe5 36.Bc2 b5 37.Ree2 b4 38.Rf2 Rxf2+ 39.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 40.Qxf2 Be8 41.Nf3 Qc3 42.e5 Nb7 43.Ng5 Qxe5 44.Qb6 Qe2+ 45.Kh3 Qf1+ 46.Kh2 Qe2+ 47.Kh3 Qg4+ 48.Kh2 Qe2+ ½-½ (48) snx4life (2771)-Mavi_Alpha (2597) Blitz 2023;

C) 8.0-0-0 b5 9.e5 Ne8 10.f4 bxc4 11.Bxc4 Nb6 12.Bb3 a5 13.a3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Qe2 d5 16.Nf3 Nc4 17.Nd2 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 c5 19.Kb1 cxd4 20.Qxd4 Nd6 21.h4 Nf5 22.Qd3 Rb8 23.g3 Qb6 24.Na4 Qc6 25.Qc2 Qb5 26.Nf1 Rfc8 27.Nc3 Qb6 28.Qd2 d4 29.Na2 d3 30.Rc1 Nd6 31.Rxc8+ Rxc8 32.Ne3 Qd4 33.Rd1 Rb8 34.Nc3 Nb5 35.Nxb5 Rxb5 36.Ka2 a4 37.Rc1 Rb3 38.Rc3 g5 39.hxg5 Qb6 40.Nc4 1-0 (40) gidropark (2746)-anand68 (2757) Blitz 2022;

D) 8.Nge2 Rb8 9.Rc1 e5 10.d5 Ne8 11.g4 f5 12.gxf5 gxf5 13.exf5 Qh4+ 14.Ng3 Ndf6 15.Bg5 Qd4 16.Nce4 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 h6 18.Be3 c6 19.Rg1 Kh8 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.b3 d5 22.cxd5 cxd5 23.Nc5 d4 24.Bf2 Nd6 25.Bd3 a5 26.Rg2 h5 27.Rcg1 Bh6+ 28.Ke2 Nb5 29.Bxb5 Rxb5 30.Nd3 Ba6 31.Ne4 Nxe4 32.fxe4 Rb6 33.Rg6 Rff6 34.Bh4 Rxg6 35.fxg6 Kg7 36.Bg3 Re6 37.h4 Be3 38.Rg2 Bb5 39.Bf2 Bh6 40.Be1 a4 41.Bd2 axb3 42.Bxh6+ Kxh6 43.g7 Bxd3+ 44.Kxd3 b2 45.g8Q b1Q+ 0-1 (45) cubanito2002 (2681)-shuriks91 (2617) Blitz 2020;

E) 8.g4 c6 *(8...c5 9.Nge2 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Ne5 11.Be2 Bxg4 12.fxg4 Nexg4 13.Bxg4 Nxg4 14.Bg5 Rc8 15.b3 Qb6 16.0-0-0 f6 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Ne6 Qd7 19.Nxf8 Rxf8 20.Be3 b5 21.c5 e6 22.Nb6 Qc6 23.Qxd6 Qxe4 24.Bd2 Nf2 25.Bc3 b4 26.Rhe1 Bh6+ 27.Kb2 Nxd1+ 28.Qxd1 bxc3+ 29.Kxc3 Qf5 30.Qd6 e5 31.Nd5 Qf3+ 32.Kc4 Qg4+ 33.Kd3 Qf5+ 34.Ke2 Qe4+ 35.Kf1 Qf3+ 36.Kg1 Qg4+ 37.Kh1 Qf3+ 38.Kg1 Qg4+ 39.Kf2 Qf5+ 40.Kg3 Bf4+ 41.Nxf4 Qxf4+ 42.Kg2 Qg4+ 43.Kh1 Qf3+ 44.Kg1 Qg4+ 45.Kf2 Qf4+ 46.Ke2 Qe4+ 47.Kd2 Qf4+ 48.Kc2 Qf5+ 49.Kc1 Kg7 50.c6 Rf7 51.c7 Qf4+ 52.Kb1 Qf5+ 53.Ka1 Qc8 54.Rc1 h5 55.Qd8 a5 56.Qxc8 g5 57.Qd8 Kg6 58.c8Q Rc7 59.Rxc7 Kh6 60.Qg8 h4 61.Qcf8+ Kh5 62.h3 g4 63.Qff7+* 1-0 (63) DeliciousNut (2627)-Nouali,M (2157) Blitz 2025*)* 9.h4 h5 10.g5 Nh7 11.f4 b5 12.Nf3 bxc4 13.Bxc4 d5 14.exd5 Nb6 15.Bb3 cxd5 16.Ne5 e6 17.0-0 Bb7 18.a4 a5 19.Nb5 Qe7 20.Rac1 Rfe8 21.Rc7 1-0 (21) MaLeKkoNihli (2650)-Neftegor (2578) Blitz 2022;

F) 8.Bd3 c5 9.Nge2 cxd4 *(9...Qa5 10.0-0 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Ne5 12.Be2 Be6 13.b3 Rfc8 14.a4 Nc6 15.Rab1 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4*

f5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Bf3 Bxb1 21.Rxb1 Nf6 22.Re1 Rc7 23.g4 Qc5+ 24.Kh1 Rf8 25.g5 Nh5 26.Nd5 Nxf4 27.Nxf4 Qf5 28.Ne6+ Kg8 29.Bd5 1-0 (29) W-B-Yeats (2638)-kaspakasparov (2573) Blitz 2022*)* 10.Nxd4 Nc5 11.Be2 Be6 *(11...a5 12.b3 Be6 13.Rb1 Qd7 14.0-0 Rfc8 15.Rfc1 Qd8 16.Bd1 h5 17.a3 Nfd7 18.b4 axb4 19.axb4 Na6 20.Nd5 Ne5 21.Be2 Bd7 22.Bg5 f6 23.Be3 e6 24.Nf4 Qe8 25.Nb5 g5 26.Nxd6 gxf4 27.Nxe8 fxe3 28.Nxf6+ Bxf6 29.Qxe3 Kg7 30.f4 Ng6 31.e5 Be7 32.Bxh5 Rh8 33.Bf3 Nxb4 34.Bxb7 Ra2 35.Be4 Nh4 36.Qg3+ Kf7 37.f5 Rg8 38.fxe6+ Bxe6 39.Rf1+ Ke8 40.Rxb4 Rxg3 41.Rb8+ Kd7 42.hxg3 Bxc4 43.Rb7+ Ke6 44.Rxe7+ Kxe7 45.Rc1 Bd3 46.Bxd3 Nxg2 47.Be4 Ne3 48.Rc7+ Ke6 49.Rh7 Kxe5 50.Bf3 Kd4 51.Rh5 Kd3 52.Re5 Ra1+ 53.Kh2 Ra2+ 54.Kh3 Ra1 55.Be4+ Ke2 56.Bf3+* 1-0 (56) AgressiveMode (2616)-DailyInsanity (2672) Blitz 2021*)* 12.0-0 a5 13.b3 Nfd7 14.Rab1 Qb8 15.Rfc1 Rc8 16.Bd1 Qc7 17.a3 Ne5 18.Be2 Qd8 19.Nd5 Nc6 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Nxd4 22.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 23.Qxd4 Nd7 24.c5 dxc5 25.bxc5 Ra5 26.Rxb7 Raxc5 27.Rxc5 Rxc5 28.Nf4 Qc8 29.Nxe6 Rc1+ 30.Kf2 Nf6 31.Qd8+ Qxd8 32.Nxd8 Rc8 33.e5 Nh5 34.Nxf7 Kxf7 35.g3 Ng7 36.f4 Nf5 37.Rb2 Nd4 38.Bd3 Ne6 39.Be4 Kf8 40.Bd5 Nd4 41.Rd2 Nf5 42.g4 Nh4 43.Kg3 g5 44.fxg5 Ng6 45.Rf2+ Ke8 46.Bf7+ Kd8 47.Bxg6 Rc3+ 48.Rf3 hxg6 49.Rxc3 e6 50.Rf3 Ke7 51.Rf6 Ke8 52.Rxg6 Kd7 53.Rf6 Kc6 54.h4 Kd5 55.Kf4 1-0 (55) AgressiveMode (2640)-DailyInsanity (2675) Blitz 2021;

G) 8.a4 e5 9.d5 a5 10.Nge2 Nc5 11.Nc1 Nh5 12.Nd3 Nb3 13.Qd1 Nxa1 14.Qxa1 0-1 (14) ChessTheory64 (2603)-chosterm (2592) Blitz 2023;

H) 8.Nh3

H1) 8...b5

H1a) 9.Nf2 c5 10.cxb5

H1a1) 10...Qa5 11.bxa6 Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Qxa6 13.Qe2 *(13.dxc5 Nxc5 14.Qe2 Rfb8 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Qxa6 Rxa6 17.0-0-0 Ne8 18.Nd3 c4 19.Nc5 Ra5 20.Nd7 Rb7 21.f4 Nd6 22.Ne5 Bxe5 23.fxe5 Rxe5 24.Rhe1 Kg7 25.Rd5 Rxd5 26.exd5 Kf8 27.Ne4 f5 28.Nxd6 exd6 29.Re6 Rb6 30.Kc2 Kf7 31.Kc3 Ra6 32.a3 Rb6 33.Re2 g5 34.Kxc4 f4 35.b4 Kf6 36.b5 g4 37.a4 Kf5 38.Re8 f3 39.gxf3 gxf3 40.a5* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2622)-Ute-Manfred (2614) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Rfb8 14.Qxa6 Rxa6 15.0-0-0 Nb6 16.b3 c4 17.Kc2 d5 18.Rb1 Rc8 19.Kd2 Rd8 20.Rhc1 e5 21.Ke2 cxb3 22.axb3 dxe4 23.dxe5 exf3+ 24.gxf3 Nfd5 25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.f4 f6 27.Rc5 fxe5 28.fxe5 Ra2+ 29.Kf3 Rf8+ 30.Ke4 Nxe3 31.Nd3 Nf5 32.b4 Re2+

33.Kd5 Rd8+ 34.Kc4 Nd4 35.Rc1 Ne6 36.Rc3 Re4+ 37.Kb3 Nxc5+ 38.Nxc5 Rxe5 39.Rc4 Bf8 40.Ka4 Bxc5 41.bxc5 Rc8 42.Kb5 Kf7 43.Kb6 Ke6 44.c6 Rd5 45.Re4+ Kd6 46.Rc4 Rd2 47.c7 Rb2+ 48.Ka7 Rxc7+ 49.Rxc7 Kxc7 50.Ka6 Rb6+ 51.Ka5 1 - 0 (5 1) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Ute-Manfred (2677) Blitz 2022;

H1a2) 10...axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.0-0 cxd4 *(13...Qa5 14.Rfd1 Rb8 15.a4 Qb4 16.Nd3 Qc4 17.dxc5 dxc5 18.Rac1 Rd6 19.Nd5 Qxa4 20.Bf4 Nxd5 21.Bxd6 exd6 22.exd5 c4 23.Nf2 Rxb2 24.Qe1 Be5 25.Ng4 Qa2 26.Qf1 Bg7 27.Rxc4 Rxg2+ 28.Kh1 Rb2 29.Rc8+ Nf8 30.Qg1 h5 31.Ne3 Re2 32.Nf1 Re5 33.Ng3 Rxd5 34.Rcc1 Rxd1 35.Qxd1 Qa8 36.Kg2 Ne6 37.Qd2 Be5 38.Rd1 Nf4+ 39.Kf2 h4 40.Ne4 Qa7+ 41.Qe3 Qa2+ 42.Rd2 Qb1 43.Qe1 Nh3+ 44.Ke2* 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2643)-MiamiCSharp (2584) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Bxd4 Qa8 15.a4 Rb8 16.Ra3 Nb6 17.b3 Nfd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nb5 Ra5 20.Raa1 Kg8 21.Nd3 Nc8 22.Rac1 Qb7 23.Kh1 Ra6 24.Rc7 Qb6 25.Rxd7 Ra5 26.Rc1 Kg7 27.h3 e5 28.Nb2 Raa8 29.Rcc7 Ne7 30.Rxe7 Rf8 31.Nc4 Qxc7 32.Rxc7 Rad8 33.Ncxd6 Rxd6 34.Nxd6 Rd8 35.Rxf7+ Kg8 36.Qd5 Rxd6 37.Qxd6 Kxf7 38.Qxe5 g5 39.b4 Kg6 40.b5 g4 41.b6 gxh3 42.gxh3 Kh6 43.b7 Kg6 44.b8Q Kh6 45.Qe6+ Kg5 46.Qg4+ Kf6 47.Qd6+ Kf7 48.Qgd7+ Kg8 49.Qb8# 1 - 0 (4 9) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-fire_water82 (2743) Blitz 2022;

H1a3) 10...cxd4 11.Bxd4 Qa5 12.bxa6 Bxa6 13.Bxa6 Qxa6 14.Qe2 Rfb8 15.Qxa6 Rxa6 16.Ncd1 Nxe4 17.Bxg7 Nxf2 18.Kxf2 Kxg7 19.Re1 e6 20.Re2 Nc5 21.a3 Nb3 22.Rb1 Rc6 23.Ne3 d5 24.Rc2 Rcb6 25.Nf1 h5 26.Nd2 Nxd2 27.Rxd2 Rb3 28.Ke2 Rxa3 29.bxa3 Rxb1 30.Ra2 Kf6 31.a4 Ke5 32.a5 Rb7 33.a6 Ra7 34.Kd3 Kd6 35.f4 Kc5 36.h3 Kb5 37.Kd4 Rxa6 38.Rb2+ Kc6 39.Ke5 Ra4 40.g3 h4 41.Kf6 hxg3 42.Kxf7 Rxf4+ 43.Kxe6 Rf2 44.Rb1 g2 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2725)-Greenlight123 (2715) Blitz 2022;

H1b) 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Bxb5 Nb6 11.Nf2 c6 12.Bd3 Ba6 13.Qe2 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 Qc8 15.0-0 Qa6 16.Qxa6 Rxa6 17.b3 Nfd7 18.Rfc1 c5

19.dxc5 Nxc5 20.Rab1 e6 21.a4 Nbd7 22.Nb5 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2753)-Filip88 (2635) Blitz 2022;

H2) 8...c6 9.Nf2 b5

H2a) 10.Be2 e5 11.0-0 Bb7 12.Rfd1 bxc4 13.Bxc4 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Bb3 e4 16.fxe4 dxe4 17.d5 Ne5 18.Ncxe4 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 Qh4 20.Nc5 Ng4 21.Bf4 Bc8 22.d6 Bf5 23.d7 Rad8 24.Rac1 Ne5 25.Ba4 Rxd7 26.Bxd7 Nxd7 27.Nxd7 Bxd7 28.Bg3 Qa4 29.Qxd7 Qxa2 30.Bd6 1-0 (30) gravereaper (2715)-SpeedMonkey (2569) Rapid 2021;

H2b) 10.Rd1 Rb8 *(10...Qc7 11.b3 e5 12.d5 cxd5 13.cxd5 Nh5 14.Be2 f5 15.Nd3 Nf4 16.0-0 Nxe2+ 17.Nxe2 Nf6 18.Rc1 Qe7 19.Bg5 Qa7+ 20.Be3 Qf7 21.Kh1 Nh5 22.Kg1 Nf6 23.Nf2 a5 24.Bb6 b4 25.Rc7 Qe8 26.Rc6 Qe7 27.Rfc1 Ba6 28.Ng3 Rac8 29.exf5 Qd7 30.fxg6 hxg6 31.Nge4 Nxe4 32.Nxe4 Bb7 33.Rxd6 Qf5 34.Rxc8 Rxc8 35.Be3 a4 36.Rb6 Ba8 37.d6 axb3 38.axb3 Bxe4 39.fxe4 Qxe4 40.d7 Rd8 41.Rxb4 Qb1+ 42.Kf2 e4 43.Rc4 Rf8+ 44.Bf4 e3+ 45.Qxe3 Qb2+ 46.Kg3 Qf6 47.Rc8 g5 48.Rxf8+ Bxf8 49.Bxg5 Qd6+ 50.Qf4 Qxd7 51.Qg4 Qxg4+ 52.Kxg4 Kf7 53.Kf5 Bg7 54.b4 Bf8 55.b5 Bg7 56.b6 Bd4 57.b7 Ba7 58.Bf4 Bb8 59.Bxb8 Ke8 60.Bc7 Kd7 61.b8Q Kc6 62.Qb6+ Kd5 63.Qd6+ Kc4 64.Qe5 Kb3 65.Qe4* 1-0 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-zhohoff (2651) Blitz 2024*)* 11.b3 *(11.Be2 bxc4 12.Bxc4 d5 13.Bb3 Nb6 14.0-0 a5 15.e5 Ne8 16.f4 Ba6 17.Rfe1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Bxc4 19.b3 Bb5 20.Nd3 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Nc7 22.Na4 Ne6 23.Rc1 Qd7 24.Nc5 Nxc5 25.Rxc5 Rb5 26.Rec1 Rc8 27.Qxb5 cxb5 28.Rxc8+ Bf8 29.f5 Kg7 30.f6+ exf6 31.exf6+ Kxf6 32.Rxf8 Qe7 33.Rf1+ Ke6 34.R8xf7* 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-Samra (2695) Blitz 2022 *)* 11...Qc7 12.Be2 e5 13.d5 bxc4 14.dxc6 Qxc6 15.Bxc4 Nb6 16.Bxb6 Qxb6 17.Qxd6 Qa5 18.Qd2 Nh5 19.Nd5 Qc5 20.0-0 Be6 21.Qe3 Qa3 22.Rd2 Nf4 23.g3 Nh3+ 24.Nxh3 Bxh3 25.Rfd1 Kh8 26.g4 f5 27.exf5 gxf5 28.gxf5 Rxf5 29.Kh1 Qf8 30.Rg1 Bh6 31.f4 Rh5 32.Be2 Bxf4 33.Nxf4 Rf5 34.Nxh3 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-ZhohoFF (2640) Blitz 2024;

H2c) 10.cxb5 axb5 11.d5 b4 12.Ncd1 cxd5 13.Qxb4 dxe4 14.fxe4 Ne5 15.Nc3 Be6 16.Be2 Rb8 17.Qa3 Bc4 18.0-0 Bxe2 19.Nxe2 Nc4 20.Qd3 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Rxb2 22.Nd3 Rb8 23.Rab1 Qa5 24.e5 Ng4 25.Qf3 Rxb1

26.Rxb1 Nxe5 27.Nxe5 Bxe5 28.Qb3 Ra8 29.Qf3 Qxa2 30.Rf1 Rb8 31.g3 Rb2 32.Nc1 Qa7+ 33.Kh1 Bf6 34.Nd3 Rb3 35.Qe4 Qb7 36.Nf2 Qxe4+ 37.Nxe4 Be5 38.Rc1 d5 39.Ng5 h6 40.Nh3 e6 41.Nf2 h5 42.Kg2 Kg7 43.Rc2 Rb2 44.Rxb2 Bxb2 45.Kf3 f5 46.Nd1 Bd4 47.Ke2 e5 48.h3 g5 49.Kf3 g4+ 50.hxg4 hxg4+ 51.Ke2 Kf6 52.Kd2 f4 53.Ke2 f3+ 54.Kf1 e4 55.Ke1 Ke5 56.Kf1 Kd6 57.Ke1 Kc5 58.Kf1 Kc4 59.Ke1 e3 60.Nf2 exf2+ 61.Kf1 Be5 62.Kxf2 Kd3 63.Kf1 Ke3 64.Kg1 Ke2 65.Kh1 f2 66.Kh2 d4 67.Kg2 f1Q+ 68.Kh2 Qf2+ 69.Kh1 Qe1+ 70.Kg2 Qxg3+ 71.Kh1 Qh2# 0-1 (71) Superfm1 (2633)-Filip88 (2637) Blitz 2021;

H2d) 10.d5 c5 11.cxb5 Qa5 12.a4 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.0-0 Rfb8 15.Ra3 Ne5 16.Qe2 Ne8 17.f4 Nd7 18.Nfd1 Nc7 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.Nb5 Nf6 21.Ndc3 Raa8 22.Rfa1 h5 23.Qc4 Ng4 24.Bd2 Qb4 25.Qb3 Nxb5 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2603)-derbestewogibt (2554) Blitz 2021;

H2e) 10.Rc1

H2e1) 10...e5 11.d5 b4 *(11...cxd5 12.cxd5 Bb7 13.Bd3 Rc8 14.0-0 Nb6 15.b3 Nbd7 16.a4 b4 17.Ne2 a5 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.Rc1 Qb8 20.Bb5 Rc8 21.Nd3 Bf8 22.g4 Rc7 23.Nb2 Qc8 24.Nc4 Nc5 25.Nxa5 Nxg4 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.Nxb7 Bh6 28.Nd6 Qd8 29.Qe1 Be3+ 30.Kg2 Qxd6 31.fxg4 Bxc1 32.Qxc1 c4 33.Bxc4 Qc5 34.Qg1 Qe7 35.Qe3 Qd6 36.a5* 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-Stapfenoder (2553) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Nb1 c5 13.Bd3 Kh8 14.0-0 Ng8 15.g4 a5 16.Kh1 a4 17.Rg1 Nb6 18.a3 b3 19.Nc3 Ba6 20.Ne2 Qh4 21.Ng3 Bh6 22.g5 Bxg5 23.Bxg5 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-Filip88 (2656) Blitz 2021;

H2e2) 10...Bb7 11.Be2 bxc4 12.Bxc4 d5 13.Bb3 dxe4 14.fxe4 c5 15.dxc5 e6 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.c6 Bxc6 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Nxf6+ Qxf6 21.Rxc6 Rxc6 22.Qxd7 Rfc8 23.e5 Qxe5 24.Bd4 Qc7 25.Qxc7 R6xc7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Rd6 Rc1+ 28.Nd1 R8c6 29.Rd2 h5 30.Kf2 h4 31.Nc3 h3 32.g4 Rc5 33.Kg3 Rg1+ 34.Kxh3 Rg5 35.Bd1 f5 36.Rg2 fxg4+ 37.Kg3 Rxg2+ 38.Kxg2 Kh6 39.Kg3 Rd5 40.Nxd5 exd5 41.Bxg4 g5 42.Be2 Kg6 43.Bxa6 Kf6 44.Bd3 Ke5 45.Kg4 Kd4 46.Bh7 Ke3 47.Kxg5 d4 48.h4 Kd2 49.Kf4 Kc1 50.Ke5 Kxb2 51.Kxd4 Kxa2 52.Be4 Kb2

53.h5 Ka3 54.h6 Kb2 55.h7 Kc1 56.h8Q Kd2 57.Qh2+ Kc1 58.Kc3 Kd1 59.Qd2# 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-Wild_of_luck (2631) Blitz 2023;

H3) 8...e5 9.Nf2 Re8 10.Be2 c6 *(10...exd4 11.Bxd4 Rb8 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Rac1 Be6 14.b3 h5 15.Rfd1 Qe7 16.Be3 Red8 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Rbc8 19.Rc2 c6 20.dxc6 Rxc6 21.Rxc6 Nxc6 22.Bf4 d5 23.e5 Nxe5 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.Bxd3 Qc5+ 26.Qf2 Qxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Rc8 28.Ke2 Nd7 29.Kd2 Be5 30.Bg3 Bxg3 31.hxg3 Kf8 32.Ke3 Ke7 33.Rd2 Kd6 34.Be4 Nf6 35.Bc2 Rc3+ 36.Kf2 Kc5 37.a3 a5 38.Ke2 d4 39.Bd1 Re3+ 40.Kf2 Rc3 41.Rb2 Nd5 42.Be2 b5 43.Ke1 b4 44.axb4+ axb4 45.Kd2 Ne3 46.Bd3 Nxg2 47.Ra2 Rxb3 48.Ra5+ Kd6 49.Ra6+ Ke7 50.Ra7+ Kf6 51.Bc4 Rb2+ 52.Kd3 Ne1+ 53.Kxd4 Nxf3+ 54.Ke3 Ng5 55.Ra6+ Kg7 56.Kf4 Nh3+ 57.Kf3 Ng5+ 58.Kf4 Kh6 59.Ra8 Ne6+ 60.Ke3 b3 61.Rb8 Rg2 62.Kf3 Rc2 63.Bxb3 Nd4+ 64.Ke3 Nxb3 65.Rxb3 Rc5 66.Kf3 Rf5+ 67.Kg2 Kg5 68.Rb8 f6 69.Rb4 Re5 70.Kh3 f5 71.Rc4 Re4 72.Rc5 h4 73.gxh4+ Rxh4+ 74.Kg3 Rg4+ 75.Kf3 Re4 76.Rc8 Ra4 77.Rg8 Ra3+ 78.Ke2 f4 79.Kf2 Kf5 80.Ke2 g5 81.Kf2 g4 82.Ke2 Ra2+ 83.Kd3 g3 84.Kd4 g2 85.Kd3 f3 86.Ke3 Ra3+ 87.Kf2 Ke4 88.Re8+ Kf4 89.Rf8+ Ke5 90.Re8+ Kd6 91.Rf8 Ke7 92.Rf4 Ra2+ 93.Kg1 Ra1+ 94.Kf2 g1Q+ 95.Kxf3 Qf1+ 96.Ke4* 1-0 (96) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-Kitsis_Andrew (2552) Blitz 2022*)* 11.d5 c5 12.0-0 Nh5 13.Nd3 Rf8 14.g4 Nhf6 15.a3 h5 16.h3 hxg4 17.hxg4 Nh7 18.Kg2 f5 19.gxf5 gxf5 20.Bh6 f4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Rh1 Ng5 23.Rag1 Rh8 24.Rxh8 Qxh8 25.Rh1 Qg8 26.Kf1 Nf6 27.Ke1 Bd7 28.Kd1 Qf7 29.Kc2 Rh8 30.Qe1 Rxh1 31.Qxh1 Qh5 32.Qxh5 Nxh5 33.Ne1 Ng3 34.Kd2 Kg6 35.b4 b6 36.Bd1 Kh5 37.Ba4 Bc8 38.Bd1 Kh4 39.Na4 cxb4 40.axb4 b5 41.Nb6 Bb7 42.c5 dxc5 43.bxc5 N3xe4+ 44.fxe4 Nxe4+ 45.Kd3 Nxc5+ 46.Kc3 e4 47.Kd4 f3 48.Bxf3 Nb3+ 49.Kxe4 a5 50.Bd1 a4 51.Bxb3 axb3 52.Nd3 b2 53.Nxb2 b4 54.Ke5 Bxd5 55.Nxd5 b3 56.Kd4 Kg4 57.Kc3 Kg5 58.Ne3 Kg6 59.Nec4 Kf5 60.Nd2 Kf6 61.Kd4 Kf7 62.Ne4 Kf8 63.Ke5 Ke8 64.Nd6+ Ke7 65.Kd5 Kd7 66.Nf5 Kc7 67.Nd4 Kd7 68.Nc6 Kc7 69.Kc5 Kd7 70.Nd4 Ke7 71.Kc6 Kf6 72.Kd5 Kg5 73.Ke5 Kg4 74.Ke4 Kh5 75.Kf5 Kh6 76.Kf6 Kh7 77.Nf5 Kg8 78.Ne7+ Kh8 79.Ng6+ Kh7 80.Nd3 Kh6 81.Nde5 Kh5 82.Kf5 b2 83.Nf4+ Kh4 84.Ng4 Kg3 85.Nf6 Kf2 86.N4d5 Ke1 87.Ke4 Kd1 88.Ke5 b1Q 89.Ke6 Qb3 90.Ke5 Qd3 91.Ke6 Qd2 92.Ke5 Kc2

93.Ke6 Qe2+ 94.Kd6 Qd3 95.Ke6 Kd2 96.Ke7 Qb3 97.Kf7 Qb6 98.Kg7 Qb7+ 99.Kg6 Qc7 100.Kg5 Qc5 101.Kg6 Kc1 102.Kg5 Qd4 103.Kg6 Qe4+ 104.Kg5 Qe5+ 105.Kg6 Qf5+ 0-1 (105) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-fire_water82 (2661) Blitz 2022;

H4) 8...Rb8 9.Nf2 e5 10.Be2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 exd4 13.Bxd4 d5 14.exd5 Re8+ 15.Be2 Nb6 16.0-0 Nbxd5 17.Bc4 Nxc3 18.Qxc3 c5 19.Be5 Nd5 20.Bxd5 Bxe5 21.Qc4 Rb4 22.Bxf7+ Kg7 23.Qxc5 Bd6 24.Qd5 Bb7 25.Qxd6 Qxd6 26.Bxe8 Rxb2 27.Rad1 Qb6 28.Bd7 Ba6 29.a4 Bxf1 30.Rxf1 Qd4 31.Bb5 h5 32.g3 Qe3 33.Kg2 g5 34.Bc6 h4 35.Be4 Ra2 36.gxh4 g4 37.h3 gxh3+ 38.Kg3 h2 39.Ng4 Qg1+ 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-SpeedMonkey (2619) Blitz 2022;

H5) 8...c5

H5a) 9.dxc5 dxc5 10.0-0-0 Qa5 11.Nf4 e6 12.Kb1 b5 13.h4 b4 14.Nce2 Bb7 15.h5 Rfd8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nc1 Ne5 18.Qe1 Rxd1 19.Qxd1 Rd8 20.Qe1 Qc7 21.Nb3 Ned7 22.Nd3 Bf8 23.Qh4 Bg7 24.Be2 a5 25.Bg5 Rc8 26.g4 a4 27.Nbxc5 Ne8 28.Bf4 Qc6 29.Nxd7 Qxd7 30.Be5 f6 31.Qh7+ Kf7 32.Rh6 Rxc4 33.Qxg6+ Kf8 34.Rh7 Qf7 35.Qxf7+ Kxf7 36.Bf4 Rd4 37.Be3 Rd8 38.g5 Kg8 39.g6 f5 40.exf5 exf5 41.Nf4 Rc8 42.b3 a3 43.Bc4+ Rxc4 44.bxc4 Bxf3 45.Kc2 Be4+ 46.Kb3 Bb2 47.Kxb4 Nf6 48.Ra7 Ng4 49.Bc5 Ne5 50.Kb3 Nc6 51.Rc7 Nd4+ 52.Bxd4 Bxd4 53.Rc8+ Kg7 54.Ne6+ Kxg6 55.Nxd4 f4 56.Rg8+ Kf6 57.Rf8+ Ke5 58.Nc2 f3 59.Re8+ Kf4 60.Nd4 Ke3 61.Nf5+ Kf4 62.Nh4 Kg3 63.Nxf3 Bd3 64.Rg8+ Kf2 65.Rf8 Ke3 66.Ne5 Kd2 67.Nc6 Be2 68.Kb4 Bd1 69.Nd4 Ke3 70.Nf5+ Ke2 71.Nd6 Kd2 72.Ne4+ Kc1 73.Nc3 Kc2 74.Nxd1 1-0 (74) Tal-Baron (2847)-ThunderWarrior (2727) Blitz 2023;

H5b) 9.d5 b5 *(9...Ne5 10.Nf2 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.Be2 Bxb5 14.Bxb5 Qb6 15.a4 Qxb5 16.axb5 Rxa1+ 17.Nd1 Nc4 18.Qf2 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Rb8 20.0-0 Nxd5 21.Qb3 Nb4 22.Qc4 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 e6 24.g4 d5 25.Qe2 Rc1 26.f4 Rc2 27.Qf3 dxe4 28.Qxe4 Kf8 29.f5 exf5 30.gxf5 Re8 31.Qh4 Ree2 32.Nc3 Bf6 33.Qxh7 Rxh2+ 34.Qxh2 Rxh2+ 35.Kxh2 gxf5 36.Rxf5 Ke7 37.b6 Nd3 38.b7 Be5+ 39.Rxe5+ Nxe5 40.b8Q Nd7 41.Qc7 Ke6 42.Nb5 Ne5 43.Qd6+ Kf5 44.Qxc5 Ke4 45.Nd4 Nf3+ 46.Nxf3 Kf4 47.Qf8 Kf5 48.Qxf7+ Ke4 49.Qb3 Kf4 50.Qc3 Ke4 51.b3 Kd5 52.b4 Kd6 53.b5 Kd5 54.b6 Kd6 55.b7 Kd5*

56.b8Q Ke4 57.Qbb4+ Kf5 58.Qcc4 Kf6 59.Qcc5 Kf7 60.Qbb6 Ke8 61.Qcc7 Kf8 62.Qbb8# 1-0 (62) Knightindiandefence (2665)-Banzeus (2575) Blitz 2021*)* 10.cxb5 Nb6 *(10...Qa5 11.Nf2 Nb6 12.Nfd1 Nfd7 13.Kf2 Ne5 14.b3 c4 15.b4 Qxb4 16.Bxb6 Nd3+ 17.Bxd3 cxd3 18.Rb1 Qc4 19.a3 axb5 20.Rb4 Rxa3 21.Rxc4 bxc4 22.Re1 Ba6 23.Kg1 Rb8 24.Bf2 Rbb3 25.e5 Bxe5 26.Ne4 f5 27.Ng5 c3 28.Qe3 c2 29.f4 cxd1Q 30.Rxd1 d2 31.Qxd2 Rd3 32.Qe1 Rxd1 33.Qxd1 Ra1 34.Qf1 Rxf1#* 0-1 (34) hesenlinna (2625)-Attacker2700 (2574) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.Nf2 axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.Bxa6 *(13.Qe2 Bxb5 14.Qxb5 Qc7 15.0-0 Rfb8 16.Qe2 Nfd7 17.Rfc1 Na4 18.Nxa4 Rxa4 19.b3 Bxa1 20.bxa4 Bf6 21.Ng4 Qa5 22.Nxf6+ Nxf6 23.Bd2 Qxa4 24.Bc3 Nd7 25.h4 c4 26.Qd2 Nc5 27.h5 Qe8 28.Qd4 f6 29.Qxc4 Qa4 30.Qxa4 Nxa4 31.Bd4 Rb4 32.Be3 Rb2 33.Rc8+ Kf7 34.h6 g5 35.Rh8 Kg6 36.Rg8+ Kxh6 37.f4 Nc3 38.fxg5+ Kh5 39.gxf6 exf6 40.Kh2 Nxe4 41.a4 Ra2 42.Kh3 Ng5+ 43.Bxg5 fxg5 44.g4+ Kh6 45.Ra8 Ra3+ 46.Kg2 Rd3 47.a5 Rxd5 48.a6 Ra5 49.Kf3 Ra4 50.Ke3 Rxg4 51.Rd8 Ra4 52.Rxd6+ Kh5 53.Rd7 h6 54.a7 Kh4 55.Rd4+ Rxd4 56.Kxd4 h5 57.a8Q Kg3 58.Qh1 h4 59.Ke3 g4 60.Qg1+ Kh3 61.Kf4 g3 62.Qh1#* 1-0 (62) Rikikits (2715)-Uragan1234 (2692) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Rxa6 14.Qe2 Qa8 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Rfc1 Nfd7 17.Rab1 Na4 18.Nfd1 Nxc3 19.Nxc3 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Rxb1 21.Rxb1 Rxa2 22.Qb5 Ne5 23.Bh6 Qc8 24.Qb7 Qe8 25.Qxe7 Ra8 26.Qf6 1-0 (26) Kraterrr (2789)-Uragan1234 (2778) Blitz 2021;

H5c) 9.Nf2

H5c1) 9...Rb8 10.Be2

H5c11) 10...b6 11.0-0 cxd4 12.Bxd4 Bb7 13.Rfd1 Re8 14.Rac1 e6 15.Bxf6 Qe7 1-0 (15) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-realNomenNescio (2601) Blitz 2024;

H5c12) 10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Ba6 14.a4 *(14.Nc3 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Qa5 16.0-0 Rfc8 17.Rfc1 Rb4 18.Be3 Rcb8 19.b3 Ne8 20.Rab1 R4b7 21.Nd5 e6 22.Ne7+ Kf8 23.Nc6 Qa3 24.Nxb8 Rxb8 25.Qd2 Rb7 26.Bh6 Ke7 27.Bxg7 Nxg7 28.Qb2 Qxb2 29.Rxb2 Ne8 30.Nd3 Nc7 31.a4 Na6 32.b4 Nb6 33.b5 Nc7 34.a5 Na4 35.Rb4* 1-0 (35)

Consent_to_treatment (2666)-comicsclub (2558) Blitz 2023) 14...Nc5 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Rc1 Nh5 18.g3 Bxb2 19.Rxc5 Bd4 20.Rc6 Be3 21.Rxa6 Rbc8 22.Nd1 Rc1 23.f4 Nf6 24.Bf3 Rd2 25.Rc6 Rxc6 26.Nxe3 Ra2 27.0-0 Rxa4 28.e5 Normal 1-0 (2 8) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-Plmlgs99 (2548) Blitz 2024; **H5c13)** 10...cxd4 11.Bxd4 Nc5 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Rfd1 Ne6 14.Be3 b5 15.Rac1 *(15.cxb5 axb5 16.Rac1 b4 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Nc5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Rxc5 Qb6 21.Rc4 Rfc8 22.Rdc1 Bd4 23.Bd3 e5 24.dxe6 Bxe6 25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Bc4 Be3 28.Qe2 Bf5 29.Kf1 Qd4 30.Bd3 Bxf2 31.Bxf5 Bg1 32.Bc2 Bxh2 33.Qf2 Qxf2+ 34.Kxf2 Be5 35.b3 Bb2 36.Ke3 Ba3 37.Ke4 Kg7 38.Kf4 h6 39.Kg4 f5+ 40.Kf4 Kf6 41.Ke3 g5 42.g4 Bb2 43.Bxf5 Ba3 44.Be4 Ke5 45.Bc6 Bb2 46.Be8 Ba3 47.Bh5 Bb2 48.Bg6 Ba3 49.Be4 Bb2 50.Kd3 Ba3 51.Kc4 Kf4 52.Kc5 Ke5 53.Kc6 Kf6 54.Kd7 Kg7 55.Ke6 Bb2 56.Kf5 Ba3 57.f4 Bb2 58.fxg5 hxg5 59.Kxg5 Bc1+ 60.Kf5 Ba3 61.g5 Bb2 62.Kg4 Ba3 63.Bd3 Bc1 64.Bc4 Ba3 65.Kf5 Kh7 66.g6+ Kg7 67.Bd5 Bb2 68.Be4 Ba3 69.Bd3 Bb2 70.Ke6 Ba3 71.Kd5 Bb2 72.Kc4 Ba3 73.Bc2 Kf6 74.Kb5 Kg7 75.Ka4 Kh6 76.Kb5 Kg7 77.Kc6 Kh6 78.Kd5 Kg7 79.Ke6 Kh6 80.g7 Kxg7 81.Kd5 Kh6 82.Kc4 Kg5 83.Be4* 1 - 0 (8 3) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-Danirod (2584) Blitz 2022) 15...b4 16.Nd5 a5 17.Bh6 Nxd5 18.cxd5 Nc5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ f6 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.Bxd3 Bb5 23.Bxb5 Rxb5 24.Rc6 Qa8 25.Rdc1 Rfb8 26.h4 R5b7 27.Kh2 Qa7 28.Qxa7 Rxa7 29.Kg3 Rbb7 30.Kf4 Kf7 31.g4 a4 32.g5 Kg7 33.Rc8 fxg5+ 34.hxg5 h5 35.gxh6+ Kxh6 36.Rg8 Kh7 37.Rcc8 a3 38.b3 Rc7 39.Kg5 Rxc8 40.Rxc8 Rb7 41.f4 Kg7 42.Rc4 Kf7 43.f5 gxf5 44.Kxf5 Rb5 45.Rc7 Rc5 46.Rb7 Rc2 47.Rxb4 Rxa2 48.Ra4 Rf2+ 49.Kg4 a2 50.Kg3 Rb2 51.Kf4 Rxb3 52.Rxa2 Rb7 53.Rh2 Rd7 54.Rh7+ Kg6 55.Rh1 Kg7 56.Kf5 Kf7 57.Rh7+ Kg8 58.Ke6 Kxh7 59.Kxd7

Kg6 60.Kxe7 Kg7 61.Kxd6 Kf7 62.Kd7 Kf6 63.d6 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-Made_in_KG (2532) Blitz 2025;

H5c2) 9...e6 10.Be2 Qa5 11.0-0 cxd4 *(11...Rd8 12.Rad1 cxd4 13.Bxd4 d5 14.cxd5 exd5 15.exd5 b5 16.Nfe4 b4 17.Nxf6+ Nxf6 18.Ne4 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ f6 21.Nxf6 Nxf6 22.Qxd8 Qxd8 23.Rxd8 Bb7 24.Rxa8 Bxa8 25.Bxa6 Bd5 26.a3 bxa3 27.bxa3 Bc6 28.Rc1 Ba4 29.Rc4 Bd1 30.Bb5 Nd5 31.Rd4 Nc3 32.a4 Be2 33.Rd7+ Kf6 34.Bxe2 Nxe2+ 35.Kf2 Nc3 36.a5 Nb5 37.a6 h5 38.a7* 1-0 (38) Superfm1 (2623)-Ute-Manfred (2595) Blitz 2021 *)* 12.Bxd4 Ne5 13.Rfd1 Bd7 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Rxd2 Rfc8 17.b3 b5 18.cxb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 axb5 20.Rad1 Ra6 21.Be3 Be7 22.f4 Nc6 23.Rc1 Rca8 24.Nd3 d5 25.exd5 exd5 26.Rdc2 Nb4 27.Nxb4 Bxb4 28.Rc8+ Rxc8 29.Rxc8+ Kg7 30.Bd4+ Kh6 31.Rc2 Re6 32.Kf2 Re4 33.Be5 f6 34.Bc7 d4 35.Re2 f5 36.Rxe4 fxe4 37.Be5 Bc5 38.Ke2 d3+ 39.Kd2 b4 40.g4 Bg1 41.h3 Bf2 42.Bd6 Bg3 43.a3 bxa3 44.Ke3 a2 45.Be5 d2 46.Kxd2 a1Q 47.Bxa1 Bxf4+ 48.Ke2 Kg5 49.b4 Kh4 50.b5 Kxh3 51.Bd4 Kxg4 52.Be3 Bb8 53.b6 g5 54.Bc5 h5 55.Be7 h4 56.Bd8 Kf5 57.Bc7 g4 0-1 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-HaalandSmecherul (2758) Blitz 2024;

H5c3) 9...Qa5 10.Be2

H5c31) 10...Rb8 11.0-0 b5 12.cxb5 *(12.Rfd1 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 cxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Nc5 17.Nd3 Na4 18.h4 Bd7 19.h5 Rfc8 20.h6 f6 21.Rdc1 Bb5 22.Nf4 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 Nc5 24.Nf4 Rc7 25.g4 Rbc8 26.g5 Nb3 27.axb3 Rxc1+ 28.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 29.Kg2 Qc5 30.Qxc5 Rxc5* 0 - 1 (3 0) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-artem-us (2602) Blitz 2021*; 12.a3 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Qc7 14.Ba2 a5 15.Rac1 Ba6 16.Rfd1 Rfc8 17.dxc5 Nxc5 18.Bd4 Ne8 19.Bxg7 Nxg7 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Nce6 22.Nd5 Qa7 23.Kh1 Bb5 24.Ng4 Kf8 25.Qh6 Kg8 26.Ndf6+ exf6 27.Nxf6+ Kf8 28.Qxh7 Qxa2 29.Qg8+ Ke7 30.Nd5+ Qxd5* 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-artem-us (2631) Blitz 2021*)* 12...axb5 13.a3

H5c311) 13...cxd4 14.Bxd4 b4 15.Na2 Nc5

H5c3111) 16.Bc4 Qa4 *(16...Qc7 17.Nxb4 Ncxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Qxc4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Rac1 Qxe4 22.Rfe1 Qb7 23.Qc3+ Kg8 24.Nc6 Be6 25.Nxb8 Rxb8 26.b4 Rc8 27.Qe3 Ra8 28.h3 h5 29.Qc3 Qa6 30.Ra1 Qb6+ 31.Qe3 Qb7 32.Reb1 Bd5 33.Rb2 Be4 34.a4 d5 35.a5 e5 36.Qc5 Rc8 37.Qb6 Qe7 38.a6 d4 39.a7 Qg5 40.Qb8 Qd8 41.Qxe5 Ba8 42.Rd2 d3 43.Rad1 Qb6+ 44.Kh2 Qxa7 45.Rxd3 Qb6 46.Rd6 Qb8 47.Kh1 Rf8 48.Qd4 Qb7 49.Rd2 Qe7 50.Rd8 Qe1+ 51.Kh2 Qe7 52.Rxf8+ Qxf8 53.Qd8 Be4 54.Qxf8+ Kxf8 55.b5 f5 56.b6 Ke7 57.Rb2 Kd7 58.b7 Bxb7 59.Rxb7+ Ke6 60.Rg7 Kf6 61.Ra7 Kg5 62.Ra6 Kh6 63.Kg3 Kg5 64.h4+ Kh6 65.Kf4 Kg7 66.Kg5 Kf7 67.Rf6+ Ke7 68.Rxg6 f4 69.Rf6 Kd7 70.Rxf4 Ke7 71.Rf6 Ke8 72.Rh6 Kd8 73.Rxh5 Kd7 74.Rh6 Ke7 75.Rg6 Ke8 76.h5 Kd8 77.h6 Kd7 78.h7 Ke7 79.h8Q Kd7 80.Qh7+ Ke8 81.Rg8# 1-0 (81) Consent_to_treatment (2612)-artemus (2698) Blitz 2021)* 17.Nxb4 Be6 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Qd1 Nb3 20.Bc3 Ra8 21.Rb1 Rfc8 22.Kh1 e5 23.Nfd3 Nd7 24.Nd5 Bf8 25.Nc1 Nbc5 26.Nd3 Nb3 27.Qe1 e6 28.Ne3 Nd4 29.Qh4 Qb3 30.Ng4 Qc2 31.Rbd1 Rab8 32.Nf6+ Nxf6 33.Qxf6 Bg7 34.Qe7 Re8 35.Qxd6 Rbd8 36.Qa6 Nb3 37.Nb4 Qxd1 38.h4 Qd6 39.Qxd6 Rxd6 40.Re1 Nd4 41.Rf1 Red8 42.Nd3 Rc8 43.Nb4 Nb5 44.Be1 Rd1 45.Kg1 Rcc1 46.Bf2 Rxf1+ 47.Kh2 Rxf2 48.Kg3 Rcc2 49.f4 Rxg2+ 50.Kf3 Rgf2+ 51.Ke3 Rg2 52.Kd3 Rge2

53.Nxc2 Rd2+ 54.Kxd2 Nd4 55.Kd3 Nb3 56.Ke2 Nc5 57.Nd4 Nxe4 58.Nxe6 Nc5 59.f5 Nd3 60.f6 Nf4+ 61.Ke3 Bxf6 62.Ke4 1 - 0 (6 2) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-artem-us (2638) Blitz 2021;

H5c3112) 16.axb4 Nb3 17.Qd1 Qa4 18.Bc4 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nc3 Qxb4 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Ra7 Nc5 23.e5 dxe5 24.Nce4 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Qb6+ 0 - 1 (2 5) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-artem-us (2599) Blitz 2021;

H5c312) 13...Qb6 14.Rfd1 b4 15.axb4 Qxb4 16.Nd3 Qb7 17.dxc5 dxc5 18.Nxc5 Nxc5 19.Bxc5 Be6 20.b4 Nd7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.Ra7 Qc8 23.Qxd5 Nxc5 24.Qxc5 Qxc5+ 25.bxc5 Rfd8 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8 27.Kf1 Bd4 28.Rxe7 Bxc5 29.Rc7 Bd6 30.Rc1 Kg7 31.Rd1 ½ - ½ (3 1) Consent_to_treatment (2636)-artem-us (2616) Blitz 2021;

H5c313) 13...b4 14.Na2 Ba6 15.Bxa6 Qxa6 16.axb4 cxd4 17.Bxd4 Qb7 18.Rfc1 Rfd8 19.Qe3 e5 20.Bc3 d5 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Qe1 Nf4 23.Rd1 Re8 24.Nc1 Nb6 25.Ncd3 Nbd5 26.Nc5 Qb5 27.Ra5 Qc4 28.Nfe4 Red8 29.Nd2 Qe2 30.Qf1 Nxc3 31.bxc3 Rxd2 32.Rxd2 Qxd2 33.Ne4 Qe3+ 34.Kh1 f5 35.Ng5 Qxc3 36.g3 h6 37.Rc5 Qxb4 38.Rc4 Qb1 39.Rc1 Qb5 40.Qxb5 Rxb5 41.Rc8+ Bf8 42.Ne6 Nxe6 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-Souren (2663) Blitz 2022;

H5c32) 10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Qb6 13.0-0 Ba6 14.a4 Rfb8 *(14...cxd4 15.Bxd4 Qb7 16.Rfc1 Nc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Rxc5 Rfd8 19.Qc2 Nh5 20.Rd1 Nf4 21.Bf1 Rxd1 22.Qxd1 Qb6 23.b4 Rd8 24.Qc1 Bh6 25.Qc4 Ne6 26.Rc6 Bxb5 27.Rxb6 Bxc4 28.Bxc4 Be3 29.Kf1 Bxb6* 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Orda_99 (2695) Blitz 2022*)* 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Rac1 Rd8 17.Rfd1 Ne5 18.Qc2 Rxd1+

19.Nxd1 Rc8 20.b4 Nfd7 21.bxc5 Qa5 22.Bd4 Nc6 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qc3+ Qxc3 25.Rxc3 Nce5 26.f4 Nc6 27.Ne3 Nb4 28.c6 Rxc6 29.Rxc6 Nxc6 30.Bf3 Bxb5 31.axb5 Nd4 32.e5 f6 33.exf6+ exf6 34.Bc6 Nb8 35.Be4 Nxb5 36.f5 Nd6 37.Bd3 Nd7 38.fxg6 hxg6 39.h4 Ne5 40.Bc2 f5 41.Bd1 Ndf7 42.g4 fxg4 43.Bxg4 Nxg4 44.Nxg4 Nh6 45.Ne3 Nf5 46.Ng2 Nxh4 47.Nxh4 g5 48.Ng2 g4 49.Kf2 g3+ 50.Kxg3 ½-½ (50) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-EagerBeavers (2510) Blitz 2024;

H5c33) 10...cxd4 11.Bxd4 Ne5 12.0-0 Be6

H5c331) 13.b3

H5c3311) 13...Nc6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.Rac1 Rfe8 16.Rfd1 Rac8 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 *(19.cxd5 Nb4 20.Rc4 Rxc4 21.Bxc4 b5 22.Bf1 Rc8 23.Nd3 Nc2 24.Bf2 Ne5 25.Nc5 Nb4 26.a3 dxc5 27.axb4 cxb4 28.Ra2 Rc3 29.Rxa6 Rxb3 30.Ra8+ Bf8 31.Bc5 Kg7 32.Bxb5 Rb1+ 33.Kf2 b3 34.Bd4 f6 35.Rb8 Rd1 36.Bxe5 fxe5 37.Bc4 Rd2+ 38.Kg3 b2 39.Ba2 h5 40.h4 e6 41.dxe6 Bc5 42.Rb7+ Kh6 43.e7 Bf2+ 44.Kh2 Rd1 45.e8Q Bg1+ 46.Kh3* 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2642)-Ute-Manfred (2645) Blitz 2023 *)* 19...Nb4 20.Rd2 b5 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.Bxd3 Ne5 23.Bf1 bxc4 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rxc4 Rxc4 26.bxc4 Rc8 27.Rc2 h5 28.Kf1 Kf8 29.Ke2 Ke8 30.c5 dxc5 31.Rxc5 Rxc5 32.Bxc5 Kd7 33.Kd3 e6 34.Kc4 Kc6 35.h3 Be5 36.g4 hxg4 37.fxg4 Bg3 38.Bd4 f5 39.exf5 exf5 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.Bf6 f4 42.Be5 a5 43.Kd4 Kb5 44.Ke4 Ka4 45.Bxf4 Bh4 46.Bd6 Kb5 47.Kf5 Kc6 48.Bf4 Kd5 49.a4 Kc4 50.Kg4 Be1 51.Bg3 Bc3 52.h4 Kb3 53.h5 Kxa4 54.Kf5 Bg7 55.Be5 Bh6 56.Kg6 Be3 57.Bf6 Kb3

58.Bg5 Bd4 59.h6 a4 60.Be7 a3 61.Bxa3 Kxa3 62.h7 Kb4 63.h8Q Bxh8 ½-½ (63) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-chessdax (2571) Blitz 2022;

H5c3312) 13...Rac8 14.Rfd1 Rfe8 15.Nd3 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qd4+ Kg8 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Qxd5 21.Rxd5 b6 22.Kf2 Rc5 23.Rad1 Rec8 24.Ke3 Kf8 25.h4 a5 26.f4 Nf6 27.R5d2 Ke8 28.g3 h5 29.Bf3 R8c7 30.Be2 Nd7 31.Bf1 Nb8 32.Re1 Na6 33.Kf3 Nb4 34.e5 dxe5 35.Rxe5 Rxe5 36.fxe5 Rc5 37.Ke4 e6 38.Kf4 Nc6 39.Re2 Ke7 40.Bg2 Nd4 41.Rd2 Nf5 42.Be4 b5 43.Bxf5 exf5 44.Rd5 Rxd5 45.cxd5 f6 46.d6+ Ke6 47.exf6 Kxf6 48.d7 Ke7 49.Kg5 Kxd7 50.Kxg6 Ke6 51.Kxh5 f4 52.gxf4 Kf5 53.Kh6 Kxf4 54.Kg6 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Romsta (2585) Blitz 2023;

H5c332) 13.Be3 Rfc8 14.b3 b5 15.Rfc1 bxc4 16.b4 Qxb4 17.Rab1 Qa5 18.Rb7 Nfd7 19.f4 Nd3 20.Bxd3 cxd3 21.Nd5 Rxc1+ 22.Qxc1 Bxd5 23.Rxd7 Bxa2 24.Nxd3 Qb5 0 - 1 (2 4) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-ThunderWarrior (2755) Blitz 2023;

H5c4) 9...b6 10.Be2 e6 11.d5 exd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.a4 b4 14.Nb1 Nh5 15.Bh6 f5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.0-0 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Ne5 19.Qg5 Qxg5 20.Nxg5 Nf4 21.Re1 h6 22.Ne4 Rd8 23.Nbd2 Bf5 24.Bf1 a5 25.b3 h5 26.g3 Nxd5 27.Rad1 Nc3 28.Rc1 Nxf3+ 29.Nxf3 Nxe4 30.Bd3 d5 31.Bxe4 dxe4 32.Ng5 Rac8 33.Nxe4 c4 34.bxc4 b3 35.Rb1 Rd4 36.Rxb3 Bxe4 37.Rb5 Rcxc4 38.Rxa5 Rxa4 39.Rxa4 Rxa4 40.Kf2 Kf6 41.h4 Bf5 42.Rc1 Ra2+ 43.Kf3 Ra3+ 44.Kf4 Ra4+ 45.Kf3 Bg4+ 46.Ke3 Ra3+ 47.Kf4 Rf3+ 48.Ke4 Rxg3 49.Rc6+ Kg7 50.Kf4 Rf3+ 51.Ke4 Rf7 52.Rb6 Bf3+ 53.Ke5 Rf5+ 54.Ke6 Bg4 55.Ke7 Rf7+ 56.Ke8 g5 57.hxg5 h4 58.Rh6 h3 59.Rh4 Bd7+ 60.Kd8 Bf5 61.Rh6 Ra7 62.Rh4 Ra8+ 63.Ke7 Rh8 64.Rf4 Bg6 65.Kd6 h2 66.Rf1 h1Q

67.Rxh1 Rxh1 68.Ke5 Rg1 69.Kd6 Rf1 70.Ke7 Rf5 71.Kd6 Rxg5 72.Kc7 Rf5 73.Kd6 Kf6 74.Kc7 Re5 75.Kc6 Bf7 76.Kd6 Be6 77.Kc7 Ke7 78.Kb6 Rd5 79.Kc6 Re5 80.Kc7 Bd7 81.Kb6 Rb5+ 82.Kc7 Rc5+ 83.Kb6 Kd6 84.Kb7 Rb5+ 85.Ka6 Kc7 86.Ka7 Ra5# 0 - 1 (8 6) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-Attacker2700 (2591) Blitz 2022;

H5c5) 9...Qc7 10.Be2 e6 11.0-0 b6 12.Rac1 *(12.Rfd1 Bb7 13.Rac1 Rfd8 14.a3 Rac8 15.b4 Qb8 16.d5 exd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 b5 19.bxc5 Nxc5 20.Nd3 Nb3 21.Rxc8 Rxc8 22.Qb4 Nc5 23.Nxc5 dxc5 24.Bxc5 Be5 25.d6 Bc6 26.g3 Qb7 27.Bd4 Bxd4+ 28.Qxd4 a5 29.h4 h5 30.Rb1 Rd8 31.Kf2 Qb8 32.e5 Qc8 33.Bf1 Qf5 34.Rc1 Qxf3+ 35.Ke1 Qxg3+ 36.Kd2 Qh2+ 37.Be2 Bf3 38.Re1 Bxe2 39.Rxe2 Qg3 40.Re3 Qf2+ 41.Kd3 Rc8 42.Re2 Qf3+ 43.Kd2 Qb3 44.Qd3 Qb2+ 45.Ke1 Qc1+ 46.Qd1 Qf4 47.d7 Qxh4+ 48.Kf1 Rd8 49.Qd6 Qh1+ 50.Kf2 Qh2+ 51.Ke1 Qh3 52.e6 fxe6 53.Rxe6 Qh1+ 54.Kd2 Qg2+ 55.Ke1 Kh7 56.Re7+ Kh6 57.Qd2+ Qxd2+ 58.Kxd2 Kg5 59.Ke3 Kf6 60.Rh7 Ke6 61.Ke4 Rxd7 62.Rh6 Kd6 63.Rh8 Kc7 64.Rc8+ Kxc8 65.Ke5 Kc7* 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Attacker2700 (2598) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Bb7 13.d5 exd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.cxd5 b5 16.Nd3 Nb6 17.Nb4 Rfe8 18.Bf2 Qb7 19.Nc6 Nbd7 20.Bg3 Bf8 21.Rfd1 Nh5 22.Bf2 Ne5 23.Nxe5 Rxe5 24.b4 cxb4 25.Bd4 Ree8 26.Qxb4 Bg7 27.Rc6 Bxd4+ 28.Qxd4 Rad8 29.Qb6 Qxb6+ 30.Rxb6 Nf4 31.Bf1 f5 32.exf5 gxf5 33.Rxa6 Re5 34.Bxb5 Rb8 35.a4 Nxd5 36.Rxd5 Rxd5 37.Bc4 Rb1+ 38.Kf2 Rbd1 39.Rxd6 R1d2+ 40.Kg3 1 - 0 (4 0) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Attacker2700 (2567) Blitz 2021;

H5c6) 9...cxd4 10.Bxd4

H5c61) 10...Ne5 11.Be2 Be6 12.b3 Qa5 *(12...Rc8 13.0-0 h5 14.Rac1 Kh7 15.Rfd1 Qa5 16.h3 Bh6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 b5 19.f4 Nc6 20.cxb5 axb5 21.Bxb5 Nb4 22.f5 gxf5 23.exf5 Bxf5 24.Qxe7 Nfd5 25.Nxd5 Nxd5 26.Qe2 Nf4 27.Qf3 Qxb5 28.Qxf4 Bg6 29.Ne4 d5 30.Nf6+ Kg7 31.Nxd5 Rxc1 32.Qxc1 f6 33.Nf4 Bf7 34.Qe3 Re8 35.Qg3+ Kf8 36.Ng6+ Kg7 37.Ne5+ Kf8 38.Nd7+ Ke7*

39.Qd6+ Kd8 40.Nb6+ 1 - 0 (4 0) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 0 4) - M a v i _ a l p h a (2610) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nd5 *(13.Rc1 Rfc8 14.0-0 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bxb5 Rxc3 17.Rxc3 Qxb5 18.Rfc1 h5 19.Be3 Qa6 20.a4 Rb8 21.Rb1 Nfd7 22.Bd4 Kh7 23.Qc1 Qe2 24.Qd1 Qa6 25.Be3 Nc5 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.Rxc5 Nc6 28.Qf1 Qxf1+ 29.Kxf1 Nb4 30.Rb5 Rxb5 31.axb5 Bd4 32.Ke2 Kg7 33.Nd3 Na2 34.Kd2 Nc3 35.Rc1 Nxb5 36.Nc5 Kf6 37.Nxe6 Kxe6 38.Kd3 Be5 39.g3 Kd7 40.Rc5 Nd6 41.Rxe5 e6 42.Ra5 Kc7 43.Ra7+ Kb6 44.Ra1 Kc5 45.Kc3 f5 46.exf5 gxf5 47.Ra6 e5 48.Kd3 e4+ 49.fxe4 fxe4+ 50.Ke3 Kd5 51.Rxd6+ Kxd6 52.Kxe4 Kc5 53.Kf5 Kb4 54.Kg5 Kxb3 55.Kxh5 Kc4 56.g4 Kd5 57.g5 Ke6 58.Kh6 Kf5 59.g6 Kg4 60.g7* 1-0 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 6 4) - M i a m i C S h a r p (2 5 5 9) B l i t z 2 0 2 2*)* 13...Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bxd5 15.cxd5 Ned7 16.Be3 Rfc8 17.Rac1 Kf8 18.Nd3 Ne8 19.f4 Nc7 20.g4 Nb5 21.a4 Nd4 22.Bxd4 Bxd4 23.g5 a5 24.h4 Nc5 25.Nxc5 Rxc5 26.Rc4 Rxc4 27.Bxc4 Kg7 28.Kd3 Bb2 29.h5 gxh5 30.Rxh5 Rh8 31.Bb5 h6 32.Rxh6 Rxh6 33.gxh6+ Kxh6 34.Be8 Kg6 35.Kc4 Bc1 36.Kb5 Bxf4 37.Kxa5 Be3 38.Kb5 Kf6 39.Bd7 Ke5 40.Bf5 e6 41.dxe6 fxe6 42.Bh7 b6 43.b4 d5 44.exd5 exd5 45.Kc6 Bd2 46.b5 Ba5 47.Bg8 d4 48.Bh7 Kf4 49.Kd5 Ke3 50.Kc4 Be1 51.Bd3 Bc3 52.Bh7 Kd2 53.Bd3 Kc1 54.Bh7 Kb2 55.a5 Bxa5 56.Kxd4 Kb3 57.Kd5 Kb4 58.Kc6 Kc4 59.Bg8+ Kb4 60.Bf7 Ka4 61.Be8 Kb4 62.Bd7 Ka4 63.Bc8 Kb4 64.Bd7 Ka4 65.Bc8 Kb4 66.Bd7 ½ - ½ (6 6) Consent_to_treatment (2 7 4 5) - FallacyofComposition (2588) Blitz 2023; **H5c62)** 10...Nc5 11.Be2 *(11.0-0-0 Ne6 12.Be3 b5 13.Nd5 Bb7 14.Kb1 bxc4 15.Bxc4 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Rb8 18.Rd2 Rb5 19.Qc4 Qa5 20.Rc2 Rfb8 21.Nd3 Qa3 22.Bc1 Nc5 23.Nxc5 dxc5 24.Qe2 Ra5 25.b3 Rxb3+ 26.Bb2 Qxa2+ 27.Kc1 Bxb2+ 28.Kd2 Bc3+ 29.Ke3 Qa4 30.Kf4 Qd4 31.Kg3 Rb2*

32.Rhc1 Rxc2 33.Qxc2 Bb4 34.Rd1 Qe5+ 35.f4 Qf6 36.Rd8+ Kg7 37.Qc4 Ra3+ 38.Rd3 Rxd3+ 39.Qxd3 Qc3 0 - 1 (3 9) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-DailyInsanity (2587) Blitz 2021*)* 11...b6 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Rfd1 Rc8 14.Rac1 e6 15.b4 Ncd7 16.Be3 d5 17.cxd5 exd5 18.exd5 Re8 19.Nfe4 Ne5 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Ne4 Bg7 22.Rxc8 Bxc8 23.d6 Bf5 24.Bxa6 Bxe4 25.fxe4 Ng4 26.d7 Rxe4 27.Bg5 Bd4+ 28.Qxd4 Rxd4 29.Rxd4 f6 30.Bf4 Kg7 31.h3 Ne5 32.Bxe5 fxe5 33.Rd1 e4 34.Bb5 e3 35.Re1 Qe7 36.Kh1 Qd6 37.Rxe3 Qd1+ 38.Kh2 Qd6+ 39.g3 h5 40.Rd3 Qe5 41.Rd2 h4 42.d8Q Qxg3+ 43.Kh1 Qxh3+ 44.Kg1 Qg3+ 45.Kf1 Qf3+ 46.Ke1 Qh1+ 47.Ke2 Qg2+ 48.Kd1 Qg4+ 49.Kc2 Qe4+ 50.Qd3 Qxb4 51.Qc3+ Qxc3+ 52.Kxc3 g5 53.Bc6 Kf6 54.a4 Ke5 55.Kb4 g4 56.Kb5 h3 57.Kxb6 g3 58.a5 Kf4 59.a6 Ke3 60.Ra2 g2 61.Bxg2 h2 62.Bh1 Kf4 63.a7 Kg3 64.a8Q Kf4 65.Qe4+ Kg5 66.Rg2+ Kf6 67.Rg6+ Kf7 68.Qe6+ Kf8 69.Rg8# 1-0 (69)

Consent_to_treatment (2731)-Fight_Master13 (2826) Blitz 2023;

H5c63) 10...e6 11.0-0-0 Re8 12.Kb1 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Qa5 15.a4 Rd8 16.Na2 Qc7 17.Qc3 Qxc3 18.Bxc3 Nc5 19.e5 Nd5 20.exd6 Rxd6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Ne4 Nxe4 23.fxe4 Bb7 24.exd5 exd5 25.Rd4 Re8 26.Bxe8 1 - 0 (2 6) Consent_to_treatment (2626)-Hirdons (2601) Blitz 2021;

H5c64) 10...b6 11.Be2 Bb7 12.0-0

H5c641) 12...Qc7 13.Rac1 *(13.Rfd1 Rfc8 14.Rac1 e6 15.Be3 Bf8 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.b3 Rd8 18.Nd3 Rac8 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Qe1 h6 22.Be3 Nd7 23.Rc2 Bc6 24.Rcd2 Nc5 25.Qf2 Rxd2 26.Rxd2 Rd8 27.Qe1 Bf8 28.Qd1 Rxd2 29.Qxd2 Qb7 30.Bxh6 Be7 31.Be3 b5 32.b4 Nd7 33.c5 Nb8 34.g3 Be8 35.h4 Nc6 36.a3 Bf6 37.Kf2 Nd4 38.Bd1 Bc6 39.Ne2 Qd7 40.Nxd4 exd4 41.Bf4 e5 42.Bg5 Bxg5 43.Qxg5 d3 44.Qe3 Kg7 45.Bb3 Qd8 46.Ke1 a5 47.Kd2 axb4*

48.axb4 Qa8 49.Qxd3 Qa3 50.Qc3 f6 51.Bd5 Qa8 52.Bxc6 Qxc6 53.Ke3 Kh6 54.f4 exf4+ 55.gxf4 Qe6 56.Qd2 Qh3+ 57.Kd4 Qd7+ 58.Kc3 Qh3+ 59.Kb2 Qxh4 60.e5 fxe5 61.fxe5+ Kh5 62.e6 Qf6+ 63.Kb3 Qxe6+ 64.Kc3 g5 65.Qh2+ Kg6 66.Qb8 Qe3+ 67.Kc2 Qe4+ 68.Kc3 Qc4+ 69.Kd2 Qxb4+ 70.Ke2 Qxc5 71.Qg8+ Kf6 72.Qh8+ Kf5 73.Qh7+ Ke5 74.Qg7+ Kd6 75.Qf8+ Kd5 76.Qf5+ Kc4 77.Qc2+ Kb4 78.Qb2+ Ka5 79.Qa2+ Kb6 80.Qe6+ Qc6 81.Qe3+ Qc5 82.Qxg5 Qxg5 0-1 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-paper_link (2601) Blitz 2023*)*
13...Rac8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Qb8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qd4+ Kg8 18.Ng4 h5 19.Ne3 Rxc1 20.Rxc1 Rc8 21.Rc3 Rxc3 22.Qxc3 Qc8 23.Qxc8+ Bxc8 24.Nc2 Kg7 25.Nd4 g5 26.Nc6 Kf6 27.Kf2 h4 28.g3 hxg3+ 29.hxg3 Ne5 30.Nb8 a5 31.f4 gxf4 32.gxf4 Nd7 33.Nc6 Nc5 34.Ke3 e6 35.Bc4 Bb7 36.Kd4 exd5 37.Bxd5 Ne6+ 38.Bxe6 fxe6 39.e5+ dxe5+ 40.fxe5+ Kf5 41.Nd8 Bd5 42.Nf7 Bxa2 43.Nd6+ Kf4 44.Nc8 b5 45.Nd6 b4 46.Nb7 a4 47.Nc5 a3 48.bxa3 bxa3 49.Nd3+ Kf5 50.Nc5 Bd5 51.Kc3 Kxe5 52.Nxe6 Bxe6 53.Kc2 Ba2 54.Kc1 Kd4 55.Kc2 Kc4 56.Kc1 Kc3 57.Kd1 Bb3+ 58.Kc1 Ba2 59.Kd1 Kb2 60.Kd2 Bb1 0 - 1 (6 0) Consent_to_treatment (2730)-Filip88 (2659) Blitz 2022;

H5c642) 12...e6 13.Rfd1 Qc7 *(13...Qe7 14.Be3 d5 15.cxd5 exd5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Bxd5 18.Bg5 Nf6 19.Qxd5 Nxd5 20.Bxe7 Nxe7 21.Rd2 b5 22.a4 b4 23.Bc4 a5 24.Re1 Nf5 25.Ne4 Rfd8 26.Red1 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Bd4+ 28.Kf1 Ne3+ 29.Ke2 Nxc4 30.Rxd4 Nxb2 31.Nc5 Rc8 32.Rd5 Nc4 33.Kd3 Nb6 34.Re5 f6 35.Re6 Rxc5 36.Rxb6 Rc3+ 37.Ke4 Ra3 38.Rxf6 Rxa4 39.Rb6 Ra2 40.Rb5 Rxg2 41.Rxa5 Rxh2 42.Rb5 Rb2 43.Rb7*

b3 44.Ke5 h5 45.Kf6 h4 46.Rb8+ Kh7 47.Rb7+ Kh6 48.Rb8 Kh7 49.Rb7+ Kh6 50.Rb8 Kh7 51.Rb7+ Kh6 52.Rb8 Kh7 ½ - ½ (5 2) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-MysteryMAL (2743) Blitz 2022*)*
14.Be3 Ne8 15.Rac1 Ne5 16.b3 Rd8 17.f4 Nd7 18.b4 Qb8 19.Bf3 Rc8 20.Ne2 Qa8 21.Nd4 Ndf6 22.Qd3 Nc7 23.Nb3 b5 24.c5 d5 25.e5 Nd7 26.Na5 Nb8 27.Qd2 Nc6 28.Nxc6 Bxc6 29.Bd4 a5 30.a3 Rb8 31.Nd3 a4 32.Ne1 Na6 33.Nc2 Rbd8 34.Ne3 Nb8 35.Qf2 Bb7 36.Rd2 Nc6 37.Nc2 Ba6 38.Rcd1 Qc8 39.Be2 Rd7 40.Qf1 Qb7 41.Ne3 Nxd4 42.Rxd4 f6 43.Ng4 fxe5 44.R4d2 e4 45.Qe1 d4 46.Ne5 Bxe5 47.fxe5 d3 48.Bg4 Qd5 49.Qe3 Bb7 50.Re1 Qxe5 51.Qg3 Qxg3 52.hxg3 Re7 53.Re3 Bc6 54.Bf3 Rd8 55.Bxe4 Bxe4 56.Rxe4 e5 57.Kf2 Kf7 58.Ke3 Ke6 59.Rxd3 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 9 5) - realNomenNescio (2557) Blitz 2023;
H5c643) 12...Rc8
13.Rfd1 *(13.Rac1 e6 14.Rfd1 Ne5 15.Na4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 b5 17.Nb6 Rc6 18.Bb3 Rxb6 19.Bxb6 Qxb6 20.Qxd6 Qe3 21.Rc7 Bxe4 22.Rc3 Qa7 23.fxe4 Nxe4 24.Qf4 Nxc3 25.bxc3 Bxc3 26.Kh1 h5 27.Ne4 Bg7 28.Nf6+ Kh8 29.Nd7 Rd8 30.Qxf7 Qe3 31.Qxe6 h4 32.Qxe3* 1-0 (32) MCjgp_Twitch (2754)-realNomenNescio (2565) Blitz 2023*)*
13...Re8 *(13...Ne5 14.b3 Nc6 15.Be3 Re8 16.Rac1 Ne5 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 b5 19.Rxc8 Qxc8 20.Rc1 Qb7 21.Qc2 h5 22.Qc7 Qa8 23.Qa7 Qxa7 24.Bxa7 g5 25.Nd3 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 Nd7 27.Be3 Nc5 28.Be2 Bf6 29.b4 Na4 30.Bd2 Bd4+ 31.Kf1 f6 32.Rc6 Nb6 33.f4 gxf4 34.Bxh5 Rf8 35.Bxf4 f5 36.Bh6 Rf6 37.Bg5 fxe4+ 38.Bxf6 exf6* 1 - 0 (3 8) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-chosterm (2593) Blitz 2023*)*
14.Rac1 Nc5 *(14...e6 15.Be3 Bf8 16.Bf4*

Ne5 17.b3 Qc7 18.Nd3 Nfd7 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Bf1 Rcd8 21.Qf2 Ba8 22.Be3 Nd7 23.Na4 Rb8 24.h4 h5 25.Qg3 Qd8 26.Bg5 Qc7 27.Bf4 Ne5 28.Be3 Bg7 29.Qf2 Nd7 30.g3 Nc5 31.Nc3 Qe7 32.Kh2 f5 33.Bg5 Qc7 34.exf5 gxf5 35.Bh3 Qc6 36.Bg2 Qc7 37.Ne2 Nd7 38.Nf4 Ne5 39.Nxh5 Bh8 40.Nf6+ Bxf6 41.Bxf6 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-Plmlgs99 (2563) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Bf1 h5 16.b4 Ne6 17.Be3 Nd7 18.Nd5 a5 19.a3 axb4 20.axb4 Ra8 21.Bh6 Kh7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.f4 Kg8 24.f5 Nef8 25.Qh6 Bxd5 26.exd5 Nf6 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.c5 bxc5 29.bxc5 Ra2 30.Qe3 dxc5 31.Bb5 N8d7 32.Ne4 Nxe4 33.Qxe4 Kg7 34.Re1 Nf6 35.Qe5 Rf8 36.Bc4 Ra7 37.Rcd1 Qd6 38.Qg5 Nh7 39.Qd2 Rf6 40.h3 Nf8 41.Re4 Qg3 42.Rde1 Qd6 43.Qc3 Kh7 44.g4 hxg4 45.Rxg4 Kg7 46.Kh1 Rb7 47.Reg1 Rb4 48.Bd3 Rxg4 49.Rxg4 Kf7 50.Be4 Nd7 51.Qe3 Ne5 52.Rg3 Qb6 53.Qh6 Qb4 54.Qh7+ Kf8 55.Qh8+ Kf7 56.Qh7+ Ke8 57.Qh8+ Kd7 58.Qh4 Kd6 0-1 (58) Iqevsll (2890)-satoshisbrother (2769) Blitz 2022]

[7...c5 8.dxc5 *(8.Nge2 Qa5 9.Ng3 cxd4 10.Bxd4 Nc6 11.Be3 Bd7 12.Be2 Rfc8 13.Rc1 Rab8 14.0-0 Ne5 15.b3 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Bxd2 Ra8 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 21.Rc1 Ra8 22.Rc2 Nc6 23.Be3 Nb4 24.Rc7 Rxa2 25.Rxd7 Be5 26.f4 Bf6 27.Bxb5 Nc2 28.Bb6 Nd4 29.Bc4 Nxb3 30.Bxb3 Rb2 31.e5 dxe5 32.fxe5 Bxe5 33.Rxe7 Rxb3 34.Rxe5 Rxb6 35.h3 Kg7 36.Rc5 Rd6 37.Kh2 Ra6 38.Rc7 Re6 39.Nf1 Re2 40.Ng3 Re5 41.Kg1 h5 42.Kf2 Rd5 43.Ke3 Re5+ 44.Kf4 Ra5 45.Ne4 Ra2 46.g3 Ra5 47.h4 Rf5+ 48.Ke3 Rf1 49.Ng5 Rf5 50.Ke4 Rf1 51.Ke5 Rf5+ 52.Kd6 Rf2 53.Kd7 Rg2 54.Ke8 Re2+ 55.Re7* 1-0 (55) Superfm1 (2638)-giantgooga2 (2476) Blitz 2025*)* 8...dxc5 *(8...Nbd7 9.cxd6 exd6 10.0-0-0 b5 11.Qxd6 Qa5 12.Qa3 Qc7 13.cxb5 Bb7 14.bxa6 Bxe4 15.Qd6 Qa5 16.fxe4 Rfc8 17.Bd4 Nxe4 18.Qxd7 Nxc3 19.Bxg7 Nxd1+ 20.Kb1 Nxb2 21.Nf3 Rab8 22.Bxb2 Rxb2+ 23.Kxb2 Qc3+* 0-1 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-SergerBeurier (2657) Blitz 2024 *)* 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Bxc5 Nc6 11.Bb6 Rd6 *(11...Re8 12.0-0-0 e6 13.Nge2 Nd7 14.Be3 Nde5 15.Nd4 Bd7 16.Kb1 Rec8 17.Be2 Na5 18.Nb3 Naxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Bd4*

Be8 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Rd3 Rc7 23.Rhd1 Rac8 24.Ne2 Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Rc2+ 26.Kb1 Rxe2 27.R3d2 Rxd2 28.Rxd2 Kf6 29.Kb2 Ke5 30.Nc1 Bb5 31.Ne2 Bxe2 32.Rxe2 Kf4 33.Rd2 Rc7 34.Rd3 g5 35.Rb3 b5 36.Rd3 h5 37.a3 a5 38.Kb1 Rc4 39.Kb2 f5 40.exf5 exf5 41.Rd5 b4 42.g3+ Kxf3 43.Rxf5+ Kg4 44.Rxa5 bxa3+ 45.Rxa3 Re4 46.Kc1 Kh3 47.g4+ Kxh2 48.gxh5 g4 49.h6 g3 50.h7 Rh4 51.Kd1 g2 52.Ke2 g1Q 53.Rf3 Re4+ 54.Kd3 Qd4+ 55.Kc2 Re2+ 56.Kb3 Rb2+ 57.Ka3 Qb4# 0-1 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-Leon4rdo (2686) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Bc5 Rd8 13.Be3 Nd7 14.0-0-0 *(14.Nh3 Nde5 15.Nf4 g5 16.Nfd5 h6 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Bb6 Rd7 19.Be2 Rc8 20.Kb1 Ng6 21.Rhe1 Nce5 22.b3 Rc6 23.Bd4 Bxd5 24.exd5 Rc8 25.Ne4 b5 26.cxb5 axb5 27.Bxb5 Rxd5 28.Be2 Rxd4 29.Rxd4 Nxf3 30.gxf3 Bxd4 31.Rc1 Rd8 32.a4 f5 33.Nc5 Nf4 34.Bc4+ Kg7 35.Rd1 e5 36.Ne6+ Nxe6 37.Bxe6 Kf6 38.Bc4 h5 39.a5 g4 40.fxg4 hxg4 41.a6 e4 42.Rxd4 Rxd4 43.a7 Rd8 44.Bd5 Ke5 45.a8Q Rxa8 46.Bxa8 f4 47.Kc2 g3* 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-Coolestbean (2670) Blitz 2024 *)* 14...Bxc3 15.bxc3 b6 16.Ne2 Bb7 17.Nf4 e6 18.Be2 Nc5 19.Bxc5 bxc5 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Rd1 Rxd1+ 22.Kxd1 Ne5 23.Kc2 Kf8 24.Nh3 h6 25.Nf2 g5 26.g3 Ke7 27.Kd2 f5 28.exf5 exf5 29.f4 Ng6 30.Ke3 gxf4+ 31.gxf4 Nh4 32.Nd3 Ng2+ 33.Kf2 Kd6 34.Bf3 Bxf3 35.Kxf3 Nh4+ 36.Kg3 Ng6 37.Kf3 Nh4+ 38.Kf2 Ng6 39.Ke3 a5 40.a4 Ne7 41.Ne5 Nc8 42.Nf7+ Ke6 43.Nxh6 Nb6 44.Kd3 Nxa4 45.Kc2 Nb6 46.Kb3 Nc8 47.Ka4 Nd6 48.Kxa5 Kf6 49.Kb6 Kg7 50.Nxf5+ Nxf5 51.Kxc5 Kf6 52.Kb6 Ke6 53.c5 Kd5 54.c6 Ne7 55.c7 Kd6 56.Kb7 Kd7 57.c4 Nc8 58.c5 Ne7 59.h4 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-big_big_pencil (2563) Blitz 2024]

[7...b5 8.cxb5 axb5 9.Bxb5 c6 10.Bd3 Ba6 11.Nge2 Bxd3 12.Qxd3 Na6 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Rfd1 Qb6 15.Rac1 Rfc8 16.g3 Qb7 17.Kg2 e5 18.f4 Nb4 19.Qb1 exd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 c5 22.Ndb5 Rd8 23.Nxd6 Qc6 24.a3 Na6 25.Kg1 Nc7 26.e5 Ne6 27.Qe4 Qb6 28.Nd5 Qxb2 29.Rb1 Qxa3 30.Rb7 Kh8 31.f5 Ng5 32.Qg4 Nxe5 33.Nxf7+ Ngxf7 34.Qh4 Nf3+ 35.Kh1 Nxh4 36.Rxf7 0-1 (36) felipeporrasmateo (2651)-BENTLEY_GT (2596) Blitz 2023]

[7...e5 8.d5 c5 9.g4 b5 10.Nge2 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Nb6 12.h4 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 bxc4 14.h5 Rb8 15.0-0-0 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxg4 17.Qe2 Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Qb6 19.Rh2 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Qg5 h6 22.Qh4 Bf6 23.Qh3 Bg5+ 24.Kb1 Qa5 25.Ka1 Kh7 26.Nxf5 Rf6 27.Ne7 Rbf8 28.Nc6 Qc7 29.a3 Rf3 30.Qe6 R8f6 31.Qe8 Rxc3 32.bxc3 e4 33.Re2 e3 34.Qe4+ Kg7 35.Rg1 Qf7 36.Kb2 Rf2 37.Qxe3 Rf1 38.Rxg5+ hxg5 39.Qxg5+ Kh7 40.Re7 Rf2+ 41.Kc1 Rf1+ 42.Kd2 Rf2+ 43.Re2 Qf3 44.Qg6+ Kh8 45.Qe8+ Kh7 46.Qe7+ Kh8 47.Qe3 Rxe2+ 48.Qxe2 Qf4+ 49.Kc2 Qh2 50.Qxh2 Kh7 51.Qxd6 1-0 (51) MaLeKkoNihli (2617)-Snovski (2631) Blitz 2022]

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[8.g4 e5

A) 9.Nge2 Rb8 *(9...Bxg4 10.fxg4 Nxg4 11.d5 Qh4+ 12.Kd1 Nxe3+ 13.Qxe3 Nd4 14.Qg3 Qxg3 15.hxg3 c5 16.Nxd4 cxd4 17.Nb1 f5 18.Nd2 Rac8 19.Bd3 f4 20.gxf4 Rxf4 21.Ke2 h5 22.Raf1 Rcf8 23.Rxf4 Rxf4 24.Rg1 Kh7 25.Nf3 Bh6 26.b4 b6 27.c5 bxc5 28.bxc5 dxc5 29.Bxa6 Rxe4+ 30.Kd1 Rf4 31.Ke2 Re4+ 32.Kd1 Rf4 33.Ng5+ Bxg5 34.Rxg5 Rf6 35.Bd3 c4 36.Bxc4 e4 37.Ke2 Kh6 38.Rg1 g5 39.a4 g4 40.a5 Kg5 41.a6 h4 42.a7 Rf8 43.d6 h3 44.Bd5 d3+ 45.Ke3 h2 46.Rh1 Rf3+ 47.Kxe4* 1-0 (47) MaLeKkoNihli (2615)-strizibuba (2623) Blitz 2021*)* 10.d5 Na5 11.Ng3 c5 12.h4 Bxg4 13.fxg4 Nxg4 14.h5 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Bf6 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bh3 Bg5 18.Qe2 b5 19.Qh2 Qe7 20.Be6+ Kh8 21.cxb5 Nc4 22.Ke2 axb5 23.Raf1 b4 24.Nb5 Rxf1 25.Rxf1 Bf4 26.b3 Ne3 27.Rxf4 exf4 28.Nh1 Qf6 29.Kf3 g5 30.Nxd6 g4+ 31.Bxg4 Qxd6 32.Nf2 c4 33.bxc4 b3 34.axb3 Rxb3 35.Qh5 Nf5+ 36.Kg2 Ne3+ 37.Kf3 Nxg4+ 38.Kxg4 Qd7+ 39.Kxf4 Rb8 40.Qe5+ Kg8 41.Ng4 Rf8+ 42.Nf6+ Rxf6+ 43.Qxf6 Qc7+ 44.Qe5 Qf7+ 45.Qf5 Qg7 46.Qg5 h6 47.Qxg7+ Kxg7 48.c5 Kg6 49.c6 Kf7 50.c7 h5 51.c8Q h4

52.Qe6+ Kg7 53.Kg4 Kh7 54.Kh3 Kg7 55.Kxh4 Kh8 56.Qf5 Kg7 57.Kg4 Kh6 58.Qg5+ Kh7 59.Kf4 Kh8 60.Kf5 Kh7 61.Kf6 Kh8 ½-½ (61) Lucky1357924680 (2719)-IDISJUDA (2729) Blitz 2024;

B) 9.d5 Nd4 10.h4 h5 11.g5 Nd7 12.0-0-0 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Qf2 c5 15.Bd3 Nb6 16.Rd2 Rb8 17.Kb1 Be6 18.Nd5 Na4 19.Bxd4 exd4 20.Ne2 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Qb6 22.b3 Nc3+ 23.Nxc3 dxc3 24.Re2 a5 25.Bc4 a4 26.Kc2 axb3+ 27.axb3 Ra8 28.Kd3 Ra3 29.Rb1 Bd4 30.Qg2 Rfa8 31.Rc2 Ra2 32.Rxa2 Re8 33.f4 Bg7 34.Kc2 Qd8 35.Ra7 Qc8 36.Qf3 Qb8 37.Rba1 Rf8 38.R1a6 Qb4 39.Rxd6 Qb8 40.Rdd7 Qc8 41.e5 Kh8 42.d6 Rd8 43.Rxd8+ Qxd8 44.Rxf7 Qc8 45.Rc7 Qf5+ 46.Bd3 Qe6 47.Qa8+ Kh7 48.Qe4 c4 49.bxc4 Qh3 50.Rxg7+ Kh8 51.Qxg6 Qg2+ 52.Kxc3 Qd2+ 53.Kd4 Qxd3+ 54.Kc5 Qxc4+ 55.Kb6 Qc6+ 56.Ka5 Qb5+ 57.Kxb5 ½-½ (57) Koalanaattor (2759)-IDISJUDA (2776) Blitz 2024]

[8.Bd3

A) 8...e5 9.Nge2 Nh5 10.d5 Nd4 11.0-0-0 c5 12.Kb1 Bd7 *(12...b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Ba6 15.Nbc3 Qb6 16.Nc1 Rfb8 17.Bxa6 Qxa6 18.Qd3 c4 19.Qd2 Nf4 20.g3 Nd3 21.Nxd3 cxd3 22.Qxd3 Qa5 23.Bc1 Nb5 24.Nxb5 Rxb5 25.a3 Qa4 26.Rd2 Rb3 27.Qe2 Qxa3 28.Kc2 Rc8+ 29.Kd1 Rxc1+ 30.Kxc1 Qa1+ 31.Kc2 Qxb2+* 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-sh20032006 (2669) Blitz 2021*)* 13.g4 Nxf3 14.Qc1 Bxg4 15.h3 Bd7 16.Rdf1 Nd4 17.Bh6 b5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Ne2 bxc4 21.Qxc4 Bb5 22.Qc2 Rc8 23.Qd2 Bxd3+ 24.Qxd3 Qh4 25.Rc1 a5 26.Ka1 Nf4 27.Nxf4 Qxf4 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.a3 Qe3 30.Qxe3 dxe3 31.Re1 f5 32.Rxe3 Rc4 33.exf5 gxf5 34.Kb1 f4 35.Re1 Kf6 36.Rc1 Rd4 37.Rc8 e4 38.Rf8+ Ke5 39.Kc2 f3 40.Kc3 Rd3+ 41.Kc2 Kxd5 42.b4 Rxa3 43.Rf5+ Kc4 44.bxa5 d5 45.Rf7 Rxa5 46.Rxh7 f2 47.Rc7+ Kd4 48.Rf7 e3 0-1 (48) Superfm1 (2650)-Frutek (2652) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...Bd7 9.Nge2 Rb8 10.h4 h5 11.Bh6 e5 12.d5 Nb4 13.Bb1 a5 14.a3 Na6 15.Bc2 c6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Qxd6 Rxb2 19.Ba4 Qb8 20.0-0-0 Re8 21.Qxb8 Rbxb8 22.Rd6 Rec8 23.Rhd1 Be8 24.f4 exf4 25.Nxf4 Nc5 26.Bc2 Ng4 27.Nd3 Nb7 28.Rd4 c5 29.Rd5 Ne3 30.Re1 Nxc4 31.Bb3 Nb6 32.Ba2 c4 33.Nf4 Nxd5 34.exd5 Nc5 35.Re7 Nd3+ 36.Nxd3 cxd3 37.Kd2 Rb2+ 38.Kxd3 Rxc3+ 39.Kxc3 Rxa2 40.Rxe8 Rxa3+ 41.Kd4 Ra1 42.d6 a4 43.Ra8 Rd1+ 44.Ke5 g5 45.hxg5 Kg6 46.Rxa4 Kxg5 47.Ra7 f5 48.d7 h4 49.Ke6 Kg4 50.Ra5 f4 51.Rd5 Re1+ 52.Kf7 f3 53.gxf3+ Kxf3 54.d8Q h3 55.Rd3+ Kg2 56.Qg5+ Kh1 57.Rxh3# 1-0 (57) brillantetoile (2709)-strizibuba (2551) Blitz 2023]

[8.Rb1 Bd7 9.b4 *(9.Bd3 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Nge2 Nh5 12.0-0 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.g4 Nxe2+ 15.Bxe2 Nf4 16.Qxd6 f5 17.Rfd1 Nxe2+*

18.Nxe2 Rf7 19.gxf5 gxf5 20.exf5 Qe8 21.Ng3 Bxf5 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.Kh1 Rf6 24.Qd3 Qh5 25.Qe4 Raf8 26.Rg1 Qxf3+ 27.Qxf3 Rxf3 28.Bh6 R8f7 29.Rbe1 R3f5 30.Re3 Kf8 31.Rxg7 Rxg7 32.Rg3 Rff7 33.Kg2 e4 34.Rxg7 Rxg7+ 35.Kf2 Kf7 36.Bxg7 Kxg7 37.Ke3 Kf6 38.Kxe4 Ke6 39.b4 h6 40.a4 h5 41.h4 Kf6 42.Kd4 Ke6 43.Kc5 Kd7 44.Kb6 Kd6 45.Kxa6 Kc7 46.c5 Kb8 47.Kb6 Kc8 48.b5 Kb8 49.bxc6 Kc8 50.c7 Kd7 51.Kb7 Ke6 52.c8Q+ Ke5 53.Qg8 Kf4 54.Qg5+ Ke4 55.c6 Kd4 56.c7 Kc4 57.c8Q+ Kd4 58.Qe8 Kc3 59.a5 Kd4 60.a6 Kc3 61.Qexh5 Kd4 62.Qgg4+ Kc3 63.Qhf5 Kd2 64.Qff3 Ke1 65.Qg1+ Kd2 66.Qgg2+ Ke1 67.Qff1# 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-IDISJUDA (2608) Blitz 2023*)*
9...Re8 10.Bd3 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Nge2 Nh5 13.0-0 f5 14.Bg5 Bf6 15.Bxf6 Qxf6 16.Nxd4 exd4 17.Ne2 Re7 18.Rbd1 Rae8 19.Nf4 Nxf4 20.Qxf4 g5 21.Qd2 c5 22.dxc6 bxc6 23.exf5 c5 24.Be4 Bxf5 25.b5 axb5 26.cxb5 Bxe4 27.fxe4 Qe5 28.Rf5 Qxe4 29.Rxg5+ Kh8 30.Rf1 c4 31.Rg3 d3 32.Qh6 Qd4+ 33.Kh1 Rg7 34.Rxg7 Qxg7 35.Qxd6 Rg8 36.Rg1 Qc3 37.b6 d2 38.b7 Qb2 39.a4 d1Q 40.Qxd1 Qxb7 41.Qa1+ Qg7 42.Qxg7+ Rxg7 43.Rc1 Rc7 44.Kg1 Kg7 45.Kf2 Kf6 46.Ke3 Ke5 47.a5 Kd5 48.Kd2 Kd4 49.Ra1 Ra7 50.a6 Kc5 51.Kc3 Kb5 52.Ra2 h6 53.g4 Kc5 54.h4 Kb5 55.g5 hxg5 56.hxg5 Kb6 57.g6 Rg7 58.a7 Rxg6 59.a8Q Rg3+ 60.Kxc4 Rg4+ 61.Kd5 Rg5+ 62.Ke6 Rg6+ 63.Kf7 Rc6 64.Ra6+ Kb5 65.Qxc6+ Kb4 66.Ra4+ Kb3 67.Qc4+ Kb2 68.Ra2+ Kb1 69.Qc2# 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-IDISJUDA (2625) Blitz 2022]
[8.Rc1 e5 9.d5 *(9.Nge2 Bd7 10.d5 Ne7 11.g4 h5 12.h3 Kh7 13.g5 Ne8 14.h4 f5 15.Kd1 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Kc2 Be6 18.b3 Nc7 19.Rd1 d5 20.Bc5 d4 21.Na4 fxe4 22.fxe4 a5 23.Nc1 Na6 24.Nd3 Bg4 25.Re1 Nxc5 26.Ndxc5 Nc8 27.Bh3 Bxh3 28.Rxh3 Qe7 29.Qe2 Nd6 30.Rf1 Rxf1 31.Qxf1 Rf8 32.Rf3 Rd8 33.Kd3 Kg8 34.Qh3 Nb7 35.Qe6+ Qxe6 36.Nxe6 Re8 37.Nxg7 Kxg7 38.Rf6 Rf8 39.Rxf8 Kxf8 40.c5 Ke7 41.Kc4 Ke6 42.Nb2 Nd8 43.b4 axb4 44.Kxb4 Nf7 45.Nd3 Kd7 46.a4 Kc7 47.a5 Kb7 48.Ka4 Ka6 49.Nb4+ Kb7 50.a6+ Kc7 51.a7 Kb7 52.Nxc6 Nxg5 53.hxg5 h4 54.Nxe5 h3 55.Nf3 d3 56.Kb3* 1-0 (56) alexkaspi (2612)-BlitzWithIncrement (2701) Blitz 2023*)*
9...Nd4 10.Nge2 Nxe2 11.Bxe2 c5 *(11...Nh5 12.0-0 Nf4 13.g3 Nxe2+ 14.Nxe2 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.c5 Qd7 17.c6 bxc6 18.Rxc6 Bh3 19.Rf2 Rab8 20.b3 Qc8 21.Bh6 Bd7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rc4 Bb5 24.Rh4 Kg8 25.Nc3 a5 26.Ne4 Bd7 27.Qh6 Rf7 28.Nf6+ Rxf6 29.Qxh7+ Kf8 30.Qh8+ Ke7 31.Rh7+ Rf7 32.Rxf7+ Kxf7 33.Qh7+ Kf6 34.f4 e4 35.Qh4+ Kg7 36.Qe7+ Kg8 37.f5 Qe8 38.Qg5 e3 39.Re2 Bxf5 40.Rxe3 Qf8 41.Re7 Re8 42.Rxc7 Bd3 43.Rc1 Qf3 44.Qf4 Qe2 45.h4 Be4 46.Qf2 Qg4 47.Re1 Rf8 48.Qe3 Rf3 49.Qxe4 Qxg3+ 50.Kh1 Qh3+ 51.Kg1 Rg3+ 52.Kf2 Qh2+ 53.Kf1 Rg1#* 0-1 (53) player149 (2622)-dhonimessi (2655) Blitz 2022*)*
12.dxc6 bxc6 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Rfd1

Ne8 15.c5 dxc5 16.Bxc5 Be6 17.Kh1 Nf6 18.Bxf8 Bxf8 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Nxf6+ Qxf6 21.Bc4 1-0 (21) AngryBirds2000 (2692)-Rzbrzotrz1 (2510) Blitz 2024]

[8.d5 Ne5

A) 9.h3 b5 *(9...c6 10.f4 Ned7 11.Nf3 cxd5 12.exd5 Nc5 13.Be2 Nfe4 14.Nxe4 Nxe4 15.Qc2 Ng3 16.Rg1 Bf5 17.Qb3 b5 18.Nd4 bxc4 19.Qxc4 Rc8 20.Nc6 Qd7 21.Bd4 e5 22.fxe5 dxe5 23.Bc5 Rfe8 24.Rd1 e4 25.Kf2 Qc7 26.b4 Qf4+ 27.Ke1 Nxe2 28.Kxe2 Qg3 29.Bf2 Qg5 30.Be3 Qh4 31.g4 Qxh3 32.gxf5 Qh2+ 33.Ke1 Bf6 34.Rd2 Bh4+ 35.Kd1 Qh3 36.Qe2 Qxf5 37.Qg4 Qxg4+ 38.Rxg4 Bf6 39.Bc5 Kg7 40.Re2 h5 41.Rgxe4 Rxe4 42.Rxe4 h4 43.a4 h3 44.Re2 Rh8 45.Rh2 Bg5 46.b5 Bf4 47.Rxh3 f6 48.bxa6* 1-0 (48) MaLeKkoNihli (2618)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021 *)* 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.Qe2 Qa8 14.f4 Ned7 15.Nf3 c6 16.dxc6 Rxc6 17.0-0 Rb8 18.Rfb1 Rc7 19.Bf2 Nh5 20.Qd2 Nc5 21.Bxc5 Rxc5 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Bxe5 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.b4 Rd8 26.Qf2 Rd3 27.Rc1 Rf5 28.Qe1 Nf4 29.Rc2 Rg5 30.Qe4 Nxh3+ 31.Kh2 Qb8+ 32.Kh1 Rxc3 33.Rd2 Rh5 0-1 (33) MaLeKkoNihli (2626)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021;

B) 9.b3 c5 10.a4 e6 11.0-0-0 exd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Qxd5 Qf6 14.Qxd6 Be6 15.Qd2 Nxc4 16.bxc4 Rad8 17.Qxd8 Qb2# 0-1 (17) Strongmama1 (2658)-Protagonist98 (2774) Blitz 2024]

[8.Rd1 e5 9.Nge2 *(9.d5 Nd4 10.Nge2 Nxe2 11.Bxe2 Nh5 12.0-0 f5 13.c5 f4 14.Bf2 g5 15.Kh1 Nf6 16.b4 h5 17.Bc4 g4 18.a4 Nh7 19.Be2 Ng5 20.c6 b6 21.Ra1 Kh7 22.Bh4 Bf6 23.fxg4 hxg4 24.g3 Nh3 25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.Rfd1 Nf2+* 0-1 (26) Knightindiandefence (2623)-OUT-knock123 (2687) Blitz 2021*)* 9...Nh5 10.d5 Ne7 11.g4 Nf4 12.Nxf4 exf4 13.Bd4 f5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.Rg1+ Ng6 17.Bd3 Qh4+ 18.Qf2 Qh5 19.Ne2 Kh6 20.Kd2 fxe4 21.fxe4 Bg4 22.Rdf1 Bxe2 23.Bxe2 Qe5 24.Kc2 Qxe4+ 25.Bd3 Qe3 26.Rxg6+ hxg6 27.Qh4+ Kg7 28.Re1 Qd4 29.Re7+ Rf7 30.Rxf7+ Kxf7 31.Qh7+ Qg7 32.Qh3 Re8 33.Qg4 Qf6 34.Qd7+ Re7 35.Qc8 b6 36.Qxa6 f3 37.Qc8 f2 38.Qh3 Kg7 39.Qg2 Re1 40.a3 0-1 (40) positinal_style (2641)-sergeikim2003 (2581) Blitz 2021]

[8.Be2 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Bd1 c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Nge2 c5 13.0-0 Be6 14.Nd5 Nd7 15.a4 Rb8 16.Qc3 f5 17.Kh1 fxe4 0-1 (17) Viinivasalli (2634)-PhoenixRebornAshes (2576) Blitz 2021]

[8.h4 h5 9.Nh3 Rb8 10.Nf2 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.0-0-0 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Ne2 c5 15.Nc3 Bd7 16.Bg5 Qa5 17.Kb1 Rb4 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Nd5 Bg7 20.Nxb4 cxb4 21.Nd3 Rb8 22.Rc1 Be6 23.b3 Bf8 24.f4 f6 25.c5 Nb5 26.Nxb4 Na3+ 27.Kb2 Rxb4 28.cxd6 Rxb3+ 29.axb3 Qxd2+ 30.Kxa3 0-1 (30) retardedplatypus123 (2632)-FerociousLion98999 (2557) Blitz 2022]

[8.0-0-0 b5 9.h4 h5 *(9...bxc4 10.h5 Nxh5 11.Bh6 e5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.g4 Nxg4 15.fxg4*

Bxg4 16.Be2 Qd7 17.Bxg4 Qxg4 18.Nge2 Rfe8 19.Rdg1 Qf3 20.Qd4+ Re5 21.Qxc4 Nf4 22.Rf1 Nxe2+ 23.Nxe2 Qe3+ 24.Kb1 Qxe4+ 25.Qxe4 Rxe4 26.Nc3 Re5 27.Rf4 h5 28.Rc4 c5 29.Rd1 Rd8 30.Ra4 d5 31.Rxa6 d4 32.Rc6 Rb8 33.Na4 Rb5 34.b3 h4 35.Rc1 h3 36.Nxc5 h2 37.Nd3 Rg5 38.Nf2 Rg1 39.Kb2 Rf5 40.Nh1 g5 41.a4 g4 42.R6c2 g3 43.Nxg3 Rxg3 44.Rxh2 Rff3 45.Rc4 Rxb3+ 46.Ka2 Ra3+ 47.Kb2 Rgb3+ 48.Kc2 d3+ 49.Kd1 Ra1+ 50.Rc1 Rxa4 51.Rh3 Rg4 52.Kd2 Rg2+ 53.Kd1 Rg1+ 54.Kd2 Rb2+ 55.Kc3 Rxc1+ 56.Kxb2 d2 57.Rd3 d1Q 0-1 (57) monkkkk (2601)-Not_Merciful (2554) Blitz 2021*)* 10.g4 e5 11.Bg5 Nxd4 12.gxh5 Be6 13.h6 Bh8 14.h5 Kh7 15.hxg6+ fxg6 16.Kb1 bxc4 17.f4 Rb8 18.Bh3 Qc8 19.Bxe6 Qxe6 20.Nh3 Nh5 21.f5 gxf5 22.Be3 Nf3 23.Qe2 fxe4 24.Qxf3 Rxf3 25.Ng5+ Kg6 26.Nxe6 Rxe3 27.Nd5 Re2 28.b3 cxb3 29.a3 c6 30.Nb4 d5 31.Rdg1+ Kf6 32.Nc5 Nf4 33.Nd7+ Kf5 34.Nxb8 c5 35.Rg8 cxb4 36.Rxh8 bxa3 37.h7 Rb2+ 38.Ka1 Ra2+ 39.Kb1 Rb2+ 40.Ka1 Ne2 41.Rf8+ Ke6 42.Rc8 Ra2+ 43.Kb1 Rb2+ 44.Ka1 Ra2+ 45.Kb1 Rb2+ 46.Ka1 ½-½ (46) monkkkk (2614)-anand68 (2756) Blitz 2022]

Vigorito, D: 'while we have also fiddled around with while we have also fiddled around with' 8...Na5 Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?'

[Vigorito, D: 'The main line is' 8...Rb8 4:11 Vigorito, D: 'is the main move. Here White has plenty of setups, but recently on the top level almost everybody plays "Schipkov,Boris: 'Black intends ...b7-b5 with a counter-attack on the queenside.
Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'Black intends ...b7-b5 with a counter-attack on the queenside.
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A) Mikhail Golubev: 'Two moves have always been most popular. Two moves have always been most popular.' 9.Nc1 Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev"

A1) 9...e6 10.Nb3 Ne7 11.Be2 Nd7 12.h4 c5 13.0-0-0 b5 14.dxc5 bxc4 15.Bxc4 d5 16.exd5 exd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Bxd5 Qc7 19.Kb1 a5 20.Bd4 Ne5 21.Qc3 Bf5+ 22.Be4 Bxe4+ 23.fxe4 a4 24.Nd2 Rfd8 25.Nf3 Rxd4 26.Nxd4 Nc6 27.Qc4 Rb4 28.Qa6 Bxd4 29.Rd2 Qb8 30.Qe2 a3 31.b3 Rxb3+ 32.axb3 Qxb3+ 33.Kc1 Be3 34.Qxe3 Qxe3 35.Rh3 Qe1+ 36.Rd1 Qb4 37.Rd2 Nd4 38.c6 Nxc6 39.Ra2 Qe1+ 40.Kc2 Qxe4+ 41.Kb3 Qb4+ 42.Kc2 Nd4+ 43.Kc1 Nb3+ 44.Kc2 Nd4+ 45.Kd3 Qb1+ 46.Kxd4 Qxa2 47.h5 Qb2+ 48.Kd5 a2 49.hxg6 hxg6 50.Kd6 a1Q 51.Ke7 Qf6+ 52.Kd7 Qae5 53.Kc8 Qee7 54.Rh8+ Kxh8 55.g4 Qa6+ 56.Kb8 Qab7# 0-1 (56) EnglishLongbow (2694)-doreality (2612) Blitz 2020;

A2) 9...Bd7

A2a) 10.Nb3 e5 *(10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.Qa5 Nfxd5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 e4 17.fxe4 Qh4+ 18.Kd1 Qxe4 19.Nc3 Bg4+ 20.Kc1 Nxc3*

21.bxc3 Rfe8 22.Bb5 c6 23.Ba6 Bf5 24.Kb2 Qc2+ 25.Ka3 Ra8 26.Rac1 Qe4 27.Rhe1 Qxg2 28.Rxe8+ Rxe8 29.Bb7 Be6 30.Re1 Rb8 31.Qc7 Rf8 32.Bxc6 Qxh2 33.Rh1 Qe2 34.Qxd6 Be5 35.Qc5 Rd8 36.Re1 Qa6+ 37.Kb2 Rxd2+ 38.Nxd2 Qxa2+ 39.Kc1 Bf4 40.Qf2 Bb3 41.Re8+ Kg7 42.Be4 Qa1+ 0-1 (42) Vantablack_Chess (2615)-mrsagsibil (2635) Blitz 2023*)* 11.d5 Ne7 12.c5 Nh5 13.Be2 f5 14.0-0-0 Nf4 15.Bf1 Ra8 16.Kb1 a5 17.a4 Kh8 18.g3 Nh5 19.Be2 Nf6 20.Rc1 Ne8 21.h4 c6 22.h5 Kg8 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Bc4 Rf7 25.dxc6 Bxc6 26.cxd6 Nxd6 27.Bxf7+ Kxf7 28.Rhd1 Ke6 29.Qe2 fxe4 30.fxe4 Bf6 31.Bc5 Nec8 32.Nb5 Bxb5 33.axb5 a4 34.Na1 Qa5 35.Nc2 Qxb5 36.Qxb5 Nxb5 37.Na3 Nd4 38.Bxd4 exd4 39.Nc4 b5 40.Nd2 Nd6 41.Nf3 1-0 (41) bodoque50 (2623)-strizibuba (2602) Blitz 2022;

A2b) 10.Be2 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.g4 h5 13.h3 c6 14.dxc6 Bxc6 15.b4 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Nb3 d5 18.g5 Nh7 19.Na5 Ba8 20.Bc5 d4 21.Nd1 Re8 22.Nf2 Nf8 23.a4 Ne6 24.axb5 Nf4 25.Bf1 Nc8 26.Nc6 Bxc6 27.bxc6 Qxg5 28.b5 Bh6 29.Ra2 Ra8 30.h4 Ng2+ 31.Bxg2 Qxg2 32.Qe2 Rxa2 33.Qxa2 Qxf3 34.b6 Be3 35.Rf1 Qf6 36.Qd5 Nxb6 37.Bxb6 Ra8 38.c7 Ra1+ 39.Ke2 Rxf1 40.c8Q+ Kg7 41.Kd3 Rxf2 42.Bc5 Rd2+ 43.Kc4 Qf1+ 44.Kb4 Qb1+ 45.Qb3 Rb2 46.Qf8+ Kh7 47.Qfxf7+ Kh8 48.Qg8# 1-0 (48) SouthAfricanWolf (2684)-whiteprocess (2686) Blitz 2021;

A3) 9...Re8 10.Nb3 *(10.Bd3 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.N1e2 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.e5 Rb4 18.Ne2 Rxd4 19.Nxd4 Rxe5+ 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.0-0-0 Nd7 22.Nc3 Nc5 23.Bc2 Re8 24.Qxd5 Be6 25.Qd6 Qa5 26.Rhe1 Bxc3 27.bxc3 Qa3+ 28.Kd2 Ne4+ 29.Rxe4 Qxd6+ 30.Ke1 Qxh2 31.Re3* 0-1 (31) Dreev,A (2676)-Motylev,A (2574) Neum 2000*)* 10...Bd7 11.Bd3N *(11.Be2 h5 12.h3 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 h4 16.Bd3 c5 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Ne2 a5 19.Bc2 d5 20.cxd5 cxd5 21.e5 Nh5 22.f4 Bb5 23.Bd3 Bh6 24.0-0 Ng7 25.Bxb5 Rxb5 26.Bc3 d4 27.Qxd4 Rd5 28.Qe4 Nf5 29.Kh2 Qd7 30.g4 hxg3+ 31.Nxg3 Nxg3 32.Kxg3 Rd8 33.Rf3 a4 34.a3 Rd1 35.Rxd1 Qxd1 36.Kg2 Kh7 37.e6 fxe6 38.Qxe6* 1-0 (38) Istratescu,A (2622)-Shavtvaladze,N (2399) Kavala 2002*)* 11...b6 *(11...e5 12.d5 Ne7)* 12.0-0 e5 13.d5 Nb4 14.Be2 a5 15.c5! bxc5 16.Nxa5↑ *(16.a3? Nbxd5)* 16...c6□ 17.Nc4 cxd5 18.exd5 Renouvelle la menace

a3 Bc8□ 19.a3 Na6 20.Bg5 Qc7 Un coup naturel mais la ♕ n'est pas très bien placée 21.a4! *(21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Ne4 Be7)* 21...Nb4 22.Bxf6 *(22.Nb5 Rxb5 23.axb5 Nbxd5 24.Bxf6 Nxf6 25.Qxd6)* 22...Bxf6 23.Nb5 Qe7 24.Ncxd6 Rd8 25.Nxc8 Rbxc8 26.d6 *(26.Bc4 Bg5)* 26...Qe6 27.Rac1 Kg7 28.Bc4→ Qf5 29.Rcd1 Bg5 30.Qc3 Nc6 31.f4!! Bxf4 32.g3 Qg4 33.d7 *(33.Kh1 Bh6 34.Rxf7+)* 33...Rb8 34.Kh1 Bg5 35.Rxf7+ Kh6 36.Qd3 *(36.Rd5 Qe4+ 37.Qf3)* 36...Nd4 37.h4? Bf4!∞ Retour de baton pour les Blancs

A3a) 38.Nxd4 cxd4 39.Rd2 Be3 *(39...Bxd2 40.Qxd2+ Kh5 41.Be2)* 40.Rg2 Rxd7;

A3b) 38.gxf4 Nf3 39.Be6 Qxe6 40.Qxf3 Qxf7∓ 41.Nd6 Qf6 *(41...Qxf4?? 42.Nf7+ Kg7 43.Qxf4 exf4 44.Nxd8 Rxd8 45.Kg2)* 42.Qg4 exf4 43.Ne4! Qf7 *(43...Qf5 44.Qxf5 gxf5 45.Nxc5)* 44.Ng5 Qf6 45.Ne6 Ra8? *(45...Rxd7□ 46.Rxd7 Rxb2 47.Nf8 Rb1+ 48.Kh2 Rb2+ 49.Kg1 Rb1+ 50.Kf2 Rb2+ 51.Ke1 Qc3+)* 46.Qg5+ Qxg5 47.hxg5+ Kh5 48.Nxd8 Rxd8 49.a5 Kxg5 50.a6 Kg4 51.a7 g5 52.Kg2 h5 53.Re1 1-0 (53) Socko,B (2657)-Antoniewski,R (2608) Katowice 2010 EXT 2016 [RR];

A4) 9...e5 RR: '⌓' RR: 'La grande ligne' 10.d5 *(10.Nb3 Nh5 11.d5 Ne7 12.0-0-0 f5 13.Kb1 f4 14.Bf2 b6 15.Rc1 g5 16.Be2 Nf6 17.g4 Ng6 18.Qe1 Bd7 19.c5 bxc5 20.Bxa6 Qe7 21.Bc4 Ra8 22.h4 h6 23.hxg5 hxg5 24.Nxc5 Rfb8 25.Ne6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 c6 27.b3 Nf8 28.Qd2 Nxe6 29.Rcd1 Rd8 30.Bb6 Rd7 31.Qh2 Kf7 32.Qe2 Rb8 33.Bf2 Kg6 34.Ka1 c5 35.Nd5 Nxd5 36.exd5 Nd4 37.Bxd4 cxd4 38.Bd3+ Kf7 39.Qe4 Qf6 40.Qf5 Ra7 41.Rh7 Qxf5 42.Bxf5 Rxb3 43.Rdh1 Rba3 44.Bb1 Rxf3 45.Rxg7+ Kxg7 46.Rh7+ Kf6 47.Rxa7 d3 48.Rd7 e4 49.Rxd6+ Ke5 50.Rd8 d2 51.Bc2 e3 52.d6 Rf1+ 53.Kb2 Rh1 54.d7 Kd6 55.Re8 Kxd7 56.Ba4+ Kd6 57.Bb3 Kd7 58.Re4 f3 59.Rxe3 f2 60.Rd3+ Kc7 61.Rc3+ Kb7 0-1 (61) david_gomez (2640)-danikoshvili (2609) Blitz 2021)* 10...Nd4 Mikhail Golubev: 'and now 11.Nfe2, or' 11.Nb3 Mikhail Golubev: 'where we have a brand new example:'

A4a) 11...c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4

A4a1) 14...d5 15.cxd5 cxd5 *(15...Rb4 16.Bc5 Rb7 17.Bc4 Re8 18.0-0 cxd5 19.exd5 Nd7 20.Bd4 Rxb2 21.Qxb2 Bxd4+ 22.Kh1 Qh4 23.g3 Qf6 24.Rac1 Re3 25.Qd2 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 Bxc3 27.Qf4 Qe7 28.d6 Qe8 29.Rc1 Be5 30.Qxf7+ Qxf7 31.Bxf7+ Kxf7 32.Rxc8 Ke6 33.Rc6 a5 34.Ra6 Bc3 35.Kg2 h5 36.f4 Nc5 37.d7+ Kxd7 38.Rxg6 a4 39.Rg5 Nd3*

40.Rxh5 Ke6 41.Kf3 a3 42.g4 Nc1 43.Rh6+ Kf7 44.Ra6 Bb2 45.h4 Nxa2 46.g5 Nb4 47.Ra7+ Ke6 48.Kg4 a2 49.f5+ Kd5 50.f6 a1Q 51.Rxa1 Bxa1 52.Kf5 Nc6 53.h5 Nd4+ 54.Kg6 Ne6 55.h6 Nxg5 56.Kxg5 Ke6 57.h7 Bxf6+ 58.Kg6 Bh8 59.Kh5 Kf7 60.Kg4 Kg6 61.Kf3 Kxh7 ½-½ (61) bodoque50 (2601)-BulletCoach (2600) Blitz 2024 *)* 16.exd5 Rb4 17.Bc5 Re8+ 18.Be2 Rxb2 19.Qxb2 Nxd5 20.Rd1 Qa5 21.Qa3 Rxe2+ 22.Kxe2 Nxc3+ 23.Kf2 Qc7 24.Rde1 h5 25.Re7 Kh7 26.Rxc7 1-0 (26) Superfm1 (2618)-bamur (2401) Rapid 2023;

A4a2) 14...Re8 15.Be2

A4a21) 15...d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.e5 Nh5 *(17...Nd7 18.f4 Bh6 19.0-0 Nxe5 20.Bxe5 Rxe5 21.Qd4 Re8 22.Bf3 Bg7 23.Qxd5 Rxb2 24.Qxd8 Rxd8 25.Nd5 Be6 26.Rfd1 Kf8 27.Nc7 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Bxa2 29.Nxa6 Bb3 30.Rd3 Bc4 31.Ra3 Bd4+ 32.Re3 Bxe3+ 33.Kh1 Rb1+ 34.Bd1 Rxd1#* 0-1 (34) ChessTheory64 (2619)-sergeikim2003 (2586) Blitz 2022*)* 18.0-0 Bxe5 19.f4 Bg7 20.Bxh5 gxh5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nxd5 Be6 23.Qd4+ Kh6 24.Rad1 Bxd5 25.Qxd5 Qxd5 26.Rxd5 Rxb2 27.h3 Ree2 28.Rg5 f6 29.Rg8 Rxa2 30.Rd1 Rf2 31.Rd7 Rxf4 32.Rgg7 Rff2 33.Rxh7+ Kg6 34.Rhg7+ Kf5 35.Rd5+ Ke6 36.Rxh5 a5 37.Rb5 a4 38.Rb6+ Ke5 39.Rb5+ Kd4 40.Rg4+ Kc3 41.Rc5+ Kb3 42.Rb5+ Kc3 43.Rc5+ Kb3 44.Rg8 Rac2 45.Rb8+ Ka2 46.Rxc2+ Rxc2 47.h4 a3 48.h5 Rb2 49.Ra8 Rb5 50.g4 Rg5 51.Kh2 Rxg4 52.Kh3 Rg1 53.Kh4 Rh1+ 54.Kg4 Kb2 55.Rb8+ Ka1 56.Rb6 a2 57.Rxf6 Kb2 58.Rb6+ Kc3 59.Rc6+ Kd4 60.Ra6 a1Q 61.Rxa1 Rxa1 62.h6 Ke5 63.Kg5 Rg1+ 64.Kh5 Kf6 0-1 (64) superfm1 (2656)-sexdrugsrnr (2558) Blitz 2024;

A4a22) 15...Nh5 16.Bxg7 Qh4+ 17.g3 Nxg3 18.Bf6 Qh3 19.Rg1 Qxh2 20.0-0-0 d5 21.Rxg3 1-0 (21) gravereaper (2696)-Serg_T (2510) Rapid 2021;

A4b) 11...Nxb3 12.axb3 c5 *(12...Nh5 13.b4 f5 14.b5 axb5 15.cxb5 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5 17.Bd3 Nf4 18.0-0 Qd7 19.Bc4 Kh8* Mikhalevski, V: 'and unsatisfied by the

outcome of the opening he offered a draw which was agreed. 1/2-1/2 Obodchuk,A - Svidler,P/Poikovsky RUS 2003. Mikhalevski,Viktor: 'and unsatisfied by the outcome of the opening he offered a draw which was agreed. 1/2-1/2 Obodchuk,A - Svidler, P/ Poikovsky RUS 2003." *)*

A4b1) 13.Be2 Nh5 *(13...Bd7 14.0-0 Nh5 15.g3 f5 16.Kh1 f4 17.Bf2 fxg3 18.hxg3 Qe7 19.Kg2 Nf6 20.Be3 Nh5 21.Rh1 Rf7 22.Rag1 b5 23.cxb5 axb5 24.b4 c4 25.Kf2 Rbf8 26.Ke1 Qd8 27.Kd1 Rxf3 28.Bxf3 Rxf3 29.g4 Nf4 30.Kc2 Qg5 31.Kb1 Qf6 32.g5 Qf7 33.Rf1 Nd3 34.Qg2 Rxf1+ 35.Rxf1 Qe7 36.Qf3 Be8 37.Bd2 Bd7 38.Qe3 Nf4 39.Qa7 Qe8 40.Qc7 Bf8 41.Rxf4 exf4 42.Bxf4 Bg4 43.Bxd6 Bf3 44.e5 Bxd6 45.Qxd6 Qf7 46.Qd8+ Kg7 47.Qf6+ Kg8 48.e6 Qxf6 49.gxf6 h5 50.d6* Normal 1-0 (50) bodoque50 (2611)-Markosian,D (2533) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.g3 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.0-0-0 Bd7 17.f4 exf4 18.gxf4 Nf6 19.Rhg1 b5 20.Bd3 Kh8 21.h3 Qe7 22.Rde1 Qf7 23.Rg2 bxc4 24.Bxc4 Ne4 25.Nxe4 fxe4 26.Rxg7 Qxg7 27.Qf2 Qe7 28.Bd2 h6 29.Bc3+ Kh7 30.Kd2 Bf5 31.Be2 Rg8 32.Bd1 Qb7 33.Qh4 Qxd5+ 34.Kc1 Qe6 35.Bc2 d5 36.Be5 Rb7 37.Bd1 Rg2 38.Qd8 Rbg7 39.Bxg7 Rxg7 40.Bc2 d4 41.Qa5 d3 42.Bxd3 Qd5 43.Bc2 Qd4 44.Qc3 Qxc3 45.bxc3 Rg3 46.Bxe4 Rxc3+ 47.Kb2 Rxh3 48.Bxf5+ 1-0 (48) Duhless1981 (2764)-IDISJUDA (2702) Blitz 2024;

A4b2) 13.b4 cxb4 14.Na4 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Qxb4 Ne8 *(16...Nh5* Mikhail Golubev: '!?' *17.Nc3 f5* Mikhail Golubev: 'Geller'*)* 17.Nb6 *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'Geller's main line in his book was' *17.Nc3 Bh6* Mikhail Golubev: '!' *18.Bf2 Qg5 19.Rd1 Bd7 20.h4 Qe7* Mikhail Golubev: 'and then the strange' *21.g4 Nc7 22.g5 Bg7 23.Be2 f6)* 17...Bh6 18.Bf2 f5 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Bd3 fxe4 21.fxe4 Qg4 22.0-0 Rxf2 23.Rxf2 *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'If' *23.Kxf2 Qf4+ 24.Ke1 Qxh2)* 23...Be3 24.Raf1 Qf4 25.Qe1 Rc8 26.Kh1 Bxf2 27.Qxf2 Qxf2 28.Rxf2 Rc1+ 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Bxf1 b4 Mikhail Golubev: '=' 31.Kg1 Nf6 32.Bd3 Kf7 33.Kf2 Ke7 34.Ke3 Kd7 35.Be2 Kc7 36.Bd1 Kb6 37.Kd3 Kc5 38.Bf3 g5 39.Bd1 Kb5 Mikhail Golubev: '1/2 T. Gubaydulin-Fedorov, Tashkent 2009';

B) Mikhail Golubev: 'Or' 9.h4 Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris:

'Mikhail Golubev"

B1) 9...b5 10.h5

B1a) 10...Na5 11.Ng3 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.0-0-0 c6 *(13...c5 14.dxc5 Qa5 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Bd7 17.e5 Rxb2 18.Kxb2 Rb8+ 19.Kc2 Ba4+ 20.Nxa4 Qxa4+ 21.Kd2 Rb2+ 22.Ke1 Qa5+ 23.Kf1 Qxc5 24.Rd2 Rb1+ 25.Ke2 Rxh1 26.Nxh1 Nd5 27.Nf2 Nc3+ 28.Kf1 Qxe5 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Ng4 Qf5 31.Qe3 Qb1+ 32.Qe1* 1-0 (32) retardedplatypus123 (2614)-Atahan_988 (2573) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Bh6 Qa5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6+ Kg8 18.e5 dxe5 19.Nge4 Rb7 20.Ng5 e6 21.g4 Qb6 22.Na4 Qb5 23.dxe5 Qxe5 24.Rhe1 Qb5 25.Nxe6 Bxe6 26.Rxe6 Nd5 27.Rxg6+ hxg6 28.Qxg6+ Rg7 29.Qe6+ Rgf7 30.Qg6+ Rg7 31.Qe6+ Rff7 32.Qe8+ Kh7 33.Rh1+ Kg6 34.Qe4+ Kf6 35.Rh6+ Kg5 36.Rh5+ Kf6 37.Qe5+ Kg6 38.Qe4+ Kf6 39.Qe5+ Kg6 40.Qe4+ Kf6 ½-½ (40) Lakridstrollet (2618)-Matikozian,A (2597) Blitz 2022;

B1b) 10...bxc4 11.Bh6 *(11.Ng3 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.0-0-0 c5 14.Bxc4 Rb4 15.b3 Qa5 16.h6 Bh8 17.Qb2 Bd7 18.Bd2 Qc7 19.Nce2 Rb7 20.Qa3 Bb5 21.Ba5 Qd7 22.Nc3 Bxc4 23.bxc4 Rfb8 24.Nf1 Ne8 25.Ne3 Bf6 26.Kd2 Bg5 27.Rb1 Qe7 28.Rxb7 Qxb7 29.Rb1 Bxe3+ 30.Kd3 Qc8 31.Rxb8 Qxb8 32.Qa4 Bxh6 33.Qd7 Bf8 34.Bd8 Ng7 35.Bc7 Qb2 36.Bxd6 Qc2+ 37.Ke3 Qxc3+ 38.Kf2 Qd2+ 39.Kg3 Ne2+ 40.Kh2 Qf4+ 41.Kh1 Qh4+ 42.Qh3 Qxh3+ 43.gxh3 Bxd6* 0-1 (43) Lucky1357924680 (2686)-IDISJUDA (2622) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Bxh6 *(11...e5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.d5 Ne7 14.g4 Bd7 15.Ng3 Nfg8 16.Bxc4 Rb4 17.b3 a5 18.Qh2 h6 19.g5 Qb8 20.gxh6+ Kh7 21.Qh4 Rxc4 22.bxc4 Qb2 23.Nce2 Qxa1+ 24.Kf2 Qxa2 25.hxg6+ fxg6 26.Nf1 Qxc4 27.Ne3 Qc5 28.Rc1 Qb6 29.Qg5 Nf6 30.Kg2 a4 31.f4 exf4 32.Qxf4 g5 33.Qf3 Ng6 34.Nf5 Bxf5 35.exf5 Nh4+* 0-1 (35) Lucky1357924680 (2652)-SexDrugsRnR (2515) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Qxh6 Rxb2 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Nf4 *(14.Nd5 Rf7 15.Nec3 e6 16.0-0-0 Rb8 17.Nf4 Qf8 18.Qxf8+ Rxf8 19.Bxc4 Re8 20.Rh6 Rb4 21.Bxe6+ Bxe6 22.Nxe6 Rxe6 23.d5 Re5 24.dxc6 Rc4 25.Kb2 Rxc6 26.Rhh1 Rec5 27.Rd3 Nd7 28.Nd5 Rc2+ 29.Kb1 Rxg2 30.Ne7+* 1-0 (30) sergolvz (2641)-OUT-knock123 (2726) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Nxd4 15.Ncd5 Rf7 16.Nxf6+ exf6 17.Bxc4 d5 18.Bxd5 Ne6 19.Nxe6 Qd6 20.Nf4 Be6 21.0-0 Bxd5 22.Nxd5 Qg3 23.Qh2 Qe5 24.Qxe5 1-0 (24) Lucky1357924680 (2764)-

Pawn_Avalanche (2659) Blitz 2024;

B2) 9...e5 10.d5 Na5 11.b3 c5 12.h5 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.g4 b4 15.Nd1 c4 16.Ng3 c3 17.Qh2 Bxg4 18.fxg4 Nxg4 19.Qe2 Nxe3 20.Nxe3 Qg5 21.Qf3 Bh6 22.Kf2 Rbc8 23.Bc4 Nxc4 24.Nxc4 f5 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Nxd6 Qd2+ 27.Ne2 e4 28.Qg3+ Kh8 29.Rhg1 e3+ 30.Kf1 f4 31.Qg8+ 1-0 (31) Lucky1357924680 (2677)-IgorG69 (2575) Blitz 2024;

B3) 9...h5 Mikhail Golubev: 'where White can play for attack, or follow where White can play for attack, or follow'

B3a) 10.Bh6 b5 11.Bxg7 *(11.0-0-0 Na5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Nf4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.g4 hxg4 16.h5 Rh8 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qg2 Rxh1 19.Rxh1 e5 20.Nfe2 gxf3 21.Qxf3 Bg4 22.Qe3 Bxe2 23.Qh6+ Kf7 24.Nxe2 Qe7 25.Rf1 Rg8 26.Nc3 Ke8 27.Qh3 exd4 28.Nd5 Nxd5 29.Qc8+ Qd8 30.Qe6+ Ne7 31.Qxc4 Rf8 32.Rh1 Qc8 33.Rh7 Qg4 34.Qa4+ c6* Time forfeit 0-1 (34) rdm89 (2659)-Woodenmouse (2522) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Kxg7 12.Nc1 e5 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Qe7 16.a4 Ba6 17.Bc4 Bxb5 18.axb5 Nd4 19.0-0 Qc5 0-1 (19) Depresionante (2756)-Grancanarias (2747) Blitz 2022;

B3b) 10.Nc1 Mikhail Golubev: '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'with its own nuances.'

B3b1) 10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Bd7 13.Nb3 Re8 14.0-0 e5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Bxd7 Nxd7 17.Rfc1 f5 18.Bg5 f4 19.Na5 Bf6 20.Nc6 Nxc6 21.dxc6 Nc5 22.Bxf6 Qxf6 23.Nd5 Qg7 24.Rxc5 dxc5 25.Qc3 Re6 26.Qxc5 Rxb2 27.Qc3 Rb8 28.a4 g5 29.Qc4 Kh8 30.hxg5 Rg6 31.Qc2 Rxg5 32.a5 h4 33.Kh2 Rg3 34.a6 Rg8 35.Ra2 Rh3+ 36.Kg1 Rxf3 37.a7 Qg3 38.Qe2 Rb3 39.Qh5+ Kg7 40.Qxe5+ Kh7 41.Qh5+ Kg7 42.Qe5+ Kh7 43.Nf6+ Kg6 44.Qf5+ Kg7 45.Nh5+ Kh6 46.Nxg3 Rb1+ 47.Kf2 hxg3+ 48.Ke2 Rb3 49.Qh3+ Kg5 50.a8Q Re3+ 51.Kf1 Rxa8 52.Rxa8 Rf3+ 53.gxf3 Kf6 54.Qf5+ Ke7 55.Qe5+ Kf7 56.Qe8+ Kg7 57.Qf8+ Kg6 58.Qg8+ Kf6 59.Qf8+ Ke6 60.Kg2 1-0 (60) Lucky1357924680 (2761)-Pawn_Avalanche (2663) Blitz 2024;

B3b2) 10...e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Nb3 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Re8 *(15...d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.e5 Re8 18.0-0-0 Nd7 19.f4 Bh6 20.Re1 Qa5 21.g3 Nc5 22.Nxd5 Nb3+ 23.axb3 Qa1+ 24.Kc2 Bf5+ 25.Bd3 Rec8+ 26.Bc3 Rxc3+ 27.Qxc3 Bxd3+ 28.Kxd3* 1-0 (28)

Poirot_Hercule (2678)-sergeikim2003 (2577) Blitz 2023*; 15...Qa5 16.Be2 Re8 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Qg5 Qb4 19.b3 Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qd2 Ne5 22.f4 Ng4 23.f5 Bd7 24.Bxg4 hxg4 25.h5 gxf5 26.Qg5+ Kh7 27.Qf6 Rg8 28.Rxd6 Be6 29.exf5 Qxd6 30.fxe6 Qxe6 31.Qf4 Rbd8 32.Ne4 Rg7 33.Nf6+ Kh8 34.Qh6+* 1-0 (34) Lakridstrollet (2606)-avsokol (2642) Blitz 2022 *)* 16.Be2 d5 *(16...c5 17.Be3 Be6 18.0-0 Nd7 19.Rad1 Qxh4 20.Bg5 Bd4+ 21.Be3 Rxb2 22.Qc1 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 Rxe2 24.Rxd6 Qg3* 0-1 (24) Lucky1357924680 (2652)-GILBERTOHDEZ (2663) Blitz 2024*)* 17.cxd5 Rb4 *(17...cxd5 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 Nf8 20.Bf3 Ne6 21.Nxd5 Bb7 22.Bf2 Nxf4 23.Qxf4 Bxe5 24.Qc4 Bxb2+ 25.Kd2 Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Bxa1 27.Rxa1 Rb5 28.Bc5 Re5 29.Kc3 Rxd5 30.Bd4 Qa5+ 31.Kd3 Qa3+ 32.Ke2 Qe7+ 33.Kd3 Qxh4 34.Rf1 Qg3+ 35.Rf3 Qd6 36.Re3 Qd8 37.Kc3 Qa5+ 38.Kd3 Qd8 39.Re4 Rb8 40.Ke3 Rc8 41.Qa4 Rd7 42.Bf6 Qxf6 43.Qxd7 Qb6+ 44.Rd4 Rd8 45.Qxd8+* 1-0 (45) Lucky1357924680 (2674)-stas-2444 (2605) Blitz 2024 *)*

B3b21) 18.Bc5 Nxe4 19.fxe4 *(19.Nxe4 Rxb2 20.Qg5 Qxg5 21.hxg5 cxd5 22.0-0 dxe4 23.Bc4 e3 24.Rae1 e2 25.Rf2 Rc2 26.Rfxe2 Rexe2 27.Rxe2 Rxc4 28.Re8+ Kh7 29.Rxc8 Rxc5 30.Rxc5 Bd4+ 31.Kf1 Bxc5 32.f4 h4 33.Ke2 Kg7 34.Kf3 Kf8 35.Kg4 Bf2 36.Kf3 Bg3 37.Kg4 Ke7 38.f5 gxf5+ 39.Kxf5 Be1 40.g6 fxg6+ 41.Kxg6 Kd6 42.Kf5 Kc5 43.Ke4 Kb4 44.Kd3 Ka3 45.Kc2 Bg3 46.Kb1 Be5 47.Kc2 Kxa2 48.Kc1 Bg3 49.Kc2 a5 50.Kc1 a4 51.Kc2 a3 52.Kc1 Kb3 53.Kb1 a2+* 0-1 (53) brianthegreat (2603)-Mikasinski (2623) Blitz 2021 *)* 19...Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Rbxe4 21.0-0-0 Rxe2 22.dxc6 Qc7 23.Rhe1 Bf5 24.Rxe2 Rxe2 25.Rd6 Qe7 26.Rxg6+ Bxg6 27.Bxe7 1-0 (27) gg-gm-gmg (2699)-Mikasinski (2589) Blitz 2021;

B3b22) 18.0-0-0 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 Rxd4 20.Qc2 cxd5 21.Ng3 Qd6 22.Rxd4 Bxd4 23.Nf1 Bf5 24.Qd2 Rc8+ 25.Kd1 Qc5 26.Bd3 Bxd3 27.Qxd3 Qc1+ 28.Ke2 Re8+ 29.Ne3 Rxe3+ 30.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 31.Kd1 Bxb2 32.Kc2 Qe2+ 33.Kb3 Be5

34.Rc1 d4 35.f4 Bxf4 36.Rc2 d3 37.Rc8+ Kg7 38.Rd8 d2 39.Kc3 d1Q 40.Rxd1 Qxd1 0 - 1 (4 0) Lucky1357924680 (2704)-Ngazio2000 (2502) Blitz 2024;

B3b3) 10...Bd7 11.Nb3 Re8 *(11...e5 12.d5 Ne7 13.c5 Ne8 14.g4 f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.Bg5 f4 17.0-0-0 Nf6 18.Bc4 Kh7 19.Rhg1 Ng6 20.Kb1 Qe8 21.Rg2 Bh6 22.Bxh6 Kxh6 23.Rdg1 Rg8 24.Qf2 Qf7 25.Rg5 Nh7 26.R5g2 Ne7 27.Qf1 Qf6 28.Na5 Rxg2 29.Rxg2 Bh3 30.cxd6 cxd6 31.Qg1 Bxg2 32.Qxg2 Rg8 33.Qf2 Rg3 34.Nxb7 Qxh4 35.Nxd6 Qh1+ 36.Bf1 Rg1 37.Kc2 Rxf1 38.Qa7 Qg2+ 39.Kb3 Qg7 40.Ne8 Qf7 41.Nd6 Qf8 42.Qd7 Nf6 43.Qe6 Rg1 44.Nf5+ Nxf5 45.exf5 Rg7 46.d6 h4 47.Nd5 Rb7+ 48.Kc2 Rf7 49.d7 Rxd7 50.Nxf6 Rd6* 0-1 (50) unitedff (2651)-Pawn_Avalanche (2664) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Be2 *(12.Bh6 Bh8 13.0-0-0 e5 14.d5 Nd4 15.Bg5 Qc8 16.c5 dxc5 17.Nxc5 Bb5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.Nb3 c5 20.Qf2 Bxf1 21.Rdxf1 c4 22.Nc1 Nc5 23.g4 b5 24.d6 Qe6 25.gxh5 b4 26.Nd5 c3 27.b3 Qxd6 28.hxg6 f6 29.Be3 f5 30.Rfg1 Bg7 31.h5 fxe4 32.h6 c2+ 33.Kb2 Qxd5 34.hxg7 Nd3+ 35.Nxd3 exd3 36.Rh8+ Kxg7 37.Rh7+ Kf6 38.Qh4+ Ke6 39.Qe4 Kd6 40.Rd7+ Kxd7 41.Qxd5+* 1-0 (41) tornike_sanikidze (2751)-Kastorcito (2759) Blitz 2020 *)* 12...e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.c5 Nc8 15.Rc1 c6 16.Bg5 Qc7 17.0-0 Nh7 18.Be3 f5 19.dxc6 Bxc6 20.cxd6 Qxd6 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Bf7 Rd8 23.Bxg6 f4 24.Bxh7 Qf6 25.Qe1 fxe3 26.Bf5 Nd6 27.Qxe3 Bh6 28.Qf2 Bxc1 29.Rxc1 Nxf5 30.exf5 Qxf5 31.Re1 Rg8 32.Ne4 Bxe4 33.Rxe4 Rbd8 34.Kh2 Rd5 35.Qe3 Qf6 36.Nc5 Qg6 37.g4 hxg4 38.Rxg4 Qc2+ 39.Kh3 Rxg4 40.Qh6+ Qh7 41.Qf8+ Rg8 42.Qf6+ Qg7 43.Qxg7+ Kxg7 44.Ne4 Kg6 45.Kg4 Rd3 46.h5+ Kf7+ 47.Kf5 Rxf3+ 48.Kxe5 Re8+ 49.Kd4 Rf4 50.Kc5 Rfxe4 51.Kb6 R8e7 52.Ka7 Rb4 53.a4 Rxa4 54.b3 Rb4 55.Ka8 Kg7 56.Ka7 Kh6 57.Ka8 b5 58.Kb8 Rf4 59.Ka8 Rf8# 0-1 (59) Lucky1357924680 (2769)-Pawn_Avalanche (2655) Blitz 2024;

C) 9.g4 b5 10.h4

C1) 10...h5 11.g5 Nd7 12.0-0-0 *(12.f4 Nb6 13.Ng3 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.d5 Nb4 16.0-0 Bh3 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Nc2 19.Qd2 Nxa1 20.Rxa1 c5 21.Kh2 Bg4 22.Rf1*

Qb6 23.Rf2 Rb7 24.f5 e6 25.dxe6 fxe6 26.f6 Rfb8 27.Qf4 Kf7 28.e5 d5 29.Nge4 dxe4 30.Nxe4 Rd7 31.Nd6+ Rxd6 32.exd6 Rd8 33.Rd2 c3 34.bxc3 Qb1 35.d7 Qe1 36.Qd6 Qxh4+ 37.Kg1 Qe1+ 38.Kg2 Kg8 39.f7+ Kxf7 40.Rf2+ Bf5 41.Qc7 Qe4+ 42.Kg1 Qb1+ 43.Kh2 Qb8 44.Qxb8 Rxb8 45.Rd2 Rd8 46.Rd6 Ke7 47.Rxa6 Rxd7 48.Ra5 c4 49.Rc5 Bd3 50.Kg3 e5 51.Kf3 e4+ 52.Ke3 Kd6 53.Re5 Kxe5 54.Kd2 Ra7 55.a4 Rxa4 56.Ke3 Ra3 0-1 (56) MaLeKkoNihli (2609)-alexreus99 (2560) Blitz 2021*)*

12...Na5 13.Ng3 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.f4 c6 16.f5 Qa5 17.Rdf1 Re8 18.Qf2 Rf8 19.Qf3 Qb6 20.Rh2 Bxd4 21.Bxd4 Qxd4 22.Rd1 Qe5 23.Rf2 Nc5 24.fxg6 Bg4 25.gxf7+ Kh8 26.Qe3 Nd3+ 27.Rxd3 cxd3 28.g6 Kg7 29.Nf5+ Bxf5 30.Rxf5 d2+ 31.Qxd2 Qg3 32.Rxh5 Rh8 33.Rg5 Qxh4 34.e5 Qh1+ 35.Kc2 Rh2 36.Ne2 Qe4+ 37.Kd1 Qb1+ 38.Qc1 Rh1+ 39.Ng1 Qd3+ 40.Qd2 Qxd2+ 41.Kxd2 Rxb2+ 42.Kc3 Rb5 43.Nf3 Rh3 44.Rf5 Rb8 45.exd6 exd6 46.Kd2 Kxg6 47.Nd4 c5 48.f8Q Rxf8 49.Rxf8 cxd4 50.Rd8 Kf6 51.Rxd6+ Ke5 52.Rxa6 Rh2+ 53.Kd3 Rh3+ 54.Kc4 d3 55.Kb4 d2 56.Ra3 Rxa3 0-1 (56) MaLeKkoNihli (2614)-RenierChess (2736) Blitz 2022;

C2) 10...bxc4 11.h5 Nb4 12.Ng3 Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 cxd3 14.g5 Nd7 15.Qh2 f6 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Qh7+ Kf7 18.Rh6 Rg8 19.Qxg6+ Kf8 20.Nf5 Qe8 21.gxf6 Qxg6 22.Rxg6 Bxf6 23.Rxg8+ Kxg8 24.0-0-0 Nb6 25.Nh6+ Kf8 26.b3 c5 27.dxc5 Bxc3 28.cxb6 Ba5 29.Rxd3 Bxb6 30.Bxb6 Rxb6 31.Rd5 Kg7 32.Nf5+ Kf6 33.Ne3 Rc6+ 34.Kd2 Be6 35.Ra5 Bc8 36.f4 Kf7 37.Nd5 e6 38.Nb4 Rb6 39.Kc3 Kf6 40.e5+ dxe5 41.fxe5+ Kf5 42.Kc4 Bb7 43.Nc2 Rc6+ 44.Kd3 Kf4 45.Nd4 Rb6 46.Rc5 Be4+ 47.Kc4 Ke3 48.a4 a5 49.Rxa5 Bd5+ 50.Rxd5 exd5+ 51.Kxd5 Rb4 52.Nf5+ Kf4 53.Nd6 Rxb3 54.e6 Rd3+ 55.Kc6 Ke5 56.Nb5 Kf6 57.a5 Rd1 58.a6 Ra1 59.Kb6 Rxa6+ 60.Kxa6 Kxe6 ½-½ (60) Lucky1357924680 (2766)-Pawn_Avalanche (2658) Blitz 2024;

D) 9.Rb1

D1) 9...Nd7 10.b4 Nb6 *(10...e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.g4 f5 13.g5 f4 14.Bf2 h6 15.h4 Kf7 16.Nc1 Ng8 17.Rg1 Re8 18.c5 Nf8 19.Nd3 Nh7 20.gxh6 Bxh6 21.a4 g5 22.hxg5 Nxg5 23.Bg2 Bh3 24.Bh1 Nf6 25.a5 Rg8 26.Ke2 Nh5 27.Rbc1 Qf6 28.cxd6 cxd6 29.Kd1 Ng3 30.Bxg3 fxg3 31.Rxg3 Nxe4 32.Nxe4 Bxd2 33.Rc7+ Qe7 34.Rxe7+ Kxe7 35.Rxg8 Rxg8 36.Kxd2 Rg1 37.Ndf2 Bf1 38.f4 Bc4 39.fxe5 dxe5 40.d6+ Kd7 41.Bf3 Bb5 42.Bg4+ Kd8 43.Nc5 Bc6 44.Ke3 Rb1*

45.Nfd3 e4 46.Ne5 Rxb4 47.Nxc6+ bxc6 48.d7 Rb8 49.Kxe4 Ke7 50.Ke5 Rb5 51.Kd4 Rxa5 52.d8Q+ Kxd8 53.Nb7+ Kc7 54.Nxa5 c5+ 55.Kxc5 Kd8 56.Bf3 Ke7 57.Bd5 Kf6 58.Nc6 Kg5 59.Nd4 Kh4 60.Bc4 Kg5 61.Bxa6 Kh6 62.Bd3 Kg7 63.Kd5 Kf6 64.Kd6 Kg7 65.Ke5 Kh6 66.Be4 Kg5 67.Nf5 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-NothingSpecialBTW (2556) Blitz 2025 *)*

D1a) 11.Ng3 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.c5 *(13.Bd3 f5 14.Nge2 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Nxe2 16.Kxe2 Bf5 17.Rhc1 Bxe4 18.Bxe4 Qh4 19.h3 Bf6 20.c5 Nc8 21.Kf1 Kg7 22.Kg1 Rf7 23.Rc4 Qh5 24.Rbc1 Ne7 25.a4 Nf5 26.g4 Qxh3 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Qg2+ Qxg2+ 29.Kxg2 fxe4 30.Rxe4 Rd8 31.c6 b6 32.Rh1 Rg8 33.Kf2 Bd8 34.Rg4+ Kh8 35.Rxg8+ Kxg8 36.Ke2 Rg7 37.Kf2 Rf7 38.Rg1+ Rg7 39.Rh1 Bg5 40.Bxg5 Rxg5 41.b5 a5 42.Rh6 Rg6 43.Rh5 Kg7 44.Rf5 Rf6 45.Rg5+ Kf7 46.Rh5 h6 47.Rh2 Rg6 48.Ke3 Kf6 49.f4 Kf5 50.Rh5+ Kg4 51.fxe5 Kxh5 52.e6 Rg7 53.Ke4 Kg5 54.Ke3 Kf5* 0-1 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2618)-Itachi_Ut (2594) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Nd7 14.Nge2 Nxe2 15.Bxe2 f5 16.0-0 Nf6 17.exf5 gxf5 18.a4 b6 19.Rfd1 Qe8 20.h3 Qg6 21.f4 Ne4 22.Nxe4 fxe4 23.Kh1 bxc5 24.bxc5 Rxb1 25.Rxb1 exf4 26.Bg1 f3 27.gxf3 exf3 28.Bd3 Qh5 29.cxd6 Bxh3 30.Qh2 Bg2# 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-Itachi_Ut (2597) Blitz 2021;

D1b) 11.Nc1 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nb3 Nxb3

D1b1) 14.Rxb3 f5 15.c5 Nd7 16.Bc4 *(16.Bd3 fxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf6 18.0-0 Nh5 19.Rc1 Nf4 20.Bf1 Bf5 21.Ng3 Kh8 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.g3 Nh5 24.g4* 1-0 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-Itachi_Ut (2594) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Nf6 17.0-0 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Rxf1+ 20.Kxf1 Qh4 21.Qc2 Qxh2 22.cxd6 cxd6 23.Be2 Bf8 24.Rc3 Bd7 25.Rc7 Bb5 26.Bxb5 axb5 27.Ba7 Ra8 28.Rxb7 Qf4+ 29.Kg1 Qg4 30.Qc7 Qd1+ 31.Kf2 Qd2+ 32.Kf1 Qd1+ 33.Kf2 Qd2+ 34.Kg3 Qg5+ 35.Kh3 Qh6+ 36.Kg3 Kh8 37.Qf7 Bg7 38.Rb8+ Rxb8 39.Bxb8 Qe3+ 40.Qf3 Qg5+ 41.Kh2 h5 42.Bxd6 Qh4+ 43.Kg1 Qe1+ 44.Kh2 Qd2 45.Kg1 Qxa2 46.Bf8 Qb1+ 47.Kh2 Bxf8 48.Qxf8+ Kh7 49.Qf7+ Kh6 50.Qf8+ Kg5 51.Qf3 Qc1 52.Qg3+ 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-Itachi_Ut (2685) Blitz 2023;

D1b2) 14.axb3 Nd7 *(14...f5 15.Bd3 Nd7*

16.0-0 Nf6 17.c5 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Bf5 20.cxd6 cxd6 21.Rbc1 Qd7 22.Qd3 Rbc8 23.Rc4 Bxe4 24.fxe4 Rxf1+ 25.Qxf1 Rf8 26.Qe2 Qb5 27.h3 h5 28.Kh2 Rf7 29.Qd3 Kh7 30.Ba7 Bh6 31.Be3 Bf8 32.Qc3 Qd7 33.Rc8 Qe7 34.Qe1 Bh6 35.Bxh6 Kxh6 36.Qe3+ Kg7 37.Qg3 Qf6 38.Re8 Qf4 39.Re6 Rf6 40.Qxf4 exf4 41.Re7+ Rf7 42.Re6 Rf6 43.Re7+ Rf7 44.Re8 g5 45.Kg1 g4 46.hxg4 hxg4 47.Kf2 Rc7 48.Re6 Rc2+ 49.Kf1 g3 50.Rxd6 Rc1+ 51.Ke2 Rg1 52.Kf3 Rf1+ 53.Kg4 Rf2 54.Re6 Rxg2 55.Kxf4 Kf7 56.Re5 Rg1 57.Rf5+ Ke7 58.Kf3 Kd6 59.Rf6+ 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-Itachi_Ut (2649) Blitz 2022 *)* 15.c5 f5 16.Bd3 Nf6 17.Kd1 Nh5 18.Kc2 Nf4 19.Bf1 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nh5 21.b5 axb5 22.Bxb5 Bd7 23.Bc4 b5 24.cxb6 cxb6 25.Bb5 Nf6 26.Bg5 Bxb5 27.Bxf6 Qxf6 28.Nxb5 Rbc8+ 29.Kb2 Qf4 30.Qe2 Qf2 31.Qxf2 Rxf2+ 32.Ka3 Rxg2 33.Kb4 Re2 34.Rbe1 Rcc2 35.Rxe2 Rxe2 36.Nc3 Re3 37.Ra1 Bh6 38.Ra8+ Kg7 39.Ra7+ Kf6 40.Rd7 Rh3 41.Rxd6+ Ke7 42.Re6+ Kf7 43.Nb5 Be3 44.Nd6+ Kg7 45.Kc4 Rxh2 46.Rxe5 h5 47.Re7+ Kf6 48.Re6+ Kg7 49.Ne8+ Kf7 50.Nd6+ Kg7 51.e5 h4 52.Ne4 h3 53.Re7+ Kf8 54.d6 Bc5 55.Nxc5 bxc5 56.Rh7 Rc2+ 57.Kd5 h2 58.Ke6 Rd2 59.d7 Kg8 60.Rxh2 Kg7 61.Rxd2 1 - 0 (6 1) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-Itachi_Ut (2663) Blitz 2022;

D2) 9...e5 10.d5

D2a) 10...Na5 11.Nc1 c5 12.a3 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Ba6 15.Nxd6 Bxf1 16.Rxf1 *(16.Kxf1 c4 17.Bc5 Qc7 18.Bb4 Nb3 19.Nxb3 cxb3 20.Ke2 Rfd8 21.Rbc1 Qa7 22.Nc4 Qa6 23.Kf2 Nh5 24.Rhd1 Nf4 25.g3 Ne6 26.Na5 Nd4 27.Nc6 Nxc6 28.Rxc6 Qb5 29.Qc3 h5 30.h4 Bf8 31.Bxf8 Rxf8 32.Qc5 Rfe8 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.Rdc1 Kg7 35.R6c5 Rb6 36.Rc6 Rb5 37.R1c3* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-Stas-2444 (2631) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Nb3 17.Nxb3 Rxb3 18.Bxc5 Nd7 19.Bb4 Qh4+ 20.g3 Qf6 21.Kf2 Rxb4 22.axb4 Qxd6 23.Kg2 f5 24.Rbc1 fxe4 25.fxe4 Rxf1 26.Kxf1 Nf6 27.Rc6 Nxe4 28.Rxd6 Nxd2+ 29.Ke2 Nc4 30.Rd8+ Bf8 31.b5 Kf7 32.Rc8 Nxb2 33.b6 Bd6 34.Rd8 Ke7 35.Rh8 Na4 36.b7 Nc3+ 37.Kd3 Nxd5 38.Rxh7+ Kd8 39.Rh8+ Kd7 40.b8Q Bxb8 41.Rxb8 Nf6 42.Rb6 Ng4 43.h4 g5 44.hxg5 Ke7 45.Ke4 Kf7 46.Kf5 Ne3+ 47.Kxe5 Nc4+

48.Kf5 Nxb6 49.g6+ Kg7 50.Kg5 Nc8 51.Kf5 Ne7+ 52.Kg5 Nxg6 53.Kf5 Nf8 54.Kg5 Ng6 55.Kg4 Nf8 56.Kf3 Ng6 57.g4 Nf8 58.g5 Ng6 59.Kg4 Nf8 60.Kf5 Ng6 61.Kg4 Nf8 62.g6 Nxg6 ½ - ½ (6 2) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Giraffe_Chess (2557) Blitz 2022;

D2b) 10...Ne7

D2b1) 11.Nc1 Ne8 12.Be2 f5 13.0-0 f4 14.Bf2 g5 15.g4 h5 16.h3 hxg4 17.hxg4 Ng6 18.Nd3 Nh4 19.Bxh4 gxh4 20.Kf2 h3 21.Ke1 Qh4+ 22.Kd1 b5 23.cxb5 axb5 24.Nb4 Bd7 25.Kc2 Nf6 26.Qe1 Qh6 27.Rh1 Nh7 28.Rc1 Ng5 29.Kb1 Bf6 30.Qf2 Rfc8 31.Nd1 Bd8 32.Qh2 Qh7 33.Nf2 Ra8 34.Nxh3 Nxe4 35.Bd3 Qh4 36.Bxe4 Qg3 37.Nf2 Qxh2 38.Rxh2 Bf6 39.Nfd3 Bg7 40.Nc6 Kf7 41.Nf2 Rh8 42.Rch1 Rxh2 43.Rxh2 Bxc6 44.dxc6 Ke6 45.Rh7 Rg8 46.Bf5+ Kf6 47.Ne4+ Ke7 48.Nc3 Kf6 49.Nd5+ Kg5 50.Ne7 Ra8 51.Rxg7+ Kh4 52.Nd5 Kg3 53.Be4 b4 54.Rxc7 b3 55.axb3 Kf2 56.Rd7 Rh8 57.c7 Rh1+ 58.Ka2 Kg3 59.c8Q Re1 60.Qc2 Rf1 61.Nf6 Rf2 62.Qxf2+ Kxf2 63.Rxd6 Kg3 64.Re6 Kf2 65.Rxe5 Ke3 66.Rf5 Kd4 67.g5 Ke3 68.g6 Kf2 69.g7 Ke3 70.Rxf4 Kd4 71.Bb1+ Ke3 72.Re4+ Kf2 73.f4 Kf1 74.f5 Kf2 75.g8Q Kf3 76.Qg4+ Kf2 77.Re2+ Kf1 78.Qg2# 1 - 0 (7 8) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-Mavi_alpha (2646) Blitz 2021;

D2b2) 11.g4 h5 *(11...c5 12.Nc1 Ne8 13.Be2 f5 14.g5 Nc7 15.h4 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.b4 cxb4 18.Rxb4 Bd7 19.0-0 f4 20.Bf2 h6 21.Nb3 hxg5 22.hxg5 Nc8 23.Rb1 Qxg5+ 24.Kf1 Qh5 25.Ke1 Qh1+ 26.Bf1 Qxf3 27.Qd3 Qxd3 28.Bxd3 g5 29.Na5 g4 30.Nxb5 Nxb5 31.Bxb5 Bxb5 32.Rxb5 Rxb5 33.Rxb5 g3 34.Bg1 f3 35.Rb2 Bh6 36.Nc6 Bc1 37.Rc2 Ba3 38.Kf1 f2 39.Rc3 g2+* 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-Egor_Kharitonov (2570) Blitz 2024*)* 12.g5 Nd7 13.b4 c5 14.a3 b6 15.h4 f5 16.Bh3 Kh7 17.0-0 Rb7 18.Kg2 Rf7 19.Nc1 Nf8 20.Nd3 f4 21.Bf2 Bxh3+ 22.Kxh3 Nc8 23.Kg2 Rbc7 24.bxc5 bxc5 25.Rb2 Nd7 26.Rfb1 Bf8 27.Na4 Be7 28.Qa5 Bxg5 29.hxg5 Qxg5+ 30.Kf1 Nf6 31.Qxa6 h4 32.Ke2 Nh5 33.Nb6 Nxb6 34.Qxb6 Qg2 35.Qxd6 Ng3+ 36.Kd2 Qxf3 37.Qxe5 Nxe4+ 38.Kc1 Qxd3 39.Be1 f3 40.Rb3 Qxc4+ 41.Kb2 f2 42.Bxf2 Rxf2+ 43.Ka1 Qd4+ 44.Qxd4

cxd4 45.Rb4 Rcc2 46.Re1 Nc3 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-sergeikim2003 (2561) Blitz 2022;

D2b3) 11.b4 c6

D2b31) 12.Nc1 b5 *(12...Nh5 13.Be2 f5 14.0-0 Nf4 15.Nd3 Nxe2+ 16.Nxe2 b5 17.dxc6 bxc4 18.Nb2 Nxc6 19.Nxc4 Be6 20.Nxd6 fxe4 21.Nxe4 Qxd2 22.Nxd2 Bxa2 23.Ra1 Bf7 24.Bc5 Rfd8 25.Ne4 Bc4 26.Rfe1 Nxb4 27.Ra4 Nd3 28.Rxc4 Nxe1 29.Bd6 Rb1 30.N2c3 Ra1 31.Kf2 Nd3+ 32.Kg3 Nf4 33.Rc7 Rg1 34.Kf2 Rxg2+ 35.Kf1 Rxd6 36.Nxd6 Rxh2 37.Nce4 h6 38.Rc8+ Kh7 39.Nf7 g5 40.Ned6 Kg6 41.Nh8+ Bxh8 42.Rxh8 h5 43.Ne4 g4 44.Ra8 gxf3* 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2603)-sergeikim2003 (2603) Blitz 2021*)* 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Nd4 16.Bc4 Bb7 17.N1e2 Rc8 18.Bd3 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Bxd5 21.0-0 Nf5 22.Bxf5 gxf5 23.Rfd1 Be6 24.Bc5 Qh4 25.Bxf8 Bxf8 26.Qe1 Qf6 27.Rbc1 Ra8 28.Nc3 Kh8 29.Nd5 Qd8 30.Qxe5+ Bg7 31.Qc7 Qe8 32.Nf4 Bxa2 33.Kh1 Be5 34.Qb6 Bxf4 35.Qf6+ Kg8 36.Ra1 Be5 37.Qg5+ Bg7 38.Qxf5 Be6 39.Rxa8 Qxa8 40.Qd3 Bf6 41.h3 Kg7 42.Qd2 Bf5 43.Rb1 0 - 1 (4 3) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-Mavi_alpha (2634) Blitz 2021;

D2b32) 12.Ng3 b5 13.dxc6 bxc4 14.Bxc4 Nxc6 15.a3 Nd4 16.0-0 h5 17.Nge2 Nb5 18.Bxb5 axb5 19.Rfd1 Be6 20.Qxd6 Bc4 21.Qxd8 Rfxd8 22.Kf2 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Ra8 24.Ra1 Bf8 25.Bc5 Bh6 26.a4 bxa4 27.Rxa4 Rc8 28.Ra7 Be6 29.Be3 Bf8 30.b5 Nd7 31.Nd5 Rb8 32.Rxd7 Bxd7 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.Nxd7 Rxb5 35.Nc3 Rb2+ 36.Kf1 f6 37.Nd5 Rb1+ 38.Kf2 Rb2+ 39.Kg3 h4+ 40.Kh3 Re2 41.N7xf6 Rxe3 42.Nxe3 Kxf6 43.Kxh4 Bc5 44.Nd5+ Kg7 45.Kg5 Ba3 46.Kg4 Bc1 47.h4 Kf7 48.h5 gxh5+ 49.Kxh5 Kg7 50.Kg4 Kg6 51.Nc3 Bd2 52.Ne2 Kf6 53.Ng3 Kg6 54.Nf5 Kf6 55.Kg3 Bf4+ 56.Kf2 Kg5 57.Ke2 Bc1 58.Kd3 Kf4 59.Kc4 Bd2 60.Kd3 Be1 61.Ke2 Bc3 62.g3+ Kg5 63.Kd3 Be1 64.Kc4 Ba5 65.Kd5 Bc7 66.Ke6

Bb8 67.Nd6 1-0 (67) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-sergeikim2003 (2587) Blitz 2022;

D3) 9...Na5 10.Nc1 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 *(12.Bxb5 Rxb5 13.Nxb5 Ba6 14.Na3 c5 15.dxc5 Nd7 16.cxd6 exd6 17.Qxd6 Qc8 18.Nb3 Nc4 19.Nxc4 Qxc4 20.Qd2 Ne5 21.Nc1 Bf6 22.b3 Qc7 23.Ne2 Rd8 24.Rc1 Rxd2 25.Bxd2 Nd3+* 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-EvilOilcan (2735) Blitz 2022*)* 12...c5 13.dxc5 Ba6 14.a4 d5 15.e5 Nd7 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 dxc4 18.c6 1-0 (18) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-ivanmesquitaa (2684) Blitz 2022;

D4) 9...Bd7 10.b4

D4a) 10...e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.Nc1 Nh5 13.Nd3 f5 14.Be2 Kh8 15.0-0 *(15.g4 Nf4 16.Nxf4 exf4 17.Bd4 fxg4 18.Bxg7+ Kxg7 19.Qd4+ Kf7 20.fxg4 Ng8 21.h4 Qf6 22.Qxf6+ Kxf6 23.g5+ Ke5 24.Kd2 f3 25.Bd3 h6 26.Ke3 Rf4 27.Nd1 Rbf8 28.Nf2 h5 29.Bf1 Ne7 30.Nd3#* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-mifisk (2716) Blitz 2021 *)* 15...Ng8 16.g4 Nhf6 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.Kh1 f4 19.Bf2 Nh5 20.Rg1 Bf6 21.Qe1 Ne7 22.c5 Ng6 23.b5 axb5 24.Nxb5 Bxb5 25.Rxb5 Bh4 26.Bxh4 Nxh4 27.cxd6 cxd6 28.Rg4 Qe7 29.Qxh4 Qf7 30.Rb6 Rbd8 31.Qe1 Nf6 32.Rg1 Qh5 33.Rxb7 Rg8 34.Qf2 Rxg1+ 35.Qxg1 Rg8 36.Qf2 Qh3 37.Bf1 Qc8 38.Rb1 Nh5 39.Rc1 Qd8 40.Bh3 Nf6 41.Bf5 Qa5 42.Be6 Rg6 43.Rg1 Qc3 44.Ne1 Rxg1+ 45.Qxg1 Qd2 46.Qf1 Kg7 47.Qg2+ Kf8 48.Qxd2 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-mifisk (2697) Blitz 2021;

D4b) 10...Re8 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 c5 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.Be2 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Be6 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 Bd7 19.Rfc1 Bb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Rxc8 Qxc8 23.Rc1 Qa8 24.Rc7 Qa7+ 25.Qf2 Qa3 26.Qd4+ f6 27.h4 Qxa2 28.Rxb7 Qb1+ 29.Kh2 Qf1 30.Qb6 Qe1 31.Qxb5 Qxh4+ 32.Kg1 Qe1+ 33.Kh2 Kf7 34.Qd7 Qh4+ 35.Kg1 Qe1+ 36.Kh2 h5 37.Qe6+ Kf8 38.b5 Qh4+ 39.Kg1 Qe1+ 40.Kh2 Qh4+ 41.Qh3 Qf4+ 42.Qg3 Qxg3+ 43.Kxg3 Ra8 44.b6 Ra2 45.Rc7 Rb2 46.b7 Kf7 47.Kf4 g5+ 48.Ke3 Rb4 49.Kd3 g4 50.fxg4 hxg4 51.Kc3 Rb1 52.Kc4 Rb2 53.Kd4 Rb1 54.Ke3 Rb3+ 55.Kf4 g3 56.Kg4 Kg6 57.Rxe7 Rb4 58.Kxg3 Rb3+ 59.Kf4 Rb4 60.Rc7 Rb1 61.g4 Rf1+ 62.Ke3 Rb1 63.Kd4 Rb2 64.Kc4 Rb1 65.Kc3 Rc1+ 66.Kd3 Rb1 67.Ke3 Rb3+ 68.Kd4 Rb1 69.e5 fxe5+ 70.Kc4 Rc1+ 71.Kd3 Rb1 72.Ke4 Rb6 73.Rd7 Rb4+ 74.Kd3 Kg5 75.Rxd6 Rxb7

76.Re6 Rb4 77.Kc3 Re4 78.d6 Rd4 79.d7 Rxd7 80.Rxe5+ Kxg4 81.Rc5 Kf4 82.Rc6 Re7 83.Rc4+ Re4 84.Rc7 Ke3 85.Rc8 1-0 (85) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-Lector118 (2597) Blitz 2024;

D5) 9...Re8 10.b4 b5 *(10...e6 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 exd5 13.cxd5 c6 14.dxc6 d5 15.f4 Neg4 16.e5 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Ng4 18.Qg3 f6 19.c7 Qxc7 20.Nxd5 Qd8 21.Bc4 fxe5 22.Nf6+ Kh8 23.Nxe8 Qxd4 24.Nxg7 Qxc4 25.h3 Qe4+ 26.Kd2 Qd4+ 27.Ke2 exf4 28.Qd3 Qxd3+ 29.Kxd3 Nf2+ 30.Kd4 Nxh1 31.Ne8 Ng3 32.Nd6 Bf5 33.Nxf5 Nxf5+ 34.Ke5 Re8+ 35.Kxf4 Re2 36.g4 Nd4 37.Rd1 Nc6 38.Rd7 b5 39.Kg5 Re7 40.Rd6 Nxb4 41.a3 Nc2 42.Rxa6 Kg7 43.a4 b4 44.Rc6 b3 45.Rb6 Nd4 46.Rb4 Re4 47.Rb7+ Kf8 48.Kh6 Re5 49.Rb4 Rb5 50.axb5 b2 51.Rxb2 Nc6 52.Rf2+ Ke7 53.bxc6 Kd6 54.c7 Kxc7 55.Rf7+ Kd6 56.Rxh7 Ke6 57.Rg7 Kf6 58.Rxg6+ Ke5 59.Rg5+* 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2636)-Greifax (2609) Blitz 2022*; 10...e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.Ng3 h5 13.Bd3 h4 14.Nge2 Nh7 15.0-0 f5 16.c5 Rf8 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Bh6 Ng6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.f4 Qf6 21.a4 Bd7 22.Bc4 Rbe8 23.Rbe1 Re7 24.fxe5 dxe5 25.d6 cxd6 26.Nd5 Qf7 27.Nxe7 Qxe7 28.Qxd6 Qxd6 29.cxd6 Bxa4 30.Bd5 b6 31.Nc3 Bd7 32.Ra1 Bc8 33.Bc6 Rd8 34.d7 Bxd7 35.Rfd1 Nf6 36.Rxa6 Ne7 37.Bxd7 Nxd7 38.Ra7* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2620)-Stas-2444 (2599) Blitz 2023 *)* 11.cxb5 axb5 12.d5 Ne5 13.Nd4 Bd7 14.Ndxb5 *(14.Ncxb5 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Be2 Nxf3+ 17.gxf3 e5 18.0-0 exd4 19.Nxd4 d5 20.exd5 Kh8 21.Ne6 Bxe6 22.dxe6 Nd5 23.Bd4 Rxe6 24.Bxg7+ Kxg7 25.Bc4 Rd6 26.Qd4+ Nf6 27.Qf4 Rd4 28.Qc1 Qd6 29.Rd1 Rxb4 30.Bb3 c5 31.Rxd4 Rxd4 32.Qe3 Rd2 33.Re1 Qxh2+* 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-schaakam (2707) Blitz 2024 *)* 14...e6 15.dxe6

D5a) 15...Bxe6 16.Nd4 Bc4 17.Nc6 Nxc6 18.Bxc4 Rxb4 *(18...Nxb4 19.0-0 d5 20.Bb5 c6 21.Rxb4 cxb5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.exd5 Qe7 24.Rb3 b4 25.Bd4 Red8 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Rd1 Qc5+ 28.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 29.Rxd4 Ra8 30.Rb2 Rd6 31.h4 Ra5 32.Kh2 Raxd5 33.Rxd5 Rxd5 34.Rxb4 Rd2 35.a4 Ra2 36.Kg3 h5 37.Rc4 Kf6 38.Rc6+ Kg7 39.Ra6 Kh7 40.Ra7 Kg7 41.a5 Ra4 42.Ra8 Kf6 43.a6 Kg7 44.Kh3 Kh7 45.g4 hxg4+ 46.fxg4 Kg7 47.Kg3 Ra3+ 48.Kf4 Ra4+ 49.Kf3 Ra3+ 50.Ke4 Ra4+ 51.Kd5 Rxg4 52.Rb8 Ra4 53.Rb6 Kh6 54.Kc6 f5 55.Kb7 Kh5 56.a7 f4 57.a8Q Rxa8 58.Kxa8 f3*

59.Rf6 Kxh4 60.Kb7 Kg3 61.Rxg6+ Kh2 62.Rh6+ Kg2 63.Rg6+ Kh2 64.Kc6 f2 65.Rh6+ Kg2 66.Rg6+ Kh2 67.Rf6 Kg2 68.Rxf2+ Kxf2 ½ - ½ (6 8) Consent_to_treatment (2610)-Stas-2444 (2586) Blitz 2021*)* 19.Rxb4 Nxb4 20.0-0 Nd7 21.Rb1 Nc6 22.Nd5 Nce5 23.Be2 Nf6 24.a4 Nxd5 25.Qxd5 c6 26.Qd2 d5 27.exd5 cxd5 28.Bd4 Nc6 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.Bb5 Re6 31.Re1 Qb6+ 32.Kf1 Rxe1+ 33.Qxe1 Nd4 34.Qc3 f6 35.Bd3 Nc6 36.Bb5 Ne5 37.Qb4 Qe3 38.Qe7+ Kh6 39.Qxf6 Qc1+ 40.Kf2 Qd2+ 41.Kg3 Qe1+ 42.Kh3 Qe3 43.a5 d4 44.a6 d3 45.a7 Qxa7 46.Qxe5 Qd7+ 47.Bxd7 d2 48.Qf4+ 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2610)-Stas-2444 (2564) Blitz 2021;

D5b) 15...Rxe6 16.Be2 Re8 17.0-0 h5 18.Nd4 c5 19.bxc5 dxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 c4 22.Nc5 Bc8 23.Rb1 Qc7 24.Nb5 Qe7 25.Qd6 Bf8 26.Qxe7 Bxe7 27.Rc1 Nfd7 28.Na4 Bb7 29.Bxc4 Nxc4 30.Rxc4 Ba6 31.Nac3 Ne5 32.Ra4 Bb7 33.Ra7 Bc6 34.a4 Bb4 35.Rc7 Rd8 36.Bd4 Rxd4 37.Nxd4 Bxc3 38.Nxc6 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-Stas-2444 (2586) Blitz 2021;

D6) 9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.b4

D6a) 11...e6 12.Ng3 *(12.d5 Ne5 13.Nd4 exd5 14.exd5 Re8 15.Be2 Bb7 16.Ndxb5 Ba6 17.a4 c6 18.dxc6 Nxc6 19.0-0 d5 20.Bc5 d4 21.Ne4 Rxe4 22.fxe4 Nxe4 23.Qf4 f5 24.Bf3 Be5 25.Qc1 Qh4 26.g3 Nxg3 27.Qc4+ Kh8 28.Bxc6 Nxf1 29.Kxf1 Qxh2 30.Re1 Bb7 31.Rxe5 Qxe5 32.Bxd4* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-theslav97 (2566) Blitz 2022*;* *12.Nc1 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.Rxb3 Bd7 16.Bd3 Nh5 17.Ne2 f5 18.Rc3 fxe4 19.Bxe4 Nf6 20.Ng3 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Bf5 22.0-0 Bxe4 23.fxe4 Rxf1+ 24.Kxf1 Qf6+ 25.Kg1 Qh4 26.Rxc7 Qxe4 27.Bf2 Rf8 28.h3 Qf5 29.Qe3 Qb1+ 30.Kh2 Qxa2 31.Qa7 Bh6 32.Qxa2* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-DrAgnevstein (2747) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...e5 *(12...Re8 13.Bxb5 Bd7 14.0-0 Nxb4 15.Rxb4 c6 16.a4 cxb5 17.axb5 Qa5 18.Rfb1 Rec8 19.b6 Bc6 20.Nge2 Nd7 21.d5 exd5 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Qxd5 24.exd5 Re8 25.Kf2 Ne5 26.R1b3 Bf6 27.b7 Bd8 28.Nd4 Ba5 29.Nc6 Bxb4 30.Nxb8 Rxb8 31.f4 Rxb7 32.fxe5 Be1+* 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-safahkarmoz (2570) Blitz 2022*;* *12...Na7 13.d5 Rb7 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.a4 d5 16.Nxb5 Nxb5 17.Bxb5 h5 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 h4 20.Ne2 h3 21.Nd4 hxg2 22.Qxg2 Qh4+ 23.Qg3 Qh5 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Bxd7 Bxe5 26.Bxe6+*

Kg7 27.fxe5 Rf3 28.Qg5 Rxe3+ 29.Qxe3 1-0 (29) Fastchess2345 (2636)-SexDrugsRnR (2632) Blitz 2025 *)* 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nge2 *(14.Bxd4 exd4 15.Nxb5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qe8+ 17.Qe2 Rxb5 18.Qxe8 Rxe8+ 19.Kf2 Rxd5 20.Bc4 Rde5 21.a4 Bh6 22.Rhd1 Be3+ 23.Kf1 h5 24.a5 h4 25.Ne4 Kg7 26.Bd3 Bf4 27.g3 Bh3+ 28.Kf2 Be3+ 29.Ke2 f5 30.Nf2 Bh6+ 31.Be4 Bg2 32.Rg1 h3 33.Kd3 fxe4+ 34.fxe4 Be3 35.Rgf1 Bxf2 36.Rxf2 Bxe4+ 37.Kxd4 Bxb1* 0-1 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2722)-schaakam (2625) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...c5 15.dxc6 Nxc6 16.Nc1 Be6 17.Bxb5 Nd4 18.Bd3 d5 19.0-0 dxe4 20.Nxe4 Nd5 21.Bxd4 exd4 22.Re1 Qb6 23.Nc5 Rfe8 24.Nxe6 Rxe6 25.Rxe6 Qxe6 26.Bc4 Bh6 27.Bxd5 Qe5 28.Nd3 Be3+ 29.Kh1 Qxd5 30.Qc2 Qf5 31.Ne1 Qe6 32.Qb3 Qf5 33.Qd3 Qe6 34.Qb3 Qd6 35.Nc2 Bf4 36.g3 Bxg3 37.hxg3 Qxg3 38.Re1 Rb5 0-1 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2746)-schaakam (2578) Blitz 2023;

D6b) 11...Nd7 12.d5 Nce5 13.Nd4 Nb6 *(13...Ba6 14.Ncxb5 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Nb6 16.Rc1 Nbc4 17.Bxc4 Nxc4 18.Rxc4 Rxb5 19.a4 Rb7 20.0-0 e6 21.b5 Qd7 22.Rfc1 Re8 23.Rc6 f5 24.dxe6 Rxe6 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Bf2 Bh6 27.f4 Re4 28.Qd5+ Kf8 29.b6 cxb6 30.Rxd6 Rc7 31.Rd1 Qxa4 32.Rxh6* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-grandmaster_06_06 (2571) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Nc6 *(14.Bxb5 Nbc4 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qd3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Bd7 18.0-0 c5 19.bxc5 dxc5 20.Nb3 Rxb3* Normal 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-Marb2020 (2591) Blitz 2024*)* 14...Nxc6 15.dxc6 Nc4 *(15...e6 16.Bxb5 d5 17.0-0 d4 18.Rfd1 e5 19.Bf2 Be6 20.Na4 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.Nc5 Re8 23.a4 Qd6 24.Rdc1 Be6 25.Nxe6 Qxe6 26.b5 f5 27.Qd3 Bh6 28.Rd1 Rf8 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Qb3 Qxb3 31.Rxb3 Rfd8 32.a5 Rd6 33.a6 Rbd8 34.Bh4 Re8 35.Bf2 Red8 36.a7 e4 37.fxe4 fxe4 38.Rxd4 e3 39.Rxd6 exf2+ 40.Kxf2 cxd6 41.c7 Rf8+ 42.Ke2 Re8+ 43.Kd1* 1-0 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-grandmaster_06_06 (2563) Blitz 2023*; 15...Be6 16.Bxb5 Bc4 17.Bxb6 Bxb5 18.Bd4 Bxc6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.0-0 e5 21.a4 f5 22.b5 Ba8 23.Nd5 fxe4 24.fxe4 Qh4 25.Nxc7 Rxf1+ 26.Rxf1 Qxe4 27.Nxa8 Rxa8 28.Qxd6 Qxa4 29.Qxe5+ Kg8 30.Qd5+ Kh8 31.Qe5+ Kg8 32.Qe6+ Kh8 33.b6 Qd4+ 34.Kh1 Rb8 35.Qf6+ Qxf6 36.Rxf6 Kg7 37.Rc6 Kf7 38.h4 Ke7 39.Kh2 Kd7 40.Rc7+ Kd6 41.Rxh7 Rxb6*

42.Kg3 Ke5 43.Rf7 Rb4 44.Kh3 Rc4 45.Rf8 Rb4 46.Rf3 Rd4 47.g4 Re4 48.Kg3 Rc4 49.h5 gxh5 50.gxh5 Re4 51.Rf1 Ra4 52.Rf8 Rb4 53.Rf7 Ra4 54.h6 Ra6 55.h7 Rh6 56.Kg4 Ke6 57.Kg5 Rh1 58.Ra7 Rg1+ 59.Kh6 Rh1+ 60.Kg7 Rg1+ 61.Kh8 Rh1 62.Ra8 Kf7 63.Ra7+ Kf8 64.Ra2 Rf1 65.Rg2 Rf6 66.Rg8+ Kf7 67.Rg7+ Kf8 68.Rg8+ Kf7 69.Rg2 Kf8 70.Ra2 Rg6 71.Ra7 Rg4 72.Ra8+ Kf7 73.Ra7+ Kf8 74.Ra8+ Kf7 75.Rg8 Rh4 76.Rg5 Rxh7+ 77.Kxh7 Kf6 ½ - ½ (7 7) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-Chess_man_2006 (2613) Blitz 2023 *)* 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.0-0 e6 18.b5 f5 19.a4 Ra8 20.Rb4 fxe4 21.fxe4 Rxf1+ 22.Kxf1 Qf6+ 23.Kg1 Qxc3 24.Qxc3 Bxc3 25.Rxc4 Ba5 26.Kf2 e5 27.Ke2 Be6 28.Rc2 Kf7 29.Kd3 Bb3 30.Rf2+ Ke6 31.Bg5 h6 32.Rf6+ Ke7 33.Bh4 g5 34.Rxh6 gxh4 35.Rh7+ Bf7 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2740)-Loin_sn (2743) Blitz 2022;

D6c) 11...d5 12.e5 Nd7 13.Nf4 *(13.Nc1 Nb6 14.Bxb5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.0-0 Bf5 17.Rb2 Rxb4 18.N1e2 Rxb2 19.Qxb2 Qa8 20.a4 Rb8 21.Qd2 Bd3 22.Ra1 Nb4 23.Nf4 Nc2 24.Rc1 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Rb3 26.Nxd3 cxd3 27.Qxd3 Qxa4 28.Nxa4 Rxd3 29.Rxc7 Rxd4 30.Rc8+ Bf8 31.Nc5 Rc4 32.Rc7 e6 33.Nxe6 Rxc7 34.Nxc7 Bc5+ 35.Kf1 Kf8 36.Nd5 h6 37.f4 Ke8 38.Ke2 Kd7 39.Kf3 Ke6 40.Ke4 h5 41.h3 Ba3 42.g4 hxg4 43.hxg4 Bf8 44.Nc7+ Kd7 45.Nb5 Ke6 46.Nc3 Kd7 47.Kd5 Ke7 48.Ne4 Kd7 49.Nd6 Ke7 50.Nc8+ Kd7 51.Nb6+ Ke7 52.Na4 Kd7 53.Nc5+ Ke7 54.f5 gxf5 55.gxf5 Bh6 56.f6+ Kd8 57.Ne4 Ke8 58.Nd6+ Kf8 59.Nf5 Bf4 60.Ke4 Bh2 61.Ne3 Bg3 62.Ng4 Be1 63.Ne3 Bc3 64.Nd5 Ba1 65.Kf5 Bb2 66.Nf4 Ba1 67.Ne2 Bb2 68.Ng3 Ba1 69.Ne4 Bb2 70.Nc5 Ba1 71.Nd3 Bb2 72.Ke4 Ba1 73.Kd5 Bc3 74.Kc6 Ba1 75.Kd7 Bc3 76.e6 fxe6 77.Kxe6 Bxf6 78.Nf4 Ke8 79.Nd5 Be5 80.Kf5 Kd8 81.Ke4 Kc8 82.Ne3 Kb7 83.Nc4 Kc8 84.Nd2 Kb7 85.Nf3 Bd4 86.Ne5 Bc5 87.Nd3 Kc6 88.Ke5 Kb5 89.Ke6 Kc4 90.Kf7 Kc3 91.Ke8 Kd4 92.Kf7 Kc3 93.Ke8 Bb4 94.Kf7 Ba3 95.Ke8 Kb3 96.Kf7 Kc2 97.Ke8 Kc3 98.Kf7 Kd4 99.Ke8 Bb4 100.Kf7 Bc5 101.Ke8 Kd5 102.Kf7 Kd6 103.Ke8 Ke6 104.Nf4+ Kf5 105.Ng6 Ke6* 0-1 (105) Consent_to_treatment (2719)-grandmaster_06_06 (2562) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Nb6 14.Bxb5 Bd7 15.0-0 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Nc4

18.Qxd5 Nxe3 19.Qxd8 Rfxd8 20.Rfe1 Bxe5 21.Rxe3 Bxf4 22.Re4 Bxh2+ 23.Kxh2 Rxb5 24.a4 Rh5+ 25.Kg3 e6 26.Rb2 Ra8 27.b5 Rc5 28.Reb4 Kf8 29.Ra2 Ra5 30.Kf4 Ke7 31.Ke4 f5+ 32.Kd4 Kd6 33.f4 e5+ 34.fxe5+ Rxe5 35.Kc3 Re3+ 36.Kb2 Re4 37.Rxe4 fxe4 38.Kb3 Kc5 39.Rc2+ Kd4 40.Rc4+ Ke3 41.Rxc7 Kf2 42.Rf7+ Kxg2 43.b6 Ra6 44.b7 Rb6+ 45.Kc4 e3 46.a5 e2 47.axb6 e1Q 48.b8Q Qe6+ 49.Kc5 Qxf7 50.Qa8+ Kg3 51.Qd5 Qf2+ 52.Kc6 h5 53.b7 Qf4 54.Qd6 Qxd6+ 55.Kxd6 h4 56.b8Q h3 57.Kd5+ Kg2 58.Qg8 h2 59.Qxg6+ Kh1 60.Qb1+ Kg2 61.Qc2+ Kg1 62.Qd1+ Kg2 63.Qd4 h1Q 64.Kc4 Qf1+ 65.Qd3 Qxd3+ 66.Kxd3 ½ - ½ (6 6) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-satlan (2706) Blitz 2023;

D6d) 11...e5 12.d5 Ne7 *(12...Nd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Re8 15.Be2 c6 16.dxc6 d5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.Rd1 Qe7 19.0-0 Qxb4 20.Ne4 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Bxe4 22.Bxf6 Bxd5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rc1 Be6 25.c7 Rb6 26.Rd8 Re7 27.Bf1 Ra6 28.c8Q Bxc8 29.Rdxc8 Rxa2 30.Bxb5 Rb7 31.Bd3 Rbb2 32.R8c2 Rxc2 33.Rxc2 Ra3 34.Be2 Ra7 35.Kf2 h5 36.h4 Ra4 37.Rc4 Ra7 38.Rc5 Ra4 39.Bc4 Ra7 40.Kg3 Kf6 41.Bd5 Rd7 42.Rb5 Kg7 43.Be4 f5 44.Rb7 Rf7 45.Rxf7+ Kxf7 46.Bd5+ Kf6 47.Kf4* 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-khallod (2586) Blitz 2024*)*

13.Ng3 *(13.Nc1 Nh5 14.Bxb5 f5 15.Bd3 Nf4 16.0-0 g5 17.Re1 Qe8 18.Bf1 Qg6 19.g3 Bf6 20.Kh1 Nh5 21.exf5 Nxf5 22.Bd3 Qh6 23.g4 Nxe3 24.Qxe3 e4 25.Nxe4 Nf4 26.Ne2 Be5 27.Nxf4 Rxf4 28.Re2 Bd7 29.a3 Rbf8 30.Nd2 Qh3 31.Be4 Bb5 32.Rf2 h5 33.gxh5 Kg7 34.Rg1 Kh6 35.Nf1 Bxf1 36.Rgxf1 Rh4 37.Qd2 Rff4 38.Rg2 Rxh5 39.a4 Rfh4 40.Rff2 Qe6 41.dxe6 Bf6 42.Rg4 Rh3 43.Rfg2 Be7 44.a5 d5 45.a6 dxe4 46.fxe4 Rxh2+ 47.Rxh2 Bd6* 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-dimkor (2593) Blitz 2022 *)*

D6d1) 13...h5 14.Bxb5 h4 15.Nge2 h3 *(15...Nh5 16.Bg5 h3 17.g4 Nf4 18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Bd3 Nxd5 20.Bxd8 Bxc3 21.exd5 Bxd2+ 22.Kxd2 Rxd8 23.a4 Re8 24.Rhe1 Bd7 25.b5 Kf8 26.Rxe8+ Kxe8 27.Kc3 Kd8 28.a5 Ra8 29.a6 Ke7 30.Kb4 Kf6 31.Re1 Ra7 32.Ka5 Ra8 33.Rc1 Rc8 34.a7 Ke5 35.Ka6 Kd4 36.Kb7 Kxd3 37.Rxc7 Rd8 38.b6 Bxg4 39.fxg4 f5 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.a8Q Rxa8 42.Kxa8 f3 43.Rc1 f2 44.b7*

1 - 0 (4 4) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-sergeikim2003 (2576) Blitz 2022*)* 16.g3 Nh5 17.g4 Nf4 18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Bd4 g5 20.Bf1 Ng6 21.Bxh3 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Ne5 23.0-0 Qf6 24.Qd2 Kg7 25.Bg2 Rh8 26.a4 Bd7 27.b5 Rh4 28.Ne2 Rbh8 29.Nd4 Rxh2 30.Kf2 Qh6 31.Ke1 Qh4+ 32.Kd1 Qg3 33.Rf2 Ra8 34.Rb4 Rah8 35.Kc2 Rb8 36.Kb3 Ra8 37.Qb2 f6 38.Rc2 Ra7 39.Nc6 Bxc6 40.dxc6 Nxg4 41.b6 cxb6 42.c7 Ne3 43.c8Q Nxc2 44.Qcxc2 g4 45.Qf2 gxf3 46.Qxg3+ fxg3 47.Bxf3 Rxb2+ 48.Kxb2 Re7 49.Kc3 f5 50.Kd3 fxe4+ 51.Bxe4 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-zvjaginsevfan (2557) Blitz 2021;

D6d2) 13...c6 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.Bxb5 Nd4 16.Bd3 d5 17.0-0 Nxf3+ 18.gxf3 d4 19.Bf2 dxc3 20.Qxc3 Bh3 21.Rfd1 Rc8 22.Qb3 Be6 23.Qb2 Ra8 24.Bc4 Qc8 25.Bxe6 Qxe6 26.a3 h5 27.b5 h4 28.Ne2 Qh3 29.Qb3 Bh6 30.b6 Rxa3 31.Qxa3 Ng4 32.Qxf8+ Bxf8 33.fxg4 Qxg4+ 34.Kf1 Qxe4 35.b7 Bd6 36.Nc3 Qc4+ 37.Ne2 Qe4 38.Rb3 Bc7 39.Rd7 Qc2 40.Rxc7 Qxb3 41.Rc8+ Kh7 42.b8Q Qh3+ 43.Ke1 Qxh2 44.Rh8+ Kg7 45.Qf8+

1 - 0 (4 5) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-drawingchest (2558) Blitz 2021;

D6d3) 13...Bd7 14.Bd3

D6d31) 14...c6 15.dxc6 Bxc6 16.0-0 d5 17.exd5 *(17.Bc5 d4 18.Nce2 Nd7 19.Rfc1 Nxc5 20.Rxc5 Qd6 21.Nc1 h5 22.Nb3 Kh7 23.Na5 Bd7 24.Qe2 Bh6 25.Rb2 Rfc8 26.Rbc2 Rxc5 27.Rxc5 Nc6 28.Nxc6 Bxc6 29.Qc2 Bd7 30.Rd5 Be3+ 31.Kh1 Qe6 32.Nf1 Rc8 33.Rc5 Rxc5 34.Qxc5 Qxa2 35.Nxe3 Qd2 36.Qc2 dxe3 37.Qxd2 exd2 38.Bc2 f5 39.exf5 gxf5 40.Kg1 e4 41.Kf2 Kh6 42.fxe4 fxe4 43.Ke3 Bf5 44.Kxd2 e3+ 45.Kc3 e2* 0 - 1 (4 5) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-BillyKimbahh (2711) Blitz 2023*)* 17...Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bc5 Re8 20.Rfd1 f5 *(20...Nf4 21.Be4 Qxd2 22.Rxd2 Bxe4 23.Nxe4 Red8 24.Rbd1 Rxd2 25.Rxd2 Ne6 26.Be3 Bf8 27.a3 Ra8 28.Rd3 Kg7 29.Ng5 Ra6 30.Nxe6+ Rxe6 31.Rd5 Ra6 32.Bc1 Kf6 33.Bb2 Bd6 34.Rxb5 Ke6 35.Kf2 Rc6 36.Kg3 Rc2 37.Ba1 Ra2 38.Bc3 Rxa3 39.Bd2 e4+ 40.Bf4 Bxf4+ 41.Kxf4*

exf3 42.gxf3 Ra2 43.Kg3 Rb2 44.h4 h5 45.Rb8 Kf6 46.Rb6+ Kf5 47.Rb5+ Kf6 48.Rb6+ Kg7 49.b5 Rb4 50.Rb8 Kf6 51.b6 Rb3 52.Rb7 Rb1 53.Rb8 Rg1+ 54.Kf2 Rb1 55.Kg3 Rb4 56.Rb7 Kg7 57.Rb8 Rb5 58.Rb7 g5 59.Rb8 gxh4+ 60.Kxh4 Rb3 61.b7 Rb5 62.f4 Rb4 63.Kxh5 Rb5+ 64.Kg4 Kf6 65.Kf3 Rb3+ 66.Ke4 Rb5 67.Kd4 Rb1 68.Kc5 Rc1+ 69.Kd6 Rd1+ 70.Kc7 Rc1+ 71.Kd7 Rd1+ 72.Kc7 Rc1+ 73.Kd7 Rd1+ 74.Ke8 Re1+ 75.Kd7 Rd1+ ½ - ½ (7 5) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-dimkor (2583) Blitz 2022*; 20...Qh4 21.Ne4 Rbd8 22.Qe1 Qxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Nxb4 24.Bxb5 Bxb5 25.Rxb4 Bd3 26.a4 Rd5 27.Bb6 f5 28.Nf2 Ba6 29.a5 Bf8 30.Rbb1 Rc8 31.Rbd1 Rxd1 32.Rxd1 Kf7 33.Nd3 Ke6 34.Nf2 Rc2 35.Re1 Bb4 36.Rb1 Bc3 37.h3 Kd5 38.Nd1 Bd4+ 39.Bxd4 exd4 40.Rb6 Be2 41.Nb2 d3 42.Kf2 Rc1 43.Ke3 Ra1 44.Nxd3 Bxd3 45.Kxd3 Rxa5 46.Rb7 Ra2 47.g4 fxg4 48.hxg4 h5 49.gxh5 gxh5 50.Rb5+ Ke6 51.Rxh5 Ra4 52.Ke3 Kf6 53.Rd5 Ra3+ 54.Rd3 Ra4 55.f4 Kf5 56.Rd5+ Kf6 57.Kf3 Ra1 58.Rd3 Rf1+ 59.Ke4 Re1+ 60.Re3 Ra1 61.Rd3 Ra4+ 62.Rd4 Ra5 63.Rd6+ Ke7 64.Rb6 Ra4+ 65.Kf3 Ra1 66.Kg4 Ra5 67.Rh6 Kf7 68.Rh5 Ra4 69.Re5 Ra1 70.Kg5 Ra6 71.Rc5 Rb6 72.Rc7+ Kf8 73.f5 Ra6 74.Rd7 Rb6 75.Rh7 Rc6 76.Rh6 Rc4 77.Re6 Kf7 78.Rf6+ Kg7 79.Re6 Kf7 80.Rg6 Rc1 81.Rf6+ Ke7 82.Re6+ Kf7 83.Rf6+ Ke7 84.Rg6 Kf7 85.Kh6 Rh1+ 86.Kg5 Rg1+ 87.Kf4 Rf1+ 88.Ke5 Rxf5+ 89.Kxf5 Kf8 90.Rf6+ Ke8 91.Re6+ Kd7 92.Rd6+ Kxd6* ½ - ½ (9 2) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-Normal_one (2571) Blitz 2024*)* 21.a4 Nf4 22.axb5 Bd5 23.Bf1 Qf6 24.b6 Red8 25.Qc2 e4 26.fxe4 fxe4 27.Nxe4 Qf5 28.Rxd5 Nxd5 29.Bc4 Kh8 30.Rf1 Qe5 31.Bxd5 Rxd5 32.h4 h6 33.Nf2 Qg3 34.Nh3 Be5 35.Rf3 Qh2+ 36.Kf2 Rbd8 37.Qxg6 Rd2+ 38.Ke3 R2d3+ 39.Ke4 Bg7 40.Ng5 hxg5 41.Qh5+ Kg8 42.Qf7+ Kh7 43.Qh5+ Bh6 44.Rf7+ Kg8 45.Qg6+ Bg7 46.Qxg7# 1 - 0 (4 6)

Consent_to_treatment (2707)-BillyKimbahh (2729) Blitz 2023;
D6d32) 14...Ne8 15.0-0 f5 16.exf5 Nxf5 17.Nxf5 Bxf5 18.Ne4 Bxe4 19.Bxe4 Nf6 20.Rbc1 Nxe4 21.fxe4 Rxf1+ 22.Rxf1 Qd7 23.Qc3 Ra8 24.a3 Qg4 25.Qd3 Rf8 26.h3 Rxf1+ 27.Kxf1 Qd7 28.Qe2 Bf6 29.Qg4 Qxg4 30.hxg4 Kf7 31.Ke2 Ke8 32.Kd3 Kd7 33.Kc3 c6 34.Kb3 cxd5 35.exd5 Bd8 36.a4 bxa4+ 37.Kxa4 Kc7 38.Kb5 Kb7 39.Kc4 Bb6 40.Bg5 Bc7 41.Kb5 Bb8 42.Bd8 Ba7 43.Kc4 Bb6 44.Be7 Bc7 45.Kb5 Bb8 46.g5 Bc7 47.g4 Bb8 48.Kc4 Bc7 49.b5 Bb8 50.Bf6 Bc7 51.Kb4 Bb6 52.Kc4 Bc5 53.Bd8 e4 54.Be7 e3 55.Kd3 Kb6 56.Bd8+ Kxb5 57.Bc7 e2 58.Bd8 1-0 (58)
Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Gyalog75 (2609) Blitz 2022;

D6e) 11...Bd7
D6e1) 12.Nc1 Na7 *(12...e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.Rxb3 c6 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.Be2 d5 18.Bc5 Re8 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Qxd5 21.Rd3 Qe6 22.Rd6 Qc8 23.0-0 e4 24.fxe4 Bxe4 25.Bf3 Qf5 26.Bd1 Qe5 27.Bb3 Bf5 28.Rd5 Qe2 29.Qxe2 Rxe2 30.Rdxf5 gxf5 31.Rxf5 Rb7 32.Rd5 Bf6 33.Rf5 Kg7 34.g4 Rd7 35.g5 Bd4+ 36.Bxd4+ Rxd4 37.Rxf7+ Kg6 38.Rf2 Rxf2 39.Kxf2 Rxb4 40.Kg3 Kxg5 41.Bc2 h5 42.Bb3 Rd4 43.Kf3 Rd2 44.Kg3 Rd3+ 45.Kg2 Kf4 46.Bf7 h4 47.Be6 Re3 48.Bb3 b4 49.Kf2 h3 50.Bf7 Rc3 51.Bb3 Rd3 52.Be6 Rd2+ 53.Kg1 Kf3 54.Bxh3 Rxa2 55.Bf1 b3 56.h4* 0 - 1 (5 6)
Consent_to_treatment (2661)-Stas-2444 (2639) Blitz 2022*)* 13.d5 Nc8 14.Nb3 e6 15.Na5 Ne7 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Be2 Nh5 18.0-0 e5 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Qxd5+ Kh8 21.Nc6 Bxc6 22.Qxc6 Qe8 23.Qxc7 Rc8 24.Qxd6 Rc2 25.Qd3 Rxa2 26.Qxb5 Nf4 27.Bxf4 exf4 28.Qxe8 Rxe8 29.Bc4 Rc2 30.Rfc1 Rd2 31.b5 Bd4+ 32.Kh1 Rc8 33.Bd5 Rxc1+ 34.Rxc1 Rb2 35.Bc6 g5 36.Rd1 Kg7 37.h4 Bf6 38.hxg5 Bxg5 39.Kh2 Bh4 40.Kh3 Bf2 41.Rd7+ Kg6 42.Kg4 Be3 43.Rd6+ Kf7 44.Kf5 Rxg2 45.Rd7+ Kf8 46.Rxh7 1-0 (46)
Fastchess2345 (2740)-Filip88 (2600) Blitz 2024;
D6e2) 12.Ng3 e5 13.d5 Nd4 14.Nge2 Nxe2 15.Bxe2 Ne8 16.0-0 f5 17.Bd3 f4 18.Bf2 g5 19.Qe2 g4 20.fxg4 Qg5 21.h4 Qg6 22.g5 h6

23.gxh6 Bg4 24.Qc2 Bxh6 25.a4 Bh3 26.Be1 f3 27.g3 Be3+ 28.Kh2 Bg2 29.Rf2 Bxf2 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-Chess_RSM (2594) Blitz 2022;

D6e3) 12.d5 Ne5 *(12...Na7 13.Nd4 e5 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Nb3 Nc6 16.Nxb5 Ne5 17.a4 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Qh4+ 19.Kd1 Qxe4 20.Rc1 Ng4 21.Bg1 Rxf1+* 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-Filip88 (2601) Blitz 2025 *)* 13.Nd4

D6e31) 13...c5

D6e311) 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.Ndxb5 Ne8 *(15...Qc8 16.a4 Ne5 17.Rc1 Qb7 18.Be2 Rfc8 19.0-0 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Bd4 Rxb4 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Nd5 Rxa4 24.Nxd6* Time forfeit 1-0 (24) licg (2656)-Matikozian, A (2661) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Be2 f5 17.exf5 Rxf5 18.0-0 Nf6 19.Nd4 Nxd4 20.Bxd4 e5 21.Bf2 Be6 22.Bd3 Rf4 23.Ne2 Nd5 24.Nxf4 Nxf4 25.Rfd1 Qg5 26.Bg3 h5 27.Bf1 h4 28.Bxf4 exf4 29.Qxd6 Re8 30.Re1 h3 31.Rxe6 1 - 0 (3 1) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-koonta (2516) Blitz 2024;

D6e312) 14.bxc5 b4

D6e3121) 15.Nd1 dxc5 16.Nc2 *(16.Nb3 c4 17.Nc5 c3 18.Qc2 e6 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Be2 Nh5 22.0-0 Nf4 23.Nf2 Qc7 24.Rfc1 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Qxc4 26.Kh1 Ne2 27.Re1 Nd4 28.Bxd4 Bxd4 29.Nd3 e5 30.Rb3 Rb7 31.Reb1 Rfb8 32.g3 Qf7 33.Kg2 Qc4 34.h4 h5 35.Nc1 Rf7 36.Nd3 Rfb7 37.Nc1 Rf7 38.Qe2 Qxe2+ 39.Nxe2 Ra8 40.a3 Rxa3 41.Rxb4 Ra2 42.Re1 c2 43.Rc4 Rb7 44.Kf1 Rb1 45.Nxd4 Rxe1+ 46.Kxe1 Ra1+ 47.Kd2 exd4 48.Kxc2 Rg1 49.Rxd4 Rxg3 50.Rd3 Rh3 51.Kc3 Kh7 52.Kd4 Kh6 53.Ke5 Rxh4 54.f4 Rh1 55.Rd6 Re1 56.f5 h4 57.Rxg6+ Kh5 58.Rf6* 1 - 0 (5 8) Consent_to_treatment (2608)-Stas-2444 (2600) Blitz 2021 *)* 16...Qc7 17.Be2 Ra8 18.Na1 Ra3 19.0-0 Rc8 20.Rb2 Ba4 21.Nb3

Nfd7 22.Nxc5 Nxc5 23.Qxb4 Rxe3 24.Nxe3 Ned3 25.Bxd3 Nxd3 26.Qxa4 Bxb2 27.Qb3 Qc3 28.Rd1 Qxb3 29.axb3 Rc1 30.Kf1 Rxd1+ 31.Nxd1 Bd4 32.Ke2 Nf4+ 33.Kf1 g5 34.g3 Ng6 35.Ke2 Ne5 36.Nf2 Bxf2 37.Kxf2 Kf8 38.Ke3 Ke8 39.h3 Kd7 40.f4 gxf4+ 41.gxf4 Ng6 42.e5 f6 43.Ke4 fxe5 44.fxe5 e6 45.b4 Ne7 46.d6 Nd5 47.b5 Nc3+ 48.Kf4 Nxb5 49.Kg5 Na3 50.Kf4 Nc4 51.Ke4 h5 52.h4 Kc6 53.Kd4 Nxd6 54.exd6 Kxd6 55.Ke4 e5 56.Ke3 Kd5 57.Kd3 e4+ 58.Ke3 Ke5 59.Ke2 Kf4 60.Kf2 Kg4 61.Ke3 Kxh4 62.Kxe4 Kg3 63.Kf5 h4 64.Kf6 h3 65.Kf7 h2 66.Kf6 h1Q 67.Kf7 Qh6 68.Ke7 Kf4 69.Kd7 Ke5 70.Kc7 Qd6+ 71.Kb7 Kd5 72.Ka7 Qc6 73.Kb8 Qd7 74.Ka8 Kc6 75.Kb8 ½ - ½ (75) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Stammargg (2586) Blitz 2023;

D6e3122) 15.Ncb5 dxc5 16.Nc6 Nxc6 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Qxd8 Rfxd8 19.Na7 Bd7 20.Bxc5 Rb7 21.Ba6 Rxa7 22.Bxa7 Ra8 23.Bc5 Rxa6 24.Bxe7 Be6 25.0-0 Nd7 26.Rxb4 Rxa2 27.Rd1 h5 28.Bd6 h4 29.h3 Bf8 30.Bxf8 Kxf8 31.Rbd4 Ne5 32.R4d2 Ra4 33.Rd4 Ra2 34.R4d2 Ra3 35.Rc1 Kg7 36.Rdc2 g5 37.Rc3 Ra2 38.R3c2 Ra4 39.Kh2 Ng6 40.Rd2 Nf4 41.Rdc2 Ra3 42.Rb2 Bxh3 43.gxh3 Rxf3 44.Rb7 Rxh3+ 45.Kg1 Ne2+ 46.Kg2 Rg3+ 0 - 1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Grancanarias (2754) Blitz 2021;

D6e32) 13...Qe8 14.Be2 e6 15.0-0 exd5 16.exd5 Rb7 17.h3 Qb8 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.b5 Re8 21.Nc6 Qa8 22.a4 Ne4 23.Nxe4 Rxe4 24.a5 Bxc6 25.dxc6 Rb8 26.a6 Rbe8 27.Bf2 c3 28.Qd3 Rxf4 29.Rfe1

Be5 30.Bg3 Qa7+ 31.Kh1 Rd4 32.Qxc3 Rd8 33.Bxe5 dxe5 34.Rxe5 Rd1+ 35.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Re1 Rd8 37.Qe3 Qb8 38.Qc5 Re8 39.Rb1 Qd8 40.a7 Qd2 41.Ra1 Ra8 42.b6 cxb6 43.Qxb6 Qc3 44.Rd1 Qe5 45.Rd8+ Kg7 46.Rxa8 Qe1+ 47.Kh2 Qe5+ 48.g3 Qe2+ 49.Kg1 Qe1+ 50.Kg2 Qe2+ 51.Qf2 Qe4+ 52.Kh2 Qxc6 53.Rb8 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-Stas-2444 (2559) Blitz 2023;

D6e33) 13...e6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Be2 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.0-0 e5 18.Nde2 Be6 19.Rfd1 Qe7 20.a4 Rfd8 21.Bg5 c6 22.b5 d5 23.bxc6 Rxb1 24.Rxb1 d4 25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.Rb7 Qc5 27.exd5 d3+ 28.Be3 Qxd5 29.c7 Rc8 30.Rb8 Qd7 31.Rxc8+ Qxc8 32.Bb6 Nd5 33.Ba5 Nxc7 34.Nc3 Qa6 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-dioniwo (2551) Blitz 2023;

D6e34) 13...Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4

D6e341) 15.b5 e5 *(15...e6 16.Nc6 Bxc6 17.dxc6 d5 18.Bc5 Re8 19.0-0 dxe4 20.Qxd8 Rexd8 21.fxe4 Rd3 22.Rf3 Rxc3 23.Rxc3 Nxe4 24.Ba7 Nxc3 25.Bxb8 Nxb1 26.Bxc7 Bd4+ 27.Kf1 c3 28.Bf4 Nd2+ 29.Ke2 Nc4 30.Kd3 Be5 31.Bxe5 c2 32.Bf4 Nb6 33.Kxc2 Kf8 34.Be3 Nd5 35.Bc5+ Ke8 36.b6 Kd8 37.a4 Kc8 38.a5* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-dimkor (2585) Blitz 2022*)* 16.Nc6 Bxc6 17.dxc6 Nh5 18.0-0 Nf4 19.a4 h5 20.a5 h4 21.b6 Qg5 22.b7 Bh6 23.Bxf4 exf4 24.Qd5 h3 25.Qxg5 Bxg5 26.a6 Bf6 27.Nb5 1 - 0 (2 7) Consent_to_treatment (2715)-thatsmyguy (2633) Blitz 2024;

D6e342) 15.0-0 e5 16.dxe6 *(16.Nc6 Bxc6 17.dxc6 Qe8 18.b5 Qe6 19.a4 Ra8 20.Ra1 Rfb8 21.Rfb1 Nh5 22.Nd5* 1 - 0 (2 2) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-Kartvelii (2655) Blitz 2023*)* 16...fxe6 17.a4 *(17.b5 Qe7 18.a4 Ra8 19.Ra1 e5 20.Nc2 Be6 21.Nb4 Nh5 22.Nbd5 Qd7 23.a5 Nf4 24.Nxf4 exf4 25.Bd4 g5 26.a6 g4 27.fxg4 Bxg4*

28.Bxg7 Qxg7 29.Nd5 f3 30.Qc3 Qg5 31.Qe3 Qg7 32.Qc3 Qg5 33.g3 f2+ 34.Rxf2 Rxf2 35.Kxf2 Rf8+ 36.Kg1 Be6 37.a7 Bxd5 38.exd5 Qxd5 39.Qe3 h5 40.Rf1 Rxf1+ 41.Kxf1 Qh1+ 42.Qg1 Qxh2 43.Qxh2 1-0 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-sjakk98765 (2734) Blitz 2021*)* 17...Nh5 *(17...d5 18.e5 Ne8 19.f4 c6 20.b5 Nc7 21.bxc6 Be8 22.Rxb8 Qxb8 23.Rb1 Qa8 24.Ncb5 Rf7 25.Nxc7 Rxc7 26.Nxe6 Rxc6 27.Qxd5 Bf7 28.Qd8+ Qxd8 29.Nxd8 Ra6 30.Nxf7 Kxf7 31.Rb7+ Kg8 32.Rb8+ Kf7 33.Rb7+ Kg8 34.Ra7 Rc6 35.Kf1 Bf8 36.Ke2 c3 37.Ra8 Kf7 38.a5 c2 39.Bc1 Bc5 40.a6 Rc7 41.Kd3 Ke6 42.Ke4 Bg1 43.g4 Rc4+ 44.Kd3 Rc7 45.Re8+ Kd5 46.Rd8+ Ke6 47.Rd6+ Ke7 48.f5* 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-mr_kaos (2582) Blitz 2021*)* 18.b5 Qh4 19.a5 Be5 20.g3 Qh3 21.Qg2 Qxg2+ 22.Kxg2 Ng7 23.a6 Ne8 24.Rfc1 Bxd4 25.Bxd4 Ng7 26.b6 cxb6 27.Rxb6 Rxb6 28.Bxb6 Bc6 29.Rd1 Rb8 30.Rxd6 Rxb6 31.a7 Rb2+ 32.Kh3 Bb7 33.Rd8+ Kf7 34.Rd7+ 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2757)-Chess_man_2006 (2644) Blitz 2023;

E) 9.d5 Ne5 10.Nd4 *(10.Nc1 c5 11.a4 Nfd7 12.Be2 f5 13.f4 Ng4 14.Bxg4 fxg4 15.0-0 Qb6 16.a5 Qb4 17.N1e2 b5 18.cxb5 axb5 19.Kh1 Qc4 20.Ng3 b4 21.Nce2 Nf6 22.Rfc1 Qb3 23.a6 h5 24.a7 Ra8 25.Rc2 Nxd5 26.exd5 Bb7 27.Nc1 Qxd5 28.Qxd5+ Bxd5 29.Rd2 Bc6 30.Ra6 Bb7 31.Ra5 h4 32.Nge2 h3 33.Kg1 hxg2 34.Ng3 Bh6 35.Nd3 e5 36.Rf2 Rae8 37.Rb5 exf4 38.Bxf4 Bxf4 39.Rxb7 Be3 40.Kxg2 Bxf2 41.Nxf2 Ra8 42.Nfe4 Rf7* 0-1 (42) Kittinaa (2750)-Chess_man_2006 (2597) Blitz 2023 *)* 10...c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Be2 c5 13.Nb3 Be6 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Bd7 16.0-0 Bb5 17.Rfc1 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 a5 19.Rc2 a4 20.Nd2 a3 21.Rb1 axb2 22.f4 Nd7 23.Nc4 Qc7 24.Bd2 Qa7 25.a3 Qa4 26.Bc3 Bxc3 27.Rxc3 Nb6 28.Nxb2 Qd4+ 29.Qe3 Na4 30.Qxd4 cxd4 31.Rc2 d3 32.Rd2 Rfc8 33.Nxa4 Rxb1+ 34.Kf2 Rc2 35.Ke3 Rxd2 36.Kxd2 Rb3 37.Nc3 Rxa3 38.Kxd3 Kg7 39.h3 h5 40.e5 h4 41.Kd4 dxe5+ 42.fxe5 f6 43.exf6+ Kxf6 44.Ne2 Kf5 45.Kc5 Ra2 46.Nd4+ Kf6 47.Nf3 g5 48.Ne1 Re2 49.Nd3

Rxg2 50.Nb4 Rg3 51.Nc6 Rxh3 52.Kd4 Rg3 53.Ke4 h3 54.Nd4 h2 0-1 (54) Muselmen100precent (2754)-coconutball (2574) Blitz 2023;

F) 9.g3 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Rc1 Bd7 *(11...Na5 12.b3 c6 13.Bg2 Bd7 14.0-0 Re8 15.e5 Nd5 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.exd6 exd6 18.f4 Qe7 19.Rc3 b4 20.Rd3 Nc4 21.bxc4 dxc4 22.Nc1 cxd3 23.Bf2 Bb5 24.Nxd3 Qe2 25.Rd1 Qxd2 26.Rxd2 Bxd3 27.Rxd3 Re2 28.Bd5 Rc8 29.Bb3 Rc3 30.Rd1 Rf3 0-1 (30) OnkelKonkel (2607)-Vachagan67 (2464) Rapid 2022)* 12.b3 *(12.Bg2 b4 13.Nd1 Ra8 14.b3 Qb8 15.0-0 Qb5 16.Nf2 Ra3 17.Rc2 Rfa8 18.Rfc1 Ne8 19.Nd3 Qa5 20.d5 Ne5 21.Nxb4 f5 22.Nd4 fxe4 23.fxe4 Ng4 24.Ndc6 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Bxc6 26.Nxc6 Qb6 27.Qxb6 cxb6 28.Nxe7+ Kf7 29.Nc8 Bd4+ 30.Kh1 Rxa2 31.Bh3 Rxc2 32.Rxc2 Kf6 33.Bd7 Ng7 34.Kg2 Ke5 35.Re2 Ra3 36.b4 Nh5 37.Ne7 Be3 38.Nc6+ Kxe4 39.Bg4 Nf6 40.Bf3+ Kd3 41.b5 Rc3 42.Nb4+ Kd4 43.Nc6+ Kc4 44.h4 Kxb5 45.Rb2+ Kc5 46.Ne7 b5 47.Kf1 b4 48.Ke2 Bd4 49.Ra2 Re3+ 50.Kd2 Rxf3 0-1 (50) Firebullet (2601)-Woodtree (2612) Blitz 2024)* 12...e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.Bg2 c6 *(14...Nh5 15.g4 Nf4 16.Nxf4 exf4 17.Bxf4 f5 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.0-0 Ng6 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.Bh6 Bg7 22.Ne2 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 f4 24.Bh3 Bxh3 25.Qxh3 Kh8 26.Nd4 Ne5 27.Ne6 Rg8+ 28.Kh1 Qf6 29.Rxc7 Nf7 30.Qf5 Qxf5 31.exf5 Ne5 32.f6 Rgc8 33.Rfc1 1-0 (33) Ernie_McCracken (2611)-Narek0725 (2310) Rapid 2023)* 15.dxc6 Bxc6 16.Rd1 b4 17.Nb1 d5 18.exd5 Nexd5 19.Bc5 Re8 20.0-0 Qa5 21.Bf2 Rbd8 22.Qc2 Bb5 23.Rfe1 Rc8 24.Qd2 Red8 25.Qb2 e4 26.fxe4 Nxe4 27.Bd4 Bxd4+ 28.Nxd4 Nec3 29.Rd2 Qb6 30.Kh1 Ba6 31.h3 Re8 32.Rc1 Re3 33.a3 Rxg3 34.axb4 Qxb4 35.Nxc3 Nxc3 36.Rdc2 Bb7 0-1 (36) OnkelKonkel (2707)-Stas-2444 (2660) Blitz 2022;

G) 9.Ng3 e5 10.d5 Nd4

G1) 11.Nge2 c5 *(11...Nxe2 12.Bxe2 Nh5 13.0-0 Nf4 14.c5 f5 15.Kh1 Bd7 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.a4 Rf7 18.b4 Bh6 19.b5 Nxe2 20.Qxe2 Bxe3 21.Qxe3 f4 22.Qf2 a5 23.Rac1 b6 24.Nd1 Be8 25.Nb2 Rc7 26.Rc6 Bxc6 27.dxc6 d5 28.exd5 Qxd5 29.Rd1 Qb3 30.Rd3 Qa2 31.Qd2 Qa1+ 32.Nd1 Rf7 33.h3 Kg7 34.Rd7 Rbf8 35.Kh2 Qxa4 36.Nc3 Qc4 37.Ne4 Rxd7 38.Qxd7+ Rf7 39.Qd6 Qxb5 40.Ng5 Qe2 41.Nxf7 Kxf7 42.Qd7+ Kf6 43.c7 Qe1 44.Qd8+ Kf7 45.Qd5+ Kf6 46.Qc6+ Kg5 47.Qe4 Qc3 48.h4+ Kxh4 49.Qb7 Qe1 50.Qa6 Qg3+ 51.Kg1 Qe1+ 52.Qf1 Qe3+ 53.Qf2+ Kg5 54.Qxe3 fxe3 55.c8Q Kf4 56.Qg4# 1-0 (56) Superfm1 (2630)-Lector118 (2686) Blitz 2024)* 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Rd1 Be6 14.b3 b5 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Nb4 17.c5 Nc2+ 18.Kf2 Nxe3 19.Kxe3 Rfd8

20.Ng3 Rxd6 21.cxd6 Rc8 22.Be2 Rxc3+ 23.Kd2 Rc6 0-1 (23) Superfm1 (2701)-DECIMU (2512) Blitz 2024;

G2) 11.Bd3 c5 12.0-0 Bd7 13.h3 b5 14.b3 Qa5 15.Rac1 Rfe8 16.f4 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Bb5 18.fxe5 dxe5 19.Bxb5 axb5 20.Bh6 Bh8 21.Bg5 Qb6 22.Qf2 Ra8 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Qxf6 Qxf6 25.Rxf6 c4 26.bxc4 bxc4 27.Rf2 Ra3 28.Rb2 h5 29.Kf2 Rea8 30.Nge2 Kg7 31.Ke3 1-0 (31) DoktorMatt (2703)-mifisk (2661) Blitz 2020;

H) 9.Rd1 b5 10.c5 dxc5 11.dxc5 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 e5 13.Nc1 Be6 14.Bd3 Rfd8 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Rfd1 Bf8 17.Nb3 Bxb3 18.axb3 Bxc5 19.Bxc5 Nxc5 20.Nd5 Nxb3 21.Rc2 Nbd4 22.Rcc1 Rb7 23.Kf2 Kg7 24.b4 Rd7 25.h4 Nb8 26.h5 c6 27.Ne3 Rd6 28.Ng4 f6 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Rh1 Nxf3 31.gxf3 Rxd3 32.Rh6 Nd7 33.Rch1 Nf8 34.Rh8 Rbd7 35.Nxf6 Kxf6 36.Rxf8+ Rf7 37.Ra8 Ke6 38.Rxa6 Rfxf3+ 39.Kg2 Kd6 40.Rh8 Rfe3 41.Rd8+ Kc7 42.Rg8 Rd2+ 43.Kf1 Rc3 44.Rg7+ Kb8 45.Ke1 Rb2 46.Kd1 Rg3 47.Rb6+ Kc8 48.Rxc6+ Kd8 49.Rd6+ Ke8 50.Rgxg6 Rxg6 51.Rxg6 Rxb4 52.Re6+ Kd7 53.Rxe5 Kd6 54.Re8 Kd7 55.Re5 Kd6 56.Re8 Kd7 57.Re5 ½-½ (57) azb5 (2657)-DMV86 (2644) Blitz 2023;

I) 9.Bh6 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.h4 b4 12.Nd1 e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.g4 c6 15.h5 cxd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh6+ Kg8 19.Ng3 Rf7 20.Ne3 Qb6 21.Rd1 Be6 22.b3 dxe4 23.fxe4 Nxg4 24.Nxg4 Bxg4 25.Rd2 Be6 26.Rdh2 Rc8 27.Qd2 Qc5 28.Bd3 Qd4 29.Be2 Nc6 30.Bd1 Qxd2+ 31.Kxd2 Nd4 32.Kd3 Rc3+ 33.Kd2 Rxg3 34.Re1 Bg4 35.Bxg4 Rxg4 36.Kd3 Nf3 37.Rhe2 Nxe1+ 38.Rxe1 Rff4 39.Kc4 Rxe4+ 40.Kd5 Rxe1 41.Kxd6 e4 42.Kc5 e3 43.a4 bxa3 44.b4 Rc1+ 45.Kb6 e2 46.b5 e1Q 47.Ka6 a2 48.b6 a1Q+ 49.Kb7 Rgc4 50.Kb8 Qe8+ 51.Kb7 Qc8# 0-1 (51) SpiderMoves (2612)-Kastorcito (2702) Blitz 2020;

J) 9.a3 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.d5 Na5 12.Nd4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 1-0 (13) alexkaspi (2604)-avsokol (2636) Blitz 2022;

K) 9.Rc1 54 Mikhail Golubev: '!?''One of the clever waiting continuations. Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!?' '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'One of the clever waiting continuations.'" Vigorito, D: 'White is fighting against the b5 move.'

K1) 9...e6 'A practically unknown move, though I remember that something similar occurred in my game vs Serebrjanik (Kaspi) in the 1988 game from the Odessa championship. Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'A practically unknown move, though I remember that something similar occurred in my game vs Serebrjanik (Kaspi) in the 1988 game from the Odessa championship.'' A practically unknown move, though I remember that

something similar occurred in my game vs Serebrjanik (Kaspi) in the 1988 game from the Odessa championship.'

K1a) 'Also here Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Also here'" 10.Nd1 'is possible, as GM Malakhatko once played Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'is possible, as GM Malakhatko once played' Mikhail Golubev: 'is possible, as GM Malakhatko once played Schipkov,B: '!?'" is possible, as GM Malakhatko once played';

K1b) Mikhail Golubev: 'Or' 10.Bg5 Mikhail Golubev: '!?' Mikhail Golubev: ', underlining that Black has a typical problem finding useful moves in these positions. If Schipkov, Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) , underlining that Black has a typical problem finding useful moves in these positions. If' , underlining that Black has a typical problem finding useful moves in these positions. If' Ne7 Mikhail Golubev: ', a-la-Grischuk, , a-la-Grischuk,' *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'there is also' *10...h6* Mikhail Golubev: 'with a typical trick' *11.Bxh6* Mikhail Golubev: '?' *Nxe4* Mikhail Golubev: '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'and 12...Qh4+'*)* Mikhail Golubev: ', then' 11.Ng3 Mikhail Golubev: '!?';

K1c) 10.g3 Mikhail Golubev: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' '!?';

K1d) 10.g4 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.Ng3 Ne8 13.Bh6 f5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.Qg5+ Kh8 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Rg1 Bg6 19.Be2 Nf5 20.Nce4 Nd4 21.Kf2 Nf6 22.Ke3 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 Rf4 24.Qh6 Nf5+ 0-1 (24) SlowSmokingTurtle (2611)-a2m2011 (2464) Rapid 2023;

K1e) 10.b3 'Schipkov,Boris: 'This move is not necessary in this position. Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'This move is not necessary in this position.'"

K1e1) 10...Bd7 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B"

K1e11) 11.g4 Sagar,Shah: ' ⩲ ' Rogozenco,Dorian: '⇄';

K1e12) 11.g3 Rogozenco,Dorian: '!?' b5 Sagar,Shah: ' ± ' Rogozenco,Dorian: '△' 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bg2 Rogozenco,Dorian: '⇄' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'With little time Radjabov misses' 13...Qe7 *(13...Qc8* Mikhail Golubev: '!?'*; 13...b4 14.Nd1 Ne7 15.0-0 Bb5 16.Nb2 Nd7 17.Rc2 c5 18.Rfc1 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 cxd4 20.Bf2 Nc5 21.Qd2 e5 22.Nd3 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qa5 24.Be1 Bh6 25.Rd1 Be3+ 26.Bf2 Bxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Rfc8 28.Rdc1 Rc3 29.Qd2 Rbc8 30.Bf1 Nc6 31.Bc4 Qc5 32.Kg2 Na5 33.Rxc3*

bxc3 34.Qg5 Nxc4 35.bxc4 Qxc4 36.Qf6 Qxa2+ 37.Kh3 Qd2 38.Ra1 c2 39.Ra7 Qh6+ 40.Kg2 Qg7 0-1 (40) OnkelKonkel (2636)-axelb99 (2557) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.0-0 Rfc8 Rogozenco,Dorian: '!' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'with the threat 57...♘b3 mate. Dominguez would have had to return the exchange and hope to survive in a difficult rook endgame after' 15.Nd1 Nd8 16.Bg5 *(16.Nf2* Mikhail Golubev: ' ⩲' *)* 16...Qf8 Mikhail Golubev: '?!' *(16...e5* Mikhail Golubev: '!?' *)* 17.Nf2 Mikhail Golubev: '⩲' h6 18.Be3 c5 Mikhail Golubev: '?!' Rogozenco,Dorian: ' ∓' *(18...Ra8)* 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.Bf4 Rb6 21.Ng4 Mikhail Golubev: '!' Qe7 Rogozenco,Dorian: ' ∓' 22.Nxf6+ Rogozenco,Dorian: '??' *(22.Nxh6+* Mikhail Golubev: ' ±' *)* 22...Bxf6 23.Rfd1 Be8 Rogozenco,Dorian: '+-' 24.Bxh6 Mikhail Golubev: '±' Mikhail Golubev: '1-0 Rodshtein,M (2605)-Caspi,I (2412)/La Massana 2008/CBM 125 Extra (31)';

K1e13) 11.d5 Ne7 Sagar,Shah: '!' *(11...Ne5* Mikhail Golubev: '⇄!?' *)* 12.Ng3 e5 Sagar,Shah: '!' *(12...b5* Mikhail Golubev: '!?' *)* 13.Bd3 *(13.c5)* 13...Ne8 Sagar,Shah: ' ∞ ' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'can be too risky also for Black:' 14.0-0 Mikhail Golubev: ' ⩲' f5 15.f4 Mikhail Golubev: '½-½ Savic,M-Arsovic,G/Obrenovac 2004/CBM 103 ext (15)' Sagar,Shah: '∞';

K1e2) 10...Re8 11.g3 Ne7 12.Bg2 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.0-0 Ba6 15.Rc2 Qd7 16.Rfc1 Rec8 17.Nd1 Ne8 18.Nf2 f5 19.Nf4 Bb7 20.h4 Nf6 21.g4 c6 22.Bh3 Rf8 23.gxf5 gxf5 24.Kh2 Ng6 25.Nxg6 hxg6 26.Rg1 Qf7 27.Bh6 Nh5 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Qg5 Kh7 30.Nd3 c5 31.d5 Qf6 32.Rcg2 fxe4 33.fxe4 Qxg5 34.Rxg5 Rf3 35.Bg4 Rxd3 36.Bxh5 Rd2+ 37.Kh1 exd5 38.Bxg6+ Kg7 39.Rf1 dxe4 40.Bxe4+ Kh8 41.Rh5+ Kg8 42.Rg1+ Kf8 43.Bxb7 1-0 (43) Gupta,A (2640)-Das,A (2470) London ENG 2011;

K1e3) 10...Nd7 Mikhail Golubev: 'N!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'N!?' 'N!?''' 11.h4 'After this advance, it would be hard for White to limit himself to purely positional methods of play. Schipkov, Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?' Schipkov,

Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'After this advance, it would be hard for White to limit himself to purely positional methods of play.' Mikhail Golubev: 'After this advance, it would be hard for White to limit himself to purely positional methods of play. Schipkov,B: '!?''' After this advance, it would be hard for White to limit himself to purely positional methods of play.' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White tries to attack on the kingside. Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'White tries to attack on the kingside.''''

(11.g3 Mikhail Golubev: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov, B'' ± !?' *)* 11...h5 Mikhail Golubev: '!' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'After ♖c1 White cannot castle queenside, so Black obtains counterplay.

Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov, B: 'After ♖c1 White cannot castle queenside, so Black obtains counterplay.

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K1e31) 'Overly optimistic for White is Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Overly optimistic for White is''' 12.g4 Sagar,Shah: 'is already bad because of' hxg4 Sagar,Shah: '∓!'

K1e311) 13.fxg4 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' Nf6 *(13...e5* Mikhail Golubev: '!?' *14.d5 Nd4* Mikhail Golubev: '⇄' *)* 14.Bg5 Sagar,Shah: '=' Sagar,Shah: 'Black has no real problems.' Qe8 15.h5 Rogozenco, Dorian: '?' Nxg4 Rogozenco,Dorian: '!' 16.Bh3 Sagar,Shah: '=' Nf6 Mikhail Golubev: '∞';

K1e312) 13.h5 Mikhail Golubev: '?!' Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev'' 13...gxf3;

K1e32) 12.g3 Ne7 13.g4 Mikhail Golubev: '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!?' '!?'' *(13.Bh3* 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B''*; 13.Bg2* 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' Sagar,Shah: '±' Sagar,Shah: 'White is up a pawn, has the bishop pair and is cruising towards victory.'*)* 13...hxg4 Sagar,Shah: '?!' *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'Also possible is' *13...Nf6* Mikhail Golubev: 'but then White gains much space after Schipkov, Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) but then White gains much space after'' Sagar,Shah: 'It is important to see that this is completely bad for Black after' *14.g5*

Mikhail Golubev: ', so the text is more critical.') 14.fxg4 ('Also here Black seems to be able to defend himself after Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Also here Black seems to be able to defend himself after''' *14.h5* 'Schipkov,Boris: '?!' '?!' '?!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: '?!''' *gxf3* '- for example, Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '- for example,''' *15.Ng3* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev" *Nc6* Sagar,Shah: '=' Sagar,Shah: 'Black has a pawn for the exchange and White's structure is a complete wreck. This is nothing for White.' *16.Qh2 g5* Mikhail Golubev: '-+!') 14...Nf6 Mikhail Golubev: '!"Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!' '!''' 15.g5 Rogozenco,Dorian: 'A fresh attempt to treat one of the main positions of Sicilian Dragon. Dozens of games were played with 15.♖he1, 15.♗h6 and 15.g4, but at the present moment everywhere Black keeps resources for counterplay. ' (Mikhail Golubev: 'Otherwise:' *15.h5* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev'' Sagar,Shah: '?' *Nxg4* Mikhail Golubev: '!'; *15.Bh3* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev" *e5* Mikhail Golubev: '!') 15...Nh5 ('A riskier Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'A riskier''' *15...Ng4* Mikhail Golubev: '!?''is curious. After Grischuk's move Black's position seems to be acceptable. The following play was very complicated, and I will limit myself to a few remarks. Schipkov,Boris: '⇄!?' '⇄!?' '⇄!?' Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!?' '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'is curious. After Grischuk's move Black's position seems to be acceptable. The following play was very complicated, and I will limit myself to a few remarks.' Mikhail Golubev: 'is curious. After Grischuk's move Black's position seems to be acceptable. The following play was very complicated, and I will limit myself to a few remarks. Schipkov,B: '⇄!?'" is curious. After Grischuk's move Black's position seems to be acceptable. The following

play was very complicated, and I will limit myself to a few remarks.' Sagar,Shah: ' ±' Rogozenco,Dorian: '!' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is interesting. Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'is interesting.'"") 16.Bg2 e5 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⇄!' '⇄!' '⇄ !' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: ' ⇄ !"" 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Black counter-attacks in the centre which is correct according to general principles.
Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'Black counter-attacks in the centre which is correct according to general principles.
'''' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'Radjabov wisely takes advantage of the inclusion of ♔b1/♖e8 and makes a move that most likely avoids Dominguez' main home preparation.
In a similar theoretical position with the king on c1 and black rook on f8, White achieves an advantage by taking on f6 and then ♘d5, using the fact that the bishop cannot retreat from f6 due to the fork on e7.' 17.Bf3 Sagar,Shah: '⩲' Sagar,Shah: 'White is a pawn up, but Black is completely developed. The next few moves are crucial for the evaluation of the position.' b5 Rogozenco,Dorian: 'N!' *(* 'After Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'After'" *17...exd4*
Mikhail Golubev: '!?''the white knight would not get to f4 that easily. Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!?' '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'the white knight would not get to f4 that easily.'' the white knight would not get to f4 that easily.' Sagar,Shah: '!' *18.Bxd4* 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'The knight on c4 is nicely placed, but in order to make progress Black must attack White's weak pawns with the knight as well.' *Nc6* Rogozenco, Dorian: '!'Rogozenco, Dorian: 'The knight goes to e4.' *19.Bxh5 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 gxh5* Sagar,Shah: '+-' Sagar,Shah: 'And with b5 coming up, White is winning.' *21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.exf5 Re8+* Sagar,Shah: ' ±' *23.Kd1* Sagar,Shah: 'is a move that I like as well.' *Bxc3 24.Rxc3* Sagar,Shah: '⩱' Sagar,Shah: 'White should be better here. Enough for victory?

Maybe not. But in general he is better and quite substantially.' *Qe7* Mikhail Golubev: '⇄' *)* 18.dxe5 Bxe5 Sagar,Shah: 'Let's pause for a minute and look carefully at this position. White is a pawn up here. What he would really like to do is take the pawn on g4 with h3. However, for that you must look deeper. Anand chose ♘d4. But we must analyse what happens after hxg4.
' *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'Quite bad for Black is' *18...dxe5* Mikhail Golubev: '?' Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev" Sagar,Shah: 'The rook has activated itself, the b-pawn is free to move and it would be fine to end your calculations at this point and go for the variation beginning with 19.hxg4! That's the level at which these guys work!' *19.Qxd8* *Rxd8* Sagar,Shah: ' ± ' Sagar,Shah: 'White is clearly pushing here.' *20.Nd5* Sagar,Shah: '?!*)* 19.Nf4 Mikhail Golubev: '!"Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!' '!'" Sagar, Shah: '!? 'Sagar,Shah: 'This is not a bad move, but as compared to hxg4 it is clearly a concession.' Bxf4 *(19...Nxf4* 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'') 20.Bxf4 bxc4 Rogozenco,Dorian: '!' Rogozenco,Dorian: 'The right moment for this typical exchange sacrifice. Black gets a pawn and destroys the white king's shelter. Considering that White has no attack on the kingside and Black enjoys the stable square g4 for the knight, the exchange sacrifice secures Black sufficient compensation.' 21.bxc4 Be6 *(* Mikhail Golubev: 'The variation' *21...Nxf4* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev" Sagar,Shah: 'It is after reaching this position in his head and analysing the possibilities that Anand started to feel uncomfortable. He saw that the bishops are just excellently placed in the centre and with ...f5 coming up, he will lose a pawn and be in trouble. But he had a nice move which was missed.' *22.Qxf4* Sagar,Shah: '!' Sagar,Shah: 'Giving up the a2 pawn. This is not an easy move to foresee. The threat is now b3.' *Nc6* *23.Nd5* Mikhail Golubev: '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'most

likely favours White') 22.Nd5 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: '!?'''' Bxd5 23.cxd5 Mikhail Golubev: '!''Truth be told, the restricted black knight on e7 fails to impress. Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!' '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'Truth be told, the restricted black knight on e7 fails to impress.'' Truth be told, the restricted black knight on e7 fails to impress.' Qd7 (Mikhail Golubev: 'After' *23...Nxf4* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev'' *24.Qxf4* Mikhail Golubev: 'Black is risking to be mated soon. Black is risking to be mated soon.' Sagar,Shah: 'The rook attacks the bishop. And if it moves back, White can unravel with b3-♗b2. Hence, c5 is forced.')

K1e321) 'An attempt to improve is Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'An attempt to improve is''' 24.Bh2 Mikhail Golubev: '!?''with a complex line like Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'with a complex line like' with a complex line like'

K1e3211) 24...f5 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' 25.gxf6 *(25.e5* Sagar,Shah: '!' Sagar,Shah: 'Anand saw this move for his opponent. But he didn't stop just as yet.' *f4 26.e6* Sagar,Shah: 'Now f2 is hanging. You must protect it somehow.' *Qb5* Mikhail Golubev: '⇄' Sagar,Shah: '!'*)* 25...Rxf6 Rogozenco,Dorian: 'All the black pieces are perfectly placed and it becomes more and more difficult to play with White. Dominguez follows a reasonable defensive plan: he places the pawn on c3, brings his king to d3 and starts to wait. Meanwhile Radjabov brings his king to the centre.' 26.0-0 Rbf8 27.Bg2 Rxf1+ 28.Bxf1 Sagar,Shah: '±' Sagar,Shah: 'White will be pushing here, but it will not be easy to convert into a full point.' Qg4+ 29.Bg2 Sagar,Shah:

'=' Nf4 30.Bxf4 Rxf4 Mikhail Golubev: '=' Sagar,Shah: 'It is at this point you must look at your opponent's best possibility.';

K1e3212) 24...Qh3 Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev'' 25.Kf2 (Mikhail Golubev: 'or maybe' *25.Qg2*) 25...Qxh4+ 26.Kg1 Ng3 27.Qe1 Sagar,Shah: ' ±' Sagar,Shah: 'Black has compensation but overall it shouldn't be enough. ' Qf4 28.Rc3 Nef5 29.exf5 Sagar,Shah: '+-' Qd4+ 30.Kg2 Nxh1;

K1e322) 24.0-0 Nxf4 25.Qxf4 c6 26.h5 cxd5 27.h6 Qe6 Mikhail Golubev: '!''A precise defence. Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!' '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'A precise defence.''' 28.exd5 'Hardly the best. Anand goes for simplifications and plays only for a draw. Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Hardly the best. Anand goes for simplifications and plays only for a draw.'' Hardly the best. Anand goes for simplifications and plays only for a draw.' Nxd5 'Schipkov,Boris: '=' '=' '=' Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: '="" Sagar, Shah: '!' Rogozenco, Dorian: ' ∓'Rogozenco, Dorian: 'Black enjoys a slight advantage thanks to White's weak pawns.' 29.Bxd5 (Mikhail Golubev: 'The attempt' *29.Qd4* Mikhail Golubev: 'is parried by Schipkov, Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) is parried by'' *Qe3+* Sagar,Shah: '+-' *30.Qxe3* Sagar,Shah: '!?' *Nxe3* Sagar,Shah: 'I think this move should be given serious consideration.' *31.Rfe1 Nf5* Sagar,Shah: ' ±' *)* 29...Qxd5 Sagar,Shah: '!' 30.Qf6 Qe5 31.Qxe5 dxe5 32.Rc5 Rb5 ½-½ (32) Buchicchio,G (2791)-Ernst,H (2733) corr CADAP 2009 200 Traps In The Opening [Berglund,Jan] Mikhail Golubev: '=' Rogozenco,Dorian: '!' ('Despite Black's extra pawn the final position

is equal - for example, Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Despite Black's extra pawn the final position is equal - for example, '' Despite Black's extra pawn the final position is equal - for example,' *32...Rb5* 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '=' '='" Sagar, Shah: '=' *33.Rxb5* Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev'' Sagar,Shah: '?' *axb5 34.Rb1 Rb8 35.Rb4;* Mikhail Golubev: 'Instead, Grischuk could have tried to play for a win by Instead, Grischuk could have tried to play for a win by' *32...e4* Mikhail Golubev: '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev" *)*;

K2) 'Schipkov,Boris: 'We know Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'We know''' 9...b5 Mikhail Golubev: '?''just loses a pawn after Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: 'just loses a pawn after''' Vigorito, D: 'immediately drops a pawn:' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is bad Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B: 'is bad''" 10.cxb5 Rogozenco,Dorian: 'must be a draw' axb5 11.Nxb5 Mikhail Golubev: '!''Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev: '!' '!''' Rogozenco,Dorian: '⇄' Rxb5 'Mikhail Golubev: 'Schipkov,B'' 12.Rxc6 Mikhail Golubev: '±' Mikhail Golubev: 'White simply grabs a pawn.' Bd7 Rogozenco, Dorian: '??' *(12...Be6 13.d5 Bd7 14.Nd4 Rb7 15.Rc2 Qa8 16.b3 e6 17.Bc4 exd5 18.exd5 Rbb8 19.Ne2 Bf5 20.Rc1 Rfe8 21.Bf2 Re5 22.0-0 Nxd5 23.f4 Rxe2 24.Bxe2 Be4 25.g3 Nf6 26.Rfe1 Bh1 27.Bf1 Ne4 28.Qc2 c5 29.Red1 Rb4 30.Be1 Rd4 31.a4 Rxd1 32.Rxd1 d5 33.Kxh1 Bd4 34.Rxd4 cxd4 35.Bd3 Qb7 36.Kg2 Qe7 37.Bf2 Qb4 38.Bxe4 dxe4 39.Qxe4 Qc3 40.Qe8+ Kg7 41.Qe5+ Kh6 42.Bxd4* 1-0 (42) supertactic91 (2729)-Nadigraj (2726) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Rc2 *(13.Rc1 Qb8 14.b3 c5 15.Ng3 cxd4 16.Bxd4 Rb4 17.Bc3 Rb7 18.h4 h5 19.Bc4 Rc8 20.0-0 d5 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Bxd5 Rbc7 23.Ne2 Bxh4 24.Rxc7 Qxc7 25.Rc1 Qa7+ 26.Kh1 Rxc1+ 27.Qxc1 e6 28.Bc4 Bf2 29.Qd1 Kg7 30.Qa1+ Kh7 31.Qf6 Be8 32.a4 Qd7 33.Kh2 Qc7+ 34.g3 Ba7 35.Qa1 h4 36.Qe1 Bxa4 37.Bxe6 fxe6 38.bxa4 Bb8 39.Kh3 Qf7 40.f4 g5 41.Kg4 hxg3 42.Qxg3 gxf4 43.Nxf4 Qg7+ 44.Kf3 Qc3+ 45.Kg2 Qd2+ 46.Kf3 Qc3+ 47.Kg4 Qg7+ 48.Kf3 Qc3+* ½-½ (48) samovich (2622)-SVODMEVKO (2767) Blitz 2020*)* 13...e6 *(13...c5 14.dxc5 Qa8 15.Nc3 Rbb8 16.cxd6 exd6 17.Bc4 Rfc8 18.Bb3 d5 19.0-0 dxe4*

20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Ng3 Be6 23.Bxe6 fxe6 24.b3 Nd5 25.Bd4 Bxd4+ 26.Qxd4 Qxa2 27.Qe5 Rc2 28.Qxe6+ Kf8 29.Qh3 Nf4 30.Qh6+ Kg8 31.Kh1 Rxg2 32.Nf5 gxf5 33.Qxf4 Qc2 34.b4 Kf7 35.Rc1 Rxh2+ 36.Qxh2 Qxc1+ 37.Kg2 Qd2+ 38.Kg3 Qxh2+ 39.Kxh2 Ke6 40.Kg3 Kd5 41.Kf4 Kc4 42.Kxf5 Kxb4 43.Ke5 h5 44.f4 h4 45.Ke4 h3 46.Kf3 Kc5 47.Kg3 Kd5 48.Kxh3 Ke6 49.Kg4 Kf6 50.f5 Kf7 51.Kf4 Kf6 52.Kg4 Kf7 53.Kg5 Kg7 ½-½ (53) WhiteBishop4761 (2636)-Ryzen9_5950x (2667) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Nc3 Rogozenco, Dorian: '+-' Rb8 15.Bd3 Rogozenco,Dorian: '-+' Ne8 16.0-0 Qe7 17.a4 Mikhail Golubev: '+-' Rogozenco, Dorian: ' ∓' f5 Rogozenco,Dorian: '∓' 18.exf5 Rogozenco,Dorian: 'is suddenly met with' gxf5 Rogozenco,Dorian: '!'Rogozenco, Dorian: 'regaining the exchange and remaining with an advantage. ' 19.a5 Mikhail Golubev: '1-0 Def, P-Van Hove,P/Lechenicher SchachServer 2009/Telechess CBM 135 (19)' Rogozenco, Dorian: '?';

K3) 9...e5 10.d5 Ne7

K3a) 11.g4 h5 *(11...c5 12.Ng3 Ne8 13.Rg1 f5 14.gxf5 gxf5 15.Bg5 Qc7 16.Nh5 f4 17.h4 Ng6 18.Qh2 Bh8 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.Bh3 b5 21.Be6 bxc4 22.Rc2 Qd8 23.Bxf7+ Kxf7 24.Bg5 Qa5 25.Qd2 Bd7 26.a3 Nc7 27.Nb1 Qa4 28.Qe2 Nb5 29.Rxc4 Qa5+ 30.Qd2 Qb6 31.Rf1 Nd4 32.b4 Bb5 33.Qa2 Bxc4 34.Qxc4 Qb5 35.Qxb5 axb5 36.Nc3 cxb4 37.axb4 Rc8 38.Kd2 Rc4 39.Rb1 Nxf3+ 40.Kd3 Nxg5 41.Ke2 Nxe4 42.Kd3 Rd4+ 43.Kc2 Nxc3 44.Kxc3 Rc4+ 45.Kb3 e4 46.Ra1 Ne5 47.Ra7+ Kg6 48.Rg7+ Bxg7 49.Nxf4+* 1-0 (49) unitedff (2654)-Pawn_Avalanche (2636) Blitz 2024*)* 12.h3 *(12.g5 Nd7 13.Bh3 c5 14.0-0 b5 15.b3 bxc4 16.bxc4 Nb6 17.Bxc8 Nxc4 18.Qd3 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Nxc8 20.h4 Nb6 21.Qd3 Qc8 22.Kg2 f6 23.f4 fxg5 24.fxg5 Qg4+ 25.Qg3 Nc4 26.Qxg4 hxg4 27.Kg3 Rxf1 28.Rxf1 Rb2 29.Rb1 Rxb1 30.Nxb1 Ne3 31.Nd2 Bf8 32.Kf2 Nd1+ 33.Kg3 Ne3 34.Kf2 Nd1+ 35.Kg3 Ne3 36.Kf2* ½-½ (36) jblboxxx (2601)-sergeikim2003 (2593) Blitz 2023 *)* 12...c5 13.Ng3 h4 14.Nge2 Nh7 15.Bg2 b5 16.f4 b4 17.Nd1 exf4 18.Nxf4 g5 19.Nh5 Ng6 20.0-0 Be5 21.Nf2 a5 22.Nd3 Bh8 23.Rf2 a4 24.Rcf1 Ba6 25.b3 axb3 26.axb3 Bc8 27.e5 Ra8 28.Be4 Nxe5 29.Bxh7+ Kxh7 30.Bxg5 Qe8 31.Bf6 Ng6 32.Bxh8 1-0 (32) dmitry-lavrik (2670)-sergeikim2003 (2590) Blitz 2021;

K3b) 11.g3 c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Bg2 Be6 14.b3 d5

15.exd5 cxd5 16.cxd5 Nfxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Bf2 Qd7 19.0-0 Rfd8 20.Rfd1 h6 21.f4 exf4 22.Nxf4 Nxf4 23.Qxd7 Rxd7 24.gxf4 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Rc8 26.Be4 a5 27.Rd2 Rc1+ 28.Kg2 Bc3 29.Rc2 Rxc2 30.Bxc2 f5 31.Bd3 Kf7 32.Be3 Bd5+ 33.Kf2 Kf6 34.Bc2 g5 35.Kg3 Be1+ 36.Kh3 g4# 0-1 (36) Blackmin96 (2625)-komodo54 (2457) Blitz 2024;

K3c) 11.Ng3 c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Be2 d5 14.Bg5 d4 15.Na4 Nd7 16.0-0 f6 17.Bh6 c5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.b3 Nc6 20.Nb2 Nb4 21.Nd3 a5 22.Nf2 Qe7 23.Ng4 Nb6 24.Qh6+ Kg8 25.f4 Bxg4 26.Bxg4 exf4 27.Qxf4 Nd3 28.Qd2 Nxc1 29.Rxc1 a4 30.h3 axb3 31.axb3 Qe5 32.Qf2 Nc8 33.Bd1 Nd6 34.Bc2 Ra8 35.Qf3 Ra2 36.Nf1 f5 37.exf5 Nxf5 38.Qd5+ Qxd5 39.cxd5 Ne3 40.Nxe3 dxe3 41.Be4 Rd2 42.Re1 e2 43.Kh2 Rf1 0-1 (43) OnkelKonkel (2625)-sergeikim2003 (2612) Blitz 2022;

K3d) 11.c5 Nh5 12.g4 *(12.g3 f5 13.Bg2 f4 14.gxf4 exf4 15.Nxf4 Nxf4 16.Bxf4 dxc5 17.d6 cxd6 18.Qxd6 Nc6 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Bxb8 Nxb8 21.Na4 Nc6 22.0-0 Nd4 23.Rxc5 Ne2+ 24.Kf2 Nf4 25.Rc2 Nd3+ 26.Ke3 Nb4 27.Rd2 Rf8 28.f4 Nxa2 29.Nb6 Be6 30.Nd5 b5 31.e5 a5 32.Ra1 Nb4 33.Rxa5* 1-0 (33) AgressiveMode (2688)-Brenjos (2601) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nf4 13.Nxf4 exf4 14.Bxf4 f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.Bh6 Ng6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.h4 f4 20.h5 Ne5 21.Be2 Qg5 22.Kd1 Kh8 23.Kc2 Bd7 24.Kb1 Qg2 25.Qd4 Qg7 26.Rcg1 Qf6 27.Nd1 Bb5 28.Bxb5 axb5 29.Rf1 Rg8 30.b3 Rg3 31.Nb2 Rf8 32.Nd3 Nxf3 33.Qxf6+ Rxf6 34.Rf2 Ng5 35.Rxf4 Rxf4 36.Nxf4 Nxe4 37.Re1 Nc3+ 38.Kc2 b4 39.h6 Kg8 40.Re7 Rf3 41.Nh5 Nxd5 42.Rg7+ Kh8 43.Rxb7 Kg8 44.Rg7+ Kf8 45.Rb7 Ne7 46.Rb8+ Kf7 47.Rd8 d5 0-1 (47) AgressiveMode (2740)-sergeikim2003 (2626) Blitz 2021;

K4) 9...Na5 10.b3 b5 *(10...Nd7 11.h4 c5 12.h5 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nc6 14.Nc2 Qa5 15.b4 Nxb4 16.Nd5 Nxc2+ 17.Rxc2 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Bf6 19.g4 Ne5 20.Be2 Be6 21.Nxf6+ exf6 22.Rxd6 Rfd8 23.c5 Rxd6 24.cxd6 Rd8 25.Kf2 Rxd6 26.Rb1 Rd7 27.Bxa6 Bxa2 28.Rxb7 Rxb7 29.Bxb7 Bb3 30.Kg3 Bd1 31.hxg6 fxg6 32.Bd4 Kg7 33.g5 Nxf3 34.Bxf6+ Kf7 35.Bd5+ Kf8 36.Kf4 Be2 37.Bc3 Bd1 38.Bc4 Ke7 39.Bb4+ Kd7 40.Bg8 Nh4* 1-0 (40) SlowSmokingTurtle (2702)-determinedalways (2483) Rapid 2023*)* 11.Nd5 c6 12.Nxf6+ exf6 13.c5 dxc5

14.Rxc5 f5 15.e5 Be6 16.Nf4 *(16.g3 Bd5 17.Bg2 Nb7 18.Rc1 f6 19.0-0 fxe5 20.dxe5 Bxe5 21.f4 Bxg2 22.Qxd8 Nxd8 23.Kxg2 Bf6 24.Rfd1 Rb7 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Nxd4 Rd7 27.Nf3 Rxd1 28.Rxd1 Nf7 29.Rc1 Rc8 30.b4 Kf8 31.Nd4 Nd8 32.Nb3 Ke7 33.Nc5 Ra8 34.Re1+ Kf7 35.Rd1 Ke8 36.Rd6 a5 37.a3 axb4 38.axb4 Ra2+ 39.Kh3 Rb2 40.Rd4 Ke7 41.Nd3 Ne6 42.Nxb2 Nxd4 43.Nd3 Kd6 44.Kg2 Kd5 45.Kf2 Kc4 46.Ke3 Nc2+ 47.Kd2 Nxb4 48.Ne5+ Kd4 49.Nf7 c5 50.Ng5 c4 51.Nxh7 c3+ 52.Kd1 Kd3 53.Kc1 Na2+ 54.Kb1 c2+ 55.Kxa2 c1Q 56.Kb3 Qb1+ 57.Ka3 Kc3 58.Ng5 Qa1#* 0-1 (58) supertactic91 (2644)-Nadigraj (2707) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Rc8 17.Be2 Bxb3 18.axb3 Nxb3 19.Qc3 Nxc5 20.Qxc5 Re8 21.Kf2 Bf8 22.Qc3 a5 23.Nd3 b4 24.Qc4 Qd5 25.Nb2 Qxc4 26.Bxc4 c5 27.d5 Rxe5 28.Bf4 Ree8 29.d6 Red8 30.Rd1 Bg7 31.Na4 Bd4+ 32.Kf1 Rc6 33.Bb5 Rcxd6 34.Bxd6 Rxd6 35.Bc4 Kg7 36.f4 h6 37.g3 g5 38.Kg2 Kf6 39.Kf3 g4+ 40.Kg2 h5 41.Bb3 Rc6 42.Bd5 Rc7 43.Nb6 Re7 44.Bc4 Re8 45.Nd5+ Kg7 46.Nc7 a4 47.Nxe8+ Kf8 48.Nd6 b3 49.Nb5 Bf6 50.Na3 Bb2 51.Nb5 Ke7 52.Nc7 Kf6 53.Nd5+ Kg7 54.Nb6 a3 55.Bxb3 a2 56.Bxa2 Bc3 57.Nc4 Bd4 58.Nd6 h4 59.Nxf5+ Kf6 60.Nxh4 1-0 (60) supertactic91 (2733)-Nadigraj (2729) Blitz 2021;

K5) 9...Re8 10.Nd5 *(10.b3 Bd7 11.Nd5 e6 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.g3 b5 14.Bg2 Rb7 15.0-0 bxc4 16.bxc4 Qb8 17.f4 Rb2 18.Rc2 Rxc2 19.Qxc2 Qb6 20.e5 Be7 21.Rb1 Qa5 22.Nc3 Rb8 23.Rxb8+ Nxb8 24.Qb3 Nc6 25.d5 Nd8 26.h4 f6 27.exf6 Bxf6 28.Ne4 Qe1+ 29.Kh2 Be7 30.Qb8 exd5 31.cxd5 Qxe3 32.Qxc7 Nf7 33.Qxd7 Bxh4 34.gxh4 Qxf4+ 35.Kh3 Qe3+ 36.Ng3 Qa3 37.Qe8+ Kg7 38.Qe2 Ne5 39.Be4 h5 40.Kg2 Qa4 41.Nh1 a5 42.Nf2 Qd7 43.Nd3 Ng4 44.Nf4 Ne5 45.Ne6+ Kg8 46.Qb2* 1-0 (46) Santos Latasa,J (2615)-Roebers,E (2381) Wijk aan Zee NED 2024*; 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nd4 c5 12.Nc2 Bd7 13.a4 e6 14.Na3 exd5 15.cxd5 Nh5 16.Be2 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.0-0 Ng6 19.Nc4 b5 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.f4 Nhxf4 22.Bxf4 bxc4 23.Bxd6 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Rb6 25.Bg3 Be3 26.Qd1 Bxc1 27.Qxc1 f4 28.Bf2 Rb4 29.Bxc5 Rb8 30.Bxc4 Rc8 31.b4 Qh4 32.Bxa6 f3 33.Bxc8 fxg2+ 34.Kxg2 Bxc8 35.Rf3 Bg4 36.Rf2 Bh3+ 37.Kg1 Qg4+ 38.Kh1 Nf4 39.Qd2 Nd3 40.Rg2 Re1+ 41.Bg1 Bxg2+ 42.Qxg2 Qxg2+ 43.Kxg2 Nxb4 44.d6 Kf7 45.d7 Ke7 46.Bc5+ Kxd7 47.Bxb4 Ra1 48.Bc5 Kc6 49.Bd4 Rc1 50.h4 Rc2+ 51.Kg3 Rd2 52.Bg7 Rd7 53.Bf6 Rd6 54.Be5 Rd3+ 55.Kf4 Kc5 56.h5 Kc4 57.h6 Rh3 58.Bg7 Rh1 59.Kf5 Rf1+*

60.Ke6 Kb4 61.Bf6 Rg1 62.Kf7 Rg6 63.Bg7 Ka5 64.Ne4 Kxa4 65.Nf6 Kb5 66.Nxh7 Rxh6 67.Bxh6 Kc6 68.Kg7 Kd5 69.Ng5 Ke5 70.Kg6 Kd4 71.Bg7+ Kd5 72.Bf6 Kd6 73.Kf5 Kd5 74.Be5 Kc4 75.Ne4 Kd5 76.Kf4 Ke6 77.Nf2 Kd5 78.Ng4 Kc6 79.Ke4 Kb5 80.Ne3 Kc6 81.Kd4 Kb5 82.Nc4 Kc6 83.Bd6 Kd7 84.Bc5 Kc6 85.Ne3 Kb5 86.Kd5 Ka6 87.Kc6 Ka5 88.Kd5 Ka6 89.Kc4 Kb7 90.Nd5 Kc6 91.Nb4+ Kb7 92.Kd5 Kc7 93.Bd6+ Kb7 94.Nc6 Kb6 95.Nd4 Kb7 96.Bc5 Kc7 97.Nb5+ Kb7 98.Kd6 Kc8 99.Nc7 Kb7 100.Nd5 Ka6 101.Kc6 Ka5 102.Nc3 Ka6 103.Nb5 Ka5 104.Nc3 Ka6 105.Nd5 Ka5 106.Bb4+ Ka6 107.Kc5 Kb7 108.Ba5 Ka6 109.Bb6 Kb7 110.Nc7 Kb8 111.Nb5 Kb7 112.Nd6+ Ka6 113.Kc6 ½-½ (113) mbchessmaster (2609)-Senolsahin (2474) Rapid 2021*; 10.g3 Bd7 11.Bg2 b5 12.b3 bxc4 13.bxc4 Na5 14.Nd1 c5 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Bxc5 Qc7 17.Bd4 Nxc4 18.Qc3 Qa5 19.0-0 Qxc3 20.Rxc3 Rec8 21.Re1 Bb5 22.Nf2 Nd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rec1 Ncb6 25.Nd4 Ba4 26.Bf1 a5 27.Nd3 e5 28.Nc6 Bxc6 29.Rxc6 Rxc6 30.Rxc6 Kf8 31.Kf2 Ke7 32.Ke3 Rc8 33.Rxc8 Nxc8 34.Bh3 Ncb6 35.Bxd7 Nxd7 36.f4 Kd6 37.h4 h5 38.Kf3 f6 39.g4 exf4 40.Kxf4 hxg4 41.Kxg4 Ne5+ 42.Nxe5 Kxe5 43.Kf3 Kd6 44.a4 Kc5 45.Kf4 Kb4 46.e5 fxe5+ 47.Kxe5 Kxa4 48.Kf6 Kb5 49.Kxg6 a4 50.h5 a3 51.h6 a2 52.Kg7 a1Q+ 53.Kg8 Qg1+ 54.Kh8 Qd4+ 55.Kg8 Qd8+ 56.Kg7 Qg5+ 57.Kh7 Kc6* 0-1 (57) Firebullet (2607)-Lector118 (2695) Blitz 2024*)*
10...e6 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.d5 Ne5 13.Nd4 c5 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.b3 d5 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Bd3 d4 18.Bh6 c5 19.0-0 Bg7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.e5 Bb7 22.f4 Qh4 23.Qa5 Rec8 24.Rf2 h5 25.Rcf1 Qg4 26.Qd2 h4 27.Be2 Qf5 28.Bd3 Be4 29.Bxe4 Qxe4 30.Rf3 Rh8 31.Qd3 Qxd3 32.Rxd3 a5 33.Kf2 a4 34.Kf3 h3 35.g3 axb3 36.axb3 Rb4 37.Rf2 Rhb8 38.Kg4 Rxb3 39.Rxb3 Rxb3 40.Kxh3 Rc3 41.Rb2 Rxc4 42.Rb7 Rc2 43.Rd7 Rc3 44.Kg4 d3 45.h4 c4 46.Kf3 Rc2 47.g4 d2 48.h5 gxh5 49.gxh5 c3 50.Ke2 Rc1 0-1 (50) MothToTheFlame (2700)-Lector118 (2589) Blitz 2023;

K6) 9...Nd7 10.g3 Na5 11.Nd1 c5 12.b4 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Nxd4 Nc6 15.h4 Nde5 16.Be2 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Be6 18.f4 Nc6 19.Qb2 Qb6 20.a3 Qd4 21.Qxd4 Nxd4 22.h5 Rbc8 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Ne3 a5 25.Bd3 axb4 26.axb4 Ra8 27.Rd1 Ra3 28.Rf1 Nc6 29.Nc2 Rxd3 30.Rxd3 Bxc4 31.Rff3 Bxd3 32.Rxd3 Rc8 33.Kd2 Ra8 34.b5 Nd8 35.Rc3 Ne6 36.Nb4 Nc5 37.Re3 Ra4

38.Nd5 Kf7 39.e5 Rd4+ 0-1 (39) MrAble (2660)-coachmaster (2506) Rapid 2023;

K7) Mikhail Golubev: 'The usual move is' 9...Bd7 1:26 Mikhail Golubev: 'where now Schipkov,Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) where now'' Vigorito, D: 'Black prepares for b5 again.'

K7a) 10.d5 Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Aronian tries something new.' Ne5 Mikhalevski,V: 'We haven't considered this line for a very long time.' 11.Ng3 *(11.Nf4 c5 12.h4 h5 13.a4 Qa5 14.b3 Ne8 15.Be2 Nc7 16.0-0 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nd3 Nxd3 19.Bxd3 bxc4 20.bxc4 Rb3 21.Bh6 Bxc3 22.Qd1 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Rfb8 24.f4 Bg4 25.Be2 Bxe2 26.Qxe2 Rb2 27.Qd1 Rd2 28.Qf3 Rbb2 29.f5 Rxg2 30.fxg6 Rh2# 0-1 (30) EivindJohan (2608)-FredtheCrusher (2563) Blitz 2021)*

K7a1) 11...c5 12.f4 Neg4 13.Bg1 Vigorito, D: 'was a 2008 game between Erdos-Di Berardino' Mikhalevski,V: '±' Mikhalevski,V: 'and White was better in Dominguez Perez,L (2732)-Melkumyan,H (2622) Baku 2015' e5 Vigorito, D: '?!' Mikhalevski,V: '!?' *(* Vigorito, D: 'Black had to go for' *13...h5* Vigorito, D: '!' *14.h3 h4)* 14.dxe6 Bxe6 Mikhalevski,V: 'would be better.' 15.h3 Mikhalevski, V: 'in Sutovsky,E (2700)-Harikrishna,P (2669) Ningbo 2011 was considered in my annotations of the game Caruana,F-Kramnik,V, Moscow 2013.'Mikhalevski, V: 'One correspondence game saw' 15...Nh6 16.Be3 Vigorito, D: ' ±' Vigorito, D: '1-0 (43) Erdos, V (2577)-Di Berardino, D (2502) Beijing 2008 1-0 (43) Erdos, V (2577)-Di Berardino, D (2502) Beijing 2008';

K7a2) 11...e6 12.Be2 b5 13.b3 bxc4 14.bxc4 c5 15.0-0 exd5 16.exd5 Rb4 17.Nd1 Qa5 18.h3 Qa4 19.Nc3 Qa3 20.Nb1 Qa4 21.Bd1 Nxc4 22.Rxc4 Rxc4 23.Bxa4 Bxa4 24.Bh6 Rd4 25.Qc1 Bxh6 26.Qxh6 Nxd5 27.Ne4 Bb5 28.Nbc3 Rxe4 29.Nxe4 Bxf1 30.Kxf1 c4 31.Qd2 1-0 (31) So,W (2755)-Matikozian,A (2447) ICC INT 2014;

K7a3) 11...Re8 Vigorito, D: 'This looks a bit slow. Black can get away with this in the lines where White is playing Nd1 and such, but here it looks more logical to strike at the centre. A hard move to understand, it seems as if Black had to hurry up with a break on the queenside. This looks a bit slow. Black can get away with this in the lines where

White is playing Nd1 and such, but here it looks more logical to strike at the centre. ' 12.h3 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Threatening f4. '!?' Aronian forces MVL's hand. The threat of f4, trapping the knight on e5, is unpleasant and difficult to meet.' b5 *(* Vigorito, D: 'I doubt MVL considered' *12...Bc8* Vigorito, D: 'for long.' *)* 13.b3 Vigorito, D: 'of course! The pawn is defended so the knight on e5 remains trapped.' h5 Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'Very sharp and typical of MVL, who is not one to back down from a challenge. Completely ignoring the threat! Very sharp and typical of MVL, who is not one to back down from a challenge.' Mikhalevski,V: 'A very rare continuation. Black vacates the c6-square for his minor pieces. However, now White gains access to the d5-square.' *(* Vigorito, D: 'Here' *13...bxc4 14.bxc4 Bc8* Vigorito, D: 'makes some sense, as Black can play Ne5-d7-c5.'*)* 14.f4 Vigorito, D: ''Show me'' Mikhalevski,V: 'The most logical.'

K7a31) Vigorito, D: 'So this was Black's idea, but' 14...b4 Vigorito, D: 'may be objectively sounder may be objectively sounder' 15.Na4 Mikhalevski,V: '!' *(15.Nd1 h4 16.fxe5* Mikhalevski, V: '?' *dxe5 17.Ne2 Nxe4* Vigorito, D: ' ∞'*)* 15...Bxa4 *(15...h4 16.fxe5 dxe5* Mikhalevski,V: '-+' *17.Nc5* Vigorito, D: '!' Mikhalevski, V: '?' *hxg3* Mikhalevski, V: 'is better for Black.' Mikhalevski,V: 'In two preceding games White played' *18.Be2* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲' Vigorito, D: 'White is not up a piece, but he is better White is not up a piece, but he is better' *)* 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.bxa4 h4 18.Ne2 Nxe4 19.Qd3 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Black wins back the f7-pawn and equalises.' f5 Vigorito, D: ' ∞ ' Mikhalevski,V: '?' Mikhalevski,V: 'runs into';

K7a32) 14...Nxc4 Mikhalevski,V: 'A common move in the Berlin endgame. Black protects the c5-pawn and creates a useful square for his king on b7.' 15.bxc4 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'Only this move is new in the current position, although it has been played a lot in similar positions. The two pawns on f5 and e5 look threatening in the 4 vs 3

pawn structure. However, Black gets a chance to activate the knight.' h4 Vigorito, D: 'the point is that if the knight retreats White's center is very weak.' 16.e5 Vigorito, D: '!' (Vigorito, D: 'if' *16.Nge2 b4* Vigorito, D: '!' *17.Nd1 Nxe4* Vigorito, D: '' ∓' and only Black can claim an advantage.' *18.Qd3 Bf5* Vigorito, D: '∓' Vigorito, D: 'with two pawns and a strong initiative for the piece with two pawns and a strong initiative for the piece') 16...dxe5 17.fxe5 hxg3 18.exf6 exf6 Vigorito, D: 'This was Vachier's idea. The open e-file provides strong counterplay and despite the extra piece the position is still not clear.' 19.Be2 Qe7 Mikhalevski, V: 'Black has won a pawn and now has to extinguish White's initiative.' 20.Nd1 Vigorito, D: 'Black has some compensation here but it's hard to believe it can be enough. Black has some compensation here but it's hard to believe it can be enough.' Mikhalevski,V: 'White needs the d5-square for his knight.'

K7a321) Vigorito, D: 'this is too slow' 20...f5 Vigorito, D: '!' Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'is also fine for White.' Mikhalevski,V: 'or' 21.0-0 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' (Mikhalevski,V: 'Another attempt to fight for an advantage was' *21.c5* Mikhalevski,V: ', although after' *Bc6* Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'is a shot: '!!'' Mikhalevski,V: '!' *22.dxc6 Rbd8 23.Qc2 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Qxe3* Vigorito, D: 'with great play for the rook (!) with strong compensation. with great play for the rook (!)') 21...g5 Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: ''!' threatening f4 gives Black adequate counterplay.' 22.Re1 f4 Vigorito, D: 'with some play' Mikhalevski, V: 'with compensation. ';

K7a322) 20...bxc4 Vigorito, D: '?!' Vigorito, D: ''?' This move is just too slow.' 21.0-0 Mikhalevski,V: 'Aronian created a threat of 22. e6 and so Black played' Ba4 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'Radjabov offers a trade of the active

knight on d5.' 22.Bf4 Vigorito, D: '?' Vigorito, D: 'Aronian got too fancy, the simple solution was better.' Mikhalevski,V: 'Levon rejects correctly.' *(* Vigorito, D: 'The mechanical' *22.Rf3* Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'was good enough for a clear advantage.' *f5 23.Bxc4+-)* 22...g5 Mikhalevski,V: 'It seems that Black doesn't mind repeating moves.' *(22...Qxe2* Vigorito, D: ''!' Taking right away was stronger.' *23.Qxe2 Rxe2* Mikhalevski,V: '!' *24.Nc3 Rbb2* Vigorito, D: '!' *25.Nxe2 Rxe2 26.Rxc4 Rxa2* Mikhalevski,V: 'with roughly equal chances.' *27.Rxc7 Bc2* Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea Be4, but Black has to see this last move from a distance Is far from clear; White has to watch out for Be4.'*)* 23.Bxg3 Mikhalevski,V: '?' Mikhalevski,V: 'White overestimates his position.' Qxe2 Mikhalevski,V: '∓!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Teimour takes advantage of the last move and brings the bishop to the weakened e6-square.' 24.Qxe2 Mikhalevski, V: '?' Rxe2 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Now the kingside will be blocked, while Black has two extra pawns on the other side of the board.' 25.Nc3 Re3 Vigorito, D: 'Black get his piece back and so this probably looked 'cleaner' than 22... Qxe2 but White keeps some chanced with his d-pawn. Black regains his piece but his position will be difficult with the passed d-pawn. Black get his piece back and so this probably looked 'cleaner' than 22... Qxe2 but White keeps some chanced with his d-pawn.' Mikhalevski, V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'A good move, which blocks the e-pawn and avoids the e5-e6 idea.' 26.Bxc7 Rb7 27.Nxa4 Rxc7 Mikhalevski,V: '!' 28.d6 Vigorito, D: 'Black will suffer trying to get this pawn off the board.' Mikhalevski,V: 'White still has some space advantage and so Black has to demonstrate a plan which allows him to

convert his material advantage.' Rd7 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'This way Black clarifies the situation on the queenside.' 29.Nb6 Rd8 30.Rxc4 Vigorito, D: '!' *(30.Nxc4* Vigorito, D: 'is obvious enough but Aronian probably thought Black would hold this with less trouble. ' ± ' is obvious enough but Aronian probably thought Black would hold this with less trouble.'*)* 30...Re6 Mikhalevski,V: '!' *(* Vigorito, D: 'The point is that' *30...Rxd6* Vigorito, D: 'fails to' Mikhalevski,V: '!?' Mikhalevski,V: 'deserved attention, as after' *31.Rc8+* Mikhalevski,V: '?' Mikhalevski,V: 'Black has' *Kh7* Mikhalevski, V: '∓!' Mikhalevski,V: 'The most accurate would be' *32.Nc4* Mikhalevski,V: '!'*)* 31.d7 f5 Mikhalevski, V: '-+' Mikhalevski,V: 'The rest is a matter of technique, as they say. ' *(31...Rxb6* Vigorito, D: '??' Mikhalevski,V: 'with a position of dynamic equality, when White's space advantage compensates for the small material deficit.' *32.Rc8* Mikhalevski,V: 'is a logical alternative again.' *)* 32.Rb1 Rd6 33.Kf1 Bd4 Vigorito, D: 'Black needs to get rid of that knight and hold passively. '!' MVL understands perfectly that the knight is more important than the bishop in this position as the d7-pawn just has to go.' 34.Rd1 Rxb6 35.Rdxd4 Kf8 36.Rc5 f6 37.Rxf5 Ke7 Mikhalevski,V: 'Finally the rook enters the game.' 38.Rfd5 Rb7 Vigorito, D: 'Black rounds up the d-pawn. He still has to hold on, but MVL is up to the task. It's over for the d-pawn, but White still has winning chances. However Vachier shows nice technique in holding the draw. Black rounds up the d-pawn. He still has to hold on, but MVL is up to the task.' 39.Ra4 Rdxd7 40.Rxd7+ Rxd7 41.Rxa6 Rd2 42.Ra7+ Ke6 43.a4 Ra2 44.a5 Kf5 45.Kg1 g4 46.Kh2 gxh3 47.Kxh3 Kg6 48.a6 Ra3+ Mikhalevski,V: 'A well-

played game by Radjabov, who proved that a setup with the king on c8 is playable and that one shouldn't overestimate his chances when facing it. ' 49.Kg4 Mikhalevski, V: 'is strongly met by' Ra4+ 50.Kf3 Ra2 Mikhalevski,V: '-+' Mikhalevski,V: 'or' 51.Ra8 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'transferring the knight to e6.' Mikhalevski,V: 'Probably White counted on' 51...Kg7 Mikhalevski,V: '?' 52.g3 Ra4 53.Ke3 Rg4 54.Kd3 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Rxg3+ 55.Kc4 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'with a decisive initiative.' Mikhalevski,V: 'It was better to start with' 55...Ra3 Mikhalevski, V: 'and only after' 56.Kb5 Mikhalevski,V: 'to play' f5 Mikhalevski, V: ', a though Black retains the upper hand after' 57.Rc8 Mikhalevski,V: '!' Mikhalevski,V: 'Black also had a couple of good alternatives, such as' 57...f4 Mikhalevski, V: '∓' Mikhalevski,V: 'and' 58.Rc7+ Mikhalevski,V: ' ∓' Mikhalevski,V: 'Instead he could advance the h-pawn to take some more space on the kingside.' 58...Kg6 Mikhalevski,V: '!?' 59.Rc6+ Kg5 60.Kb4 Ra1 ½-½ (60) C 06/30 (2805)-4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘ c6 (2768) Chessfriend.com 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Patrici,N];

K7b) Vigorito, D: 'while' Mikhail Golubev: 'In Belgrade 1991 GM Raicevic played In Belgrade 1991 GM Raicevic played' 10.b3 Vigorito, D: 'is tried sometimes too.' b5 11.d5 Ne5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nd4 Qe8 *(13...b4 14.Nd1 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Be2 c5 17.Nc2 Qe7 18.Nf2 Ra8 19.Na1 Ra5 20.0-0 d5 21.Bg5 Nc6 22.exd5 exd5 23.Rfe1 Qf7 24.Nd3 Nh5 25.Nxc5 Bc3 26.Rxc3 bxc3 27.Qxc3 d4 28.Qc1 Ne5 29.Bf1 Qd5 30.Nxd7 Nxf3+ 31.gxf3 Qxd7 32.Bc4+ Kh8 33.Re7 Qf5 34.Bh6 Qxf3 35.Bxf8 Rf5 36.Qd2 Qg4+ 37.Qg2 Qd1+ 38.Bf1 Rxf8 39.Nc2 Nf4 40.Qe4 Nh3+ 41.Kg2 Qxf1+ 42.Kg3 Qf2+ 43.Kxh3 Rf3+ 44.Kg4 Qg2+* 0-1 (44) unitedff (2652)-Pawn_Avalanche (2636) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.Be2 e6 15.b4 exd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Rxc4 Bb5 Mikhail Golubev: 'against me, and here White probably

should have captured a second pawn by against me, and here White probably should have captured a second pawn by' 20.Rxc7 Mikhail Golubev: '!' Mikhail Golubev: 'and Black must fight for a draw, but anyway, there are decent deviations for Black at the earlier stages and Black must fight for a draw, but anyway, there are decent deviations for Black at the earlier stages';

K7c) 10.Nd5 Re8 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.d5 Ne5 13.h3 Bh4+ 14.Bf2 Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 b5 16.c5 dxc5 17.Rxc5 c6 18.Nd4 Qb6 19.b4 cxd5 20.Rxd5 Nc4 21.Bxc4 bxc4 22.Rxd7 e5 23.a3 Rbd8 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.Qc3 exd4 26.Qxc4 d3+ 27.Kg3 d2 28.Rd1 Qe3 29.Qc7 Qg5+ 30.Kh2 Rd3 31.a4 h5 32.Qc8+ Kg7 33.Qxa6 Qf4+ 34.Kh1 Rc3 35.Qe2 Rc1 36.a5 Rxd1+ 37.Qxd1 Qe3 38.Qa1+ Kh7 39.Kh2 Qf4+ 40.Kg1 Qe3+ 41.Kf1 Qd3+ Normal 0-1 (41) MothToTheFlame (2660)-niksunstar (2477) Blitz 2024;

K7d) Vigorito, D: 'The main line is' 10.Nd1 5 Vigorito, D: 'is by far the main line, but Aronian has an interesting idea.' Mikhail Golubev: '!?' Mikhail Golubev: 'followed by Nd1-f2! is topical - possibly Anand planned to continue like this? followed by Nd1-f2! is topical - possibly Anand planned to continue like this?' Edouard,R: '!?'Edouard,R: 'An interesting line, aiming to go c5 any time Black goes ...b5.'

K7d1) 10...e5 11.d5 Ne7

K7d11) 12.c5 Ne8 *(12...Nh5 13.g3 f5 14.Bg2 Nf6 15.Nf2 h5 16.h4 Kh7 17.0-0 fxe4 18.fxe4 Ng4 19.Nxg4 Bxg4 20.b4 Qd7 21.Kh2 a5 22.bxa5 Qa4 23.Ng1 Ra8 24.Rxf8 Rxf8 25.Nh3 Ra8 26.cxd6 cxd6 27.Ng5+ Kg8 28.Bb6 Nc8 29.Qf2 Nxb6 30.Qf7+ Kh8 31.Qxg6* 1-0 (31) AgressiveMode (2667)-Knightindiandefence (2657) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nf2 *(13.Nec3 f5 14.Be2 Nf6 15.0-0 f4 16.Bf2 g5 17.b4 g4 18.Nb2 Ng6 19.Nc4 Qe7 20.cxd6 cxd6 21.Bb6 Rbc8 22.Na5 g3 23.Rfd1 gxh2+ 24.Kf2 Nh5 25.Bc4 Ng3 26.Rh1 Qh4* 0-1 (26) supertactic91 (2676)-strizibuba (2597) Blitz 2021*)* 13...f5 14.cxd6 cxd6 15.Qb4 b5 16.g3 a5 17.Qd2 Nf6 18.Bg2 Nh5 19.0-0 f4 20.gxf4 exf4 21.Bd4 g5 22.Bxg7 Nxg7 23.Nd4 Ng6 24.Nc6 Bxc6 25.dxc6 Qc7 26.Rfd1 Rfd8 27.Qd5+ Kh8 28.Qxg5 Ne5 29.Qxf4 Rf8 30.Qe3 Nh5 31.Nd3 Nxd3 32.Qxd3 Nf4

33.Qxd6 Qg7 34.Qd4 Ne2+ 35.Kh1 Nxd4 36.c7 Rbc8 37.Bh3 Rxc7 38.Rxc7 Qxc7 39.Rxd4 Qc1+ 40.Kg2 Qxb2+ 41.Kg3 Qxd4 42.Bg4 Qe3 43.h4 b4 44.h5 a4 45.h6 b3 46.axb3 axb3 47.e5 b2 48.e6 b1Q 49.e7 Qbg1+ 50.Kh4 Qxe7+ 0-1 (50) IkawAkoTayo (2678)-MaksimPanov (2569) Blitz 2022;

K7d12) 12.g4 h5 13.h3 c5 14.Nf2 b5 15.b3 bxc4 16.bxc4 Qc7 17.Rg1 Rb4 18.g5 Nh7 19.Nd3 Rb7 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.d6 Qd8 22.dxe7 Qxe7 23.Nc3 Rfb8 24.Nd5 Qd8 25.h4 Rb2 26.Rc2 Rb1+ 27.Kf2 Ba4 28.Bd3 Bxc2 29.Bxc2 R1b2 30.Qc3 Nf8 31.Kg3 Ne6 32.Bb3 Re2 33.Re1 Rxe1 34.Qxe1 Nd4 35.Qc3 Ne2+ 0-1 (35) gg-gm-gmg (2755)-dearmike (2652) Blitz 2021;

K7d2) 10...b6 11.g3 a5 12.Bg2 e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.b3 Ne8 15.0-0 f5 16.a3 Nf6 17.Nf2 Kh8 18.b4 axb4 19.axb4 Rg8 20.c5 bxc5 21.bxc5 Bb5 22.Rfd1 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 f4 24.Bd2 fxg3 25.hxg3 Nh5 26.Kh2 Qf8 27.Nh3 Bh6 28.Ba5 Bxc1 29.Rxc1 Rc8 30.Qe3 h6 31.Nf2 Kh7 32.Bh3 Qg7 33.Bxc8 Rxc8 34.Rb1 Nf6 35.Rb7 Ne8 36.cxd6 Nxd6 37.Rb4 c5 38.Ra4 h5 39.Nh3 Qf6 40.Ng5+ Kg7 41.Bc3 Nb5 42.Ba1 Nd4 43.Ra7 Qxg5 44.Bxd4 Qxe3 45.Bxe3 Kf8 46.Bh6+ Ke8 47.d6 1-0 (47) supertactic91 (2670)-strizibuba (2611) Blitz 2021;

K7d3) 10...e6 10:36 Edouard,Romain: '!?' Edouard,R: 'A flexible move, but a little bit slow. It gives White time to organise himself.' Edouard,Romain: 'Almost a novelty! My opponent invented this move over the board, and it is not to be underestimated.' Vigorito, D: 'For the alternative' 11.Nf2 15:05 Vigorito, D: 'see Cheremnova, T (2221)-Kurnosov, I (2653) Olginka 2011 and Tomashevsky, E (2705)-Fier, A (2601) Bursa 2010' b5 23 Edouard,R: 'Not the most flexible move.' *(11...Re8* Edouard,R: 'should be a better move order, offering White less possibilities.'*)* 12.c5 9 Re8 6 13.Nd3 7:22 *(13.Bg5* Edouard,R: '!'Edouard,R: 'might be very annoying, as' *Ne7* Edouard,R: 'is met by' *14.e5* Edouard,R: '!' *dxe5 15.dxe5 Nfd5 16.c6 Bc8 17.Ng4 Rb6* Edouard,Romain: ' ± ' Edouard,Romain: 'and Black fails to equalize. ½-½

(24) Farago,I (2448)-Svetushkin,D (2561) BUL 2011' *18.Rd1* Edouard,R: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'allows' *Rxc6* Edouard,Romain: '⩱!?' Edouard,Romain: 'A very interesting idea was found by Antipov in:' *19.Nc3* Edouard,R: '±' Edouard,Romain: '!?'Edouard,R: 'followed by ♘e4.' *)*

K7d31) 13...e5 Edouard,R: '!?' Edouard,Romain: '=' 14.d5 Edouard,Romain: 'was simpler and better.' Edouard,Romain: 'The only existing game continued' 14...Nd4 Edouard,R: 'may not be that clear:' 15.c6 Edouard,R: '(otherwise most probably Black goes ...c6 himself)' Bg4 Edouard,R: 'N!' 16.Ng1 *(16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Nf2 Bc8* Edouard,R: '⇄' Edouard,Romain: '!*)* 16...Bc8 17.Nf2 Nh5 Edouard,Romain: '1-0 (41) Pasztor,F (2205)-Chen,Y (2081) HUN 2011, which could have transposed into my game.' 18.Ne2 f5 Edouard,R: '⇄';

K7d32) 13...b4 38 Edouard,R: 'N' Edouard,R: 'The most logical move.' 14.g3 6:39 Edouard,Romain: '?!' a5 17:27 *(* Edouard,R: 'Something like' *14...e5* Edouard,Romain: 'looked critical to me, but it doesn't seem to equalise:' *15.d5 Nd4 16.Bxd4* Edouard,Romain: '↑' *exd4* Edouard,Romain: '!?' *17.c6 Bc8* Edouard,Romain: '↑' *18.Bg2* Edouard,Romain: '!?' *Qe7 19.Kf2* Edouard,Romain: '!?' *a5 20.Rhe1 Ba6* Edouard,Romain: 'transposing into the game.' *21.Rcd1* Edouard,Romain: '?!' Edouard,R: 'looks to me like excellent for White thanks to my super-pawn on c6.' *)* 15.Bg2 26 Ne7 9 16.0-0 8:53 Bb5 9:53 17.Rfd1 1:03 Nd7 6:15 Edouard,Romain: '!?' 18.b3 6:58 Edouard,Romain: '?!' Nc6 1:24 Edouard,Romain: '?!' Edouard,Romain: 'A huge mistake, at least from a practical point of view.' 19.h3 1:59 dxc5 1:44 Edouard,R: '?' *(* Edouard,R: 'Black should go something like' Edouard,Romain: 'Sacrificing the b5-pawn was far more logical:' *19...Qe7* Edouard,Romain: '!' *20.f4 d5 21.e5 Ra8* Edouard,Romain: '⩲' Edouard,R: 'and I would have a space advantage

but Black is nevertheless very solid.'; *19...d5* Edouard,R: '!?' Edouard, Romain: '⩱!?') 20.Nxc5 18 Nxc5 1:30 Edouard,Romain: '?!' 21.Rxc5 5:38 Edouard,R: '±' Edouard,Romain: '!?' Bxe2 3:57 Edouard,R: '?' Edouard,R: 'This move is the only way to "justify" my opponent's 20th move, but it is another mistake. ' 22.Qxe2 8:25 Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'The engine doesn't give White such a big advantage, but the position is a nightmare for Black.' Nxd4 8:40 23.Qc4 1:36 e5 38 24.f4 6:26 Edouard,R: '!'Edouard,R: 'I should not be in a hurry to get my pawn back, as I will eventually get two.' Qe7 13 25.Bxd4 40 Edouard,Romain: ''!'' exd4 1:13 26.e5 34 Edouard,R: '!'Edouard,R: 'The most precise way.' (Edouard,Romain: 'Black should have played more actively: ' *26.Rxc7* Edouard,Romain: '!' *Qe6 27.e5 Qxc4 28.Rxc4 f6 29.Bc6* Edouard,Romain: '!' *Re7 30.e6* Edouard,Romain: 'Obviously a very difficult computer manoeuvre.' *f5 31.Bd7* Edouard,Romain: '∞' Edouard,R: 'would also be very strong, but the text move is definitely cleaner.') 26...Red8 1:37 *(26...Qe6 27.Rxd4* Edouard,R: '+-!?'; *26...Rec8 27.Rxd4 Bf8* Edouard,Romain: '→' *28.Rc6* Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'was the other possibility, but I wanted to keep my rook on f1.') 27.Rxc7 2:50 Qe6 4:42 Edouard,Romain: '?' 28.Rxd4 5:03 *(28.Qxe6* Edouard,R: '!?' Edouard, Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'and in the event of' *fxe6 29.Bf1* Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'Black is probably better!') 28...Qxc4 17 29.Rcxc4 9:37 Edouard,Romain: '?' Edouard,Romain: 'A crazy decision, going for material.' g5 11 30.Kf2 4 (Edouard,Romain: 'It was important not to play the tempting' *30.Bd5* Edouard,R: '!?' Edouard,Romain: 'because of') 30...Rxd4 2 31.Rxd4 6 Rc8 6 32.Bf1 11 Edouard,R: '!' Edouard,R: 'In this kind of position, f7 should always be the final target.' *(32.Bb7* Edouard,Romain: '+-' *Rc2+* Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'was ugly but required. White

is much better but Black remains solid.' *33.Kf3 gxf4 34.gxf4 Rxa2 35.Rd8+ Bf8 36.Bd5* Edouard,Romain: '↑' Edouard,R: 'also works.') 32...Rc2+ 5 33.Kf3 10 Edouard,Romain: '?' Edouard,Romain: 'Underestimating Black's next move, after which the position is likely to be a draw.' gxf4 42 34.gxf4 5:04 Rxa2 2:31 Edouard,Romain: '?' 35.Bc4 1:26

K7d321) 35...a4

K7d3211) 36.Rd7 Edouard,Romain: '?!' Ra3 Edouard,Romain: '!!' *(36...axb3 37.Bxf7+ Kh8 38.Bxb3* Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'and now if'*; 36...a3* Edouard,Romain: '??' *37.Rxf7* Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'wins!' *Rc2 38.Ra7+* Edouard,Romain: ' ⩲' *Rxc4* Edouard,Romain: '!?' *39.bxc4 Bf8 40.Ke2 b3* Edouard,Romain: ' ⩲' *41.Kd2* Edouard,Romain: '!' Edouard,Romain: 'should still be winning.' *Bb4+ 42.Kc1 Bc5 43.Rd7* Edouard,R: '+-'*)* 37.Rxf7 Kh8 Edouard,Romain: '+-' 38.Rd7 Edouard,Romain: '!' Bxe5 39.fxe5 axb3 40.Rd1 b2+ 41.Ke2 Ra1 Edouard,Romain: 'and here I thought White was winning, but it seems' 42.Bd3 Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'is a draw:';

K7d3212) 36.Rd8+ Edouard,R: '!?' 36...Bf8 37.Rd7 axb3 *(37...a3* Edouard,Romain: '+-' *38.Bxf7+* Edouard,Romain: '!' *Kh8 39.f5* Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: 'would keep huge practical chances.'*)* 38.Bxf7+ Kh8 Edouard,Romain: '+-' 39.Bxb3 Edouard,R: '+-' Edouard,Romain: '?';

K7d322) 35...Rh2 26 Edouard,R: '?!' Edouard,R: 'Making my task easier, but the position was already lost for Black.' 36.Rd7 2:24 Rxh3+ 5:29 37.Kg4 35 *(37.Ke4* Edouard,R: '!?'*)* 37...Rc3 53

Edouard,Romain: '?' 38.Bxf7+ 37 Kf8 11 39.Bd5 11 Rc5 1:48 40.Kf5 1:53 Bh6 31:57 41.Kf6 5:28 Edouard,Romain: 'Now White is in control and can just push his b-pawn.' Ke8 0 42.Rd6 1:24 Rc8 0 43.e6 37 Bxf4 44.Bc6+ 1-0 (44) Campos,J (2653)-Oprea,E (2429) Mar del Plata 2014 Lexikon09 [Rudolph, Jens Erik];

K7d4) 10...Re8 11.Ng3 *(11.g3)* 11...e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Bd3 c5 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.0-0 c5 16.b3 a5 17.Nc3 a4 18.bxa4 Ra8 19.Nb5 Bc6 20.Bc2 h5 21.Ne2 h4 22.Nec3 Nh5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.exd5 Nf4 25.Nxd4 cxd4 26.Bxf4 exf4 27.Qxf4 Re3 28.c5 Be5 29.Qg4 dxc5 30.Be4 Ra5 31.Rb1 Kg7 32.Rb7 Qf6 33.Rfb1 d3 34.Rd1 c4 35.Kh1 Rxa4 36.d6 Bxd6 37.Rd7 Be5 38.g3 Rxa2 39.Rb1 Ree2 40.Rbb7 Rxh2+ 41.Kg1 Bd4+ 42.Kf1 Rh1# 0-1 (42) mmsanchezchess (2615)-mifisk (2715) Blitz 2022;

K7d5) 10...Ne8 11.Nf2 *(11.g3 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Bg2 e5 14.d5 Ne7 15.g4 Bd7 16.0-0 Nf6 17.Nf2 b5 18.g5 Nh5 19.c5 Nf5 20.c6 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Bf5 22.Bh3 Nf4 23.Nxf4 exf4 24.Qd2 Qxg5+ 25.Kh1 Bxh3 26.Nxh3 Qh5 27.Ng1 Rf5 28.Rcd1 Re8 29.Qa5 Re7 30.Qxa6 Rxd5 31.Qc8+ Kf7 32.b3 Rde5 33.Qh3 Qxh3 34.Nxh3 g5 35.Rf2 b4 36.Kg2 h6 37.Ng1 Rc5 38.h4 Rxc6 39.hxg5 hxg5 40.Rd5 Re5 41.Rxe5 Bxe5 42.Nh3 Kf6 43.Rd2 Kf5 44.Nf2 Rc1 45.Nd3 Ra1 46.Nxb4 Bc3 47.Nc2 Bxd2 48.Nxa1 g4 49.Nc2 g3 50.a4 Ke5 51.b4 Kd5 52.a5 Kc6 53.a6 Kb6 54.b5 Bc3 55.Kh3 c6 56.bxc6 Kxc6 57.Na3 Bd4 58.Nc4 d5 59.Na5+ Kb5 60.Nb3 Be3 61.Nc1 Kxa6 62.Nd3 Kb5* 0-1 (62) alexkaspi (2602)-avsokol (2651) Blitz 2022*)* 11...f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.g4 Bd7 14.Bg2 e5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 c6 18.h4 cxd5 19.h5 Rf7 20.hxg6 Nxg6 21.cxd5 Qa5+ 22.Kf1 Nf6 23.Nc3 Bxg4 24.Bh3 Bxh3+ 25.Rxh3 Rbf8 26.Rg3 Rg7 27.Nfe4 Nxd5 28.Ng5 Ne3+ 29.Kg1 Nf5 30.Qh3 Nxg3 31.Qxg3 Qb6+ 32.Kh1 Qxb2 0-1 (32) alexkaspi (2605)-avsokol (2597) Blitz 2023;

K7d6) Vigorito, D: 'Black has various move orders here combining (and omitting) the moves ...b5, ...e6, ...Rb8.' 10...b5 11.c5 Vigorito, D: '! White

succeeds to hold his strong center and intends to finish the development with g3, Bg2 and 0-0.' dxc5 *(11...Re8* 1/2-1/2 (41) Caruana, F (2767)-Jones, G (2635) Plovdiv BUL 2012 [Vigorito, D] *)* 12.Rxc5

K7d61) 12...e6 13.g3

K7d611) 13...Re8 14.Bg2

K7d6111) Instead 14...e5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Qc1 c6?! is another typical idea, but here *(16...Rc8* does not help as now ...c6 will be met with d6, trapping the e7-knight*)* 17.dxc6 Nxc6 18.Rxc6 Bxc6 19.Qxc6 left Black struggling in Kovalenko, I (2611)-Belous, V (2551) Vladivostok 2012, as he is down material and his development lead is not so great Re6 20.Qc2 Rc8 21.Qb1 Rd6 22.0-0 Rd3 23.Bg5 Qb6+ 24.Nf2 Rd6 25.Nc3 b4 26.Na4 Qb5 27.b3 Qe2 28.Re1 Qc2 29.Bf1 Nd7 30.Qa1 Qc7 31.Be3 Rc6 32.Bc4 Nf8 33.Nb2 Ne6 34.Bxe6 Rxe6 35.Rc1 Rc6 36.Rxc6 Qxc6 37.Nc4 Rd8 38.Kg2 f6 39.h4 h5 40.Qh1 Kf7 41.Qh3 a5 42.g4 hxg4 43.fxg4 a4 44.h5 Rh8 45.Qf3 Qe6 46.Nh3 Qe7 47.hxg6+ Kxg6 48.Qf5+ Kf7 49.Ng5+ Kg8 50.Qc8+ 1-0 (50) Kovalenko,I (2611)-Belous,V (2551) Vladivostok RUS 2012;

K7d6112) 14...Bf8 15.Rc1

K7d61121) 15...Bb4 16.Ndc3 e5 17.0-0!? A different idea. White allows the exchange on d4. *(*Instead *17.d5 Na5* Vigorito, D: '!' *18.b3 c6⇄* was mentioned above Vigorito, D: 'looks ok for Black' *)* 17...exd4 18.Nxd4 Ne5

K7d611211) White was also successful after 19.Bg5 but Black looked ok most of the way: Nc4 20.Qf2 Be7 21.Rcd1 Qc8 22.b3 Ne5 23.Qd2 c5 24.Nde2 b4 *(24...c4!)* 25.f4

bxc3 26.Nxc3 Nc6 27.e5 Ng4? *(27...Bg4 28.exf6 Bf8)* 28.Qxd7+- 1-0 (41) Dambacher, M (2480)-Wemmers, X (2353) Belgium 2012;

K7d611212)

19.Qe2 Nc4 20.Bf2 The engines say this is equal but Black's bishop now looks a bit strange out on b4 considering the kingside holes. h5?! This does not help Black's position. *(20...Bf8* comes to mind, but then *21.Nb3* and Rfd1, Nc5 looks better for White.*; 20...Qe7* cuts off the Bb4, but at least c5 is well covered.*)* 21.Nc2 *(Or 21.Nb3±)* 21...Ba5 22.Ne3 Be6 23.b3 Nxe3 24.Bxe3 White has more space and is coordinated better. Qc8

K7d6112121)

25.Qb2! looks quite annoying, pressuring the f6-knight on the long diagonal. c5? *(25...Nd7 26.f4!)* 26.Ne2 Nd7 27.Rxc5! Nxc5 28.Bh6;

K7d6112122)

25.Kh1 Nd7 *(* Black should get some breathing room with *25...c5)* 26.f4 Nf6 27.Bd4 *(* White can already get a decisive attack with *27.f5! gxf5 28.Bg5!)* 27...Bg4 28.Qc2 Qd8 29.Bxf6! White does not mind giving away his bishop as Black's a5-bishop is out of play. Qxf6 30.e5 Qh8 31.Nd5 Re6 32.Bf3 *(* White wants to use his extra piece on the kingside rather than settle for the clear positional advantage that could be had with *32.b4 Bb6 33.Nxb6 cxb6)* 32...Bh3 *(* Not much is changed by *32...Bxf3+ 33.Rxf3)* 33.Rfd1 c6 34.Nf6+ Rxf6 35.exf6 h4 *(* If *35...Qxf6 36.Qxc6)* 36.g4

Qxf6 37.Qe4! Bc7 38.Rxc6 Qxf4 39.Qxf4 Bxf4 40.Rf6 *(Time pressure perhaps. 40.Rxa6 was simpler. Then if Re8 41.Ra8! Rxa8 42.Bxa8 Bxg4 43.Rd4 would gain a useful tempo. g5 44.a4 should win.)* 40...g5 41.Bd5?! *(Still 41.Rxa6 Re8 42.Ra8 Rxa8 43.Bxa8 Bxg4 44.Rd8+ Kg7 45.a4 makes sense.)* 41...Rf8 42.Rxa6 Bxg4 43.Rd4 Kg7 44.Ra8 Bc8! Black has managed to complicate matters. 45.Bc6 h3 46.a4 bxa4 47.bxa4 Be3?! *(Better was 47...Re8!* when White has to pay attention to his first rank, and *48.Bxe8 Bb7+ 49.Kg1 Be3+ 50.Kf1 Bxd4* is not clear at all.*)* 48.Rd1 f5 49.a5 White's pawn is more dangerous. f4 50.a6 Bg4 *(Or 50...g4 51.Bb7 Be6 52.Rxf8 Kxf8 53.Rf1! Ke7 54.Rxf4!)* 51.Rxf8 Kxf8 52.Re1 Bd4 53.Re8+ Kf7 54.Ra8 f3 55.a7 f2 56.Rf8+ Kxf8 57.a8Q+ Ke7 58.Bb5 Bf5 59.Qd5 1-0 (59)

Postny,E (2622)-Sale,S (2401) Zagreb CRO 2013 [Vigorito, D]; **K7d61122)**

More often Black chooses 15...e5 which could transpose 16.d5 *(16.0-0!?* is untried but makes sense - compare to the main game *)* 16...Bb4 17.Nec3 *(17.Ndc3 Na5! 18.b3 c6* looks ok for Black*)* 17...Nd4 *(17...Na5!?)* 18.Nf2 *(18.f4 c5 19.0-0 Ng4 20.fxe5 Nxe3 21.Qxe3* was Bartel, M (2653)-Jones, G (2635) Porto Carras 2011, here I think Black should just play *Rxe5 22.Nf2 Qg5 23.Qxg5 Rxg5* which looks unclear as Black

has the bishops but his pieces are a little awkward*)* 18...c5 19.dxc6 Bxc6 20.Nd3 Ba5 21.Nxe5 Nxf3+ 22.Nxf3 Nxe4 23.Qxd8 Rbxd8 24.Ke2 **K7d611221)** instead 24...Nxc3+ 25.Rxc3 *(25.bxc3? Bb6)* 25...Bxc3 26.bxc3 Re4 would give Black decent play.; **K7d611222)** 24...Nf6 now Black wins, but only after a blunderfest 25.Rhd1 Rc8 26.Bh3 b4 27.Bxc8 *(27.Nd5!)* 27...bxc3 28.bxc3?! Rxc8 29.c4?! Re8 30.h3? Ne4 31.Nd4 Nxg3+ 32.Kf2 Ne4+ 33.Kg1? Ba4 34.Nb3 Nc3 35.Re1? Nxa2 36.Nxa5 Nxc1 0-1 (36) Sachdev, T (2419) -Fier, A (2583) Rome 2011; **K7d61123)** 15...Ne7 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Nf2 Bc6 18.Nd3 Nd7 19.Rc2 Bb7 20.Rfc1 Bg7 21.b3 f5 22.Nef4 Nf8 23.Nc5 1-0 (23) AgressiveMode (2743) -edwardleekimhan (2569) Blitz 2021; **K7d612)** 13...Ne8 14.Bg2 Nd6 15.b3 a5 16.0-0 a4 17.Nf2 axb3 18.axb3 Ra8 19.Rfc1 Ra6 20.d5 exd5 21.exd5 Ne7 22.Rxc7 Nef5 23.Bf4 Re8 24.Ne4 h5 25.Qb4 Ra2 26.R7c2 Rxc2 27.Rxc2 Qb6+ 28.Qc5 Qxc5+ 29.Nxc5 Rxe2 30.Rxe2 Bd4+ 31.Be3 Bxe3+ 32.Rxe3 Nxe3 33.Nxd7 Nxd5 34.f4 Ne3 35.Bc6 b4 36.Nf6+ Kg7 37.Nd5 Nc2 38.Kf2 Nd4 39.Ba4 N6f5 40.Nxb4 f6 41.Nd5 g5 42.Ne3 Nd6 43.fxg5 fxg5 44.b4 Ne4+ 45.Kg2 h4 46.Bc2 Nc3 47.Nf5+ Kf6 48.Nxd4 1-0 (48) jposthuma (2786) -DodoP47 (2805) Blitz 2022; **K7d62)** 12...Re8 **K7d621)** 13.g3 e5 14.d5 Nd4 *(14...Ne7 15.Bg2 c6 16.dxc6 Nxc6 17.0-0 Bf8 18.Rc1 Bb4 19.Ndc3 Na5 20.b3 Rc8 21.Qb2 Qe7 22.Nb1 Bc5 23.Rxc5 Rxc5 24.Qa3 b4 25.Qxb4*

Rb5 26.Qxe7 Rxe7 27.Nbc3 Rb8 28.Rd1 Be6 29.Bg5 Kg7 30.f4 Rd7 31.Rf1 h6 32.fxe5 Ng4 33.Bf6+ Kh7 34.Nf4 Ne3 35.Re1 Nxg2 36.Kxg2 Rd2+ 37.Re2 Rxe2+ 38.Nfxe2 Rc8 39.Kf2 Nc6 40.Ke3 Nb4 41.Be7 Nc2+ 42.Kd2 Na1 43.Bd6 g5 44.Nd4 Kg6 45.Ba3 Rd8 46.Bd6 Rc8 47.Ba3 Rd8 48.Bd6 Rc8 ½-½ (48) cubanito2002 (2705)-Kastorcito (2627) Blitz 2020 *)* 15.Bg2 Bf8 *(15...c6 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.dxc6 Bxc6 18.Rxc6 d3 19.Nc1 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Qd5 21.Rxa6 Rxe4+ 22.Kf1 Rbe8 23.Bxe4 Rxe4 24.Qxd3 Rd4 25.Nf2 Rxd3 26.Ncxd3 Bd4 27.Rg1 Qf3 28.Rd6 Be3 29.Rg2 h5 30.Kg1 Kg7 31.Kh1 g5 32.Ne1 Qe2 33.Ned3 Kf8 34.Rd8+ Ke7 35.Rd5 h4 36.Re5+ Kf8 37.gxh4 gxh4 38.h3 Qf3 39.Rxe3 Qxe3 40.Kh2 f5 41.Rg1 Kf7 42.Rc1 f4 43.Rc6 Qg3+ 44.Kh1 f3 45.Rc7+ Qxc7 46.Ne1 Qg3 47.Nxf3 Qxf2 48.Ng1 b4 49.b3 Kf8 50.Ne2 Qxe2 51.a4 bxa3 52.Kg1 a2 53.Kh1 a1Q#* 0-1 (53) supertactic91 (2683)-mindSet2020 (2799) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Rc1 Bh3 17.0-0 Bxg2 18.Kxg2 Nxe2 19.Qxe2 Nxd5 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nc3 Qb7 22.Ne4 Bg7 23.Nc5 Qd5 24.b3 Ra8 25.Rfd1 Qc6 26.Ne4 Qe6 27.Rxc7 f5 28.Rdd7 fxe4 29.Rxg7+ Kf8 30.Bc5+ 1-0 (30) supertactic91 (2727)-Mikasinski (2737) Blitz 2021;

K7d622) 13.e5 Bf8 14.exf6 exf6 15.Rc1 Nb4 16.Nec3 f5 17.Be2 Bd6 18.f4 Qh4+ 19.g3 Qh3 20.Kf2 Bc6 21.Bf3 Re7 22.d5 Bb7 23.a3 Rbe8 24.axb4 Bxb4 25.Bg2 Qh5 26.h4 Bd6 27.Bf3 Qh6 28.Ne2 g5 29.fxg5 Qg7 30.Nf4 Rxe3 31.Nxe3 Qe5 32.Rhe1 1-0 (32) MrAble (2620)-Serg_T (2503) Rapid 2023;

K7d623) 13.Nf2

K7d6231) 13...e5 14.d5 Ne7 15.Nc1 *(15.Ng3 c6 16.d6 Nc8 17.Rc1 Re6 18.Bc5 Bf8 19.Be2 Bxd6 20.0-0 Bxc5 21.Rxc5 Rd6 22.Qc3 Be6*

23.Rxc6 Nb6 24.Rxd6 Qxd6 25.Rd1 1-0 (25) edgelorde (2652)-Itachi_Ut (2563) Blitz 2021*)* 15...c6 16.dxc6 Nxc6 17.Nb3 Bf8 18.Be2 Bxc5 19.Nxc5 Bc8 20.Nfd3 Nd7 21.0-0 Nxc5 22.Bxc5 Be6 23.Qh6 Bxa2 24.Ra1 Bc4 25.Rxa6 Bxd3 26.Bxd3 Qxd3 27.Rxc6 Rbc8 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.b4 Rxc5 30.bxc5 Qd4+ 31.Kf1 Qxc5 32.Qg5 b4 33.Qd8+ Kg7 34.g4 h6 35.h4 Qe3 36.Kg2 b3 37.g5 hxg5 38.hxg5 b2 39.Qf6+ Kg8 40.Qd8+ Kh7 41.Qe7 Qd2+ 42.Kg3 Qf4+ 43.Kg2 b1Q 0 - 1 (4 3) MCjgp_Twitch (2756)-Kastorcito (2671) Blitz 2022; **K7d6232)** 13...e6 14.g3 Bf8 15.Rc2 Nb4 *(15...e5 16.a3 b4 17.d5 Na5 18.Bh3 Ba4 19.0-0 Bxc2 20.Qxc2 bxa3 21.bxa3 Qd6 22.Nd3 Qxa3 23.Nec1 Bd6 24.Bg5 Kg7 25.Qd2 Nc4 26.Bh6+ Kg8 27.Qg5 Be7 28.Qh4 Nxd5 29.Bg5 Bxg5 30.Qxg5 Nde3 31.Re1 Qc3 32.Rxe3 Qd4 33.Kf2 f6 34.Qh6 g5 35.Bf5 Qxe3+ 36.Kg2 Re7 37.Qxf6 Rbe8 38.Qxg5+ Qxg5 39.Ne2 Qd2 40.Ndc1 Ne3+ 41.Kf2 Nxf5 42.Kg2 Rd7 43.g4 Ne3+ 44.Kh3 Qxe2 45.Kg3 Qxf3+ 46.Kh4 Nxg4 47.h3 Nf6 48.Kg5 Rg7+ 49.Kh6 Qg3 50.h4 Qg5+ 51.hxg5 Ng4+ 52.Kh5 Ne3 53.Kh4 Rf8 54.Kg3 Rf1 55.Nd3 Rxg5+ 56.Kh2 Rfg1 57.Nf2 R1g2+ 58.Kh3 R5g3+ 59.Kh4* 1-0 (59) TalBaron-YouTube (2616)-IMAndrasToth (2701) Blitz 2016*)* 16.Rc1 Nxa2 17.Ra1 Nb4 18.Bg2 Rc8 19.0-0 e5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Rfd1 Re6 22.f4 Rd6 23.Qc3 Ng4 24.Bc5 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Nxf2 26.Kxf2 Bxc5+ 27.Qxc5 Nc6 28.Bh3 f5 29.exf5 Qe8 30.Qd5+ Kh8 31.Qxd7 Qxd7

32.Rxd7 gxf5 33.Bxf5 Re8 34.Rxh7+ Kg8 35.Rxc7 Ne7 36.Be6+ Kg7 37.Nd4 Kf6 38.g4 b4 39.g5+ Kg6 40.h4 Kh5 41.Bf7+ 1 - 0 (4 1) penguingim1 (2820)-Levsha_06 (2383) Blitz 2025]

[Mikhail Golubev: 'In the 2000s I tried' 8...Re8 Mikhail Golubev: ', which is less known and possibly not worse that the main move. My most successful attempt was Schipkov, Boris: '(Mikhail Golubev) , which is less known and possibly not worse that the main move. My most successful attempt was' , which is less known and possibly not worse that the main move. My most successful attempt was' Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'This is a slightly unusual move. A rare sideline not without poison as the game shows. This is a slightly unusual move.'

A) 9.g4 Vigorito, D: 'White tries to punish his opponent for his last move. He thinks that it was a waste of tempo, but as we'll see, it supports Black's counterplay in the center very well.' Rb8

A1) 10.h4 Vigorito, D: 'Diagram' h5 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'This move shows a downside to White playing g4 so early - the tension forces a decision from White. ! The h5 threat had to be prevented before launching the counterplay with b5 and e5. This move shows a downside to White playing g4 so early - the tension forces a decision from White.' *(*Vigorito, D: 'Instead' *10...b5 11.h5* Vigorito, D: 'looks too risky. This is similar to a game of mine I quoted last month in the notes to Gundavaa-Barcenilla, but there I had ...bxc4 in instead of ... Re8. It is hard to imagine ....Re8 being better here. The opening of the h-file would be too dangerous for Black. looks too risky. This is similar to a game of mine I quoted last month in the notes to Gundavaa-Barcenilla, but there I had ...bxc4 in instead of ...Re8. It is hard to imagine ....Re8 being better here.' *)*

A1a) 11.g5 Nd7 *(* Vigorito, D: 'Black has also tried' *11...Nh7* Vigorito, D: 'but the text looks much more logical to me.'*)* 12.f4 Vigorito, D: 'White seizes even more space, but it may have been better to just develop. White tries to swap Black out of the board. White seizes even more space, but it may have been better to just develop.' *(12.Rc1* was much safer to prevent b5 because White could take twice and the c6 knight falls. Black seems to have difficulties with his passive position, but the computer recommends an unusual plan, which creates strong counterplay again. *Na5* ! *13.b3 c5* and b5 next, with a very unclear position. *)*

A1a1) Vigorito, D: 'This is not the only move. I unearthed an old game

which went' 12...e5 Vigorito, D: '!?' 13.fxe5 dxe5 14.d5 Nd4 Vigorito, D: '!' 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Ne5 17.Be2 Bg4 Vigorito, D: 'with quite reasonable compensation.' 18.Rf1 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.0-0-0 b4 21.Na4 c6 22.dxc6 Qc7 23.Kb1 Qxc6 24.Nc5 Red8 *(24...Rbd8 25.Bxg4 Nxg4* Vigorito, D: '-+' *)* 25.Bxg4 hxg4 *(25...Nxg4 26.Qf4* Vigorito, D: '!'*)* 26.Qf2 *(26.Qc2)* 26...Rb5 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(26...Nf3* Vigorito, D: '∓' *)*

A1a11) 27.Bxe5 Vigorito, D: '!' Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Rxc5 *(28...Bxe5 29.Rd8+ Kg7 30.Rd7* Vigorito, D: '+-!'*)* 29.Bxg7;

A1a12) 27.Rc1 Vigorito, D: '?' 27...g3 28.Qg1 Rxc5 Vigorito, D: '!' 29.Bxc5 Qxe4+ 30.Ka1 Nc4 *(30...Nd3)* 31.Rxc4 Qxc4 32.Rc1 Bxb2+ 33.Kxb2 Rd2+ Vigorito, D: '0-1 Radojcic, M-Botterill, G London 1973 0-1 Radojcic, M-Botterill, G London 1973';

A1a2) 12...b5 Vigorito, D: 'This is a typical way to play in this kind of structure, which also arises in some lines of the Pirc. White tries to break down g6. This is a typical way to play in this kind of structure, which also arises in some lines of the Pirc. White tries to break down g6.' 13.f5 Vigorito, D: 'White is intending to play Nf4, creating fatal threats around the g6 pawn. Black must act quickly.'

A1a21) Vigorito, D: 'This had all occurred before in agame which probably did not attract too much attention. This had all occurred before in agame which probably did not attract too much attention. ' 13...Nb6 Vigorito, D: '!?' 14.Nf4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.0-0 *(16.fxg6 fxg6 17.Nxg6 Nb4* Vigorito, D: '⇄!' *)* 16...e5 *(16...Qd7* Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'is a strange computer suggestion is a strange computer suggestion'*)* 17.fxe6 fxe6 18.Nxg6 e5 19.dxe5 dxe5 Vigorito, D: '?' *(19...Nxe5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5* Vigorito, D: '⇄' *)* 20.Qe2 *(20.Nd5)* 20...Bg4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(20...Qd3)* 21.Qxc4+ Re6 22.Nd5 Kh7 Vigorito, D: '?' 23.Nf8+ Vigorito, D: '!' Bxf8 24.Nf6+ Kg6 Vigorito, D: '?' 25.Nxg4 Qe8 26.Rxf8 Qd7 27.Nf6 Rb4 28.Qe2 Vigorito, D: '1-0 (28) Al Hadarani, H (2323)-Weeramantry, S (2207) Turin 2006 1-0 (28) Al

Hadarani, H (2323)-Weeramantry, S (2207) Turin 2006';

A1a22) 13...e5 Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: '! Diagram'

A1a221) Vigorito, D: 'A natural alternative was' 14.d5 Vigorito, D: 'is the usual reaction in such cases, but now after' Nd4 Vigorito, D: '!' *(* Vigorito, D: 'or' *14...Na5* Vigorito, D: '!?' *15.Ng3 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.f6 Nxf6)* 15.Bxd4 Vigorito, D: '!' *(15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Ne5* Vigorito, D: 'Black gets very strong counterplay on the dark squares.'*)* 15...exd4 16.Nxd4 Vigorito, D: ' ∞' Vigorito, D: 'The knight covers f5 and defends the f3-square, so' Ne5 Vigorito, D: 'could be met with' 17.f6 Vigorito, D: '!';

A1a222) 14.fxe6 was probably the safest continuation and leads to a balanced position. fxe6 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Ng3 *(16.Nf4* White should not be optimistic with *e5* ! and Black is doing great!*)* 16...e5 17.d5 Nd4 18.Bg2 followed by 0-0 with an even and, of course, playable position for both sides..;

A1a223) 14.f6 Vigorito, D: 'This is ambitious, but Black reacts very strongly. White tries to lock the dark squared bishop and if he succeeds to consolidate the center, the situation of the f8 or h8 bishop should lead to Black's defeat!' 14...exd4 Vigorito, D: '! Black opens the position on the king stuck in the center.' 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 b4 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: '! Another strong intermediate move. Black wants to weaken the e4 pawn.' 17.Ne2 Vigorito, D: 'Diagram' *(* Vigorito, D: 'After' *17.fxg7* Vigorito, D: '? leads to a lost position. ' *bxc3 18.Bxc3 Rxe4+* Vigorito, D: '[%t Shrt] âˆ⇗â + Nc5 next and the bishop also joins the attack. White can't hold the position.' *19.Be2 Qe7 20.Rh2 Nc5 21.0-0-0 Bf5* Vigorito, D: 'Black's well coordinated attack looks stronger than anything White has to offer. Black's

well coordinated attack looks stronger than anything White has to offer.'; *17.Nd5* drops a pawn. *Rxe4+ 18.Be2 Bf8* and c6 next, kicking out the knight.*)* 17...c5 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: '! Yet another intermediate move! Preparing for the following sacrifice! The g7 bishop has been hanging during 4 moves...'

A1a2231)

Vigorito, D: 'Here too' 18.fxg7 Vigorito, D: '! White should have simplified the position to a worse rook endgame to try to save the game, but Svetushkin is playing ambitiously against his lower rated opponent.' cxd4 19.Qxd4 Ne5 *(19...Nc5 20.Bg2 Bb7 21.Ng3* White wants to play 0-0, equalizing completely. *Bxe4 22.Nxe4 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 Qe7 24.0-0-0 Qxe4* Black will sooner or later take the g7 pawn, but White has good chances to hold the draw.*)* 20.0-0-0 Qa5 21.Kb1 b3 Vigorito, D: '!?' 22.a3 Bg4 Vigorito, D: 'looks good for Black';

A1a2232)

Vigorito, D: 'while' 18.Be3 Nxf6 Vigorito, D: '!' 19.gxf6 Qxf6 20.Bg2 Bb7 Vigorito, D: 'is similar to the game is similar to the next note. is similar to the game is similar to the next note.';

A1a2233) 18.Bf2 Vigorito, D: 'White wants to stay off of the e-file. Diagram' 18...Nxf6 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'Of course. ! Excellent decision! Black gets only two pawns for the piece, but the ones on b2 and e4 are hanging and White still has difficulties to finish the development.' 19.gxf6 Qxf6 20.Ng3 Vigorito, D: '?' *(* Vigorito, D: 'Better was' *20.Bg2* Vigorito, D: 'was objectively better, but also leads to bad position.' *Bb7 21.Ng3* Vigorito, D:

'although Black has more than enough compensation after although Black has more than enough compensation after' *Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Be5* Vigorito, D: 'âˆ⊕ with a big advantage. Black will create a passer by pushing his a-pawn. His bishops are dominating.'*)* 20...b3 Vigorito, D: '-+!' Vigorito, D: 'other moves like 20... Qxb2 and 20...Bg4 were good, but this is even stronger. !! A powerful Black threatens to take on b2 now. White has a difficult decision: to push a4 leaving the strong b3 pawn on the board, or to take on b3 and invite the Black rook to the attack. other moves like 20...Qxb2 and 20...Bg4 were good, but this is even stronger.' 21.axb3 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(* Vigorito, D: 'After' *21.a3 Qxb2* Vigorito, D: 'Black already has a tremendous passed pawn'*;* Vigorito, D: 'but' *21.Be2 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Kd2* Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'was the best chance, if still very unpleasant. was the best chance, if still very unpleasant.'*; 21.Bg2 Qxb2* wins.*; 21.a4 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Bc3+ 24.Kd1 Bd7* winning another pawn. White is lost. *)* 21...Rxb3 Vigorito, D: 'Now White's position falls apart. The black rook not only attacks b2, its influence will be felt along the third rank. Now White's position falls apart. The black rook not only attacks b2, its influence will be felt along the third rank.' 22.Ra2 Vigorito, D: 'Otherwise Rxb2 finishes the game. Diagram' Rxg3 Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: '! The final blow! Black eliminates the key defender.' 23.Bxg3 Rxe4+ 24.Be2 *(24.Kd1 Qf3+* Vigorito, D: 'wins the rook and the game. ' *)* 24...Qf3 0 - 1 (2 4)

Woehrmann,H (2612)-Guddat,J (2460) Zürich 2013 200 Traps In The Opening [Patrici,N] Vigorito, D: '!' 25.Rg1 Bg4 ! 26.b3 Bc3 ! A horrible inal position. We don't wish anybody this position with the White pieces. 0-1 (26) Svetushkin,D (2612)-Matinian,N (2460) Moscow RUS 2013 [Vigorito, D];

A1b) Vigorito, D: 'White can hardly play' 11.Ng3 Vigorito, D: '?!' Vigorito, D: 'hoping for' hxg4 *(Vigorito, D: 'because' 11...e5* Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'is already much better for Black-' *12.d5 Nd4)* 12.h5;

A1c) Vigorito, D: 'White can consider however' 11.gxh5 Nxh5 Vigorito, D: 'Black doesn't need to worry about getting mated here, as the knight on h5 can't be kicked out with Nf4, because the d4 pawn is hanging.' 12.Bh6 *(12.0-0-0 b5* Vigorito, D: 'when both sides have chances. This looks more consistent to me.'*)* 12...b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nc1 e5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Be2 Qf6 18.Qe3 c6 19.a3 b4 20.axb4 Rxb4 21.Ra2 Be6 22.b3 d5 23.Qg5 Nxf3+ 24.Bxf3 Qxf3 25.Qe5+ f6 26.Qc7+ Kh6 27.Rf1 Qxc3+ 0-1 (27) SouthAfricanWolf (2637)-avalanche_toss (2689) Blitz 2021;

A2) 10.Ng3 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Be2 c5 13.0-0 Rf8 14.Bd1 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.b4 Ne8 17.a4 cxb4 18.Nce2 Nxe2+ 19.Bxe2 bxa4 20.Rxa4 b3 21.Rb1 f5 22.gxf5 gxf5 23.Bf2 fxe4 24.fxe4 Nf6 25.Rb4 Rxb4 26.Qxb4 Bg4 27.Bf1 Bf3 28.Rxb3 Ng4 29.Nf5 Bxe4 30.Qxe4 Nxf2 31.Kxf2 Qg5 32.Rf3 Qd2+ 33.Be2 Kh8 34.Nxg7 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-E4D4_P (2675) Blitz 2022;

B) 9.a4 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Nxd4 exd4 12.Bxd4 c5 13.Be3 Bd7 14.Be2 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxa8 Qxa8 17.cxb5 Qa5 18.0-0 Qb4 19.Ra1 h5 20.Ra7 h4 21.Ra4 Qb3 22.Bd1 Qxa4 23.Bxa4 Nh5 24.Bg5 1-0 (24) Superfm1 (2649)-voliagross (2568) Blitz 2021;

C) 9.d5 Ne5 10.Nd4 c5 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Be2 Qc7 13.0-0 a5 14.Qc2 Ned7 15.Na4 h5 16.Rfd1 h4 17.Rac1 Nh5 18.Qd2 h3 19.g4 Nhf6 20.Qe1 Qb7 21.Qg3 e5 22.Nc2 d5 23.Qxh3 dxe4 24.fxe4 Nxe4 25.Qg2 Nef6 26.Rd6 e4 27.g5 Nh5 28.Bxh5 gxh5 29.g6 Ne5 30.gxf7+ Qxf7 31.Nd4 Nf3+ 32.Kh1 Bg4 33.h3 Qe7 34.Rg6 Qh4 35.Rxg7+ Kh8 36.Rg6 Ra7 37.Nc5 Rh7 38.Nxe4 Bxh3 39.Qg3 Bg4+ 40.Qxh4 Nxh4 41.Nxc6 Nxg6 42.Bd4+ Kg8 43.Nf6+ Kf7 ½-½ (43) Khismatullin,D (2616)-Gubajdullin,A (2300) St Petersburg RUS 2022;

D) 9.h4 Vigorito, D: 'is probably

more critical. A key game went Black can successfully stop the attack with is probably more critical. A key game went' h5 10.0-0-0 b5 11.Nd5 Vigorito, D: '!' bxc4 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 g5 15.Bxg5 e5 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.fxg4 exd4 18.g5 Qf3 19.g6 Bg4 20.Rg1

D1) 20...fxg6 Vigorito, D: '!' 21.hxg6 Vigorito, D: 'and now Golubev gives' *(21.Re1 c3* Vigorito, D: '!?' *22.bxc3 Bxh5 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.Qxd4 Qf4+ 25.Kb2 Qe5* Vigorito, D: 'gives Black good chances.'*)* 21...Kg7 *(*Vigorito, D: 'not' *21...c3 22.bxc3 Rab8 23.Nxd4* Vigorito, D: '!'*)* 22.Re1 d3 23.Bg2 *(23.Rg3 Qxe4 24.Bg2 Qf5* Vigorito, D: 'is good for Black' *)* 23...Qf2 Vigorito, D: '!' 24.Rgf1 Vigorito, D: '!' Qxe2 25.Rxe2 dxe2 Vigorito, D: 'with compensation for the queen.';

D2) 20...Rxe4 Vigorito, D: '?' 21.gxf7+ Kxf7 22.Bg2 Rxe2 23.Bxf3 Rxd2 24.Bd5+ Ke7 25.Rxd2 c3 26.bxc3 dxc3 27.Rh2 Bf5 28.Bxc6 Rb8 29.Re2+ Vigorito, D: '1-0 (29) Lautier, J (2682)-Golubev, M (2484) Odessa 2006';

E) 9.Ng3 in order to finish the development with Be2 and 0-0, to play e5 10.d5 Nd4 ! creating a nice outpost for the knight, which cannot be taken twice, because of Nxe4 at the end.;

F) 9.0-0-0 Rb8 10.g4 b5 11.Bh6 Bh8 12.h4 bxc4 13.h5 e5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Be3 Bg7 16.d5 Nb4 17.Ng3 c6 18.Bh6 Bh8 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.a3 Nd3+ 21.Bxd3 cxd3 22.dxc6 Be6 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.gxf5 Qb6 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Kb1 Qxc6 27.Nd5 Bg5 28.Qh2 Qc2+ 29.Qxc2 dxc2+ 30.Kxc2 Kg7 31.fxg6 Kxg6 32.b4 a5 33.Kb3 f5 34.Nc7 fxe4 35.fxe4 Rf8 36.Rxd6+ Rf6 37.Rxf6+ Bxf6 38.Rg1+ Kf7 39.Rf1 Kg6 40.Nd5 Bh4 41.Rf3 axb4 42.axb4 Re8 43.b5 Bd8 44.b6 Bxb6 45.Rf6+ 1-0 (45) Rodshtein,M (2609)-Galvez Extremera,F (2138) La Bordeta ESP 2010;

G) 9.g3 Bd7 10.Bg2 e5 11.d5 Na5 12.Qd3 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Qb8 15.a4 c6 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.Qxd6 Qxd6 18.Nxd6 Red8 19.Nb5 Nc4 20.Kf2 Nxe3 21.Kxe3 Bf8 22.Nec3 Bh6+ 23.f4 exf4+ 24.gxf4 Ng4+ 25.Ke2 Bxf4 26.Kf3 Be5 Mikhail Golubev: '!' 27.Kxg4 Rd3 28.Raf1 f6 29.Bf3 Bd7+ 30.Kh4 h5 31.Rhg1 g5+ 32.Rxg5+ fxg5+ 33.Kxg5 Kh7 34.Nd5 Rg8+ 35.Kh4 Rxd5 Mikhail Golubev: '0-1 Esen-Golubev, Aeroflot A2 open 2006 0-1 Esen-Golubev, Aeroflot A2 open 2006']

[8...e5 9.d5

A) 9...Na5 10.Ng3 b5 *(10...c5 11.h4 h5 12.Be2 Bd7 13.Bh6 Rb8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.f4 exf4 16.Qxf4 Qe7 17.0-0 b5 18.Qg5 Rbe8 19.Rxf6* 1-0 (19) Superfm1 (2611)-IDISJUDA (2568) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.Be2 *(11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nb3 13.Qd1 Nxa1 14.Qxa1 h5 15.0-0 h4 16.Nge2 Nh5 17.a3 Kh7 18.Qc1 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 Bb7 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Bg5 Qd6 23.Bxh4 Bh6 24.Qc2 e4 25.Kh1 Ra5 26.Nd4*

Qe5 27.Ne6 Rg8 28.Be2 Nf4 29.Bg3 Rxg3 30.hxg3 Nxe6 31.dxe6 Qxe6 32.Nb5 c6 33.Nd4 Qe5 34.Nxf5 Bf8 35.Qd2 Bc8 36.Bg4 Kg8 37.Qg5+ Kf7 38.Nd6# 1-0 (38) MaLeKkoNihli (2664)-Prettyfly (2631) Blitz 2022*; 11.b3 Bd7 12.Be2 Ne8 13.0-0 f5 14.f4 exf4 15.Bxf4 b4 16.Na4 Bxa4 17.bxa4 Bxa1 18.Rxa1 Rb8 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bh6 Rf7 21.Rf1 Qd7 22.Bd3 f4 23.Rxf4 Rxf4 24.Qxf4 Qf7 25.Bf5 Ng7 26.Bxh7+ Kf8 27.Nf5* 1-0 (27) Superfm1 (2654)-BirSivasKangali (2491) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.0-0 a5 14.a4 Ba6 15.Nb5 Qd7 16.Qxa5 Rfb8 17.Nxc7 Bb7 18.Nxa8 Rxa8 19.Qb4 Ba6 20.Rfc1 Qd8 21.a5 Rb8 22.Bb6 Qd7 23.Qa4 Bf8 24.Qxd7 Nxd7 25.Ne2 Bh6 26.Rc2 Nxb6 27.axb6 Be3+ 28.Kf1 Rxb6 29.Nc3 Bd4 30.Ra4 Kg7 31.g3 f5 32.Kg2 h5 33.h4 Kf6 34.exf5 gxf5 35.g4 hxg4 36.fxg4 e4 37.gxf5 Kxf5 38.Ne2 Be5 39.Ng3+ Kf4 40.Ra1 c3 41.bxc3 Bd3 42.Rf2+ Kg4 43.Nf5 Bxc3 44.Ne3+ Kh5 45.Ra7 Bd4 46.Nf5 Bxf2 47.Kxf2 Kg4 48.Ne3+ Kxh4 49.Nf5+ Kg5 50.Nd4 Kf4 51.Ne6+ Ke5 52.Nc7 Rb2+ 53.Kg3 Re2 54.Ne8 Rc2 55.Re7+ Kxd5 56.Nf6+ Kd4 57.Ng4 d5 58.Nf6 Bc4 59.Ng4 Rc3+ 60.Kf4 e3 61.Kg5 e2 62.Nf2 Rg3+ 63.Kf4 Rf3+ 64.Kxf3 Kc3 65.Ng4 d4 66.Kf2 d3 67.Ne3 d2 68.Nxc4 e1Q+ 69.Kf3 Qxe7 70.Nb6 Qf6+ 71.Ke4 Qxb6 72.Kf5 Qd4 73.Kg5 d1Q 74.Kf5 Qe2 75.Kg5 Qde3+ 76.Kf5 Q3f3+ 77.Kg5 Qeg2+ 78.Kh4 Qfh3# 0-1 (78) superfm1 (2686)-tiburoncin97 (2646) Blitz 2024;

B) 9...Ne7 10.g4

B1) 10...c6 11.Ng3 *(11.0-0-0 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.Kb1 Bb7 14.Rc1 Qd7 15.Ng3 Rfc8 16.Bd3 b4 17.Nce2 a5 18.Rxc8+ Rxc8 19.Rc1 Ne8 20.Bb6 Ra8 21.Rc2 Nc8 22.Be3 Nc7 23.Nc1 Bf8 24.Qe2 Ba6 25.Bxa6 Nxa6 26.Qc4 Nc5 27.Nd3 Nb6 28.Nxc5 dxc5 29.Qe2 Qc7 30.Qb5 Nd7 31.Qc6 Qd8 32.Ne2 a4 33.Nc1 Ra5 34.b3 Nb8 35.Qb7 Bd6 36.Nd3 axb3 37.axb3 Ra3 38.Rb2 Nd7 39.Qc6 Qe7 40.Kc2 Kg7 41.Qb5 Ra1 42.Rb1 Ra2+ 43.Rb2 Ra8 44.Kd2 h5 45.Rc2 hxg4 46.fxg4 Ra3 47.Nxc5 Bxc5 48.Bxc5 Qg5+ 49.Be3 Qxg4 50.Qxb4 Qg2+ 51.Kd3 Qf1+ 52.Re2 Ra2 53.Bd2 Qf3+ 54.Re3 Qf1+ 55.Kc3 Qa1+ 56.Kd3 Qf1+ 57.Re2 Qf3+ 58.Be3 Qf1 59.Qe1* 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2721)-stumpspice (2812) Blitz 2022*)* 11...Ne8 *(11...b5 12.dxc6 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Nxc6 14.0-0 Nd4 15.Nce2 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Bxd5 Qxd5 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Qxh6 Rb8 21.Rf2 f5 22.Re1 Rb7 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Rfe2 Rbf7 25.Re8 Qc5 26.Rxf8+ Rxf8 27.Nxf5 Rxf5 28.Re8+ Kf7 29.Rb8 Rg5+ 30.Kf2 Qc2+ 31.Kf1 Qc1+ 32.Kf2 Qe3+* 0-1 (32) ChessGroot (2604)-Chesstoday (2710) Blitz 2020*)* 12.h4

(12.Bd3 Bd7 13.h4 Nc7 14.h5 f6 15.Bh6 g5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Ke2 b5 18.h6+ Kf7 19.cxb5 axb5 20.dxc6 Nxc6 21.Kf1 Nd4 22.Kg2 b4 23.Nce2 Nxe2 24.Nxe2 Ne6 25.Bc4 Ke7 26.Qxb4 Qb8 27.Qd2 Rc8 28.b3 Qb6 29.Rhd1 Ra3 30.Nc3 Kf8 31.Nd5 Qd8 32.Qb4 1-0 (32) penguingim1 (2690)-grandmatt (2607) Blitz 2016 *)* 12...f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Nh5 Ng6 *(14...fxg4 15.Rg1 Bh8 16.0-0-0 cxd5 17.Nxd5 Be6 18.Bh3 Ng6 19.Bxg4 Bxg4 20.Rxg4 Rc8 21.Kb1 Qd7 22.Qd3 Rxf3 23.Rdg1 Bg7 24.Nxg7 Nxg7 25.h5 Nxh5 26.Rxg6+ hxg6 27.Qxg6+ Ng7 28.Bh6 Rxc4 29.Nf6+ Rxf6 30.Qxf6 Rg4 31.Rf1 Kh7 32.Bxg7 Rxg7 33.Rh1+ Kg8 34.Rf1 Qf7 35.Qxf7+ Rxf7 36.Rg1+ Kf8 37.Rd1 Ke7 38.a3 Rf6 39.Rc1 Re6 40.Rc7+ Kf6 41.Rc1 e4 42.Rf1+* 1-0 (42) penguingim1 (2707)-grandmatt (2591) Blitz 2016*)* 15.0-0-0 Bh8 16.Bd3 fxg4 17.Bg5 Qc7 18.Qc2 Qf7 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Rdf1 Bxh5 21.Rxf7 Rxf7 22.Ne4 cxd5 23.Ng3 Bf3 24.Bxg6 hxg6 25.Qxg6+ Bg7 26.Rf1 Rc8 27.Rxf3 Rxf3 28.Qe6+ Kh7 29.Qxc8 Rxg3 30.Qxe8 1-0 (30) penguingim1 (2722)-grandmatt (2577) Blitz 2016;

B2) 10...Rb8 11.Nc1 Bd7 12.Nd3 b5 13.c5 b4 14.Nd1 a5 15.c6 Bc8 16.N1f2 Ne8 17.Rg1 f5 18.Bg5 Rf7 19.0-0-0 fxe4 20.fxe4 Ba6 21.Be3 Qc8 22.g5 Kh8 23.Bh3 Qd8 24.Kb1 Bc8 25.Bxc8 Qxc8 26.Ng4 Rb5 27.h3 Nxd5 28.exd5 Rxd5 29.Qe2 Qa6 30.Nf4 Rxd1+ 31.Rxd1 Qxc6 32.Ne6 Qe4+ 33.Qd3 Qf5 34.Nxg7 Kxg7 35.Nh6 Qxd3+ 36.Rxd3 Rf3 37.Kc2 d5 38.Bd2 Rxd3 39.Kxd3 Nd6 40.Ng4 Nc4 41.b3 e4+ 42.Ke2 Nd6 43.Bf4 Nb5 44.Ke3 c5 45.Nf6 Nc3 46.Be5 d4+ 47.Bxd4 cxd4+ 48.Kxd4 Nxa2 49.Nxe4 Kf7 50.Kc4 Nc1 51.Nc5 Ke7 52.Ne4 Ke6 53.h4 Kf5 54.Nf6 h6 55.Nh7 hxg5 56.hxg5 Kg4 57.Nf6+ Kxg5 58.Ne4+ Kf4 59.Nc5 g5 60.Nb7 g4 61.Nxa5 g3 62.Kxb4 g2 63.Nc4 Nxb3 64.Kc3 g1Q 65.Kxb3 Qg3+ 66.Kb4 Ke4 67.Kb5 Qb8+ 68.Nb6 Kd4 69.Kc6 Qe8+ 70.Nd7 Qxd7+ 71.Kxd7 Normal ½ - ½ (71) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-MrCamalion12 (2517) Blitz 2024;

B3) 10...b5 11.cxb5 *(11.Ng3 b4 12.Nd1 c5 13.Nf2 Ne8 14.h4 f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.exf5 Nxf5 17.Nxf5 Bxf5 18.Bg5 Qd7 19.0-0-0 Qa4 20.Bd3 Qxa2 21.Bxf5 Rxf5 22.Qc2 Rxf3 23.Ne4 b3 24.Qb1 h6 25.Bd2 Qa4 26.Rhg1 Qxc4+ 27.Nc3 e4 28.Rg4 Nf6 29.Rf4 Rxf4 30.Bxf4 Nxd5 31.Rxd5 Bxc3 32.Rd1 Be1+* 0-1 (32) retardedplatypus123 (2605)-Pawn_Avalanche (2653) Blitz 2022 *)* 11...axb5 12.Nxb5 c6 13.dxc6 d5 14.g5 Nh5 15.exd5 Qxd5 16.Qxd5 Nxd5 17.Bc5

Rd8 18.c7 Re8 19.Nd6 Bf8 20.Nxe8 Bxc5 21.Nc3 Ne3 22.Rc1 Bf5 23.Ne4 Bb4+ 24.Kf2 1-0 (24) Sandipan,C (2641)-Kantans,T (2342) Caleta ENG 2011;

B4) 10...h5 11.g5 *(11.h3 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Ba6 14.Nec3 Qd7 15.Rc1 Rfc8 16.Be2 c6 17.dxc6 Rxc6 18.Kf2 d5 19.exd5 Nexd5 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Rhd1 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Bxb5 23.Bxb5 Qxb5 24.Rc5 Qb8 25.Rxd5 e4 26.f4 hxg4 27.hxg4 Qc8 28.f5 Bf8 29.b3 Ra6 30.Kg3 Qa8 31.Rd8 Qc6 32.Bh6 Qc7+ 33.Kh3 Rd6 34.Qxd6 Qxd6 35.Rxd6 Bxd6 36.a4 gxf5 37.gxf5 Kh7 38.Be3 Kg7 39.Kg4 Kf6 40.a5 Ke5 41.a6 Bb8 42.a7 Bxa7 43.Bxa7 Kd5 44.Kf4 Kc6 45.Kxe4 Kb5 46.Kd3 Kb4 47.Kc2 1-0 (47) penguingim1 (2720)-chika3000 (2562) Blitz 2023)* 11...Ne8 12.Nc1 c6 13.Nd3 cxd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.0-0-0 b5 16.Kb1 f6 17.gxf6 Rxf6 18.Be2 Nc7 19.Rhg1 b4 20.Nxb4 Nb5 21.Nxb5 Bxb5 22.Bxb5 axb5 23.Bg5 Rxf3 24.Nc6 Bf6 25.Qe2 Rf4 26.Bxf4 exf4 27.e5 Nxc6 28.exf6 Qa5 29.Rxg6+ Kf8 30.Rg8+ Kxg8 31.Qg2+ Kf8 32.Qg7+ Ke8 33.f7+ Kd8 34.f8Q# 1-0 (34) Duhless1981 (2769)-IDISJUDA (2692) Blitz 2024]

[8...b5 9.cxb5 *(9.Ng3 h5 10.h4 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Nge2 c5 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.Nc1 Nd4 15.Nb3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Qf6 18.Bg5 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 Qxf3 20.Bg2 Qg3+ 21.Qf2 Qd3 22.Rd1 Qb5 23.Qe2 Qa4 24.0-0 Qxa2 25.Qc2 Qa4 26.Be7 Bg4 27.Ra1 Qd7 28.Bxf8 Bxf8 29.Qc6 Qd8 30.Na5 Rc8 31.Qxa6 Qxh4 32.Qb7 f6 33.Nc6 Qg5 34.Ra7 Qh6 35.Qf7+ Kh8 36.Qxf6+ Bg7 37.Qe7 h4 38.Kh2 h3 39.Qxg7+ Qxg7 40.Rxg7 Kxg7 41.Bxh3 Rh8 42.Kg3 Bxh3 43.Rh1 Bd7 44.Rxh8 Kxh8 45.Nxb4 Kg7 46.Nd3 Kf7 47.Ne1 Ke7 48.Nc2 Be8 49.Ne3 Bb5 50.Kf3 Bd3 51.b4 Bb5 52.Nd1 Bd7 53.Nc3 g5 54.b5 Kd8 55.b6 Kc8 56.Ne2 Kb7 57.Ng3 g4+ 58.Ke3 Kxb6 59.Nf5 Kc5 60.Ng7 Bb5 61.Ne6+ Kb6 62.Nf8 Bd7 63.Ng6 Kc7 64.Ne7 Kd8 65.Nf5 Bxf5 66.exf5 Ke7 67.Kf2 Kf6 68.Kg3 Kxf5 69.Kh4 e4 70.Kh5 Ke5 71.Kg6 Kxd5 72.Kf7 Kd4 73.Ke7 d5 74.Kf7 e3 75.Ke7 e2 76.Kf7 e1Q 77.Kg6 Qe5 78.Kf7 g3 79.Kf8 g2 80.Kf7 g1Q 81.Kf8 Qgg7#* 0-1 (81) Superfm1 (2613)-PaokUltras (2620) Blitz 2024*; 9.c5 e6 10.cxd6 cxd6 11.g4 Bb7 12.Ng3 Rc8 13.h4 e5 14.d5 Nd4 15.Bg2 b4 16.h5 bxc3 17.bxc3 Nb5 18.Bh6 Qc7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.Rc1 Qg7 23.Qe3 Nd7 24.Bh3 Nc5 25.Nf5 gxf5 26.gxf5 Kh8 27.Kf2 Rc7 28.Rcg1 Qf6 29.Bf1 Rg7 30.Rh6 Rxg1 31.Rxf6 Rxf1+ 32.Kxf1 Rxf6 33.Qg5 Nd7 34.Qe3 Rf8 35.a4 Nc7 36.Qa7 Rb8 37.c4 Kg7 38.Kf2 a5 39.Kg3 Kf6 40.Kh4 Ke7 41.Kh3 Kd8 42.c5 dxc5 43.Qxa5 Ra8 44.Qd2 Rxa4 45.d6 Ne8 46.Qg5+ Ndf6 47.Qe3 Rd4 48.Qa3 c4 49.Qa5+ Kc8 50.Qxe5 Rxd6 51.Qc5+ Rc6 52.Qf2 c3 53.Qc2 Nd7 54.f4 Ndf6 55.e5 Nd5 56.f6 Ndxf6 57.exf6 Nxf6*

58.Kh4 Nd5 59.Qf5+ Kb8 60.Qf8+ Rc8 61.Qd6+ Ka7 62.Qa3+ Ba6 63.Qc1 c2 64.f5 Nb4 65.Qe3+ Ka8 66.Qf3+ Bb7 67.Qa3+ Na6 68.Qc1 Nb4 69.f6 Nd3 70.Qa3+ Kb8 71.f7 c1Q 72.f8Q Qf4+ 73.Qxf4+ Nxf4 74.Qd6+ Rc7 75.Qxf4 1-0 (75) SouthAfricanWolf (2609)-randy_segarra (2563) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 9...Na5 10.Nc1 axb5 11.Bxb5 c6 *(11...Ba6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.Qe2 Qa8 14.b4 Nb7 15.a4 c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.b5 Rd6 18.0-0 Qa5 19.N1a2 Nd7 20.Qc2 Ne5 21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 23.Rd1 Nc4 24.Bf2 Bd4 25.Bxd4 Rxd4 26.Kf2 Nbd6 27.Ne2 Ne5 28.Nxd4 cxd4 29.Rxd4 Nec4 30.Rxc4 Nxc4 31.Qxc4 Qd2+ 32.Qe2 Qd4+ 33.Kg3 Qe5+ 34.f4 Qd4 35.h3 Qxa4 36.b6 Qb3+ 37.Kh2 Qxb6 38.Nc3 Qc7 39.Qe3 g5 40.Ne2 gxf4 41.Qxf4 e5 42.Qg5+ Kf8 43.Ng3 Qd8 44.Qxd8+* 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Aloneking10 (2537) Blitz 2024*; 11...e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.0-0 Ba6 15.Bxa6 Rxa6 16.Rd1 Rb8 17.b3 Bf8 18.Rb1 Bb4 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Bd6 21.Bf2 Nc4 22.Ra1 Na3 23.Rd2 Bb4 24.Re2 Bc3* 0-1 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-dhonimessi (2581) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Be2 Be6 *(12...Ba6 13.Bxa6 Rxa6 14.b3 Qa8 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Rb1 Nd7 17.Nd3 h5 18.Rfc1 Qa7 19.Qf2 h4 20.d5 c5 21.Qxh4 Ne5 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.f4 Bf6 24.Qg3 Bd4 25.Ne2 Bg7 26.f5 Be5 27.Qg4 Kg7 28.fxg6 fxg6 29.Nf4 Bxf4 30.Qxf4 Rf8 31.Qh6+ Kg8 32.Qxg6+ Kh8 33.Rf1 Qa8 34.Rxf8+ Qxf8 35.Rf1 Qg7 36.Qe8+ Kh7 37.Rf7* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2644)-grandmastergauri (2663) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.0-0 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.Rd1 Qb8 *(15...c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Nb3 Nd7 20.Nxc5 Nxc5 21.Bxc5 Rd2 22.Ba3 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Rf2 24.Rd1 Be3 25.Nd5 Ba7 26.Nxe7+ Kg7 27.Nc6 Bb6 28.h4 Bf1 29.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 30.Kh2 Bc7+ 31.g3 Rxf3 32.Bb4 Rxg3 33.e5 Re3 34.Bc3 Re2+ 35.Kh3 Kf8 36.a4 h5 37.a5 Re4 38.a6 Ra4 39.a7 Bb6* 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-dhonimessi (2692) Blitz 2022*)* 16.b3 Be6 17.Nd3 Rc8 18.Rdb1 Qb7 19.a4 Nd7 20.Nf4 Nf8 21.Nxe6 Nxe6 22.b4 Qa7 23.Ne2 c5 24.d5 Bxa1 25.Rxa1 Nc7 26.bxc5 dxc5 27.e5 Qa5 28.Nc3 Rd8 29.Rd1 c4 30.Qd4 Ne6 31.Qd2 Nc5 32.Bd4 Nb3 33.Qc2 Nxd4 34.Rxd4 e6 35.Qd2 exd5 36.h3 Rab8 37.Rh4 h5 38.e6 Qb6+ 39.Kh1 Qxe6 40.Ne2 Qf6 41.Rf4 Qb2 42.Qd1 c3 43.Nc1 c2 44.Qd2 Qxc1+ 0-1 (44) Edouard,R (2686)-Kempinski,R (2599) Warsaw POL 2012;

B) 9...axb5 10.Nxb5 Na5 11.Qc2 *(11.Nec3 Nb3 12.Qd1 Nxa1 13.Qxa1 Ba6 14.d5 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Nd4 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 Qd7 18.Qd1 Rfb8 19.b3 c5 20.Nde2 Qc6 21.e5 Nd5 22.Nxd5 Qxd5 23.Qxd5 exd5 24.exd6 Rxa2 25.Bxc5 Ra1+ 26.Kf2 Rxh1* 0-1 (26) supertactic91 (2691)-Nadigraj (2744) Blitz 2021*; 11.Qc1*

c6 12.Na3 Ba6 13.Nc3 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 d5 15.e5 Nd7 16.f4 e6 17.Kf2 Qb6 18.Na4 Qa7 19.b3 Rfc8 20.Kg1 Bf8 21.Nc2 Qa6 22.Nc5 Nxc5 23.dxc5 Qd3 24.Rd1 Qe4 25.Rd4 Qf5 26.Ra4 h6 27.Nd4 Qd3 28.Bf2 Ra6 29.b4 Nb7 30.Rxa6 Qxa6 31.a4 Qd3 32.Ra3 Qe4 33.Qe1 Qxf4 34.a5 Bg7 35.a6 Nd8 36.a7 Ra8 37.b5 cxb5 38.c6 Bxe5 39.g3 Qf6 40.Rf3 Qg7 41.c7 Bxc7 42.Nxb5 Be5 43.Qa5 Nc6 44.Qb6 Nxa7 45.Nxa7 Rb8 46.Qe3 Rb1+ 47.Kg2 Rb2 48.Nc6 Bf6 49.Qa3 Rc2 50.h4 h5 51.Qa4 Rc4 52.Qa8+ Kh7 53.Na5 Ra4 54.Qa7 Ra2 55.Kh3 e5 56.Bc5 e4 57.Rf1 d4 58.Qa8 e3 59.Bf8 Qh8 0-1 (59) Tg_63 (2628)-nv222 (2577) Rapid 2021*; 11.Nc1 c6 12.Nc3 Be6 13.b4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.N1e2 Qb8 16.a3 Ra6 17.0-0 Qa8 18.a4 Rb8 19.Rfb1 Nd7 20.a5 Ra7 21.d5 c5 22.bxc5 Rxb1+ 23.Rxb1 Nxc5 24.Bd4 Bxe2 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Nxe2 Rxa5 27.h4 Ra2 28.Rb2 Ra1+ 29.Kh2 Qa4 30.Qd4+ Qxd4 31.Nxd4 Kf6 32.Nc6 h5 33.Rb8 Ra2 34.Re8 Nd3 35.Nxe7 Ne1 36.Nc8 Rxg2+ 37.Kh3 Rd2 38.Nxd6 Nxf3 39.Kg3 Ne5 40.Kf4 Rf2+ 41.Ke3 Rf3+ 42.Kd4 Rd3+ 43.Kc5 Rc3+ 44.Kd4 Rd3+ 45.Kc5 Nf3 46.Nc4 Rc3 47.e5+ Kg7 48.d6 Nd2 49.d7 Rxc4+ 50.Kb5 Rd4 51.d8Q Rxd8 52.Rxd8 Nf3 53.Re8 Nd4+ 54.Kc5 Ne6+ 55.Kd6 Nf4 56.Ke7 g5 57.Rf8 Ng6+* 0-1 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2620)-Tuzibaba (2598) Blitz 2021*; 11.Rc1 c6 12.Na3 Ba6 13.Nf4 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 Qb6 15.Kf2 Rfb8 16.Rc2 Qa6 17.Rfc1 c5 18.dxc5 dxc5 19.Bxc5 Nc6 20.Qe2 Qb7 21.b3 Nd7 22.Nb1 Nxc5 23.Rxc5 Bd4+ 24.Kf1 Bxc5 25.Rxc5 Nd4 26.Qc4 e5 27.Rxe5 Qa6 28.Qxa6 Rxa6 29.Nc3 Rc8 30.Nfd5 Kg7 31.Re7 Nc2 32.Kf2 Rac6 33.Nb5 Ra8 34.a4 Na1 35.Nd4 Rc1 36.Ne6+ Kh6 37.Rxf7 g5 38.Rf6+ Kh5 39.g4+ Kh4 40.Rh6#* 1-0 (40) jblboxxx (2611)-randy_segarra (2633) Blitz 2021*)* 11...c6 12.Na3 Be6 13.Nc3 Qb8 14.Bd3 Rc8 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Qe2 Nf8 17.Rfc1 Qb4 18.Qf2 Rcb8 19.Rab1 Nc4 20.Nxc4 Bxc4 21.a3 Qb3 22.Bxc4 Qxc4 23.Nd5 cxd5 24.Rxc4 dxc4 25.Qc2 Rc8 26.Rc1 Ne6 27.Qd2 Rab8 28.h3 Rb3 29.Rc3 Rcb8 30.Rxb3 Rxb3 31.Kf2 Nxd4 32.Bxd4 Rd3 33.Qxd3 1-0 (33) edgelorde (2751)-Tuzibaba (2566) Blitz 2021]

[8...Bd7

A) 9.Rb1

A1) 9...h5 10.b4 e5 *(10...Re8 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nd4 c6 13.Be2 cxd5 14.cxd5 Rc8 15.0-0 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Rfc1 Qc7 18.Nce2 Rxc1+ 19.Rxc1 Qb8 20.Nb3 Rc8 21.Na5 Rxc1+ 22.Qxc1 Ne8 23.Bd4 Nc7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Nd4 Qa7 26.Qe3 Nb5 27.Nc2 Qxe3+ 28.Nxe3 Nc3 29.a3 b5 30.Nc6 Nb1 31.Nxe7 Nxa3 32.Nc6 Kf6 33.Kf2 Nb1 34.Ke2 Nc3+ 35.Kd3 Na4 36.Kd4 Nb6 37.f4 h4 38.e5+ dxe5+ 39.fxe5+ Kg5 40.g3 hxg3 41.hxg3 Na4 42.Nb8 Bc8 43.d6 Nb6 44.Kc5*

Na4+ 45.Kc6 f6 46.Kc7 Be6 47.d7 Bxd7 48.Nxd7 fxe5 49.Nxe5 Nb2 50.Kb6 Kf6 51.Nd7+ Ke6 52.Nc5+ Ke5 53.Nxa6 Nd3 54.Kxb5 Ke4 55.Nf1 Kf3 56.Kc4 Nxb4 57.Nxb4 Kf2 58.Kd4 Kxf1 59.Ke4 Kg2 60.Kf4 Kh3 61.g4 Kh4 62.g5 Kh5 63.Nd5 Kh4 64.Nf6 Kh3 65.Ke5 Kh4 66.Ne4 Kg4 67.Kf6 Kf4 68.Kxg6 Kxe4 69.Kf6 Kf4 70.g6 Ke4 71.g7 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-vistagausta (2877) Blitz 2024*)* 11.d5 Ne7 12.Nc1 Nh7 13.Nd3 f5 14.Be2 fxe4 15.fxe4 Nc8 16.c5 Qh4+ 17.Bf2 Rxf2 18.Nxf2 Ne7 19.0-0 Ng5 20.g3 Bh6 21.gxh4 Nf3+ 22.Bxf3 Bxd2 23.Ne2 Rf8 24.Bg2 Bb5 25.Rb2 Be3 26.Bh3 Rf3 27.Be6+ Kg7 28.Kg2 Rf6 29.Nd1 Rxf1 30.Kxf1 Bd4 31.Rc2 Bd3 32.Rd2 Bxe4 33.Nxd4 exd4 34.Nf2 Bf5 35.Rxd4 Kf6 36.Bxf5 Kxf5 37.Rd3 Kf4 38.Kg2 Nf5 39.cxd6 Nxd6 40.Rc3 Ke5 41.Rxc7 Kxd5 42.Rg7 Nf5 43.Rxb7 Kc6 44.Ra7 Kb6 45.Rd7 Kc6 46.Rd3 Kb5 47.a3 Kc4 48.Rd7 Nxh4+ 49.Kg3 g5 50.Ra7 Kb5 51.Rg7 Nf5+ 52.Kf3 Nxg7 53.Ne4 g4+ 54.Kf4 Ka4 55.Nc5+ Kxa3 56.Nxa6 Ka4 57.Kg5 Kb5 58.Nc5 Kxb4 59.Ne6 Nxe6+ 60.Kxh5 Kc4 61.Kxg4 Kd5 62.h4 Ke5 63.h5 Kf6 64.h6 Nf8 65.h7 Nxh7 ½-½ (65) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-IAmMateCheckMate (2844) Blitz 2025;

A2) 9...Qb8 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nd4 c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Be2 c5 14.Nc2 Qc7 15.0-0 Rfb8 16.Rfd1 h5 17.h3 Nc6 18.Kh1 Ra7 19.b3 Rab7 20.Bg1 Kh7 21.Ne3 e6 22.Qxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Ne8 24.Rd3 Nb4 25.Ned1 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 Rc8 27.Be3 f5 28.Rc1 Bh6 29.Kg1 Nf6 30.Kf2 Bc6 31.e5 Nd7 32.f4 h4 33.Ne2 g5 34.fxg5 Bg7 35.Nf4 Nxe5 36.Be2 Re7 37.Bxc5 Ree8 38.Be3 Be4 39.Nc3 Bc6 40.Bh5 Rf8 41.Nxe6 f4 42.Nxf8+ Rxf8 43.Bc5 Rd8 44.Rd1 Nd3+ 45.Ke2 Bxc3 46.Rxd3 f3+ 47.Bxf3 Re8+ 48.Kf2 Be1+ 49.Kf1 Bxf3 50.Rxf3 Bg3 51.Bf2 Bxf2 52.Kxf2 Kg6 53.g3 hxg3+ 54.Rxg3 Re4 55.Kf3 Rd4 56.Ke3 Rd1 57.Rg2 Re1+ 58.Kd4 Rc1 59.Kc5 Rf1 60.Kb6 Rf5 61.Kxa6 Rf3 62.Kb5 Rxh3 63.Rc2 Rh1 64.c5 Rh8 65.Rc4 Rb8+ 66.Ka4 Ra8+ 67.Kb4 Rc8 68.c6 Rb8+ 69.Kc3 Rc8 70.c7 Kf7 71.b4 Ke6 72.b5 Kd7 73.b6 Rf8 74.b7 Rf3+ 75.Kb4 Rb3+ 76.Kxb3 Ke6 77.c8Q+ Ke5 78.Qc5+ Ke6 79.Rb4 Kf7 80.Qc6 1-0 (80) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-IDISJUDA (2589) Blitz 2023;

A3) 9...Na5 10.Nc1 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 e5 13.Be2 Qb8 14.Nc3 exd4 15.Bxd4 Qb4 16.Be3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Qd3 Be6 19.Qxc4 Bxc4 20.b3 Ng4 21.Bd2 Ne3 22.bxc4 Nxc4 23.Nb3 Rfb8 24.Ke2 c5 25.Rhc1 Na3 26.Ra1 c4

27.Na5 Rxa5 28.Nd5 Ra7 29.Bc3 Bxc3 30.Rxc3 Rb2+ 31.Kf1 Nc2 32.Rc1 Raxa2 33.Rxc4 Na3 34.Rc8+ Kg7 35.Ne3 Re2 36.Kg1 Rxe3 37.R8c3 Ree2 38.h4 Rxg2+ 39.Kf1 Rh2 40.Ke1 Rag2 41.Kf1 Rf2+ 42.Kg1 Rhg2+ 43.Kh1 Rh2+ 44.Kg1 Rfg2+ 45.Kf1 Rd2 46.Kg1 Nb5 47.Rc5 Rdg2+ 48.Kf1 Nd4 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-Ballsy_Binge (2661) Blitz 2023;

A4) 9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.b4

A4a) 11...Qb8 12.d5

A4a1) 12...Ne5 13.Nd4 c6 *(13...e6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Ndxb5 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxb5 17.Qc2 Ra3 18.Rb3 Ba4 19.Qc1 Rxa2 20.Rb1 Rxf3 21.Be2 Rf8 22.Nc3 Rc2 23.Qa3 Rxc3* 0-1 (23) Sethuraman,S (2613)-Demchenko,A (2588) St Petersburg RUS 2014 *)* 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.Ndxb5 Rc8 16.Be2 Ne5 17.Nd4 Ra3 18.Ncb5 Ra4 19.0-0 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Nc3 Raxb4 22.a3 Rxb1 23.Rxb1 Qc8 24.Nce2 h5 25.Rc1 Kh7 26.Rxc4 Qxc4 27.Qc3 Qa6 28.Kf2 Ba4 29.Qb4 Nd7 30.Nb3 Ne5 31.Nbc1 Bf6 32.Bd2 Nc4 33.Ke1 Bd7 34.Bc3 Nxa3 35.Qa5 Bxc3+ 36.Qxc3 Nc4 37.Nd3 Bb5 38.Nd4 e5 39.Nxb5 Qxb5 40.Nc1 Qc5 41.Ne2 h4 42.g3 h3 43.Qd3 Ne3 44.Qc3 Qb6 45.Nc1 d5 46.Ke2 d4 47.Qb3 Qa6+ 48.Nd3 Kg7 49.Kf2 Qa1 50.Ne1 Qc1 51.Qd3 Nd1+ 52.Ke2 Nc3+ 53.Kf2 Qb2+ 54.Nc2 Na2 55.Kf1 Nc1 56.Qd1 d3 0-1 (56) Sethuraman,S (2640)-Guseinov,G (2634) Berlin GER 2015;

A4a2) 12...Na7 13.Nd4 e5 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Be2 Nh5 16.0-0 Nf4 17.Rfc1 Bh6 18.Bf1 Qb6 19.g3 e5 20.Nf5 gxf5 21.gxf4 Bxf4 22.Nd5 Bxe3+ 23.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 24.Nxe3 c6 25.Rd1 Nc8 26.Rb2 Ra3 27.Rg2+ Kh8 28.Nxf5 Bxf5 29.exf5 Rxf3 30.Rc2 Ne7 31.Bg2 Rg8 32.Kh1 Rf4 33.Rxd6 Nxf5 34.Rc1 Nd4 35.Bxc6 Rf2 36.Be4 Rg4 37.Rd7 Rf8 38.Rg7 Kxg7 39.Rc7+ Rf7 40.Rc1 Rxe4 41.Rg1+ Kf6 42.Rf1+ Rf4 43.Rd1 Kf5 44.Kg2 Nf3 45.Kh1 Nh4 46.Rg1 Rg7 47.Re1 Ng6 48.Rg1 Ke4 49.Re1+ Kf5 50.Rg1 e4 51.h4 Rf7 52.h5 Rf1 53.Rxf1+ Ke6 54.Rxf7 Kxf7 55.hxg6+ Kxg6 56.a4 1-0 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Ohpdog1 (2704) Blitz 2021;

A4b) 11...e5 12.d5 Ne7 13.Nc1 *(13.Ng3 Qb8 14.Bd3 c6 15.dxc6 Bxc6 16.0-0 Rd8 17.Qe2 d5 18.Bc5 dxe4 19.Ngxe4 Nf5 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Bxb5 Bxb5 22.Qxb5 Qxb5 23.Nxb5 Rxa2 24.Nc3 Rc2 25.Ne4 Be7 26.Rfc1 Bxc5+ 27.bxc5 Ra2 28.c6 Rc8*

29.c7 Raa8 30.g4 Nd4 31.Kg2 Ne6 32.Rb7 Kg7 33.Nd6 Ra2+ 34.Kf1 Rxc7 35.Rcxc7 Nxc7 36.Rxc7 Rxh2 37.Rxf7+ Kg8 38.Re7 Rd2 39.Nc4 Rc2 40.Nxe5 h5 41.Nxg6 hxg4 42.f4 g3 43.Ne5 Rf2+ 44.Kg1 Rxf4 45.Nd3 Rf3 46.Ne1 Rf7 47.Re3 Kg7 48.Kg2 Kf8 49.Kxg3 Rg7+ 50.Kf2 Rf7+ 51.Nf3 Re7 52.Ra3 Rf7 53.Ra8+ Kg7 54.Ra6 Rf8 55.Kg3 Rf6 56.Ra7+ Rf7 57.Ra5 Kf8 58.Kg4 Rg7+ 59.Kf4 Re7 60.Ne5 Re6 61.Ra8+ Ke7 62.Ra7+ Kf6 63.Rf7# 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-SummerParadise (2804) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...c6 14.dxc6 Bxc6 15.Nb3 d5 16.exd5 Nexd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Bc5 e4 19.Nd4 e3 20.Qc2 Bxd4 21.Bxd4 Qh4+ 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-satlan (2732) Blitz 2024;

A5) 9...e6 10.Ng3 h5 11.Bd3 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nge2 c5 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.0-0 h4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Nd4 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Bg5 Bf6 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Rbc1 Rac8 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Rc1 Rc5 24.b4 Rc3 25.Be2 h3 26.g3 Bb5 27.Bxb5 axb5 28.Rxc3 dxc3 29.Qd3 c2 30.Qxc2 Qxf3 31.Qc8+ Kg7 32.Qxh3 Qe3+ 33.Kf1 Qxe4 34.Qg2 Qb1+ 35.Kf2 Qxa2+ 36.Kg1 Qb1+ 37.Qf1 Qxb4 38.Qa1+ f6 39.Qa8 Qc5+ 40.Kf1 Qxd5 41.Qd8 b4 42.Qe7+ Qf7 43.Qxd6 b3 44.Qb4 Qd5 45.Qe7+ Kh6 46.Qe3+ g5 47.Qb6 Kg6 48.Kf2 Qe5 49.Qxb3 Qf5+ 50.Kg2 Qe4+ 51.Kf2 Qf5+ 52.Kg2 Qd7 53.Qg8+ Kf5 54.Qb3 Qd2+ 55.Kg1 Qe1+ 56.Kg2 Qe4+ 57.Kg1 Qc6 58.Qf7 Qc5+ 59.Kg2 Qc6+ 60.Kh3 Ke5 61.Qe7+ Qe6+ 62.Qxe6+ Kxe6 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-exhausted10 (2822) Blitz 2021;

A6) 9...a5 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nd4 e6 12.Be2 Qe7 13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Rfe1 c6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Bf2 Nf7 17.Rbd1 e5 18.Nc2 Be6 19.Ne3 Bh6 20.Qc2 Nd7 21.Na4 Nc5 22.Nxc5 dxc5 23.Qb3 Qc7 24.Nc2 Red8 25.Bxc5 Ra6 26.Rxd8+ Nxd8 27.Rd1 Nf7 28.Qd3 Ra8 29.Qb3 Ra6 30.a4 Bf8 31.Be3 c5 32.Na3 Rd6 33.Nb5 Rxd1+ 34.Qxd1 Qc6 35.Qd2 Be7 36.Qxa5 1-0 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2727)-strizibuba (2568) Blitz 2023;

B) 9.Rd1 b5 10.Nc1 e5 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Nxe4 14.fxe4 Qh4+ 15.Qf2 Qxe4 16.Nc3 Qb7 17.Be2 Qxb2 18.Nd5 c6 19.Bd4 Qa3 20.Nf6+ Bxf6 21.Qxf6 Qb4+ 22.Kf2 Rfe8 23.Rhf1 Re6 24.Qf4 c5 25.Bxe5 Rxe5 26.Qxb4 cxb4 27.Nd3 Rf5+ 28.Ke3 Rxa2 29.Nxb4 Re5+ 30.Kf3 Raxe2 31.Rxd6 R5e3+ 32.Kf4 Re4+ 33.Kf3 Bg4+ 34.Kg3 Rxb4 35.Rd8+ Kg7 36.h3 Re3+ 37.Kh2 Be6 38.Rd6 Reb3 39.Ra6 Rb7 40.Rc1 R3b6 41.Ra5 Rb1 42.Ra3 R1b2 43.Rac3 Bd5

44.Rg3 Ra7 45.Rcc3 Raa2 46.Rc5 Rxg2+ 47.Rxg2 Rxg2+ 48.Kh1 Rd2+ 49.Kg1 g5 50.Rc7 Kg6 51.Rc5 f5 52.Ra5 Kh5 53.Ra6 Kh4 54.Rh6+ Kg3 55.Kf1 Bf3 56.Rd6 Rxd6 0-1 (56) Lucky13579246 80 (2705)-chessm1105 (2805) Blitz 2024;

C) 9.0-0-0 b5 10.h4 e5 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Rxd4 Nh5 15.g4 Ng3 16.Rg1 Nxf1 17.Rxf1 Be6 18.e5 Qe7 19.exd6 cxd6 20.Re1 Rfc8 21.g5 Qf8 22.Ne4 Qxh6 23.gxh6 Kf8 24.Nxd6 Rc6 25.b4 a5 26.Re5 axb4 27.Rxb5 Rca6 28.Kb2 Rd8 29.Nf5 Rda8 30.Ng7 Rxa2+ 31.Kb3 Bh3 32.Kxb4 Rf2 33.Rf4 Rf1 34.Rb6 Rc8 35.Rbf6 Rc7 36.Re4 Rc8 37.Ref4 Rc7 38.Re4 Rc8 39.Rff4 Rc1 40.Re5 Rb8+ 41.Kc5 Rc8+ 42.Kb4 Rb8+ 43.Kc5 Rc8+ 44.Kb4 ½-½ (44) Botyuliirma (2695)-ResoluteBot (2728) Blitz 2022;

D) 9.Ng3 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Nge2 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.Qxd6 Qa5 14.a3 Be6 15.b4 Qd8 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Ng3 h5 18.Be2 h4 19.Nf1 a5 20.b5 Nd4 21.Kf2 Nxe2 22.Nxe2 Bxc4 23.a4 Rac8 24.Nd2 Bd3 25.Rhc1 Bf8 26.Rxc8 Rxc8 27.Rc1 Rxc1 28.Nxc1 Bc2 29.Ncb3 Bb4 30.Bb6 Bxd2 31.Nxd2 Bxa4 32.Nc4 Bxb5 33.Nxa5 Nd7 34.Bc7 b6 35.Nb3 f6 36.Ke3 Kf7 37.Bd6 Ke6 38.Bb4 Bf1 39.Kf2 Bc4 40.Nd2 Ba6 41.g3 hxg3+ 42.hxg3 Nb8 43.Ke3 Nc6 44.Bc3 b5 45.Nb3 Kd6 46.Bb2 b4 47.f4 Bc4 48.Nd2 Kc5 49.Nf3 Kd6 50.Nd2 Be6 51.Nf3 Bg4 52.Nd2 Kc5 53.Nb3+ Kc4 54.Nd2+ Kb5 55.fxe5 fxe5 56.Kd3 Bd1 57.Ke3 Kc5 58.Kd3 g5 59.Ke3 g4 60.Kd3 Ba4 61.Ke3 Nd4 62.Kd3 Bd1 63.Ke3 b3 64.Bxd4+ exd4+ 65.Kd3 b2 66.Nb1 Bb3 67.e5 Ba2 68.Na3 b1Q+ 69.Nxb1 Bxb1+ 70.Kd2 Kd5 71.Kc1 Be4 72.Kd2 Kxe5 73.Ke2 d3+ 74.Kd2 Kd4 75.Kd1 Ke3 76.Ke1 Bf3 77.Kf1 d2 78.Kg1 d1Q+ 0-1 (78) Superfm1 (2640)-satlan (2709) Blitz 2024;

E) 9.g4 b5 *(9...Na5 10.Ng3 b5 11.h4 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.0-0-0 Qb8 14.h5 Qb4 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Rab8 17.Rh2 Bxg4 18.fxg4 Nxg4 19.Qf4 Nxh2 20.Rd2 e5* 0-1 (20) Malek_Koniahli (2608)-AManCalledDonalP (2641) Blitz 2024*; 9...Qb8 10.Ng3 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Be2 c5 13.h4 h5 14.gxh5 gxh5 15.Rg1 Kh7 16.0-0-0 b5 17.Rdf1 bxc4 18.f4 Nxe2+ 19.Ngxe2 Ng4 20.f5 Bf6 21.Bg5 Qd8 22.Ng3 Rg8 23.Nxh5 Bxg5 24.hxg5 Qxg5 25.Rxg4 Qxd2+ 26.Kxd2 Rxg4 27.Nf6+ Kg7 28.Nxg4 Rh8 29.Rf2 Rh3 30.Ne3 f6 31.Nxc4 Be8 32.Nxd6 Bh5 33.Nb7 c4 34.Nd6 Rd3+ 35.Kc2 Rd4 36.Rd2 Kf8 37.Rxd4 exd4 38.Na4 Ke7 39.Nxc4* 1-0 (39) MaLeKkoNihli (2603)-IDISJUDA (2573) Blitz 2021*)* 10.cxb5 Na5 11.Nc1 axb5 12.Nxb5 c6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.h4 h5 15.g5 Nd7 16.Qc2 Qb6 17.Qd2 c5 18.dxc5 dxc5 19.Kf2 Rfd8 20.Qc2 Bd4 21.Na4 Bxe3+ 22.Kxe3 Qa7 23.Kf2 c4+ 24.Kg2 Ne5 25.Be2 Nac6 26.b3 Nd4 27.Qb2 Rac8 28.Rd1 Nxe2 29.Qxe2 Qa5 30.Qe1 Qxe1

31.Rxe1 cxb3 32.axb3 Rd2+ 33.Kg3 Rcc2 34.Kf4 Rf2 35.Kxe5 Rxf3 36.Nb6 Bg4 37.Nd5 1-0 (37) Socko,B (2623)-Fedorov,A (2566) Jurmala LAT 2015;

F) 9.a3 e6 10.b4 Ne7 11.Nc1 Ne8 12.Be2 f5 13.0-0 Nf6 14.Bh6 Nh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd3 Nc6 17.Qe3 f4 18.Qf2 Qf6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Ne4 Qf5 21.dxe5 b6 22.Rad1 Rad8 23.g4 fxg3 24.hxg3 Qf7 25.f4 Kh8 26.Bxh5 gxh5 27.Nf6 Bc8 28.Qf3 Bb7 29.Qxh5 Nd4 30.Qxf7 Rxf7 31.Kf2 Bf3 32.Rb1 Nf5 33.Nb2 Bc6 34.Rbd1 Rff8 35.Rxd8 Rxd8 36.Rd1 Rxd1 37.Nxd1 Nd4 38.Ne3 Kg7 39.g4 h6 40.f5 Kf7 41.Kg3 Bb7 42.Nh5 Bc8 43.Kf4 Bb7 44.Ng3 Ba8 45.g5 hxg5+ 46.Kxg5 Nf3+ 47.Kf4 Nd4 48.fxe6+ Nxe6+ 49.Kf5 Nd4+ 50.Kg5 Ke6 51.Kf4 a5 52.bxa5 bxa5 53.Ng4 Nc2 54.Ne4 Nxa3 55.Nc5+ Ke7 56.Ne3 Bc6 57.e6 Nb1 58.Ke5 Nd2 59.Nd5+ Bxd5 60.cxd5 Nc4+ 61.Kd4 Nb6 62.Nd3 a4 63.Kc5 a3 64.Nb4 Kf6 65.Kc6 Ke7 66.Kxc7 a2 67.Nxa2 Nxd5+ 68.Kc6 Kxe6 69.Kc5 Nc3 70.Nxc3 ½-½ (70) alexkaspi (2603)-BlitzWithIncrement (2717) Blitz 2023;

G) 9.h4 b5 10.h5 Nxh5 11.g4 Nf6 12.Bh6 Bh8 13.Bxf8 Qxf8 14.0-0-0 e5 15.d5 Nd4 16.Nxd4 exd4 17.Ne2 bxc4 18.Nxd4 c3 19.Qxc3 Qb8 20.Bc4 Qb6 21.e5 dxe5 22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6 e4 24.g5 Nd5 25.Qb3 Qxb3 26.Bxb3 1-0 (26) leytenantsimonyan (2729)-chosterm (2648) Blitz 2022]

The main plan remains 9.Nc1 followed by Nb3.

[9.b3 b5 10.cxb5 *(10.Nd1 c6 11.Rc1 bxc4 12.b4 Nb7 13.Rxc4 a5 14.a3 axb4 15.axb4 d5 16.exd5 cxd5 17.Rc1 Nd6 18.Nec3 Qb6 19.b5 Bd7 20.Rb1 Nf5 21.Bf2 Bh6 22.f4 Ng4 23.Bg1 Qd6 24.g3 Ra3 25.Be2 Nf6 26.Bf2 Ne4 27.Nxe4 dxe4 28.0-0 e5 29.fxe5 Qe7 30.Qb4 e3 31.Be1 Ra2 32.Bc4 e2 33.Bxa2 exf1Q+ 34.Kxf1 Qg5 35.Qc3 Ra8 36.Bd5 Rb8 37.b6 Qh5 38.Kg1 Qe2 39.Bf3 Be3+ 40.Nxe3 Qxf3 41.Nxf5 Qxf5 42.Rb2 Qe4 43.Qc7 Qxd4+ 44.Bf2 Qd1+ 45.Kg2 Rc8 46.Qd6 Bc6+ 47.Kh3 Qh5#* 0-1 (47) papasi (2671)-Kaldas90 (2652) Blitz 2020*)* 10...axb5 11.Rc1 *(11.Ng3 Nxb3 12.Qb2 Nxa1 13.Qxa1 b4 14.Nd1 c5 15.Be2 b3 16.a3 cxd4 17.Bxd4 Qa5+ 18.Kf2 Qxa3 19.Qc3 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Qxa6 21.Nb2 Rfc8 22.Qxb3 Rab8 23.Qe3 e5 24.Bc3 Rb3 25.Ne2 Rcxc3 26.Nxc3 Rxb2+ 27.Kg3 Nh5+ 28.Kh3 Qc8+ 29.g4 Nf4+ 30.Kh4 Bf6+ 31.Kg3 Rg2#* 0-1 (31) OnkelKonkel (2632)-dhonimessi (2632) Blitz 2022 *)*

A) 11...Ba6 12.g3 Nd7 13.d5 c5 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.Bg2 b4 16.Nd5 Nce5 17.0-0 Nd3 18.Rc2 N7c5 19.Rd1 Rb8 20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Bf1 Bxd5 22.exd5 Ne5 23.Be2 Qd7 24.f4 Ng4 25.Bxg4 Qxg4 26.Nc6 Rb7 27.Qe2 Qh3 28.Bxc5 dxc5 29.Rxc5 Re8 30.d6 Rd7 31.Nxe7+ Kf8 32.Rc8 Rxc8 33.Nxc8 Qf5 34.Qe7+ Kg8 35.Qe8+ Bf8 36.Ne7+ Rxe7 37.dxe7 Qc5+ 38.Kg2 Qxe7 39.Qxe7 Bxe7 40.Rd3 Kg7 41.Rd7 Bf6 42.Rb7 Bc3 43.Kf3 h5 44.Ra7 1-0 (44) AgressiveMode

(2725)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2021;

B) 11...b4 12.Na4 *(12.Nd1 Rb8 13.g4 Nd7 14.Ng3 e5 15.d5 c6 16.dxc6* 1-0 (16) rhungaski (2650)-Nguyen,D (2409) Blitz 2021*)* 12...c5 13.dxc5 dxc5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.Bxc5 Nc6 16.Ng3 Nd7 17.Be3 Nd4 18.Bc4 Ne5 19.Kf2 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Rxa6 21.Rhd1 Rad6 22.Ne2 Nxe2 23.Rxd6 exd6 24.Kxe2 h5 25.Rd1 Nc6 26.Nb6 Be5 27.g3 Rb8 28.f4 Bd4 29.Rxd4 Nxd4+ 30.Bxd4 Rb7 31.Kd3 Ra7 32.Na4 Rc7 33.Be3 Kf8 34.Bd2 Rb7 35.Kd4 Ke7 36.Nb2 Ra7 37.Na4 Rb7 38.h3 h4 39.g4 f6 40.f5 g5 41.Kd3 Rb8 42.Be3 Rc8 43.Nb6 Rc6 44.Nd5+ Kf7 45.Nxb4 Rc8 46.a4 Rb8 47.Kc3 Ke7 48.Nc6+ Kd7 49.Nxb8+ Kc8 50.Nc6 Kc7 51.Nd4 Kb6 52.Nb5+ Kc6 53.Kd4 d5 54.exd5+ Kd7 55.Kc5 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Unagi5 (2552) Blitz 2023;

C) 11...c6

C1) 12.Ng3 h5 13.Bd3 h4 14.Nge2 h3 15.g3 Nd7 16.0-0 b4 17.Na4 c5 18.dxc5 Nxc5 19.Nxc5 dxc5 20.Rxc5 *(20.Bxc5 Nc6 21.Be3 Ne5 22.Bb1 Ba6 23.Kf2 Qb8 24.Rfd1 f5 25.exf5 Bb7 26.Nd4 Rd8 27.Qe2 Rxd4 28.Bxd4 Nxf3 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.Qxe7+ Kh6 31.Qe3+ Kh5 32.fxg6 Nxh2 33.Rc5+* 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-Aquablast22 (2654) Blitz 2023*)* 20...Nb7 21.Rc2 Nd6 22.Rd1 Qa5 23.Nd4 Bd7 24.Bf1 Rfc8 25.Rdc1 Rc3 26.Rxc3 bxc3 27.Rxc3 Qxa2 28.Qxa2 Rxa2 29.Rd3 Ra1 30.Kf2 Kf8 31.Nc2 Ra2 32.Rd2 Bc3 33.Re2 Bb5 34.Nd4 Bxe2 35.Bxe2 Rb2 36.e5 Nb7 37.f4 Nc5 38.Kf3 Nxb3 39.Nxb3 Rxb3 40.Ke4 Ba5 41.Bd4 Rb4 42.Kd3 Bb6 43.Bc3 Rb1 44.Bg4 Bg1 0-1 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-Aquablast22 (2654) Blitz 2023;

C2) 12.Nf4 e5 *(12...Nd7 13.d5 b4 14.Na4 c5 15.Be2 Nb6 16.Nxb6 Qxb6 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Nd3 Rfb8 19.e5 Nb7 20.f4 Bb5 21.Rc2 Bxd3 22.Bxd3 dxe5 23.f5 Rc8 24.Qf2 Bf6 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.Bg5 Kg7 27.Qh4 Rh8 28.Qg3 c4+ 29.Be3 Qd6 30.Bxc4 Rac8 31.Rcf2 Qd7 32.Bg5 Qd6 33.h4 Rcf8 34.Bxf6+ exf6 35.Rxf6 Qxf6 36.Rxf6 Kxf6 37.Qg5+ Kg7 38.Qxe5+ Kh7 39.d6 Rd8 40.Bxf7 Nxd6 41.Qe7 Nxf7 42.Qxf7+ Kh6 43.Qf4+ Kg7 44.Qe5+ Kh7 45.Qe7+ Kh6 46.Qxb4 Rhe8 47.Qf4+ Kg7 48.h5 Rf8 49.Qg5 Rf6 50.h6+ Kf7 51.h7 Rh8 52.Qd5+ Kg7 53.Qd7+ Kh6 54.Qh3+ Kg7 55.Qd7+ Kh6 56.Qe7 Rf5 57.Qh4+ Rh5 58.Qf6 Rxh7 59.Qf4+ Kg7 60.Qe5+ Kh6 61.Qd6 Rf5* 0-1 (61) AM0R_FATI (2607)-Unagi5 (2609) Blitz 2024*)* 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.Nd3 Nh5 16.Be2 Nf4 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Nb7 19.0-0 Bxc3 20.Rxc3 Rxa2 21.Bd3 Be6 22.Bb1 Rb2 23.Rxc6 Na5 24.Rc7 Nxb3

25.Bg5 Rc8 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Bd3 b4 28.Rb1 Rxb1+ 29.Bxb1 Be6 30.Bf6 Nc5 31.Kf2 Na4 32.Ke3 Nc3 33.Bxc3 bxc3 34.Kd3 c2 35.Bxc2 g5 36.Ke3 Kg7 37.g3 Kf6 38.f4 gxf4+ 39.gxf4 Ke7 40.e5 Bd7 41.Bxh7 Kf8 42.Be4 Kg7 43.Bf3 Kh6 44.Kf2 Kg7 45.Kg3 Be6 46.h4 Bd5 47.Bg4 Bc4 48.f5 Bb3 49.Kf4 Bc2 50.f6+ Kh6 51.Bf5 Bb3 52.e6 fxe6 53.f7 Kg7 54.Bxe6 Bxe6 55.Kg5 Kxf7 0-1 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2757)-Normal_one (2616) Blitz 2023]

[9.Nf4 b5 *(9...c5 10.dxc5 dxc5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Bxc5 Nc6 13.Nfd5 e6 14.Ne7+ Nxe7 15.Bxe7 Rd7 16.Bc5 Ne8 17.Rd1 Bxc3+ 18.bxc3 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Bd7 20.Bd3 Rc8 21.Bd4 f6 22.e5 f5 23.h4 h6 24.Be3 Kg7 25.Kd2 Bc6 26.Rd1 Kh7 27.Ke2 Ng7 28.Kf2 Nh5 29.Be2 f4 30.Bb6 Ng3 31.Rd6 Re8 32.Bd3 Nf5 33.c5 Kg7 34.Rd8 Nxh4 35.Rd4 g5 36.Bd8 Nf5 37.Bf6+ Kf7 38.Bxf5 exf5 39.a3 Re6 40.Rd6 g4 41.Ke2 h5 42.Kf2 h4 43.Rxe6 Kxe6 44.Bxh4 Kxe5 45.Bg5 Bd5 46.Ke2 Bc6 47.Kf2 Bb5 48.Kg1 Kd5 49.fxg4 fxg4 50.Bxf4 Kxc5 51.Kf2 Kc4 52.Ke3 Kxc3 53.Bd6 Bc6 54.g3 a5 55.Bc7 Kb3 56.Bxa5 Kxa3 57.Kd4 Kb3 58.Kc5 Kc2 59.Bb6 Kd3 60.Kb4 ½-½ (60) gg-gm-gmg (2671)-Barys74 (2595) Blitz 2020)* 10.h4 *(10.cxb5 axb5 11.Bxb5 Nb3 12.Qe2 Nxa1 13.0-0 Bd7 14.Bxd7 Nxd7 15.Rxa1 e5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Rd1 Qb8 18.Nfd5 Re8 19.Bg5 c6 20.Nf6+ Bxf6 21.Bxf6 Re6 22.Bg5 d5 23.exd5 cxd5 24.Nxd5 Rxa2 25.Nc3 Qxb2 26.Qe3 Qxg2#* 0-1 (26) Poirot_Hercule (2696)-vistagausta (2853) Blitz 2023*)* 10...h5 11.g4 *(11.0-0-0 b4 12.Na4 c5 13.dxc5 Nd7 14.cxd6 exd6 15.Nd5 Rb8 16.b3 Ne5 17.Bb6 Rxb6 18.Naxb6 Bb7 19.Kb1 f5 20.exf5 Rxf5 21.Bd3 Nxd3 22.Qxd3 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Qe8 24.Rhe1 Re5 25.Qd2 Kh7 26.f4 Re4 27.Rxe4 Qxe4+ 28.Qc2 Qe6 29.Nxb4 Qf6 30.Kc1 Qxf4+ 31.Kb1 Qe5 32.Kc1 Bh6+ 33.Kb1 Bg7 34.Kc1 Bh6+ 35.Kb1 Bg7* ½-½ (35) Carnifex73 (2608)-fankasp (2469) Blitz 2024*)* 11...e5 *(11...Bxg4 12.fxg4 Nxg4 13.0-0-0 c6 14.Rg1 e5 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qxd8 Raxd8 17.Rxd8 Rxd8 18.Bb6 Rb8 19.Bxa5 exf4 20.Bc7 Re8 21.Bxf4 b4 22.Ne2 Rxe4 23.Bd2 Rxc4+ 24.Kb1 a5 25.Bg2 Ne5 26.Nf4 Rd4 27.Bc1 Nc4 28.Bxc6 Nd2+ 29.Bxd2 Rxd2 30.Rg2 Rd4 31.Rf2 Be5 32.Ng2 Rd1+ 33.Kc2 Rd6 34.Ba4 f5 35.Bb3+ Kg7 36.Bc4 a4 37.b3 a3 38.Nf4 Bc3 39.Nd3 Rd4 40.Rf4 Rd6 41.Bb5 Kf6 42.Nxb4 Be1 43.Nd3 g5 44.hxg5+ Kxg5 45.Ra4 h4 46.Nxe1 h3 47.Nf3+ Kh5 48.Rh4+ Kg6 49.Rxh3* 1-0 (49) Pigmanbear (2686)-dhonimessi (2631) Blitz 2022*)* 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Nfd5 b4 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Nd5 Bxh4+ 16.Rxh4 Qxh4+ 17.Bf2 Qd8 18.gxh5 c6 19.hxg6 cxd5 20.Qh6 fxg6 21.Qxg6+ Kh8 22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.Qg6+ Kh8 24.Bg3 Qe8 25.Qh6+ Kg8 26.Qg5+ Kh7 27.Bd3 Qg6 28.Qh4+ Qh6 29.Qe7+ Kg8 30.Ke2 Qg7 31.Qxg7+ Kxg7 32.Bxe5+ Kf7 33.cxd5 Rg8 34.Ke1 Bh3 35.Kf2 Rg2+ 36.Ke3 Rc8 37.Rh1 Rg3 38.Bxg3 1-0 (38)

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[9.Ng3 White's second most popular choice.

A) 9...Nd7! A surprise retreat that has almost never been played. A surprise retreat that has almost never been played.

A1) The stem game for Black's previous move continued with The stem game for Black's previous move continued with 10.Be2 c5 *(* many KID folk would be chuffed with the cunning many KID folk would be chuffed with the cunning *10...b5!* offering a poisoned pawn for some quick queenside play, noting that offering a poisoned pawn for some quick queenside play, noting that *11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5?* comes a cropper due to comes a cropper due to *Nb3∓)* 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.Rd1 Nc6! (it's already time to redeploy) (it's already time to redeploy) 13.0-0 Bd4 14.Kh1 e6 15.Bh6 Re8 16.f4 f6 17.f5 Nde5 Andersson, T - Fransson, P Karlstad 2013, and Black's central outposts enable him to keep the balance. This was acceptable for Black, but I would like to see 10...b5 tested at a high level. Andersson, T - Fransson, P Karlstad 2013, and Black's central outposts enable him to keep the balance. This was acceptable for Black, but I would like to see 10...b5 tested at a high level.;

A2) 10.Bh6 c5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.h4 A sign of intent so, in reply, Black reacts speedily in the centre. A sign of intent so, in reply, Black reacts speedily in the centre. cxd4 13.Qxd4+ Ne5!? 14.Be2 *(14.f4* fails to dent Black's defences due to *Nac6=)* 14...Be6 15.b3 Nac6 16.Qd2 It's a sort of Maroczy Bind where White has attacking chances because he can aim to target the black king, especially as there is no significant counterplay to worry him. The engines consider the position to be about equal, but Black will have to make a big decision as to how to counter the opponent's potential. It's a sort of Maroczy Bind where White has attacking chances because he can aim to target the black king, especially as there is no significant counterplay to worry him. The engines consider the position to be about equal, but Black will have to make a big decision as to how to counter the opponent's potential. f5!? The only pawn break available. 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.h5 Qa5 19.hxg6 Bxg6 Sarkar has found a way to cover his king, so Xiong aims to exploit another asset: White's more solid structure (only two islands against Black's three). Sarkar has found a way to cover his king, so Xiong aims to exploit another asset: White's more solid structure (only two islands against Black's three). 20.Nd5! Qxd2+ 21.Kxd2 Rf7? This oversight loses material. *(* An alternative rook move

21...Rad8!± is a better way to avoid any immediate tricks. is a better way to avoid any immediate tricks.*)* 22.f4 Nd7 23.f5! Everything works for White! Bxf5 24.Nxf5+ Rxf5 25.Bg4 Raf8 *(* Otherwise *25...Rf2+ 26.Ke3 Nf6 27.Kxf2 Nxg4+* comes to the same thing. *)* 26.Bxf5 Rxf5 27.Rae1 Black may have one pawn for the exchange, but his structure is still in need of constant attention, so White has serious winning chances. Black may have one pawn for the exchange, but his structure is still in need of constant attention, so White has serious winning chances. e5 28.Rh4 Rg5 29.g4 Nd4 That's a fine-looking knight, but White can play around it. That's a fine-looking knight, but White can play around it. 30.Rf1 a5 31.Kd1 Intending to stay well away from any potential forks. There is also the point that Black is running out of 'neutral' moves. Intending to stay well away from any potential forks. There is also the point that Black is running out of 'neutral' moves. e4?! Too loosening, but it's hard to find any fully satisfactory alternatives. Too loosening, but it's hard to find any fully satisfactory alternatives. 32.Rf4 Nc5 33.Nf6? A finger-fehler? *(* A simple and strong way to trade off the rooks (thus easing the technical task) is with A simple and strong way to trade off the rooks (thus easing the technical task) is with *33.Rh5!* as Black cannot keep all the pieces on with as Black cannot keep all the pieces on with *Rg6?* as then *34.Ne7 Re6 35.Rg5+* is decisive.*)* 33...Nd3! Fighting back. 34.Rxe4 Nf2+ There was a fork after all! 35.Kc1 Nxe4 36.Nxe4 Rg6 Now Black must be close to full equality. 37.Rh5!? a4 *(* Or perhaps *37...Rxg4 38.Nxd6 Kg6 39.Rxa5 h5⇄)* 38.bxa4 Rxg4 39.Nxd6 Rg2? What could be more natural? However it fails to deliver. *(* Correct seems to be Correct seems to be *39...Kg6* getting White to make a choice with his rook and then to react accordingly e.g. getting White to make a choice with his rook and then to react accordingly e.g. *40.Rh2 h5 41.Nxb7 Nf3=)* 40.Kb1 Ne2 41.Rh3 b6 42.Nc8 h5? *(* A lesser evil would be *42...Rg6* but then *43.Re3±* ensures a White advantage as Black's counterplay is going to need reworking.*)* 43.Nxb6 Nf4 44.Rf3 h4 Forcing, but flawed. 45.Rxf4 h3 46.Rh4 h2 47.a5 Rg1+ 48.Kc2 h1R 49.Rxh1 Rxh1 50.a6 1-0 (50) Tymrakiewicz,R (2709)-Hiermann,D (2366) New York 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Frutstaert,Roger];

B) Instead 9...b5 is almost 'de rigeur' here:

B1) 10.0-0-0 Be6 11.d5 Bd7 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b4 14.Nb1 c6 15.h4 Qb6 16.Nd2 b3 17.a3 Qf2;

B2) 10.c5 dxc5 11.dxc5 Be6 12.Qc2 b4 13.Rd1 Qe8 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 e6 16.d6 Nd5 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 cxd6 19.cxd6 Qd8 20.Qa4 Qb6 21.Ne2 Rfd8 22.h4 Rxd6 23.h5 Nc6 24.Rd2 Rad8 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Qb3 Ne3 27.Rxd6 Rxd6 28.Kf2 Nf5+ 29.Ke1 Qc5 30.Rh3 Ne3 31.Kf2 Rd1;

B3) It's not a good idea to capture on b5: It's not a good idea to capture on b5: 10.cxb5 axb5

B3a) 11.Bxb5? falls for Nb3!∓ (there are thirteen games on the database!) 12.Qd1 Nxa1

B3a1) 13.0-0 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qxa1 Qb8 *(15...Nd7 16.Qc1 c5 17.Rd1 cxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 19.Rxd4 Qb6 20.Qe3 Qxb2 21.h4 Ra3 22.Nge2 Rc8 23.Rd2* 0-1 (23) Hard-Training (2605)-Rachmaninoff_08 (2595) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Rc1 c6 17.Nge2 Nd7 18.Rc2 Nb6 19.b3 Qb7 20.Qc1 Rfa8 21.a4 Nd7 22.Qa3 Rb6 23.Nc1 c5 24.dxc5 Nxc5 25.Nd5 Rba6 26.h3 e6 27.Nb4 Rb6 28.Nbd3 Nxd3 29.Bxb6 Qxb6+ 0-1 (29) alberto99 (2632)-azotador (2704) Blitz 2022;

B3a2) 13.Qxa1 Bb7 as in Stupak, K - Socko, M Bialystok 2016 *(13...Bd7 14.Bd3 h5 15.0-0 h4 16.Nh1 h3 17.g4 Qb8 18.Nf2 Qb7 19.Nxh3 Bxg4 20.fxg4 Nxg4 21.Qc1 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qxb2 23.Bc4 Ra3 24.Bb3 c5 25.Nb5 c4 26.Rf2 Qb1+ 27.Rf1 Qb2 28.Rf2 Rxb3 29.axb3 Qxb3 30.Qxb3 cxb3 31.Rb2 Ra8 32.Rxb3 Ra2 33.Nf2 Re2 34.Kg2 Ra2 35.Kf3 Bf6 36.Nc7 Bxd4 37.Ng4 f5 38.exf5 gxf5 39.Nh6+ Kh7 40.Nxf5 Be5 41.h4 Rh2 42.Ne6 Rh3+ 43.Kg4 Rxb3 44.Ng5+ Kg6 45.h5+ Kf6 46.Ne4+ Ke6 47.h6 Rb4 48.Kf3 Kxf5 49.Nd2 Rf4+ 50.Ke2 Rh4 51.Nf1 Rh2+ 52.Kd3 Rf2 53.Ne3+* 1-0 (53) dmitry-lavrik (2670)-Masterclass2 (2553) Blitz 2021*; 13...Ba6 14.0-0 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 c6 16.Nc3 Qa5 17.a4 Rfb8 18.Nge2 Nd7 19.Qa2 Rb4 20.f4 Nb6 21.f5 Nxa4 22.fxg6 Nxc3 23.Qxf7+ Kh8 24.Bh6 Nxe2+ 25.Kh1 Ng3+ 26.Kg1 Bxd4+ 27.Rf2 Qa1+* 0-1 (27) Superfm1 (2632)-vizumatv4hoda (2627) Blitz 2021 *)*;

B3b) 11.Nxb5 Nb3 12.Qd1 Nxa1 13.Qxa1 c6 14.Nc3 h5 15.Bd3 Nd7 16.Nge2 c5 17.0-0 cxd4 18.Nxd4 Ne5 19.Be2 Ba6 20.Ncb5 Qd7 21.a4 Nc6 22.Nxc6 Qxc6 23.Qb1 Qd7 24.b3 Rfc8 25.h3 Bxb5 26.Bxb5 Qe6 27.Bc4 Qe5 28.Bf2 Rab8 29.Qd3 Qc3 30.Qd5 Rf8 31.f4 Qb4 32.f5 g5 33.f6 Bxf6 34.Be3 Qc3 35.Bxg5 Qd4+ 36.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 37.Kh1

e6 38.Be7 d5 39.exd5 exd5 40.Bxd5 Kg7 41.Bxf8+ Rxf8 42.Rf4 Be5 43.Re4 f6 44.Kg1 Rd8 45.Bc4 Rd2 46.Kf1 Rb2 47.Re2 Rb1+ 48.Kf2 Kg6 49.Kf3 Kg5 50.Ke4 Rd1 51.a5 Rd4+ 52.Ke3 Rd6 53.a6 f5 54.Kf3 Bd4 55.Rd2 1-0 (55) OnkelKonkel (2662)-mapungubve (2632) Blitz 2022;

B3c) the lesser evil is 11.Rc1 b4 *(11...Nc4!?* is not bad either *)* 12.Nd1 Rb8 13.Be2 c6 14.Nf2 Qb6 15.0-0 Ba6= La Manna, A - Radovanovic, M Montebelluna 2020;

B4) going the 'route one' way with 10.h4 needs thinking about, after which

B4a) 10...Nxc4 11.Bxc4 bxc4 12.Bh6 transposes to Sjugirov, S - Popov, M above, see 10.h4

B4a1) 12...c5 13.d5 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 e6 see Kelires, A-Zhigalko, A/Tromso NOR 2014. 15.h5 exd5 16.Nxd5 Ra7! This is an important defensive resource.

17.0-0-0?! *(* Obviously stronger is *17.Nc3! Qe7 18.0-0-0* , but Black finds an interesting resource: *Qe5! 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Nf1 d5! 21.Nxd5 Rb7 22.Nc3 Nh5* keeping counterplay.*)* 17...Nxd5 18.Rxd5 c3!↑ So Black has seized the initiative.

19.e5 cxb2+ 20.Kb1 Be6 21.Ne4 f5 22.Rxd6 Bxa2+ 23.Kxb2 Rb7+ 24.Ka1 Qa5 25.Qd2 Qxd2 26.Nxd2 Bf7 27.e6 Be8 28.Re1 Bb5 29.Nb1 Re8 30.Nc3 Bc4 31.Na4 Rb5 32.Nb6 Rb4 33.h6 Kf8 34.Rc6 Ke7 35.Nc8+ Kf6 36.e7+ Kg5 37.Rxc5 Kf6 38.Rc6+ Kg5 39.Rc7 Bb5 40.Rd1 Rc4 41.Rxc4 Bxc4 42.Rd8 Bb5 43.Kb2 Kxh6 44.Kc3 Kg5 45.Kd4 Kf6 46.Kd5 Rxe7 47.Nxe7 Kxe7 48.Rh8 Kf6 49.Rxh7 Bf1 50.Rh2 f4 51.Ke4 Kg5 52.Rh1 Bb5 53.Rc1 Bd7 54.Ke5 a5 55.Rc7 Bb5 56.Ke4 Bf1 57.Rc1 Be2 58.Ra1 Kh4 59.Kxf4 g5+ 60.Ke3 Bb5 61.Rxa5 Bd7 62.Kf2 Kh5 63.Ra6 g4 64.f4 Bc8 65.Ra5+ 1-0 (65) Gupta,A (2608)-Vakhidov,J (2452) London 2013 CBM 161 [Kuzmin,Alexey];

B4a2) Kuzmin,Alexey: 'Another possible plan' 12...c6 Baldauf, M-Kozul, Z/Graz AUT 2014. 13.h5 Qa5 14.0-0-0⩲ , met in the game Baldauf,M-Kozul,Z/Graz AUT 2014, looks more risky.;

B4a3) Kuzmin,Alexey: 'But ' 12...Bxh6 Kuzmin,Alexey: 'deserves some consideration:' 13.Qxh6 Kh8 (the most pragmatic, preparing to give back the pawn to avoid problems down the h-file) (the most pragmatic, preparing to give back the pawn to avoid

problems down the h-file) *(13...e5* After *14.h5 Qe7 15.0-0-0 Rb8 16.Nge2 c6* Black's position looks dangerous, but it is difficult to find any ways to continue White's attack: *17.g4?! Bxg4! 18.fxg4 Nxg4 19.Qd2 Nf2∓)* 14.h5 g5 15.Qxg5 Rg8 16.Qh4 Rb8 17.0-0-0 c6∞ 18.Rd2 Qa5 19.Nf1 Be6 *(19...Bd7 20.Ne3 Rb4 21.a3 Rb3⇄)* 20.Ne3 Sjugirov, S - Popov, M Sochi blitz 2017, and now the engine move is the precarious-looking Sjugirov, S - Popov, M Sochi blitz 2017, and now the engine move is the precarious-looking Rg5∞ *(20...Rb5 21.g4 Rgb8 22.Ned1 Bxg4 23.fxg4 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Qxa2 25.Rc2 Rb3 26.Nec3 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Qa5 28.Qxe7 c5 29.Qf6+ Kg8 30.h6* 1-0 (30) Sjugirov,S (2650)-Popov,M (2416) Sochi RUS 2017 *)*;

B4b) 10...h5 makes a lot of sense: 11.Bh6!? (the standard try, 'counting' on the initiative not the pawn 'count') (the standard try, 'counting' on the initiative not the pawn 'count') Nxc4 *(11...e5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bxb5 Rb8 17.b3 Nd7 18.0-0-0 c6 19.Bd3 Nc5 20.Bc2 Ba6 21.Rxd8 Rxd8 22.Rd1 Rc8 23.b4* 1-0 (23) cubanito2002 (2654)-Nguyen,D (2406) Blitz 2020 *)* 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.0-0-0 c6! 14.d5 cxd5 15.Nxd5 Be6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nxf6 exf6 18.Ne2 Rb8∓ Munkhgal, G - Sharavdorj, D Ulanbaatar 2013, and Black had the safer king Munkhgal, G - Sharavdorj, D Ulanbaatar 2013, and Black had the safer king;

B5) White gives up a pawn for 'easier development' with White gives up a pawn for 'easier development' with 10.b3!? after which Black should probably take what's on offer: after which Black should probably take what's on offer: Vigorito, D: 'new for ChessPub.'

B5a) 10...c5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Rc1 Vigorito, D: 'The c-file looks better than the d-file.' *(12.Rd1 b4 13.Na4 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Nc6 15.Bb6 Qd7* was Pilgaard, K (2414)-Vishnu, P (2480) Can Picafort 2013. This should be ok for Black. It's like a Maroczy where Black got in ... b5 very quickly. *)*

B5a1) I would prefer 12...b4 13.Na4 cxd4 14.Bxd4 (...Nc6 is not possible now) Bd7!? *(14...Rb8)* 15.Nb6 *(15.Qxb4? Nc6)* 15...Rb8 16.Nxd7 Nxd7=;

B5a2) 12...c4 13.bxc4 bxc4 *(* Black can trade off his knight with *13...Nxc4* but as usual this helps White develop. *14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.0-0±)* 14.d5 *(14.Be2!?)* 14...e6 *(* Trying to chip at the centre, but *14...Nd7* intending ...

Ba6 and ...Nc5 should give Black comfortable play.*)* 15.Be2

B5a21) 15...exd5 16.exd5 *(16.Nxd5?! Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Be6* gives Black the initiative*)* 16...h5 looks like a better way;

B5a22) 15...h5 16.Bg5 Vigorito, D: '!?' Qe8 Vigorito, D: '?!' *(16...exd5 17.Nxd5 Be6⇄)* 17.0-0 exd5 18.exd5 Nh7 19.Bf4 Qd8 20.Nge4 Vigorito, D: 'Now White must be better. The a5-knight is out of play and White is all caught up in development.' Ra6 21.Kh1 Bf5 22.Rfe1 Qd7 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 Rb6 25.Bf1 Rc8 26.Rc2 Rcb8 27.h3 Rb2 Vigorito, D: '?!' Vigorito, D: 'This allows White to suddenly put pressure on the a5-knight.' 28.Rxb2 Rxb2 29.Qc1 Vigorito, D: '!' Rb6 30.Qa3 Vigorito, D: '!' Nb7 31.Bxc4 Vigorito, D: ' ±' Vigorito, D: 'with a good extra pawn.' Bxe4 32.Nxe4 Qc7 33.Bb3 Qd8 34.Qb2 Na5 35.Qc3 Nxb3 36.axb3 Qb8 37.Re3 Rb7 Vigorito, D: '?' Vigorito, D: 'A blunder, but White misses it. It was a rapid game though.' 38.Qc2 Vigorito, D: '?' *(38.Nxd6! Qxd6? 39.Qc8+)* 38...h4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(38...Rc7)* 39.Rc3 Vigorito, D: '+-' Kg7 40.Qb2 *(40.Rc8 Qa7 41.Qc3+ f6 42.Nxd6+-)* 40...f6 41.Qc1 Qd8 42.Qf4 g5 43.Qf5 Rc7 44.Rc6 Rd7 45.b4 Nf8 46.b5 Ng6 47.Nxf6 Ra7 48.Ne4 Rf7 49.Qxg5 Qa5 50.Rxd6 1-0 (50) Le,Q (2699)-Nguyen Duc Hoa (2500) Al-Ain UAE 2015;

B5b) 10...Nd7 11.Be2 c5 12.0-0 bxc4 13.bxc4 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qxb6 Nxb6 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 Bd7 19.Rfc1 Rfc8 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 21.Bxa6 Ra8 22.Bd3 Nb3 23.Rb1 Nc5 24.Bc4 Ra3 25.Ne2 f5 26.exf5 Bxf5 27.Rb8+ Kg7 28.Nd4 Ra4 29.Nxf5+ gxf5 30.Bb3 Nxb3 31.axb3 Ra5 32.b4 Rxd5 33.b5 f4 34.b6 Rd1+ 35.Kf2 Rd2+ 36.Kf1 Rb2 37.b7 h5 38.g3 fxg3 39.hxg3 Kf7 40.Ke1 d5 41.Kd1 d4 42.Kc1 Rb6 43.Kd2 Rb3 44.Kc2 Rb4 45.Kd3 Ke6 46.f4 Kd7 47.f5 Kc7 48.Re8 Kxb7 49.Rxe7+ Kc6 50.f6 Kd6 51.Re8 Rb3+ 52.Ke2 Re3+ 53.Rxe3 dxe3 54.Kxe3 Ke6 55.g4 hxg4 56.Kf4 Kxf6 57.Kxg4 ½-½ (57) Superfm1 (2673)-OnePysy (2654) Blitz 2025;

B5c) Vigorito, D: 'Black has also tried' 10...bxc4

B5c1) 11.bxc4?! c5 12.d5

Rb8 *(12...Nd7* with the idea ...Ne5 also looks good *)* 13.Bd3 Rb4 14.0-0 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4∓ Hadjiyev, S (1945)-Neverov, V (2515) Malatya TUR 2015;

B5c2) 11.b4 Vigorito, D: '!' 11...Nc6 12.Bxc4 *(12.a3 d5!)* 12...Nxb4 13.a3 Nc6 14.0-0 e5 *(14...Rb8* keeps things more flexible*)* 15.d5 Ne7 *(15...Nd4 16.Nce2 Nxe2+ 17.Nxe2⩱)* 16.Rac1 Vigorito, D: 'I think White has decent compensation here, although Black went on to win in the Erenberg, A (2278)-Kozul, Z (2630) Jerusalem ISR 2015, which was rather lopsided by rating.' h5 17.Na2 Bd7⩱ Erenberg, A - Kozul, Z Jerusalem 2015, and White will surely obtain good queenside play. However, I'm less sure about this strategy if Black avoids closing the centre, for example on move fourteen with 14...Rb8 or even 14...e6, with a sort of 'wait and see' approach. Erenberg, A - Kozul, Z Jerusalem 2015, and White will surely obtain good queenside play. However, I'm less sure about this strategy if Black avoids closing the centre, for example on move fourteen with 14...Rb8 or even 14...e6, with a sort of 'wait and see' approach.;

B6) 10.Rc1 Nxc4 11.Bxc4 bxc4 12.Bh6 c5 13.d5 e6 14.h4 exd5 15.exd5 Re8+ 16.Kf2 Qe7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h5 Rb8 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Rce1 Qf7 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.Nge4 Ng4+ 23.Kg3 Nxh6 24.Nf6+ Qxf6 25.Rxe8+ Kg7 26.Ne4 Nf5+ 27.Kf4 g5+ 28.Kg4 Qg6 29.Rd8 h5+ 30.Kh3 g4+ 31.Kh2 g3+ 32.Kh3 Ne3+ 33.Rxc8 Rxc8 34.Nxg3 h4 35.Ne4 Qxg2+ 36.Kxh4 Rh8# 0-1 (36) Superfm1 (2707)-Unagi5 (2616) Blitz 2025;

B7) 10.Be2

B7a) 10...c6 11.0-0 *(11.cxb5 axb5 12.0-0 Qc7 13.Rac1 Rd8 14.Nxb5 Qb7 15.Nc3 h5 16.Rfd1 h4 17.Nf1 d5 18.e5 Nd7 19.Bg5 Nb6 20.b3 h3 21.g4 Qa7 22.Ng3 Ba6 23.Bxa6 Qxa6 24.Bxe7 Re8 25.Bg5 Rac8 26.Bh6 Bh8 27.Qg5 c5 28.Nh5 Nd7 29.Nxd5 Qe6 30.Nhf4 Qa6 31.Ne7+ Rxe7 32.Qxe7 Qb5 33.e6 fxe6 34.Qxe6+ Kh7 35.Qxg6#* 1-0 (35) Superfm1 (2647)-Anator_0531 (2522) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Nxc4 12.Bxc4 bxc4 13.Qe2 a5 14.Rfd1 h5 15.Nf1 d5 16.e5 Ne8 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.b3 Ba6 19.bxc4 dxc4 20.Nde4 Nc7 21.Nc5 Bb5 22.a4 Ba6 23.Nxa6 Nxa6 24.Qxc4 Nb4 25.Rac1 Qd7 26.Ne4 Qd5 27.Nc5 Rfd8 28.Bg5 Qxc4 29.Rxc4 Bxe5 30.Bxe7 Re8 31.dxe5 Rxe7 32.Nd7 Rb7 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.f4 g5 35.g3 Kg6 36.Rd8

Kf5 37.Rg8 gxf4 38.gxf4 Rb6 39.Rg5+ Ke6 40.Rc5 Nd5 41.Nxd5 cxd5 42.Rxa5 Rb2 43.Ra6+ Kd7 44.Ra7+ Ke6 45.Rxe7+ Kxe7 46.Rg2 Rb4 47.Ra2 Ke6 48.a5 Kf5 49.a6 Rb8 50.a7 Ra8 51.Ra4 h4 52.Kf2 f6 53.exf6 Kxf6 54.Ke3 Ke6 55.Kd4 Rf8 56.a8Q Rxf4+ 57.Kc5 Rxa4 58.Qxa4 1-0 (58) Superfm1 (2651)-Anator_0531 (2518) Blitz 2024;

B7b) 10...bxc4 11.0-0 e5 12.d5 c6 13.Na4 c5 14.Qc3 Bd7 15.b3 Bxa4 16.bxa4 Rb8 17.Rab1 Qc7 18.Rfc1 h5 19.Nf1 h4 20.Nd2 Nh5 21.Nxc4 Nxc4 22.Bxc4 Nf4 23.Bxa6 Rxb1 24.Rxb1 Ra8 25.Bb5 Rxa4 26.a3 c4 27.Kf1 Ra8 28.a4 Qe7 29.Qxc4 Qg5 30.Qc2 Bf8 31.Qf2 Qd8 32.g3 hxg3 33.hxg3 Nh5 34.Bc6 Rb8 35.Rb5 Rxb5 36.axb5 Qa5 37.b6 Qa1+ 38.Kg2 Qb1 39.b7 Be7 40.Bb6 Nxg3 41.b8Q+ Kg7 42.Qxg3 1-0 (42) Superfm1 (2661)-abbas_z (2503) Blitz 2024;

B8) 10.Bh6

B8a) 10...Be6 Kuzmin,Alexey: 'In present position this manoeuvre is too risky compared with the 10.0-0-0 ♗e6 variation.' 11.d5 Bd7 *(11...Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Bd7 13.cxb5 axb5 14.b4±)* 12.c5 *(12.h4!?)* 12...c6 *(12...dxc5 13.e5;* Better would be *12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b4 14.Nce2 e6! 15.c6 Bc8⇄)* 13.cxd6 exd6 14.dxc6 Bxc6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Rd1 Kuzmin,Alexey: ' ± ' Kuzmin, Alexey: 'Vitiugov,N-Efimenko,Z/St Petersburg 2012' b4 17.Nce2 b3 18.a3 d5 19.Nd4 dxe4 20.Ndf5+ Kh8 21.Qc3;

B8b) 10...Nxc4 11.Bxc4 bxc4 12.0-0-0 *(12.h4)* 12...c6 (White is a pawn down (which influences the engines), but it's really the relative speed of the attacks that is the motivating force in both players' thoughts) (White is a pawn down (which influences the engines), but it's really the relative speed of the attacks that is the motivating force in both players' thoughts) 13.h4 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Kh8 *(* my computer claims an edge for Black with *14...Rb8 15.h5 Qc7* but this doesn't look very 'human'. I suspect that White's initiative will be unpleasant to face. but this doesn't look very 'human'. I suspect that White's initiative will be unpleasant to face.*)* 15.h5 g5! (normal 'people' would be pleased to keep the h-file closed like this) (normal 'people' would be pleased to keep the h-file closed like this) 16.Qxg5 Rg8 17.Qf4 Rb8 18.Rd2 Qa5 19.Nf1 Melkumyan, H - Naroditsky, D Greensboro 2019, (this is reminiscent of Sjugirov, S - Popov, M Sochi blitz 2017, see above, where the white queen was on h4) and now the

most combative here is Melkumyan, H - Naroditsky, D Greensboro 2019, (this is reminiscent of Sjugirov, S - Popov, M Sochi blitz 2017, see above, where the white queen was on h4) and now the most combative here is c5! 20.d5 Nd7∞ with the intention of heading via e5 to d3.;

B8c) 10...Bxh6 11.Qxh6 e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.h4 see Jones, G-Hebden, M/ Daventry ENG 2013.;

B8d) 10...b4 11.Nd1 c5 12.d5 e6 13.h4 exd5 14.cxd5 Qe7 15.Be2 Nh5 16.Nxh5 gxh5 17.Qg5 Qxg5 18.hxg5 f6 19.Rxh5 Kh8 20.Ne3 fxg5 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.Rxg5+ Kh8 23.Kf2 Bd7 24.Rh1 Bb5 25.Nf5 Bxe2 26.Rg7 1-0 (26) jposthuma (2730)-MrTarrasch (2565) Blitz 2022]

[9.Rb1 Nxc4 10.Qc1 Nxe3 11.Qxe3 e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Nc1 Nh5 14.Bc4 Nf4 15.Qf2 Qg5 16.g3 Nh3 17.Qd2 Qh5 18.Be2 Be6 19.Nd3 Rad8 20.f4 Qh6 21.fxe5 Qxd2+ 22.Kxd2 Bxe5 23.Kc2 Bd4 24.Rhd1 Ng5 25.Nf4 Bxc3 26.bxc3 b6 27.Nxe6 fxe6 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.Bc4 Nxe4 30.Bxe6+ Kg7 31.Re1 Nc5 32.Bc4 Rd7 33.Re5 Kf6 34.Re8 Re7 35.Rf8+ Kg5 36.Kd2 Ne4+ 37.Kc2 b5 38.Bd3 Nc5 39.Bf1 Kh6 40.Kd2 Kg7 41.Ra8 Rf7 42.Ke1 Rf6 43.Bg2 Na4 44.c4 Re6+ 45.Kd2 Nb6 46.Ra7 Nxc4+ 47.Kc3 Re7 48.Rxa6 c5 49.Rc6 Re3+ 50.Kc2 Re2+ 51.Kd3 Rxg2 52.Rxc5 Na3 53.Rc7+ Kh6 54.Ra7 Rxa2 55.Ke4 b4 56.Rb7 Rb2 57.h4 Nc2 58.Kf4 b3 59.g4 g5+ 60.hxg5+ Kg6 61.Rb6+ Kg7 62.Kf5 Kg8 63.Rb8+ Kf7 64.Rb7+ Ke8 65.g6 Nd4+ 66.Kf6 hxg6 67.Rb8+ Kd7 68.Rb4 Kc6 69.Rxd4 Kc5 70.Rd8 Rf2+ 71.Kxg6 Re2 72.Rc8+ Kb4 73.Rb8+ Ka3 74.Ra8+ Kb2 75.Rc8 1-0 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Rory_Sutherland (2719) Blitz 2024]

9...Nd7

[9...e5 10.d5 *(10.Be2 Nc6 11.Nb3 Nh5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qe7 16.0-0-0 Nf6 17.h4 h5 18.Rhe1 Rd8 19.Bf1 c5 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.Be3 Rb8 22.e5 Ne8 23.Bg5* 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-Nguyen, D (2415) Blitz 2021*; 10.Nb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 exd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.Be2 b5 14.0-0 bxc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.bxc4 Qb8 17.Rfd1 Qb3 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.cxd5 Bxd4+ 20.Qxd4 Rfb8 21.Rd2 Qb4 22.Qxb4 Rxb4 23.Rc1 Rb7 24.Rdc2 a5 25.Rxc7 Rxb2 26.Rc8+ Rxc8 27.Rxc8+ Kg7 28.Ra8 Ra2 29.Ra6 f5 30.Rxd6 fxe4 31.fxe4 Re2 32.Re6 a4 33.Kf1 Rd2 34.Ke1 Rxg2 35.Ra6 Rg4 36.Rxa4 Kf6 37.e5+* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-Match_Fighter (2580) Blitz 2023*)*

10...c5 *(10...Nh5 11.b4 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 f5 13.Nb3 Bf6 14.0-0-0 Ng7 15.Kb1 Bd7 16.Rc1 Kh8 17.Rhd1 f4 18.Bf2 g5 19.h3 h5 20.Be2 Rc8 21.Na5 b6 22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6 b5 24.a4 bxa4 25.Bxa6 Ra8 26.b5 Qb8 27.Ka1 a3 28.Nd5 Ne6 29.Qa5 Bg7 30.b6 Nd4 31.Bxd4 exd4 32.b7 Ra7 33.Rd3 Rf7 34.Ka2 Be5 35.Rc4 g4 36.hxg4*

hxg4 37.fxg4 Rg7 38.Rc2 Kg8 39.g5 Kf8 40.Nf6 Bxf6 41.gxf6 Rg6 42.Qh5 Kf7 43.Bc4+ Kxf6 44.Qf5+ Kg7 45.Qf7+ Kh6 46.Rh3+ Kg5 47.Qf5# 1-0 (47)

Consent_to_treatment (2675)-Heart_of_Fire_Cat (2662) Blitz 2025 *)*

A) 11.Nb3 Nxb3 *(11...Bd7 12.Bd3 Nh5 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Ne2 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 b5 16.Rhb1 f5 17.b4 bxc4 18.Bxc4 cxb4 19.Rxb4 fxe4 20.fxe4 Nf4 21.g3 Bb5 22.Bxb5 axb5 23.gxf4 exf4 24.Bd4 f3 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Nc3 f2 27.Rf1 Rf3 28.Rxb5 Rc8 29.Rb3 Rc4 30.Nd1 Rf4 31.Nxf2 Ra4 32.a3 Rh4 33.h3 Kf6 34.Ke2 Ke5 35.Re3 h5 36.Nd3+ Kd4 37.Ne1 Rxe4 38.Nc2+ Ke5 39.Rxe4+ Rxe4+ 40.Kd3 Rh4 41.Rf3 Kxd5 42.Rg3 Kc6 43.Kc3 g5 44.Rxg5 Rxh3+ 45.Kc4 h4 46.Nd4+ Kb6 47.a4 Rh1 48.Rh5 h3 49.Nf3 Ka6 50.Kb4 Kb6 51.a5+ Ka6 52.Rh6 Rb1+ 53.Kc4 Kxa5 54.Rxh3 Rc1+ 55.Kd5 Rc5+ 56.Kxd6 Rc3 57.Ke5 Kb4 58.Ke4 Rc4+ 59.Nd4 Kc5 60.Rh5+ Kb4 61.Rh8 Kc3 62.Rh3+ Kb4 63.Kd5 Rc5+ 64.Kd6 Rc4 65.Nc6+ Kb5 66.Rh5+ Kb6 67.Ne5 Rd4+ 68.Ke6 Rd1 69.Rh8 Kb5 70.Rb8+ Ka6 71.Re8 Rd3 72.Rc8 Rb3 73.Rc6+ Kb5 74.Rc1 Ka4 75.Kd5 Ka3 76.Kd4 Ka2 77.Rc8 Rb2 78.Nc4 Rb3 79.Ra8+ Kb1 80.Nd2+ Kc2 81.Nxb3 Kb2 82.Rc8 Kb1 83.Rc4 Kb2 84.Nc5 Kb1 85.Nd3* 1-0 (85)

Consent_to_treatment (2710)-drawingchest (2604) Blitz 2023*)* 12.axb3 Nh5 13.Bd3 Nf4 14.0-0 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.f4 Bd7 18.Qd2 Kh8 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.Bxc5 Rf6 21.Qg5 Qe8 22.Rae1 Rg6 23.Qh4 b5 24.Bf2 bxc4 25.bxc4 f4 26.Ne4 Rg4 27.Qh3 Rg3 28.Qh4 Rg4 29.Qh3 Rg3 30.hxg3 Bxh3 31.gxh3 Qg6 32.Kh2 Rf8 33.g4 f3 34.d6 h5 35.Rg1 Qe6 36.c5 Qc4 37.gxh5 Bh6 38.Rg4 Bf4+ 39.Kg1 Kh7 40.Ng5+ Kh6 41.Nxf3 Kxh5 42.Nxe5 Qb3 43.Ng6 Qxh3 44.Rxf4 Rg8 45.Re5+ Kxg6 46.Re3 Kh5+ 0-1 (46)

Consent_to_treatment (2737)-BulletCoach (2700) Blitz 2024;

B) 11.Be2 Bd7 12.0-0 b5 *(12...Rb8 13.a3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.b4 cxb4 16.axb4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.Qb2 Nh5 19.b5 Nf4 20.g3 Nh3+ 21.Kg2 f5 22.Qb4 f4 23.Ba7 Rb7 24.Qxd6 fxg3 25.hxg3 Qg5 26.N1e2 Nf4+ 27.Kg1 Nxe2+ 28.Nxe2 Rxa7 29.Rxa7 Qe3+ 30.Kg2 Qxa7 31.b6 Qb7 32.Nc3 Rc8 33.Ra1 Bf8 34.Qxe5 Qxb6 35.Rb1 Qe3 36.d6 Qd2+ 37.Kg1 Bg7 38.Qd5+ Qxd5 39.Nxd5 Ra8 40.Nb6 Rd8 41.Nxc4 Be6 42.Rc1 Bxc4 43.Rxc4 Rxd6 44.Rc2 Bd4+ 45.Kg2 Be5 46.Re2 Bc3 47.Rc2 Rd2+ 48.Rxd2 Bxd2 49.Kh3 h6 50.Kg2 Kf7 51.Kh3 Kf6 52.Kg2 g5 53.Kh3 Kg6 54.g4 Kf6 55.Kg3 Ke5 56.Kf2 Kf4 57.Kg2 Be3 58.e5 Kxe5 59.Kg3 Bd4 60.Kg2 Kf4 61.Kh3 Kxf3 62.Kh2 Kxg4 63.Kg2 Kf4 64.Kh2 g4 65.Kg2 g3 66.Kh1 Kg4 67.Kg2* ½-½ (67)

mbchessmaster (2604)-Lantori (2604) Blitz 2021*)* 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Qb6 15.a4 Nh5 16.b4

Nb7 17.Nb3 Nf4 18.bxc5 Nxc5 19.Nxc5 dxc5 20.Rfc1 Rfc8 21.Bf1 Bf8 22.g3 Nh5 23.Ra2 Qf6 24.Be2 c4 25.Nc3 Bc5 26.a5 Nxg3 27.hxg3 Qg5 28.Kf2 Qh6 29.Rg1 Qh2+ 30.Rg2 Qh1 31.Bxc5 Bh3 32.Bf1 Rxc5 33.a6 Rc7 34.Nb5 Rc5 35.Qb4 Rcc8 36.a7 Bxg2 37.Bxg2 Qd1 38.Qd2 Qb3 39.Nd6 c3 40.Nxc8 cxd2 41.Ne7+ Kf8 42.Rxd2 Kxe7 43.d6+ Kd8 44.Bf1 Rxa7 45.Be2 Ra2 46.Rxa2 Qxa2 47.Ke3 Qb2 48.Bd3 Qd4+ 49.Ke2 Kd7 50.f4 Kxd6 51.fxe5+ Kc5 52.Bc2 Kb4 53.Bd3 Kc3 54.Bb1 Qxe5 55.Kf3 Kd4 56.Ba2 Qf6+ 57.Kg2 Qe5 0-1 (57) jposthuma (2725)-Nguyen, D (2415) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.a3 Qc7 12.Bd3 Bd7

C1) 13.Qe2 b6 *(13...Rab8 14.b4 cxb4 15.axb4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Rfc8 17.Ra3 Qxc4 18.Qxc4 Rxc4 19.Nd3 Ne8 20.Kd2 Nc7 21.Rb1 f5 22.Rab3 Nb5 23.Nxb5 Bxb5 24.Rc3 Rbc8 25.Rbc1 Kf7 26.Rxc4 Rxc4 27.Rxc4 Bxc4 28.Kc3 Bb5 29.g3 Bf6 30.Bb6 Ke7 31.Ba7 Kd7 32.Be3 Bd8 33.Bf2 Bg5 34.Bb6 h5 35.h4 Bh6 36.Bf2 Ke7 37.Bb6 f4 38.gxf4 Bxd3 39.Kxd3 Bxf4 40.Bf2 g5 41.hxg5 Bxg5 42.Ke2 Kf6 43.Be1 Ke7 44.Kf1 Kd7 45.Ke2 Kc7 46.Kf1 Kb6 47.Kg2 Kb5 48.f4 Bxf4 49.Bh4 Kxb4 50.Be7 Kc5* 0-1 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-Jiordani_Jovanovich (2765) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.b4 Nb7 15.Nb3 Nh5 16.0-0 Nf4 17.Qc2 Rac8 18.Nd2 f5 19.Rab1 b5 20.Rfc1 cxb4 21.Rxb4 bxc4 22.Rxc4 Qd8 23.Rb1 Rxc4 24.Nxc4 Bc8 25.Rb6 Qg5 26.Kh1 Qh5 27.Nxd6 Nxd6 28.Rxd6 Nxd3 29.Qxd3 fxe4 30.Nxe4 Rxf3 31.gxf3 Qxf3+ 32.Kg1 Bh3 33.Rd8+ Bf8 34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Bh6+ 1-0 (35) Pekines08 (2659)-Frutek (2615) Blitz 2021;

C2) 13.0-0 Rab8 14.Rb1 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.b4 cxb4 17.axb4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.N1e2 Nh5 20.Rfc1 f5 21.b5 fxe4 22.b6 Qd8 23.Nxe4 Bf5 24.N2g3 Nf4 25.Rxc4 Bxe4 26.Nxe4 Qd7 27.Rc6 Qf7 28.Rxd6 Rfc8 29.Rc6 Nxd5 30.Rxc8+ Rxc8 31.Nd6 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-zanganeh-sh (2570) Blitz 2024;

D) 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.b4 Nb7 13.Nb3 Be6 14.Rd1 *(14.Be2 Qe7 15.0-0 Rfd8 16.Rfd1 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Rxd5 20.Qe1 Rxd1 21.Rxd1 Bxb3 22.axb3 e4 23.fxe4 Qxe4 24.Bf3 Qe7 25.Bc6 Rc8 26.Rd7 Qe6 27.Bxb7 Qxd7 28.Bxc8 Qxc8 29.Bc5 Qd7 30.h3 Bd4+ 31.Kh1 Bf6 32.Qf1 Kg7 33.Qe2 Qb5 34.Qc4 Qd7 35.Kg1 Qd1+ 36.Kf2 Qd2+ 37.Qe2 Qf4+ 38.Qf3 Qd2+ 39.Kf1 Qc1+ 40.Ke2 Qc2+ 41.Kf1 Qc1+ 42.Ke2 Qc2+ 43.Kf1 Qc1+* ½-½ (43) ChessTheory64 (2636)-Lantori (2551) Blitz 2022*)* 14...a5 15.b5 cxb5 16.Nxb5 a4 17.Na1 Ne8 18.Nc2 Na5 19.Nca3 Rc8 20.Qb4 Nc6 21.Qxa4 Ra8 22.Qb3 Nd4 23.Nxd4 exd4 24.Bd2 Nc7 25.Be2 Qb8 26.Nb5 Nxb5 27.Qxb5 Rxa2 28.0-0 Qxb5

29.cxb5 Bb3 30.Bd3 Bxd1 31.Rxd1 Rb8 32.f4 Bf6 33.Bb4 Be7 34.e5 Rd8 35.Rb1 Kf8 36.exd6 Bxd6 37.Bxd6+ Rxd6 38.b6 Ra8 39.b7 Rb8 40.Be4 f5 41.Bf3 d3 42.Kf1 d2 43.Ke2 Re8+ 44.Kf2 Rdd8 45.g3 Ke7 46.Rd1 Rd6 47.Ra1 Rb8 48.Rd1 Kd7 49.Ke2 Re8+ 50.Kf2 Kc7 51.Ra1 d1Q 52.Rxd1 Rxd1 53.Bxd1 Kxb7 54.Bb3 Kb6 55.h4 Re7 56.h5 gxh5 57.Bd1 h4 58.gxh4 Kc5 59.Bc2 Rf7 60.Ke3 Kc4 61.Bb1 Kc3 62.Ba2 Re7+ 63.Kf3 Kd4 64.Bg8 Re3+ 65.Kf2 Ke4 66.Bxh7 Rh3 0-1 (66) lqevsll (2902)-Palavas (2853) Blitz 2022]

[9...Bd7 10.b4 Nc6

A) 11.Rb1 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.Nb3 Nxb3 14.Rxb3 a5 15.bxa5 *(15.a3 axb4 16.axb4 Ra1+ 17.Rb1 Rxb1+ 18.Nxb1 Nh5 19.Bd3 Nf4 20.0-0 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 f5 22.c5 fxe4 23.fxe4 Rxf1+ 24.Qxf1 Qe8 25.Nc3 Bf8 26.Bg5 c6 27.Qf2 Qf7 28.Qe3 h5 29.h3 Kh7 30.Kh2 cxd5 31.Nxd5 Be6 32.cxd6 Bxd6 33.Qb6 Bxd5 34.Qxd6 Bxe4 35.Qxe5 Bc6 36.b5 Bd5 37.Bd2 Qe6 38.Qc7+ Qf7 39.Qb8 h4 40.Bc3 g5 41.Qe5 Qf4+ 42.Qxf4 gxf4 43.Bf6 f3 44.gxf3 Bxf3 45.b6 Be2 46.Bxh4 Bf3 47.Bg5 Bc6 48.Kg3 Bd5 49.Kh4 Bc6 50.Bf4 Bd5 51.Be5 Bc6 52.Bd6 Bd5 53.Kg5 Bc6 54.h4 Bd5 55.Kf6 Bc6 56.Ke5 Bd5 57.Kxd5* 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-Larsen,M (2463) Blitz 2024*)* 15...Rxa5 16.Rxb7 Bc8 17.Rb5 Ra3 18.Rb3 Ra8 19.c5 Nh5 20.Bc4 Nf4 21.0-0 h5 22.a4 h4 23.Ra1 Qg5 24.Kh1 Qh5 25.a5 h3 26.g4 Bxg4 27.fxg4 Qxg4 28.Qf2 Ng2 29.Be2 Qc8 30.Bf1 Nf4 31.Ne2 f5 32.exf5 Qxf5 33.Rd1 Qe4+ 34.Kg1 Nd3 35.Ng3 Nxf2 36.Nxe4 Nxd1 37.Bg5 Rxa5 38.cxd6 cxd6 39.Bxh3 Ra1 40.Be6+ Kh7 41.Kg2 Ne3+ 42.Rxe3 Ra2+ 43.Kg1 Rfa8 44.Rh3+ Bh6 45.Rxh6+ Kg7 46.Bc1 Ra1 47.Nf2 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2726)-grandmastergauri (2680) Blitz 2024;

B) 11.a3 e5 12.Nb3 *(12.d5 Nd4 13.Rb1 Nh5 14.Bd3 Nf4 15.0-0 f5 16.exf5 Nxd3 17.Nxd3 Bxf5 18.Bxd4 exd4 19.Ne4 Qh4 20.Rbe1 Rae8 21.Ndf2 b5 22.c5 dxc5 23.bxc5 Rd8 24.d6 cxd6 25.cxd6 Bh6 26.Qxd4 Bg7 27.Qd5+ Kh8 28.Ng3 Qd4 29.Rd1 Qxd5 30.Rxd5 Be6 31.Rdd1 Rfe8 32.Nfe4 Bc4 33.Rfe1 Bb2 34.d7 Re7 35.Nc5 Bxa3 36.Nxa6 Rxe1+ 37.Rxe1 Rxd7 38.Ne4 b4 39.Nac5 Re7 40.Rb1 Ba2 41.Ra1 Bd5 42.Rb1 Rc7 43.Kf2 Kg7 44.Ke3 Kf7 45.Kd4 Bc6 46.Nd6+ Kg8 47.Nc4 Ra7 48.Ne6 Be8 49.Nxa3 bxa3 50.Ra1 Bf7 51.Nc5 Kg7 52.Kc3 a2 53.Kb2 Rc7 54.Nd3 Rb7+ 55.Kc2 Rc7+ 56.Kb2 Rd7 57.Kc2 Rb7 58.Nc1 Ra7 59.Kb2 Kf6 60.Nxa2 Ke5 61.Nc3 Rxa1 62.Kxa1 Kd4 63.Kb2 Ke3 64.Ne4 Bd5 65.Ng5 h6 66.Nh3 Ke2 67.Nf4+ Kf2 68.Nxd5 Kxg2 69.Nf4+ Kxf3 70.Nxg6 Kg4 71.Ne5+ Kh3 72.Nf7 h5* 0-1 (72) miki_train (2694)-SharkieCroc (2638) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Nh5 13.d5 Ne7 14.Bd3

Nf4 15.Bf1 f5 16.g3 Nh5 17.Be2 f4 18.Bf2 fxg3 19.hxg3 Qe8 20.0-0-0 Rd8 21.Kb1 c6 22.Bb6 Rc8 23.Rdg1 cxd5 24.cxd5 Ba4 25.Na5 Bb5 26.Nxb5 axb5 27.Nxb7 Qd7 28.Na5 Ra8 29.Bf2 Nc8 30.Rc1 Qd8 31.Ka2 Bf6 32.Rc6 Ne7 33.Rc2 Bg5 34.Qd3 Rxa5 35.bxa5 Qxa5 36.Rb1 Ra8 37.Rxb5 Qa4 38.Qb3 1-0 (38) edgelorde (2743)-Mad_Ratel (2672) Blitz 2021]

[9...c5 10.dxc5

A) 10...dxc5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Bxc5 Be6 *(12...Nc6 13.Nb3 Nd7 14.Be3 Nde5 15.Bb6 Rf8 16.0-0-0 Be6 17.Nd5 Rac8 18.Kb1 f5 19.Nc5 Bxd5 20.cxd5 Nb4 21.a3 Nc2 22.Kxc2 Nd7 23.Kb1 Nxc5 24.exf5 Rxf5 25.d6 exd6 26.Bc4+ Kh8 27.Rxd6 Na4 28.Be6 Rf6 29.Bd4 Rcf8 30.Bxf6 Bxf6 31.Bb3 Nc5 32.Bc2 b5 33.Rhd1 Kg7 34.Rc6 Be7 35.Re1 Kf7 36.Rxe7+ Kxe7 37.Rxc5* 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2610)-Eminov,O (2327) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Bb6 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bxc4 15.Bxd8 Rxd8 16.Nb3 b5 17.Rd1 Rc8 18.Kf2 b4 19.Ne2 Nh5 20.Rd2 Bb5 21.Rc1 Rb8 22.Rcd1 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-grandmatt (2570) Blitz 2023;

B) 10...Be6 11.cxd6 exd6 12.Nb3 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 Bxc4 14.Rd1 d5 15.exd5 Re8 16.Kf2 b5 17.d6 b4 18.Na4 Nd5 19.Rhe1 Qh4+ 20.Kg1 Rxe3 21.Rxe3 Bh6 22.Re4 Qxe4 23.fxe4 Bxd2 24.Rxd2 Bxb3 25.axb3 Nf6 26.Nb6 Rd8 27.e5 Ne4 28.Rd4 Nc5 29.Rxb4 f6 30.Rc4 Ne6 31.d7 fxe5 32.Rc8 Kf7 33.Kf2 Ke7 34.Ke3 Ng5 35.h4 Nf7 36.Ke4 Rxd7 37.Nxd7 Nd6+ 38.Kxe5 Nxc8 39.Nf6 h5 40.Nd5+ Kf7 41.b4 Nb6 42.Nxb6 1-0 (42) penguingim1 (2717)-BlueGreensun (2672) Blitz 2020]

[9...b6 10.Be2 c5 11.Nb3 Nc6 12.0-0 a5 13.a4 Nb4 14.Rfd1 h5 15.Nb5 Bd7 16.e5 cxd4 17.Bxd4 dxe5 18.Bxe5 Bxb5 19.axb5 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Ne4 21.fxe4 Bxe5 22.c5 Bf4 23.Rd7 Be3+ 24.Kf1 a4 25.Nd4 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Nc2 27.Raxa4 Nxd4 28.Rxd4 bxc5 29.Rd7 Ra2 30.Rxe7 Rxb2 31.Rc7 Re8 32.Rxc5 Rxe4 33.Bf3 Ra4 34.Rc1 Rxb5 35.Bc6 Rf4+ 36.Kg1 Rb2 37.Bf3 Rfb4 38.Rc7 Rf4 39.h3 h4 40.Rc6 Kg7 41.Rc7 Rf5 42.Rc6 Rb4 43.Rc7 Rb2 44.Ra7 Rc5 45.Ra4 Rc1+ 46.Kh2 Rc5 47.Rxh4 Rf5 48.Kg3 Rg5+ 49.Kh2 Rf5 50.Be4 Rb4 51.Bxf5 Rxh4 52.Bg4 Rh8 53.Bf3 Rd8 54.Kg3 f5 55.h4 Kf6 56.Kf4 Rd4+ 57.Kg3 Rc4 58.Be2 Rc3+ 59.Kf2 g5 60.hxg5+ Kxg5 61.Bf3 f4 62.Kg1 Kh4 63.Kh2 Rc2 64.Be4 Re2 65.Bf3 Rf2 66.Bd5 Rd2 67.Bf3 Rd6 68.Ba8 Rh6 69.Bf3 Kg5+ 70.Kg1 Rd6 71.Kf2 Rd2+ 72.Kg1 Rb2 73.Kh2 Rb1 74.Be4 Rc1 75.Bf3 Rc3 76.Be4 Rc5 77.Bf3 Rc3 78.Kg1 Re3 79.Kh2 Rxf3 80.gxf3 Kh4 81.Kg2 Kg5 82.Kh2 Kh5 83.Kg2 Kh4 84.Kh2 Kg5 85.Kg2 Kf5 86.Kh2 Ke5 87.Kh3 Kd4 88.Kg4 Ke3 89.Kg5 Kxf3 90.Kf5 Ke3 0-1 (90) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-KPrometeo (2575) Blitz 2024]

[9...Re8 10.Nb3 Nc6 11.Be2 e5 12.d5 Nb8 13.c5 b5 14.cxb6 cxb6 15.a4 Nbd7 16.a5 b5 17.0-0 Bb7

18.Na2 Rc8 19.Rac1 Bf8 20.Nb4 Nc5 21.Nxc5 dxc5 22.Nd3 Nd7 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 Qxa5 25.f4 c4 26.Nxe5 Qb6+ 27.Kh1 Nxe5 28.fxe5 Rxe5 29.Rxf7 Kxf7 30.Qxh7+ Ke8 31.Qh8+ Kd7 32.Qxe5 Qd6 33.Qg7+ Qe7 34.Bg4+ 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2631)-chargemax23 (2667) Blitz 2021]

10.Nb3

[10.b4 Nc6

A) 11.a3 e5 *(11...b6 12.Be2 e6 13.0-0 e5 14.Nb3 a5 15.b5 Ne7 16.Na4 f5 17.Bg5 exd4 18.Nxd4 Nf6 19.Rac1 fxe4 20.Nc3 Nf5 21.Nxf5 Bxf5 22.fxe4 Be6 23.Rf3 Qd7 24.h3 Rf7 25.Rcf1 Raf8 26.Bh4 Ne8 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.Qxd5 Be5 29.Rxf7 Rxf7 30.Bg4* 1-0 (30) hesenlinna (2617)-mrchess2013 (2621) Blitz 2021*)*

12.Nb3

A1) 12...exd4 13.Nxd4 Nde5 14.Be2 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.0-0 f4 17.Bf2 Qg5 18.Kh1 Ne7 19.c5 d5 20.c6 bxc6 21.Rad1 Rf6 22.g4 Rh6 23.Bg1 Rh3 24.Rf2 h5 25.Bf1 Rh4 26.Nf5 Bxf5 27.gxf5 Nxf5 28.Nxd5 Ng3+ 29.Kg2 Ne2+ 30.Kh1 Qxg1# 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-LaYucaReyChess (2495) Blitz 2024;

A2) 12...f5 13.d5 *(13.Bg5 exd4 14.Bxd8 dxc3 15.Qd5+ Kh8 16.Bxc7 fxe4 17.0-0-0 Nf6 18.Qxd6 Bf5 19.g4 Ne8 20.Qg3 Be6 21.Nc5 Bg8 22.Nxe4 Nxc7 23.Qxc7 Rac8 24.Qxb7 Ne5 25.Nd6 Rb8 26.Qxa6 Ra8 27.Qb5 Rxa3 28.Be2 Ra2 29.Rhe1 Bh6+ 30.Kb1 Rb2+ 31.Ka1 Ra8+ 32.Qa5 Rxa5+ 33.bxa5 Bg7 34.f4 Nc6 35.Ne8 Nb4 36.Rc1 Ra2+ 37.Kb1 c2+ 38.Rxc2 Ra1#* 0-1 (38) Hamisandwich (2632)-Wildindian (2663) Blitz 2020 *)* 13...f4 14.Bf2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Bxd4 Ne5 17.Be2 Qh4+ 18.Bf2 Qg5 19.g4 Qf6 20.Rc1 h5 21.h3 Kh7 22.Kd1 c6 23.Kc2 Bd7 24.Kb3 b5 25.c5 a5 26.dxc6 axb4 27.axb4 Be6+ 28.Nd5 dxc5 29.Bxc5 Rfb8 30.c7 Rb7 31.Bd4 Qf7 32.Bb2 Rxc7 33.Rxc7 Qxc7 34.Rc1 Qf7 35.Bxb5 Nxf3 36.Qd3 Ne5 37.Qc2 f3 38.Bc4 Rc8 39.Bxe5 Bxe5 40.Qd3 f2 41.Rf1 Bh8 42.gxh5 g5 43.e5+ Kh6 44.Qe3 Rf8 45.Nb6 Qf3 46.Qxf3 Rxf3+ 47.Ka4 Bxh3 48.Rc1 f1Q 49.Bxf1 Bxf1 50.Rc6+ 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-LaYucaReyChess (2494) Blitz 2024;

A3) 12...a5 13.b5 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nd5 Be6 18.Qc3+ f6 19.Nf4 Qe7 20.Be2 b6 21.0-0 Rae8 22.Rad1 Bf7 23.Rfe1 Qe5 24.Qxe5 fxe5 25.Nd3 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 Be6 27.Kf2 g5 28.Ke3 h5 29.g3 Rf6 30.Rd2 Ref8 31.Rf2 Bh3 32.Rg1 Be6 33.f4 Kh7 34.f5 Bc8 35.h3 Kg7 36.Be2 Rh6 37.Rc1 Kf6 38.Rff1 h4 39.g4 Rf7 40.Rfd1 Rhh7 41.Rb1 Rd7 42.Bd3 Bb7 43.Bc2 Rhe7 44.Bb3 Rg7 45.Ba2 Rge7 46.Rd2 Rg7 47.Rbd1 Rge7

48.c5 bxc5 49.b6 d5 50.Bxd5 Bxd5 51.Rxd5 Rxd5 52.Rxd5 cxb6 53.Rd6+ Kf7 54.Rxb6 Rc7 55.Re6 c4 56.Kd2 Rd7+ 57.Kc3 Rd3+ 58.Kxc4 Rxh3 59.Kd5 Rg3 60.Kxe5 Rxg4 61.Rh6 Rg3 62.Rh7+ Kg8 63.Rh5 h3 64.f6 Rg4 65.Kf5 Rf4+ 66.Kg6 Rxe4 67.f7+ Kf8 68.Rh8+ Ke7 69.f8Q+ Kd7 70.Qc8+ Kd6 71.Rd8+ Ke5 72.Qc3+ Kf4 73.Rf8+ Kg4 74.Qf3+ 1-0 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-BuckT (2578) Blitz 2024;

B) 11.Rb1 e5 12.d5 Nd4

B1) 13.Nb3 Goganov, A-Levin, E/St Petersburg RUS 2012. f5 *(13...Re8 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4 Ra3 19.Be2 Qh4+ 20.g3 Qh3 21.Kf2 Ne5 22.Nb5 Ra2 23.Rb2 Rxb2 24.Qxb2 f5 25.Nxc7 Rf8 26.Ne6 Bxe6 27.dxe6 fxe4 28.e7 Re8 29.f4 e3+ 30.Kxe3 Rxe7 31.fxe5 Rxe5+ 32.Kf2 Rf5+ 33.Bf3 Qg4 34.Qe2 g5 35.Kg2 Qd4 36.Rd1 Qc3 37.Qe6+ Rf7 38.Bd5 Qc2+ 39.Kh3 g4+ 40.Qxg4+ Kf8 41.Bxf7 h5 42.Qg8+ Ke7 43.Re1+ Kd7 44.Qe8+ Kc7 45.Re7+ Kb6 46.Qb5+ Ka7 47.Qxb7#* 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-ItachiUt (2531) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 a5 17.exf5 axb4 18.Rxb4 Rxf5 19.Be2 Nc5 20.0-0 Bd7 21.Re1 Re5 22.Rbb1 Qe7 23.Kf2 Re8 24.g3 Bf5 25.Rbd1 Re3 26.Qd2 Bd3 27.Bf1 Rxe1 28.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 29.Qxe1 Rxe1 30.Kxe1 Bf5 31.Kd2 g5 32.Nb5 Na6 33.Kc3 Bd7 34.Nd4 Kg7 35.Bd3 h6 36.Bf5 Be8 37.Ne6+ Kf6 38.Bc2 Bd7 39.Nd4 Nc5 40.Nb3 b6 41.Nd2 Ke5 42.Ne4 Nxe4+ 43.Bxe4 h5 44.Bc2 h4 45.Bd3 hxg3 46.hxg3 Bc8 47.Bc2 Bd7 48.a3 Bh3 49.Bd1 Bg2 50.Kd3 Bf1+ 51.Kc3 Bh3 52.Be2 Bd7 53.Kd3 Be8 54.Ke3 Bg6 55.f4+ gxf4+ 56.gxf4+ Kf6 57.Bd3 Bf7 58.Kd4 Be8 59.Be4 Bd7 60.Bd3 Be8 61.Bc2 Bd7 62.Ba4 Bxa4 63.c5 Bd7 64.Kc4 dxc5 65.Kc3 Ke7 66.Kc2 Kd6 67.Kd2 b5 68.Ke3 1-0 (68) MothToTheFlame (2687)-Normal_one (2624) Blitz 2023;

B2) 13.N1e2 Nxe2 *(13...a5 14.a3 axb4 15.axb4 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 c5 20.Qxd6 cxb4 21.Nd5 Bb7 22.Qxd7* 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-Itachi_Ut (2583) Blitz 2023 *)* 14.Bxe2 f5 15.c5 Vigorito, D: 'White's play is easier, Baramidze, D-Nisipeanu, L/ Baden Baden GER 2014.' Nf6 16.0-0 f4 17.Bf2 g5 18.cxd6 cxd6 19.Na4 Nd7 20.Rbc1 b5 21.Nb2 Nf6 22.Rc6 g4 23.a4 g3 24.hxg3 fxg3 25.Bxg3 Nh5 26.Bh2 Nf4 27.Nd3 Qh4 28.Nxf4 exf4 29.Rxd6 Be5 30.Rc6 Kh8 31.axb5 axb5 32.Bxb5 Ra7 33.d6 Rg7 34.Rc7 Rg6 35.Rfc1 Bh3 36.Bf1 Rfg8 37.d7 Bxc7 38.Rxc7 Qd8 39.Qb2+ R6g7

40.Qc3 Bxd7 41.Bxf4 Qe7 42.Be5 h6 43.b5 Kh7 44.Bxg7 Rxg7 45.Qd4 Qe6 46.b6 Rf7 47.b7 Qe8 48.Qb4 Be6 49.Rxf7+ Bxf7 50.b8Q Qe6 51.Q8b7 Qg6 52.Qxf7+ Qxf7 53.Qd4 Qg6 54.Bd3 h5 55.e5 Kh6 56.Bxg6 Kxg6 57.Qf4 1-0 (57) TemurKuybokarov (2846)-dhonimessi (2703) Blitz 2022]

[10.Be2

A) 10...e5 11.0-0 *(11.d5 c5 12.0-0 f5 13.a3 f4 14.Bf2 b6 15.b4 Nb7 16.Nd3 g5 17.Rfb1 Rf6 18.a4 cxb4 19.Nxb4 Nbc5 20.Nc6 Qf8 21.a5 bxa5 22.Rxa5 h5 23.Na4 g4 24.Nxc5 Nxc5 25.Rxc5 dxc5 26.Nxe5 Bh6 27.Nd3 Rg6 28.Bxc5 Qg7 29.Nxf4 gxf3 30.Bxf3 Bg4 31.Bxg4 Rxg4 32.Rf1 Qe5 33.Be3 Qxe4 34.d6 Qxc4 35.d7 Rd8 36.h3 Rg7 37.Rc1 Qe4 38.Rc8 Bg5 39.Bb6 Qb1+ 40.Kh2 Qxb6 41.Rxd8+ Qxd8 42.Qd5+ Kh7 43.Qf5+ Kh8 44.Ne6 Qxd7 45.Qf8+ Kh7 46.Qxg7+ Qxg7 47.Nxg7 Kxg7 48.Kg3 Bf6 49.h4 a5 50.Kh3 a4 51.g4 a3 52.g5 Be5 53.Kg2 a2 54.Kh3 a1Q 55.Kg2 Qb2+ 56.Kf3 Qh2 57.Ke4 Qxh4+ 58.Kd5 Qxg5 59.Ke6 h4 60.Kd7 h3 61.Kc6 h2 62.Kd7 h1Q 63.Kc8 Qd5 ½-½ (63) mbchessmaster (2607)-dhonimessi (2589) Blitz 2021)* 11...exd4 12.Bxd4 Ne5 13.b3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Bxb5 Be6 16.N1e2 c5 17.Be3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Nb7 19.Nf4 Bc8 20.Ncd5 Na5 21.Be2 c4 22.b4 Nac6 23.a3 Ba6 24.Nc3 Nd3 25.Nxd3 cxd3 26.Bxd3 Bxd3 27.Qxd3 Ne5 28.Qe2 Nxf3+ 29.Rxf3 Bxc3 30.Bh6 Bg7 31.Bxg7 Kxg7 32.Rfd3 Qb6+ 33.Qf2 Qa6 34.Qd4+ Kg8 35.Qxd6 Qc4 36.Qd4 Qc2 37.h3 Rfe8 38.Qf2 Qc4 39.Rd4 Qb3 40.R1d3 Qb1+ 41.Kh2 Ra8 42.Rd7 Rf8 43.Rf3 Qxe4 44.Rdxf7 Rxf7 45.Rxf7 Qe5+ 46.Qf4 Qxf4+ 47.Rxf4 Rxa3 48.Rf3 Ra6 49.Rb3 Rb6 50.Kg3 Kf7 51.Kf4 Ke6 52.Ke4 Kd6 53.Kd4 Rb5 54.Kc4 Rf5 55.b5 Kc7 56.b6+ Kb7 57.Rb2 Rf4+ 58.Kd5 Rf6 59.Ke5 Rc6 60.g4 Rc3 61.h4 Rc4 62.Rg2 Kxb6 63.Kf6 h5 64.Kg5 hxg4 65.Rxg4 Rc6 66.Kh6 Kc7 67.Rxg6 Rc4 68.h5 Kd7 69.Kg7 Ke7 70.h6 Rf4 71.h7 Rf7+ 72.Kh6 1-0 (72) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-dingradjabov (2590) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...c5 11.d5 *(11.0-0 Vigorito, D: '?!' Vigorito, D: 'Hambleton, A-Shabalov, A/ Philadelphia USA 2013.' Nc6 12.Nb3 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Rfd1 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 Nb6 18.h4 Be6 19.h5 Rfc8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rc7 22.b3 Nd7 23.f4 Kg7 24.Bf3 b5 25.Re1 Kf8 26.h6 bxc4 27.bxc4 Rb8 28.Re3 Rb2 29.Ra3 Nc5 30.Kh2 f6 31.Bg4 f5 32.Bf3 Kf7 33.Kh3 Rcb7 34.g4 Rc2 35.gxf5 gxf5 36.Bd1 Rf2 37.Rg3 Rbb2 38.Rg7+ Kf6 39.Rxh7 Ne4 40.Rxe4 fxe4 41.f5 Rbd2 42.Kg3 Rg2+ 43.Kh3 Rh2+ 44.Kg3 Rdg2+ 45.Kf4 Rh4+ 46.Ke3 Rg3+ 47.Kf2 Rgh3 48.Rh8 Rxh6 49.Rf8+ Ke5 50.Bg4 Rh2+*

51.Kg3 e3 52.Re8 Rh7 53.f6 e2 54.Bxe2 Rxe2 55.Rxe7+ Rxe7 56.fxe7 Kf6 57.c5 dxc5 58.d6 Kf7 59.Kf4 Ke8 60.Kf3 c4 61.Kxe2 Kd7 62.Kd1 a5 63.Kc2 a4 64.Kc3 Kxd6 65.Kxc4 Kxe7 66.Kb4 Kd7 67.Kxa4 Kc7 68.Kb4 Kb6 69.a4 Kc6 70.a5 Kb7 71.Ka4 Ka8 72.Kb4 Ka7 73.Kb3 Kb8 74.Ka3 Ka8 75.Ka4 Ka7 76.Kb5 Kb8 77.a6 Ka8 78.Kb6 Kb8 79.a7+ Ka8 80.Ka6 ½-½ (80) Lucky13579246802713)-IDISJUDA (2735) Blitz 2024*; 11.Nb3 b5 12.Nxa5 Qxa5 13.0-0 bxc4 14.Bxc4 cxd4 15.Bxd4 Ne5 16.Be2 Qb4 17.Rfd1 Rb8 18.Nd5 Qb7 19.Rac1 Be6 20.Rc7 Bxd5 21.Rxb7 Bxb7 22.Rc1 Rbc8 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.f4 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.e5 dxe5 28.fxe5 Be4 29.Qe3 Bd5 30.Qd3 Rc1+ 31.Kf2 e6 32.b3 a5 33.Qd2 Ra1 34.Qxa5 Bxb3 35.a3 Bd5 36.g3 Ra2+ 37.Ke3 Rxh2 38.Qd8 Ra2 39.Qf6+ Kg8 40.Qd8+ Kg7 41.Qf6+ Kg8 42.Qe7 Rb2 43.Kd4 Rc2 44.Qd8+ Kg7 45.Qf6+ Kg8 46.Qd8+ Kg7 47.Qf6+ Kg8 48.Qf1 Ra2 49.Qc1 Rg2 50.a4 Rxg3 51.a5 Rg4+ 52.Kc5 Ra4 53.Kb6 Rb4+ 54.Kc5 Ra4 55.Kb5 Ra2 56.a6 h5 57.Kb6 h4 58.a7 h3 59.Qb1 h2 60.Qxa2* 1-0 (60) MothToTheFlame (2653)-Ifachess23 (2556) Blitz 2023*)* 11...Ne5 *(11...b5* Cheremnova, T-Kabanov, N/Sochi RUS 2012 *12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Rxa6 15.Qe2 Rb6 16.Na4 Rb4 17.Qc2 Nb6 18.Nxb6 Qxb6 19.Rb1 Nc4 20.Bf2 Rxb2 21.Rxb2 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Nd3 Bc3+ 24.Kd1 Ra8 25.Kc2 Bf6 26.Nc1 Ra3 27.Rd1 Rc3+ 28.Kb1 Na3+* 0-1 (28) Richard_Wilson2021 (2610)-Eminov,O (2327) Blitz 2021*)* 12.b3 e6 13.f4 exd5 14.cxd5 Nd7 15.Nd3 b5 16.Rc1 c4 17.Nb4 cxb3 18.Nc6 Nxc6 19.dxc6 Nb6 20.axb3 f5 21.c7 Qxc7 22.Nd5 Qxc1+ 23.Qxc1 Nxd5 24.exd5 Bb7 25.0-0 Rac8 26.Qd2 Bc3 27.Qd3 b4 28.Bf3 Rfe8 29.Bd4 a5 30.h4 Rc7 31.Qb5 Bxd4+ 32.Kh2 Ree7 33.Qxa5 Bc5 34.Qa1 Re3 35.Qf6 Rce7 36.h5 Rf7 37.Qg5 Rg7 38.Qd8+ Kf7 39.Rc1 Re8 40.Qg5 h6 41.hxg6+ Rxg6 42.Qxf5+ Kg7 43.Bh5 Rf6 44.Qg4+ Kf8 45.Bxe8 Kxe8 46.Qg8+ Ke7 47.Re1+ Kd7 48.Qg7+ 1-0 (48) supertactic91 (2828)-IDISJUDA (2639) Blitz 2022]

[10.h4 c5 11.d5 b5 *(11...Ne5 12.Be2 Naxc4 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 b5 16.h5 b4 17.Nd1 e6 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Nd3 c4 20.Nxb4 d5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Nf2 d4 23.Qd2 Qb6 24.a3 a5 25.Nd5 Qd6 26.0-0 Rfb8 27.Rab1 d3 28.b3 Bxd5 29.exd5 Qxd5 30.bxc4 Qxc4 31.Qxd3 Qxd3 32.Nxd3 Bd4+ 33.Kh2 a4 34.Rxb8+ Rxb8 35.Nb4 Bc5 36.Rb1 Bxb4 37.axb4 a3 38.Ra1 Rxb4 39.Rxa3 Kg7 40.Kg3 Kh6 41.Ra7 Rc4 42.f4 Rb4 43.Rf7 Rc4 44.Kg4 Rb4 45.g3 Rc4 46.Kh4 g5+ 47.Kg4 gxf4 48.gxf4 Kg6 49.Ra7 h5+ 50.Kf3 Kf5 51.Rf7+ Kg6 52.Rf8 Rc3+ 53.Ke4 Rc4+ 54.Ke5 Rc5+ 55.Ke6 Rc6+ 56.Kd5 Rf6 57.Rg8+ Kh7 58.Rg1 Rxf4 59.Ke5 Rg4 60.Rxg4 hxg4 61.Kf4*

g3 62.Kxg3 ½-½ (62) Laranarene1 (2604)-LaYucaReyChess (2441) Blitz 2025 *)* 12.h5 Ne5 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bh6 Naxc4 15.Bxc4 Nxc4 16.Qf2 Bd4 17.Qh4 Rf7 18.N1e2 Bh8 19.Rb1 Qa5 20.Kf2 Bd7 21.Nf4 Ne5 22.Bg5 b4 23.Nce2 Re8 24.Kg3 Qxa2 25.Ne6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Qxe6 27.Nf4 Qb3 28.Nd5 Nxf3 29.gxf3 Qxf3+ 30.Kh2 Qe2+ 31.Kh3 Rf3+ 32.Qg3 Rxg3+ 33.Kxg3 Qxe4 0-1 (33) Itinerant69 (2669)-azotador (2656) Blitz 2023]

[10.Rb1 c5 11.d5 Ne5 12.b3 e6 13.Be2 exd5 14.cxd5 b5 15.0-0 Bd7 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 b4 18.Nd1 c4 19.f4 Ng4 20.Bxg4 Bxg4 21.f5 Kh8 22.Ne3 Bh5 23.g4 Rg8 24.Ne2 Bxg4 25.Ng3 gxf5 26.bxc4 Qe7 27.Kh1 fxe4 28.Rxb4 Bf3+ 29.Kg1 Rg6 30.Qf4 Rag8 31.Nef5 Qf6 32.Rxf3 exf3 33.Qxf3 Qe5 34.Kg2 Rg4 35.Rb2 Qxb2+ 0-1 (35) Khismatullin,D (2666)-Kabanov,N (2489) Kazan RUS 2015]

[10.Bd3 c5 11.N1e2 Nc6 12.d5 Nd4 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Bb1 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 Ba6 18.Bd3 Ne5 19.a4 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Qb6 21.Rfb1 Bxb5 22.axb5 Qxb5 23.Qxb5 Rxb5 24.Ra7 Rxb2 25.Rxb2 Bxb2 26.Rxe7 Rc8 27.Rd7 c4 28.Rxd6 c3 29.Rc6 Rd8 30.Bd4 Kf8 31.Bxc3 1-0 (31) pipita09 (2642)-Eminov,O (2327) Blitz 2021]

10...Nxb3

[10...c5

A) 11.dxc5 Nxb3 12.axb3

A1) 12...dxc5 13.Be2 *(13.h4 h5 14.0-0-0 Qa5 15.Kc2 e6 16.Be2 Rb8 17.Na4 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 b6 19.Rhd1 Rb7 20.g3 Re8 21.Bf1 Ne5 22.Rd8 Kf8 23.Nxb6 Rc7 24.Bg5 Nc6 25.Bf4 e5 26.Rxe8+ Kxe8 27.Nd5 Rb7 28.Be3 Nd4+ 29.Bxd4 exd4 30.Ra1 Ra7 31.Ra5 Bf8 32.Nb6 Bd7 33.Nd5 Bc8 34.b4 cxb4 35.c5 Kd8 36.Nxb4 Rc7 37.Nd3 f5 38.b4 fxe4 39.fxe4 Re7 40.Nf4 Rxe4 41.Bxa6 Bf5 42.Bd3 Re3 43.Ra8+ Ke7 44.Bxf5* 1-0 (44) Basso,P (2600)-Della Pietra,A (2202) Spilimbergo ITA 2020 *)* 13...b6 14.0-0 e6 15.Rfd1 Qc7 16.f4 Rd8 17.Bf3 Bb7 18.Qe2 Rac8 19.e5 Nb8 20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Bxe4 Nc6 22.Bxc6 Qxc6 23.Rxa6 Qe4 24.Raa1 Ra8 25.Rxa8 Rxa8 26.Qd3 Qc6 27.Kf2 h5 28.h4 Ra2 29.Qb1 Ra8 30.Rd6 Qb7 31.Qd1 Bf8 32.Rd7 Qe4 33.Qf3 Qxf3+ 34.Kxf3 Ra2 35.Rb7 Rxb2 36.Rxb6 Kg7 37.g3 Be7 38.Rb7 Bf8 39.Rb5 Be7 40.Ke4 Bf8 41.Kd3 Rg2 42.Bxc5 Rxg3+ 43.Kc2 Rg4 44.Bxf8+ Kxf8 45.c5 Rxf4 46.c6 Ke7 47.Rb7+ Kd8 48.Kc3 g5 49.hxg5 h4 50.g6 fxg6 51.b4 g5 52.b5 h3 53.b6 h2 54.Rd7+ Ke8 55.b7 Rf3+ 56.Kc4 Rf4+ 57.Kc5 1-0 (57) alexkaspi (2608)-BadAsMe (2609) Blitz 2021;

A2) 12...Nxc5 13.Ra3 *(13.Qc2 f5 14.Be2 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.0-0 Qc7 17.b4 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Be6 19.Rac1 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 a5 21.bxa5 Qxa5 22.b3 Qa2 23.Bd3 Qxc2 24.Bxc2 Ra2 25.Bd1 Rb2 26.Bc1 Rb1 27.Bc2 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Ra1 29.Bd3 Bf6 30.Bf4 Ra3 31.Rb1*

Kf7 32.h3 g5 33.Bg3 h5 34.Be2 h4 35.Be1 Ra2 36.Bh5+ Kg7 37.Bg4 Bxg4 38.hxg4 Kf7 39.Kg1 Ke6 40.Kf1 Bd4 41.b4 Ke5 42.c5 Kxe4 43.cxd6 exd6 44.b5 d5 45.b6 Ra6 46.Rc1 Rxb6 47.Rc7 Rf6+ 48.Ke2 b5 49.Re7+ Be5 50.Bd2 Rg6 51.Rb7 Ra6 52.Rxb5 Ra2 53.Rb4+ d4 54.Rc4 Bf4 55.Rc8 Rxd2+ 56.Ke1 Rxg2 57.Re8+ Kf3 58.Ra8 Rg1# 0-1 (58) jposthuma (2755)-Kaldas90 (2712) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Be6 14.b4 *(14.Be2 Rc8 15.0-0 Be5 16.g3 Bh3 17.Rf2 a5 18.Nd5 f5 19.exf5 Rxf5 20.Bg5 Rf7 21.Qxa5 Qxa5 22.Rxa5 Bxb2 23.Nxe7+ Rxe7 24.Bxe7 Bd4 25.Bf1 Bxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Bxf1 27.Kxf1 Nxb3 28.Rb5 Nd2+ 29.Ke2 Nxc4 30.Rxb7 Re8 31.Kf2 d5 32.Bc5 Ne5 33.Bd4 Nd3+ 34.Kg2 Re2+ 35.Kh3 Nf2+ 36.Kh4 Rd2 37.Be3 Re2 38.Bh6 Re8 39.Rd7 Nd1 40.Kg5 Ne3 41.g4 Ra8 42.Rg7+ Kh8 43.Re7 Kg8 44.Rxe3 d4 45.Re5 Ra5 46.Rxa5 Kf7 47.Rd5* 1-0 (47) Lucky1357924680 (2676)-IDISJUDA (2632) Blitz 2024*)* 14...Nd7 15.Nd5 *(15.Be2 Rc8 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Ne5 18.b3 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 Bc3 20.Bc4 Bxd2+ 21.Kxd2 Qd7 22.h4 f5 23.h5 fxe4 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Raa1 b5 26.Be2 exf3 27.Bd3 Qg4 28.Rag1 Qxb4+ 29.Kd1 Qxb3+* 0-1 (29) alexkaspi (2626)-playingblindchess432 (2624) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Bxd5 16.exd5 Rc8 17.Be2 Ne5 18.c5 Nd7 19.c6 bxc6 20.Bxa6 Rc7 21.dxc6 Rxc6 22.b5 Rc5 23.Bxc5 Nxc5 24.b4 Ne6 25.Bb7 Qb6 26.Bc6 Nc7 27.Qd3 Rb8 28.Ke2 Ne6 29.Ra6 Nf4+ 30.Kd1 Nxd3 31.Rxb6 Rxb6 32.Kd2 Nxb4 0-1 (32) anand68 (2830)-mrchess2013 (2608) Blitz 2021;

B) 11.Rd1 Nxb3 12.axb3 b6 *(12...cxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.h4 e5 17.Qc3 Nc5 18.Be2 Be6 19.Ne3 Qb6 20.b4 Na4 21.Qa3 a5 22.b5 Nc5 23.0-0 a4 24.Rd2 Qd8 25.Rfd1 Qxh4 26.Rxd6 Rac8 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.R6xd5 b6 29.Rxe5 Rfe8 30.Rxe8+ Rxe8 31.Qe3 f5 32.Qf2 Qxf2+ 33.Kxf2 fxe4 34.Rd6 e3+ 35.Ke1 Re6 36.Rxe6 Nxe6 37.Bd1 Nf4 38.Bxa4 Nd3+ 39.Ke2 Nf4+ 40.Kxe3 Nxg2+ 41.Ke4 Kf8 42.b4 Ke7 43.c5 Kd7 44.Bb3 Kc7 45.Be6 Nh4 46.f4 g5 47.fxg5 Ng6 48.Kf5 Ne7+ 49.Kf6 bxc5 50.bxc5 Nc8 51.Bd5 h6 52.b6+ Nxb6 53.cxb6+ Kxb6 54.gxh6 Kc5 55.h7 Kd4 56.h8Q Ke3 57.Be6 Kf4 58.Bf7 Kg3 59.Qh7 Kf2 60.Qg7 Ke3 61.Qg6* 1-0 (61) jposthuma (2777)-doreality (2757) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Be2 Bb7 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Nf6 17.d5 b5 18.Kh1 b4 19.Nb1 Ne4 20.Qc2 a5 21.Bd3 Bc8 22.Nd2 Nxd2 23.Rxd2 Bd7 24.Rf3 a4 25.bxa4 Rxa4 26.Rd1 Ra2 27.Rb1 Kh8 28.Rh3 Qa8 29.g4 Qa4 30.Qe2 Qb3 31.g5 Be8 32.Bd4 cxd4 33.Bxf5 d3 34.Rxh7+ Kg8

35.Qe6+ Rf7 36.g6 d2 37.gxf7+ Bxf7 38.Rxg7+ Kxg7 39.Rg1+ Kf8 40.Qh6+ Ke8 41.Qh8+ Bg8 42.Qxg8# 1-0 (42) Kraterrr (2836)-vistagausta (2851) Blitz 2021]

[10...c6 11.Be2 b5 *(11...c5 12.0-0 Nxb3 13.axb3 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Nc5 16.Ra3 e5 17.Qe3 Ne6 18.Rd1 Rb8 19.Nd5 Nd4 20.Rxd4 exd4 21.Qxd4 f6 22.b4 Be6 23.Rd3 Rf7 24.b3 f5 25.Nf4 Bd7 26.Qxd6 fxe4 27.fxe4 Qf8 28.Qxf8+ Rbxf8 29.Nd5 Kg7 30.Bf3 h5 31.Kf2 g5 32.Ke3 g4 33.Be2 Re8 34.Nf4 Bc6 35.Rd4 Re5 36.Bd3 Kh6 37.g3 h4 38.Rd6+ Kg7 39.Kd4 hxg3 40.hxg3 Ree7 41.Rg6+ Kf8 42.Rxg4 Rg7 43.Rxg7 Kxg7 44.e5 Rd7+ 45.Kc5 Kf8 46.g4 Ke7 47.g5 Rd8 48.g6 Rg8 49.Nd5+ Ke6 50.Nf6 Rg7 51.Nh5 Rg8 52.g7 Bf3 53.Bh7 Rc8+ 54.Kb6 Bxh5 55.g8Q+ Rxg8 56.Bxg8+ Kxe5 57.Kxb7 Kd4 58.Kxa6 Bd1 59.c5 Bf3 60.Kb6 Kc3 61.b5 Kb4 62.c6 Ka3 63.c7 Bg4 64.Bd5 Bc8 65.Bb7 Bd7 66.c8Q Bxc8 67.Bxc8 Kxb3 68.Bd7 Kb4 69.Kc7 Kc3 70.b6 Kd4 71.b7 Ke5 72.Bc6* Time forfeit 1-0 (72) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-gmalexmista (2544) Blitz 2024*)* 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 c5 16.Nf2 b3 17.Qxa5 Rxa5 18.axb3 Rxa1 19.Rxa1 cxd4 20.Bg5 f6 21.Bd2 f5 22.Bc4+ Kh8 23.Ra7 Bf6 24.b4 Ne5 25.Bd5 e6 26.Bb3 Bd8 27.f4 Nc6 28.Ra8 Bb7 29.Ra1 e5 30.exf5 gxf5 31.b5 Nb8 32.Ra7 Bc8 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Bh6 Rg8 35.Bxg8 Kxg8 36.Ra8 Bc7 37.Ra7 Bb6 38.Re7 Bd7 39.Rg7+ Kh8 40.Rf7 Bc5 41.Nd3 Bd6 42.Nxe5 Be8 43.Rf6 Bc5 44.Nd3 Be7 45.Re6 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-iustin104 (2584) Blitz 2021]

[10...Nc6 11.Be2 f5 12.0-0 e5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Bg5 Nf6 15.dxe5 Nxe5 16.c5 Be6 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.Rad1 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Rfe1 Bxb3 21.axb3 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Qxb3 23.Qxd6 Qxb2 24.Qe6+ Kh8 25.Nd5 Nxd5 26.Qxd5 b5 27.Re7 Rae8 28.Rxe8 Rxe8 29.Qc6 Qe2 30.Rc1 Qe1+ 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-mapungubve (2605) Blitz 2021]

11.axb3 Vigorito, D: 'Karavade, E-Lintchevski, D/Kolkata IND 2012.'

11...c5

[11...e5 12.d5 *(12.Be2 exd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Nc5 15.Ra3 Qg5 16.0-0 Ne6 17.Qf2 Nf4 18.Kh1 f5 19.g3 Nxe2 20.Qxe2 fxe4 21.f4 Qh6 22.Nxe4 Bd7 23.Re1 Rae8 24.Kg1 Bc6 25.Qd3 Qg7 26.Re2 d5 27.cxd5 Bb5* 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-Loin_sn (2898) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 12...f5 13.Be2 *(13.Bd3 Nf6 14.0-0-0 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Nxe4 16.Bxe4 Bf5 17.Qd3 Qd7 18.h4 Bxe4 19.Qxe4 Qf5 20.h5 g5 21.h6 Qxe4 22.fxe4 Bf6 23.Rh5 Kf7 24.Kd2 Kg6 25.g4 Be7 26.Ke2 Rf7 27.Rf1 Rxf1 28.Kxf1 a5 29.Ke2 a4 30.Rh3 axb3 31.Bd2 Ra2 32.Rxb3 b6 33.Bc3 Kxh6 34.c5 dxc5 35.Bxe5 Bd8 36.Rf3 Kg6 37.Rf8 Be7 38.Rg8+ Kf7 39.Rg7+ Ke8 40.Rxh7 Bd6 41.Bc3 Bf4 42.e5 Bc1 43.Kd3 Bxb2 44.Bxb2 Rxb2 45.Ke4 Rf2 46.e6 c4 47.Rxc7 b5 48.d6 Kf8 49.Rc8+ Kg7 50.d7 Rd2 51.d8Q Rxd8 52.Rxd8 Kf6 53.Kd5 c3*

54.Rc8 b4 55.Rc4 c2 56.Rxc2 b3 57.Rb2 Ke7 58.Rxb3 Kf6 59.Rf3+ Ke7 60.Rf7+ Ke8 61.Rb7 Kf8 62.Kd6 Ke8 63.Rb8# 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2617)-Masterclass2 (2663) Blitz 2022*)*
13...Nf6 *(13...Nc5 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.d6 Qxd6 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.0-0-0 Rd8 18.Nd5 Kf7 19.b4 Be6 20.Nc7 Rac8 21.Nxe6 Kxe6 22.bxc5 dxc5 23.Rd5 Rxd5 24.cxd5+ Kd6 25.Kc2 Bh6 26.Bd3 fxe4 27.Bxe4 Be3 28.b3 c4 29.bxc4 Rxc4+ 30.Kd3 Rc1 31.Rxc1 Bxc1 32.h4 b5 33.g3 Ba3 34.h5 gxh5 35.Bxh7 Bc1 36.Bg6 a5 37.Bxh5 a4 38.Be8 a3* 0-1 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-Nguyen,D (2415) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.0-0 Nh5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.b4 Qf6 17.c5 Qg6 18.Bg5 h6 19.Bh4 Nf4 20.Bd3 Bd7 21.Kh1 Rae8 22.g3 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 e4 24.fxe4 fxe4 25.Rxf8+ Bxf8 26.Qe3 Bg4 27.Re1 Bf3+ 28.Kg1 Bg7 29.Ne2 Qg4 30.Nd4 Rf8 31.Nxf3 exf3 32.Qe6+ Qxe6 33.Rxe6 dxc5 34.bxc5 Bc3 35.bxc3 Rf5 36.d6 cxd6 37.cxd6 Rd5 38.Kf2 Rd3 39.Rxh6 Kf7 40.d7 Rxd7 41.Rh7+ Ke6 42.Rxd7 Kxd7 43.Kxf3 a5 44.Ke3 a4 45.Kd3 a3 46.Kc2 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-dhonimessi (2612) Blitz 2022;

B) 12...Nc5 13.Qc2 *(13.Ra3 f5 14.b4 Nd7 15.Be2 f4 16.Bf2 g5 17.h3 Rf6 18.Kd1 h5 19.Kc2 Rg6 20.c5 Nf6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.b5 Bd7 23.bxa6 bxa6 24.Rxa6 Rb8 25.Rha1 Bf8 26.Ra7 g4 27.hxg4 hxg4 28.Bh4 Be7 29.Qe1 g3 30.Qf1 Rh6 31.Bxf6 Bxf6 32.Bb5 Bxb5 33.Nxb5 Qb6 34.R1a5 Qc5+ 35.Nc3 Qb4 36.Ra2 Bd8 37.Ra8 Rh2 38.Rxb8 Qxb8 39.Kb1 Qb6 40.Ra8 Kg7 41.Rc8 Be7 42.Nd1 Qd4 43.Rc2 Kf6 44.Qe1 Rh8 45.Qd2 Qg1 46.b4 Rh1 47.Rb2 Qxd1+ 48.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 49.Ka2 Rd4 50.b5 Ra4+ 51.Kb1 Ra8 52.b6 Rb8 53.b7 Bd8 54.Kc2 Ke7 55.Kd3 Kd7 56.Kc4 Kc7* 0-1 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-dhonimessi (2779) Blitz 2023*)*
13...f5 14.b4 Nd7 15.Bd3 Nf6 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bxf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.0-0 Qe7 21.Qd3 Rab8 22.Ra5 Rb7 23.Rxb5 Rfb8 24.Rxb7 Rxb7 25.b5 1-0 (25) jposthuma (2760)-dhonimessi (2562) Rapid 2022]
12.Be2 Qb6
[12...cxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 *(13...Nc5 14.Ra3 Be6 15.0-0 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qb6 17.f4 f6 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nd7 20.Qxb6 Nxb6 21.Bg4 f5 22.Be2 Rfc8 23.Kf2 Nd7 24.Ke3 Kf7 25.Kd4 Rc7 26.b4 Rac8 27.Re3 b6 28.b3 a5 29.bxa5 bxa5 30.g4 Nc5 31.gxf5 gxf5 32.Bh5+ Kf6 33.Bd1 Rb8 34.Rff3 Rcb7 35.Rh3 a4 36.bxa4 Rb2 37.Re2 Rxe2 38.Bxe2 Rb2 39.Bf3 Rd2+ 40.Ke3 Rd3+ 41.Kf2 Nxa4 42.Rxh7 Nb6 43.Rh6+ Kg7 44.Re6 Kf8 45.Re3 Rxe3 46.Kxe3 Nxc4+ 47.Kd4 Nd2 48.Bg2 Kf7 49.Ke3 Nc4+ 50.Kd4 Nb6 51.Ke3 Kf6 52.Kd4 Nd7 53.Ke3 Nf8 54.Kd4 Ng6 55.Ke3 Nh4 56.Bf1 Ng6 57.Bd3 Nh4 58.Bc2 Ng6 59.Kf2 Nh4 60.Ke3 Ng6 61.Kf3 Nh4+ 62.Kg3 Ng6 63.h4 Nh8 64.h5 Nf7 65.Bxf5 Nh6 66.Be4 e6 67.Bf3 exd5 68.Bxd5*

Nf5+ 69.Kf2 Nh6 70.Be4 1-0 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-Kerryxyn (2687) Blitz 2023 *)* 14.Qxd4

A) 14...Qb6

A1) 15.Qxb6 Nxb6

A1a) 16.Kd2 Be6 17.Rhc1 *(17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Nd7 19.b4 Rfc8 20.Rhc1 Kf8 21.Rc3 Ke8 22.Rac1 Kd8 23.h4 Rxc3 24.bxc3 a5 25.Ra1 a4 26.c4 Kc7 27.Ra3 e6 28.Bd1 exd5 29.exd5 Nb6 30.Kd3 Re8 31.Kd4 Re1 32.Bxa4 Rb1 33.Bb3 Rb2 34.c5 Nd7 35.c6 Ne5 36.Kc3 Rxg2 37.Ra7 Nxc6 38.dxc6 Kxc6 39.Bxf7 Rg3 40.Kd4 Rxf3 41.Bd5+* 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-Eminov,O (2645) Blitz 2022 *)* 17...f5 18.Bd3 f4 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Nd7 21.Re1 Ne5 22.Rxe5 dxe5 23.Re1 Rf6 24.Rxe5 Kf8 25.Kc3 b6 26.b4 a5 27.bxa5 Rxa5 28.Re2 Ra2 29.Kb3 Ra1 30.Kc3 Rc1+ 31.Kd4 e6 32.d6 Rd1 33.Ke5 Rf7 34.Be4 Rd7 35.Kxe6 R7xd6+ 36.Ke5 R6d2 37.Rxd2 Rxd2 38.b4 Rxg2 39.c5 bxc5 40.bxc5 Ke7 41.h4 Rh2 42.Kxf4 Rxh4+ 43.Ke5 Rh1 44.f4 Rc1 45.c6 Rc5+ 46.Kd4 Kd6 47.Ke3 Rc4 48.Kd3 Rc1 49.Kd4 Rd1+ 50.Ke3 Re1+ 51.Kd4 Rg1 52.Ke3 Rg3+ 53.Kf2 Ra3 54.Ke2 Rc3 55.Kd2 Rxc6 56.Bxc6 Kxc6 57.Ke3 Kd5 58.Kf3 Ke6 59.Ke4 Kf6 60.Ke3 Kf5 61.Kf3 h5 62.Kg3 Ke4 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-Vagerhook (2682) Blitz 2023;

A1b) 16.b4 Be6 17.b3 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.f4 Kg7 20.Bf3 Rab8 21.Kf2 Kf6 22.Rhd1 Bf7 23.g3 Rfd8 24.b5 axb5 25.Nxb5 Nd7 26.Bd5 Nc5 27.Bxf7 Kxf7 28.Ra3 Ra8 29.Rda1 Ra6 30.Ke3 Rda8 31.b4 Ne4 32.Rxa6 bxa6 33.Nd4 Rb8 34.Nxf5 Nf6 35.Rb1 Nd7 36.Nd4 Rb7 37.b5 axb5 38.cxb5 Nb6 39.Kd3 e5 40.fxe5 dxe5 41.Nc6 Rd7+ 42.Ke4 Rd5 43.Nxe5+ Ke6 44.Nd3 Rd8 45.Nf4+ Ke7 46.Rc1 Rd2 47.Rc7+ Nd7 48.h4 Rb2 49.Rb7 Kd6 50.Kf5 Nc5 51.Rxh7 Rxb5 52.Kg4 Ne4 53.Rh6+ Ke7 54.Re6+ Kf7 55.Rxe4 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2642)-Normal_one (2579) Blitz 2024;

A1c) 16.0-0 Be6 17.Rfd1 Rac8 18.Kf2 f5 19.Ke3 f4+ 20.Kf2 Nd7 21.Rdc1 Ne5 22.Nd5 Kf7 23.Ke1 g5 24.h3 h5 25.Kd2 Bxd5 26.cxd5 Kf6 27.Rc3 Nd7 28.Rac1 Nb6 29.Rc7 Rxc7 30.Rxc7 Rb8 31.b4 Na8 32.Rd7 Kf7 33.e5 Ke8 34.e6 Nb6 35.Rc7 Nxd5 36.Rc4 Ne3 37.Rc7 Nd5 38.Rc4 Kd8 39.Rd4 Nf6 40.h4 gxh4 41.Rxf4 Rc8 42.Rxh4 Kc7 43.g4 hxg4 44.fxg4 Rg8 45.Ke3 d5 46.Kf4 Kd6 47.g5 Ne4 48.Rg4 Rf8+ 49.Ke3 Kxe6 50.Bd3 Nd6 51.g6 Rg8 52.Kd4 Rg7 53.Rg1 Nf5+

54.Kc5 Kf6 55.Kxd5 e6+ 56.Kc5 Rxg6 57.Rf1 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2714)-Vagerhook (2692) Blitz 2021;

A2) 15.Ra3 Qxd4 0-1 (15) Lucky1357924680 (2761)-IDISJUDA (2752) Blitz 2024;

B) 14...Nc5 15.Ra3

B1) 15...Be6N 16.b4 Nd7 17.Kf2 *(17.0-0 a5 18.bxa5 Rxa5 19.Rfa1 Rc5 20.b4 Rc8 21.Nd5 Ne5 22.Kh1 f5 23.exf5 Bxf5 24.f4 Nc6 25.Qd2 e6 26.Ne3 Qf6 27.Nxf5 Qxf5 28.b5 Nd8 29.Qxd6 Nf7 30.Qd3 Qxf4 31.Qf3 Qxf3 32.Bxf3 Rxc4 33.Bxb7 Nd6 34.Bc6 Rb4 35.Ra8 Nxb5 36.Rxf8+ Kxf8 37.Bxb5 Rxb5 38.h3 Kg7 39.Kh2 h5 40.Ra7+ Kf6 41.Kg3 Rb3+ 42.Kf2 h4 43.Ra8 g5 44.Rf8+ Ke5 45.Ra8 Rb5 46.Ra6 Kf5 47.Ra8 Rb2+ 48.Kf3 Rb3+ 49.Kf2 Rg3 50.Rf8+ Ke5 51.Ra8 Kf5 52.Rf8+ Ke4 53.Ra8 e5 54.Ra4+ Kf5 55.Ra8 Rb3 56.Rf8+ Ke4 57.Rg8 Rb2+ 58.Kf1 Ke3 59.Kg1 Kf4 60.Rf8+ Ke4 61.Kh2 Rb3 62.Rg8 Rg3 63.Re8 Kd5 64.Ra8 Kc4 65.Rc8+ Kd5 66.Rd8+ Ke4 67.Ra8 Ke3 68.Ra4 e4 69.Ra5 Kf4 70.Ra8 e3 71.Rf8+ Ke4 72.Re8+ Kd3 73.Rc8 Ke2 74.Rd8 Rxg2+ 75.Kxg2 Ke1 76.Kg1 e2 77.Re8 1-0 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-Kerryxyn (2737) Blitz 2022)* 17...Rc8 18.Nd5 Ne5 19.Re3 f6 20.Rd1± Bf7 *(20...g5 21.c5 Kg7)* 21.f4

B1a) 21...Nc6 22.Qb6 *(22.Qc3 e5 23.Kg1 Nd4 24.Bg4; 22.Qd2 e6 23.Nc3 Nxb4 24.Qxd6 Qa5=)* 22...Bxd5 23.Qxd8 Rcxd8 24.exd5 Nxb4 25.Rxe7±;

B1b) 21...Kg7?! 22.c5! Rc6 *(22...Nd7 23.cxd6 e5 24.Qa7 Bxd5 25.Rxd5 exf4 26.Rc3 Rf7 27.Qd4±)* 23.cxd6

B1b1) 23...exd6 24.Kg1 Nd7 *(24...Bxd5 25.exd5 Rc2 26.fxe5 fxe5 27.Qd3±)* 25.Nc3±;

B1b2) 23...Qxd6? 24.fxe5 fxe5 25.Qa7 Bxd5+ 26.Kg1+- Qxb4 27.exd5 Rb6 28.Rxe5 Qc5+ 29.Kh1 Rf2 30.Re6 1-0 (30) Laznicka,V (2679)-Shabalov,A (2501) Arlington 121/193 2014 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Goran];

B2) 15...Bd7 16.b4 Ne6 17.Qe3 b5 18.cxb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 axb5 20.0-0 Nc7 21.Ra7 Rxa7 22.Qxa7 f5 23.Qb7 Qb8 24.Qc6 fxe4 25.Nxe4 Qa7+ 26.Kh1 Qa8 27.Qc2 ½-½ (27) Zubov,A (2612)-Nitin,S (2357) Mumbai IND 2015;

B3) 15...e5 Arsovic,Goran: '-121/(193)'

B3a) 16.Qd2 Ne6 17.0-0 *(17.Bd3 Nd4 18.Ne2 Qb6 19.Nxd4 Qxd4 20.Qc3 Qe3+ 21.Be2 Qb6 22.Qa5 Qa7 23.Qd2 Rd8 24.Bd3 Be6 25.Qf2 Qc5 26.0-0 a5 27.Rfa1 b6 28.Rd1 h5 29.Bf1 h4 30.Rd2 Kg7 31.Ra1 g5 32.Rad1 Qb4*

33.Qe3 f6 34.g3 hxg3 35.hxg3 Kf7 36.Kf2 Ke7 37.Qc3 Qc5+ 38.Qe3 a4 39.bxa4 Rxa4 40.b3 Ra3 41.Qxc5 bxc5 42.Rd3 Ra6 43.Rc1 Rb8 44.Be2 Rbb6 45.Bd1 Ra2+ 46.Rc2 Ra1 47.Rcd2 Rc1 48.g4 Ra1 49.Ke3 Ra8 50.Kf2 Rh8 51.Kg3 Rh1 52.Rh2 Rxh2 53.Kxh2 Ra6 54.Rd2 Ra1 55.Kg3 Rb1 56.Kf2 Kd7 57.Ke3 Kc7 58.Kd3 Ra1 59.Kc2 Ra8 60.Kc3 Rh8 61.Ra2 Kb6 62.Rd2 Kc7 63.Ra2 Rh1 64.Bc2 Bc8 65.Ra7+ Bb7 66.b4 Kb6 67.Ra2 cxb4+ 68.Kxb4 Rf1 69.Ra3 Rf2 70.Rc3 Bc6 71.Bb3 Re2 72.Rd3 Rg2 73.Rxd6 Kc7 74.c5 Rf2 75.Rxf6 Bxe4 76.Bd5 Bxd5 77.Rf5 Rxf3 78.Rxe5 Rf4+ 79.Kb5 Bc6+ 80.Ka5 Ra4# 0-1 (80) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Aquablast22 (2619) Blitz 2023*)* 17...Nd4 *(17...Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Nd4 19.Rd1 Be6 20.Na4 Qc7 21.Nc3 Rfc8 22.Bd3 Qb6 23.Na4 Qc6 24.Nc3 b5 25.Ne2 Nxe2 26.Bxe2 bxc4 27.bxc4 Bxc4 28.Rc3 Qb5 29.Rdc1 Bxe2 30.Rxc8+ Rxc8 31.Rxc8+ Kg7 32.h3 Qd7 33.Rc1 Bxf3 34.gxf3 Qxh3+ 35.Kg1 Qxf3 36.Rf1 Qxe4 37.Qxd6 a5 38.Qf6+ Kh6 39.Qxf7 Qg4+ 40.Kf2 Qh4+ 41.Ke2 Qe4+ 42.Kd2 Qd4+ 43.Kc1 Qe3+ 44.Kb1 Qe4+ 45.Ka1 Qa4+ 46.Qa2 Qc2 47.Qa3 Qg2 48.Qe3+ Kh5 49.Qxe5+ g5 50.Re1 a4 51.Qe8+ Kh4 52.Re4+ g4 53.Qe7+ Kh3 54.Qxh7+ Kg3 55.Re3+ Kf2 56.Qd3 Qf1+ 57.Qxf1+ Kxf1 58.Rg3* 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Aquablast22 (2632) Blitz 2023*)* 18.Nb5 Nxb5 19.cxb5 Qb6+ 20.Kh1 Be6 21.Rd1 Rfd8 22.bxa6 bxa6 23.Bc4 Rac8 24.Rxa6 Qb7 25.Rxd6 Rxd6 26.Qxd6 Bxc4 27.bxc4 Qxb2 28.c5 Qc2 29.c6 Rxc6 30.Qd8+ Kg7 31.h3 Qe2 32.Qd2 Qxd2 33.Rxd2 Rc1+ 34.Kh2 Rc5 35.Kg3 Kf6 36.h4 Ke7 37.Ra2 h5 38.Ra7+ Ke6 39.Ra6+ Ke7 40.Ra2 Rc7 41.Ra5 Rd7 42.Rxe5+ Kf6 43.Ra5 Re7 44.Kf4 Kg7 45.Ra6 Rc7 46.g4 hxg4 47.Kxg4 Rc2 48.h5 Rg2+ 49.Kh3 Rf2 50.Kg3 Rf1 51.hxg6 fxg6 52.Ra7+ Kf6 53.Ra6+ Kg5 54.Ra5+ Kf6 55.Kf4 g5+ 56.Ke3 Re1+ 57.Kf2 Rb1 58.Rf5+ Kg6 59.Ra5 Rb2+ 60.Kg3 Rb1 61.Ra6+ Kh5 62.e5 Rg1+ 63.Kf2 Rb1 64.e6 Rb8 65.e7 Re8 66.Re6 g4 67.f4 g3+ 68.Kxg3 Rg8+ 69.Kf3 Rg3+ 70.Kf2* 1-0 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-satlan (2696) Blitz 2021;

B3b) 16.Qe3 Ne6

B3b1) 17.0-0 Nd4

(17...Bd7 18.Bd3 Nd4 19.Ne2 Ne6 20.Rd1 Bc6 21.Bc2 Qc7 22.Rd2 Rfd8 23.Ra1 a5 24.Rad1 b6 25.Nc3 Nc5 26.h4 f6

27.Qh6 Qe7 28.Nd5 Bxd5 29.exd5 Qg7 30.Qe3 f5 31.Qg5 h6 32.Qg3 Rf8 33.Kh2 Rae8 34.Re2 Kh8 35.Rde1 Qf6 36.Qf2 e4 37.fxe4 Qe5+ 38.Qg3 f4 39.Qf3 Nd7 40.Kh1 Qf6 41.g3 Ne5 42.Qxf4 Qxf4 43.gxf4 Rxf4 44.Rh2 Ref8 45.Rg1 Nf3 46.Rxg6 Nxh2 47.Kxh2 Rf2+ 48.Rg2 R8f4 49.Kg1 Rxg2+ 50.Kxg2 Kg7 51.Kg3 Rf1 52.e5 dxe5 53.Be4 h5 54.d6 Kf6 55.Bd5 Rb1 56.Kf3 Rxb2 57.Ke4 Re2+ 58.Kd3 Rh2 59.d7 Ke7 60.Ke4 Kxd7 61.Kxe5 Rxh4 62.Be4 Kc7 63.Bd5 Rh3 64.Be4 Rg3 65.Kf4 h4 66.Bf3 Rxf3+ 67.Kxf3 Kd6 68.Kg4 Kc5 69.b4+ axb4 70.Kxh4 b3 71.Kg4 b2 72.Kg5 b1Q 73.Kf6 Qb3 74.Ke7 Qxc4 75.Kd8 b5 76.Ke7 b4 77.Kd8 b3 78.Ke7 Qd5 79.Ke8 Qd6 80.Kf7 b2 81.Ke8 b1Q 82.Kf7 Qb7+ 83.Ke8 Qdb8# 0-1 (83) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Bernetta92 (2783) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Rd1 Nc2 19.Qf2 Nxa3 20.bxa3 Be6 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 b5 23.c5 Qa5 24.cxd6 Qxa3 25.Qe3 Rfd8 26.Qd3 Rd7 27.f4 Re8 28.fxe5 Rxe5 29.Qc3 Rxd5 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-doreality (2740) Blitz 2022;

B3b2) 17.Bd3 Nd4 18.Ne2 Nc6 19.0-0 Be6 20.Rd1 Qe7 21.Qd2 Rfd8 22.b4 Qc7 23.b5 Qb6+ 24.Kh1 Nd4 25.Qa5 Qxa5 26.Rxa5 axb5 27.Rxa8 Rxa8 28.Nxd4 exd4 29.cxb5 Ra2 30.Bf1 Rxb2 31.Rxd4 Bd7 32.Rd5 Kf8 33.Kg1 Ke7 34.f4 f6 35.h3 b6 36.g4 Be6 37.Rd4 Bd7 38.Ra4 Rb1 39.Ra7 Kd8 40.Kf2 Rc1 41.Bd3 Rc7 42.Ra6 Rc3 43.Ke2 Kc7 44.Ra7+ Kd8 45.Kd2 Rc5 46.Rb7 h5 47.Rxb6 hxg4 48.hxg4 Kc7 49.Ra6 Bxb5 50.Ra7+ Kd8 51.Rf7 g5 52.f5 d5 53.Rxf6 Bxd3 54.Kxd3 dxe4+ 55.Kxe4 Rc4+ 56.Kf3 Rc3+ 57.Kf2 Rc2+ 58.Ke3 Rc3+ 59.Kf2 Rc2+ 60.Kf3 Rc3+ 61.Ke4 Rc4+ 62.Ke5 Rxg4 63.Re6 Rg1 64.Kf6 g4 65.Kg7 g3 66.Rg6 Ke8 67.f6 1-0 (67) xxysoul6 (2915)-Kaldas90 (2790) Blitz 2022]

13.Nd5

[13.Ra3 cxd4 14.Nd5 dxe3 0-1 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2663)-doreality (2753) Blitz 2022]

13...Qd8 14.Rd1 e6 15.Nc3 Qc7 16.d5 e5 17.0-0 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Kh1 Nf6 20.f4 e4 21.b4 b6 22.bxc5 bxc5 23.b4 cxb4 24.Na4 Rb8 25.c5 dxc5 26.d6 Qc6 27.Nxc5 Rd8 28.d7 Bxd7 29.Nxa6 Rbc8 30.Nxb4 Qc3 31.Qxc3 Rxc3 32.Bd4 Rcc8 33.Bxf6 Bxf6 34.Nd5 Kg7 35.Nb6 Rc7 36.g4 fxg4 37.Nxd7 Rcxd7 38.Rxd7+ Rxd7 39.Bxg4 Re7 40.Re1 Bh4 41.Re3 Bf2 42.Re2 e3 43.Kg2 Kg6 44.Kf3 Rf7 45.Rc2 Rf6 46.Rc4 Rd6 47.Re4 Bg1 48.Re6+ Rxe6 49.Bxe6 Kf6 50.Bg8 h6

51.Bc4 Kf5 52.h3 Kg6 53.Bd3+ Kh5 54.Be2 Kh4 55.Kg2 Bf2 56.f5 Kg5 57.Bd3 Kf6 58.Kf3 Ke5 59.Ke2 h5 60.Kf3 h4 61.Ke2 Kf6 62.Kf3 Kg5 63.Ke2 Kf4 0-1 (63) lqevsll (2952)-mornarpopaj (2743) Blitz 2022

7.d5 c5 8.Be2 Bd7 9.g4 Qa5 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.Nh3 Ne8 12.Nf2 Nc7 13.a4 e6 14.Bf4 e5 15.Bd2 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.0-0 Qh4 18.gxf5 Bxf5 19.Nce4 Ne8 20.Bg5 Qh5 21.f4 Qf7 22.fxe5 Bxe5 23.Ng4 Bg7 24.Ng3 Qg6 25.h4 Bc2 26.Qd2 Bd4+ 27.Kh2 h5 28.Nh6+ Kh7 29.Rxf8 1-0 (29) ZamazkeNet (2785)-bogdanb (2550) Blitz 2016

7.a4 Nc6 8.Nge2 a5

[8...Rb8 9.Qd2 e5 *(9...Bd7 10.Nc1 e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.Bd3 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.0-0 Qa5 15.Ra3 Qb4 16.Nd1 Be6 17.Qc3 Nd7 18.a5 Nc5 19.Bxd4 exd4 20.Qxb4 Rxb4 21.b3 Bh6 22.Nb2 Rfb8 23.Bc2 Be3+ 24.Kh1 Bxc1 25.Rxc1 Nxb3 26.Bxb3 Rxb3 27.Nd1 Rxa3 28.Kg1 Rab3* Normal 0-1 (28) bodoque50 (2609)-Ngazio2000 (2429) Blitz 2024*)* 10.d5 Ne7 11.g4 Nd7 12.h4 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.h5 Kh8 15.Bg5 Nc5 16.Ra3 fxe4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Bg4 19.Rg3 Bxe2 20.Bxe2 Bf6 21.Rhg1 Bxg5 22.Qxg5 Rf7 23.Bg4 Qf8 24.Be6 Rf4 25.Rg4 Rf2 26.Qxe7 Rf1+ 27.Rxf1 Qxe7 28.Rf7 Qd8 29.Rgg7 Qh4+ 30.Kf1 Qxh5 31.Rxc7 Rf8+ 32.Rgf7 Rxf7+ 33.Rxf7 Qh1+ 34.Kf2 Qh4+ 35.Kf3 Qh5+ 36.Kg3 Qh6 37.Rf5 Qg7+ 38.Kh4 h6 39.Rh5 Qg5+ 0-1 (39) retardedplatypus123 (2626)-Armchessplayer5 (2550) Blitz 2022]

[8...Bd7 9.a5 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Nc1 Nh5 12.Be2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.0-0 Ng6 15.Qd2 Kh8 16.Bd1 Rg8 17.Kh1 f4 18.Bf2 Bh6 19.Ne4 Nh4 20.Bxh4 Qxh4 21.Nd3 Ng3+ 22.Kg1 Nxf1 23.Kxf1 Qxh2 24.Qf2 Rxg2 0-1 (24) Nikolaj_6 (2623)-strizibuba (2575) Blitz 2022]

[8...e6 9.Nc1 d5 10.e5 Ne8 11.cxd5 exd5 12.f4 f6 13.Nb3 fxe5 14.dxe5 d4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Bxd4 Rxf4 18.0-0-0 Be6 19.Be2 c5 20.Bxc5 Bxe5 21.Rhe1 Ng7 22.Bf3 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rxa4 24.Kb2 Rc8 25.Bd4 Bf7 26.Re7 Nf5 27.Rxb7 Nxd4 28.Rxd4 Rxd4 29.cxd4 h6 30.Ra7 Bc4 31.d5 Rd8 32.Kc3 Bxd5 33.Bxd5+ Rxd5 34.Rxa6 Kg7 35.Rb6 h5 36.Kc2 h4 37.Rb4 g5 38.Rb3 Kg6 39.Rd3 Ra5 40.Kd1 Ra2 41.Rd2 Ra3 42.Ke2 Kf5 43.h3 Ra5 44.Kf2 ½-½ (44) retardedplatypus123 (2610)-GRXbullet (2635) Blitz 2022]

9.Qd2 Nb4 10.Ng3

[10.g4 c5 11.g5 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nd7 13.Nc2 Nc5 14.Ra3 Be6 15.Nd4 Rc8 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 e5 18.Nb5 f5 19.h4 e4 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Be2 e3 22.Rxe3 Qd7 23.Kf2 Rce8 24.b3 Rxe3 25.Qxe3 Re8 26.Qxc5 Bf8 27.d6 Qe6 28.Bd1 Nd3+ 0-1 (28) SouthAfricanWolf (2611)-Banelevich (2638) Blitz 2021]

10...e5 11.d5 Nd7 12.Bd3 Nc5 13.Bb1 Nb3 14.Qd1 Nxa1 15.Na2 f5 16.Nxb4 axb4 17.Bd2 b3 18.0-0 Nc2 19.Bxc2 bxc2 20.Qxc2 b6 21.b4 Bd7 22.Ra1 Qe8 23.a5 bxa5 24.bxa5 fxe4 25.Nxe4 Bf5 26.c5 Qb5 27.cxd6 cxd6 28.Nxd6 Qxd5 29.Qc4 Qxc4 30.Nxc4 e4 31.Ra3 exf3 32.gxf3 Rfc8 33.Nb6 Bd4+ 34.Kf1 Bxb6 0-1 (34) chipmunknau (2661)-strizibuba (2558) Blitz 2023

106 **7...Nfd7** 8.Nge2 Nc6
[8...c5 9.d5 Ne5 10.a4 Nbd7 11.b3 Nxd3+ 12.Qxd3 f5 13.Rd1 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.axb5 Ne5 16.Qc2 fxe4 17.Nxe4 Qa5+ 18.N2c3 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 Rxf3 20.Kd2 Bd4 21.Ra1 Bxe3+ 22.Ke2 Bg4 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Kd3 Bd4+ 25.Kc4 Bf5 26.Qd2 Bxc3 27.Nxc3 e5 28.Re1 Rf4+ 29.Qxf4 exf4 30.Ne4 Bxe4 31.Rxe4 g5 32.b6 Ra8 33.Kb5 f3 34.Re1 g4 35.Kc6 h5 36.Kxd6 Rf8 37.b7 h4 38.Rg1 f2 39.Rxg4+ Kh7 40.Rxh4+ Kg6 41.Rg4+ 0-1 (41) Ivanchuk,V (2630)-Naroditsky,D (2619) New York USA 2024]
9.Qd2 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Bb1
[11.0-0 c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.f4 c5 14.f5 Bb7 15.Ng3 Qe7 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bh6 Rfe8 18.Rf2 Kh8 19.Raf1 g5 20.Nh5 Rg8 21.g4 Qd8 22.Kh1 Rb8 23.Qe3 Bc6 24.b3 a5 25.Qd2 Ra8 26.h4 gxh4 27.Nxf6 Nxf6 28.Bg5 Nxe4 29.Bxe4 Qxg5 30.Bxc6 Qxd2 31.Rxd2 Nxc6 32.Rxd6 Nd4 33.Ne4 Rxg4 34.Nf6 Rf4 35.Rxf4 exf4 36.Nh5 f3 37.Kg1 h3 38.Kh2 Rg8 0-1 (38) mysterious_expert (2672)-Multibrendovyi (2887) Blitz 2022]
11...c5 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 15.b3 Qh4+ 16.Kf1 f5 17.Bc2 fxe4 18.Bxe4 Bf5 19.Re1 d5 20.cxd5 cxd5 21.Bxd5+ Kh8 22.Bxe5 1-0 (22) edgelorde (2726)-Plmlgs99 (2551) Blitz 2021

7...Nbd7 8.Nh3 e5 9.d5 c6 10.Nf2 cxd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Rc1 Rc8 14.Qe2 Nc5 15.b3 Qa5 16.Nb1 Nfd7 17.Bd2 Qd8 18.Bc2 f5 19.b4 Na4 20.Bxa4 bxa4 21.Nc3 Nb6 22.Kh1 Nc4 23.Nxa4 Qd7 24.Nc3 Rc7 25.Be1 Rfc8 26.Rb1 Na3 27.Rb3 Nc4 28.Nd3 Bh6 29.Bf2 Rf8 30.Bg1 Bc8 31.a4 Bg7 32.b5 Na5 33.Ra3 Rc4 34.Bb6 Nb7 35.bxa6 Nc5 36.Nxc5 Rxc5 37.Bxc5 dxc5 38.Qb5 Qa7 39.Qa5 Bxa6 40.Nb5 Qb7 41.Rc1 fxe4 42.fxe4 Bh6 43.Rd1 c4 44.Rc3 Rc8 45.Nd6 Qb2 46.Nxc8 Bxc8 47.Qd8+ Bf8 48.Rf3 Qb4 49.Rdf1 1-0 (49) Habernet (2669)-Neftegor (2555) Blitz 2022

107 **8.a4** a5
[8...Nfd7 9.Nge2 c5 10.Qd2 Nc6 11.Bc2 ½-½ (11) masterofpuppets2 (2635)-Prettyfly (2627) Blitz 2022 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nxd4 *(12...Nde5 13.b3 e6 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Rfd1 Qf6 16.Bg5 Nxd4 17.Bxf6 Ndxf3+ 18.gxf3 Nxf3+ 19.Kh1 Nxd2 20.Bxg7 Nxb3 21.Bxb3 Kxg7 22.Rxd6 Bc6 23.Kg1 Kf6 24.Rad1 Ke5 25.R6d2 g5 26.Kf2 h5 27.Ke3 g4 28.Bc2 f5 29.exf5 exf5 30.Nd5 f4+ 31.Kf2 h4 32.Re1+ Kd6 33.Nb6+ Kc5 34.Nxa8 g3+ 35.Kg1 f3 36.hxg3 hxg3 37.Rf2 gxf2+ 38.Kxf2 Rxa8 39.Be4 Re8 40.Bxc6 Rxe1 41.Kxe1 Kxc6 42.Kf2 Kc5 43.Kxf3 Kxc4 44.Ke4 Kb4 45.Ke5 Kxa4 46.Kd6 b5 47.Kc7 b4 48.Kb8 b3 49.Kc7 b2 50.Kd6 b1Q 51.Kc7* 0-1 (51) masterofpuppets2 (2612)-Prettyfly (2642) Blitz 2022*)*
13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 Nxb6 16.b3 Nd7 17.a5 Ne5 18.Nd5 e6 19.Nb6 Rb8 20.Ke2 Nc6 21.Rhd1 Rd8 22.Rd2 e5 23.Ke3 Be6 24.Bd1 f5 25.g3 Kf7 26.Be2 Nd4 27.Bd1 Nc6 28.Be2 Ke7 29.f4 fxe4 30.Kxe4 Bf5+ 31.Ke3 Nd4 32.Nd5+ Kf7 33.Bd1 Re8 34.fxe5 Nc6 35.Kf2 Nxe5 36.Bc2 Bxc2 37.Rxc2 Kg7 38.Kg2 Nd3 39.Rd2 Nc5 40.Rb1 Re5

41.Nf4 Ne4 42.Rd5 Nc3 43.Rxe5 dxe5 44.Rc1 Na2 45.Ra1 Nb4 46.Nd5 Nxd5 47.cxd5 Rc8 48.Kf3 Kf6 49.Ke4 Rc3 50.Rf1+ Ke7 51.Kxe5 Re3+ 52.Kd4 Rxb3 53.Re1+ Kd7 54.Rf1 Ke7 55.Re1+ Kd6 56.Re6+ Kd7 57.Rf6 Ke7 58.Re6+ Kd7 59.Rf6 Rb5 60.Rf7+ Kd6 61.Rf6+ Ke7 62.Re6+ Kd7 63.Rb6 Rxb6 64.axb6 Kd6 65.Kc4 a5 66.h4 a4 67.Kb4 Kxd5 68.Kxa4 Kc4 69.g4 h5 70.g5 Kc5 71.Ka5 Kc6 72.Kb4 Kxb6 73.Kc4 Kc6 74.Kd4 b5 75.Ke5 b4 76.Kf6 b3 77.Kxg6 b2 78.Kf7 b1Q 79.g6 Qf5+ 80.Kg7 Kd7 81.Kh6 Ke7 82.g7 Qg4 83.g8Q Qxg8 84.Kxh5 0-1 (84) masterofpuppets2 (2614)-Prettyfly (2654) Blitz 2022]

9.Qd2 e5

[9...Na6 10.Rd1 *(10.Nge2 Nb4 11.Bb1 e5 12.d5 c5 13.0-0 Bd7 14.g4 Ne8 15.Bg5 Bf6 16.Bh6 Bg7 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.axb5 b6 19.Kg2 Qh4 20.Bg5 Bh6 21.Bxh6 f6 22.Bxf8* Normal 1-0 (22) rdm89 (2638)-zhohoff (2621) Blitz 2024*)* 10...Nb4 *(10...Qc7 11.Nge2 e5 12.d5 Nc5 13.Bc2 cxd5 14.Nb5 Qb6 15.cxd5 Bd7 16.Nec3 Nh5 17.0-0 Rac8 18.Rc1 Nf4 19.g3 Nh5 20.Kg2 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Bh6 f4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qe2 Kh8 25.Ne4 Bxb5 26.Qxb5 Qxb5 27.axb5 Nxe4 28.Bxe4 Nf6 29.b6 fxg3 30.hxg3 Kg7 31.Rfd1 h6 32.Rh1 h5 33.Rhe1 Kf7 34.Bf5 Rxc1 35.Rxc1 Nxd5 36.Be4 Nxb6 37.Rc7+ Ke6 38.Rxb7 Nc4 39.b3 Nd2 40.Bc6 d5 41.Rb5 Rd8 42.Rxa5 Nxb3 43.Ra6 Rd6 44.Bb7 Rxa6 45.Bxa6 Nc5 46.Bb5 d4 47.Be8 d3 48.Kf2 e4 49.fxe4 Nxe4+ 50.Ke3 d2 51.Ke2 Nxg3+ 52.Kxd2 h4 53.Ke3 Kf5 54.Kf3 Kg5 55.Bd7 Nh5 56.Kg2 Nf6 57.Bc8 Ne4 58.Kh1 Nd6 59.Ba6 Nf5 60.Kh2 Ng3 61.Kg2 Nh5 62.Kh2 Nf4 63.Kh1 Ng6 64.Kg1 Ne5 65.Kh1 Kg4 66.Bb5 Kg3 67.Ba6 Ng4 68.Bc8 Nf2+ 69.Kg1 Nd3 70.Kf1 Nf4 71.Kg1 Ng2 72.Kf1 Ne3+ 73.Kg1 Nd5 74.Kh1 Nf4 75.Ba6 h3 76.Bc8 h2 77.Bb7 Nd3* 0-1 (77) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Romsta (2545) Blitz 2024*)* 11.Bb1 Qc7 12.Nge2 e5 13.0-0

A) 13...Re8 14.d5 *(14.h3 exd4 15.Nxd4 Nh5 16.Nde2 Be6 17.b3 Rad8 18.Bd4 d5 19.exd5 cxd5 20.c5 Bxd4+ 21.Qxd4 Rc8 22.Nb5 Qxc5 23.Qxc5 Rxc5 24.g4 Nf6 25.Ned4 b6 26.Rfe1 Bd7 27.Rxe8+ Nxe8 28.Kf2 Kf8 29.Ke3 Ke7 30.h4 Bxb5 31.Nxb5 Nc7 32.Nxc7 Rxc7 33.Kd4 Kd6 34.h5 Re7 35.Bd3 Nc6+ 36.Kc3 Re3 37.hxg6 hxg6 38.Kd2 Rxf3 39.Rh1 Ne5 40.Bc2 Rf2+ 41.Kd1 Nxg4 42.Bd3 Ne3+ 43.Ke1 Rb2 44.Rh7 Ke6* 0-1 (44) alexkaspi (2603)-Romvid (2686) Blitz 2022*)* 14...c5 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.Kh1 ½-½ (16) masterofpuppets2 (2611)-TheBigGreek (2708) Blitz 2021;

B) 13...Nh5 14.Bh6 Re8 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.f4 Nxf4 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Qxf4 Qe7 19.Rf3 Bd7 20.Rdf1 Rf8 21.g4 f6 22.Rh3 Kg8 23.Rh6 Rae8 24.h4 c5 25.h5 g5 26.Qf2 Kg7 27.Rxh7+ Kxh7 28.e5+ Kg8 29.Ne4 fxe5 30.Nf6+ Rxf6 31.Qxf6 Qxf6 32.Rxf6 cxd4 33.Rxd6 Bxg4 34.Rg6+ Kf8 35.Rxg5 Be2 36.h6 d3 37.Kf2 Kf7 38.Rg7+ Kf6 39.Rxb7 Rd8 40.h7 Rh8 41.Ke3 Kg6 42.Rb5

Rxh7 43.Rxe5 Rh3+ 44.Kd2 Rh2 45.Kc3 Kf6 46.Rxa5 Bg4 47.Bxd3 Nxd3 48.Kxd3 Rxb2 49.Kc3 Rb1 50.Rb5 Ra1 51.a5 Be6 52.Rc5 Rc1+ 53.Kb2 Rg1 54.a6 Rg7 55.Kb3 Ra7 56.Rc6 Ke7 57.Kb4 Kd7 58.Rb6 Bf7 59.c5 Kc7 60.Ka5 Be8 61.Re6 Bc6 62.Re7+ Bd7 63.Rg7 Kc6 64.Rg5 Kc7 65.Rg6 Bc6 66.Rf6 Bd7 67.Rf7 Kc6 68.Rg7 Kxc5 69.Rg6 Bc6 70.Rg5+ Bd5 71.Rf5 Kd6 72.Rf6+ Ke5 73.Rb6 1-0 (73) ChessElation94 (2736)-ZhohoFF (2696) Blitz 2025]

10.Nge2 Na6 11.Rd1

[11.0-0 exd4 12.Nxd4 Nc5 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Rad1 Nfd7 15.Nde2 Bf8 16.b3 Qb6 17.Rfe1 Nxb3 18.Bxb3 Qxb3 19.Rb1 Qxc4 20.Rec1 Qa6 21.h4 Nc5 22.h5 Qd3 23.Qxd3 Nxd3 24.Rd1 Nb4 25.Bf4 d5 26.exd5 cxd5 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Bg5 Bf5 29.Rb2 Rac8 30.Nxd5 Nxd5 31.Rxd5 Rc5 32.Rxc5 Bxc5+ 33.Kh2 b6 34.Nc3 Bd4 35.Bd2 Rc8 36.Rb3 Be6 37.Ra3 Rc4 38.Nb5 Bc5 39.Ra1 Rc2 40.Bc3 Bd7 41.Rd1 Bxb5 42.Rd8+ Bf8 43.Bf6 Re2 44.axb5 Re6 45.Bd4 Rd6 46.Rxd6 Bxd6+ 47.Kg1 Bc7 48.Bc3 Kf8 49.Kf2 Ke7 50.Ke2 Kd6 51.Kd3 Kd5 52.Bd4 Bd8 53.Be3 a4 54.Bf2 a3 55.Kc3 a2 56.Kb3 a1Q 57.Kc2 Qa3 58.Kd2 Kc4 59.Ke2 Qe3+ 60.Bxe3 Kxb5 61.Bd2 Kc4 62.g4 b5 63.f4 b4 64.Bxb4 Kxb4 65.f5 Kc4 66.fxg6 fxg6 67.g5 Bxg5 68.Kf3 Be7 69.Kg4 g5 70.Kf3 Kd5 71.Kg4 Ke6 72.Kf3 Kf5 73.Kf2 g4 74.Kg2 Bd6 75.Kf2 Kf4 76.Kf1 g3 77.Kg2 Kg4 78.Kg1 Kf3 79.Kf1 g2+ 80.Ke1 g1Q+ 81.Kd2 Qc5 0-1 (81) MCjgp_Twitch (2747)-Corre_por_tu_vida (2736) Blitz 2021]

11...exd4

[11...Re8 12.0-0 Qe7 13.Rde1 Nd7 14.f4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Nac5 16.Bc2 Ra6 17.b3 Rb6 18.Qf2 Qf8 19.h3 Rb4 20.Kh2 Bf6 21.Rd1 Qh6 22.Na2 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 Rxe4 24.Nxb4 axb4 25.Nc2 Qf8 26.Bd4 c5 27.Bxf6 Nxf6 28.Ne3 Bd7 29.f5 Qh6 30.fxg6 Rxe3 31.Qxf6 Rxh3+ 32.Kg1 Rh1+ 33.Kf2 Rxf1+ 34.Kxf1 hxg6 35.Rxd6 Qc1+ 36.Kf2 Qc2+ 37.Kg3 Qxb3+ 38.Kh2 Qc3 39.Qd8+ Kg7 40.Qxd7 Qe5+ 41.Kh3 Qh5+ 42.Kg3 Qe5+ 43.Kf3 Qc3+ 44.Rd3 Qxc4 45.Qd5 Qc2 46.Qe5+ Kh7 47.Rd8 Qb3+ 48.Kf2 Qc2+ 49.Kg3 1-0 (49) Edouard,R (2670)-Akshayraj,K (2512) Dubai UAE 2013]

12.Bxd4 Nc5 13.Bc2 Be6 14.b3 Qb6 15.0-0 Qb4 16.Rb1 Rad8 17.Kh1 Bc8 18.Qc1 Nh5 19.Na2 Qb6 20.Bg1 Qc7 21.Nac3 Qe7 22.Qd2 f5 23.exf5 Bxf5 24.Bxf5 gxf5 25.g3 Be5 26.Nd4 Rde8 27.Nce2 Qd8 28.Rbd1 Ng7 29.Qc2 Qc7 30.Nf4 Bxf4 31.gxf4 Rf6 32.Bf2 Qf7 33.Rg1 Rg6 34.Qd2 Qc7 35.Rg3 Nce6 36.Rdg1 Nxd4 37.Bxd4 Ree6 38.Bb2 b6 39.Qd4 Qb7 40.Qd3 Qf7 41.Bxg7 Kxg7 42.Qd4+ Qf6 43.Qxb6 Re2 44.Rg5 c5 45.Qxa5 Qb2 46.Qc7+ Kh8 47.Qd8+ Kg7 48.Rxg6+ hxg6 49.Qh4 Qxb3 50.Qh3 d5 51.Qg3 Re6 52.cxd5 Qxd5 53.Qf2 Qd3 54.Qb2+ Kf7 55.Qb7+ Re7 56.Qc6 Re6 57.Qb7+ Re7 58.Qc6 Re6 ½-½ (58) Topalov,V (2770)-Van Wely,L (2692) Wijk aan Zee NED 2012

[108] **10.cxd5** b5

[10...Nh5 11.Qd2 b5 12.b4 Nd7 13.a4 bxa4 14.Nxa4 Rb8 15.0-0

Nf4 16.Nb2 Nxd3 17.Nxd3 f5 18.Rfc1 fxe4 19.fxe4 Nf6 20.Ng3 Ng4 21.h3 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qh4 23.Nf1 Bh6 24.Qe2 Bxc1 25.Rxc1 Bd7 26.Ne1 Bb5 27.Nf3 Bxe2 0-1 (27) curtainsjr (2608)-BoJet (2685) Blitz 2020]
11.b4 Nbd7 12.a4 bxa4 13.Qxa4 Bb7 14.Qa5 Qe7 15.0-0 Nh5 16.Qc7 Rfb8 17.Ra5 Nf4 18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Bxf4 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Bb6 21.Qxd6 Qxd6 22.Bxd6 Bxa5 23.bxa5 Rc8 24.Bb4 Ne5 25.Be2 Nc4 26.Kg1 Rab8 27.Re1 Ba8 28.Na2 f5 29.Rc1 fxe4 30.Kf2 e3+ 31.Kg1 Bxd5 32.h4 Nd2 33.Rxc8+ Rxc8 34.Bxa6 Ra8 35.Nc3 Bc4 36.Bb7 Rb8 37.Bd5+ Bxd5 38.Nxd5 Nc4 39.Kf1 Nxa5 40.Bxa5 Rb5 41.Nf6+ Kf7 42.Bc3 Rb3 43.Ne4 Rb1+ 44.Ke2 Rg1 45.Bf6 Rh1 46.Kxe3 Rg1 47.Kf2 Rb1 48.Bd4 Rc1 49.Be3 Rc2+ 50.Bd2 Ke6 51.Ke2 Rc8 52.Kd3 Kf5 53.Ke3 Ke5 54.g4 Kd5 55.Nf6+ Ke6 56.Nxh7 Rd8 57.Ng5+ Ke7 58.Ne4 Ke8 59.Bb4 Rb8 60.Nf6+ Kf7 61.Nd5 Rb5 62.Ke4 Rb8 63.Bc3 Re8+ 64.Be5 Rd8 65.f4 Ra8 66.f5 Ra4+ 67.Bd4 gxf5+ 68.Kxf5 Ra5 69.Ke5 Ra4 70.g5 Ke8 71.h5 Ra5 72.g6 Kf8 73.Ke6 Kg8 74.Bc5 Ra6+ 75.Bd6 Rc6 76.Ne7+ Kg7 77.Nxc6 Kh6 78.Kf7 Kxh5 79.g7 Kg5 80.g8Q+ 1-0 (80) Against_A_A (2980)-AbasnavatMiAra (2779) Blitz 2025

[109] **7.dxc5** dxc5
[7...Nc6 8.cxd6
A) 8...exd6 9.Bd3 Nd7 *(9...Re8 10.Nge2 Ne5 11.0-0 Be6 12.b3 a6 13.Rc1 Rc8 14.Nd5 Nfd7 15.Nef4 Nc5 16.Be2 Bd7 17.Kh1 h5 18.b4 Ne6 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Nf4 Qe7 21.c5 dxc5 22.Rxc5 Rcd8 23.Qb3 h4 24.Rd1 g5 25.Nd3 Nf7 26.Rcc1 h3 27.g3 g4 28.Nc5 Bc6 29.Rxd8 Qxd8 30.Nxe6 Qf6 31.Nxg7 Qxg7 32.b5 axb5 33.Bxb5 gxf3 34.Bxc6 bxc6 35.Bf4 Rxe4 36.Qxf3 Qd4 37.Rf1 Qd5 38.Kg1 Qd4+ 39.Qf2 Qd5 40.Bc1 Rd4 41.Qf3 Qxa2 42.Be3 Qg2+ 43.Qxg2 hxg2 44.Kxg2 Re4 45.Bf4 c5 46.Rc1 c4 47.Kf3 Rd4 48.Ke3 Rd3+ 49.Ke2 Rd4 50.Be3 Re4 51.Kf3 Re6 52.Rxc4 Ne5+ 53.Kg2 Nxc4 54.Bf4 Re8 55.h4 Ne3+ 56.Kh3 Nd5 57.Kg4 Nf6+ 58.Kf5 Ne4 59.Kg4 Nf6+ 60.Kf5 Nd5 61.Kg4 Ne3+ 62.Kf3 Nc4 63.Bg5 Nd6 64.Bf4 Nf7 65.Bg5 Nxg5+ 66.hxg5 Kg7 67.Kg4 Rf8 68.Kh4 Rd8 69.Kg4 Rd5 70.Kh4 Kg6 71.Kg4 Rd4+ 72.Kf3 Kxg5 73.Ke3 Ra4 74.Kf2 Ra3 75.Kf1 Kg4 0-1 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2617)-Russian_monster (2637) Blitz 2021)* 10.Nge2 Nde5 11.0-0 Nb4 12.Bb1 Nxc4 13.Bd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.b3 Nd2 17.Rd1 Nxb3 18.axb3 Rxa1 19.Rxd6 Be6 20.Rxb6 Nc2 21.Kf2 Na3 22.Bd3 Rd8 23.Ke3 Rh1 24.Rxb7 Rxh2 25.Ra7 Rxg2 26.Rxa3 h5 27.Nf4 Rb2 28.Nxe6 fxe6 29.Bc4 Re8 30.Ne2 h4 31.Nf4 Kf7 32.Nxe6 Rh8 33.Ra7+ Kf6 34.Nf4 h3 35.Ra6+ Kg7 36.Rxg6+ Kf8 37.Rf6+ Ke7 38.Rf7+ Kd6 39.Kd4 h2 40.Bd5 Rd2+ 41.Ke3 h1Q 42.Rf6+ Kc5 43.Rc6+ Kb4 44.Rc4+ Ka3 45.Kxd2 Rh2+ 46.Ne2 Qb1 47.Rc3 Qb2+ 48.Rc2 Rxe2+ 49.Kxe2 Qxc2+ 50.Ke3 Qc6 51.f4 Qc5+ 52.Kf3 Kb4 53.Kg4 Kc3 54.Kf5 Kd4 55.e5 Qb4 56.Be4

Qf8+ 57.Kg5 Kxe4 58.e6 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-FlyingPhoenix1234 (2569) Blitz 2022;

B) 8...Be6 9.Qd2 *(9.Rc1 Ne5 10.b3 a6 11.dxe7 Qxe7 12.Nge2 Bxc4 13.bxc4 Nxc4 14.Bd4 Rfd8 15.Nf4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Rxd4 17.Qxd4 Bxd4 18.Bxc4 Qb4+ 19.Ke2 Re8 20.Rhd1 Be5 21.Nd3 Qe7 22.Nxe5 Qxe5 23.Kf1 Qxh2 24.Nf6+ Kf8 25.Nxe8 Kxe8 26.Re1+ Kf8 27.Bb3 h5 28.Rcd1 Qh1+ 29.Kf2 Qh4+ 30.Kg1 Kg7 31.Re4 Qf6 32.Rd7 Qb6+ 33.Kh1 Kh6 34.Rxf7 Qf2 35.Rf6 Kg7 36.Ree6 Qh4+ 37.Kg1 Qd4+ 38.Kf1 Qxf6 39.Rxf6 Kxf6 40.Bd5 b5 41.Kf2 a5 42.Ke3 g5 43.Bc6 b4 44.Be8 h4 45.Ke4 Ke7 46.Ba4 Kf6 47.Bb3 Kg6 48.Ke5 g4 49.Kf4 h3 50.Kg3 hxg2 51.Kxg2 gxf3+ 52.Kxf3 Kf6 53.Ke4 Ke7 54.Kd4 Kd6 55.Kc4 Kc6 56.Ba4+ Kb6 57.Be8 a4 58.Kxb4 a3 59.Ba4 Ka7 60.Kxa3 Kb6 61.Bb3 Ka5 62.Bd1 Kb5 63.Bf3 Ka5 64.Kb3 Kb6 65.a4 Ka5 66.Ka3 Ka6 67.Kb4 Kb6 68.a5+ Ka7 69.Ka4 Ka6 70.Kb4 Ka7 71.Kb5 Kb8 72.a6 Kc7 73.Ka5 Kd6 74.Kb6 Ke5 75.a7 Kf4 76.a8Q Ke3 77.Qc6 Kf2 78.Bd5 Kg3 79.Be6 Kf4 80.Qd5 Ke3 81.Kc6 Kf4 82.Kd6 Ke3 83.Qf5 Kd4 84.Qe5+ Kd3 85.Kd5 Kd2 86.Qg3 Kc2 87.Kd4 Kb2 88.Qc3+ Kb1 89.Qd2 Ka1 90.Qa2#* 1-0 (90) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-Woodtree (2743) Blitz 2022*)*

9...Ne5 10.b3 a6 11.Rc1 Rc8 12.Nge2 Bxc4 13.bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qd3 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 exd6 16.Nd4 Re8 17.Be2 d5 18.e5 Ng4 19.fxg4 Bxe5 20.Qd2 Qh4+ 21.Kd1 Qf2 22.Bf3 Qxd2+ 23.Kxd2 Bxd4 24.Nxd5 Rcd8 25.Kd3 Be5 26.Rhe1 Kg7 27.h3 Rd7 28.Rc4 f6 29.g5 fxg5 30.Kc2 h5 31.Kb3 g4 32.hxg4 hxg4 33.Rxg4 b5 34.Rg5 Bf4 35.Rxg6+ Kxg6 36.Rxe8 a5 37.Nxf4+ Kf7 38.Rb8 a4+ 39.Ka3 Rd4 40.Rxb5 Rxf4 41.Rb4 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-Woodtree (2690) Blitz 2022]

[7...Qa5 8.cxd6

A) 8...exd6 9.Bd3

A1) 9...Nbd7 10.Nge2 Ne5 11.0-0 Be6 12.b3 Rac8 *(12...a6 13.Qd2 Rac8 14.Rfd1 b5 15.cxb5 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 axb5 17.Bd4 b4 18.Na4 d5 19.e5 Bf5 20.Qe3 Nd7 21.Rac1 Qb5 22.Ng3 Be6 23.f4 Bg4 24.Re1 Rfe8 25.h3 Be6 26.Qe2 Qb7 27.Qd2 h5 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Rc1 Rxc1+ 30.Qxc1 h4 31.Nf1 Bf5 32.Ne3 Be4 33.Nd1 Bh6 34.Nf2 Nf8 35.Nc5 Qb5 36.Ncxe4 dxe4 37.Qe3 Ne6 38.Qxe4 Bxf4 39.Be3 Bg3 40.Nd3 Qb8 41.Bf2 Qc8 42.Bxg3 hxg3 43.Qe3 Qc3 44.Qxg3 Nd4 45.Kh2 Qd2 46.Nf4 Nc2 47.e6 Ne1 48.exf7+ Kxf7 49.Qxg6+ Ke7 50.Qe6+ Kf8 51.Qf5+ Kg7 52.Qe5+ Kf8 53.Qe4 Qf2 54.Qxb4+ Kg7 55.Qe4 Kg8 56.b4 Nc2 57.Qe8+ Kg7 58.Qg6+ Kf8 59.Qg3 Ke7 60.Qxf2* 1-0 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Experto_Crede (2579) Blitz

2023 *)* 13.Rc1 Rfe8 14.Qd2 a6 15.Rfd1 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Bxb5 Red8 18.Ba4 Qa6 19.Nf4 d5 20.Ncxd5 Rxc1 21.Ne7+ 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-satoshisbrother (2694) Blitz 2022;

A2) 9...Nc6 10.Nge2 Nh5 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Nf4 Nxf4 14.Bxf4 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qxb2 16.Nd5 Qxa1 17.Qxa1 Bxa1 18.Rxa1 Ne5 19.Bf1 Bd7 20.c5 Bc6 21.Ne7+ Kf7 22.cxd6 Ng6 23.Bc4+ Kf6 24.Bg3 Rad8 25.Re1 Bd7 26.Bf2 Rfe8 27.f4 Nxf4 28.Bh4+ Kg7 29.Rf1 Ng6 30.Nxf5+ Bxf5 31.Bxd8 Rxd8 32.Rxf5 Rxd6 33.Rf7+ Kh6 34.g3 Ne5 35.Rxb7 Nxc4 36.Rxa7 Ne3 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.h3 Rf1+ 39.Kh2 Rf2+ 40.Kg1 Rb2 41.g4 Kg6 42.Ra5 h6 43.a4 Ra2 44.Kh1 Nc4 45.Rc5 Ne3 46.a5 Nf1 47.Kg1 Ng3 48.h4 Ne4 49.Re5 Ng3 50.h5+ Kf6 51.Rb5 Ne2+ 52.Kf2 Nf4+ 53.Kf3 Ne6 54.Rf5+ Ke7 55.Rd5 Ra3+ 56.Ke4 Ra4+ 57.Kf5 Rf4+ 58.Ke5 Rxg4 59.Rd1 Rg5+ 60.Ke4 Rxa5 61.Kf3 Ra4 62.Rf1 Ra5 63.Rg1 Rf5+ 64.Kg4 Rg5+ 65.Kh4 Rxg1 0-1 (65) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-gaho2005 (2594) Blitz 2022;

A3) 9...Be6 10.Nge2 Rc8 11.b3 *(11.0-0 Bxc4 12.Bxc4 Rxc4 13.Qxd6 Nc6 14.Rfd1 Rd8 15.Qg3 h5 16.Rxd8+ Nxd8 17.Rd1 Ne6 18.Qb8+ Kh7 19.Qxb7 Rc7 20.Qb5 Qxb5 21.Nxb5 Rb7 22.Nec3 a6 23.Nd6 Rxb2 24.Nxf7 Rc2 25.Nd5 Rxa2 26.Ng5+ Nxg5 27.Bxg5 Ne8 28.h4 a5 29.Nf4 a4 30.Kh2 a3 31.Rd7 Kg8 32.Ne6 Be5+ 33.Bf4 Bf6 34.Bg5 Bc3 35.Ra7 Ra1 36.Be3 Nd6 37.Bd4 Bxd4 38.Nxd4 Nc4 39.Nb5 Kf8 40.Ra4 a2 41.Nc3 Ne3 42.Rxa2 Nf1+ 43.Kg1 Re1 44.Kf2 Rc1 45.Ne2 Rd1 46.Rc2 Nd2 47.Rc1 Rxc1 48.Nxc1 Nc4 49.Ke2 Ne5 50.Nd3 Nd7 51.Ke3 Kg7 52.g3 Nf8 53.f4 Nd7 54.e5 Nf8 55.Nf2 Ne6 56.Ne4 Nc7 57.Ng5 Nd5+ 58.Ke4 Ne7 59.Kf3 Nf5 60.Ne4 Ne7 61.Nf2 Nf5 62.Nh3 Nd4+ 63.Ke4 Ne6 64.Nf2 Nc5+ 65.Kd5 Nd7 66.e6 Nb6+ 67.Kd6 Nc8+ 68.Kd7 Nb6+ 69.Kc7 Nd5+ 70.Kd6 Nf6 71.e7 Ne8+ 72.Kd7 Kf7 73.Kd8 Ng7 74.Ne4 Ke6 75.Nd6* 1-0 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2614)-sina_iran (2663) Blitz 2021 *)* 11...Ng4 12.Bd2 Ne5 13.Qb1 Nbc6 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.0-0 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nb4 17.Bxb4 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Qxb4 19.Bc2 Nd7 20.Qe1 a5 21.Rd1 Re8 22.Qf2 Nc5 23.Ng3 a4 24.Ne4 axb3 25.axb3 Nxe4 26.fxe4 Re7 27.Qe1 Qc5 28.Qf2 b6 29.Qxc5 bxc5 30.Bd3 Be5 31.g3 Rb7 32.Rb1 Ra3 33.Bc2 Ra2 34.Rf2 Rba7 35.Kg2 Kf8 36.Bd1 Rxf2+ 37.Kxf2 Ra2+ 38.Be2 Bc3 39.Ke3 Ke7 40.Kd3 Bb4 41.Ke3 f6 42.Rd1 Rb2 43.Rd3 Rb1 44.Bd1 Rb2 45.Be2 Kd7

46.h4 Kc7 47.g4 h6 48.g5 fxg5 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Kf2 Bd2 51.Kf3 Bf4 52.Bd1 Be5 53.Be2 g4+ 54.Kf2 g3+ 55.Kf3 g5 56.Bd1 g2 0-1 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2615)-sina_iran (2697) Blitz 2021;

A4) 9...b5 10.cxb5 d5 11.Qd2 Rd8 12.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 13.Bxd2 Nxd5 14.exd5 Bxb2 15.Rd1 Rxd5 16.Be4 Re5 17.Ne2 Bf5 18.Bxa8 Bd3 19.Be4 Bxb5 20.Bc3 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-kingpower2005189 (2628) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...Rd8 9.Bd3 *(9.e5 Ne8 10.f4 exd6 11.Qd5 Qb4 12.0-0-0 Nc6 13.a3 Qa5 14.Qxa5 Nxa5 15.Nf3 Be6 16.Nd5 Kh8 17.b4 Nc6 18.exd6 Nxd6 19.Nc7 Rac8 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Ng5 Rd7 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 23.Nf7+ Kg8 24.Nxd6 Rd8 25.c5 b6 26.Bc4 a5 27.Bxe6+ Kf8 28.Rd1 axb4 29.axb4 Nxb4 30.cxb6 Ke7 31.Bb3 Nc6 32.Bc5 Na5 33.Nb7+ Ke8 34.Rxd8# 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-Dede-Liu39 (2561) Blitz 2022)* 9...Nc6 *(9...Rxd6 10.Nge2 Qd8 11.Nf4 g5 12.Nfd5 e6 13.e5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Bxe5 15.0-0 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Rxd5 17.Qc1 Rxd3 18.Bxg5 f6 19.Bh4 Rd2 20.Qe1 e5 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Qxd2 Nc6 23.Rfe1 Bf5 24.Rad1 Rd8 25.Qf2 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Bg6 27.Qc5 Qe6 28.a4 e4 29.fxe4 Qxe4 30.Rf1 Qe7 31.Qxe7 Nxe7 32.Rf4 Nd5 33.Rc4 b6 34.Rc8+ Kf7 35.c4 Ne7 36.Rc7 a5 37.Rb7 Bd3 38.Rxb6 Bxc4 39.Rb7 Ke6 40.Ra7 Nc6 41.Rxh7 Bb3 42.h4 Bxa4 43.h5 Bc2 44.Rc7 Kd6 45.Rg7 a4 46.h6 a3 47.Rg3 a2 48.Ra3 Bb1 49.h7 Bxh7 50.Rxa2 Bf5 51.Rf2 Be6 52.Kh2 Ne5 53.Kg3 Nd3 54.Rd2 Bc4 55.Kh4 Ke5 56.g4 Nf4 57.Rd8 Bd5 58.Kg3 Ne2+ 59.Kh4 Nd4 60.Re8+ Kf6 61.Rd8 Ke6 62.Rxd5 Kxd5 63.Kg5 Ke5 64.Kh6 Ne6 65.g5 Kd6 66.g6 Nd8 67.g7 Nf7+ 68.Kh7 Ng5+ 69.Kg6 Ne6 70.Kf7 Nd8+ 71.Kg6 Ne6 72.Kh7 Nd4 73.Kg6 Nf5 74.Kh7 Ne7 75.g8Q Ke5 76.Qg5+ Ke6 77.Qg6+ Kd7 78.Qg7 Ke6 79.Qxe7+ Kxe7 ½-½ (79) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-salvatorechess2 (2533) Blitz 2024)* 10.Nge2 *(10.dxe7 Nxe7 11.Nge2 Be6 12.Qc2 Nc6 13.0-0-0 Nb4 14.Qb1 Rdc8 15.c5 Nxa2+ 16.Nxa2 Bxa2 17.Qc2 Nd7 18.b4 Qa3+ 19.Kd2 Qxb4+ 20.Nc3 Nxc5 21.Ke2 Bb3 22.Qb1 Bxc3* 0-1 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-Loin_sn (2801) Blitz 2022*)* 10...Rxd6 11.0-0

B1) 11...Ne5 12.Nd5 e6 13.b4 *(13.f4 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 exd5 15.e5 Rd8 16.exf6 dxc4 17.Qxc4 Be6 18.Qc3 Qxc3 19.Nxc3 Bxf6 20.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Bxa2 23.Ra1 Bd5 24.Rxa7 Rxa7 25.Bxa7 Kf8 26.Bd4 Ke7 27.g3 h5 28.Kf2 Kd6 29.Ke3 Kc6 30.Bf6 Kb5 31.Kd4 Be6 32.Be7 Kc6 33.c4 b5 34.cxb5+ Kxb5 35.Ke5 Kc6 36.Kf6 Kd7 37.Ba3 Kc6 38.f5 Bxf5 39.Kxf7 Kd5 40.Kf6 Ke4 41.Kg5 Kf3 42.Bd6 Kg2 43.h4 Kf3 44.Bc7 Be4*

45.Bb8 Bf5 46.Bc7 Be4 47.Bb8 Bf5 48.Bc7 Be4 49.Bb8 Bf5 50.Bc7 Be4 ½-½ (50) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-Koshechka22 (2644) Blitz 2023*)*
13...Qa3 14.Bf4 Nh5 15.Bxe5 Bxe5 16.f4 Bxa1 17.Qxa1 exd5 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-Grant_Ward (2654) Blitz 2024;

B2) 11...Nb4 12.Nd5 e6 13.Nxb4 Qxb4 14.Qc2 Nd7 15.c5 Rc6 16.a3 Qxb2 17.Qxb2 Bxb2 18.Ra2 Bf6 19.Rc1 Be7 20.Rac2 a6 21.a4 Ne5 22.Bc4 Bxc5 23.Bxc5 Rxc5 24.Bb3 Rxc2 25.Rxc2 Bd7 26.Rc7 Bc6 27.Nd4 Rd8 28.Nxc6 bxc6 29.f4 Nd3 30.g3 Nb4 31.Rb7 Rd4 32.e5 a5 33.Ra7 c5 34.Rxa5 c4 35.Bxc4 Rxc4 36.Rb5 Nd5 37.a5 Ra4 38.Kf2 Ra2+ 39.Kf3 Ra3+ 40.Ke2 Ra2+ 41.Kd3 Kg7 42.Kc4 Rxh2 43.Kb3 Rh3 44.a6 Rxg3+ 45.Kb2 Rg2+ 46.Kb3 Rg1 47.Kb2 Nc7 48.a7 Rg2+ 49.Kb3 Rg3+ 50.Kb2 Ra3 51.Rb7 Nb5 52.Rxb5 Rxa7 53.Kc3 Rd7 0-1 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-chess24by7365 (2624) Blitz 2022]

8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Bxc5 Nc6

[9...Nfd7 10.Bxe7 Re8 11.Ba3 Nc6 12.Nge2 *(12.0-0-0 Nde5 13.Nd5 Be6 14.Nc7 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Nxa8 Rxa8 17.b3 Be6 18.Ne2 a5 19.Nf4 Bh6 20.g3 a4 21.Bb2 axb3 22.axb3 Bxb3 23.Rd3 Bc4 24.Ra3 Rc8 25.Kb1 Nb4 26.Rd1 b5 27.Bf6 Bg7 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Kb2 Nc6 30.Rc3 Ne5 31.Nd5 Rd8 32.f4 Be2 33.Rd4 Nc4+ 34.Kb3 Ra8 35.Kb4 Ra2 36.Kxb5 Ne5+ 37.Kc5 Ra5+ 38.Kd6 Ra6+ 39.Kc7 Nf3 40.Rb4 Re6 41.Re3 Bd1 42.h3 Ng1 43.h4 Nh3 44.Kd7 Bg4 45.e5* 1-0 (45) Tr1pl3Fire (2690)-drawingchest (2622) Blitz 2021*)*
12...f5 *(12...b6 13.0-0-0 Nde5 14.b3 a5 15.Nd5 Rb8 16.Nec3 f5 17.Nb5 fxe4 18.Nd6 Rd8 19.Nxc8 Rdxc8 20.fxe4 Ng4 21.Bd6 Rb7 22.Bg3 b5 23.Kb1 a4 24.cxb5 axb3 25.axb3 Nce5 26.h3 Nh6 27.Bxe5 Bxe5 28.Bc4 Kg7 29.Nb4 Nf7 30.Nc6 Bg3 31.Bxf7 Rxf7 32.Rhf1 Rb7 33.Rd5 Re8 34.e5 Kh6 35.Kc2 Bh4 36.Kd3 Ra8 37.e6 Ra2 38.g3 Bg5 39.h4 Rd2+ 40.Kc4 Rxd5 41.Kxd5 Rxb5+ 42.Kc4 Rb6 43.hxg5+ Kxg5 44.Kc5 Rxb3 45.e7 Re3 46.Kd6 Rd3+ 47.Ke6 Re3+ 48.Ne5 Rd3 49.Nxd3* 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-AryaCross (2670) Blitz 2024*)* 13.0-0-0 Nde5 14.Ng3 fxe4 15.Ncxe4 Be6 16.b3 a5 17.Nc5 Nb4 18.Kb1 Bc8 19.Bb2 b6 20.Nce4 h5 21.h4 Bf5 22.Nxf5 gxf5 23.Nd6 Rf8 24.a3 Na6 25.Bd3 Nc5 26.Bxf5 Nxb3 27.Rhe1 Nc6 28.Be4 Bxb2 29.Bxc6 Bxa3 30.Bxa8 Rxa8 31.Re3 a4 32.Rd5 Kg7 33.Rg5+ Kf6 34.Ne4+ Kf7 35.Nc3 Bc1 36.Rf5+ Kg6 37.Ree5 Bh6 38.g4 Nd2+ 39.Ka2 Nxc4 40.Re6+ Kg7 41.g5 Rd8 42.Ne4 Rd3 43.gxh6+ Kh7 44.Ng5+ Kg8 45.Re8# 1-0 (45) Lucky1357924680 (2772)-el-kun78 (2566) Blitz 2024]

10.Be3

[10.Nd5 Nd7 11.Nxe7+ Kh8 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Ba3 Rb8 14.0-0-0 Re8 15.Nh3 Nb6 16.Ng5 Bh6 17.f4 Kg8 18.Bd6 Rb7 19.c5 Bg4 20.cxb6

Bxd1 21.Kxd1 Rd7 22.e5 Bxg5 23.g3 axb6 24.Bg2 Ra7 25.fxg5 Rxa2 26.Kc2 c5 27.Bd5 Ra4 28.Rf1 Ra7 29.Kc3 b5 30.Bxc5 Rc7 31.Kd4 Rd8 32.Bd6 Ra7 33.Rf6 Rdd7 34.Kc5 Ra6 35.e6 Raxd6 36.exf7+ Kf8 37.Rxd6 Rc7+ 38.Rc6 1-0 (38) MrTactic2008 (2799)-QuCq (2742) Blitz 2023]

[10.Nge2

A) 10...b6 11.Ba3 Ba6 *(11...a5 12.Nb5 Nb4 13.Bxb4 axb4 14.Ned4 Nd7 15.Nc6 Rf8 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.Nd5 Nc5 18.Nxb4 Bxb2 19.Rb1 Be5 20.Be2 f5 21.Nc6 Bg7 22.e5 Rxa2 23.Nb4 Ra4 24.f4 g5 25.g3 gxf4 26.gxf4 Bb7 27.Rg1 Be4 28.Rb2 Bh6 29.Nd5 Ne6 30.Nd6 Nxf4 31.Nf6 Ra1+ 32.Bd1 Bg7 33.Rxb6 Nd3+ 34.Kd2 Nxe5 35.c5 Bxf6 36.Nf7+ Nxf7 37.Rxf6 Raa8 38.Bb3 Ne5 39.Re6 Nf3+ 40.Ke3 Nxg1 41.Kf4 Rac8 42.c6 Rxc6 43.Re7 Rg6 44.h3 Nxh3+ 45.Ke5 Ng5 46.Bd1 Nf7+ 47.Kf4 Nh6 48.Bh5 Ng8 49.Ra7 Rh6 50.Be2 Rh4+ 51.Ke5 Nf6 52.Bc4 Ng4+ 53.Kf4 Nf6+ 54.Ke5 Bd5 55.Bxd5 Nxd5 56.Kxd5 f4 57.Ke4 f3+ 58.Ke3 f2 59.Ra2 f1Q 60.Re2 Rh3+ 61.Kd4 Rd8+ 62.Kc5 Rc3+* 0-1 (62) Lucky1357924680 (2622)-tigra522 (2497) Blitz 2024*; 11...Ne5 12.Nf4 g5 13.Nfd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 e6 15.0-0-0 exd5 16.Nxd5 Be6 17.Ba6 Nc6 18.Nc7 Rab8 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Bd6 Ra8 21.Bb7 Nd4 22.Bxa8 Rxd6 23.Kb1 Rd8 24.Bb7 Rb8 25.Ba6 b5 26.Rc1 Rb6 27.Bc8 b4 28.Rc7 a5 29.Rb7 Rc6 30.Rc1 Rd6 31.Rd7 Rb6 32.Rd1 Rc6 33.Bb7 Rb6 34.Bc8 Rc6 35.Rd8+ Kf7 36.Rd7+ Kg8* ½-½ (36) Di2323ma (2606)-Echampion2011E (2565) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.Nb5 *(12.b3 Nd7 13.0-0-0 Nc5 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nc7 Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Rd8+ 17.Kc2 Bb7 18.Nb5 a6 19.Nbc3 Nd3 20.Kb1 b5 21.cxb5 axb5 22.Nd1 b4 23.Bc1 Nxc1 24.Kxc1 Ne5 25.Nf2 Bh6+ 26.f4 Nd3+ 27.Nxd3 Rxd3 28.g3 Bxe4 29.Rg1 Bf3 30.Kc2 Rd6 31.Nc1 Bg7 32.Bg2 Bg4 33.Be4 Rd4 34.Re1 e5 35.Bd3 exf4 36.Re8+ Bf8 37.gxf4 Kg7 38.Ne2 Bxe2 39.Bxe2 Rxf4 40.Bd3 Rf2+ 41.Be2 Rxh2 42.Kd3 Rh3+ 43.Kc4 Rf3 44.Bd3 Rf4+ 45.Be4 Rxe4+ 46.Kd5 f5 47.Rxe4 Kf6 48.Re5 f4 49.Re6+ Kf5 50.Rd6 Kg4* 0-1 (50) rhungaski (2669)-xamax2000 (2619) Blitz 2021 *)* 12...Rac8 *(12...Rd7 13.Nec3 Rad8 14.Be2 Bb7 15.Na4 Rd2 16.Rd1 Rxd1+ 17.Bxd1 Nd7 18.Be2 a6 19.Nbc3 e6 20.0-0 Nd4 21.Rd1 Bc6 22.Bf1 Rb8 23.Bd6 Rb7 24.e5 Nxe5 25.c5 bxc5 26.Nxc5 Rxb2 27.Bxe5 Bxe5 28.Nd3 Nxf3+ 29.Kh1 Bxc3 30.Nxb2 Bxb2 31.Rb1 Bd4 32.Rc1 Bd5 33.gxf3 Bxf3+ 34.Bg2 Bxg2+ 35.Kxg2 a5 36.Kf3 Kg7 37.Ke4 e5 38.Kd5 f5 39.Rc6 a4 40.Ra6 f4 41.Ke4 g5 42.Rxa4 g4 43.Rc4 f3 44.Rc1 Kf6 45.a4 Kg5 46.a5 h5 47.a6 Kh4 48.Rd1 Kh3 49.Rd2 h4 50.Kd3 g3 51.hxg3 hxg3 52.Ke4 g2 53.Rxd4 g1Q 54.Ra4 Qa7 55.Kxf3 Qf7+ 56.Ke4 Qa7 57.Kxe5 Qe7+ 58.Kd5 Qd7+ 59.Kc5 Qxa4 60.Kb6 Qe4 61.Ka7*

Qc6 62.Kb8 Qxa6 63.Kc7 Kg4 64.Kd8 Kf5 65.Ke8 Ke6 66.Kf8 Qf1+ 67.Kg8 Qg2+ 68.Kf8 Kf6 69.Ke8 Qd5 0-1 (69) Lucky1357924680 (2669)-JeandeMurol (2518) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Nec3 Bxb5 *(13...e6 14.Rd1 Rxd1+ 15.Kxd1 Nd7 16.Kc2 Nc5 17.Be2 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 a6 19.Nc3 Nd4+ 20.Kb1 a5 21.Rd1 Kf8 22.Bf1 Ke8 23.h4 h5 24.Nb5 Nxb5 25.cxb5 Bf6 26.g3 Na4 27.f4 e5 28.Bd6 exf4 29.e5 Be7 30.gxf4 Bxh4 31.Bg2 Be7 32.Bc6+ Kf8 33.Bxe7+ Kxe7 34.Rd7+ Ke6 35.Rd6+ Ke7 36.Bd5 h4 37.f5 gxf5 38.Rf6 Rf8 39.Rxf5 Nc5 40.Rh5 Nd7 41.Bc6 h3 42.Bxd7 Kxd7 43.Rxh3 Re8 44.Rh6 Re6 45.Rh7 Ke7 46.Rh5 Rg6 47.Kc2 Ke6 48.Kc3 Rg3+ 49.Kd4 Rg4+ 50.Kd3 Rb4 51.Rh6+ Ke7 52.Rxb6 Rxb2 53.a4 Rb4 54.Ra6 Rxa4 55.b6 Rb4 56.Rxa5 Rxb6 57.Ke4 Rb4+ 58.Kf5 Rb1 59.Ra7+ Kf8 60.e6 Rf1+ 61.Ke5 Re1+ 62.Kf5 Rxe6 63.Ra8+ Kg7 64.Ra7 Rf6+ 65.Kg5 Rg6+ 66.Kf5 Rc6 67.Kg5 Rc5+ 68.Kf4 Kg6 69.Ra6+ f6 70.Rb6 Rc4+ 71.Kf3 Ra4 72.Rb5 f5 73.Kg3 Kg5 74.Rb8 Ra3+ 75.Kf2 Kg4 76.Rg8+ Kf4 77.Rf8 Ra2+ 78.Kf1 Kg4 79.Kg1 f4 80.Kf1 Kf3 81.Kg1 Ra1+ 82.Kh2 Rf1 83.Ra8 Re1 84.Rf8 Ke3 85.Kg2 Re2+ 86.Kf1 Rf2+ 87.Kg1 Ra2 88.Kf1 Ra1+ 89.Kg2 Ra2+ 90.Kg1 Ra6 91.Kf1 Rh6 92.Re8+ Kf3 93.Kg1 Rg6+ 94.Kf1 Rb6 95.Kg1 Rb1+ 96.Kh2 Kf2 97.Ra8 Re1 98.Ra2+ Re2 99.Ra1 f3 100.Rb1 Ke3+ 101.Kg1 f2+ 102.Kf1 Kf3 103.Rb3+ Re3 104.Rxe3+ Kxe3 105.Kg2 Ke2 106.Kg3 f1Q 107.Kg4 Qf2 108.Kg5 Qf3* 0-1 (108) Lucky1357924680 (2689)-Rachmaninoff_08 (2608) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.Nxb5 a6 15.Nc3 Na5 16.Kf2 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Rhd1 Rcd4 19.Bxe7 Rd2+ 20.Ke1 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 22.Kxd1 Nd7 23.Kc2 f5 24.Bd6 Bxc3 25.Kxc3 fxe4 26.fxe4 Kf7 27.Kd4 Ke6 28.Bg3 h5 29.a4 g5 30.Bc7 h4 31.h3 b5 32.axb5 axb5 33.Bd8 Nf6 34.Bxf6 Kxf6 35.Kd5 1-0 (35) Lucky1357924680 (2701)-licg (2618) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...Be6 11.Nd5 *(11.Nf4 b6 12.Ba3 a5 13.Nfd5 Bxd5 14.cxd5 Nb4 15.0-0-0 Rac8 16.Kb1 e6 17.d6 Nd7 18.f4 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Rxc3 20.Bb2 Re3 21.e5 Nd5 22.g3 Nc3+ 23.Bxc3 Rxc3 24.Rc1 Rxc1+ 25.Kxc1 f6 26.Bb5 Nc5 27.Kd2 Kg7 28.Ke3 g5 29.h4 h6 30.hxg5 hxg5 31.a4 gxf4+ 32.gxf4 fxe5 33.fxe5 Rf8 34.Rg1+ Kf7 35.Bc6 Rh8 36.Rf1+ Kg7 37.d7 Rd8 38.Rb1 Kf7 39.Rxb6 Ke7 40.Rb5 Nxa4 41.Kd4 Rh8 42.Rxa5 Nb6 43.Ra7 Rb8 44.Kc5 Nd5 45.Bxd5 exd5 46.Kxd5 Rb1 47.d8Q+ Kxd8 48.Ke6 Rf1 49.Ra8+ Kc7 50.Re8 Kb6 51.Rd8 Kc6 52.Rd6+* 1-0 (52) cubanito2002 (2634)-theredking89 (2593) Blitz 2020*)* 11...Rac8 12.Nec3 Bxd5 13.cxd5 Ne5 14.Bxe7 Re8 15.Ba3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Kf2 Nd7 18.Rac1 Rec8 19.h4 Ne5 20.Rhd1 b5 21.Bd6 Nd7 22.a3 a5 23.Be7 Bd4+ 24.Kg3 Be3

25.Rb1 b4 26.axb4 axb4 27.Nb5 Rc2 28.Nd4 Rf2 29.Bg5 Bxd4 30.Rxd4 Rcc2 31.Rxb4 Ne5 32.Rg1 Kg7 33.Rb6 Nc4 34.Bf6+ Kh6 35.Rb7 g5 36.hxg5+ Kg6 37.Rh1 h5 38.Rb8 Rxg2+ 39.Kf4 Rh2 40.Rg8+ Kh7 41.Rh8+ Kg6 42.Rxh2 Rxh2 43.Rh6# 1-0 (43) Lucky1357924680 (2677)-gur-on (2694) Blitz 2024;

C) 10...Nd7

C1) 11.Ba3

C1a) 11...Nde5 12.Nf4 Nd4 *(12...e6* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲*')* 13.0-0-0 Bh6 14.Bxe7 *(14.g3* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 14...Bxf4+ 15.Kb1 Rd7 16.Nd5 Ndc6 *(16...Nec6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 17.Nf6+ Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(17.Bf6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 17...Kg7 18.Nxd7 Bxd7 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(18...Nxe7* Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓'*)* 19.Bd6 Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (48) Klimov,I (2023)-Obolentseva,A (2015) Tula 2014' *(19.Bc5* Schipkov,Boris: '='*)* 19...Be6 Schipkov,Boris: '=';

C1b) 11...a5 12.0-0-0 Nb4 13.Kb1 *(13.Nd5 e6 14.Nc7 Rb8 15.Nc3 b6 16.Kb1 Bb7 17.Be2 Nc5 18.N7b5 Be5 19.b3 Ncd3 20.Bxd3 Nxd3 21.g3 f5 22.Rd2 fxe4 23.fxe4 Nc5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Bxc5 bxc5 26.Re1 Rd2 27.Na4 Rxh2 28.Nxc5 Bxg3 29.Rd1 Bc6 30.Na7 Be8 31.Rd8 Kf7 32.Nb5 Bxb5 33.cxb5 Bh4 34.Rd7+ Kf6 35.b6 Rh1+ 36.Kb2 Bg3 37.b7 Rh2+ 38.Kc3 Rxa2 39.Rd8 Ra1 40.e5+ Bxe5+ 41.Kc4 Bg3 42.Ne4+ Ke7 43.Nxg3 Rc1+ 44.Kb5 Rb1 45.Ka4 Ra1+ 46.Kb5 Rb1 47.Ka6 Rxb3 48.Ka7 Rxb7+ 49.Kxb7 Kxd8 50.Kb6 Ke7 51.Kc5 Kf7 52.Kb5 g5 53.Ne4 h5 54.Nxg5+ Kg6 55.Ne4* 1-0 (55) JuleVerne (2610)-TheRedKing89 (2685) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...e6 14.Nc1 b6 15.Nb5 Bb7 16.Nd3 Nc5 17.Nf2 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Bxe4+ 19.Bd3 Rxd3 20.Nxe4 Rad8 21.Rxd3 Rxd3 22.Nbc3 f5 23.c5 fxe4 24.cxb6 Rd6 25.Na4 e3 26.Bxb4 axb4 27.Re1 Bd4 28.Kc2 Bxb6 29.Nxb6 Rxb6 30.Rxe3 Kf7 31.Kb3 Kf6 32.Re4 1-0 (32) Muselmen100precent (2724)-mhennigan (2578) Blitz 2023;

C2) 11.Be3

C2a) 11...Nb4 12.0-0-0

C2a1) 12...b6 13.Nd5 *(13.a3 Nc6 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nc7 Rb8 16.Nb5 Ba6 17.Nec3 Rbc8 18.Nd6 Rc7 19.Ncb5 Bxb5 20.Nxb5 Rcc8 21.Be2 a6 22.Nd6 Rc7 23.Kb1 Nc5 24.f4 e5 25.f5 Rcd7 26.b4 Na4 27.Kc2 Rxd6 28.Rxd6 Rxd6 29.Kb3 Nd4+ 30.Bxd4 exd4 31.Kxa4 d3 32.Bf3 Rd4 33.Kb3 d2 34.Rd1 Bh6 35.Kc3 Rd7 36.h4 Bf4 37.c5 b5 38.Kc2 Kg7 39.g3 Be3 40.e5 gxf5 41.c6 Rc7 42.Kd3 Bh6 43.Kd4 Kf8 44.Kc5 Ke7 45.Kb6 Kd8 46.Be2 Be3+ 47.Kxa6*

Rxc6+ 48.Kxb5 Rc1 49.a4 Rxd1 50.Bxd1 Bf2 51.h5 Bxg3 52.a5 Bxe5 53.Kc6 Bd4 54.b5 f4 55.a6 Kc8 56.b6 Kb8 57.a7+ Ka8 58.Kc7 Be5+ 59.Kc8 1-0 (59) Lucky1357924680 (2633)-Soham0705 (2733) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Nxd5 14.cxd5 Ne5 *(14...Bb7 15.Nc3 e6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Bc4 Kf7 18.Bb3 Rac8 19.Rd6 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Rxc3+ 21.Kd2 Rc6 22.Bxe6+ Ke7 23.Rxc6 Bxc6 24.Bh3 Ne5+ 25.Ke2 Bb5+ 26.Kf2 Nd3+ 27.Kg3 Kf6 28.Rd1 h5 29.f4 Bc6 30.e5+ Kf7 31.Kh4 Bxg2 32.Bxg2 Nxf4 33.Rf1* 1-0 (33) MCjgp_Twitch (2742)-izel2 (2646) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Nc3 e6 16.Be2 exd5 17.Nxd5 Be6 18.Ba6 Kf8 19.Kb1 Bc8 20.Nxb6 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 axb6 22.Bxc8 Rxc8 23.Bxb6 Nc4 24.Bd4 Bxd4 25.Rxd4 Ke7 26.b3 Ne3 27.Rd2 f5 28.exf5 Nxf5 29.a4 h5 30.Kb2 g5 31.b4 Nd6 32.Kb3 Ke6 33.b5 g4 34.fxg4 hxg4 35.Rd4 Rg8 36.Kb4 g3 37.hxg3 Rxg3 38.Kc5 Nf5 39.Rd2 Rc3+ 40.Kb6 Nd6 41.a5 Nc4+ 42.Kb7 Nxa5+ 43.Ka6 Nc4 44.Rd4 Ra3+ 45.Kb7 Nd6+ 46.Kc6 Rc3+ 47.Kb6 Rb3 48.Kc6 Nxb5 49.Re4+ Kf5 50.Rc4 Nc3 51.Kc5 Ne4+ 52.Kd5 Nf6+ 53.Kd4 Rb2 54.g3 Rg2 55.Rc3 Nh5 56.Rf3+ Kg4 57.Re3 Nxg3 58.Kd3 Nf5 59.Re4+ Kg5 60.Re5 Rg3+ 61.Kc4 Kf6 62.Rc5 Nd6+ 63.Kd5 Nf5 64.Kc6 Ne7+ 65.Kb6 Nf5 66.Rb5 Re3 67.Ka5 Nd4 68.Rb6+ Ke5 69.Rb4 Nc6+ 70.Kb6 Nxb4 71.Kc5 Nd3+ 72.Kb5 Ke4 73.Kc4 Nf4 74.Kb5 Rd3 75.Kc6 Kd4 76.Kb5 Kc3 77.Ka4 Rd4+ 78.Ka5 Nd5 79.Ka6 Kb4 80.Ka7 Rc4 81.Ka8 Kb5 82.Ka7 Ka5 83.Kb8 Kb6 84.Ka8 Rc8# 0-1 (84) MCjgp_Twitch (2745)-sugeng-prasetyo (2726) Blitz 2021;

C2a2) 12...a5 13.a3 Na6 14.Nd5 Re8 15.Nec3 e6 16.Nb6 Nxb6 17.Bxb6 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Nb8 19.h4 h5 20.g4 hxg4 21.h5 gxf3 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rh3 e5 24.Rxf3 Bg4 25.Rg3 Bxd1 26.Kxd1 Kf7 27.Bc7 Nd7 28.Bd6 Nf6 29.c5 Nxe4 30.Bc4+ Kg7 31.Re3 Nxd6 32.cxd6 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-kirill_kopyonkin (2599) Blitz 2021;

C2a3) 12...Re8 13.a3 Nc6 14.Nd5 Rf8 15.Nec3 Nde5 16.Nb5 f5 17.Ndc7 Rb8 18.Nxa7 fxe4 19.Nxc8 Rbxc8 20.Ne6 exf3 21.Nxf8 Kxf8 22.gxf3 Nxf3 23.Bh3 Ra8 24.Rhf1 Nce5 25.Bg2 1-0 (25) jposthuma (2783)-jaoso78 (2588) Blitz 2021;

C2b) 11...Nde5 12.Nf4

C2b1) 12...Nb4 13.Rc1
C2b11) 13...e6 14.h4 *(14.a3 Nbc6 15.b4 b6 16.Be2 Bb7 17.Kf2 Nd4 18.Nb5 Nxe2 19.Kxe2 Nc6 20.Rhd1 a6 21.Nd6 Rd7 22.Nxb7 Rxb7 23.Rd6 Rc8 24.Rcd1 Be5 25.Rd7 Rxd7 26.Rxd7 Kf8 27.Nd3 Bxh2 28.Bxb6 Ke8 29.Rb7 Bg3 30.Be3 h5 31.c5 h4 32.a4 Ne7 33.b5 axb5 34.axb5 f5 35.c6 Nxc6 36.bxc6 Rxc6 37.Rb6 Rc2+ 38.Kd1 Rxg2 39.Nf4 Kf7 40.Nxg2* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-VonSinnen (2684) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Bh6 15.Rd1 Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Rxd1 17.Nxd1 Nxe3 18.Kxe3 Bd7 *(18...Nc6 19.e5 Nxe5 20.g3 b6 21.Kf2 Bb7 22.Be2 Rd8 23.h5 Kg7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Ke3 Nc6* 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2745)-SouthAfricanWolf (2698) Blitz 2023*)* 19.g3 Rc8 20.b3 a6 21.Nb2 b5 22.Kf2 Bf8 23.Be2 Ba3 24.Nbd3 Nc6 25.cxb5 axb5 26.Ke3 Nb4 27.Nxb4 Bxb4 28.Bd3 Ra8 29.Rh2 Be1 30.Rg2 Bb4 31.Rc2 Kf8 32.Ne2 Ke7 33.e5 Ba3 34.f4 h5 35.Be4 Ra7 36.Nd4 Bb4 37.Bc6 Be1 38.Kf3 Rc7 39.Bxd7 Rxd7 40.Nxb5 f6 41.exf6+ Kxf6 42.Kg2 Rd3 43.Re2 Bxg3 44.Nc7 e5 45.fxe5+ Bxe5 46.Nb5 Rg3+ 47.Kf2 Rd3 48.Re4 Kf5 49.Ra4 Rd2+ 50.Ke3 Rh2 51.Kd3 Rh3+ 52.Kc4 Rxh4+ 53.Kc5 Rh2 54.Kb6 h4 55.Nd4+ Bxd4+ 56.Rxd4 g5 57.Rc4 Rb2 58.Rc5+ Kg4 59.Rb5 Kh3 60.b4 g4 61.Rc5 g3 62.b5 Rxa2 63.Rc3 Rb2 64.Kc5 Rxb5+ 65.Kxb5 Kh2 66.Rc2+ g2 67.Rc4 h3 68.Rh4 g1Q 69.Re4 1 - 0 (6 9) Consent_to_treatment (2749)-SilverSurferx (2612) Blitz 2022;
C2b12) 13...Be6
C2b121) 14.a3 Nbd3+ 15.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 16.Bxd3 Rxd3 17.Kf2 Bxc4
C2b1211) 18.Rhd1 Rxd1 *(18...Rad8 19.Rxd3 Rxd3 20.Rd1 Rxd1 21.Nxd1 a6 22.Ke1 Kf8 23.Kd2 Ke8 24.b4 Kd7 25.Nc3 Bf1 26.g3 Bg2 27.f4 Ke6 28.Kd3 h5 29.Bd4 f6 30.Ke3 Bh6 31.Na4 Kd7 32.Nc5+ Kc6 33.e5 fxe5 34.Bxe5 b6 35.Ne6 Kb5 36.Nc7+ Ka4 37.Nxa6 Kxa3 38.b5 Ka4 39.Nc7*

g5 40.h4 gxh4 41.gxh4 Bf1 42.Bd4 Bxb5 43.Nd5 Bc6 44.Nxb6+ Kb5 45.Nc8 e6 46.Nd6+ Kb4 47.Nf7 Bf8 48.Ng5 Bd5 49.Ba7 Be7 50.Kd4 Bf6+ 51.Ke3 Kc4 52.Bb8 Be7 53.Be5 Bc5+ 54.Ke2 Kb3 55.Nh7 Kc2 56.Nf6 Bc4+ 57.Kf3 Kd1 58.Kg2 Be2 59.Ne4 Be7 60.Nc3+ Kd2 61.Nxe2 Kxe2 62.Kg3 Ke3 63.Bb8 Ke4 64.Be5 Bb4 65.Kf2 Bd2 66.Kg3 Be1+ 67.Kh3 Kf3 68.Bc7 Bd2 69.f5 exf5 70.Bd6 Bf4 71.Bc5 Bg3 72.Bg1 Bf2 73.Bh2 Be3 74.Bg3 Bf4 75.Be1 Bd6 76.Bc3 Kf2 77.Bd4+ Ke2 78.Kg2 f4 79.Bb6 f3+ 80.Kg1 Bf4 81.Kh1 Be3 0-1 (81) monkkkk (2609)-anand68 (2725) Blitz 2022*)*
19.Rxd1 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Be6 21.Bc5 Kf8 22.h3 h5 23.g4 hxg4 24.hxg4 Ke8 25.Kg3 b6 26.Bd4 Rc8 27.f4 Rc4 28.f5 Bc8 29.Rh1 Bb7 30.Rh8+ Kd7 31.Kf4 Ra4 32.Rh7 gxf5 33.gxf5 Ke8 34.Rh8+ Kd7 35.Rh7 Ke8 36.Rh8+ Kd7 37.Rh7 ½-½ (37) Consent_to_treatment (2628)-kirill_kopyonkin (2605) Blitz 2021;

C2b1212) 18.Ne2 Ba6 19.Rc2 Rb3 20.Bd4 Bxe2 21.Bxg7 Bd3 22.Rc3 Rxb2+ 23.Kg3 Kxg7 24.Rxd3 Rc8 25.Rd7 Kf6 26.h4 Rcc2 27.Rg1 Rc3 28.a4 a5 29.h5 b6 30.h6 Rb4 31.Rd8 g5 32.Rh8 Rxe4 33.Rxh7 Rh4 34.Rb1 Rc6 35.Rb5 Kg6 36.Rg7+ Kxh6 37.Rgxg5 Rb4 38.Rh5+ Kg6 39.Rbg5+ Kf6 40.f4 e6 41.Rh6+ Ke7 42.Rh7 Rc5 43.Kf3 Rxg5 44.fxg5 Rxa4 45.g6 Kf6 46.g7 1-0 (46) Lucky1357924680 (2636)-comicsclub (2593) Blitz 2024;

C2b122) 14.b3 g5 15.Nxe6 *(15.Nfd5 Nbd3+ 16.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Ke2 Nxc1+ 18.Rxc1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 e6 20.Nc3 h6 21.c5 Be5 22.g3 Bd4 23.Bxd4 Rxd4*

24.Nb5 Rd7 25.Nd6 f6 26.e5 fxe5 27.Ne4 Kf7 28.b4 Rad8 29.b5 Ke7 30.c6 bxc6 31.Rxc6 Rb8 32.a4 Rb6 33.Rc4 Rd5 34.Rc7+ Rd7 35.Rc8 Rd4 36.Nc5 Rc4 37.Kd3 Rc1 38.Kd2 Rc4 39.Kd3 Rc1 40.g4 Rd6+ 41.Ke3 Rd5 42.Rc7+ Ke8 43.Rc8+ Kf7 44.Rc7+ Kg6 45.Nxe6 Re1+ 46.Kf2 Red1 47.Rc2 R5d2+ 48.Rxd2 Rxd2+ 49.Ke3 Ra2 50.Nc5 Ra3+ 51.Ke4 Kf6 52.Kd5 Ra2 53.Kc6 Rxh2 54.a5 Ke7 55.a6 Rf2 56.Kb7 Rxf3 57.Kxa7 Rc3 58.Kb6 Rxc5 59.Kxc5 e4 60.Kd4 e3 61.Kxe3 Kd6 62.a7 Kc7 63.a8Q Kb6 64.Qc6+ Ka5 65.b6 Kb4 66.b7 Ka5 67.b8Q 1-0 (67) rhungaski (2674)-kirill_kopyonkin (2587) Blitz 2021*)* 15...fxe6 16.Bxg5 Ned3+ 17.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 18.Ke2 Nxc1+ 19.Rxc1 Kf7 20.Be3 Rd7 21.Rd1 Rad8 22.Rxd7 Rxd7 23.Nb5 a6 24.Na3 Bb2 25.Nc2 e5 26.Ne1 Bd4 27.Nd3 Kf6 28.Bd2 Rc7 29.Ba5 b6 30.Bd2 a5 31.g4 a4 32.f4 exf4 33.Bxf4 e5 34.Bd2 b5 35.Nb4 Ke6 36.Nd5 Rc8 37.cxb5 axb3 38.axb3 Rb8 39.Kd3 Kd7 40.Kc4 Rc8+ 41.Kd3 Rb8 42.Kc4 Rc8+ 43.Kd3 Rf8 44.Bc3 Rf3+ 45.Kc4 Bxc3 46.Nxc3 Kd6 47.b6 Kc6 48.Nd5 Rf2 49.b4 Rc2+ 50.Kb3 Rxh2 51.b5+ Kb7 52.Kc4 Rg2 53.Kc5 Rxg4 54.Nf6 Rg7 55.Ne8 Rg6 56.Nd6+ Kb8 57.Kd5 h5 58.Nf5 Rg5 59.Kxe5 h4 60.Kf4 Rh5 61.e5 h3 62.Ng3 h2 63.e6 Rh6 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2716)-Samarqand2021 (2642) Blitz 2021;

C2b13) 13...Bh6 14.Ncd5 Bxf4 *(14...e6 15.Nxb4 a5 16.Nc2 Bd7 17.Na3 Bc6 18.Be2 Rac8 19.Kf2 g5 20.Nh5 Nd3+ 21.Bxd3 Rxd3 22.Rhd1* 1-0 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-kirill_kopyonkin (2581) Blitz 2023*; 14...Nbc6 15.Be2 e6 16.Nc7 Rb8 17.Nb5 a6 18.Nc3 Nd4 19.b3 Bd7 20.Bxd4 Bxf4 21.Rd1 Bc6 22.g3 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 Be3 24.Rd1 g5 25.h4 h6 26.hxg5 hxg5 27.Rf1 Ng6 28.Rd3 Bc5*

29.f4 b5 30.cxb5 axb5 31.Kd2 Kg7 32.Bh5 gxf4 33.gxf4 b4 34.Na4 Be7 35.Bxg6 Kxg6 36.Rg3+ Kf6 37.Ke3 Rd8 38.Rfg1 Bf8 39.Rc1 Bb5 40.Rc7 e5 41.fxe5+ Ke6 42.Nc5+ Kxe5 43.Rg5+ Kd6 44.Rxf7 Rc8 45.Rd5+ Kc6 46.Rf6+ Kc7 47.Ne6+ Kb7 48.Rxb5+ Kc6 49.Rxf8 1 - 0 (4 9) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-Molt7n (2815) Blitz 2022 *)*

C2b131) 15.Nxf4 g5 16.Nd5 Ned3+ 17.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 18.Ke2 Nxc1+ 19.Rxc1 f6 20.Nc7 Bd7 21.Nxa8 Rxa8 22.h4 *(22.b4 a5 23.b5 Rc8 24.Kd3 Kf7 25.a4 e5 26.Bb6 Ra8 27.c5 Ke6 28.c6 bxc6 29.bxc6 Be8 30.c7 Kd7 31.Bxa5 Kc8 32.Rc5 Bxa4 33.Kc4 Ra6 34.Rd5 Bd7 35.Kb4 h5 36.Rd2 Rc6 37.Rb2 Kb7 38.Ka3+ Ka6 39.Kb4 Be6 40.Rd2 Rc4+ 41.Ka3 Kxa5 42.Rd6 Bc8 43.Rxf6 Rxc7 44.Rf5 Rc3+ 45.Kb2 Bxf5 46.Kxc3 Be6 47.Kd3 Kb5 48.Ke3 Kc5 49.g3 h4 50.f4 hxg3 51.hxg3 exf4+ 52.gxf4 g4 53.f5 Bf7 54.Kf4 Bh5 55.e5 Kd5 56.e6 Kd6 57.Kg5 g3 58.Kxh5 g2 59.Kg6 g1Q+ 60.Kf7 Qe3 61.f6 Qxe6+ 62.Kg7 Ke5 63.Kg6* 1-0 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-kirill_kopyonkin (2603) Blitz 2022*)* 22...g4 23.b4 a6 24.Bb6 Kf7 25.Ke3 Rc8 26.Rd1 Be6 27.c5 gxf3 28.gxf3 Rg8 29.Kf2 Bh3 30.Rg1 Rxg1 31.Kxg1 Be6 32.a3 Bb3 33.Kf2 e6 34.Ke3 h5 35.f4 Ke8 36.Kd4 Kd7 37.Ba7 Kc6 38.Bb8 Bd1 39.f5 exf5 40.exf5 Bc2 41.Bf4 Bxf5 42.Bh6 Kd7 43.Bg7 Ke6 44.Bh6 Bc2 45.Bf4 Ba4 46.Bb8 Bc6 47.Ke3 Kf5 48.Kd4 Kg4 49.Ke3 Kxh4 50.Kf4 Kh3 51.Bc7 h4 52.Bd8 Kg2 53.Bxf6 h3 0-1 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-kirill_kopyonkin (2651) Blitz 2021;

C2b132) 15.Bxf4 Ned3+ 16.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Ke2 Nxc1+ 18.Rxc1 Be6 19.Nxe7+ Kf8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rac8 22.Rc3 Rxc3 23.bxc3 b5 24.Kd3 Rc8 25.Bd6+ Ke8 26.f4 Kd7 27.Bb4 Rc4

28.a3 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.g3 h5 31.Ke3 Re4+ 32.Kf3 Kc7 33.h3 Rc4 34.g4 fxg4+ 35.hxg4 hxg4+ 36.Kxg4 Kb6 37.d6 a5 38.d7 Kc7 39.Bxa5+ Kxd7 40.Bb4 Ke6 41.Kg5 Rc8 42.f5+ Ke5 43.Kg6 Rg8+ 44.Kf7 Rg3 45.f6 Rf3 46.Be7 Rxc3 47.Ke8 Rf3 48.f7 Kd5 49.f8Q Rxf8+ 50.Bxf8 Kc6 51.Bb4 Kb7 52.Kd7 Ka8 53.Kc6 Kb8 54.Kb6 Ka8 55.Ka6 Kb8 56.Bc5 Ka8 57.Bb4 Kb8 58.Ka5 Ka8 59.Kxb5 Kb8 60.a4 Ka8 61.Ba5 Kb8 62.Bb6 Ka8 63.Bc7 Ka7 64.Be5 Ka8 65.Kc6 Ka7 66.Bc7 Ka8 67.Bd8 Ka7 68.Kc7 Ka8 69.Kb6 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-kirill_kopyonkin (2622) Blitz 2022;

C2b14) 13...b6 14.a3 Nbc6 15.Be2 e6 16.Kf2 Na5 17.Nb5 Bd7 18.Nd6 Ba4 19.b4 Nb3 20.Rcd1 Nc6 21.Nb7 Rdb8 22.Nd6 Rd8 23.c5 bxc5 24.bxc5 Rab8 25.Rb1 Ncd4 26.Rhd1 e5 27.Nd5 Nxc5 28.Rxb8 Rxb8 29.Rc1 Nce6 30.Rc8+ Rxc8 31.Nxc8 Bf8 32.Nxa7 Bxa3 33.Nc8 Bc5 34.Ncb6 Bb3 35.Nc4 Nxe2 36.Nd2 Nc1 37.Nxb3 Nxb3 38.Nf6+ Kg7 39.Nd7 Bxe3+ 40.Kxe3 f6 41.g3 h5 42.Nb6 Ned4 43.Nd5 Kf7 44.f4 Ke6 45.Nc7+ Kd7 46.Nd5 Ke6 47.Nc7+ Kf7 48.Nd5 Ne6 49.f5 gxf5 50.exf5 Ng7 51.Ke4 Nd4 52.g4 Ndxf5 53.gxf5 h4 54.Ne3 Nh5 55.Kf3 h3 56.Kg4 e4 57.Kxh5 Kg7 58.Kg4 Kh6 59.Kf4 Kh5 60.Ng4 Kh4 61.Nxf6 e3 62.Kxe3 Kg5 63.Kf3 Kxf5 64.Ng4 Kg5 65.Nf2 Kh4 66.Kf4 Kh5 67.Kg3 Kg5 68.Kxh3 Kf5 69.Kg3 Ke5 70.h3 1 - 0 (7 0) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Krpokapetan (2596) Blitz 2022;

C2b15) 13...Nec6 14.a3 Na6 15.b4 Nc7 16.Nfd5 Rd7 17.Nxc7 Rxc7 18.Nd5 Rd7 19.Be2 e6 20.Nf4 b6 21.Nd3 Bb7 22.Kf2 Rad8 23.Rhd1 Nd4 24.Bf1 f5 25.e5 Nc6 26.f4 g5 27.g3 gxf4 28.gxf4 Ne7 29.Nb2 Ng6 30.Rxd7 Rxd7 31.Rd1 Rc7 32.Bg2 Bxg2 33.Kxg2 Bh6 34.Kf3 Kf7 35.Rc1 Rd7 36.Rd1 Rc7 37.c5 bxc5 38.bxc5 Rb7 39.Nc4 Ke7 40.Rd3 Rb1 41.Na5 Rf1+ 42.Kg2

Rxf4 43.Nc6+ Kf7 44.Rd7+ Ke8 45.Rd8+ Kf7 46.Bxf4 Nxf4+ 47.Kf3 Nd5 48.Rd7+ Ke8 49.Rxh7 Bf4 50.h4 a6 51.h5 Bg5 52.Rg7 Bh6 53.Rg6 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-SeTuP_sEkAr (2556) Blitz 2022;

C2b16) 13...g5 14.Nfd5 Nbd3+ 15.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 16.Ke2 Nxc1+ 17.Rxc1

C2b161) 17...Be6 18.Bxg5 *(18.Nxe7+ Kh8 19.Ned5 h6 20.b3 Rac8 21.a4 b6 22.Nb5 Rd7 23.Kd3 f5 24.Nd4 fxe4+ 25.fxe4 Bf7 26.Nf5 Be5 27.Nxh6 Be6 28.Nf5 Kh7 29.Bxg5 Rg8 30.h4 Rf8 31.g4 a6 32.Ke3 b5 33.axb5 axb5 34.c5 Bb8 35.c6 Rdf7 36.Kd4 Ba7+ 37.Ke5 Bc8 38.Nde7 Re8 39.Kd6 Bxf5 40.gxf5 Rd8+ 41.Ke6 Rff8 42.c7 Rde8 43.c8Q* 1 - 0 (4 3) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 8 9) - chess_impression (2888) Blitz 2024*)* 18...f6 19.Be3 Kf7 20.Nb5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 a6 22.Nc7 Rac8 23.Ne6 Re8 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.Kd3 f5 26.Nxg7 fxe4+ 27.fxe4 Kxg7 28.e5 Kg6 29.g4 b5 30.h4 h5 31.gxh5+ Kxh5 32.Bg5 Rc5 33.Ke4 Rc2 34.Bxe7 Kg6 35.e6 Rxb2 36.d6 Re2+ 37.Kd5 Rd2+ 38.Kc6 1-0 (38) jposthuma (2755)-alina0220 (2649) Blitz 2021;

C2b162) 17...b6 18.Nxe7+ Kf8 19.Ned5 Be6 20.Bxg5 Rdc8 21.b3 Rc6 22.Be3 f5 23.Nb5 fxe4 24.fxe4 Bg4+ 25.Kd3 Rd8 26.Rf1+ Kg8 27.Nxa7 Rg6 28.Nb5 Be6 29.g3 h5 30.Bxb6 Rd7 31.Bd4 h4 32.Nf4 Rh6 33.Nd5 hxg3 34.hxg3 Rh3 35.Bxg7 Kxg7 36.Nd4 Rxg3+ 37.Rf3 Rxf3+ 38.Nxf3 Bh3 39.Ne5 Bf1+ 40.Kd4 Ra7 41.a4 Rb7 42.b4 Ra7 43.a5 Kf8 44.Nc6 Rh7 45.a6 1 - 0 (4 5) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-disenthralled (2589) Blitz 2023;

C2b163) 17...h6 18.Nc7 *(18.Nxe7+ Kh7 19.Nxc8 Raxc8 20.Nd5 Bxb2 21.Rb1 Bg7 22.Rxb7 Rxc4 23.Rxf7 Kg6 24.Rxa7 Rc2+ 25.Kf1 Rb8 26.Ra6+ Kh7 27.Rb6 Rxb6 28.Bxb6 Rxa2 29.Bf2 Kg6 30.h4*

Be5 31.hxg5 hxg5 32.g4 Rd2 33.Be3 Rd3 34.Ke2 Ra3 35.Ne7+ Kf6 36.Nf5 Ra2+ 37.Kf1 Bf4 38.Bf2 Ke6 39.Bd4 Kd7 40.Be3 Bxe3 41.Nxe3 Ke6 42.Ng2 Ke5 43.Kg1 Kd4 44.Kh2 Kd3 45.Kg3 Ke2 46.f4 Ra3+ 47.Kh2 Kf3 48.Ne1+ Kxg4 49.fxg5 Ra2+ 50.Kg1 Kxg5 51.Kf1 Kf4 52.e5 Kxe5 53.Kg1 Kf4 54.Kf1 Ke3 55.Ng2+ Kf3 56.Ne1+ Kg3 57.Kg1 Ra1 58.Kf1 Kf4 59.Ke2 Ra2+ 60.Kd3 Ra3+ 61.Kd2 Ra7 62.Nc2 Rd7+ 63.Kc3 Ke5 64.Kb3 Rc7 65.Nb4 Ke4 66.Nc2 Rb7+ 67.Nb4 Kd4 68.Ka4 Kc5 69.Na6+ Kb6 70.Nb4 Ra7+ 71.Kb3 Rc7 72.Nd3 Rd7 73.Nb4 Kc7 74.Nd3 Rd8 75.Kc4 Rb8 76.Kd4 Kb7 77.Ke4 Rc8 78.Kf4 Rd8 79.Kg4 Re8 80.Kg5 Rf8 81.Kg6 Re8 82.Kh7 Rd8 83.Kg7 Rxd3 84.Kg6 Re3 85.Kg5 Rf3 0 - 1 (8 5) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-TheRedKing89 (2703) Blitz 2021*)* 18...Be6 *(18...Bxc3 19.Rxc3 Be6 20.Nxa8 Rxa8 21.b3 a5 22.a4 Rc8 23.Bb6* 1 - 0 (2 3) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-Slivoviy (2485) Blitz 2024*)* 19.Nxa8 Bxc4+ 20.Kf2 Rxa8 21.b3 Be6 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 Rd8 24.Rc7 Rxd5 25.Rxb7 Ra5 26.Rxa7 Rxa7 27.Bxa7 f5 28.a4 Kf7 29.Ke2 Ke6 30.Kd3 Kd5 31.b4 e5 32.b5 e4+ 33.fxe4+ fxe4+ 34.Ke2 Bc3 35.Be3 Ba5 36.g4 Kc4 37.b6 Kb3 38.b7 Bc7 39.Ba7 Bxh2 40.b8Q+ Bxb8 41.Bxb8 Kxa4 42.Ke3 Kb5 43.Be5 Kc6 44.Kxe4 Kd7 45.Bg7 Ke6 46.Bxh6 Kf6 47.Bf8 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Miguelho67 (2614) Blitz 2024;

C2b164) 17...Bxc3 18.Rxc3 f6 19.Nc7 Bd7 20.Nxa8 Rxa8 21.Ra3 a6 22.Bb6 Kf7 23.Rd3 Be6 24.b3 Rc8 25.Ke3 h5 26.g3 g4 27.f4 f5 28.exf5 Bxf5 29.Rd5 Kg6 30.Re5 e6 31.Bd4 Kf7 32.c5 Ke7 33.b4 Kd7 34.a4 Kc6 35.Kd2 Rd8 36.Kc3 Rd5 37.Re3 Rd8 38.Kc4 Ra8 39.Be5 Kd7 40.Re2 Rd8 41.Rd2+ Kc8 42.Bd6

Rh8 43.b5 Be4 44.Kb4 Bd5 45.Ka5 Kd7 46.Kb6 h4 47.Be5 Rc8 48.gxh4 axb5 49.axb5 Ra8 50.c6+ bxc6 51.bxc6+ Ke7 52.Kb7 Ra3 53.Rxd5 exd5 54.c7 Rb3+ 55.Kc6 Rb1 56.c8Q Rc1+ 57.Kb7 Rxc8 58.Kxc8
1 - 0 (5 8) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-Enialios (2717) Blitz 2023;

C2b165) 17...e6

C2b1651) 18.Nc7

C2b16511)
18...Bd7 19.Nxa8 Rxa8 20.Bxg5 Rc8 *(20...Bc6 21.Be3 a5 22.b3 a4 23.Nxa4 Bxa4 24.bxa4 Rxa4 25.Rc2 Kf8 26.Bc5+ Ke8 27.a3 Kd7 28.Bb4 Kc6 29.Rd2 Be5 30.g3 Ra8 31.f4 Bc7 32.Kf3 h5 33.h3 Rg8 34.Rg2 h4 35.gxh4 Rd8 36.h5 f5 37.exf5 exf5 38.Rg6+ Kd7 39.Rf6 Kc8 40.Rxf5 Rd3+ 41.Kg4 Rd1 42.Rf8+ Kd7 43.Rf7+ Kc8 44.h6 Rg1+ 45.Kf5 Rh1 46.h7 Rxh3 47.Rf8+*
1 - 0 (4 7) Consent_to_treatment (2642)-GarlicBread16 (2677) Blitz 2023*)*
21.b3 b5 22.Nxb5
1 - 0 (2 2) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Karl0choa (2652) Blitz 2021;

C2b16512)
18...Rb8 19.Bxa7 Bd7 20.Bxb8 Rxb8 21.N7b5 Be5 22.h3 Rc8 23.b3 Kg7 24.Rd1 Bc6 25.Nd6 Ra8 26.Ndb5 h6 27.a4 Kg6 28.Nd4 Be8 29.Ncb5 Kf6 30.Nc2 Ke7 31.Ne3 Bg7 32.Nc2 Bc6 33.Ncd4 Bd7 34.g3 f5 35.exf5 exf5 36.Kf2 h5 37.Nc2 Bc6 38.Ne3 Kf6 39.Rd6+ Ke5 40.Rg6 Bf8 41.Rxg5 Bc5 42.Rxf5+ Ke6 43.Rxc5
1 - 0 (4 3) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-Romsta (2573) Blitz 2022;

C2b1652) 18.Bxg5 Rd6 19.Nf6+ Bxf6 20.Bxf6 Bd7 21.e5 Rc6 22.Ne4 Ra6 23.Nc5 Rxa2

24.Nxd7 Rxb2+ 25.Ke3 a5 26.Be7 a4 27.Ra1 a3 28.Bc5 a2 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Bd4 Rb1 31.Ne4 Ra3+ 32.Kd2 Rxa1 33.Bxa1 Rb3 34.Kc2 Rb1 35.Bc3 a1Q 36.Bxa1 Rxa1 37.g4 Ra2+ 38.Kd3 Rxh2 39.Nd6 b6 40.Nc8 Rb2 41.Nd6 Kg6 42.Ke4 Rh2 43.Kf4 h5 44.gxh5+ Rxh5 45.Ke4 Rh4+ 46.f4 Rh3 47.Kd4 f5 48.exf6 Kxf6 49.Ke4 Rh4 50.Ke3 e5 51.fxe5+ Kxe5 52.Nc8 Rxc4 53.Nxb6 Rc3+ 54.Kd2 Kd4 55.Nd7 Rc6 56.Nf8 Rd6 57.Ke2 Ke5 58.Nh7 Kf5 59.Nf8 Rd8 60.Nh7 Rh8 61.Ng5 Kxg5 62.Ke3 Rf8 63.Kd2 Re8 64.Kc2 Re7 65.Kb2 Kf6 66.Kb3 Ke6 67.Kc4 Kd6 68.Kb3 Rd7 69.Ka4 Rc7 70.Kb3 Rc6 71.Kb2 Rc7 72.Kb1 Kc6 73.Kb2 Kc5 74.Kb1 Kb4 75.Kb2 Rc3 76.Kb1 Kb3 77.Ka1 Rc1# 0-1 (77) MCjgp_Twitch (2778)-sina_iran (2765) Blitz 2021;

C2b2) 12...g5 13.Nfd5 h6 *(13...b6 14.Bxg5 f6 15.Be3 Ba6 16.Nc7 Bxc4 17.Nxa8 Rxa8 18.Rd1 Nb4 19.Bxc4+ Nxc4 20.Bc1 f5 21.Nd5 Nc2+ 22.Ke2 e6 23.Ne3 N2xe3 24.Bxe3 Nxb2 25.Rd7 Nc4 26.Rc1 Nxe3 27.Kxe3 Bh6+ 28.f4 e5 29.g3 exf4+ 30.gxf4 Re8 31.Rc4 b5 32.Rcd4 fxe4 33.Rd8* 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-killerm3000 (2560) Blitz 2021*; 13...e6 14.Bxg5 exd5 15.Bxd8 d4 16.Nb5 Nxd8 17.Nxd4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Bxd4 19.0-0-0 Nc6 20.Kb1 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.f4 Kf7 23.Rd3 Rg8 24.g3 e5 25.Rf1 Ke6 26.f5+ Kf6 27.a3 a5 28.Rb3 Rg7 29.Rc1 h5 30.Rb5 Rd7 31.h3 a4 32.g4 hxg4 33.hxg4 Kg5 34.Rd5 Rf7 35.Rd6 Kxg4 36.Rf1 Ne7 37.Rd7 Rh7 38.f6 Rh2 39.fxe7 Rxb2+ 40.Kc1 Ra2 41.e8Q* 1-0 (41) Ma Qun (2627)-Zhao,Y (2470) Shenyang CHN 2019 *)* 14.0-0-0 b6 *(14...e6 15.Ne7+ Kf8 16.Nxc6 Rxd1+ 17.Kxd1 Nxc6 18.h4 Bxc3 19.bxc3 f6 20.hxg5 hxg5 21.Rh7 e5 22.Bc5+ Kg8 23.Rc7 Be6 24.Rxb7 Na5 25.Rxa7 Rxa7 26.Bxa7 Nxc4 27.Bc5 Kf7 28.Kc2 Ke8 29.a4 Kd7 30.g4 Kc6 31.Bf2 Kd6 32.Bd3 Kc6 33.Kc1 Na5 34.Bb5+ Kd6 35.Kd2 Nc4+ 36.Ke2 Na3*

37.Bd3 Nc4 38.Ba7 Kc6 39.Kf2 Kd6 40.Bb8+ Kc6 41.Kg3 Kd7 42.Bc2 Ne3 43.Bd3 Nc4 44.Ba7 Kc6 45.Kf2 Kd6 46.Ke2 Kc6 47.Bc2 Na3 48.Bf2 Nxc2 49.Kd2 Na3 50.Kc1 Nc4 51.Be1 Kb6 52.Bf2+ Kc6 53.Kc2 Na5 54.Kd3 Bb3 55.Ba7 Bxa4 56.Ke3 Bb5 57.Kf2 Nc4 58.Bb8 Kb7 0-1 (58) Lucky1357924680 (2738)-Ronaldinho123 (2616) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Nxe7+ Kf8 16.Rxd8+ Nxd8 17.Nxc8 Rxc8 18.c5 bxc5 19.Ba6 Rc6 20.Bb5 Rc8 21.Nd5 Ne6 22.Rd1 Nc6 23.Bxc6 Rxc6 24.Kc2 Ra6 25.a3 Ra4 26.Nc3 Ra6 27.Rd5 Bd4 28.Bxd4 cxd4 29.Nb5 Rc6+ 30.Kd2 Rb6 31.b4 a6 32.Nxd4 Nf4 33.Rd7 Nxg2 34.Nf5 Ke8 35.Re7+ Kf8 36.Ra7 Ke8 37.Kc3 Ne1 38.Nd4 h5 39.a4 g4 40.fxg4 hxg4 41.a5 Rh6 42.Nf5 Rxh2 43.Rxa6 Rc2+ 44.Kb3 Re2 45.b5 g3 46.Ra8+ Kd7 47.Ra7+ Ke8 48.Nd6+ Kf8 49.Rxf7+ Kg8 50.Rf6 g2 51.Rg6+ Kh7 52.Rg4 Nf3 53.a6 Re3+ 54.Kb4 g1Q 55.Rxg1 Nxg1 56.a7 Rd3 57.e5 Rxd6 58.exd6 1-0 (58) jposthuma (2750)-Rogerrrrr (2713) Blitz 2021;

C2b3) 12...b6 13.Rc1 *(13.Be2 Ba6 14.Nb5 Bxb5 15.cxb5 Nb4 16.Rc1 Nxa2 17.Rc7 e6 18.Kf2 Nb4 19.Ra1 g5 20.Nh5 Ned3+ 21.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 22.Ke2 Bxb2 23.Rd1 Nf4+ 24.Nxf4 gxf4 25.Bxf4 Rxd1 26.Kxd1 a6 27.Kc2 Bd4 28.Kd3 Bc5 29.bxa6 Rxa6 30.Be5 Ra8 31.h4 h5 32.g4 Ra3+ 33.Kc4 Rxf3 34.Rc8+ Kh7 35.Rh8+* 1 - 0 (3 5) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-dau_npukypumb (2650) Blitz 2022 *)*

C2b31) 13...f5 14.Be2 Nd4 15.b3 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Bb7 17.Ng5 Bf6 18.Nge6 Nxe6 19.Nxe6 Nd3+ 20.Bxd3 Rxd3 21.Ke2 Rd6 22.Nf4 e5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Rxd5 25.Rc7 a5 26.Rd1 Rxd1 27.Kxd1 a4 28.b4 b5 29.Rb7 Rd8+ 30.Ke2 Rc8 31.Kd3 e4+ 32.fxe4 Rc3+ 33.Ke2 Ra3 34.Rxb5 Rxa2+ 35.Kf3 Rb2 36.Rb8+ Kf7 37.Rb7+ Ke6 38.Rb6+ Kf7 39.Rxf6+ 1-0 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Anuar_Is (2817) Blitz 2024;

C2b32) 13...Ba6 14.b3 Rac8 *(14...e6 15.h4 Nb4 16.Be2 Nbd3+ 17.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 18.Bxd3 Rxd3 19.Nd1 Rad8 20.Kf2 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Re1 e5 23.Bg5 R8d7 24.Ne3 h6 25.Nxf5 hxg5 26.hxg5 Rd2+ 27.Re2 Bb7 28.Rc2 Rxc2 29.Rxc2 e4 30.Re2 Bd4+ 31.Kg3 exf3*

32.gxf3 Bc5 33.Nh6+ Kh7 34.f4 Rd3+ 35.Kh4 Bf3 36.Rh2 Bd6 37.Nf5 Bxf4 38.Rh3 Be2 39.g6+ Kxg6 40.Ne7+ Kf7 41.Rxd3 Bxd3 42.Nd5 Bd6 43.Kg5 Be4 44.Ne3 Bc6 45.Kg4 Ke6 46.Nf5 Be5 47.Ng3 Bxg3 48.Kxg3 Ke5 49.Kf2 Kd4 50.Ke2 Kc3 51.Kd1 Kb2 52.c5 bxc5 53.a3 Kxb3 0-1 (53) cubanito2002 (2609)-Stale_Bread0 (2727) Blitz 2020 *)* 15.Be2 e6 16.0-0 Nd4 17.Rfd1 Nxe2+ 18.Ncxe2 h6 19.Kf1 g5 20.Nh5 Nd3 21.Rc2 Nb4 22.Rcd2 Rxd2 23.Bxd2 Nc2 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Bc3+ Kg6 26.Rd2 Na3 27.Bb4 Nxc4 28.bxc4 Rxc4 29.a3 f5 30.exf5+ exf5 31.Kf2 f4 32.Nc3 Bc8 33.Ne4 Rc1 34.Rd6+ Kh7 35.Nf6+ Kg7 36.Ng4 Ba6 37.g3 h5 38.Rd7+ Kg6 39.Rd6+ Kg7 40.Ne5 fxg3+ 41.hxg3 h4 42.Rg6+ Kh7 43.Rxg5 h3 44.Rh5+ Kg7 45.Rxh3 Rf1+ 46.Ke3 Rg1 47.Kf4 Rf1 48.g4 Be2 49.Rh5 Bd1 50.Rg5+ Kf6 51.Rf5+ Ke6 52.Rf7 Bxf3 53.Re7+ Kf6 54.Nxf3 Rb1 55.Rxa7 Kg6 56.Ne5+ Kh6 57.Rb7 b5 58.Nf3 Rxb4+ 59.axb4 Kg6 60.Rb6+ 1-0 (60)

Consent_to_treatment (2698)-symbiote (2672) Blitz 2022;

C2b33) 13...e6 14.Be2 Ba6 *(14...g5 15.Nh5 Nb4 16.Nxg7 Nbd3+ 17.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 18.Ke2 Nxc1+ 19.Rxc1 Kxg7 20.Bxg5 f6 21.Bd2 Ba6 22.b3 Rac8 23.a4 h5 24.Nb5 Bxb5 25.axb5 Rd7 26.Be3 Kf7 27.b4 Rg8 28.g3 h4 29.g4 Rb7 30.Kd3 Ra8 31.Ra1 Rd8+ 32.Kc3 Kg6 33.f4 f5 34.gxf5+ exf5 35.Rg1+ Kf7 36.exf5 Re8 37.Bd4 Re4 38.Rg7+ Kf8 39.Rxb7 Rxf4 40.c5 Rf3+ 41.Kc4 Rc3+* 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-TaktikFux123 (2499) Blitz 2024 *)* 15.b3

C2b331) 15...Nd4 16.0-0 Nxe2+ *(16...Nec6 17.Rfd1 Rd7 18.Bf1 Rad8 19.Kf2 Kf8 20.Nfe2 Ke8 21.Nxd4 Nxd4 22.h4 h5 23.g3 Bf6 24.f4 Be7 25.Bg2 Bb7 26.Rd3 Bc5 27.Rcd1 Nc2 28.Rxd7 Bxe3+ 29.Ke2 Rxd7 30.Rxd7 Kxd7 31.Kd3 Bf2 32.Kxc2 Bxg3 33.Ne2 Bxh4 34.Kd3 Be7 35.Bf3 Bd6 36.Ke3 e5 37.f5 Ke7 38.Ng3 Kf6 39.Bg2 Bc5+ 40.Kf3 Kg5 41.fxg6 fxg6 42.Bh3*

Bb4 43.Ne2 Bd2 44.Ng1 Kh4 45.Bd7 g5 46.Ke2 Bf4 47.Nf3+ Kg3 48.Bf5 g4 49.Ne1 h4 50.Nd3 h3 51.Nf2 h2 52.Kf1 Be3 53.Nh1+ Kf4 54.Kg2 Bg1 55.Ng3 a6 56.Ne2+ Ke3 57.Nxg1 hxg1Q+ 58.Kxg1 g3 59.b4 Bxe4 60.Bc8 a5 61.bxa5 bxa5 62.Ba6 Kd4 63.a4 Bd3 64.Kg2 Bxc4 65.Bb7 Bd5+ 66.Kxg3 Bxb7 67.Kf2 Bc6 68.Ke2 Bxa4 69.Kd2 Bc6 70.Kc1 Bb5 71.Kb2 e4 72.Ka3 e3 73.Kb3 Kd3 74.Ka3 e2 75.Kb3 e1Q 76.Kb2 Qc3+ 77.Ka2 Bc4+ 78.Kb1 Qb3+ 79.Kc1 Qc2# 0-1 (79) Lucky1357924680 (2632)-MattLoncke (2593) Blitz 2024*)*
17.Nfxe2 Rd3 18.Bf2 f5 19.Rcd1 Rad8 20.Rxd3 Rxd3 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Rd1 Kf7 23.f4 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Nd3 25.Be3 b5 26.cxb5 Bxb5 27.g3 a6 28.Bd4 Nxf4 29.gxf4 Bxe2 30.Bxg7 Bxd1 ½ - ½ (3 0) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-Prettyfly (2632) Blitz 2023;

C2b332) 15...Rd7 16.Kf2 Rad8 17.Rhd1 Nd4 18.Bf1 *(18.Nb5 Nxb5 19.cxb5 Rxd1 20.Bxd1 Bxb5 21.Be2 Bxe2 22.Kxe2 g5 23.Nh5 h6 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Rc7 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Nxd7 27.Kd3 f5 28.exf5 exf5 29.Kc4 f4 30.Bd4+ Kf7 31.Kd5 h5 32.Kc6 Ke6 33.a4 g4 34.b4 Ne5+ 35.Bxe5 Kxe5 36.Kb7 g3 37.h4 a5 38.b5 Kd4 39.Kxb6 Ke3 40.Kxa5 Kf2 41.b6 Kxg2 42.b7 Kh3 43.b8Q g2 44.Qb1 g1Q 45.Qxg1 Kxh4 46.Qg6 Kh3 47.Qxh5+ Kg3 48.Qg4+ Kf2 49.Qxf4* 1 - 0 (4 9) Consent_to_treatment (2 6 8 6) - Ghostiyalperbeyaa (2679) Blitz 2022*)*
18...Bh6 19.Nfe2 Bxe3+ 20.Kxe3 Nec6 21.Nxd4 Nxd4 22.Rd3 e5 23.Nd5 Kg7 24.f4 f6 25.g3 Ne6 26.Bh3 Re8 27.Bxe6 Rxe6 28.Rcd1 exf4+ 29.Nxf4 Rxd3+ 30.Rxd3 Re7 31.Nd5 Rf7 32.Kd4 Bb7 33.b4 Rd7 34.Ra3 a6 35.Kc3 f5 36.Nxb6 Rd1 37.exf5 gxf5 38.b5 axb5 39.Ra7 Kg6 40.Rxb7 bxc4 41.Nxc4 Rh1 42.Rb2 Rc1+ 43.Kb3 Re1

44.a4 Re6 45.Ra2 Kg5 46.a5 Rh6 47.a6 1 - 0 (4 7) Consent_to_treatment (2737)-SilverSurferx (2565) Blitz 2022;

C2b4) 12...Na5 13.Nfd5 *(13.c5 Nac4 14.Bc1 e6 15.Be2 b6 16.cxb6 axb6 17.0-0 Ba6 18.Rd1 Rxd1+ 19.Nxd1 Nc6 20.Rb1 Nd4 21.Bf1 Bb5 22.b3 Na3 23.Bxa3 Bxf1 24.Kxf1 Rxa3 25.Rc1 Bh6 26.Rc8+ Kg7 27.Ne2 Nxe2 28.Kxe2 Rxa2+ 29.Kf1 Bf4 30.g3 Be5 31.Rd8 Rxh2 32.f4 Bf6 33.Rd3 h5 34.Nf2 h4 35.g4 g5 36.Kg1 Rxf2 37.Kxf2 gxf4 38.Kf3 Be5 39.Rd7 h3 40.Rd2 Kf6 41.Rh2 Ke7 42.Rxh3 f6 43.Rh7+ Kd6 44.Rb7 Kc6 45.Re7 Kd6 46.Re8 b5 47.Rc8 Kd7 48.Rc5 b4 49.Rb5 Bc3 50.Kxf4 Bd2+ 51.Kf3 Kc6 52.Rb8 Bc3 53.Re8 Kc5 54.Rxe6 Kd4 55.g5 Kd3 56.gxf6 Kc2 57.f7 Bg7 58.Re8 Bf8 59.Rxf8 Kxb3 60.Re8 Kb2 61.f8Q* 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Fred_Fertig_64 (2488) Blitz 2025*)*
13...Nexc4 14.Bg5 f6 15.Bc1 Kf7 16.b3 Nb6 17.Bb2 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Be6 19.Nc7 Rac8 20.Nxe6 Kxe6 21.Rc1 Rxc1+ 22.Bxc1 Rc8 23.Bd2 b6 24.Kd1 f5 25.Ba6 Rc7 26.Re1 Bc3 27.exf5+ Kxf5 28.Bxc3 Rxc3 29.Rxe7 Nc6 30.Rxh7 Nb4 31.Bc4 Kf4 32.Rxa7 Ke3 33.a3 Na2 34.Re7+ Kf2 35.Kd2 Rc1 36.Re2+ Kg1 37.Kd3 Rc3+ 38.Kd4 Rc1 39.Rxa2 Rd1+ 40.Bd3 Kxh2 41.a4 Kg3 42.b4 Re1 43.a5 bxa5 44.bxa5 Re7 45.Bc4 Ra7 46.a6 g5 47.Rb2 Kf4 48.Kc3 Ra8 49.Ra2 Kg3 50.a7 Rc8 51.a8Q Rxa8 52.Rxa8 g4 53.Bd5 Kf2 54.fxg4 Kg1 55.g5 Kh2 56.g6 Kg1 57.g7 Kh2 58.g4 Kg1 59.g5 Kh2 60.g6 Kg1 61.Kd4 Kf2 62.Ra3 Kg1 63.Re3 Kh2 64.g8Q Kg1 65.Qb8 Kf1 66.Qb2 Kg1 67.Re1# 1 - 0 (6 7) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-jshutzman (2582) Blitz 2022;

C2b5) 12...Bh6 13.Nfd5 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 e6 15.Be2 b6 16.0-0 Ba6 17.Rfd1 Nd4 18.Bf1 f5 19.f4 Nec6 20.e5 Rd7 21.Nb5 Bxb5 22.cxb5 Ne7 23.Rd3 g5 24.Rad1 gxf4 25.Nc4 Rad8 26.Nd6 Nc2 27.Nxf5 Rxd3 28.Nxe7+ Kf7 29.Bxd3 Nb4 30.Bg6+ Kxe7 31.Rxd8 Kxd8 32.Bxh7 Nxa2 33.Kf2 Nb4 34.Be4 a6 35.Kf3 axb5 36.Kxf4 Na6 37.h4 Ke7 38.g4 Nc5 39.g5 b4 40.h5 b3 41.h6 Kf7 42.g6+ Kg8 43.g7 Na4 44.Kg5 Nxb2 45.Kg6 Nc4 46.h7# 1-0 (46) JINSIHOU (2645)-

HELMUT_LANG (2668) Blitz 2024;
C2b6) 12...e6 13.Rd1 *(13.Be2 g5 14.Nh5 Nb4 15.Bxg5* 1-0 (15) Consent_to_treatment (2612)-Crimson_walker95 (2643) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Rxd1+ 14.Kxd1 b6 15.Kc2 Ba6 16.Nb5 Rc8 17.a4 Nb4+ 18.Kb3 Nbc6 19.Kc2 Nb4+ 20.Kb3 Nbc6 21.Nd6 Na5+ 22.Ka2 Rc6 23.Nb5 Nexc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.b3 Rc2+ 26.Kb1 Rb2+ 27.Kc1 Nxb3+ 28.Kd1 Rb1+ 29.Kc2 Rxh1 30.Kxb3 Rb1+ 31.Kc4 Ra1 32.Kb4 Bf8+ 33.Kb3 Rb1+ 34.Kc4 Rb4+ 35.Kc3 Bxb5 36.axb5 Rxb5 37.Nd3 a5 38.Kc4 Rb1 39.Kc3 a4 40.Kc2 Rb5 41.Nc1 a3 42.Bd4 Bg7 43.e5 Bxe5 44.Bxe5 Rxe5 45.Kb3 Re1 46.Na2 Re3+ 47.Ka4 Re2 48.Kxa3 Rxg2 49.Nc3 Rxh2 50.Ne4 Rh3 51.Ng5 Rg3 52.Ne4 Rxf3+ 53.Kb2 h5 54.Ng5 Rf4 55.Nh3 Rf5 56.Kc2 g5 57.Kd2 g4 58.Ng1 Kg7 59.Ne2 Kg6 60.Ng3 Rf3 61.Ne4 b5 62.Nd6 b4 63.Nc8 b3 64.Ne7+ Kf6 65.Nc6 Kg5 66.Ne5 f5 67.Nf7+ Kf4 68.Nd8 e5 69.Ne6+ Kg3 70.Ng7 e4 71.Nxh5+ Kf2 72.Ng7 e3+ 73.Kd3 e2+ 74.Kd2 e1Q# 0-1 (74) MCjgp_Twitch (2785)-sina_iran (2766) Blitz 2021]

[10.Rd1 Rxd1+ *(10...Nd7 11.Be3 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 b6 13.Nh3 Nc5 14.Nf4 Ba6 15.Nd5 Rac8 16.Bxc5 bxc5 17.Be2 e6 18.Ne3 Kf8 19.Kf2 Ke7 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Rd1 Rxd1 22.Bxd1 g5 23.Ba4 Ne5 24.Bb5 Bb7 25.Ke2 Kd6 26.h3 h5 27.g3 Ng6 28.Be8 Ke7 29.Ba4 h4 30.gxh4 Nxh4 31.Kf2 Kd6 32.Kg3 Ng6 33.Ng2 Ke5 34.Be8 Kf6 35.h4 gxh4+ 36.Nxh4 Ne5 37.f4 Nxc4 38.e5+ Ke7 39.Bb5 Nd2 40.f5 exf5 41.Nxf5+ Ke6 42.Kf4 Ne4 43.Bc4+ Kd7 44.Bxf7 Nxc3 45.e6+ Kd8 46.e7+* 1-0 (46) cant_handle_h5 (2609)-tigra522 (2481) Blitz 2024*)* 11.Kxd1 b6 *(11...Be6 12.a3 Rc8 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Kc2 Na5 15.b3 Bxc3 16.Kxc3 b5 17.Ne2 bxc4 18.b4 Nb3 19.Nf4 Nb6 20.Bxb6 axb6 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Bxc4 Nd2 23.Kxd2 Rxc4 24.Rc1 Rd4+ 25.Ke3 Rd6 26.e5 Rd5 27.f4 Kf7 28.Rc6 b5 29.Rc5 Rxc5 30.bxc5 Ke8 31.Kd4 Kd7 32.Kc3 Kc6 33.Kb4 h6 34.h4 h5 35.g3 Kd5 36.Kxb5 Ke4 37.c6 Kf3 38.c7 Kxg3 39.c8Q Kxf4 40.Qxe6 Ke4 41.Qxg6+ Kf4* 1-0 (41) L-M2024 (2636)-BEELVA63 (2585) Blitz 2023*; 11...Nd7 12.Bf2 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Nde5 14.Ne2 Nxc4 15.Nf4 Nd6 16.Nd5 Bd7 17.Bg3 Rd8 18.Bd3 Be6 19.Kc2 Bxd5 20.exd5 Na5 21.Re1 Kf8 22.Bf4 f6 23.h4 Ndc4 24.Re4 Nb6 25.d6 e5 26.Be3 Kf7 27.h5 Rxd6 28.hxg6+ hxg6 29.Rh4 f5 30.Rh7+ Kg8 31.Rc7 Rc6 32.Bxb6 axb6 33.Re7 Kf8 34.Rxe5 Rc5 35.Re1 Nc6 36.Rb1 Ra5 37.Bc4 Rc5 38.Bd3 Ra5 39.Bc4 Rc5* ½-½ (39) Adhiban,B (2610)-Sindarov,J (2654) Wijk aan Zee NED 2023*)* 12.Ba3 Bb7 13.Nge2 Rd8+ *(13...Nd7 14.Kc2 a5 15.Nd5*

e6 16.Ne7+ Nxe7 17.Bxe7 Nc5 18.Nc3 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Be2 Kf7 21.Bd6 Bc6 22.Rd1 Bf6 23.Bc7 Nd7 24.g3 Rc8 25.Bd6 h5 26.f4 h4 27.Bh5+ Kg7 28.Rg1 Kh6 29.Bf7 Nc5 30.Bxc5 bxc5 31.Bxe6 Re8 32.Bxf5 Bd4 33.Rd1 Rf8 34.Be4 Bxe4+ 35.Nxe4 h3 36.b3 Kh5 37.Rd3 Kg4 38.Kd2 Kf5 39.Nxc5 Bxc5 40.Rd5+ Kg4 41.Rxc5 Kf3 42.Re5 Rd8+ 43.Rd5 Re8 44.Kc3 Re3+ 45.Rd3 Rxd3+ 46.Kxd3 Kg2 47.f5 Kxh2 48.f6 Kg1 49.f7 h2 50.f8Q h1Q 51.Qc5+ Kf1 52.Qf5+ Kg1 53.Qxa5 Qf3+ 54.Kc2 Qe4+ 55.Kb2 Qe2+ 56.Ka3 Qe7+ 57.c5 1-0 (57) jposthuma (2697)-AndreiMacovei (2624) Blitz 2021*)*
14.Kc2 e6 15.b3 Nd7 16.g3 Nde5 17.Bg2 Nd3 18.Rd1 Ncb4+ 19.Kb1 Rc8 20.Nb5 Bf8 21.Nxa7 Rb8 22.Nb5 Bc5 23.Nc1 Nxc1 24.Bxc1 Bc6 25.a3 Na6 26.b4 Bf8 27.Bb2 Ra8 28.Bf6 1-0 (28) smeets (2730)-smihir6 (2624) Blitz 2023]

10...Nb4

[10...b6 11.Rc1

A) 11...Ba6

A1) 12.b3 Rac8 *(12...e6 13.Nh3 Ne5 14.Nf4 g5 15.Nh3 g4 16.Ng1 Nd3+ 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Ke2 Rad8 19.Nd5 exd5 20.Kxd3 dxc4+ 21.Kc2 cxb3+ 22.Kxb3 Rd3+ 23.Rc3 Rxc3+ 24.Kxc3 Nxe4+ 25.Kc2 Nd6 26.fxg4 Nc4 27.Bc1 Ne5 28.Nf3 Bb7 29.Nxe5 Bxe5 30.Re1 Bxh2 31.Re7 Bxg2 32.Re2* 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-tigra522 (2557) Blitz 2022*; 12...Nd7 13.f4 Nc5 14.e5 f6 15.exf6 exf6 16.Nf3 Nb4 17.Nd5 Nbd3+ 18.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 19.Kd2 Nxc1 20.Kxc1 Bb7 21.Nc7 Rac8 22.Nb5 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rd7 24.f5 a6 25.Na3 b5 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Rg1 Kf7 28.Kb1 Bf8 29.Nc2 bxc4 30.b4 Rd3 31.a3 Re8 32.Re1 f5 33.Kb2 f4 34.Bxf4 Rxf3 35.Bg3 Bg7+ 36.Kc1 Rxe1+ 37.Bxe1 Be5 38.h4 Bg3 39.Bd2 Bxh4 40.Kb2 Rf2 41.Bc3 Bf6 42.Bxf6 Kxf6 43.Kc3 Rxc2+ 44.Kxc2 Ke5 45.Kc3 Kd5 46.a4 g5 47.b5 axb5 48.axb5 g4 49.b6 Kc6 50.Kxc4 g3 51.Kd3 g2 52.b7 Kxb7 53.Ke4 g1Q 54.Kf5 Qg7 55.Ke6 Qc7 56.Kd5 Qd7+ 57.Ke4 Kc7 58.Kf4 Qd6+ 59.Ke4 Kc6 60.Kf5 Qd5+ 61.Kf4 Kc5 62.Ke3 Qd6 63.Ke4 Qe6+ 64.Kf3 Kd6 65.Kf4 Qe5+ 66.Kf3 Kd5 67.Kg4 Qe4+ 68.Kg3 Ke6 69.Kf2 Kf5 70.Kg3 Qe3+ 71.Kg2 Kf4 72.Kh2 Qd2+ 73.Kh1 Kf3 74.Kg1 Qg2#* 0-1 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-TargetPractice22 (2569) Blitz 2023*; 12...Nb4 13.Nh3 e6 14.Nf2 Nd7 15.Be2 Nc5 16.0-0 Bxc3 17.Rxc3 Nxa2 18.Rc2 Nb4 19.Rb2 Rd7 20.Ra1 Bb7 21.Bd2 Rxd2 22.Rxd2 Nxb3 23.Rb1 Nxd2 24.Rxb4 Rc8 25.Rb2 Nxc4 26.Ra2 a6 27.Nd3 Kf8 28.Kf2 Ke7 29.Ke1 Kd6 30.Nb4 a5 31.Nc2 b5 32.Nd4 Kc5 33.Nb3+ Kb4 34.Nc1 a4 35.Kd1 Rd8+ 36.Ke1 Kc3 37.Bxc4 Kxc4 38.Rc2+ Kb4 39.Rc7 Ba8 40.Ke2 a3 41.Nd3+ Kb3 42.Ra7 b4 43.Nc5+ Kc2 44.Rc7 a2 45.Nd3+ Kb3*

46.Ra7 Rc8 47.Kd1 Rc3 48.Nc1+ Kb2 49.Rxa2+ Kb1 50.Rxa8 Rxc1+ 51.Ke2 Rc2+ 52.Ke3 b3 53.Rb8 b2 54.Rb7 Kc1 55.Rxf7 b1Q 56.Kf4 Qb4 57.Kg5 Qd2+ 58.Kf6 Rc6 59.Kg7 e5 60.Re7 Qxg2 61.Rf7 Qxf3 62.Rxf3 Rc3 63.Rf7 Rh3 64.Re7 Rxh2 65.Kf6 Re2 66.Rxe5 Kd2 67.Ke6 Kd3 68.Rd5+ Kxe4 69.Re5+ Kf3 70.Kf6 Rxe5 71.Kxe5 g5 72.Kf6 g4 73.Kg5 g3 74.Kh6 g2 75.Kh5 g1Q 76.Kh6 Qg6# 0-1 (76) Consent_to_treatment (2639)-abrakadabra02 (2666) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nh3 Nb4 14.Nf2 Nd7 15.a3 *(15.Be2 Bxc3+ 16.Rxc3 Nxa2 17.Rc2 Nb4 18.Rc1 Nc5 19.0-0 Bb7 20.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 a5 22.Rb1 e6 23.Kf1 Nc2 24.Bd2 Nd4 25.b4 axb4 26.Bxb4 Ba6 27.Bxc5 Rxc5 28.Rxb6 Bxc4 29.Bxc4 Rxc4 30.Nd3 Rc3 31.Ne5 Rc5 32.f4 Rc2 33.Rb8+ Kg7 34.Rb7 Kg8 35.Nxf7 Ne2 36.g3 Nc3 37.Nh6+ Kh8 38.Rc7 Rc1+ 39.Kg2 Ne2 40.Rxc1 Nxc1 41.e5 Kg7 42.Ng4 Nb3 43.Ne3 Nd4 44.Kf2 h5 45.Nc4 Nc2 46.Kf3 Nd4+ 47.Ke4 Nf5 48.Nd6 Nh6 49.h3 Ng8 50.Kd4 Kf8 51.Ne4 Ke7 52.Ng5 Kd7 53.g4 hxg4 54.hxg4 Nh6 55.Nh7 Nxg4 56.Ke4 Ke7 57.Kf3 Nh6 58.Kg3 Nf5+ 59.Kg4 Ne3+ 60.Kg5 Nd5 61.Nf6 Nxf6 62.exf6+ Kf7 63.Kh4 Kxf6 64.Kg4 e5 65.fxe5+ Kxe5 66.Kg5 Ke4 67.Kxg6* ½-½ (67) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-dudna (2593) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Nc6 16.Be2 Na5 17.Bd1 Nc5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.cxb5 Bb2 21.Rb1 Bxa3 22.0-0 Bb4 23.Be2 Rd2 24.Bc4 Nxc4 25.bxc4 Rcd8 26.Rfd1 Bc3 27.Kf1 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Bd4 29.Rd2 Rb8 30.Ra2 Rb7 31.Nd3 Kf8 32.Nc1 Ke8 33.Nb3 e5 34.Ke2 Kd7 35.Na5 Rc7 36.Nc6 f5 37.Rxa7 Rxa7 38.Nxa7 f4 39.Nc6 Bc3 40.Kd3 Ba1 41.h3 Bb2 42.Kc2 Ba1 43.Kb3 h6 44.Ka4 Bc3 45.Nb8+ Kc7 46.Na6+ Kb6 47.Kb3 Ba1 48.Nb8 Kc7 49.Nc6 g5 50.Ne7 Kd6 51.Nf5+ Ke6 52.Nxh6 Kf6 53.b6 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-Chozen01 (2552) Blitz 2024;

A2) 12.Nh3

A2a) 12...Nd7

A2a1) 13.b3 Nc5 14.Nf2 Nb4 15.Be2 Bxc3+ 16.Rxc3 Nxa2 17.Rc2 Nb4 18.Rd2 *(18.Rb2 Rd7 19.0-0 Rad8 20.Ra1 Bc8 21.Nd1 Ncd3 22.Rd2 Nf4 23.Rxd7 Nxe2+ 24.Kf2 Rxd7 25.Kxe2 Nc2 26.Ra2 Nxe3 27.Nxe3 e6 28.Rd2 f5 29.e5 g5 30.g3 Kf7 31.Rxd7+ Bxd7 32.f4 g4 33.Kd3 Ke7 34.Kd4 Kd8 35.c5 Kc7 36.Nc4 b5 37.Na5 Be8 38.b4 Bd7 39.c6 Bxc6 40.Kc5 Bd7 41.Nb3 a6 42.Nd4 Bc8 43.Nc2 Bd7 44.Ne3 Be8 45.Nd1 Bd7 46.Nf2 Be8 47.h3 h5 48.hxg4 hxg4 49.Nd1 Bd7 50.Ne3 Bc8*

51.Nc2 Bd7 52.Nd4 Bc8 53.Nb3 Bd7 54.Kd4 Kb6 55.Nc5 Bc8 ½-½ (55) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-dau_npukypumb (2661) Blitz 2022*)* 18...Nxb3 19.Rb2 Na1 20.0-0 Nac2 21.Bh6 Rac8 22.Rc1 Bxc4 23.Rcxc2 Nxc2 24.Rxc2 Bxe2 25.Rxe2 a5 26.h4 b5 27.Ra2 Ra8 28.Kf1 b4 29.Ke2 b3 30.Ra1 b2 31.Rb1 Rdb8 32.Nd3 a4 33.Be3 a3 34.Bd4 f6 35.Kd2 e5 36.Bc3 Rb3 37.Bxb2 Rd8 38.Kc2 Rdxd3 0-1 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2723)-dau_npukypumb (2682) Blitz 2022;

A2a2) 13.Nf2

A2a21) 13...Nde5 14.b3 e6 15.Be2 Nd4 16.0-0 Nxe2+ 17.Nxe2 Nd3 18.Nxd3 Rxd3 19.Kf2 Rad8 20.Rc2 b5 21.c5 b4 22.c6 Bc3 23.Nxc3 bxc3 24.Rfc1 Rd1 25.Rxd1 Rxd1 26.Rxc3 f5 27.exf5 gxf5 28.c7 Bc8 29.Bxa7 Rd2+ 30.Ke1 Rxa2 31.Rd3 Rxa7 32.Rd8+ Kg7 33.Rxc8 e5 34.Rg8+ 1 - 0 (3 4) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Romsta (2580) Blitz 2023;

A2a22) 13...Nc5 14.Be2 Nb4 *(14...Nd4 15.Nd5 Rd7 16.b4 Na4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.c5 Bxe2 19.Kxe2 bxc5 20.bxc5 Nxc5 21.Rhd1 Bxf2 22.Kxf2 Rc8 23.Nf6+ exf6 24.Rxd7 Nxe4+ 25.fxe4 Rxc1 26.Rxa7 Rc3 27.a4 Kg7 28.a5 Ra3 29.a6 g5 30.Ra8 h5 31.a7 h4 32.h3 f5 33.exf5 Kf6 34.Kg1 Kxf5 35.Kh2 Kf4 36.Kg1 Kg3 37.Kf1 f6 38.Rf8 Ra1+ 39.Ke2 Rxa7 40.Rxf6 Kxg2 41.Rf5 Rg7* 0 - 1 (4 1) Consent_to_treatment (2656)-KreuzritterImZoo (2701) Blitz 2021*)* 15.0-0 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Nbd3 17.Nxd3 Nxd3 18.Rcd1 Nb2 19.Rd4 e5 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Bg5 Rd7 22.Bf6 Bxc4 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.g4 h6 25.h4 Rd3 26.Kg2 Ne3+ 0 - 1 (2 6) Consent_to_treatment (2659)-Zlatin (2668) Blitz 2023;

A2a23) 13...Rac8 14.Be2 Nde5 *(14...Na5 15.b3 b5 16.Nxb5 Bxb5 17.cxb5 Bc3+ 18.Bd2 Bxd2+ 19.Kxd2 Ne5+ 20.Ke3 Nb7 21.Rhd1 Nd6 22.a4 f5 23.Nd3 Nxd3 24.Bxd3 e5 25.Bc4+ Kg7 26.Bd5 Kf6 27.Rc6 Rxc6 28.bxc6 Rb8 29.Rc1 Ke7 30.c7 Rc8 31.exf5 gxf5 32.f4 e4 33.b4 Kd7 34.h3 Rxc7 35.Rxc7+ Kxc7 36.g4 fxg4 37.hxg4 Kd7*

38.Bxe4 h6 39.Bd3 Ke6 40.Kd4 Kf6 41.b5 Ke6 42.a5 Kd7 43.Ke5 Nb7 44.b6 axb6 45.axb6 Ke7 46.Be4 Nc5 47.b7 Kf7 48.Kd4 Nd7 49.Bf5 Nb8 50.Kd5 Ke7 51.Be4 Kd7 52.Ke5 Ke7 53.Kf5 Kf7 54.Bd5+ Kg7 55.Ke6 Kf8 56.Kd6 Ke8 57.Kc7 Na6+ 58.Kc8 h5 59.gxh5 Ke7 60.b8Q Nxb8 61.Kxb8 Kf6 62.Be4 Kg7 63.Kc7 Kh6 64.Kd6 Kxh5 65.Ke7 Kg4 66.f5 Kf4 67.f6 Ke5 68.f7 Kd4 69.f8Q Ke3 70.Bd5 Kd4 71.Be6 Ke5 72.Qf6+ Ke4 73.Bf7 Kd3 74.Qe6 Kd4 75.Kd6 Kc3 76.Qd5 Kc2 77.Kc5 Kb1 78.Qc4 Kb2 79.Qb3+ Kc1 80.Qa2 Kd1 81.Kd4 Ke1 82.Kd3 Kf1 83.Qh2 Ke1 84.Qg1# 1-0 (84) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-lefonghua (2718) Blitz 2021*)* 15.b3 Nd4 16.Nd5 *(16.0-0 Nxe2+ 17.Nxe2 Nd3 18.Nxd3 Rxd3 19.Kf2 Rcd8 20.Nf4 Rxe3 21.Kxe3 Bh6 22.Rcd1 Rc8 23.e5 f6 24.e6 Rc6 25.Rd8+ Kg7 26.g3 Rxe6+ 27.Kf2 Re5 28.Re1 Rxe1 29.Kxe1 e5 30.Rd7+ Kg8 31.Rxa7 Bxc4 32.bxc4 exf4 33.g4 Bf8 34.Ke2* 1 - 0 (3 4) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Gabrielian (2728) Blitz 2023*)* 16...Nec6 17.Nd3 e6 18.N5b4 Nxb4 19.Nxb4 Bb7 20.Kf2 Nxe2 21.Kxe2 h6 22.Rhd1 Kf8 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.c5 Rc8 25.cxb6 Rxc1 26.Bxc1 axb6 27.Be3 b5 28.Kd3 Ke8 29.a4 bxa4 30.bxa4 Kd7 31.a5 f5 32.a6 Ba8 33.exf5 exf5 34.Bd4 Bf8 35.Kc4 Bxb4 36.Kxb4 g5 37.h3 h5 38.a7 g4 39.hxg4 hxg4 40.fxg4 fxg4 41.g3 Bf3 42.Bf2 Kc7 43.Ka5 Kb7 44.Kb4 Ka8 45.Bg1 Be4 46.Bf2 Bf3 47.Bg1 Be4 48.Bf2 Bf3 ½-½ (48) Consent_to_treatment (2 7 3 4) - Gertrude_Weichsel (2611) Blitz 2024;

A2b) 12...Nb4 13.Nf4 e6 14.b3 *(14.Be2 Rac8 15.b3 Nd7 16.Kf2 Nc5 17.a3 Nxb3 18.axb4 Nxc1 19.Rxc1 Bxc4 20.Nb5 Bxe2 21.Kxe2 Rxc1 22.Bxc1 a6 23.Na3 Bf8 24.Nd3 Rc8 25.Bb2 a5 26.bxa5 Bxa3 27.Bxa3 bxa5 28.Kd2 h5 29.Bc5 a4 30.Kc3 f5 31.exf5 exf5 32.Kb4 Rd8 33.Nf4 Kf7 34.Kxa4 Rd2 35.h4 Rc2 36.Kb4 g5 37.hxg5 h4 38.g6+ Kg8 39.Bd4 Rxg2 40.Nxg2 h3 41.Bg1 hxg2 42.Kc4 Kg7 43.Kd3 Kxg6 44.Ke2 Kg5 45.Kf2 Kf4 46.Kxg2 Kg5 47.Kf2 Kf4 48.Bh2+ Kg5 49.Kg3 Kf6 50.Kf4 Kg6*

51.Bg1 Kf6 52.Bb6 Kg6 53.Ba7 Kf6 54.Bb8 Ke6 55.Be5 Kf7 56.Kxf5 Ke7 57.Ke4 Kf7 58.f4 Ke6 59.f5+ Ke7 60.f6+ Kf7 61.Kf5 Kf8 62.Ke6 Ke8 63.f7+ Kf8 64.Bd6+ Kg7 65.f8Q+ Kg6 66.Qf6+ Kh5 67.Qg7 Kh4 68.Kf5 Kh3 69.Qg3# 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2637)-zaguer (2556) Blitz 2021 *)* 14...g5 15.Nh3 h6 16.Nf2 Nd7 17.Be2 Nc5 18.0-0 Bxc3 19.Rxc3 Nxa2 20.Rc2 Nb4 21.Rb2 Bb7 22.Ra1 a5 23.Bd2 Rxd2 24.Rxd2 Nxb3 25.Rdd1 Nxa1 26.Rxa1 Rd8 27.c5 Rd2 28.Bb5 bxc5 29.Rxa5 Rc2 30.h3 c4 31.Ra4 Nd3 32.Nxd3 cxd3 33.Bxd3 Rc3 34.Bc4 Kg7 35.Ra7 Rxc4 36.Rxb7 Rc2 37.Kh2 h5 38.Kg3 h4+ 39.Kh2 Kf6 40.Rb5 Kg6 41.Ra5 f6 42.Rb5 Kf7 43.Rb7+ Kg6 44.Rb6 Kf7 45.Rb7+ Kg6 46.Rb6 e5 47.Rb7 Rd2 48.Rb8 Re2 49.Rg8+ Kf7 50.Ra8 Rd2 51.Ra7+ Kg6 52.Ra8 Kf7 53.Ra7+ Kg6 54.Ra8 Kf7 ½-½ (54) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-Alpha_777 (2751) Blitz 2023;

A2c) 12...Rac8

A2c1) 13.Nf4 e6 *(13...Ne5 14.b3 e6 15.Be2 Bh6 16.Nfd5 exd5 17.Bxh6 dxc4 18.Bg5 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Kd2 Nd7 21.Bxd8 Rxd8 22.Nd5 Nc5 23.Rxc5 bxc5 24.Rc1 c4 25.bxc4 Rb8 26.Kxd3 Rb2 27.Rc2 Rxc2 28.Kxc2 Bxc4 29.a3 Kf8 30.Kc3 Bf1 31.Ne3 Be2 32.Kd4 Ke7 33.e5 Kd7 34.f4 h6 35.g3 Ba6 36.Kc5 Bb7 37.a4 Ke6 38.a5 g5 39.Kd4 gxf4 40.gxf4 h5 41.f5+ Ke7 42.h4 f6 43.Nd5+ Kf8 44.Nxf6 Bc8 45.Ke4 Bb7+ 46.Kf4 Kf7 47.Nxh5 Ke7 48.Ng3 Kd7 49.h5* Normal 1-0 (49) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-jpcremer (2539) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.Be2 Nd7 15.0-0 Nc5 16.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 17.Nxd1 Nb4 18.a3 Na2 19.Ra1 Nb3 20.Rxa2 Bxc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Nc3 Bd4 23.Kf2 f5 24.Nxe6 1 - 0 (2 4) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-RenierChess (2757) Blitz 2022;

A2c2) 13.Nf2 Nd4 *(13...Ne5 14.b3 e6 15.Be2 Nfd7 16.0-0 Nc5 17.Bg5 Rd7 18.Nb5 h6 19.Be3 Rcd8 20.Rfd1 Bxb5 21.cxb5 Ncd3 22.Nxd3 Nxd3 23.Bxd3 Rxd3 24.Rxd3 Rxd3 25.Kf2 Bd4 26.Bxd4 Rxd4 27.Ke3 Rd7 28.a4 e5 29.Rc2 Kg7 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Kxd2 f5 32.exf5 gxf5 33.Kd3 Kf6 34.Kc4 Ke6 35.g3 h5 36.h3 Kd6 37.b4 Ke6 38.f4 exf4 39.gxf4 h4 40.Kd4 Kd6 41.a5 Ke6 42.Kc4 Kd6 43.Kd4 Ke6 44.Kc4 Kd6 45.Kd4* ½ - ½ (4 5)

Consent_to_treatment (2650)-vistagausta (2828) Blitz 2022*)* 14.b3 e6 15.Bd3 Nd7 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Rfd1 Nxd3 18.Rxd3 Nc6 19.Kf1 Nb4 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.a3 Nc6 22.Nb5 Na5 23.Rb1 Bxb5 24.cxb5 Rc8 25.b4 Nc4 26.Bc1 Rd8 27.Ke2 Ne5 28.Bb2 Nc4 29.Bc1 Ne5 30.Rb3 Rc8 31.Kd1 Nc4 32.Nd3 Bd4 33.Ke2 f5 34.exf5 exf5 35.a4 Re8+ 36.Kd1 Rd8 37.Ke2 Re8+ 38.Kd1 Kf7 39.Bd2 Rd8 40.Bf4 Bf6 41.Ke2 g5 42.Bc1 f4 43.g3 Re8+ 44.Kd1 Ne3+ 45.Bxe3 Rxe3 46.Nc1 Re5 47.Rd3 fxg3 48.hxg3 Ke6 49.Nb3 h5 50.Nd4+ Kf7 51.Nc6 Rf5 52.Nxa7 h4 53.gxh4 gxh4 54.Ke2 h3 55.Kf2 Rh5 56.Kg1 Be5 57.Kh1 Rg5 58.a5 Rg2 59.Rd1 Rh2+ 60.Kg1 Rg2+ 61.Kh1 bxa5 62.bxa5 Rb2 63.b6 Rh2+ 64.Kg1 Rg2+ 65.Kh1 Rh2+ 66.Kg1 Rb2 67.Nc6 Bh2+ 68.Kh1 Bg3 69.a6 Rh2+ 70.Kg1 Rg2+ 71.Kh1 Rh2+ 72.Kg1 Rb2 73.b7 Rg2+ 74.Kh1 Rh2+ 0-1 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2752)-licg (2747) Blitz 2023;

B) 11...Bb7 12.Nh3

B1) 12...Nd7 13.Nf2 Nde5 14.Be2 Nd4 15.b3 e6 *(15...f5 16.Nd5 e6 17.Bxd4 exd5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.exd5 Re8 20.Rc2 Rac8 21.Nd3 Bxd5 22.Nxe5 Rxe5 23.Kf2 Bf7 24.Rd2 Rc7 25.Rhd1 Ree7 26.f4 Kg7 27.Bf3 Be8 28.Rd6 b5 29.Bd5 bxc4 30.Bxc4 Bf7 31.Bxf7 Kxf7 32.R1d2 Kg7 33.g3 Kh6 34.Kg2 Kh5 35.Kh3 Rc3 36.R6d3 Rxd3 37.Rxd3 h6 38.Rd5 Re3 39.Ra5 Rc3 40.Rxa7 g5 41.fxg5 hxg5 42.Ra5 Kg6 43.Kg2 Rc2+ 44.Kg1 Rb2 45.h4 gxh4 46.gxh4 f4 47.Kf1 Kf6 48.h5 f3 49.Kg1 Rg2+ 50.Kf1 Rb2 51.h6 Kg6 52.Ra6+ Kh7 53.Kg1 Rg2+ 54.Kf1 Rb2 55.Ke1 Re2+ 56.Kd1 Rb2 57.Rf6 f2 58.b4 Rxa2 59.b5 Rb2 60.b6 Rxb6 61.Rxf2 Rxh6 62.Ke2 Rg6 63.Kf1 Kg7 64.Rg2 Rxg2 65.Kxg2* ½-½ (65) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-Ute-Manfred (2603) Blitz 2025*)* 16.0-0 Rd7 17.Rfd1 Rad8 18.Kf1 Nec6 19.Bg5 Rc8 20.Nb5 h6 21.Be3 Rcd8 22.Nxd4 Nxd4 23.Rd2 Nf5 0-1 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2709)-ruslan1541 (2574) Blitz 2022;

B2) 12...Rac8 13.Nf2 Nd7 *(13...Ne5 14.b3 h5 15.Be2 Nfd7 16.0-0 a6 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Nc5 19.b4 Na4 20.Bxa6 Rb8 21.Bb5 Nb2 22.a4 Ra8 23.Bxb6 Rdb8 24.Bc7 Rb7 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Bc6 Rab8 27.Bxb7 Rxb7 28.Ra1 Bd4 29.Ra2 Rxb4 30.a5 Nd3 31.g3 Nxf2 32.Rfxf2 h4 33.Kg2 h3+ 34.Kxh3 Bxf2 35.Rxf2 Ra4 36.Rb2 Rxa5 37.Rb8+ Kg7 38.Rb7 Kf6 39.Rb6+ Kg7 40.Kg4 Ra4*

41.Kf4 f6 42.h4 Kf7 43.g4 Ra1 44.Rb2 Rh1 45.Kg3 Rg1+ 46.Rg2 Ra1 47.Rh2 Kg7 48.h5 gxh5 49.Rxh5 Kf7 50.Rh2 Rg1+ 51.Kf4 Ra1 52.g5 Rg1 53.gxf6 Kxf6 54.Rh6+ Kf7 55.Ra6 Rh1 56.d6 exd6 57.Rxd6 Rh5 58.Rd7+ Ke6 59.Rd5 Rh1 60.Ra5 Ra1 61.Rxa1 1-0 (61)

Consent_to_treatment (2685)-GrandpaVladi (2532) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Be2

B2a) 14...Nde5 15.0-0 e6 16.b3 Nb4 17.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 18.Nfxd1 Ned3 19.Bxd3 *(19.Rb1 Ne1 20.Kf1 Nec2 21.Bf2 Nd4 22.Rb2 Rd8 23.Rd2 Nbc6 24.Nb5 e5 25.Nxd4 Nxd4 26.Nc3 Bf8 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.exd5 Bc5 29.Bd1 Kg7 30.f4 f6 31.fxe5 fxe5 32.g3 Kf6 33.Kg2 Kg5 34.Be3+ Kf5 35.Bc2+ Kf6 36.Be4 Nxb3 37.Rf2+ Kg7 38.axb3 Bxe3 39.Ra2 a5 40.Re2 Bd4 41.Bf3 Rf8 42.Bg4 Kf6 43.d6 Rd8 44.d7 Ke7 45.h4 h5 46.Bh3 Rf8 47.Rd2 Rf6 48.Re2 Rd6 49.Re1 Rxd7 50.Bxd7 Kxd7 51.Rd1 Ke6 52.Kf3 Kd6 53.Ke4 Kc5 54.Kd3 Kb4 55.Kc2 a4 56.bxa4 Kxc4 57.Rb1 Kc5 58.Rb5+ Kc6 59.Kd3 Kd6 60.Ke4 Ke6 61.Rb3 Kf6 62.Rd3 g5 63.hxg5+ Kxg5 64.Rxd4 exd4 65.Kxd4 Kg4 66.Kd5 Kxg3 67.Kc6 h4 68.Kxb6 h3 69.a5 h2 70.a6 h1Q 71.a7 Qa8* 0-1 (71)

Consent_to_treatment (2703)-TabletopWarrior (2778) Blitz 2023 *)* 19...Nxd3 20.Rc2 Rd8 21.Rd2 Bf6 22.Kf1 Nb4 23.Rxd8+ Bxd8 24.a4 Nc2 25.Bf2 Kf8 26.Ke2 Na1 27.b4 Nc2 28.b5 a6 29.Kd2 Na1 30.Kc1 Nb3+ 31.Kc2 Nc5 32.a5 Ke7 33.Nb2 Kd6 34.axb6 Bxb6 35.bxa6 Bxa6 36.Nb5+ Bxb5 37.cxb5 Kc7 38.Bxc5 Bxc5 39.Nc4 f6 40.Kd3 e5 41.g3 Bg1 42.h3 Bf2 43.g4 g5 44.Ke2 Bd4 45.Kd3 h6 46.Kc2 Bb6 47.Kb3 Bc5 48.Ka4 Kb7 49.Ka5 Be7 50.b6 Bc5 51.Kb5 Bf2 52.Ka5 Bc5 53.Kb5 Bf2 54.Na5+ Kc8 55.Kc6 Kd8 56.Nc4 Be3 57.Nxe3 1-0 (57)

Consent_to_treatment (2708)-TabletopWarrior (2737) Blitz 2023;

B2b) 14...Nd4 15.b3 f5 16.0-0 e5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Rfd1 Nc5 19.Kf1 a5 20.Nb5 Nce6 21.Nxd4 Nxd4 22.Bd3 f4 23.Bxd4 Rxd4 24.Be4 Ba6 25.Rxd4 exd4 26.Nd3 b5 27.c5 b4 28.Ke1 Bxd3 29.Bxd3 Bf8 30.c6 Bd6 31.Rc4 Be5 32.Be4 Kg7 33.Rc5 Bc7 34.Rd5 Rd8 35.Rxd8 Bxd8 36.Kd2 Kf6 37.Kd3 Ke5 38.Kc4 h6 39.Kc5 Bc7 40.Kb5 Kd6 41.Kc4 Ke5 42.Kc5 Bd8 43.g4 fxg3 44.hxg3 Bc7 45.Bd3 h5 46.f4+ Ke6 47.Kxd4 h4 48.gxh4 Bxf4 49.Kc5 Bc7 50.h5 Ke5 51.h6 Kf6 52.h7 Kg7 53.Kb5 Bd8 54.Ka6 Kh8 55.Kb7

1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Gevorg_Harutjunyan (2700) Blitz 2023;

B2c) 14...Nc5 15.0-0 Nd4 16.b3 f5 17.exf5 Nxf5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Nce4 Ne3 20.Rfe1 Bd4 21.Kh1 a5 22.Nd1 Bxe4 23.fxe4 a4 24.Nxe3 Bxe3 25.Rcd1 Bd2 26.Rf1 Rd4 27.Bg4 Rcd8 28.Be6+ Kg7 29.Bd5 axb3 30.axb3 Rb8 31.Rf7+ Kh6 32.Rxe7 Rxb3 33.g3 Bg5 34.Rxd4 cxd4 35.Rd7 d3 36.h4 d2 37.Bg8 Kh5 38.hxg5 Rb1+ 39.Kg2 d1Q 40.Rxd1 Rxd1 41.Bd5 Kxg5 42.e5 Kf5 43.e6 Kf6 44.Kf3 Ke7 45.Kf4 Kf6 46.Kg4 Rd4+ 47.Kf3 h5 48.Ke3 Rg4 49.Kf3 Ke7 50.c5 Rd4 51.Be4 g5 52.Bf5 Rd5 53.g4 h4 54.c6 Rc5 55.Be4 Kxe6 0-1 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-MyWorld6_0 (2771) Blitz 2023;

C) 11...e6

C1) 12.b3 Bb7 13.Nh3 Nd4 14.Nf2 Nd7 15.Be2 f5 16.0-0 Nxe2+ *(16...Nc5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Rfd1 Rd7 19.Kf1 Rad8 20.Bg5 Re8 21.Nb5 Nxe2 22.Kxe2 e5 23.Rxd7 Nxd7 24.Nd6 Rb8 25.Nxb7 Rxb7 26.Rd1 Nc5 27.Be3 Ne6 28.Nd3 Kf7 29.Nb4 a5 30.Nc6 Bf8 31.Nd8+ Nxd8 32.Rxd8 b5 33.cxb5 Rxb5 34.Rd7+ Kg6 35.Ra7 Bb4 36.Bd2 Rc5 37.Ra6+ Kf7 38.Bxb4 axb4 39.Kd2 Rd5+ 40.Kc2 Rc5+ 41.Kb2 Rd5 42.Rc6 e4 43.fxe4 fxe4 44.Rc4 Rd2+ 45.Rc2 Rd3 46.Rc4 Rd2+ 47.Kc1 Rxa2 48.Rxe4 Rxg2 49.h4 h5 50.Rxb4 Ke6 51.Rc4 Kd5 52.Kb1 Rg4 53.Ra4 Rg1+ 54.Kb2 Rg2+ 55.Ka3 Rg4 56.Ra5+ Kd4 57.Rxh5 Kc3 58.Rc5+ Kd3 59.Rc4 Rg8 60.Kb4 Rb8+ 61.Ka3 Ra8+ 62.Ra4 Rf8 63.Rc4 Ra8+ 64.Kb2 Rb8 65.h5 Rb5 66.Rc3+ Kd4 67.Rh3 Rg5 68.Rh4+* 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-alina0220 (2629) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Nxe2 Nc5 18.exf5 exf5 19.Nf4 Re8 20.Rfe1 Bh6 21.Nd5 Bg7 22.Nc7 Rxe3 23.Rxe3 Bh6 24.Nxa8 Bxe3 25.Re1 f4 26.Nc7 Nd3 27.Rxe3 fxe3 28.Nxd3 Kf7 29.Kf1 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-jshutzman (2560) Blitz 2022;

C2) 12.Nh3

C2a) 12...Bb7 13.Nf2 Ne5 14.Be2 Rac8 15.b3

C2a1) 15...Nfd7 16.0-0 Nc5 17.Rfd1 Rxd1+ *(17...f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Kf1 Ng6 20.Bg5 Rxd1+ 21.Nfxd1 f4 22.h4 h6 23.h5 hxg5 24.hxg6 Rd8 25.Ke1 Be5 26.Nf2 Kg7 27.Nce4 Nxe4 28.Nxe4 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Kxg6 30.Rd1 Bd4 31.Bg4 Kf6 32.Ke2 Ke5 33.Kf3 Rh8 34.Bxe6 Rh6 35.Bg4 Rh8 36.Bf5 Rh6 37.Bh3 Rh8 38.Kg4 Rg8 39.Kf3 Rh8 40.Bf5 Rh4 41.Bg4 Rh8 42.b4 Rh6 43.a4 Rc6 44.Rc1 Be3 45.Rc2 Rd6 46.Bf5*

Rd1 47.c5 bxc5 48.bxc5 Rc1 49.Rxc1 Bxc1 50.c6 Kd6 51.Bd7 Bb2 52.Kg4 Bf6 53.Kf5 Bd8 54.e5+ Ke7 55.Kxg5 Bc7 56.Kxf4 Bb8 57.Kf5 Bc7 58.g4 Bd8 59.g5 Bc7 60.g6 Bd8 61.Be6 Kf8 62.Bf7 Ke7 63.Ba2 Kf8 64.Ke6 Bc7 65.Kd7 Bxe5 66.c7 Bxc7 67.Kxc7 Kg7 68.Bb1 Kf6 69.Kb7 a5 70.Ka6 Kg7 71.Kxa5 Kf6 72.Kb5 Kg7 73.a5 Kf6 74.a6 Kg7 75.a7 Kf6 76.a8Q Kg5 77.Qa1 Kf4 78.Qf6+ Ke3 79.Qd6 1-0 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-mrchesswhizz (2730) Blitz 2022*) 18.Ncxd1 f5 19.exf5 exf5 20.Kf1 Re8 21.Bd2 Nc6 22.Bc3 Nd4 23.Bd3 a5 24.Bb1 Ba6 25.Bxd4 Bxd4 26.Nc3 a4 27.Nxa4 Nxa4 28.bxa4 Bb2 29.Rc2 Bd4 30.Rc1 Kf7 31.Bd3 Bc5 32.Re1 Rd8 33.Rd1 Kf6 34.Be2 Rxd1+ 35.Nxd1 Ke5 36.Nc3 Kd4 37.Nb5+ Ke3 38.Nc3 Kd2 39.Nd5 Bb7 40.Nf6 Bc6 41.Nxh7 Be7 42.f4 Bxa4 43.Ng5 Bc2 44.Nf3+ Ke3 45.Ne5 Bb1 46.Nxg6 Ba3 47.h4 Bb2 48.h5 Bg7 49.Bf3 Bxa2 50.Be2 Bb1 51.Ne7 Kxf4 52.Nd5+ Kg3 53.Nxb6 Bd4 54.Nd5 Be4 55.Bf3 Bd3+ 56.Be2 Bc2 57.Bf3 f4 58.Be2 Be4 59.Bf3 Bf5 60.Be2 Kh4 61.h6 Kg5 62.h7 Bxh7 63.Ne7 Be4 64.Nd5 Kh4 65.Bf3 Bd3+ 66.Be2 Be4 67.Bf3 Bf5 68.Be2 Kg3 69.Nxf4 Kxf4 70.Bf3 Ke3 71.Be2 Be4 72.Bf3 Bd3+ 73.Be2 Bxe2+ 74.Ke1 Bc3# 0 - 1 (7 4) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-vistagausta (2819) Blitz 2022;

C2a2) 15...h5 16.0-0 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Nd7 18.Nb5 Ba8 19.Bg5 f6 20.Be3 Nc5 21.Nd4 e5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rd1 Rxd1+ 25.Nxd1 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Nc3 e4 28.Nd5 Kf7 29.fxe4 fxe4 30.Bxh5+ Ke6 31.Bg4+ Ke5 32.Be2 Nd3 33.h4 Bxd5 34.cxd5 Kxd5 35.h5 Ke5 36.Bxd3 exd3 37.Kf2 Ke4 38.g4 Bc3 39.Bh6 Bd4+ 40.Ke1 Bc3+ 41.Kd1 Be5 42.Bd2 Kf3 43.g5 Kg4 44.h6 Kf5 45.Be3 Bc3 46.Bc1 Kg6 47.Bd2 Bd4 48.Bf4 Bc3 49.a4 a6 50.Be3 b5 51.axb5 axb5 52.Bd2 Bd4 53.Be1 Kxg5 54.h7 Kg6 55.Kd2 Kxh7 56.Kxd3 Bc5 57.Ke4 Bb6 58.Kd5 Kg6 59.Bd2 Bd8 60.Kc6 b4 61.Kb5 Kf5 62.Kc4 Ke6 63.Bxb4 Kd7 64.Bc5 Kc7 65.b4 Kc8 66.b5 Bc7 67.Kd5 Bb8 68.Be7 Kb7 69.Bd6 Kc8 70.Bxb8 Kb7 71.Bd6 Kc8 72.Kc4 Kb7 73.Kc5 Kc8 74.b6 1 - 0 (7 4) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-killerm3000 (2597)

Blitz 2021;

C2b) 12...Nd7 13.Nf2 Nc5 14.Be2 Bd4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.Ng4 Ba6 17.b3 f5 18.exf5 exf5 19.Nf6+ Kf7 20.Nfd5 Re8 21.Kd2 Rad8 22.Rhe1 Nxe2 23.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 24.Kxe2 Re8+ 25.Kd2 Rd8 26.Re1 Rd7 27.Kc2 Bb7 28.Rd1 Ne6 29.Rd2 g5 30.f4 gxf4 31.Rf2 f3 32.gxf3 h5 33.f4 h4 34.Kd3 b5 35.Ke3 bxc4 36.bxc4 Ba6 37.Kd3 Nc5+ 38.Kd4 Ne6+ 39.Ke5 Bxc4 40.Rb2 Bxd5 41.Nxd5 Nc5 42.Rd2 Ne4 43.Rd4 Nf2 44.Kxf5 Rd6 45.Rd2 Nh3 46.Kg4 Ng1 47.Rd1 Rg6+ 48.Kf5 Nf3 49.Ne3 Rf6+ 50.Ke4 Nxh2 51.Kd3 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-alina0220 (2625) Blitz 2021;

C2c) 12...Ba6 13.Nf2

C2c1) 13...Nd7 14.Be2 Nc5 15.0-0 Nb4 *(15...Bd4 16.Bxd4 Nxd4 17.b3 Nxe2+ 18.Nxe2 Rd2 19.Nc3 Rad8 20.Rfd1 Kg7 21.Kf1 Kf6 22.Ke1 Nd3+ 23.Kxd2 Nxf2+ 24.Ke3 Nxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Rxd1 26.Nxd1 Ke5 27.f4+ Kd6 28.Kd4 f6 29.e5+ fxe5+ 30.fxe5+ Ke7 31.Nc3 Bb7 32.g3 a5 33.Na4 1 - 0 (3 3) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-ThePatrick27 (2627) Blitz 2021)* 16.Rfd1 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Rxd1+ 18.Rxd1 Nxa2 19.Bd4 Nb3 20.Bf6 Nac1 21.Bf1 h6 22.Ng4 h5 23.Ne5 Na2 24.Nc6 Bb7 25.Ne7+ Kf8 26.Rd7 Nc5 27.Rc7 a5 28.Be5 a4 29.Bd6 Kg7 30.Bxc5 bxc5 31.Rxb7 a3 32.Rb1 Nxc3 33.Ra1 a2 34.Nc6 Ra3 35.Bd3 Rb3 36.Kf2 Rb2+ 37.Ke3 Rxg2 38.Na5 Rb2 39.f4 h4 40.e5 h3 41.Bf1 Rxh2 42.Nb3 Rb2 43.Nd2 h2 44.Bg2 Rb1 45.Nxb1 axb1Q 46.Rxb1 Nxb1 47.Kd3 Kh6 48.Kc2 Na3+ 49.Kb3 Nb1 50.Kc2 Kh5 51.Kxb1 Kg4 52.Kc2 Kxf4 53.Kd3 Kg3 54.Ke3 Kxg2 0 - 1 (5 4) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-madouri (2582) Blitz 2021;

C2c2) 13...Rac8 14.Be2 *(14.b3 Nd7 15.Be2 Nc5 16.0-0 Nb4 17.Rfd1 Bxc3 18.Rxc3 Rxd1+ 19.Nxd1 Nxa2 20.Rc2 Nb4 21.Rb2 Bb7 22.Nc3 a5 23.Kf1 e5 24.Nd5 Bxd5 25.cxd5 f6 26.Bb5 Kf7 27.Ke2 Ke7 28.Bd2 Kd6 29.g3 Rc7 30.Bh6 Ke7 31.d6+ Kxd6 32.Bf8+ Ke6 33.Bc4+ Kd7 34.Rd2+ Ke8 35.Bd6 Rc8 36.Ke3 Nc6 37.f4 Nd4 38.fxe5 fxe5 39.Bxe5 Ndxb3 40.Rb2 a4 41.Bb5+ Ke7 42.Bxa4 Nxa4 43.Rxb3 Rc4 44.Bd4 Nc5 45.Rxb6 Ne6 46.Rb7+ Rc7 47.Rxc7+ Nxc7 48.Kf4 Ne6+ 49.Ke5 Nd8 50.Bc5+ Kf7 51.Kd6 Ne6 52.e5 Ng7 53.Be3 Ne6 54.Kd7 Nf8+ 55.Kd6 Ne6 56.g4*

Nd8 57.Bg5 Ne6 58.Bf6 h5 59.g5 Nf4 60.h4 Ne6 61.Kd5 Nf4+ 62.Kd6 Ne6 63.Kd7 Nf4 64.Be7 Ne6 65.Bd6 Nf4 66.Bc7 Ne6 67.Bd6 Nf4 68.Bc7 Ne6 69.Bd6 ½-½ (69)

Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Papolabestia123 (2569) Blitz 2024*)* 14...Nd7 15.0-0 Nd4 16.b3 Nc5 17.Rfd1 Bb7 *(17...Rd7 18.Bf1 Nc6 19.Rxd7 Nxd7 20.Nb5 Nc5 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.Bxd3 Nb4 23.Bb1 Nc6 24.Rd1 Bxb5 25.cxb5 Ne5 26.Kf2 f5 27.Ke2 Kf8 28.h3 Ke7 29.Bd4 Bf6 30.exf5 gxf5 31.g4 Rd8 32.gxf5 exf5 33.Bxf5 Rg8 34.f4 Nf7 35.Bf2 Rg2 36.Kf3 Rg7 37.Rg1 Rxg1 38.Bxg1 h6 39.Be4 Nd6 40.Bc6 Nf5 41.Ke4 Ng3+ 42.Kd5 Ne2 43.Be3 Nc3+ 44.Kc4 Nxa2 45.f5 Nc3 46.Bxh6 Nd1 47.Bf4 Nb2+ 48.Kd5 Nd3 49.Bd6+ Kf7 50.Bb8 Nb4+ 51.Kc4 Nc2 52.Bxa7 Bd8 53.Bb8 Ne3+ 54.Kd3 Nxf5 55.Bd5+ Kf6 56.Be4 Ne7 57.Bg3 Ng6 58.Bxg6 Kxg6 59.Ke4 Kg5 60.Kd5 Kf5 61.Kc6 Ke4 62.Bf2 Bf6 63.Bxb6 Kd3 64.Bc7 Bd4 65.Bb6 Be5 66.Bc5 Bb8 67.b6 Kc3 68.b7 Kxb3 69.Kd7 Kc4 70.Kc8 Be5 71.Bb6 Kd5 72.Bc7 Bxc7 73.Kxc7 Ke6 74.b8Q Kf5 75.Qb4 Kg5 76.Qg4+ Kh6 77.Kd6 Kh7 78.Ke5 Kh6 79.Kf6 Kh7 80.Qg7#* 1-0 (80)

Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Gabrielian (2766) Blitz 2023*; 17...Nxe2+ 18.Nxe2 Bb2 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Rd1 Rc8 21.Bd4 Ba3 22.Bc3 b5 23.cxb5 Bxb5 24.Nd4 Ba6 25.Ba1 Kf8 26.Ng4 Nd3 27.h4 e5 28.Ne2 Rc2 29.Ng3 Nf4 30.Bxe5 Rxg2+ 31.Kh1 Rxg3 32.Bxf4 Rxf3 33.Bd6+ Bxd6 34.Rxd6 Bb7 35.Kh2 Bxe4 36.Nf6 Bf5 37.Nxh7+ Ke7 38.Ra6 Rh3+ 39.Kg2 Rxh4 40.Rxa7+ Ke6 41.Ng5+ Kf6 42.Nxf7 Rh7 43.Ra6+ Kxf7 44.Ra7+ Kg8 45.Rxh7 Kxh7 46.Kg3 Kg7 47.b4 Kf6 48.a4 Bc2 49.a5 Bd3 50.Kf4 Bb5 51.Ke3 g5 52.Kd4 g4 53.Kc5 Bf1 54.b5 g3 55.b6 g2 56.b7 g1Q+ 57.Kc6 Qa7 58.Kc7 Bg2*) 0 - 1 (58)

Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Karl0choa (2633) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Kf1 a6 19.Nd3 Bc6 20.Nxc5 bxc5 21.Rd2 f5 22.exf5 gxf5 23.Bg5 Rd7 24.Bd1 Kf7 25.Ne2 e5 26.Nxd4 cxd4 27.Bc2 e4 28.fxe4 fxe4 29.Re1 Re8 30.Bd1 Kg6 31.Bh4 e3 32.Rde2 Bh6 33.Bf2 exf2 34.Rxf2 Rxe1+ 35.Kxe1 Be3 36.Rb2 d3 37.Bf3 Bxf3 38.gxf3 Kg5 39.b4 Kf4 40.c5 Rg7 0 - 1 (40)

Consent_to_treatment

(2699)-felipeporrasmateo (2632) Blitz 2021;

C2c3) 13...Rd7 14.Be2 Rad8 15.0-0 Bf8 16.Rfd1 Bc5 17.Bg5 Kg7 18.Rxd7 Rxd7 19.Rd1 Rxd1+ 20.Ncxd1 Nd4 21.Bf1 Nd7 22.Be3 f5 23.b4 1 - 0 (2 3) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-learningtheory2002 (2612) Blitz 2022;

D) 11...Nd7 12.Nh3 *(12.f4 Nc5 13.e5 Nb4 14.Bxc5 bxc5 15.a3 Nc6 16.Rd1 Be6 17.Nd5 Rab8 18.Nf3 Kf8 19.Rd2 f6 20.exf6 Bxf6 21.Nxf6 exf6 22.Rxd8+ Nxd8 23.b4 cxb4 24.axb4 Rxb4 25.Kd2 Rb1 26.Rg1 Nb7 27.Bd3 Rxg1 28.Nxg1 Ke7 29.Ne2 Kd6 30.Nd4 a5 31.Kc3 Nc5 32.Bc2 Bd7 33.h4 Bc6 34.Nxc6 Kxc6 35.h5 gxh5 36.g3 h6 37.Kd4 Kd6 38.Bd1 a4 39.Bxh5 a3 40.Kc3 Ne4+ 41.Kb3 Nxg3 42.Bf3 Kc5 43.Bd5 h5 44.Kxa3 h4 45.Kb3 h3 46.Kc3 f5 47.Kd3 Ne4* 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2690)-SirJohn13 (2727) Blitz 2023 *)*

D1) 12...Nde5 13.Nf2 e6 14.Be2 Nb4 15.0-0 Ba6 16.b3 Ned3 *(16...Rd7 17.Rfd1 Rad8 18.Rxd7 Rxd7 19.Rd1 Rxd1+ 20.Nfxd1 Nc2 21.Bf2 Nc6 22.c5 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 b5 24.Nec3 a6 25.a4 bxa4 26.bxa4 f5 27.Kf1 Kf7 28.Ke2 Ke7 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Kd3 N2b4+ 31.Kc4 Nc2 32.Kb3 N2d4+ 33.Bxd4 Bxd4 34.Kc4 Bg1 35.h3 Kf6 36.Ne2 Bh2 37.f4 e5 38.Kd5 Ne7+ 39.Kd6 exf4 40.Kd7 Nd5 41.Ndc3 Nxc3 42.Nxc3 f3 43.gxf3 Kg5 44.Nd5 Kh4 45.f4* 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-General-Disarray (2606) Blitz 2021 *)* 17.Nxd3 Nxd3 18.Bxd3 *(18.Rcd1 Nb4 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.cxb5 Nxa2 21.Bc4 Nc3 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rc1 Rd1+ 24.Rxd1 Nxd1 25.Bf4 Bd4+ 26.Kf1 e5 27.Ke2 Nb2 28.Bg5 Nxc4 29.bxc4 Kf8 30.Kd3 Ke8 31.f4 Kd7 32.f5 Bc5 33.h3 Bf8 34.Bd2 Bc5 35.Bc3 Kd6 36.Be1 f6 37.fxg6 hxg6 38.h4 Ke7 39.g4 Kf7 40.Ke2 Bf8 41.Kf3 Bh6 42.Bf2 Ke6 43.c5 f5 44.cxb6 axb6 45.Bxb6 fxg4+ 46.Kxg4 Kd7 47.Bc5 Kc7 48.Bf2 Bd2 49.Bg3 Bc3 50.Kg5 Kb6 51.Kxg6 Kxb5 52.Kf5 Kc4 53.Bxe5 Bd2 54.Bf4* 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Dmitry_Kornilovich (2473) Blitz 2025 *)* 18...Rxd3 19.Nd1 f5 *(19...Rad8 20.Re1 b5 21.c5 b4 22.c6 Rc8 23.Bxa7 Bc3 24.Nxc3 bxc3 25.Re3 Rxc6 26.Rxd3 Bxd3 27.Bd4 c2 28.Kf2 f5 29.Ke3 fxe4 30.fxe4 Bf1 31.g3 Bg2 32.a4 Kf7 33.a5 e5 34.Bxe5 Rc5 35.Bd4 Rxa5 36.Rxc2 Bh3 37.Rc7+ Ke6 38.Rxh7 Bg4 39.h3 Bd1 40.Rb7 Ra3 41.Rb6+ Kf7 42.Rf6+ Ke7 43.Rxg6 Rxb3+ 44.Kf4 Bc2 45.Rc6 Bb1 46.Rb6 Rxb6 47.Bxb6 Ke6 48.h4 Bc2 49.h5 Bd1 50.g4 Be2 51.Be3 Bd1 52.Bd4 Be2 53.Kg5 Bd3 54.e5 Kf7 55.Bb6 Bc2 56.Bd8 Bd3 57.Bf6 Bc2 58.Kh6 Kg8 59.g5 Bb3 60.g6 Be6 61.Kg5 Bd5 62.h6 Kf8 63.h7 Bg8*

64.hxg8Q+ 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-Igrok_V_Proshlom (2645) Blitz 2024 *)* 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Re1 Kf7 22.Nf2 Rd7 23.Bf4 Rad8 24.Rc2 Bd4 25.Be5 Bc5 26.Bf4 Bb7 27.Kf1 a5 28.Rce2 Re8 29.Rd2 Red8 30.Rxd7+ Rxd7 31.Rd1 Rxd1+ 32.Nxd1 Kf6 33.Be3 e5 34.Bxc5 bxc5 35.Ke2 e4 36.f4 Bc6 37.Nc3 Kg6 38.Ke3 Kh5 39.Nd5 Kh6 40.Nc7 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-Filip88 (2600) Blitz 2023;

D2) 12...Nc5

D2a) 13.Nf4 e6 *(13...Ba6 14.b3 Rd7 15.Be2 Rad8 16.0-0 e6 17.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 18.Nxd1 Nb4 19.a3 Nbd3 20.Nxd3 Nxd3 21.Rb1 f5 22.exf5 exf5 23.Kf1 Nc5 24.b4 Na4 25.c5 Bd3 26.Rc1 Be5 27.g3 Kf7 28.Bf4 Bxf4 29.gxf4 bxc5 30.bxc5 Ke6 31.c6 Bxe2+ 32.Kxe2 Rc8 33.Ne3 Nb6 34.Rh1 Rxc6 35.h4 Rc3 36.h5 Rxa3 37.hxg6 hxg6 38.Rh7 Ra2+ 39.Kd3 Rf2 40.Rh3 Nd7 41.Nc4 Rg2 42.Rh7 Nc5+ 43.Ke3 Rc2 44.Nd2 Rc3+ 45.Ke2 Nb3 46.Nxb3 Rxb3 47.Rxa7 Rb2+ 48.Ke3 Rb3+ 49.Ke2 Rb2+ 50.Ke3 Rb3+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kg3 Rb3 53.Ra6+ Kf7 54.Ra7+ Kf6 55.Ra6+ Kg7 56.Ra7+ Kh6 57.Ra8 Rb1 58.Rh8+ Kg7 59.Rh2 Kf6 60.Rg2 Rb4 61.Rf2 g5 62.fxg5+ Kxg5 63.f4+ Kg6 64.Rf3 Rb2 65.Rc3 Rd2 66.Rf3 Re2 67.Rf2 Re4 68.Rf3 Re2 69.Rd3 Re4 70.Rf3 Kh5 71.Rd3 Re2 72.Rf3 Re4 73.Rd3 Re2 74.Rf3 Re4* ½ - ½ (7 4) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-elconceto (2791) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Be2 Ba6 15.b3 Nb4 16.0-0 g5 17.Nh5 Bxc3 18.Rxc3 Nxa2 19.Rc2 Nb4 20.Rd2 h6 21.Rfd1 Rxd2 22.Bxd2 Nc2 23.b4 Nd4 24.Bf1 Ncb3 25.Bc3 e5 26.Nf6+ Kg7 27.Nd5 Rc8 28.b5 Bb7 29.Kf2 f6 30.Bb4 Kf7 31.g3 Ke6 32.Bh3+ f5 33.exf5+ Kf7 34.Bf1 Bxd5 35.cxd5 Rc2+ 36.Ke3 Nxf5+ 37.Ke4 Nfd4 38.Kxe5 Nxf3+ 39.Kd6 Nc5 40.Bxc5 Rxc5 41.Ra1 Kf6 42.Rxa7 Ne5 43.Rb7 Nf7+ 44.Kd7 Rxd5+ 45.Kc6 Rd6+ 46.Kc7 Re6 47.Bc4 Re7+ 48.Kxb6 Rxb7+ 49.Kxb7 Nd6+ 50.Kc6 Nxc4 51.b6 Ke5 52.b7 Na5+ 53.Kc7 Nxb7 54.Kxb7 Ke4 55.Kc6 Kf3 56.Kd6 Kg2 0-1 (56) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-CrazySage (2829) Blitz 2024;

D2b) 13.Nf2

D2b1) 13...Nb4

D2b11) 14.Be2 Nbd3+ *(14...Bxc3+ 15.Rxc3 Nxa2 16.Ra3 Nb4 17.Rc3 e5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Nd3 Nxd3+ 20.Rxd3 Be6 21.b3 Rd4 22.Kd2 Rb8 23.Kc2 a5 24.Ra1 Ra8 25.Rdd1 Kf8 26.Ra3 Rxd1 27.Bxd1 Ke7 28.Be2 Kd6 29.Ra1*

Kc6 30.Rd1 a4 31.bxa4 Rxa4 32.Kb3 Ra8 33.Rd2 g5 34.Ra2 Rd8 35.Ra6+ Kb7 36.Ra2 Kb6 37.Kc3 h5 38.Rb2+ Kc6 39.Ra2 h4 40.Ra6+ Kb7 41.Ra2 Rd6 42.Rb2+ Kc6 43.Bd3 Rd7 44.Ra2 Rb7 45.Bc2 Kd6 46.Ra6+ Ke7 47.Ra5 Rc7 48.Ba4 Kf6 49.Ra6 Kg7 50.Bc6 g4 51.Bd5 Bc8 52.fxg4 Bxa6 0-1 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-GoldenDreams (2785) Blitz 2022*)* 15.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 16.Bxd3 Rxd3 17.Ke2 Rd8 18.b3 f5 19.a4 Bb7 20.Nd5 Kf7 21.Rhd1 e6 22.Nc7 Rac8 23.Nb5 Be5 24.f4 Bb8 25.exf5 Bxg2 26.fxg6+ hxg6 27.Kf2 Bb7 28.Nd4 Rh8 29.Nf3 Bxf3 30.Kxf3 Rh3+ 31.Ke4 Rxh2 32.Rd7+ Ke8 33.Rcd1 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-SashaKuzhilniy (2575) Blitz 2022;

D2b12) 14.b3 Bxc3+ 15.Rxc3 Nxa2 16.Rc2 Nb4 17.Rd2 Be6 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Nd3 Nxd3+ 20.Bxd3 a5 21.Bc2 a4 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Ke2 axb3 24.Bxb3 Rb8 25.Bc2 Bxc4+ 26.Kd2 Rd8+ 27.Kc3 Be6 28.Ra1 Rd7 29.Ra5 Rc7 30.Bb3 Bxb3 31.Kxb3 h5 32.Kc4 Rd7 33.Ra2 h4 34.h3 Kg7 35.Kxc5 Kf6 36.f4 Rd1 37.Kc4 g5 38.fxg5+ Kxg5 39.Ra5+ Kf4 40.Rf5+ Kxe4 41.Rxf7 Rc1+ 42.Kb3 e5 43.Rh7 Kd3 44.Rxh4 e4 45.Rh8 Rb1+ 46.Ka2 Rb4 47.Rd8+ Rd4 48.Rxd4+ Kxd4 49.Kb2 Ke3 50.g4 Kd2 51.g5 e3 52.g6 e2 53.g7 e1Q 54.g8Q Qe5+ 55.Ka2 Qa5+ 56.Kb2 Qc3+ 57.Ka2 Qc2+ 58.Ka3 Qc3+ 59.Qb3 Qa5+ 60.Qa4 Qc3+ 61.Qb3 Qc8 62.Qb4+ Ke3 63.Ka4 Qa8+ 64.Kb3 Qd5+ 65.Qc4 Qh1 66.Qc3+ Kf4 67.Qc4+ Kg3 68.Qc3+ Kh4 69.Qc4+ Kg5 70.Qc5+ Kh4 71.Qc4+ Kxh3 72.Qc3+ Kg4 73.Qc4+ Kf5 74.Qc3 Ke6 75.Qb4 Kd7 76.Qc4 Qb1+ 77.Kc3 Qc1+ 78.Kb4 Qe1+ 79.Qc3 Qb1+ 80.Kc4 Qg6 81.Kb3 Qb6+ 82.Qb4 Qf2 83.Qc4 Qe1 84.Qc3 Qb1+ 0-1 (84) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-ReturnKing2005 (2623) Blitz 2023;

D2b13) 14.a3 Nbd3+ 15.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 16.Bxd3 Rxd3 17.Ke2 Rd7 *(17...Rd8 18.Rhd1 Ba6 19.b3 e6 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.cxb5 Bb2 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rc7 Bxa3*

24.Rxa7 Bb4 25.Bxb6 Rd2+ 26.Kf1 Rd1+ 27.Kf2 Rd2+ 28.Kg3 Rd3 29.Ra8+ Kg7 30.Bc7 Rxb3 31.b6 Bc5 32.Kh3 h5 33.Rb8 g5 34.b7 Bf2 35.g4 Ba7 36.Be5+ f6 37.Ra8 fxe5 38.Rxa7 Kg6 39.gxh5+ Kxh5 40.Kg3 g4 41.b8Q Rxb8 42.fxg4+ Kg6 43.Kh4 Rb4 44.Kg3 Rxe4 45.Ra6 Kf7 46.h4 Re3+ 47.Kg2 Re2+ 48.Kf3 Re3+ 49.Kxe3 Ke7 50.Ke4 Kf7 51.Kxe5 Kg6 52.Rxe6+ Kg7 53.Rf6 Kh7 54.Kf5 Kg7 55.Kg5 Kh7 56.h5 Kh8 57.Rf7 Kg8 58.Kg6 Kh8 59.Rf8# 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-HangingOffAThread (2636) Blitz 2022*)*
18.Rhd1 Rxd1 19.Nxd1 Ba6 20.b4 Rc8 21.b5 Bb7 22.a4 f5 23.Nf2 Kf7 24.c5 bxc5 25.Rxc5 Rxc5 26.Bxc5 a6 27.Kd3 axb5 28.axb5 Ke6 29.Kc4 Bh6 30.exf5+ gxf5 31.Nd3 Bd2 32.Bb4 Bd5+ 33.Kd4 Bh6 34.Nc5+ Kd6 35.Nb7+ Ke6 36.Nd8+ Kd7 37.Kxd5 Kxd8 38.Ke6 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2734)-Tutisani98 (2623) Blitz 2022;

D2b2) 13...Bb7 14.Be2 Ne5 15.0-0 Ncd3 16.Nxd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Kf2 Bxc3 19.Rxc3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Ba6 21.Rd1 Bxc4 22.Rd7 Bxa2 23.Rxe7 Be6 24.Bd4 a5 25.Bxb6 a4 26.c4 a3 27.Bd4 a2 28.Ba1 Bxc4 29.Rc7 Be6 30.g4 Kf8 31.h3 Ke8 32.f4 f5 33.exf5 gxf5 34.Rxh7 Ra3 35.g5 Ra4 36.Kg3 Ra3+ 37.Kh4 Ra4 38.g6 Rxf4+ 39.Kg5 Rf1 40.Kf6 Rxa1 41.Re7+ Kd8 42.Rxe6 Rg1 43.Rd6+ Ke8 44.Re6+ Kd7 45.Re7+ Kd6 46.Re6+ Kd7 47.Re7+ Kd8 48.Ra7 a1Q+ 49.Rxa1 Rxa1 50.h4 f4 51.h5 f3 52.g7 Rg1 0-1 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-TabletopWarrior (2699) Blitz 2023;

D2b3) 13...Be6 14.Be2 Nb4 15.0-0 *(15.b3 Bxc3+ 16.Rxc3 Nxa2 17.Rc2 Nb4 18.Rb2 a5 19.0-0 Rab8 20.Ra1 Rdc8 21.Kf1 f6 22.Nd1 Nbd3 23.Rbb1 Ne5 24.Nc3 Kf7 25.Nd5 f5 26.exf5 Bxf5 27.Rb2 Ned3 28.Bxd3 Bxd3+ 29.Kg1 e6 30.Nc3 e5 31.Nd5 Bf5 32.Ra3 Be6 33.Nc3 Nd3 34.Rd2 Nb4 35.Ne4 Rc6 36.c5 bxc5 37.Ng5+ Kg8 38.Nxe6 Rxe6 39.Rxa5 Na6 40.Rda2 Rxb3 41.Bxc5 Nxc5 42.Rxc5 Rb7 43.Re2 Rbe7 44.Re4 Kg7 45.h4 Kf6 46.Kf2 h5 47.Kg3 Kf5 48.Rc8 Kf6 49.Rf8+ Kg7 50.Ra8 Kf6 51.Ra5 Kf5 52.Kf2 Kf6*

53.Ke3 Rb7 54.Ra3 Rb2 55.g4 Rh2 56.g5+ Kf7 57.Ra7+ Re7 58.Rxe7+ Kxe7 59.Rxe5+ Kf7 60.Re4 Rh1 61.Rf4+ Kg7 62.Kf2 Rh2+ 63.Kg3 Ra2 64.Re4 Ra1 65.Re7+ Kg8 66.Rb7 Ra3 67.Rb8+ Kg7 68.Rb7+ Kg8 69.Kf4 Ra4+ 70.Kg3 Rd4 71.Re7 Ra4 72.Re4 Ra3 73.Kf4 Ra5 74.Rc4 Rf5+ 75.Ke4 Ra5 76.f4 Kg7 77.Rc7+ Kg8 78.Rd7 Ra3 79.Ke5 Rf3 80.Kf6 Rxf4+ 81.Kxg6 Kf8 82.Rh7 Ke8 83.Rh8+ Ke7 84.Rxh5 Rf2 85.Rh7+ Ke6 86.Ra7 Ke5 87.Ra4 Kd6 88.Ra5 Kc6 89.Rf5 Kb7 90.Rxf2 Kc6 91.Re2 1 - 0 (9 1) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-Liochess13 (2700) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Bxc3 *(15...Nbd3 16.Nxd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Kf2 Bxc4 19.Rfd1 Rdd8 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.b3 Be6 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 Be5 24.f4 Bd6 25.Kf3 Kf8 26.g4 f5 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Bd4 Kf7 29.Rg1 Rg8 30.Rxg8 Kxg8 31.Be5 Bc5 32.Ke2 Kf7 33.Kd3 b5 34.Bd4 Bd6 35.Bxa7 Bxf4 36.Bg1 b4 37.Kc4 Bd6 38.Bc5 f4 39.Bxd6 exd6 40.Kd3 Kf6 41.Ke4 Kg5 42.h3 h6 43.Kf3 Kf5 44.h4 h5* 0 - 1 (4 4) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-Liochess13 (2731) Blitz 2023*)* 16.bxc3 Nbd3 17.Nxd3 Nxd3 18.Rc2 Bxc4 19.Rd1 Ne5 20.Rcd2 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 Bxe2 22.Rxe2 Nc4 23.Kf2 Rd8 24.Rc2 f6 25.Ke2 Kf7 26.h4 e5 27.g4 h5 28.gxh5 gxh5 29.Rc1 Rg8 30.Rg1 Rc8 31.Bh6 a5 32.Rg7+ Ke6 33.Rb7 Rc6 34.Bf8 f5 35.Rh7 fxe4 36.fxe4 Nd6 37.Rh6+ Kd7 38.Bxd6 Rxd6 39.Rxh5 Rc6 40.Kd3 Rd6+ 41.Kc2 Re6 42.Rg5 Kd6 43.h5 Kc5 44.Kb3 b5 45.Rg6 a4+ 46.Kc2 Re8 47.h6 Rf8 48.Rg2 Rh8 49.Rh2 b4 50.cxb4+ Kxb4 51.Kb2 a3+ 52.Kc2 Kc4 53.h7 Kd4 54.Rh4 Kc4 55.Kd2 Kd4 56.Kc2 Kc4 57.Kc1 Kc3 58.Rh3+ Kd4 59.Kc2 Kxe4 60.Kb3 Kf4 61.Kxa3 e4 62.Rh1 e3 63.Kb4 e2 64.a4 Ke3 65.Re1 Kd2 66.a5 Kxe1 0-1 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2690)-SirJohn13 (2773) Blitz 2023;

D2b4) 13...Nd4 14.Be2 Nxe2 15.Kxe2 Ba6 16.b3 Ne6 17.Rhd1 Be5 18.g3 Rxd1 19.Nfxd1 h5 20.f4 Bd6 21.Nf2 Rc8 22.Nd3 Kg7 23.Nb5 Bb8 24.a4 Bb7 25.Nf2 h4 26.Rd1 hxg3 27.hxg3 Bc6 28.Nd4 Nxd4+ 29.Bxd4+ f6 30.Ke3 Bd6 31.Ng4 Bb4 32.e5 Bc5 33.exf6+ exf6 34.Bxc5 bxc5 35.Rd6 f5 36.Ne5 Be8 37.Re6 Rb8 38.Kd2 Kf8 39.Kc3 Rb6 40.Rxb6

axb6 41.a5 bxa5 42.Nd3 Ke7 43.Nxc5 Bc6 44.Kd4 Kd6 45.Nd3 Be4 46.Ne5 Bc2 47.Kc3 Bd1 48.Nxg6 Kc5 49.Ne5 Bf3 50.Nxf3 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2767)-Chicomalo623 (2614) Blitz 2022]

[10...Be6 11.Rc1

A) 11...a5 12.Nh3 *(12.Nd5 a4 13.Ne2 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Bxb2 15.Rc2 Nb4 16.Rxb2 Nd3+ 17.Kd2 Nxb2 18.Kc2 Nc4 19.Bg5 f6 20.Nd4 Bf7 21.Bxc4 Rac8 22.Kd3 fxg5 23.Rb1 Rc7 24.Rb4 Ra8 25.Nb5 Rd7 26.a3 Kg7 27.Kd4 e6 28.d6 e5+ 29.Kxe5 Bxc4 30.Rxc4 Ra5 31.Rc5 Kf7 32.Kd5 b6 33.Rc8 Rxb5+ 34.Kc6 Rxd6+ 35.Kxb5 Rd2 36.Rc7+ Kg8 37.Kxa4 Rxg2 38.Rc3 Rxh2 39.Rb3 Rh3 40.Kb4 h5 41.Rc3 g4 42.Rc8+ Kf7 43.fxg4 hxg4 44.Rc1 Re3 45.a4 Rxe4+ 46.Kb5 Re6 47.Rc4 g3 48.Rg4 Kf6 49.Rxg3 Kf5 50.Rf3+ Kg4 51.Rc3 g5 52.Rc4+ Kh5 53.Rc1 Kh4 54.Rh1+ Kg4 55.Rg1+ Kf5 56.Rf1+ Kg6 57.Rg1 g4 58.Rxg4+ Kf5 59.Rc4 Ke5 60.Rc6 Re7 61.Rxb6 Kd5 62.Rc6 Rb7+ 63.Rb6 Ra7 64.a5 Rd7 65.a6 Ra7 66.Rb7 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-berniegm21 (2527) Blitz 2024)* 12...a4 *(12...Bxh3 13.gxh3 Nd7 14.Be2 a4 15.Kf2 e6 16.Rhd1 a3 17.b3 Nb4 18.Rd2 Ne5 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Rd1 Rxd1 21.Nxd1 Nxa2 22.Bc5 Nb4 0-1 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-Feanor_64 (2759) Blitz 2022)* 13.Nf4 a3 14.b3 Nd7 15.Bd3 Nde5 16.Bb1 Nb4 17.Ke2 Nec6 18.Ncd5 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Nd4+ 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.Bxd3 Rac8 23.g3 g5 24.Rc4 e5 25.Rhc1 Rxc4 26.Rxc4 h5 27.Rc7 b6 28.h3 h4 29.g4 Kg7 30.Bc4 Rd6 31.Rc6 Rxc6 32.dxc6 1-0 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2747)-SaunaPapa (2645) Blitz 2022;

B) 11...Rac8 12.b3

B1) 12...Nd7

B1a) 13.f4 b6 *(13...f5 14.e5 g5 15.g3 gxf4 16.gxf4 Bh6 17.Kf2 Nf8 18.Nf3 Ng6 19.Ne2 Nb4 20.Ned4 Nxf4 21.Nxe6 Nfd3+ 22.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 23.Ke2 Nxc1+ 24.Bxc1 Bxc1 25.Nxd8 Bb2 26.Rg1+ Kf8 27.Ne6+ Kf7 28.Neg5+ Ke8 29.Nxh7 Kd7 30.Rd1+ Kc6 31.Nhg5 a5 32.h4 Rh8 33.Nd4+ Kc5 34.Nxf5 Bxe5 35.Rd5+ Kb4 36.Rxe5 Ka3 37.Rxe7 Kb2 38.Rxb7 Kxa2 39.Kf3 Ka3 40.Kg4 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-HomelessCamel (2648) Blitz 2023)* 14.Nf3 Nc5 15.e5 Nb4 16.Bxc5 Rxc5 17.Be2 f6 18.Kf2 fxe5 19.fxe5 Rf8 20.Kg3 Rxe5 21.Nxe5 Bxe5+ 22.Kh4 Bf6+ 23.Kg3 Be5+ 24.Kh4 g5+ 25.Kh5 Kg7 26.Rhf1 Bf4 27.Rxf4 gxf4 28.Bg4 Bf7+ 29.Kh4 Nd3 30.Rd1 Bg6 31.Nd5 e5 32.Be2 Nf2 33.Re1 e4 34.Rf1 e3 35.Nc3 Rd8 36.g3 fxg3 37.Kxg3 Rd2 38.Kf3 Rc2 39.Nd5 Bh5+ 40.Kxe3

Rxe2+ 41.Kd4 Rd2+ 42.Kc3 Ne4+ 43.Kb4 Be8 44.Re1 a5+ 45.Ka3 b5 46.Rxe4 b4+ 47.Nxb4 axb4+ 48.Kxb4 Bg6 49.Re7+ Kf6 50.Ra7 Rxh2 51.Ra6+ Kg5 52.a4 h5 53.Ra5+ Kg4 54.Ra6 Bf5 55.Ra8 h4 56.Rg8+ Kf4 57.Rf8 h3 58.Rh8 Rh1 59.Kc5 h2 60.b4 Kg3 61.Rg8+ Bg4 62.Rh8 Ra1 63.Rxh2 Kxh2 64.a5 Kg3 65.Kb6 Be2 66.b5 Rc1 67.c5 Rc3 68.c6 Rb3 69.a6 Rxb5+ 70.Kc7 Rc5 71.Kb6 Ra5 72.a7 Ra6+ 73.Kb7 Rxc6 74.Kxc6 Bf3+ 75.Kc7 Ba8 76.Kb8 Bf3 77.Kc8 Ba8 78.Kc7 Be4 79.Kb8 Bf3 80.Kc7 Bd5 81.Kc8 Ba8 82.Kb8 Bc6 83.a8Q Bd5 84.Qa7 Ba8 85.Qb6 Bc6 86.Qc7+ 1-0 (86) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-HomelessCamel (2638) Blitz 2023;

B1b) 13.Nge2 Nb4 14.Nf4 Ne5 15.Be2 Bh6 16.Nxe6 Bxe3 17.Nxd8 Bxc1 18.Nxb7 Be3 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Bb6 21.f4 Nd7 22.b4 Rc7 23.Na5 Bxa5 24.bxa5 Rc5 25.Kf2 Rxa5 26.Rc1 Nc5 27.Rc2 Ra3 28.Ke1 Kg7 29.Kd2 Kf6 30.Kc1 Kf5 31.Kb2 Re3 32.g3 h5 33.Kc1 Ke4 34.Kd2 Ra3 35.Rb2 Kd4 36.Ke1 Ke3 37.Kf1 Rc3 38.Kg2 a5 39.Bf3 a4 40.Re2+ Kd4 41.Rxe7 a3 42.d6 Rc2+ 43.Re2 Rxe2+ 44.Bxe2 Kc3 45.Bd1 Kb2 46.Bb3 Kc3 47.Kf3 Kd4 48.g4 hxg4+ 49.Kxg4 Ke4 50.Kg5 Nd7 51.h4 Kd4 52.f5 f6+ 53.Kxg6 Ke5 54.h5 Nf8+ 55.Kf7 Nd7 56.Ke7 Nc5 57.d7 Ne4 58.d8Q Kf4 59.Qd6+ Nxd6 60.Kxd6 Kxf5 61.h6 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-ypooo (2596) Blitz 2022;

B2) 12...Nb4

B2a) 13.Nh3

B2a1) 13...Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 Rxd3 15.Ke2 *(15.Nd1 Bxh3 16.gxh3 b5 17.Ke2 bxc4 18.Rxc4 Rxc4 19.Kxd3 Rc7 20.Nf2 Nd7 21.Rc1 Ne5+ 22.Ke2 Rxc1 23.Bxc1 Nc6 24.Be3 a6 25.Nd3 Kf8 26.Nc5 a5 27.Nb7 Be5 28.Bb6 Bxh2 29.Nxa5 Nb4 30.a4 Ke8 31.Nc4 Kd7 32.Bc5 Na6 33.Ba3 f5 34.b4 fxe4 35.fxe4 Bb8 36.b5 Nc7 37.Kf3 Ne6 38.Nb6+ Ke8 39.h4 h5 40.Nd5 g5 41.Bxe7 gxh4 42.Bxh4 Kd7 43.Bf2 Kc8 44.a5 Ng5+ 45.Ke3 Nh3 46.a6 Nf4 47.Nxf4* 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-AbObA_chess1 (2692) Blitz 2024*)* 15...Bxh3 16.Kxd3 Bxg2 17.Rhe1 Bxf3 18.Bxa7 Ng4 19.h3 Ne5+ 20.Kc2 Nc6 21.Bc5 b6 22.Bxb6 Nb4+ 23.Kb1 Nd3 24.Nd5 Rb8 25.Bg1 e6 26.Ne7+ Kf8 27.Nc6 Rc8 28.Nd4 Bg2 29.a4 Rb8 30.Nb5 Nc5 31.Ka2 Nxe4 32.Rc2 Bf3 33.Re3 Bh1 34.Rh2 Bh6 35.Rxh1

Bxe3 36.Bxe3 Rd8 37.a5 Rd3 38.Bb6 Nd2 39.Rd1 Nxb3 40.Rxd3 Nc1+ 41.Ka3 Nxd3 42.a6 1 - 0 (4 2) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Gabrielian (2749) Blitz 2023;

B2a2) 13...Bxh3 14.gxh3 Nh5 *(14...Nd3+ 15.Bxd3 Rxd3 16.Ke2 Rxe3+ 17.Kxe3 Bh6+ 18.f4 Nh5 19.Ne2 Nxf4 20.Nxf4 e5 21.Rcd1 Bxf4+ 22.Ke2 b5 23.Kd3 a6 24.Kc3 Be3 25.Rd5 Bd4+ 26.Kd3 bxc4+ 27.bxc4 Rb8 28.Rc1 Rb6 29.c5 Rc6 30.Rd6 Rc7 31.Rxa6 Bxc5 32.Ke2 Kg7 33.Ra5 Bb6 34.Rxc7 Bxc7 35.Rc5 Bb6 36.Rxe5 Bc7 37.Rd5 Bxh2 38.a4 Bb8 39.a5 Kf6 40.a6 Ke6 41.Rb5 Ba7 42.Rb7 Bc5 43.a7 Bxa7 44.Rxa7 h5 45.Kf3 f6 46.Kf4 g5+ 47.Kf3 Ke5 48.Ra4 f5 49.Ra5+ Kd4 50.Rxf5 g4+ 51.hxg4 hxg4+ 52.Kf4 g3 53.Rg5 g2 54.Rxg2 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-sina_iran (2804) Blitz 2021; 14...Nd7 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Rxc1+ 17.Bxc1 Rc8 18.Kd1 Bd4 19.Bg5 f6 20.Bd2 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Bd3 Rf8 23.Re1 Ne5 24.Ke2 Kg7 25.f4 Nd7 26.Kf3 Nc5 27.Bb1 Kf6 28.b4 Ne4 29.Bxe4 fxe4+ 30.Rxe4 Bb6 31.Re6+ Kf7 32.Be3 Bc7 33.Bxa7 Ra8 34.Bc5 Bd8 35.Re2 Ra4 36.Kg4 b6 37.Bd4 Rxb4 38.Be5 Kg6 39.Rc2 h5+ 40.Kf3 b5 41.Rg2+ Kf7 42.Rg7+ Kf8 43.Rh7 Bb6 44.Rxh5 Ra4 45.Rh6 Bg1 46.Rc6 Rxa2 47.Rc8+ Kf7 48.Rb8 Ra3+ 49.Kg4 Rb3 50.Rb7 Ke8 51.Kf5 Rxh3 52.Rxb5 Rh6 53.Rb8+ Kf7 54.Rb7 Bc5 55.Rc7 Bd6 56.Rc6 Bxe5 57.fxe5 Rxh2 58.Rc7 Rh5+ 59.Ke4 Ke8 60.Rb7 Kf8 61.Rb8+ Kf7 62.Rb7 Rh4+ 63.Kf5 Rh5+ 64.Ke4 Rh4+ 65.Ke3 Rh5 66.Kf4 1 - 0 (6 6) Consent_to_treatment (2619)-tough-guy (2608) Blitz 2021)* 15.Be2 *(15.Nd5 Nc6 16.Kf2 e6 17.Nf4 Nxf4 18.Bxf4 Nb4 19.a3 Nc6 20.Rb1 Bf8 21.a4 a5 22.Be3 Nd4 23.Be2 Bc5 24.Rhd1 b6 25.Rd2 e5 26.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 27.Kg2 Rd6 28.b4 axb4 29.Rxb4 Ra8 30.Bd1 Kg7 ½-½ (30) Ma Qun (2629)-Yu Yangyi (2759) Hangzhou CHN 2018)*

B2a21) 15...e6 16.Kf2 Nd3+ 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Nd1 Rcd8 *(18...Bf6 19.Ke2 Rcd8 20.Rc2 R3d7 21.Nf2 a5 22.f4 Bd4 23.Rd1 Bxe3 24.Rxd7 Rxd7 25.Kxe3 f6 26.Nd3 Kf7 27.Nc5 Rc7 28.Nd3 b5 29.c5 Ng7 30.a3 Ne8 31.b4 a4 32.Rc1 Rc6 33.Kd2*

Ke7 34.Nb2 Rc8 35.Nd1 Rd8+ 36.Ke3 Nc7 37.Nc3 f5 38.Rd1 Rxd1 39.Nxd1 fxe4 40.Nc3 Kd7 41.Kxe4 Kc6 42.Ke5 Kd7 43.h4 Kc6 44.h5 gxh5 45.h4 h6 46.Kf6 Kd7 47.Kg6 Nd5 48.Nxd5 exd5 49.Kf5 Kc6 50.Ke5 d4 51.Kxd4 Kd7 52.Kd5 Kc7 53.f5 Kd7 54.c6+ Ke7 55.Kc5 1 - 0 (5 5) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-shtobnevtykal (2620) Blitz 2023*)* 19.Ke2 Be5 20.Nf2 R3d6 21.Rhd1 Bxh2 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 23.Rd1 Ra6 24.a4 e5 25.Rd7 Ng3+ 26.Ke1 Bg1 27.Rxb7 h5 28.Rxa7 Rf6 29.Nd1 Rxf3 30.Bxg1 Rf1+ 31.Kd2 Rxg1 32.Nc3 Rg2+ 33.Kd1 Nf1 34.c5 Ne3+ 35.Ke1 Nc2+ ½ - ½ (3 5) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-daubon (2723) Blitz 2022;

B2a22) 15...Nd3+ 16.Bxd3 Rxd3 17.Nd1 Be5 18.Ke2 Rcd8 19.Rc2 Nf4+ 20.Bxf4 Bxf4 21.Nc3 Re3+ 22.Kf2 Rdd3 23.Nd5 Rxf3+ 24.Kg2 Bg5 25.Rf1 Rxf1 26.Kxf1 e6 27.Nc7 Rxh3 28.Nb5 a6 29.Nd6 b6 30.b4 Bf4 31.Nc8 Bc7 32.c5 bxc5 33.bxc5 Rxh2 34.Rxh2 Bxh2 35.Nb6 Kf8 36.c6 Ke8 37.Nd7 Kd8 0 - 1 (3 7) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-QuCq (2693) Blitz 2022;

B2b) 13.Kf2 Nd7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Bxc5 Rxc5 16.Nf3 Bxc3 17.Rxc3 Nxa2 18.Rd3 Rxd3 19.Bxd3 Nb4 20.Ke3 b5 21.Nd4 Nxd3 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Kxd3 bxc4+ 24.bxc4 Ra5 25.Rb1 Kf7 26.Kd4 e5+ 27.fxe5 Ke6 28.Rb7 Ra1 29.h4 a5 30.Ra7 a4 31.Ra6+ Kd7 32.e6+ Kc7 33.Kc5 a3 34.Ra7+ Kb8 35.Ra4 a2 36.Kc6 h6 37.c5 g5 38.hxg5 hxg5 39.e5 Re1 40.Rxa2 Rxe5 41.Kd7 Rxc5 42.Rb2+ Ka7 43.Kxe7 Rc1 44.Ke8 Re1 45.e7 g4 46.Rd2 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-karsten97 (2558) Blitz 2022;

C) 11...Rd7 12.b3 Rad8 13.Nge2 Nb4 14.Nf4 Rd6 15.e5 Ra6 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Ncd5 Nxa2 18.Nxf6+ exf6 19.Rd1 Re8 20.Kf2 Nc3 21.Rd2 g5 22.Nxe6 Rexe6 23.Bd4 Nb1 24.Rb2 Na3 25.c5 Rac6 26.Bd3 b6 27.Be4 Rc8 28.Bf5 bxc5 29.Bxe6 fxe6 30.Bxf6 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-gjgur (2525) Blitz 2024;

D) 11...Nd7

D1) 12.f4

D1a) 12...Rac8 13.Nf3 a6 14.Ng5 Nf8 15.Be2 Nd4 16.Nxe6 Nfxe6 17.b3 b5 18.Nd5 Kf8 19.Kf2 Nc5 20.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 21.Kf3 e6 22.Ne3 b4 23.Rhd1 a5 24.e5 a4 25.Nc2 Bc3 26.Rxd8+

Rxd8 27.Rd1 Ra8 28.Nd4 Bxd4 29.Rxd4 axb3 30.axb3 Nxb3 31.Rd7 Rb8 32.Rc7 Nd4+ 33.Ke3 Nxe2 34.Kxe2 b3 0-1 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2740)-Feanor_64 (2750) Blitz 2022;

D1b) 12...Bxc3+ 13.Rxc3 Nf6 14.Bd3 Nb4 *(14...Rxd3 15.Rxd3 Nb4 16.Rd2 Nxe4 17.Rd1 Bxc4 18.Rd2 Nxd2 19.Kxd2 Nxa2 20.Nf3 Rd8+ 21.Kc2 Rc8 22.Kb1 Nb4 23.Ne5 Bd5 24.Bd2 Bxg2 25.Rg1 Be4+ 26.Ka1 Nc2+ 27.Ka2 b6 28.Bc3 a5 29.Kb3 Ne3 30.Re1 Bd5+ 31.Ka4 Nc4 32.Nxc4 Bxc4 33.Rxe7 Ra8 34.Ka3 b5 35.Bf6 b4+ 36.Ka4 Bd3 37.Re5 Bc2+ 38.b3 h5 39.h4 Kh7 40.Re7 Kg8 41.Rb7 Rc8 42.Kxa5 Bxb3 43.Kxb4 Be6 44.Be5 Re8 45.Kc5 Rc8+ 46.Kd6 Re8 47.Ra7 Ra8 48.Rxa8+* 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-Dmitry_Kornilovich (2502) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Bb1 Rac8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Nf3 Na5 18.c5 Nc4 19.Bc1 Rxc5 20.b3 Nxa3 21.Rxc5 Nxb1 22.0-0 Nxe4 23.Rc7 Nbc3 24.Be3 Nd5 25.Rxb7 Nxe3 26.Re1 Nf5 27.Rxe4 Bd5 28.Rexe7 Nxe7 29.Rxe7 a5 30.Ra7 Bxf3 31.gxf3 Rd3 32.Kg2 Rxb3 33.Rxa5 Kg7 34.h4 Rb2+ 35.Kg3 Rb1 36.f5 Rb6 37.fxg6 hxg6 38.Ra3 Rd6 39.Rc3 Re6 40.Ra3 Rd6 41.Rc3 Re6 42.Ra3 Rc6 43.Rd3 Re6 44.Ra3 Rd6 ½-½ (44) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-mrchesswhizz (2708) Blitz 2022;

D1c) 12...b6 13.Nf3 Nc5 14.b3 *(14.e5 Nb4 15.Bxc5 bxc5 16.b3 f6 17.Ne4 Rac8 18.Nc3 Bg4 19.a3 Bxf3 20.axb4 cxb4 21.gxf3 bxc3 22.Rxc3 fxe5 23.fxe5 Bxe5 24.Rd3 Kf7 25.Be2 Rxd3 26.Bxd3 Rb8 27.Bc2 Bd4 28.Ke2 Kf6 29.Rd1 e5 30.f4 g5 31.fxe5+ Kxe5 32.Rf1 h6 33.Rf5+ Ke6 34.Ra5 Bb6 35.Rd5 Rc8 36.Kf3 Rf8+ 37.Kg4 Rf4+ 38.Kh5 Rh4+ 39.Kg6 Rxh2 40.Bf5+ Ke7 41.c5 Bxc5 42.Rxc5 Kd6 43.Ra5 Kc6 44.Rxa7 Kb6 45.Rh7 Rb2 46.Be6 g4 47.Rxh6 g3 48.Rh5 g2 49.Rg5 Re2 50.Bd5 Rd2 51.Bxg2 Rd3 52.Bd5 Rd4 53.Bc4 Re4 54.Kf5 Rd4 55.Rg4 Rd1 56.Kf4 Rd4+ 57.Kf3 Rd6 58.Re4 Kc5 59.Re5+ Kb4 60.Rb5+ Kc3 61.Ke4 Rd4+ 62.Ke5 Rd8 63.Rd5 Rb8 64.Kd6 Kb4 65.Kc6 Rc8+ 66.Kb7 Rh8 67.Rb5+ Kc3 68.Ka6 Rh6+ 69.Rb6 Rh4 70.Bd5 Rd4 71.Be6 Re4 72.b4 Rxb4 73.Rc6+ Kd4 74.Bd7 Kd5 75.Rh6 Kd4 76.Bc6 Kc3 77.Rh3+ Kb2 78.Rh2+ Kc3 79.Rh5 Kc4 80.Ra5 Kc3 81.Bd5 Rd4 82.Ra3+ Kd2 83.Ra4 Ke3 84.Rxd4 Kxd4* ½ - ½ (8 4) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-Broetchen (2711) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Bxc3+ 15.Rxc3 Nxe4

16.Rc2 Nb4 17.Rb2 Nd3+ 18.Bxd3 Rxd3 19.Ke2 Rad8 20.Ne5 Nc3+ 21.Kf3 Rd1 22.Rxd1 Rxd1 23.Bd2 Rf1+ 24.Ke3 Nd1+ 25.Ke2 Nxb2 26.Kxf1 Bf5 27.Nc6 Bb1 28.Nxe7+ Kf8 29.Nc8 Bxa2 30.Be3 Bxb3 31.c5 Bc4+ 32.Kg1 bxc5 33.Bxc5+ Ke8 34.Nd6+ Kd7 35.Nxf7 Bxf7 36.Bxa7 Nd3 37.g3 Ke6 38.Bd4 Kf5 39.Kg2 Ke4 40.Ba7 Bd5 41.Kh3 Nf2+ 42.Kh4 Kf5 43.h3 Ne4 44.Bb8 Ke6 45.g4 Kf7 46.f5 gxf5 47.gxf5 Nf6 48.Kg5 Kg7 49.Kf4 Kf7 50.Ke5 Ba2 51.Kf4 Nd7 52.Bc7 Nf6 53.Kg5 Nd5 54.Bb8 Nf6 55.Kh6 Ne4 56.Kxh7 Nf6+ 57.Kh6 Ne4 58.Kh5 Nf6+ 59.Kh4 Nd5 60.Kg5 Ne7 61.f6 Nd5 62.Bd6 Nb4 63.Be5 Nc6 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-ssj2gohan (2639) Blitz 2024;

D1d) 12...Nf6 13.h3 Nb4 14.e5 Nh5 15.Kf2 Rac8 16.g4 Nxf4 17.Bxf4 Bxc4 18.a3 Bxf1 19.axb4 Bd3 20.Nf3 Rc4 21.Bg5 f6 22.exf6 exf6 23.Be3 Rxb4 24.Rhd1 Rxb2+ 25.Kg3 f5 26.Ne1 Rb3 27.Na4 f4+ 28.Bxf4 Be2+ 29.Rc3 Bxd1 30.Rxb3 Bxb3 31.Nc5 Bd5 32.Ned3 b6 33.Na6 Bc4 34.Ndb4 Bxa6 35.Nxa6 Rd3+ 36.Kg2 b5 37.Bb8 Ra3 38.Nc5 Bf8 39.Ne6 Kf7 40.Ng5+ Kg8 41.Ne4 b4 42.Kf2 b3 43.Be5 b2 44.Bxb2 Ra2 45.Nf6+ Kf7 46.Kf3 Rxb2 47.Nd5 Rb3+ 48.Ke4 a5 49.Nf4 a4 50.Ne2 a3 51.Nf4 Rb4+ 52.Kf3 Rxf4+ 53.Kxf4 a2 54.Kg3 a1Q 55.Kf4 Qa3 56.Kg5 Be7+ 57.Kf4 Qxh3 58.g5 Qh4+ 59.Kf3 Qxg5 60.Ke2 h5 61.Kd3 h4 62.Ke2 h3 63.Kf3 h2 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-tough-guy (2650) Blitz 2022;

D1e) 12...Bd4 13.Bxd4 Nxd4 14.Nf3 Nc5 15.b3 Bg4 16.Be2 Nxe2 17.Kxe2 Nd3 18.Rcd1 Nxf4+ 19.Kf2 e6 20.h3 Bxf3 21.Kxf3 g5 22.g3 Ng6 23.Nb5 a6 24.Nd6 Ne5+ 25.Ke3 b5 26.c5 Kf8 27.h4 g4 28.Kf4 f6 29.Ke3 Ke7 30.Nb7 Rdc8 31.b4 a5 32.Nxa5 Nc4+ 33.Nxc4 bxc4 34.Kd4 Rxa2 35.Ra1 Rc2 36.Rhc1 Rd8+ 37.Ke3 Rd3+ 38.Kf4 h5 39.e5 Rf2+ 40.Ke4 f5# 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-TheFrenchFighter (2519) Blitz 2024;

D1f) 12...Nd4 13.Nge2 Nc5 14.Nxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxd4 Rxd4 16.Kf2 Bxc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Ke3 Rc8 19.Rcd1 e6 20.Rd4 Rxd4 21.Kxd4 b6 22.b4 Na6 23.a3 Kf8 24.Nb5 Nc7 25.Nd6 Rd8 26.Ke5 Ke7 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Winterkg (2574) Blitz 2024;

D1g) 12...Nb6 13.b3 Nb4 14.Nf3

D1g1) 14...Nd3+ 15.Bxd3 Rxd3 16.Nd1 a5 *(16...Rad8 17.Ke2 Bg4*

18.Nf2 Bxf3+ 19.Kxf3 R3d7 20.Rhd1 Nc8 21.Rxd7 Rxd7 22.Rd1 Rxd1 23.Nxd1 e6 24.e5 Kf8 25.Nf2 Ke8 26.Ne4 Kd7 27.Ng5 h6 28.Nxf7 Ke7 29.Nd6 Nxd6 30.exd6+ Kxd6 31.Bxa7 Kc6 32.Ke4 h5 33.Bd4 Bf8 34.h3 Bd6 35.g4 hxg4 36.hxg4 Bc7 37.b4 b5 38.cxb5+ Kxb5 39.a3 Bd6 40.Be5 Bf8 41.Kd4 Be7 42.Kc3 Ka4 43.Kc4 Kxa3 44.b5 Bd8 45.Bd4 g5 46.fxg5 Bxg5 47.b6 Bf4 48.b7 Ka4 49.g5 Ka5 50.g6 Ka6 51.g7 1 - 0 (5 1) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Somnus_C (2676) Blitz 2024*)* 17.Ke2 Rd6 18.c5 1-0 (18) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Dmitry_Kornilovich (2579) Blitz 2024;

D1g2) 14...Bxc3+ 15.Rxc3 Nxa2 16.Rc2 Nb4 17.Rd2 Rxd2 18.Kxd2 Nd7 *(18...Rd8+ 19.Kc3 Na2+ 20.Kb2 Nb4 21.Be2 Bg4 22.Ra1 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Nc8 24.Kc3 Nc6 25.b4 a6 26.b5 Nb8 27.Bf1 f5 28.e5 Kf7 29.Rb1 axb5 30.Rxb5 Rd7 31.c5 Rc7 32.Bc4+ e6 33.Rb1 Nc6 34.Rd1 Na5 35.Bb5 Na7 36.Ba4 Ke7 37.Kb4 N5c6+ 38.Kc4 b5+ 39.cxb6 Na5+ 40.Kb4 N7c6+ 41.Bxc6 Nxc6+ 42.Kb5 Rc8 43.b7 Rc7 44.Bc5+ Ke8 45.Kb6 Rd7 46.Kxc6 Rxd1 47.b8Q+ Rd8 48.Qc7 Rc8 49.Qxc8+ Kf7 50.Qf8#* 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2655)-pulvettd (2569) Blitz 2023 *)* 19.Be2 Nf6 20.Kc3 a5 21.Ng5 h6 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Bf3 Rd8 24.Re1 Rd3+ 25.Kb2 Nd7 26.e5 g5 27.Be4 gxf4 28.Bxf4 Rd4 29.Kc3 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2743)-Hollow07 (2622) Blitz 2022;

D2) 12.b3

D2a) 12...b6 13.Nd5 *(13.Nge2 Nc5 14.Nf4 Nb4 15.Nfd5 Ncd3+ 16.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Ke2 Nxc1+ 18.Rxc1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 e6 20.Ne7+ Kf8 21.Nc6 Rd7 22.b4 Ke8 23.a4 Rc8 24.b5 Rdc7 25.c5 bxc5 26.Rxc5 a6 27.Bf4 Bd4 28.Rg5 Rxc6 29.bxc6 Rxc6 30.Kd3 Bf6 31.Ra5 Bd8 32.Rg5 Bxg5 33.Bxg5 Rc5 34.Bd2 Kd7 35.Kd4 Kc6 36.Kd3 e5 37.Bc3 f6 38.Kc2 Kd6 39.Kb3 Kc7 40.Kc2 Rc6 41.Kb3 Kb7 42.Kc2 Rb6 43.Kd3 Rc6 44.Kc2 Rc7 45.Kb3 Rd7 46.Kc2 Rd6 47.Kb3 Rd3 48.Kc2 Re3 49.Kd2 Rxc3 50.Kxc3 Kb6 51.Kc4 Kc6 52.a5 f5 53.g3 h5 54.exf5 gxf5 55.h3 Kd6 56.Kd3 Ke6 57.Ke3 Kf6 58.g4 Kg5 59.gxh5 Kxh5 60.f4 Kh4 61.fxe5 Kg3 62.e6* 1-0 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2620)-adnan_nn (2597) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...Nc5 *(13...Rac8*

14.Nh3 Bxh3 15.gxh3 e6 16.Nc3 Nde5 17.Kf2 Nb4 18.Rd1 Ned3+ 19.Bxd3 Bxc3 20.Bb1 e5 21.Ke2 Nc6 22.Rd5 f6 23.Rhd1 Bd4 24.f4 Bxe3 25.Kxe3 exf4+ 26.Kxf4 Kf7 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.Rxd8 Nxd8 29.e5 Ne6+ 30.Ke4 f5+ 31.Kd5 Ke7 32.b4 Kd7 33.h4 Nf4+ 34.Kd4 Ke6 35.c5 bxc5+ 36.Kxc5 Kxe5 37.a4 Ne6+ 38.Kc6 Kd4 39.b5 f4 40.Bc2 f3 41.Bd1 f2 42.Be2 Ke3 43.Bf1 Kd2 44.a5 Nd4+ 45.Kc5 Ke1 46.Bh3 Ne6+ 47.Bxe6 f1Q 48.b6 Qa6 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2634)-Tandilensis (2625) Blitz 2021 *)* 14.Bxc5 bxc5 15.Nc7 Rac8 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Ne2 Nb4 18.Nc3 Bxc3+ 19.Rxc3 Nxa2 20.Rd3 Nb4 21.Rd2 e5 22.Be2 Rd4 23.Rxd4 exd4 24.Kd2 d3 25.Bf1 Rc6 26.Kc3 Rd6 27.e5 Rd4 28.g3 g5 29.h4 gxh4 30.Rxh4 Nc6 31.Rxd4 Nxd4 32.f4 d2 33.Kxd2 Nxb3+ 34.Kc3 Nd4 35.Bd3 h6 36.g4 Ne6 37.f5 Nd4 38.Be4 Kg7 39.Kb2 Ne2 40.Ka3 Nc3 41.Bf3 a6 42.Kb3 Nb1 43.Kc2 Na3+ 44.Kb2 Nxc4+ 45.Kc3 Nxe5 46.Be2 Kf6 47.Kb3 c4+ 48.Ka4 c3 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-TheRedKing89 (2827) Blitz 2021;

D2b) 12...f5 13.Nh3 fxe4 14.Ng5 Bh6 15.Ncxe4 Bf5 16.Kf2 Nde5 17.h4 Rf8 18.Kg3 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Rad8 20.Be2 Nd4 21.Bxd4 Rxd4 22.Rcd1 Rfd8 23.Ne6 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Rxd1 25.Bxd1 Kf7 26.Nd8+ Kf6 27.Nxb7 Nd3 28.Na5 Ke5 29.Nc6+ Kxe4 30.Bf3+ Ke3 31.Nxa7 Bf4+ 32.Kg4 h5+ 33.Kh3 Nf2# 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-tough-guy (2615) Blitz 2022;

D2c) 12...Nde5 13.Be2 Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 Rxd3 15.Nd1 Rad8 16.Nh3 Bxh3 17.gxh3 Nb4 18.Ke2 Nxa2 19.Rc2 Nb4 20.Rd2 Rxd2+ 21.Bxd2 Nc6 22.Be3 Na5 23.Nf2 Nxb3 24.Rb1 Na5 25.Bxa7 Ra8 26.Bc5 e6 27.Kd3 Rd8+ 28.Ke2 Rc8 29.Be3 Rxc4 30.Rb5 Rc2+ 31.Kd3 Rc3+ 32.Ke2 Nc4 33.Nd1 Rc2+ 34.Kd3 Nxe3 35.Nxe3 Rb2 36.Rxb2 Bxb2 37.Nc4 Bg7 38.e5 b5 39.Nd6 Bxe5 40.Nxb5 Bxh2 41.Ke3 Bb8 42.Nc3 Kg7 43.Kf2 Be5 44.Ne4 f5 45.Nd2 Bf4 46.Nb3 Bc7 47.Kg2 Kf6 48.Nd4 e5 49.Nb5 Bd8 50.Nc3 Be7 51.Nd5+ Ke6 52.Nc3 Bf6 53.Ne2 h5 54.Kf2 g5 55.Kg2 Be7 56.Ng3 h4 57.Ne2 e4 58.Ng1 Ke5 59.Ne2 Bc5 60.f4+ gxf4 61.Kf1 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2631)-Ohpdog1 (2632) Blitz 2021;

D2d) 12...Nb4 13.a3 *(13.f4 b6 14.Nf3 Nc5 15.Bxc5 bxc5 16.Nd5 Nxa2 17.Rc2 Nb4 18.Nxb4 cxb4 19.e5 Bf5 20.Rd2 Bh6 21.g3 Be4*

22.Bg2 Rxd2 23.Kxd2 Rd8+ 24.Ke3 Bc2 25.Nd4 Rxd4 26.Kxd4 Bxb3 27.Rb1 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-Alex_Sahakyan (2621) Blitz 2022*; 13.Nh3 Bxh3 14.gxh3 Ne5 15.Ke2 Ned3 16.Rd1 Bxc3 17.a3 a5 18.axb4 axb4 19.Rxd3 Ra2+ 20.Kd1 Rda8 21.Bd2 Rb2 22.Bc1 Ra1 23.Be2 f5 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Rg1+ Kf7 26.Rg5 Kf6 27.Rh5 Kg6 28.Rh6+ Kg7 29.Rb6 Rxb3 30.Kc2 Rbb1 31.Bh6+ Kf7 32.Rxc3 bxc3 33.Rxb1 Ra2+ 34.Kd3 c2 35.Rc1 Ra3+ 36.Kd2 Ra6 37.Be3 Rd6+ 38.Bd3 e5 39.Ke2 Ke6 40.c5 Rd8 41.Bc4+ Kf6 42.Rxc2 f4 43.Bf2 Ra8 44.Bd3 Ra3 45.Be4 Rb3 46.Be1 Ke7 47.Bc3 Ke6 48.Kd3 Ra3 49.Rb2 Ra7 50.Rb6+ Ke7 51.Rxb7+ Rxb7 52.Bxb7 Kd7 53.Be4 Kc7 54.Kc4 Kd7 55.Kd5 Kc7 56.Kxe5 Kd7 57.Kxf4* 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2708)-Molt7n (2851) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Nc6 *(13...Na6 14.Nge2 Ndc5 15.Nf4 Nxb3 16.Nxe6 Nxc1 17.Nxd8 Rxd8 18.Nd5 e6 19.Bxc1 exd5 20.cxd5 Rc8 21.Be3 Rc3 22.Bxa7 Rxa3 23.Kf2 Nb4 24.Bc5 Ra2+ 25.Kg3 Nc2 26.Bd3 Be5+ 27.Kh3 h5 28.Bxc2 Rxc2 29.Be3 b5 30.Rb1 Rb2 31.Rxb2 Bxb2 32.Bb6 b4 33.f4 b3 34.e5 Bc3 35.d6 Kf8 36.Bc5 Ke8 37.Ba3 b2 38.Bxb2 Bxb2 39.g3 Kd7 40.Kg2 Bc1 41.Kf3 Ke6 42.h3 g5* 0-1 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2705)-Krpokapetan (2600) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Nd5 *(14.Nge2 Nde5 15.Nf4 Bd7 16.b4 Be8 17.Be2 e6 18.Kf2 Nd4 19.c5 Nxe2 20.Kxe2 Nc4 21.Nb5 Bxb5* 0-1 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-HikaruGirlfriend20 (2692) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Bb2 *(14...Nd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Nc7 Rac8 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bd3 Bb2 19.Rd1 Bxa3 20.Ne2 Bb4+ 21.Kf2 Bc5+ 22.Kg3 Ne5 23.Bc2 b5 24.Nf4 Bd6 25.Nxe6 Nxc4+ 26.Kh3 Ne3 27.Nxd8 Nxd1 28.Rxd1 Rxc2 29.Nb7 Be5 30.Rd5 Bf6 31.Rxb5 Kf7 32.Nd8+ Ke8 33.Ne6 Kd7 34.Nf4 Kc6 35.Ra5 Kb6 36.Ra4 a5 37.Nd5+ Kb5 38.Nxf6 exf6 39.Rd4 Rb2 40.Rd3 Kb4 41.f4 Rxb3 42.Rxb3+ Kxb3 43.e5 fxe5 44.fxe5 a4 45.e6 a3 46.e7 a2 47.e8Q a1Q 48.Qf7+ Kb4 49.Qxh7 Qf6 50.Qh4+* 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2696)-Loay23 (2586) Blitz 2022*; 14...Rac8 15.Ne2 Bb2 16.Rd1 Bxa3 17.Nd4 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd5 19.exd5 Bc5 20.Be2 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 a5 22.Kf2 Nc5 23.Rb1 Rd6 24.Rd2 Rb6 25.Rdb2 Rb4 26.Ke3 Rd8 27.Kd4 b6 28.Kc3 Kf8 29.f4 Ke8 30.g4 Kd7 31.h4 Kd6 32.Re1 Rc8 33.g5 b5 34.Ra1 bxc4 35.Bxc4 Ra8 36.Re2 Rb7*

37.Ra3 Rb6 38.Rea2 Nb7 39.Kd4 Rc8 40.Ra1 Rb4 41.h5 Nc5 42.Kc3 Ne4+ 43.Kd4 Nd2 44.Rxa5 Nxb3+ 45.Kd3 Nxa5 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-tough-guy (2615) Blitz 2022*; 14...b6 15.Bd3 Nc5 16.Bc2 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Nd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.b4 Rac8 20.bxc5 Rxc5 21.Kd2 Rdc8 22.Ne2 Bb2 23.Bd3 Bxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Kg7 25.Rxc5 Rxc5 26.Nc3 h5 27.g3 e6 28.d6 Kf6 29.f4 e5 30.fxe5+ Rxe5 31.Bc4 Re8 32.Nd5+ Ke5 33.d7 Rd8 34.Bb5 a6 35.Bxa6 Rxd7 36.Ke3 f5 37.Nxb6 Ra7 38.Nc4+ Kf6 39.Bb5 fxe4 40.Kxe4 Re7+ 41.Kf3 g5 42.a4 g4+ 43.Kf2 Rb7 44.Nd6 Rb6 45.Ne4+ Ke5 46.Nc5 Kd4 47.Nb3+ Kc3 48.Nc5 Rf6+ 49.Kg2 Kd2 50.Ne4+ Ke3 51.Nxf6* 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2647)-Krpokapetan (2567) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Rb1 Bxa3 16.Ne2 Nde5 17.Nef4 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nb4 19.Kf2 Nc2 20.Nd3 Nxd3+ 21.Bxd3 Nxe3 22.Kxe3 e6 23.dxe6 Re8 24.Be4 Rxe6 25.Kf2 Rd8 26.Rhd1 Rxd1 27.Rxd1 Rd6 28.Bd5 b6 29.Ke2 Bc5 30.Kd3 a5 31.Re1 Rd7 32.Re8+ Kg7 33.Rc8 Re7 34.Be4 f5 35.Bd5 Re3+ 36.Kd2 Rxb3 37.Rc7+ Kh6 38.Kc2 Re3 39.Kd2 Ra3 40.Kd1 Be3 41.h4 Bf2 42.Bg8 Bxh4 43.Rxh7+ Kg5 44.Rb7 Bf2 45.Bd5 Bc5 46.Rg7 Rd3+ 47.Kc2 Re3 48.g4 fxg4 49.fxg4 Kxg4 50.Rxg6+ Kf4 51.Rg8 Ke5 52.Re8+ Kd4 53.Rxe3 Kxe3 54.Kb3 Kd4 55.Ka4 Kc3 56.Bg8 Kb2 57.Bf7 Kc3 58.Bg8 Kb2 59.Bf7 Kc2 60.Bg8 Kc3 61.Bf7 Kd4 62.Bg8 Kc3 63.Bf7 Kd4 64.Bg8 Kc3 ½-½ (64) Consent_to_treatment (2754)-skabiliaris (2654) Blitz 2022]

[10...Ne5 11.Rc1 *(11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 e6 13.Bg5 f6 14.Bf4 exd5 15.0-0-0 Be6 16.exd5 Bxd5 17.Bxe5 fxe5 18.Ne2 Bxa2 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Nc3 Bh6+ 21.Kc2 Rd2+ 22.Kc1 Rxg2+ 23.f4* 0-1 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-Razjebivatel (2614) Blitz 2022*)* 11...b6 12.b3 Bb7 13.Nh3 Rd7 *(13...Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 Rxd3 15.Ke2 Rd7 16.Rhd1 Rad8 17.Rxd7 Rxd7 18.Rd1 Rxd1 19.Nxd1 Nd7 20.Nf4 e6 21.Nd3 Kf8 22.c5 Ba6 23.cxb6 axb6 24.Kd2 Ke7 25.Nc3 Kd6 26.Ne2 f5 27.Bd4 Bh6+ 28.Be3 Bg7 29.exf5 exf5 30.Bd4 Bh6+ 31.Be3 Bg7 32.Bd4 Bh6+ 33.f4 Ke6 34.g3 Bf8 35.Bc3 h5 36.Nd4+ Kd5 37.Nf3 Nc5 38.Nb4+ Ke4 39.Nxa6 Kxf3 40.Nxc5 Bxc5 41.Kd3 Bg1 42.Bd4 Bxh2 43.Bxb6 Bxg3 44.a4 h4 45.a5 Bxf4 46.a6 Bb8 47.Bc7 Ba7 48.b4 h3 49.b5 f4 50.b6 Bxb6 51.Bxb6 h2 52.a7* 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-Apekop (2560) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Nf2 Rad8 15.Be2 h5 16.0-0 e6 17.Rfd1 Ne8 18.Rxd7 Nxd7 19.Kf1 Nc5 20.Rd1 Rc8 21.Nb5 Be5 22.g3 a6 23.Nd4 f5 24.exf5 exf5 25.f4 Bf6 26.Bf3 Ne4 27.Nxe4 fxe4 28.Be2 Kf7 29.f5 Rd8 30.fxg6+

Kxg6 31.Ne6 Rxd1+ 32.Bxd1 Kf5 33.Nd4+ Ke5 34.Bxh5 Nd6 35.Bd1 b5 36.cxb5 axb5 37.h4 Kd5 38.h5 Bxd4 39.Bxd4 Kxd4 40.a4 b4 41.h6 Nf7 42.h7 e3 43.Bh5 Nh8 44.a5 Ba6+ 45.Be2 Bb7 46.a6 Be4 47.a7 Kc5 48.Ke1 Kb6 49.Bd3 Bd5 50.Bc4 Bf3 51.Be2 Ba8 52.g4 Kxa7 53.Bd3 Kb6 54.g5 Kc5 55.g6 Nxg6 56.Bxg6 Bd5 57.h8Q Bxb3 58.Qf8+ Kc4 59.Qf5 Kc3 60.Qd3+ Kb2 61.Qxe3 Ka3 62.Qd2 Bc2 63.Qc1+ Kb3 64.Kd2 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2738)-Peng,L (2506) Blitz 2022]

[10...Nd7

A) 11.Rc1 Nde5

A1) 12.b3 Nb4 *(12...Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 Rxd3 14.Nd1 Nb4 15.Ke2 Rd8 16.a3 Nd3 17.Rc2 Be6 18.Nh3 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Be5 20.Nf2 Nxf2 21.Bxf2 Rd7 22.Rd2 Rxd2+ 23.Kxd2 Rd8+ 24.Ke2 b6 25.Bg3 Bb2 26.a4 e5 27.Rd1 Rxd1 28.Kxd1 Kf8 29.Kc2 Bd4 30.Kd3 Ke7 31.Be1 Kd6 32.Bb4+ Ke6 33.a5 Bg1 34.axb6 axb6 35.Bd2 Bc5 36.Be3 f5 37.Bxc5 bxc5 38.Kc3 Kd6 39.b4 Kc6 40.h4 f4 41.Kb3 h6 42.Ka4 Kb6 43.h3 cxb4 44.Kxb4 Kc6 45.c5 Kc7 46.Kb5 Kb7 47.c6+ Kc7 48.Kc5 g5 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Kd5 1-0 (50) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-slowdumb (2626) Blitz 2022)* 13.Nd5 *(13.Ke2 Ned3 14.Nd5 Nxc1+ 15.Bxc1 Nxd5 16.exd5 e6 17.dxe6 Bxe6* 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2629)-kirill_kopyonkin (2612) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...Ned3+ 14.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 15.Kd2 Nxc1 16.Kxc1 Kf8 17.Nc7 Rd3 18.Nxa8 Rxe3 19.Nh3 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Be5 21.Rd1 Ke8 22.Rd5 Bf4 23.Kc2 Rxf3 24.e5 e6 25.Nc7+ Ke7 26.Rb5 b6 27.c5 bxc5 28.Rxc5 Rxh3 29.a4 Rxh2+ 30.Kd3 Rh3+ 31.Kc4 Re3 32.Nb5 h5 33.Rc7+ Kf8 34.Rxa7 h4 35.a5 h3 36.Rd7 Re4+ 37.Kc5 h2 38.Rd1 Be3+ 39.Kc6 Bg1 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Ragadingdong_Reborn (2694) Blitz 2023;

A2) 12.Kf2 Nb4 13.Rd1 Rxd1 14.Nxd1 Nbd3+ 15.Kg3 Nb4 16.a3 Nc2 17.Bc1 Be6 18.Ne2 Nd3 19.Bd2 Nxb2 20.Nxb2 Bxb2 21.Nf4 Be5 22.Kf2 Rd8 23.Bc1 Rd1 24.Nxe6 Rxc1 25.Ng5 Nxa3 26.g3 Nxc4 27.f4 Bd4+ 28.Ke2 a5 29.Nf3 Ba7 30.Bg2 Rc2+ 31.Kd3 Na3 32.Bh3 Rf2 33.Ne5 b5 34.Rc1 Rxh2 35.Rc8+ Kg7 36.Bd7 Nc4 37.Nxc4 bxc4+ 38.Rxc4 Bf2 39.g4 Bg3 40.f5 h5 41.gxh5 gxh5 42.Ra4 h4 43.Rxa5 Rb2 44.Ra1 Rb6 45.Rh1 Rd6+ 46.Ke2 Rxd7 47.Kf3 Kf6 48.Kg4 Ke5 49.Kf3 Rd4 50.Kg4 Rxe4+ 51.Kg5 Rf4 52.Kh6 Rxf5 53.Kg7 Rf6 54.Kf8 Rg6 55.Re1+ Kf6 56.Rh1 Kg5 57.Ke8 f5 58.Kd8 f4 59.Kd7 f3 60.Ke8 f2 61.Rf1 Kg4 62.Rb1 Kf3 63.Rb4 Kg2 64.Rb1 f1Q 65.Rb2+ Kg1 66.Rb4 1-0 (66) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-BENED7707 (2682) Blitz 2022;

B) 11.0-0-0 Bxc3 12.bxc3 b6 13.Ne2 Ba6 14.Nf4 Nde5 15.c5

Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Rd8+ 17.Kc1 Bxf1 18.Rxf1 Nc4 19.Bd4 e5 20.cxb6 exd4 21.cxd4 Nxd4 22.bxa7 Nb5 23.Rd1 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 Nxa7 25.Ke2 Kf8 26.Nd5 h5 27.Kd3 Ne5+ 28.Kd4 Nac6+ 29.Kc5 Nd8 30.a4 Nd3+ 31.Kc4 Ne1 32.Ne3 Ne6 33.a5 Ke7 34.a6 h4 35.a7 Nc7 36.h3 Ke6 37.Kc3 Nb5+ 38.Kd2 Nxf3+ 39.gxf3 Nxa7 40.f4 f6 41.Ng2 g5 42.Ke3 Nc6 43.Kf3 Kf7 44.Kg4 Kg6 45.fxg5 fxg5 46.Nxh4+ gxh4 47.Kxh4 Ne5 48.Kg3 Kg5 49.h4+ Kh5 50.Kf4 Nc6 51.Kf5 Kxh4 52.e5 Kh5 53.e6 Kh6 54.Kf6 Kh7 55.Kf7 Ne5+ 56.Kf6 Ng4+ 57.Kf7 Nh6+ 58.Kf6 Ng4+ 59.Kg5 Kg7 60.e7 Kf7 61.e8Q+ Kxe8 ½-½ (61) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Soham0705 (2663) Blitz 2022;

C) 11.Nh3

C1) 11...Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Nde5 *(12...b6 13.Nf4 e6 14.h4 Ba6 15.h5 Nde5 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.c5 Bxf1 18.Kxf1 Nc4 19.Bf2 Rd2 20.cxb6 axb6 21.a4 b5 22.a5 Rxa5 23.Rxa5 N6xa5 24.Ne2 Ne3+ 25.Bxe3 Rd1+ 26.Kf2 Rxh1 27.Ng1 Nc4 28.Bc5 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Ke2 Kf7 31.Kd3 e5 32.Ke2 Ke6 33.Kd3 Kd5 34.Ba7 e4+ 35.fxe4+ fxe4+ 36.Ke2 Rh2 37.Kf2 e3+ 38.Kg3 Rh1 39.Ne2 Rf1 40.Nd4 Ke4 41.Ne2 Kd3 42.Nf4+ Rxf4 43.Kxf4 e2 44.Bf2 Kxc3 45.g4 Kd2 46.g5 Nd6 47.g6 Ne8 48.Ke5 e1Q+ 49.Bxe1+ Kxe1 50.Kd4 b4 51.Kc4 b3 52.Kxb3 Ke2 53.Kc4 Kf3 54.Kd5 Kf4 55.Ke6 Kg5 56.Kf7 Nd6+ 57.Ke7 Nf5+ 58.Kf7 Nh6+ 59.Kg7 Kh5 60.Kh7 Nf5 61.g7 Ne7 62.g8Q Nxg8* ½-½ (62) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-izel2 (2586) Blitz 2021*; 12...Nb6 13.Nf4 Na4 14.Bd2 Ne5 15.h4 b6 16.h5 Ba6 17.Nd5 Bxc4 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Nxe7+ Kf8 21.Nd5 Kg7 22.Bh6+ Kh8 23.Bg5+* 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-alina0220 (2552) Blitz 2021 *)*

C1a) 13.Nf4

C1a1) 13...Na5 14.c5 Be6 15.Nxe6 fxe6 16.f4 Nd3+ 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Bd4 Nc4 19.Rd1 Rxd1+ 20.Kxd1 e5 21.fxe5 Kf7 22.Ke2 Ke6 23.Rb1 Rb8 24.Rb4 Nxe5 25.Bxe5 Kxe5 26.Ke3 Ke6 27.Ra4 Rc8 28.Rxa7 Rxc5 29.Kd4 Rc7 30.a4 Kd6 31.e5+ Kc6 32.a5 Rd7+ 33.Ke3 Rd1 34.a6 bxa6 35.Rxa6+ Kd5 36.Ra7 e6 37.Rd7+ 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-l213457 (2570) Blitz 2023;

C1a2) 13...Be6 14.Nd5 Rac8 15.Rb1 b6 16.Be2 Rd7 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bg1 Na5 19.h3 Nf6 20.Nxf6+ exf6 21.Bd4 f5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Rb2 Be6 24.Kf2 Bxc4 25.Re1 f5 26.Bxc4+ Nxc4 27.Rbe2 Kf7 28.g4 Nd6 29.Kf3 Ne4 30.gxf5 gxf5 31.Rg2 Rg8 32.Rxg8 Kxg8 33.Rg1+ Kf7 34.Rg7+ Ke6 35.Rg8 Rc7

36.Re8+ Kf7 37.Re5 Kg6 38.Re6+ Kf7 39.Re5 Nxc3 40.Rxf5+ Ke6 41.Re5+ Kd6 42.Rh5 Ke6 43.Kg4 Nd5 44.Be5 Rc2 45.Rh6+ Kd7 46.Rxh7+ Kc6 47.Rxa7 Ne3+ 48.Kf3 Kd5 49.Kxe3 Rh2 50.Rd7+ Ke6 51.Rd3 Kf5 52.Kd4 Rxa2 53.Rb3 Ra4+ 54.Kd5 Ra5+ 55.Kd6 Ra4 56.Rxb6 Ra3 57.Rb7 Rxh3 58.Rf7+ Ke4 59.Rf6 Rd3+ 60.Ke6 Ra3 61.Rf7 Ra6+ 62.Ke7 Ra7+ 63.Kf6 Ra6+ 64.Kg7 Ra5 65.Rf6 Ra4 66.Kg6 Ra5 67.Kf7 Ra4 68.Re6 Kf5 69.Rd6 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-crackcubano (2755) Blitz 2021;

C1a3) 13...e6 14.Be2 Bd7 *(14...Na5 15.c5 Bd7 16.0-0 Ba4 17.Rab1 Rac8 18.h4 Nec4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Bc1 Rd7 21.Ne2 Rxc5 22.Nd4 e5 23.Nb3 Rc8 24.Bh6 f6 25.Rfd1 b6 26.Rxd7 Bxd7 27.Nd2 Be6 28.Nxc4 Bxc4 29.Rb2 Rd8 30.Bd2 Rd3 31.Kf2 Kf7 32.a3 Ke6 33.Ke1 Rd7 34.Rb4 b5 35.Rb2 f5 36.exf5+ gxf5 37.Be3 a6 38.Rd2 Rxd2 39.Kxd2 f4 40.Ba7 Bf1 41.Ke1 Bxg2 42.Kf2 Bh3 43.Bb8 Bf5 44.Bc7 Bd3 45.Bb8 Bf5 46.Bc7 Bd3 47.Bb8 Bf5 48.Bc7 ½-½ (48) Consent_to_treatment (2632)-juriko1 (2488) Blitz 2024)* 15.0-0 b6 16.c5 bxc5 17.Bxc5 g5 18.Nh5 Ng6 19.Rfd1 Nce5 20.Be3 h6 21.Nf6+ Kg7 22.Nxd7 Nxd7 23.Rab1 Nf4 24.Bf1 e5 25.Rb7 Nf6 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Bc4 Rd1+ 28.Kf2 g4 29.Rxf7+ Kg6 30.Rxa7 gxf3 31.gxf3 N6h5 32.Bf7+ 1 - 0 (3 2) Consent_to_treatment (2643)-Hrithika1234 (2572) Blitz 2023;

C1a4) 13...b6 14.c5 bxc5 *(14...Rb8 15.cxb6 axb6 16.Be2 e6 17.0-0 b5 18.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Nc4 20.Bc5 Ra8 21.a3 Nxa3 22.Ra1 b4 23.cxb4 Bb7 24.b5 Nxb5 25.Rxa8+ Bxa8 26.Bxb5 Ne5 27.Bd4 Nc6 28.Bxc6 Bxc6 29.Bf6 h6 30.h4 Kh7 31.e5 Bb5 32.Kf2 Bc6 33.g4 Bb5 34.Ke3 Bc6 35.g5 hxg5 36.Bxg5 Bb5 37.Ng2 Bc6 38.Ne1 Bb7 39.Kd4 Bd5 40.Kc5 Kg7 41.Kd6 Bb7 42.Ke7 Bd5 43.Kd6 Bb7 44.Kc5 Bd5 45.f4 Be4 46.Kd4 Bc6 47.Nd3 Bd5 48.Kc5 Be4 49.Nb4 Bf3 50.Kd6 Bb7 51.Ke7 Be4 52.Na6 Bc6 53.Nc7 Bf3 54.Ne8+ Kg8 55.Nd6 Bg4 56.Nxf7 Kg7 57.Nd8 1 - 0 (5 7) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Loay23 (2610) Blitz 2023)* 15.Bxc5 Rb8 16.Be2 Rb2 17.Ba3 Rc2 18.Bd1 Rxc3 19.Bb2 Re3+ 20.Kf2 Nc4 21.Bb3 Rd2+ 22.Kg3 Nxb2 23.Rac1 Bd7 24.Rc5

Kg7 25.Rhc1 Nd4 26.Rc7 Ne2+ 27.Nxe2 Rexe2 28.Rxa7 Rxg2+ 29.Kf4 Nd3+ 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-Zhigalko,A (2632) Blitz 2023;

C1b) 13.Nf2

C1b1) 13...Be6 14.c5 Nc4 *(14...Na5 15.Bd4 Nec6 16.Be3 Bc4 17.Be2 Rac8 18.h4 Ne5 19.h5 Bxe2 20.Kxe2 Nec4 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Rhd1 Nxe3 23.Kxe3 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Rxc5 25.Kd3 Rc7 26.Kc2 Nc4 27.Ng4 Kg7 28.Re1 f6 29.Ne3 Nb6 30.Rd1 Kf7 31.Nd5 Nxd5 32.Rxd5 e6 33.Rd8 g5 34.Kb3 Ke7 35.Rg8 Kd6 36.g3 Ke5 37.Re8 Rc6 38.c4 Rb6+ 39.Kc3 Rb1 40.Re7 a5 41.Kc2 Rb4 42.Kc3 b6 43.a3 Rb1 44.Rb7 Rf1 45.Rxb6 Rxf3+ 46.Kc2 Rxa3 47.c5 f5 48.exf5 exf5 49.c6 Kd6 50.Rb5 Rxg3 51.Rxf5 Kxc6 52.Rf6+ Kb5 53.Rg6 Ka4 54.Rg8 Rg2+ 55.Kd3 g4 56.Ke4 Rg1 57.Kf5 g3 58.Kf4 g2 59.Kf3 Rf1+ 60.Kxg2 Rf7 61.Rg5 Rb7 62.Rg4+ Rb4 63.Rg3 Rb3 64.Kh3 Rb4 65.Rg5 Rb3+ 66.Kh4 Rb4+ 67.Kh5 Rb5 68.Kh6 Rxg5 69.Kxg5* ½ - ½ (6 9) Consent_to_treatment (2629)-alina0220 (2582) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.a4 Na5 17.Bd4 Rac8 18.0-0-0 Bb3 19.Rde1 Bxa4 20.Kb2 Nc4+ 21.Ka2 e5 22.Be3 Nxe3 23.Rxe3 Rd2+ 24.Ka3 Rxf2 25.Kxa4 Rxc5 26.g4 Rb2 27.h4 Rc6 28.Ka3 Rb5 29.Ka4 Rcb6 30.Rd1 Rb2 31.Ka3 R6b3+ 32.Ka4 b5+ 33.Ka5 Ra3# 0-1 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-pawnendgames (2609) Blitz 2022;

C1b2) 13...Na5 14.c5 Nec4 15.Bc1 Bd7 16.Be2 Rac8 17.Nd3 Ba4 18.Kf2 Bb5 19.a4 Be8 20.Ra2 f6 21.h4 h5 22.Bf4 e5 23.Bc1 Kf8 24.Rd1 Bf7 25.g4 hxg4 26.fxg4 Ne3 27.Bxe3 Bxa2 28.g5 Bb3 29.Rg1 Bc4 30.Rd1 Nc6 31.gxf6 Kf7 32.Bg5 Rd7 33.Bg4 Be6 34.Bxe6+ Kxe6 35.Ke3 Nd8 36.c6 Rxc6 37.Rb1 Rxc3 0 - 1 (3 7) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-FastforYou (2677) Blitz 2022;

C2) 11...Nde5 12.Nf2

C2a) 12...Nb4 13.Rc1 b6 14.Be2 Ba6 15.b3 Ned3+ 16.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Bxd3 Rxd3 18.Nd1 Rad8 *(18...f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Ke2 Rad8 21.Nf2 R3d7 22.Rhd1 b5 23.Rxd7 Rxd7 24.Nd3 bxc4 25.bxc4 Rc7 26.Nc5 Bc8 27.Nb3 Ba6 28.Kf2 Rxc4 29.Rxc4 Bxc4 30.Bxa7 Kf7 31.Ke3 e5 32.f4 Ke6 33.g3 Kd5 34.fxe5 Bxe5 35.Kf3 h5 36.Be3 Ke6 37.Bf4 Bc3*

38.Be3 Ke5 39.Nc1 Bb2 40.a4 Bxc1 41.Bxc1 Bb3 42.a5 Bc4 43.Be3 Ba6 44.Bf4+ Kd5 45.Ke3 Bb5 46.Bc7 Ke6 47.Kd4 Kf6 48.Kc5 Bf1 49.Kb6 Kg5 50.a6 Kg4 51.a7 Bg2 52.Bf4 Kh3 53.Kc7 h4 54.Kb8 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-SaxKaiGoal (2628) Blitz 2021*)* 19.Ke2 b5 *(19...f5 20.Nf2 R3d7 21.Rhd1 Kf7 22.Rxd7 Rxd7 23.Rd1 Rxd1 24.Kxd1 Bb7 25.Kc2 e5 26.Kd3 Bf8 27.Nd1 Bb4 28.Bc1 Ke6 29.Bb2 f4 30.Bc3 Bc5 31.Be1 g5 32.Nc3 Bb4 33.Bd2 Bxc3 34.Bxc3 h5 35.h3 Bc8 36.a4 Kd6 37.a5 g4 38.hxg4 hxg4 39.axb6 axb6 40.Bb4+ Kc6 41.Bf8 g3 42.Bg7 Kd6 43.Bf8+ Kc6 44.Ke2 Be6 45.Kf1 Bf7 46.Be7 Kd7 47.Bf8 Be8 48.Ba3 Ke6 49.b4 Bc6 50.c5 bxc5 51.bxc5 Bb5+ 52.Kg1 Bc6 53.Bb2 Bd7 54.Ba1 Kf6 55.Bb2 Ke6 56.Ba1 Bc6 57.Bb2 Bd7* ½-½ (57) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-Koshechka22 (2704) Blitz 2022 *)* 20.Nf2 R3d7 *(20...bxc4 21.Nxd3 Rxd3 22.bxc4 Ra3 23.Rc2* 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-killerm3000 (2587) Blitz 2021 *)* 21.Rhd1 bxc4 22.bxc4 Rxd1 23.Nxd1 Rc8 24.Kd3 Rd8+ 25.Ke2 Rc8 26.Bxa7 Rxc4 27.Rxc4 Bxc4+ 28.Ke3 Bxa2 29.Bd4 Bb3 30.Bxg7 Bxd1 31.Bb2 f6 32.Kf2 Kf7 33.Ba3 Bb3 34.Bb2 Bc4 35.Ba3 Bb3 36.Bb2 Bc4 37.Ba3 Bb3 38.Bb2 Bc4 39.Ba3 Bb3 ½-½ (39) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-DorukSarp17 (2661) Blitz 2023;

C2b) 12...Be6 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.cxd5 Nb4 15.0-0-0 Nxa2+ 16.Kb1 Nb4 17.Be2 Rdc8 18.Rc1 a5 19.f4 Nd7 20.Rhd1 b6 21.Bg4 Rd8 22.Bxd7 Rxd7 23.Bxb6 Rb7 24.Bd4 a4 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Nd3 Nxd3 27.Rxd3 a3 28.b3 Rb4 29.Rc4 Rb6 30.Ka2 f5 31.e5 Ra5 32.b4 Ra4 33.d6 exd6 34.exd6 Ra8 35.d7 Rbb8 36.Rxa3 Rxa3+ 37.Kxa3 Kf7 38.Rc8 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2675)-Romsta (2589) Blitz 2023;

C2c) 12...a6 13.Rc1 Nd4 14.Nd5 Nec6 15.Bd3 e6 16.Nb6 Rb8 17.0-0 Ne5 18.Bxd4 Rxd4 19.Rfd1 Bh6 20.Rc2 Be3 21.Kf1 Bxf2 22.Rxf2 Bd7 23.Nxd7 Rxd7 24.Rfd2 Rbd8 25.Ke2 a5 26.b3 g5 27.Bc2 Kf8 28.Rxd7 Nxd7 29.g3 Ke7 30.f4 h6 31.e5 b6 32.Be4 Rc8 33.Bb7 Rc7 34.Be4 Nc5 35.Bc2 f6 36.exf6+ Kxf6 37.Ke3 gxf4+ 38.Kxf4 e5+ 39.Ke3 Rd7 40.Rxd7 Nxd7 41.a3 Ke6 42.b4 axb4 43.axb4 Nf6 44.Bd1 Kd6 45.Bf3 Nd7 46.g4 Nf6 47.h4 Ke6 48.g5 hxg5 49.hxg5 Ng8 50.Be4 Kd6 51.Kd3 Ne7 52.Kc3 Ke6 53.Kd3 Kd6

54.Ke3 Ke6 55.Kf3 Kd6 56.Kg4 Ke6 57.Kh5 Kf7 58.Kh6 Kg8 59.g6 Kf8 60.Kg5 Kg7 61.c5 bxc5 62.bxc5 Nc8 63.Kf5 Ne7+ 64.Kxe5 Nc8 65.Ke6 Na7 66.Kd7 Nb5 67.c6 Na7 68.c7 Kf6 69.c8Q Nxc8 70.Kxc8 Ke7 71.Bd3 Kf6 72.Kd7 Kg7 73.Ke8 Kf6 ½-½ (73) Consent_to_treatment (2725)-drawingchest (2589) Blitz 2023;

C3) 11...Nd4 12.0-0-0 e5 13.Nf2 Nc5 14.Nd3 Nce6 15.Nd5 Bd7 16.Kb1 Rac8 17.N3b4 Kf8 18.Rc1 f5 19.Bd3 a5 20.Nc2 Nc5 21.Rhd1 fxe4 22.Bxe4 Nxe4 23.fxe4 Bg4 24.Rf1+ Ke8 25.Nxd4 exd4 26.Bg5 Rd6 27.e5 Re6 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.exf6 Kf7 30.Rfe1 Bf5+ 31.Ka1 Rxc4 32.Rxe6 Rxc1+ 33.Bxc1 Kxe6 34.Bg5 h6 35.Bxh6 Kxf6 36.Bd2 a4 37.b3 a3 38.h3 Ke5 39.g4 Be4 40.h4 Kf6 41.h5 g5 42.Bc1 d3 43.Bd2 Bf3 44.h6 Kg6 45.h7 Kxh7 46.Bxg5 Bxg4 47.Kb1 Kg6 48.Be7 d2 0-1 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-SuPeRcHeSs14 (2658) Blitz 2025;

C4) 11...a5 12.Rc1 *(12.0-0-0 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Nde5 14.Nf4 Bd7 15.Bb6 Rdc8 16.Nd5 Kf8 17.f4 Ng4 18.h3 Nh6 19.Nc7 Rxc7 20.Bxc7 Ke8 21.Bb6 f5 22.e5 Be6 23.g3 a4 24.a3 Na5 25.c5 Nb3+ 26.Kb2 Rc8 27.Bb5+ Kf7 28.Bxa4 Nxc5 29.Bxc5 Rxc5 30.Rd4 Kg7 31.Bb3 Bxb3 32.Kxb3 g5 33.Rb4 b5 34.Rd1 Nf7 35.Rd7 Kf8 36.Rb7 Rd5 37.Rd4 Rc5 38.Rb4* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-Liochess13 (2775) Blitz 2023*)* 12...Nde5 13.Nf2 a4 14.Be2 a3 15.b3 Nb4 16.0-0 Nec6 17.Nfd1 Nd4 18.Kf2 Ndc2 19.Bb6 Rd2 20.Bc5 Be6 21.Bxb4 Nxb4 22.Ke1 Rb2 23.Rf2 Rd8 24.Bf1 Rxf2 25.Nxf2 Bxc3+ 26.Rxc3 Nxa2 27.Rd3 Ra8 28.Rd1 Nb4 29.Nd3 a2 30.Nxb4 a1Q 31.Rxa1 Rxa1+ 32.Kf2 Rb1 33.Nd5 Bxd5 34.cxd5 Rxb3 35.Bc4 Rb2+ 36.Kf1 b5 37.Bd3 b4 38.h4 h5 39.g3 b3 40.Ke1 Rg2 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2734)-rolly9891 (2634) Blitz 2022]

[10...a6 11.Rc1 Be6 12.b3 Nb4 13.Nh3 Bxh3 14.gxh3 Nh5 15.Be2 Bxc3+ 16.Rxc3 Nxa2 17.Rc2 Nb4 18.Rd2 e5 19.Kf2 Rxd2 20.Bxd2 Nc6 21.Rb1 a5 22.c5 Nd4 23.Bc4 Ng7 24.Bd5 Ra7 25.Ra1 Nge6 26.b4 a4 27.h4 h5 28.Bc3 Kf8 29.Ra2 Ke7 30.Ke3 a3 31.Kd3 Nxf3 32.Kc4 Nfd4 33.Bxd4 Nxd4 34.b5 Ra4+ 35.Kd3 Nxb5 36.Bxb7 Rd4+ 37.Ke3 Rc4 38.Ba6 Rxc5 39.Bxb5 Rxb5 40.Rxa3 Rb2 41.Ra7+ Kf6 42.Ra6+ Kg7 43.Ra5 Rxh2 44.Rxe5 Rxh4 45.Ra5 Rh3+ 46.Kf4 Rh1 47.Ra7 Rf1+ 48.Ke3 h4 49.Ra2 g5 50.Ke2 Rf4 51.Ke3 h3 52.Ra7 Rh4 53.Ra1 h2 54.Rh1 Kf6 55.Kf3 Ke5 56.Ke3 f6 57.Kf3 Rh3+ 58.Kg2 Rh4 59.Kf3 Kd4 60.e5 Kxe5 61.Kg3 Kf5 62.Kg2 Kg6 63.Kf3 f5 64.Kg3 f4+ 65.Kf2 Kh5 66.Kg2 g4 67.Kf2 f3 68.Kg3 Rh3+ 69.Kf2 Kh4 70.Ke3 g3 71.Kf4 1-0 (71) Consent_to_treatment

(2725)-Buscapina (2606) Blitz 2021] [10...Nh5 11.Rc1 Nd4 *(11...e6 12.Nh3 Nb4 13.Nf2 b6 14.Be2 Ba6 15.0-0 Rac8 16.b3 Bxc3 17.Rxc3 Nxa2 18.Rc2 Nb4 19.Rd2 Bb7 20.Rfd1 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 Bc6 22.Ng4 f5 23.Ne5 Be8 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Bg5 Kg7 26.g4 Nf6 27.h4 Nc6 28.Nxc6 Bxc6 29.gxf5 exf5 30.Rd6 Nd7 31.Bd3 Nc5 32.Bxf5 Rf8 33.Bh6+* 1-0 (33) Consent_to_treatment (2670)-Yanescuba (2576) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Nge2 Nxe2 *(12...e5 13.Nd5 Be6 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.Bd2 Rd7 16.Bd3 b6 17.0-0 f5 18.Rfe1 fxe4 19.Bxe4 Rc8 20.b3 b5 21.Bxg6 Bxd5 22.Bxh5 bxc4 23.Bg4 Rdc7 24.Bxc8 c3 25.Bxc3 dxc3 26.Be6+ Bxe6 27.Rxe6 Bh6 28.Rc2 Bd2 29.Kf1 Kf7 30.Re2 Rd7 31.Re4 Rd6 32.Ke2 Rg6 33.g3 Rh6 34.h4 Rg6 35.g4 h5 36.Rxd2 cxd2 37.Kxd2 hxg4 38.fxg4* 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-SouthAfricanWolf (2599) Blitz 2025*)* 13.Bxe2 Be5 14.g3 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Bxc3+ 17.Rxc3 Nf6 18.0-0 Be6 19.Bf3 Rac8 20.Rfc1 b6 21.b3 Ne4 22.R3c2 Rd3 23.Re1 Rcd8 24.Bg2 Bf7 25.Bc1 Bg6 26.Rce2 Rd1 27.Kf1 Bh5 28.Re3 Bg6 29.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 30.Re1 Rd7 31.Bf3 Kf7 32.Be3 Rd3 33.Bd1 e6 34.Ke2 Rd7 35.Kf1 h5 36.Bc2 Nd2+ 37.Bxd2 Rxd2 38.Re2 Rd6 39.Ke1 Kf6 40.Rd2 Ke7 41.Rxd6 Kxd6 42.Kd2 h4 43.gxh4 Bh5 44.Ke3 Kc6 45.Kd4 Kd6 46.b4 Bf7 47.c5+ bxc5+ 48.bxc5+ Kc6 49.Ba4+ Kc7 50.Ke5 Bg8 51.Bb5 a6 52.Bxa6 Kc6 53.Bc8 Kxc5 54.Bxe6 Bh7 55.Bxf5 Bg8 56.h5 Bxa2 57.h6 Bg8 58.h7 Bxh7 59.Bxh7 1-0 (59) Consent_to_treatment (2702)-dogman12345 (2606) Blitz 2024] [10...Nd4 11.0-0-0 Ne8 *(11...e5 12.Nge2* 1-0 (12) Consent_to_treatment (2628)-Chaozu (2563) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Nge2 e5 13.Nb5 Be6 14.Nexd4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 Rac8 17.b3 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Rxd4 19.Bxd4 b5 20.Bxa7 bxc4 21.Kb2 c3+ 22.Kc2 Ra8 23.Be3 Rxa2+ 24.Kxc3 Rxg2 25.Rd1 Nc7 26.Rd7 Nb5+ 27.Kc4 Re2 28.Bh6 Na3+ 29.Kb4 Nc2+ 30.Kc3 f5 31.exf5 gxf5 32.Rd2 Rxd2 33.Bxd2 Na3 34.b4 Kf7 35.Kb3 Nb5 36.Kc4 Na3+ 37.Kc5 Ke6 38.b5 Kd7 39.b6 h5 40.Bf4 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-AlexVerzhansky (2531) Blitz 2024] [10...a5 11.Nge2 Be6 12.Nf4 Nb4 13.Rc1 Nd7 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.a3 Nc6 16.Be2 Nde5 17.Kf2 Nd3+ 18.Bxd3 Rxd3 19.Rhd1 Ne5 20.Ke2 Rxd1 21.Nxd1 a4 22.Bd4 Rc8 23.Bxe5 Bxe5 24.g3 b5 25.c5 Kf8 26.f4 Bd4 27.c6 e5 28.fxe5 Bxe5 29.Rc5 Bd6 30.Rc2 Ke8 31.Kd3 Be5 32.Rc5 Bd6 33.Rxb5 Rxc6 34.Nc3 h5 35.Nxa4 Rc1 36.e5 Bc7 37.Rc5 Rxc5 38.Nxc5 Bxe5 39.b4 h4 40.gxh4 Bxh2 41.Ne4 Kd7 42.Ke3 Kc6 43.a4 Be5 44.Kf3 Bb2 45.b5+ Kb6 46.Kg4 Bc1 47.Nc3 Ka5 48.Nd5 Bd2 49.b6 Ka6 50.Nxe7 Kxb6 51.Nxg6 Ka5 52.Nf4 Kxa4 53.h5 Bc3 54.h6 Kb5 55.Kf5 Kc6 56.Kg6 Kd7 57.Nh5 Bh8 58.Kh7 Be5 59.Ng7 Ke7 60.Kg8 Kf6 61.h7 Kg5 62.h8Q Kf4 63.Qh7 Ke3 64.Ne8 Bf4 65.Qf7 Be5 66.Qe7 Kd4 67.Qe6 Bf4 68.Ng7 Bg3 69.Nf5+ Kd3 70.Kf7 Bf4 71.Qd7+

Ke4 72.Qe6+ Kf3 73.Ke8 Kg4 74.Nd6+ Kg5 75.Nf7+ Kh4 76.Qe4 Kg3 77.Nd6 Bxd6 78.Qg6+ Kf4 79.Qxd6+ Ke4 80.Qe7+ Kf5 81.Kd7 Kf4 82.Qe6 Kf3 83.Kd6 Kf4 84.Qe5+ Kg4 85.Kd5 Kf3 86.Qe4+ Kg3 87.Ke5 Kh3 88.Qf4 Kg2 89.Ke4 Kg1 90.Ke3 Kh1 91.Qf3+ Kg1 92.Kf4 Kh2 93.Qg4 Kh1 94.Kf3 Kh2 95.Qg2# 1-0 (95) Consent_to_treatment (2698)-Liochess13 (2721) Blitz 2023]

[10...e5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 Nd4 13.0-0-0 Bd7 14.Bd3 Rac8+ 15.Kb1 f5 16.Ne2 fxe4 17.fxe4 Bg4 18.Rd2 Rf8 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Bg5 Be5 21.g3 Bf3 22.Re1 Kg7 23.Bf4 Bxf4 24.gxf4 Rxf4 25.d6 Bg4 26.e5 Be6 27.Be4 Rc5 28.Bd3 Kf7 29.b3 Ke8 30.Kb2 Kd7 31.Bc2 a6 32.Bd3 g5 33.Bxh7 g4 34.Bd3 Rf3 35.Bc4 Rf4 36.Bxe6+ Kxe6 37.Red1 Rxe5 38.Rxd4 Rxd4 39.Rxd4 Kd7 40.Rxg4 Re2+ 41.Ka3 Kxd6 42.Rh4 Rg2 43.Rh6+ Kc7 44.Rh8 Kb6 45.Rh6+ Ka7 46.Rh8 b5 47.h4 a5 48.Rh6 Rh2 49.h5 Kb7 50.b4 Rh3+ 51.Kb2 axb4 52.Kc2 Kc7 53.Kb2 Kd7 54.Rh8 Kc6 55.h6 Kb7 56.Kc2 Rh2+ 57.Kb3 Rh4 58.h7 Ka7 59.Kc2 Rh3 60.Kd2 b3 61.axb3 Kb7 62.b4 Rh4 63.Ke3 Rh3+ 64.Kf4 Rh1 65.Kf5 Rf1+ 66.Ke6 Rf8 67.Kd5 Rxh8 68.Kc5 Rxh7 69.Kxb5 Rh5+ 70.Kc4 Rh4+ 71.Kb3 Rh3+ 72.Ka4 Kc7 73.b5 Kb6 0-1 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2620)-anhghOst24 (2576) Blitz 2023]

11.Rc1 b6

[11...Be6 12.b3 *(12.Nh3 Bxh3 13.gxh3 e6 14.Be2 Nh5 15.Kf2 Nd3+ 16.Bxd3 Rxd3 17.Rhd1 Rxe3 18.Kxe3 Bh6+ 19.Kf2 Bxc1 20.Rxc1 Nf4 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 a6 23.a4 Rc7 24.h4 Kg7 25.Ne2 Nh5 26.Ng3 Nf4 27.Ne2 Nh5 28.Ke3 Nf6 29.Nf4 Nd7 30.Nd3 Kf6 31.Rc1 b6 32.f4 Ke7 33.b4 a5 34.bxa5 bxa5 35.c5 Kd8 36.Kd4 Nb8 37.Rb1 Nc6+ 38.Kc3 Kc8 39.Rb5 Rd7 40.Ne5 Nxe5 41.fxe5 Rd1 42.Rxa5 Re1 43.Kd4 Rd1+ 44.Kc4 Re1 45.Kb5 Rxe4 46.Ra7 Rxe5 47.Rxf7 Rh5 48.Kc6 Kb8 49.Rb7+ Ka8 50.Rb4 Rxh4 51.Rxh4* 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2624)-Pacothelegend (2558) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nd3+ *(12...a5 13.Nh3 a4 14.Nf4 Bh6 15.Kf2 Bd7 16.Nfd5 Bxe3+ 17.Kxe3 Nfxd5+ 18.exd5 axb3 19.axb3 Ra3 20.Rb1 Bf5 21.Rb2 Bc2 22.Nb5 Rxb3+ 23.Rxb3 Bxb3 24.Kd4 Ba4 25.Nc3 Bd7 26.Bd3 Ra8 27.Rb1 Nxd3 28.Kxd3 Bf5+ 29.Ne4 Ra7 30.g4 Bxe4+ 31.fxe4 Kf8 32.g5 Ke8 33.Kd4 Kd7 34.Rf1 Ke8 35.h4 Ra2 36.Rb1 Rd2+ 37.Kc5 Re2 38.Rxb7 Rxe4 39.Kb5 Rxh4 40.c5 Kd8 41.Kc6 Kc8 42.Rxe7* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-anand68 (2707) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Bxd3 Rxd3 14.Nd1

A) 14...b6 15.Ke2 Rad8 16.Nf2 Rxe3+ 17.Kxe3 Nd7 18.Ngh3 Bh6+ 19.f4 f5 20.Ng5 Bxg5 21.fxg5 Ne5 22.Rhd1 Rf8 23.h3 1-0 (23) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-billy_butcher_oi (2617) Blitz 2022;

B) 14...Rad8 15.Ne2 *(15.Nh3 Bxh3 16.gxh3 a5 17.Ke2 Nh5 18.Nf2 Rxe3+ 19.Kxe3 Bh6+ 20.Ke2 Rd2+ 21.Kf1 Rxa2 22.Rb1 Be3 23.Ng4 Bd4 24.e5 Nf4 25.Rd1 Bc5 26.e6 h5 27.Ne5*

Rf2+ 0-1 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-DoctorAjedrez (2597) Blitz 2021*)* 15...Nd7 16.Kf2 Ne5 17.Ndc3 f5 18.Nf4 Bf7 19.Nxd3 Nxd3+ 20.Ke2 Nxc1+ 21.Rxc1 a6 22.Nd5 fxe4 23.fxe4 e6 24.Nf4 g5 25.Nd3 Bh5+ 26.Kd2 h6 27.Re1 Bg6 28.Bb6 Rd6 29.Bc5 Rd7 30.Kc2 Bd4 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.Nf2 Kf7 33.Kc3 e5 34.Re3 Ke6 35.Rd3 Bxe4 36.Nxe4 Rxe4 37.Rh3 Re2 38.Rxh6+ Kf5 39.Rh7 Rxg2 40.Rxb7 Rxa2 41.c5 e4 42.Re7 Rxh2 43.c6 Rh6 44.c7 Rc6+ 45.Kd4 g4 46.Kd5 Rc1 47.Kd6 g3 48.Rf7+ Kg4 49.Rg7+ Kf3 50.Rf7+ Ke2 51.Rg7 Kf2 52.Rf7+ Kg1 53.Re7 g2 54.Rxe4 Kh2 55.Rg4 g1Q 56.Rxg1 Kxg1 57.Kd7 Kf2 58.c8Q Rxc8 59.Kxc8 Ke3 60.Kb7 Kd4 61.Kxa6 Kc3 62.b4 Kxb4 ½-½ (62) Consent_to_treatment (2692)-schaakam (2636) Blitz 2023;

C) 14...a6 15.Ne2 Nd7 16.Nf4 Rd6 17.Nc3 Bxc3+ 18.Rxc3 Rc8 19.Ke2 Ne5 20.Nxe6 Rxe6 21.Bf4 g5 22.Bxg5 Rg6 23.Bf4 Rxg2+ 24.Kf1 Rxa2 25.Bxe5 Rd8 26.Rg1+ Kf8 27.Rc1 Rdd2 28.Bg3 e5 29.Re1 f6 30.h4 h5 31.Rc1 a5 32.Be1 Rh2 33.Bg3 Rhd2 34.Rh1 Kf7 35.Be1 Rg2 36.Rh3 b6 37.Rd1 Ke6 38.Rg3 Rh2 39.Rg8 Rh1+ 40.Rg1 Rhh2 41.Rd8 Rab2 42.Rd3 Kf7 43.Rg3 Rh1+ 44.Rg1 Rhh2 45.f4 exf4 46.Rf3 Ke6 47.Rxf4 Ke5 48.Rf2 Kxe4 49.Rxh2 Rxh2 50.Rg6 f5 51.Rxb6 Kf3 52.Kg1 Rg2+ 53.Kf1 Rh2 54.Rg6 Rb2 55.Rg3+ Ke4 56.Rc3 f4 57.c5 a4 58.c6 a3 59.c7 a2 60.c8Q a1Q 61.Qc6+ 1-0 (61) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-khalouda-ya-m3alem (2580) Blitz 2023;

D) 14...Nh5 15.Ne2 Rad8 16.g4 Nf6 17.Nf4 R3d7 18.Ke2 b6 19.Nf2 h5 20.h3 Bh6 21.Rhd1 Bxf4 22.Bxf4 Kh7 23.Rxd7 Nxd7 24.Rd1 Rc8 25.Be3 hxg4 26.hxg4 Ne5 27.Rh1+ Kg8 28.Bd4 f6 29.Bxe5 fxe5 30.Nd3 b5 31.c5 a5 32.Rc1 a4 33.bxa4 bxa4 34.a3 Rb8 35.Rc3 Kg7 36.Nxe5 Kf6 37.Nc6 Rb2+ 38.Ke3 Bd7 39.Nb4 Ke6 40.c6 Bc8 41.c7 Kd7 42.Kd4 Kd6 43.Ke3 Kd7 44.f4 Kd6 45.f5 g5 46.Kd4 Rd2+ 47.Ke3 Rg2 48.Kf3 Rb2 49.Nd5 e6 50.fxe6 Kxe6 51.Ke3 Rb1 52.Kd4 Rd1+ 53.Kc5 Rg1 54.Nb6 Bb7 55.c8Q+ Bxc8 56.Nxc8 Rxg4 57.Kd4 Rg1 58.Rc6+ Kd7 59.Na7 g4 60.Rg6 g3 61.Ke5 g2 62.Rg7+ Kd8 63.Nc6+ Kc8 64.Nb4 Kb8 65.Nd5 Kc8 66.Nb6+ Kb8 67.Nxa4 Kc8 68.Nb6+ Kb8 69.Nd5 Kc8 70.a4 Kb8 71.a5 Ka8 72.a6 Rb1 73.Rg8+ Rb8 74.Rxg2 Ka7 75.Rg7+ Rb7 76.Rxb7+ Ka8 77.Rb1 Ka7 78.Kd6 Ka8 79.Kc7 Ka7 80.e5 Ka8 81.a7 Kxa7 82.Ra1# 1-0 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2641)-ScareCCrow06PL (2695) Blitz 2022;

E) 14...a5 15.Ke2

E1) 15...Rdd8 16.Nc3 Rdc8 *(16...Nd7 17.Nh3 Bxh3 18.gxh3 Ne5 19.Na4 Nd3 20.Rcd1 Nb4 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Bb6 Ra8 23.a3 Nc2 24.Bc5 Nd4+ 25.Bxd4 Bxd4 26.f4 e5*

27.f5 Kf8 28.Rd1 Ke7 29.Rd3 Kf6 30.fxg6 hxg6 31.Nc3 Bxc3 32.Rxc3 Rh8 33.b4 axb4 34.axb4 Rh4 35.Rf3+ Ke6 36.Kd3 f5 37.Re3 fxe4+ 38.Kc3 Kf5 39.c5 Kf4 40.Rg3 g5 41.b5 Rh6 42.Kc4 Rg6 43.Rg1 Kf3 44.Rf1+ Ke2 45.Rf5 e3 46.Rxe5 Kf2 47.Kd3 Rg8 48.Rf5+ Kg2 49.Kxe3 Kxh3 50.Rf2 Rd8 51.Ke4 g4 52.Rc2 Re8+ 53.Kd5 Rd8+ 54.Ke6 Re8+ 55.Kd6 Rd8+ 56.Kc7 Rd5 57.Kxb7 Rd7+ 58.Kb6 Rg7 59.c6 Rg6 60.Kb7 Rf6 61.b6 Rxc6 62.Kxc6 g3 63.hxg3 Kxg3 64.Rc5 Kf3 65.b7 Ke3 66.b8Q Kd4 67.Qb4+ Ke3 68.Rc3+ Kd2 69.Qb2+ Kd1 70.Rc1# 1-0 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-ZoubkovaVila (2677) Blitz 2022 *)* 17.Nh3 a4 18.Nf4 axb3 19.axb3 Bd7 20.Ncd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Ra2+ 22.Bd2 Rd8 23.Nxe7+ Kf8 24.Nd5 Bh6 25.Rhd1 b5 26.Kd3 bxc4+ 27.bxc4 Bg7 28.Bb4+ Kg8 29.Rd2 Ra4 30.Be7 Rb8 31.Nf6+ Bxf6 32.Bxf6 Be6 33.c5 h6 34.Ke3 g5 35.c6 Kh7 36.c7 Rb3+ 37.Rd3 Raa3 38.Rxb3 Rxb3+ 39.Kf2 Kg6 40.Be5 Bc8 41.Rc6+ Kh7 42.h4 Rb5 43.Bd4 Ra5 44.hxg5 hxg5 45.Kg3 Ra8 46.Rb6 Ra4 47.Be5 Rc4 48.Rb8 Be6 49.Rh8+ Kg6 50.Rg8+ Kh6 51.Rb8 Kg6 52.Rb2 Kh7 53.Rd2 Kg6 54.Rd3 Kh7 55.Rc3 Rxc3 56.Bxc3 Kg6 57.Bd2 f5 58.e5 Bc8 59.Bc1 f4+ 60.Bxf4 Kf5 61.Be3 Kxe5 62.Bxg5 Kf5 63.Bf4 Be6 64.Bd6 Bc8 65.Kf2 Ke6 66.Bh2 Kd7 67.g4 Ke6 68.Ke3 Kf7 69.Kf2 Bd7 70.Bf4 Bc8 71.Kg3 Kg6 72.Be3 Kf7 73.f4 Ke6 74.f5+ Kd7 75.Kf4 Kxc7 76.Bd4 Kd7 77.g5 Ke7 78.g6 Kf8 79.Kg5 Bd7 80.f6 Be8 81.Bc5+ Kg8 82.Bd6 1-0 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2730)-Soham0705 (2696) Blitz 2024;

E2) 15...Rd7 16.Nc3 Nh5 17.g4 Bxc3 18.Rxc3 Nf6 19.a4 Rad8 20.e5 Ne8 21.Nh3 h5 22.Rg1 hxg4 23.fxg4 f6 24.Nf4 Kf7 25.Nxe6 Kxe6 26.exf6 Nxf6 27.Bf4 Kf7 28.Rc2 Rd3 29.Rg3 Rxg3 30.Bxg3 Nxg4 31.Rd2 Rh8 32.Kf3 Nh6 33.Rd7 b6 34.Rb7 Rd8 35.Rxb6 Rd3+ 36.Ke2 Rc3 37.Be1 Rh3 38.Bxa5 Rxh2+ 39.Kd3 g5 40.Rb8 g4 41.Bb6 g3 42.c5 Nf5 43.c6 Nd6 44.c7 g2 45.c8Q Nxc8 46.Rxc8 Rh3+ 47.Kc2 Rh6 48.Bc5 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-alexandr_gorokhov (2587) Blitz 2022;

E3) 15...Rad8 16.Nf2 *(16.Nh3 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Bg4+ 18.Kf2 Rxd1 19.Rhxd1 Rxd1 20.Rxd1 Bxd1 21.Nf4 Bc2 22.Kf3 Bb1 23.a4 Ba2 24.Nd5 Bxb3 25.Nxe7+ Kf8 26.Bc5 Ke8 27.Nc8 Kd7 28.Nd6 b6 29.Ba3 Bf8 30.e5 f6 31.Ke4 fxe5 32.Kxe5 Bxa4 33.c5 Bxd6+ 34.cxd6 b5 35.Bc5 b4 36.Bb6 b3 37.Bd4 Bc6 38.Bb2 a4 39.g3 g5 40.Ba3 g4 41.Bb2 h5 42.Ba3* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2689)-

sina_iran (2811) Blitz 2021*)* 16...R3d6 17.Ngh3 Bxh3 18.Nxh3 a4 19.Rhd1 axb3 20.axb3 Rxd1 21.Rxd1 Ra8 22.Nf4 e6 23.Bb6 Bh6 24.Rd8+ Rxd8 25.Bxd8 Nxe4 26.Nxe6 Nc3+ 27.Kd3 Nd1 28.Nc5 Ne3 29.g4 Nf1 30.Nxb7 Nxh2 31.Ke2 f5 32.gxf5 gxf5 33.Nd6 Bf4 34.Nxf5 Kf7 35.b4 Ke6 36.Ne3 h5 37.Nd5 Bd6 38.Bc7 Bxc7 39.Nxc7+ Kd7 40.Nd5 Kd6 41.Ne3 Ke5 42.c5 Kf4 43.c6 Nxf3 44.c7 Nd4+ 45.Kd3 1-0 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2735)-Loin_sn (2857) Blitz 2022]

[11...Nd3+ 12.Bxd3 Rxd3 13.Ke2 Rd8 *(13...Rxe3+ 14.Kxe3 Bh6+ 15.f4 Ng4+ 16.Kf3 Ne5+ 17.Kg3 Nd3 18.Rd1 Nxb2 19.Rd8+ Kg7 20.Nge2 Nxc4 21.Nd5 b6 22.Rc1 Nd6 23.e5 Nf5+ 24.Kf2 Bb7 25.Rxa8 Bxa8 26.Ne3 Nxe3 27.Kxe3 Bxg2 28.Rc7 a5 29.Rxe7 Bd5 30.a3 Kf8 31.Rd7 Be6 32.Rb7 g5 33.Rxb6 Bc4 34.Rxh6* 1-0 (34) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-Escutario (2563) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Kf2 *(14.Nh3 Bxh3 15.gxh3 Nd7 16.Rhd1 Ne5 17.b3 Nc6 18.Nb5 a6 19.Nc7 Rac8 20.Nd5 e6 21.Nb6 Rb8 22.Nd7 Rbc8 23.Nc5 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 b5 25.Nxa6 bxc4 26.b4 c3 27.b5 Na5 28.Nc5 Nc4 29.Bf2 Bh6 30.Nb3 c2 31.Rd3 Nb2 32.Be3 Nxd3 33.Kxd3 Bxe3 34.Kxe3 c1Q+ 35.Nxc1 Rxc1 36.a4 Rc4 37.a5 Rc5 38.b6 Rxa5 39.Kd4 Rb5* 0-1 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-TheRedKing89 (2838) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Be6 15.b3 Rac8 16.Nge2 Nd7 17.Rhd1 Ne5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Rxc1 20.Nxc1 b6 21.Nd3 Rc8 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Rc1 Rxc1 24.Bxc1 h5 25.h3 f6 26.g4 hxg4 27.fxg4 g5 28.Kf3 Kf7 29.Be3 Ke8 30.Bf2 Kd7 31.Ke2 Kd6 32.Kd3 Kd7 33.Kc4 Bf4 34.Kb5 Kd6 35.Kc4 Ke5 36.Kd3 Kd6 37.h4 gxh4 38.Bxh4 Bh2 39.Bf2 Bf4 40.a4 Ke5 41.Bd4+ Kd6 42.Kc4 Bh2 43.Kb5 Kc7 44.Ka6 Kb8 45.a5 bxa5 46.Bxa7+ Ka8 47.Bc5 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2720)-Black-Mamba93 (2587) Blitz 2025]

[11...a6 12.h4 Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 Rxd3 14.Nd1 Be6 15.Nh3 Nd7 16.Nf4 Ne5 17.b3 Rad8 18.Ke2 R3d7 19.Nf2 Nc6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Rhd1 Nb4 22.a4 Na2 23.Rc2 Nc3+ 24.Rxc3 Bxc3 25.Rxd7 Rxd7 26.Nd3 Kf7 27.Nc5 Rc7 28.Nd3 Bf6 29.Bb6 Rc6 30.Be3 e5 31.g3 a5 32.Nc5 b6 33.Nd3 Ke6 34.Nc1 Kd7 35.Na2 e6 36.Nc3 Be7 37.Nb5 Bc5 38.Bd2 Rc8 39.Bc3 Bd6 40.Na7 Ra8 41.Nb5 Rg8 42.Bd2 h5 43.Be3 Bc7 44.Bc1 Bd8 45.Be3 g5 46.hxg5 Bxg5 47.Bxb6 Bd8 48.Bf2 Be7 49.Be1 Bb4 50.Bf2 Kc6 51.Na7+ Kd6 52.Nb5+ Kc6 53.Na7+ Kd6 54.Kf1 Rf8 55.Kg2 Rg8 56.Nb5+ Kc6 57.Kh3 Rf8 58.Kg2 Rg8 59.Be3 Be1 60.Bf2 Bxf2 61.Kxf2 Kc5 62.Nc7 Kb4 63.Nxe6 Kxb3 64.c5 Rc8 65.c6 Kxa4 66.c7 Kb5 67.f4 exf4 68.gxf4 a4 69.Nd4+ Kc4 70.Ne6 Rxc7 71.Nxc7 a3 72.Nd5 a2 73.Ne3+ 1-0 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2707)-yuriy_ayrapetyan (2683) Blitz 2024]

[11...Nd7 12.Nh3 Nc5 13.Bxc5 1-0 (13) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Krpokapetan (2569) Blitz 2022]

[11...e6 12.Nh3 b6 13.Nf2 Ba6 *(13...Nd7 14.a3 Nc6 15.Be2 Nd4 16.b4 Ba6 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.cxb5 Rac8 19.Rxc8 Rxc8 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.0-0 Rc2 22.Rd1 e5 23.Kf1 Nf8 24.Nd3 Ne6 25.g3 Ra2 26.f4 exf4 27.Nxf4 Nxf4 28.gxf4 Be3 29.Rd7 Rxa3 30.Bc4 Kh8 31.Rxf7 Rc3 32.Bd5 Rc2 33.f5 gxf5 34.exf5 h5 35.f6 Bd4 36.Rf8+ Kh7 37.f7 Rf2+ 38.Ke1 Rf6 39.Ra8 Kg7 40.Rg8+ Kh6 41.f8Q+ Rxf8 42.Rxf8* 1-0 (42) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-Ignathor (2679) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Be2 Nd7 15.0-0 Rdc8 16.Rfd1 Ne5 17.b3 Nec6 18.a3 Na5 19.axb4 Nxb3 20.Rc2 Bxc4 21.Nb5 Bxe2 22.Rxe2 Bf8 23.Rb2 a6 24.Rxb3 axb5 25.Bxb6 Rc4 26.Bc5 Bxc5 27.bxc5 Rxc5 28.Rb2 Rb8 29.Rdb1 h5 30.h3 Kg7 31.Nd3 Rc3 32.Nc1 Kf6 33.Ne2 Rc5 34.Nd4 Ke5 35.Rxb5 Rbxb5 36.Nxb5 h4 37.Rb2 g5 38.Na3 Kf4 39.Kh2 f5 40.exf5 exf5 41.Nc2 g4 42.fxg4 fxg4 43.Rb4+ Kf5 44.Ne3+ Kg5 45.Rxg4+ Kh5 46.Rf4 Rg5 47.Rf5 Kh6 48.Rxg5 Kxg5 49.Kg1 Kf4 50.Kf2 Ke4 51.Nf1 Kf4 52.Nd2 Kg5 53.Nf3+ Kf5 54.Ke3 Kg6 55.Nxh4+ Kh5 56.Nf3 Kh6 57.Kf2 1-0 (57) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-izel2 (2584) Blitz 2021]

12.a3

[12.Nh3 Bxh3 13.gxh3 Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 Rxd3 15.Ke2 Rd7 16.Rhd1 Rc7 17.b3 e6 18.Nb5 Rcc8 19.Nd6 Rd8 20.Nb5 Nh5 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Rd1 Rxd1 23.Kxd1 a6 24.Nc7 b5 25.c5 Be5 26.Nxa6 Bxh2 27.c6 1-0 (27) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-alexandr_gorokhov (2581) Blitz 2021]

[12.b3 e6 *(12...Bb7 13.Nh3 e6 14.Nf2 Nd7 15.a3 Nc6 16.Be2 Nd4 17.Bd1 Nc5 18.b4 Ndb3 19.Rc2 Nd3+ 20.Nxd3 Rxd3 21.Ke2 Rad8 22.Nd5 exd5 23.Kxd3 dxe4+ 24.Ke2 exf3+ 25.gxf3 Nd4+ 26.Bxd4 Rxd4 27.Re1 Rh4 28.Kf1 Bf6 29.Re8+ Kg7 30.Rb8 Bc6 31.Rc8 Ba4 32.Rd2 Bxd1 33.Rxd1 Rxh2 34.Rd7 Bh4 35.Kg1 Rh3 36.Rd3 g5 37.Rcd8 h5 38.c5 bxc5 39.bxc5 Bg3 40.Kg2 Bc7 41.Kxh3* 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2639)-alexandr_gorokhov (2550) Blitz 2022 *)* 13.Nh3 Nd3+ 14.Bxd3 Rxd3 15.Nd1 a5 16.Ke2 Rd8 17.Nc3 Nd7 18.Rhd1 Ba6 19.Nf4 Ne5 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Bxb6 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2669)-alexandr_gorokhov (2571) Blitz 2022]

12...Nd3+ 13.Bxd3 Rxd3 14.Ke2 Rd8 15.b3 Bb7 16.Nh3 e6 17.Rhd1 Nd7 18.Bg5 f6 19.Bf4 e5 20.Be3 Bf8 21.b4 Ba6 22.Nb5 Rac8 23.Ke1 Kf7 24.Nxa7 Rc7 25.Nb5 Bxb5 26.cxb5 Rxc1 27.Rxc1 Ke6 28.Rc6+ Bd6 29.Nf2 Ke7 30.Bxb6 Ra8 31.Ba5 1-0 (31) TaylorSwiftFans (2825)-TabletopWarrior (2758) Blitz 2023

7.d5 b5

[7...e5 8.Bd3 a6 9.Nge2 Ne8 10.Qd2 Nd7 11.g4 Qh4+ 12.Kd1 Rb8 13.Bg5 1-0 (13) Kraterrr (2719)-Boris_Markoja (2752) Blitz 2021]

[7...e6 8.Qd2 *(8.g4 exd5 9.cxd5 Na6 10.Bxa6 bxa6 11.Nge2 Rb8 12.Rb1 a5 13.Bf4 Ba6 14.0-0 Re8 15.Rf2 Qb6 16.Kg2 Nd7 17.Qd2 Ne5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.f4 Bd4 20.Rf3 Bg7 21.Ng3 Qb4 22.h4 a4 23.a3 Qc4 24.h5 Rb3 25.Kh3 Reb8 26.Qc2 Bd4 27.g5 Bc8+ 28.Kh4 f6 29.Nge2 fxg5+ 30.Kxg5 Kg7 31.h6+*

Kf7 32.e5 Bf5 33.Qd1 Bxe5 34.Rc1 Bf6# 0-1 (34) Elda64 (2678)-Michelangelo (2760) Blitz 2016*; 8.Bd3 a6 9.a4 Nbd7 10.Nh3 e5 11.0-0 Nh5 12.Qd2 f5 13.f4 exf4 14.Nxf4 Nxf4 15.Bxf4 Ne5 16.Bxe5 Bxe5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Rae1 Qh4 19.g3 Qg4 20.Ne2 Bd7 21.a5 Rae8 22.Nf4 Rf7 23.Be2 Qg5 24.Bh5 Bd4+ 25.Kg2 Re5 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.Qd1 Bxb2 28.Qh5+ Qxh5 29.Nxh5 Bc3 30.Rxe5 dxe5 31.Rb1 Bc8 32.Rb6 Bxa5 33.Rf6+ Ke7 34.Rh6 e4 35.d6+ Kd7 36.Nf6+ Kxd6 37.Nxe4+ Ke5 38.Nxc5 Bb4 39.Nd3+* 1-0 (39) Superfm1 (2631)-aryamannkid (2524) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 8...exd5 9.exd5 Re8 10.0-0-0 a6 11.Bh6 Bh8 *(11...b5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.h4 b4 14.Nce2 Qa5 15.Kb1 Qa4 16.Nc1 Bf5+ 17.Bd3 Bxd3+ 18.Nxd3 b3 19.a3 Qxc4 20.h5 Qc2+ 21.Qxc2 bxc2+ 22.Kxc2 Nxd5 23.Kb1 Nc6 24.Nh3 Ne3 25.Rd2 Rab8 26.h6+ Kxh6 27.Nhf4+ Kg7 28.Nf2 Nd4 29.Ne4 Nc4 30.Rf2 f5 31.Rc1 Nxa3+ 32.Ka2 fxe4 33.Kxa3 e3 34.Rff1 Rb3+ 35.Ka2 Reb8 36.Rb1* 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2658)-FraDoNicks (2691) Blitz 2021*)* 12.g4 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Bd7 15.Bd3 Na6 16.Nge2 Nb4 17.Bb1 Qb6 18.Nf4 Reb8 19.b3 Qa5 20.Rhe1 Nxg4 0-1 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Punisher00 (2585) Blitz 2023;

B) 8...Ne8 9.Bd3 f5 10.Nge2 exd5 11.cxd5 Nd7 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Nf4 Nc7 14.Rab1 a5 15.Rfd1 a4 16.Be2 fxe4 17.Nxe4 b6 18.Ne6 Nxe6 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.Nxd6 Bxa2 21.f4 Nf7 22.Ra1 Bb3 23.Bc4 Bxc4 24.Nxc4 b5 25.Qe2 Qc7 26.Na3 Rfe8 27.Kh1 Qxf4 28.Re1 Qb4 29.Nxb5 Bxb2 30.Nc7 Bxa1 31.Nxa8 Bd4 0-1 (31) MaLeKkoNihli (2626)-Cerdifixer (2622) Blitz 2022;

C) 8...Na6 9.Bd3 Nc7 10.Nge2 Rb8 11.a4 Na6 12.0-0 Nb4 13.Nc1 exd5 14.cxd5 Nd7 15.Bb5 a6 16.Be2 Ne5 17.Bg5 Qa5 18.Be7 Qb6 19.Bxf8 Bxf8 20.Kh1 c4 21.N1a2 Nbd3 22.f4 Bh6 23.Nc1 Nf2+ 24.Rxf2 Qxf2 25.Qd1 Bxf4 26.Qf1 Qh4 27.g3 Bxg3 28.Qg2 Bf4 29.Bf1 Bg4 30.Be2 h5 31.Bxg4 hxg4 32.N1e2 Bg5 33.Nd4 Kg7 34.Rf1 Rh8 35.Nce2 Be3 36.a5 Nd3 37.Nc2 Nf2+ 38.Kg1 Nh3+ 39.Kh1 Bc5 40.Ned4 g3 41.Qxg3 Qxg3 42.hxg3 Nf2+ 43.Kg2 Nxe4 44.Re1 Nf6 45.Re7 Nxd5 46.Rxb7 Bxd4 47.Nxd4 Rc8 48.Ra7 Nb4 49.Rb7 Nd3 50.g4 Kf6 51.Kf3 Rc5 52.Ke4 d5+ 53.Kf3 Rxa5 54.Rb6+ Kg5 55.Ke3 Ra2 56.Nf3+ Kxg4 57.Nd4 Rxb2 58.Rxa6 f5 59.Nc6 f4+ 60.Kd4 Nb4 61.Ra1 Nxc6+ 62.Kc5 Nb4 63.Rg1+ Kf5 64.Kd4 Nd3 65.Kc3 Rb1 66.Kd4 Rxg1 67.Kc3 Rc1+ 68.Kd2 Kg4 69.Ke2 f3+ 70.Kd2 f2 71.Ke3 f1Q 72.Kd4 Qf2+ 73.Kxd5 c3 74.Kd6 Nb2 75.Kd7 Rd1+ 0-1 (75) Di2323ma (2605)-Echampion2011E (2566) Blitz 2024;

D) 8...Qa5 9.a4 Na6 10.Nge2 Nb4 11.Ng3 exd5 12.cxd5 Re8 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Bxd7 Nxd7 15.0-0 Ne5 16.Qe2 Qa6 17.Nb5 Qb6 18.Kh1 a6 19.Na3 Qa5 20.b3 b5

21.axb5 Ned3 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.b6 Bxa1 24.Rxa1 Ne5 25.b7 Rb8 26.Na5 f5 27.f4 Ng4 28.Nc6 Qf6 29.e5 dxe5 30.Nxb8 exf4 31.Rf1 fxe3 32.Nd7 Qh4 33.Qxg4 fxg4 34.Nf6+ Qxf6 35.Rxf6 Nxd5 36.Rxa6 e2 37.Nxe2 Rf8 38.Ra8 Ne7 39.Rxf8+ Kxf8 40.b8Q+ Kg7 41.Qb7 Kf6 42.Qb6+ Kg5 43.Qa5 Kh4 44.Qa1 1-0 (44) Beginner741 (2683)-coachvovk (2694) Blitz 2021]

[7...Qa5 8.Nge2 *(8.Qd2 a6 9.g4 b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.Nge2 Nbd7 14.Ng3 Ne5 15.Qe2 Rb8 16.0-0 c4 17.a3 Nfd7 18.f4 Nd3 19.b4 Qc7 20.e5 dxe5 21.f5 Rba8 22.Nge4 Nf6 23.d6 Qb7 24.Qf3 Rb8 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.g5 Nxe4 27.Qxf7+ Kh7 28.Rf3 Nef2 29.Bxf2 Nf4 30.Rxf4 exf4 31.dxe7 Qd7 32.Ne4 Re8 33.Nf6+ Rxf6 34.gxf6 Qg4+ 35.Bg3 Kh6 36.Qxg7+ Kg5 37.f7 fxg3 38.Qe5+ Kh6 39.f8Q+ Rxf8 40.exf8Q+ Kh7 41.Qeg7#* 1-0 (41) tornike_sanikidze (2637)-lacsapmg (2755) Blitz 2019*)* 8...b5 9.cxb5 a6 10.bxa6 *(10.Ng3 Nfd7 11.Bd2 axb5 12.Nxb5 Qb6 13.Qc2 Na6 14.a4 Nb4 15.Qb3 Ne5 16.Be2 e6 17.f4 exd5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Be3 d4 20.Bd2 d3 21.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 22.Qxd3 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Be5 24.a5 Qa6 25.0-0 Be6 26.Qf3 Qc6 27.Nc3 Rxa5 28.Nd5 Ra7 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Qe3* 1-0 (30) Laranarene1 (2603)-yohanborges (2325) Blitz 2025*)* 10...Bxa6 11.Ng3 *(11.Qd2 Nbd7 12.Nd1 Qb6 13.Nec3 Ne5 14.Rb1 Bxf1 15.Rxf1 Nc4 16.Qd3 Ne5 17.Qe2 Rfb8 18.Kf2 Qa6 19.Qxa6 Rxa6 20.Ke2 Nfd7 21.b3 c4 22.Bd4 cxb3 23.Rxb3 Rc8 24.Ne3 Nc5 25.Rbb1 Na4 26.Rfc1 Nxc3+ 27.Rxc3 Rxa2+ 28.Kf1 Rca8 29.Rcb3 h5 30.Rb8+ Rxb8 31.Rxb8+ Kh7 32.h3 Rd2 33.Bxe5 Bxe5 34.Nc4 Rd1+ 35.Ke2 Rg1 36.Nxe5 dxe5 37.Kf2 Ra1 38.Rb7 Ra2+ 39.Kg3 h4+ 40.Kh2 Kg7 41.Rxe7 Kf6 42.Rd7 Rd2 43.Rc7 Kg5 44.Rc6 f5* 0-1 (44) xiqichess (2635)-licg (2656) Blitz 2023*)* 11...Bxf1 12.Rxf1 h5 13.Kf2 Nbd7 14.Nge2 Rfb8 15.Qc2 Ne5 16.Kg1 c4 17.a4 Nd3 18.Nb5 Rxb5 19.Qxc4 Rxb2 20.Qxd3 Nd7 21.Nd4 Nc5 22.Qa3 Rab8 23.Nc6 Qc7 24.Nxb8 Qxb8 25.Rae1 Rb3 26.Qc1 h4 27.Bxc5 Bb2 28.Qc2 dxc5 29.Qxc5 h3 30.Rf2 Be5 31.g3 Bd6 32.Qd4 Bc7 33.f4 Bb6 34.Qe5 Bxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Qb6+ 36.Kf1 Rb2 37.Re2 Rb1+ 38.Re1 Qa6+ 39.Kf2 Qb6+ 40.Kf1 Qb4 41.Rxb1 Qxb1+ 42.Kf2 Qh1 43.Qb8+ Kh7 44.Qf8 Qxh2+ 45.Kf3 Qh1+ 46.Kg4 Qd1+ 47.Kxh3 Qh1+ 48.Kg4 Qh5# 0-1 (48) estudiante2008 (2676)-Tandilensis (2651) Blitz 2022]

[7...Na6 8.Bd3 Nc7 9.Nge2 a6 10.a4 Rb8 11.0-0 Bd7 12.h3 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Ra7 bxc4 15.Bxc4 Rxb2 16.Qc1 Rb4 17.Na2 Qb8 18.Nxb4 Qxa7 19.Nc6 Bxc6 20.dxc6 Qb6 21.Qc2 Qxc6 22.Rb1 Nd7 23.Kh1 h5 24.Nc3 Rb8 25.Rxb8+ Nxb8 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.Qb3+ e6 28.Qxb8 Bxc3 0-1 (28) hesenlinna (2607)-Romsta (2595) Blitz 2021]

8.Nxb5

[8.cxb5 a6 9.bxa6 Qa5 10.Bd3 Bxa6 11.Nge2 c4 12.Bc2 Nbd7 13.0-0 Ne5 14.Qd2 h5 15.Nd4 Rfb8 16.Rab1 h4 17.f4 Neg4 18.Nc6 Qc7

19.Nxb8 Nxe3 20.Nxa6 Qa7 21.Rf2 Nfg4 22.Nb5 Qxa6 23.Nc7 Qa7 24.Nxa8 Bd4 25.Kh1 Nxc2 26.Rf3 Nce3 27.h3 Nf6 28.Nc7 Nxe4 29.Qe1 Qxa2 30.Nb5 Bc5 31.Kh2 f5 32.Ra1 Qxb2 33.Ra8+ Kg7 34.Rxe3 Bxe3 35.Qxe3 Qxb5 36.Qd4+ Kf7 37.Qh8 Qxd5 38.Qg8+ Kf6 39.Rf8+ Qf7 40.Qxf7# 1-0 (40) estudiante2008 (2688)-Tandilensis (2667) Blitz 2021]

8...Ba6 9.Nc3 Qb6 10.Qd2 e6 11.Nh3 Nbd7 12.Rc1 exd5 13.cxd5 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 Ne5 15.b3 Rac8 16.Kf2 Qb4 17.Kg1 c4 18.Nf2 cxb3 19.axb3 Qxb3 20.Bxa7 Nc4 21.Qa2 Qb4 22.Bd4 Ra8 23.Qe2 Na3 24.Rfd1 Rfc8 25.Qe3 h5 26.Nd3 Qb3 27.Qe2 Re8 28.h3 Nxe4 29.Bxg7 Nxc3 30.Rxc3 Qb6+ 31.Qf2 Qxf2+ 32.Kxf2 Kxg7 33.Ra1 Nb5 34.Rxa8 Rxa8 35.Rc6 Ra2+ 36.Ke3 Rxg2 37.Rb6 Na3 38.Kd4 Nc2+ 39.Kc3 Ne3 40.Rxd6 Rg3 41.f4 Rxh3 42.Rd7 Nf5 43.Kc4 Ne3+ 44.Kc5 Nf5 45.Ne5 Rc3+ 46.Kb4 Rd3 47.Rxf7+ Kh6 48.Kc4 Rd4+ 49.Kc5 Rxf4 50.Rf8 1-0 (50) stumpspice (2803)-Tandilensis (2631) Blitz 2021

110 Vigorito, D: 'As we have seen, the immediate '**7...Qa5** Caruana,Fabiano: 'A somewhat rare line, but I knew something about it. Black is hoping to get an improved version of the Benoni lines should White play d5.' Vigorito, D: 'can be met by' Caruana,Fabiano: 'A somewhat rare line, but I knew something about it. Black is hoping to get an improved version of the Benoni lines should White play d5.
' 8.Nc1 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: '!?' 'This continues to be a fashionable response.' Instead White forces the game into a Maroczy structure. Due to the threat of ♘b3 Black is forced to capture d4. Vigorito, D: 'This continues to be a fashionable response.'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Instead White forces the game into a Maroczy structure. Due to the threat of ♘b3 Black is forced to capture d4.'

8...Qb6

[8...cxd4 9.Nb3

A) 9...Qh5 10.Nxd4 Nc6

A1) Caruana,Fabiano: 'After' Caruana,Fabiano: 'After' 11.Qd2 (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic,Goran Caruana,Fabiano: ', it doesn't make any sense to play' Caruana,Fabiano: ', it doesn't make any sense to play' Qh4+ *(11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.Be2 Rfc8 14.b3 Qa5 15.Rb1 Nd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.0-0 a6 18.a4 f6 19.Kh1 Qb4 20.Qd3 Rg8 21.f4 Kh8 22.g3 a5 23.Nd5 Qc5 24.Qd2 Rg7 25.Kg2 g5 26.fxg5 fxg5 27.b4 axb4 28.Rxb4 Qc8 29.Qc3 Nc5 30.Nb6 Bh3+ 31.Kg1 Qg8 32.Nxa8 Bxf1 33.Kxf1 Qxa8 34.e5 Qa5 35.exd6 exd6 36.Bf3 Nd3 37.Qf6 Qxb4 38.Qf8+ ½-½* (38) Neto,H (2603)-Gonzalez Rabago,N (2442) ICCF email 2015*)* 12.Bf2! Caruana,Fabiano: 'anymore, because the g5-square is covered.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'anymore, because the g5-square is covered. ';

A2) 11.Be2 Caruana,Fabiano: 'I wasn't aware about any theory in

this position, so I continued to make natural moves, but perhaps this was inaccurate.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I wasn't aware about any theory in this position, so I continued to make natural moves, but perhaps this was inaccurate.'

A2a) 11...Bh6 12.g4 Bxe3 is a bit optimistic, to say the least. 13.gxh5 Bxd4 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Qd2 Nh5 16.0-0-0 Bh3 17.Nd5 Be5 18.Kb1 Rf7 19.Rhg1 Raf8 20.Qe3 Nd8 21.c5 e6 22.Nc3 Nf4 23.Qf2 dxc5 24.Qxc5 1-0 Salem, A (2511)-Stanciu, A (2309)/ Caldas Novas 2011 Vigorito, D: '1-0 Salem, A (2511)-Stanciu, A (2309)/Caldas Novas 2011';

A2b) Black has also tried 11...Qh4+ 12.g3 *(12.Bf2 Qg5)* 12...Qh3 13.Qd2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bh6 in a couple of games. Then 15.f4 *(* so perhaps White should play *15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Qxe3* when at most White has a tiny edge Vigorito, D: 'when at most White has a tiny edge'*)* 15...e5! gives Black good counterplay;

A2c) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Qh4+ Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'N' 'N' This move came as a big surprise, but after some thought I realized it's actually a strong idea. White's problem is that after 13. ♗f2 ♕g5 he's unable to comfortably defend his pawn, so he's forced to weaken his position by moving it.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'This move came as a big surprise, but after some thought I realized it's actually a strong idea. White's problem is that after 13.♗f2 ♕g5 he's unable to comfortably defend his pawn, so he's forced to weaken his position by moving it.' *(*For *12...Be6 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.b3 Qa5 16.Rc1 Rac8 17.f4 Nf6 18.Bf3 a6 19.a4 Qc5+ 20.Kh1⩲* see Vitiugov, N (2726)-Polzin, R (2469)/ Rogaska Slatina 2011. Vigorito, D: 'see Vitiugov, N (2726)-Polzin, R (2469)/ Rogaska Slatina 2011.'*)* 13.g3 *(* Caruana,Fabiano: 'I considered'Caruana,Fabiano: 'I considered' *13.Bf2 Qg5∓* The endgame is better for Black. *14.g4* (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic,Goran Caruana, Fabiano: ', but I didn't like the continuation' Caruana,Fabiano: ', but I didn't like the continuation' *Be6 15.h4 Qe5∓* Caruana,Fabiano: ', and White's pawn structure is severly weakened.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and White's pawn structure is severly weakened.' *)*

A2c1) 13...Qh3? Caruana,Fabiano: 'I assume Maxim was worried his queen might become trapped, but in reality it's never in any danger.'

Caruana,Fabiano: 'I assume Maxim was worried his queen might become trapped, but in reality it's never in any danger.' 14.Kf2-+ Be6! (Pavlovic, Milos) Arsovic,Goran 15.Qd2 Bh6 16.f4 *(16.Be3 Bxe3+ 17.Qxe3 Rfc8-+ 18.b3* The only chance *Qh5* Caruana,Fabiano: 'offers White nothing.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'offers White nothing.'*)* 16...Bg7-+ Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'After provoking f4 the bishop returns, leaving the e4-pawn vulernable and the g4 square open to invasion. Black has sufficient counterplay.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'After provoking f4 the bishop returns, leaving the e4-pawn vulernable and the g4 square open to invasion. Black has sufficient counterplay.';

A2c2) 13...Qg5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had expected him to play this way, but my next move casts doubt on the soundness of Black's position. 13... ♕h3 may have offered better chances for equality.'Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had expected him to play this way, but my next move casts doubt on the soundness of Black's position. 13...♕h3 may have offered better chances for equality.' 14.Kf2 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'A strong move, preparing to regroup with ♗e3, ♕d2, ♖c1 and b3, when White has organized his position and enjoys a typical Maroczy bind. Instead, castling would allow ... ♗h3 with gain of tempo.' So far we are just following the usual path. Caruana,Fabiano: 'A strong move, preparing to regroup with ♗e3, ♕d2, ♖c1 and b3, when White has organized his position and enjoys a typical Maroczy bind. Instead, castling would allow ...♗h3 with gain of tempo.' *(*Not *14.Qd2? Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Nxe4+; 14.Qc1!?* is possible however. *)* 14...Be6 15.Rc1 Caruana,Fabiano: 'No drastic measures such as f4 are necessary yet. First it's important to make sure Black has no counterplay.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'No drastic measures such as f4 are necessary yet. First it's important to make sure Black has no counterplay.' Qa5 *(15...Rfc8 16.b3 a6 17.a4 Nd7 18.Bxg7∓ Kxg7 19.f4 Qc5+ 20.Kg2∓* Caruana,Fabiano: 'is similar to the game, but perhaps a slight improvement for Black.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'is similar to the game, but

perhaps a slight improvement for Black.') 16.Kg2 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Getting out of any potential checks on c5 or g4.' Not the only move and surely not the main line. Probably the critical move is 16.♘bd4 with immense complications; it has been tested many times. Caruana, Fabiano: 'Getting out of any potential checks on c5 or g4. ' Rfc8 17.b3 a6 18.a4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Pretty much required to stop ...b5. The weakening of the b3-pawn could be an important issue but Black has no way to exploit it.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Pretty much required to stop ...b5. The weakening of the b3-pawn could be an important issue but Black has no way to exploit it.' Nd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.f4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'Black cannot get in ...b5 and must defend passively.' Of course this is the point of my play. If Black continues after the b3-pawn with ... ♘c5 he leaves his kingside vulnerable to an attack with ♖f1 and f5. Vigorito, D: 'Black cannot get in ...b5 and must defend passively." Caruana,Fabiano: 'Of course this is the point of my play. If Black continues after the b3-pawn with ... ♘c5 he leaves his kingside vulnerable to an attack with ♖f1 and f5.' Nf6 Caruana,Fabiano: '?' Caruana,Fabiano: 'A strategic mistake. Black opts for a passive defence, hoping his position is solid enough that White can't break through. However, White has more than enough resources to attack on the kingside.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'A strategic mistake. Black opts for a passive defence, hoping his position is solid enough that White can't break through. However, White has more than enough resources to attack on the kingside.' *(* Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had expected' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had expected' *20...Nc5* (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic, Goran *21.Rf1 f6* Caruana,Fabiano: ', and had planned the interesting' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and had planned the interesting' *22.Rf3* Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' Caruana,Fabiano: ', with the idea to meet' Caruana,Fabiano: ', with the idea to meet' *Qb4* Caruana,Fabiano: 'with' Caruana,Fabiano: 'with' *23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.exd5* Caruana,Fabiano: ' ±' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and after ♖e3 Black will be under some pressure, but his position remains solid. In

any case this was the best option available to him.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and after ♖e3 Black will be under some pressure, but his position remains solid. In any case this was the best option available to him.'*)* 21.Bf3 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Patient play. I defend my e4-pawn in anticipation of ... b5.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Patient play. I defend my e4-pawn in anticipation of ... b5.' Rab8 22.Re1 Rd8 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Maxim doesn't seem to have any clear idea what to do. White's advantage continues to grow with each move.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Maxim doesn't seem to have any clear idea what to do. White's advantage continues to grow with each move.' *(* Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had actually expected the drastic' Caruana,Fabiano: 'I had actually expected the drastic' *22...b5* Caruana,Fabiano: '!?' *23.axb5 axb5 24.Nxb5* (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic, Goran *Rxb5 25.cxb5 Rxc1 26.Qxc1!* (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic,Goran *Qxb5 27.Qc3-+ Qxb3 28.Qxb3 Bxb3 29.Rc1-+* Caruana,Fabiano: ', when I felt I would be able to win the endgame, but matters are not totally clear.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', when I felt I would be able to win the endgame, but matters are not totally clear.'*)* 23.g4 Caruana,Fabiano: '!' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'Caruana exploits his advantage very energetically.' The time has come to begin the assault. Now White will continue with f5 and g5, when moves like ♘d5 and ♕d4 will be in the air. Black's king is totally unprotected. Vigorito, D: 'Caruana exploits his advantage very energetically.'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'The time has come to begin the assault. Now White will continue with f5 and g5, when moves like ♘d5 and ♕d4 will be in the air. Black's king is totally unprotected.' h6 24.h4 Rh8 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Anticipating g5, but now I liquidate to a winning endgame.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Anticipating g5, but now I liquidate to a winning endgame.

' *(*Also *24...h5 25.gxh5 Nxh5 26.Bxh5 Qxh5 27.Qxh5 gxh5 28.f5* is very unpleasant for Black. *)* 25.Qd4 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: '!' '!'' *(25.f5* (Pavlovic, Milos) Arsovic,Goran *Bd7 26.Nd5* Caruana,Fabiano: 'was another strong option.

' Caruana,Fabiano: 'was another strong option.') 25...Qc5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Due to the threat of g5, this is forced.'So far this is all theoretical..
Caruana,Fabiano: 'Due to the threat of g5, this is forced.
' 26.Qxc5?!N Finally we see what White wanted. This is a new idea but compared to alternatives doesn't look good. dxc5! If we compare this position with the above mentioned 26.♕f2 the differences are hugely in favour of 26.♕f2.
27.f5 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Black gets steamrollered down the center.' The bishop on g1 is somehow "locked in" Caruana,Fabiano: 'Black gets steamrollered down the center.' Bc8 Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓" 28.e5? Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'Relentless.''A further mistake. Ne8!∓ Pavlovic, Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓" 29.fxg6 fxg6?! Inaccurate, but still Black keeps the better game. 30.Nd5 Rf8 (Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'This just pitches a pawn, but after'' *30...e6 31.Nb6* (Pavlovic,Milos) Arsovic, Goran Caruana,Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'Black can hardly move.'' *Rf8 32.a5* Caruana,Fabiano: 'would have led to a comical situation, where Black can hardly move a single piece.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'would have led to a comical situation, where Black can hardly move a single piece.' *Nc7 33.Rcd1 Na8 34.Na4* # Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black collapses.' Caruana,Fabiano: ', and Black collapses.') 31.Nxe7?! Caruana,Fabiano: 'Winning a pawn and keeping a decisive positional advantage.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Winning a pawn and keeping a decisive positional advantage.' Be6 32.Kg3? Rf7-+ Pavlovic,Milos: 'Arsovic,Goran: '-+!'' Now Black wins.
33.Nd5 b6 34.Rcd1 Nc7 35.Nxc7 Rxc7 36.Rd6 Re7 37.Bd5 Rbe8 Caruana,Fabiano: 'Here there are many ways to win, but I decided to keep it simple.' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Here there are many ways to win, but I decided to keep it simple.' 38.Bxe6 Rxe6 39.Rxe6 Rxe6 40.Kf4 Kf7 41.Ke4 0-1 (41) Caruana,F (2774)-Gelfand,B (2755) Moscow 2013 CBM 155 [Pavlovic,M] Caruana, Fabiano: 'Vigorito, D: 'Caruana's play made the win look almost effortless.' Next comes ♔d5. so Black resigned. Due to this win and the win of Sabino

Brunello on board four, Italy was able to defeat Israel with a score of 2.1-1.5! Vigorito, D: 'Caruana's play made the win look almost effortless.'' Caruana,Fabiano: 'Next comes ♔d5. so Black resigned. Due to this win and the win of Sabino Brunello on board four, Italy was able to defeat Israel with a score of 2.1-1.5!';

B) 9...Qxc3+ 10.bxc3 dxe3 11.Qe2 Bh6 12.g3 b6 13.Bg2 Bb7 14.0-0 Nbd7 15.f4 Bxe4 16.Qxe3 Bxg2 17.Kxg2 Rfe8 18.Qf3 Rac8 19.g4 Bg7 20.Nd2 Nc5 21.Rae1 Nfd7 22.g5 Na4 23.f5 Ne5 24.Rxe5 Bxe5 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.Qf7+ Kh8 27.Rf3 Bg7 28.Rh3 1-0 (28) Koustav123456 (2703)-gogotaniye (2697) Blitz 2020;

C) 9...Qc7 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.Be2 Nh5 12.0-0 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Nf4 15.Qd2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 Bd7 17.Nd5 Qc5+ 18.Kh1 Rae8 19.b3 Bc6 20.b4 Qd4 21.Rad1 Qg7 22.Ne3 b6 23.Rd3 Rc8 24.Qd2 a5 25.b5 Bb7 26.h3 Rc5 27.Rd4 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.a4 Kf7 30.Rg1 Rg8 31.Nd5 Bxd5 32.Rxd5 Rgc8 33.Qd3 Qf6 34.Re1 Kf8 35.f4 h5 36.Rxc5 Rxc5 37.Qe2 h4 38.Qf2 Kg7 39.Qf1 Kf8 40.Qf2 Kg7 41.Qf1 e5 42.fxe5 dxe5 43.Rd1 Kg6 44.Qd3 e4 45.Qd7 Kg5 46.Qe8 Rc7 47.Qg8+ Rg7 48.Qd5 Rc7 49.Qg8+ Rg7 50.Qd5 e3 51.c5 Re7 52.cxb6 Qxb6 53.Qg8+ Qg6 54.Qd8 Qe8 55.Qd4 e2 56.Qd2+ Kg6 57.Re1 Re4 58.Qd6+ Qe6 59.Qxe6+ Rxe6 60.Kg1 Re4 61.Kf2 Rxa4 62.Rb1 Re4 63.Ke1 Kg5 64.b6 Re8 65.b7 Rb8 66.Kxe2 a4 67.Kf2 a3 68.Rb5 Kf4 69.Rb4+ Kg5 70.Rb6 Kf4 71.Ra6 Kg5 72.Ra7 a2 73.Rxa2 Rxb7 74.Ra3 Rb2+ 75.Kg1 Rb1+ 76.Kh2 Rb4 77.Ra8 Rc4 78.Rg8+ Kf6 79.Rf8+ Ke5 80.Ra8 Rb4 81.Re8+ Kf4 82.Ra8 Rb3 83.Rh8 Kg5 84.Rg8+ Kf4 85.Rh8 Kg5 86.Ra8 Kf6 87.Ra4 Kg5 88.Ra8 Rb4 89.Ra1 Kf4 90.Kg1 Kg5 91.Ra5 Re4 92.Ra2 Kf4 93.Ra8 Rb4 94.Ra7 Rb1+ 95.Kh2 Kg5 96.Rg7+ Kf4 97.Rg8 Ra1 98.Rh8 Kg5 99.Rh7 f4 100.Rg7+ Kh5 101.Rg8 Rf1 102.Rh8+ Kg5 103.Rg8+ Kh6 104.Rh8+ Kg5 105.Rf8 Kg6 106.Rg8+ Kf5 107.Rg4 f3 108.gxf3 Rxf3 109.Rxh4 Ke5 110.Ra4 Rf1 111.Ra8 Ke4 112.Re8+ Kd4 113.h4 Ra1 114.Kg2 Ra6 115.Kg3 Kd5 116.Kg4 Re6 117.Rd8+ Rd6 118.Re8 Re6 119.Rd8+ Rd6 120.Rxd6+ Kxd6 121.Kh5 Ke7 122.Kh6 Kf7 123.Kg5 Kg8 124.Kg4 Kf8 125.h5 Ke8 126.Kg3 Kf7 127.Kh3 Kf8 128.Kg4 Kg7 129.Kg5 Kh8 130.Kh6 *(130.h6 Kg8 131.Kg6 Kh8* ½-½ (57) gg-gm-gmg (2637)-pbl49 (2592) Blitz 2020 *)* 130...Kg8 131.Kg6 Kh8 132.h6 Kg8 133.h7+ Kh8 134.Kh6 ½-½ (134) PetersBot (3008)-RaspFish (3043) Rapid 2024]

9.Nb3 cxd4 10.Bxd4 Qd8 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Rc1 Nb6 15.Nd2 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Kh1 Kh8 18.Bg1 Bg8 19.b3

[19.f4 e5 20.b3 e4 21.Qe1 Qf6 22.Qg3 Rfd8 23.Rfd1 d5 24.cxd5 Bxd5 25.Nc4 Bg8 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Nxb6 axb6 28.Bxb6 Rd2 29.Bf1 Nd4 30.Qe1 Rc2 31.Bxd4 Rxc1 32.Qxc1 Qxd4 33.Nd1 Bf8 34.Bb5 Be6 35.g3 Bc5 36.Qc3 Bf7 37.Be2 b5 38.b4 Qxc3 39.Nxc3 Bxb4 40.Nxb5 Bxa2 41.Nd4 Bc5 42.Nxf5 Be6 43.Nh6 Kg7 44.Ng4 h5 45.Ne5 h4 46.Kg2 Kf6 47.Bg4 Bxg4 48.Nxg4+ Kf5 49.Nh6+ Kg6 50.Ng4 Kf5 51.Kh3 e3 52.Nxe3+ Bxe3 53.gxh4 Bxf4 54.h5 Bg5 55.h6 Bf6 56.h7 Kg5 57.h8Q Bxh8 58.Kg2 Bb2 59.h3 Bc1 60.h4+ Kxh4 ½-½ (60) PetersBot (2993)-RaspFish (3041) Rapid 2024]

19...d5 20.cxd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Qxd5 22.Bc4 Qd6 23.Bxg8 Rxg8 24.Qe1 Rad8 25.Nc4 Qg6 26.Qe2

[26.f4 Bf6 27.Qe2 Nd4 28.Qf2 b5 29.Ne3 Qh5 30.Rfd1 Qe2 31.Re1 Qxf2 32.Bxf2 Rd7 33.Rc5 Rgd8 34.h3 Kg7 35.g4 fxg4 36.hxg4 Kf7 37.Rh5 Ne6 38.Bg3 Rd3 39.Rxh7+ Kg8 40.Rh6 Kf7 41.Rh7+ Kg8 42.Rh6 Kf7 43.Rh7+ ½-½ (43) PetersBot (2993)-RaspFish (3026) Rapid 2024]

26...b5 27.Na3 a6 28.Nc2 f4 29.Rfd1 Bb2 30.Rxd8 Rxd8 31.Rd1 Rxd1 32.Qxd1 Qd6 33.Qe2 Bc3 34.a4 Qd5 35.axb5 axb5 36.Na3 b4 37.Nc4 e6 38.h3 Ne7 39.Bh2 Qd4 40.Bg1 Qd5 41.Kh2 Nf5 42.Bf2 Kg7 43.Qe4 Qxe4 44.fxe4 Bd4 45.exf5 Bxf2 46.fxe6 Bc5 47.g3 fxg3+ 48.Kxg3 Kf6 49.e7 Bxe7 50.Kg4 Bf8 51.h4 Bg7 52.Kh5 Bf8 53.Nb6 Kf5 54.Nd5 Ke5 55.Ne3 Kd4 56.Nc4 Kc3 57.Na5 Bd6 58.Kh6 Bc7 59.Nc6 Kxb3 60.Nxb4 Kxb4 61.Kxh7 Kc3 62.h5 Kb3 63.h6 Bf4 64.Kg6 Kb4 65.h7 Be5 66.h8B ½-½ (66) PetersBot (3012)-RaspFish (3037) Rapid 2024

7...b6 8.Qd2

[8.d5 e6 *(8...a6 9.g4 b5 10.Ng3 bxc4 11.h4 e6 12.Bxc4 exd5 13.Nxd5 Be6 14.h5 Nc6 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Qd2 Bxd5 17.exd5 Nd4 18.Bxd4 cxd4 19.g5 Re8+ 20.Kf1 Nd7 21.Kg2 Ne5 22.Be2 Rb8 23.Rab1 d3 24.Bxd3 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 Qxg5 26.b3 Re3 27.Qc4 Rbe8 28.Rbf1 Re2+ 29.Kh3 Qh6+ 30.Qh4 Qxh4+ 31.Kxh4 Rxa2 32.Re1 Rb8 33.Ne4 Be5 34.Kg5 Kg7 35.f4 f6+ 36.Kg4 f5+ 37.Kg5 Bd4 38.Ng3 Bf6#* 0-1 (38) unitedff (2642)-theunrealpietzsch (2594) Blitz 2024*)* 9.Ng3 exd5 10.cxd5 a6 *(10...Ba6 11.Be2 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Re8 13.0-0 a6 14.a4 Nbd7 15.Rab1 h5 16.Rfc1 h4 17.Nh1 Nh5 18.Nf2 f5 19.Qd2 Ne5 20.b3 Nf7 21.Ne2 h3 22.Nxh3 fxe4 23.f4 Nf6 24.Nf2 Nh6 25.Ng3 Qd7 26.h3 Nf5 27.Nxf5 gxf5 28.Kh2 Qf7 29.Rd1 b5 30.axb5 axb5 31.g4 fxg4 32.hxg4 Ra3 33.g5 Qh5+ 34.Kg1 Ng4 35.Nxg4 Qxg4+ 36.Qg2 Qxg2+ 37.Kxg2 c4 38.Bd4 c3 39.Rbc1 Ra2+ 40.Kg3 c2 41.Rd2 e3 42.Bxe3 Rxe3+ 43.Kg4 Rc3 44.Kf5 b4 45.Kg6 Rxb3 46.Re2 Rf3 47.Re8+ Bf8 48.Rh1 Rxf4 49.Rh7 c1Q 50.Rg7+ Kh8 51.Rxf8+ Rxf8 52.Rh7+* ½-½ (52) Goganov,A (2632)-Narayanan,S (2524) Moscow RUS 2017*; 10...Re8 11.Be2 a6 12.a4 Nbd7 13.0-0 h5 14.Qd2 Nh7 15.Rab1 Rb8 16.b4 Qf6 17.Rfc1 h4 18.Nh1 h3 19.g3 Ne5 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.Nf2 Bf3 23.bxc5 bxc5 24.Rxb8 Rxb8 25.e5 dxe5 26.fxe5 Qf5 27.d6 Bxe5 28.Bxc5 Rd8 29.Re1 Bg2 30.Nce4 Nf8*

31.Bb6 Rd7 32.Bd4 Ne6 33.g4 Nxd4 34.Qxd4 Bxd4 35.gxf5 gxf5 36.Ng3 Rxd6 37.Nxf5 Bxf2+ 38.Kxf2 Rf6 39.Re5 Bc6 40.Kg3 Bxa4 41.Ne7+ Kf8 42.Kxh3 Bd7+ 43.Kg3 a5 44.Nd5 Rg6+ 45.Kf4 a4 46.Ne3 Ra6 47.Rd5 Be6 48.Rd8+ Ke7 49.Rd1 a3 50.Nf5+ Kf6 51.Nd4 a2 52.Ra1 Ra4 53.Ke3 Bd5 54.Kd3 Ke5 55.Ne2 Bc4+ 56.Kd2 Ra3 57.Nc3 Be6 58.Ne2 Ra4 59.Nc3 Ra3 60.Ne2 Kf5 61.Nd4+ Kg4 62.Nxe6 fxe6 0-1 (62) alexkaspi (2622)-PhantomAnton (2605) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.a4 Nbd7 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 Ne5 14.Qd2 Bd7 15.h3 b5 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.e5 Ne8 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bxc5 Qc7 21.Bd4 Rxb2 22.Qxb2 Bxd4+ 23.Kh1 Nf5 24.Nxf5 Bxf5 25.Qd2 Bd3 26.Rfe1 Rb8 27.Rac1 Qd6 28.f5 Qg3 29.fxg6 hxg6 30.Ne4 Bxe4 31.Rxe4 Rb2 32.Rc2 c3 33.Qd1 Be5 34.Rxe5 Qxe5 35.d6 Rxc2 36.d7 Rd2 37.Qxd2 cxd2 38.d8Q+ Kg7 39.Qxd2 Qa1+ 40.Kh2 Qxa4 41.Qc3+ Kg8 42.Qc8+ Kh7 43.Qb7 Qf4+ 44.Kg1 a5 45.Qa7 a4 46.Qa6 Kg7 47.Qa7 Qc1+ 48.Kh2 Qf4+ 49.Kg1 Qb4 50.Qc7 a3 51.Qe5+ Kh7 52.Qd5 Qe1+ 53.Kh2 Qe6 54.Qa8 a2 55.Qa7 Qe5+ 56.Kg1 0-1 (56) OnkelKonkel (2661)-sachycvek (2672) Blitz 2022]

8...Nc6

[8...Ba6 9.b3 Nc6 10.h4 *(10.d5 Ne5 11.Nc1 e6 12.Be2 exd5 13.cxd5 Bxe2 14.N1xe2 c4 15.0-0 a6 16.f4 Neg4 17.Bd4 Re8 18.h3 Nh6 19.Ng3 Rc8 20.b4 Nd7 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Rae1 Qh4 23.Nge2 f5 24.Nd4 fxe4 25.Ne6+ Kg8 26.Nxe4 Nf5 27.Qc3 Re7 28.g4 Nh6 29.Nxd6 Rd8 30.Ne4 b5 31.Nxd8* 1-0 (31) yackobaby (2633)-Abdisalimov,A (2397) Blitz 2020*)* 10...e5 11.d5 Nd4 12.h5 Nxh5 13.0-0-0 f5 14.exf5 Nxf5 15.Bg5 Bf6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.g4 Nd4 18.Qh6 Qe7 19.g5 Nh5 20.Rxh5 Nf5 21.Qxh7+ Qxh7 22.Rxh7 Kxh7 23.Ne4 Rad8 24.f4 Ne3 25.Re1 exf4 26.Nf6+ Rxf6 27.gxf6 g5 28.Ng3 Nxf1 29.Re7+ Kg6 30.Ne4 Rf8 31.Rxa7 Bc8 32.Nxd6 Kxf6 33.Rc7 Bf5 34.Rc6 Ke5 35.Rxb6 Ne3 36.Kd2 g4 37.Nxf5 Kxf5 38.Rb7 Rg8 39.Rf7+ Ke4 40.d6 g3 41.d7 g2 42.Re7+ Kf3 43.Re8 g1Q 0-1 (43) rasulovvugar (2821)-satlan (2727) Blitz 2025]

[8...e6 9.0-0-0 Nc6 10.Kb1 Ba6 11.Nb5 Rc8 12.Nec3 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Nb5 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.h4 Rxh4 20.Rxh4 Qxh4 21.Nxa7 Qa4 22.Qd4+ Qxd4 23.Rxd4 h5 24.Nb5 Ne3 25.Rd2 h4 26.Nd6 Rd8 27.Nf5+ exf5 28.Rxd8 Nxg2 29.Kc2 h3 30.Kc1 g5 31.Rd1 g4 32.Kd2 g3 33.Ke2 Nf4+ 34.Ke3 h2 35.Kxf4 g2 0-1 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-Miquella (2828) Blitz 2023]

[8...cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bb7 10.Be2 Nc6 11.Nc2 Re8 12.Rd1 Rc8 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Ne3 Qb8 16.b3 Nd7 17.f4 Nc5 18.Bf3 Nd4 19.f5 Nxf3+ 20.gxf3 Nd7 21.Ncd5 Bxd5 22.Nxd5 b5 23.Qg5 Nf6 24.Nf4 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 Qc5 26.b4 Qe5 27.Nd3 Nxe4 28.Qh4 Qf6 29.Qxe4 bxc4 30.Nf4 Qe5 31.Qc2 Bg7 32.Bxg7 Kxg7 33.fxg6 hxg6 34.Nd5 e6 35.f4 Qh5 36.Qc3+ e5 37.Rg1 Rh8 38.Rd2 Qf5 39.Rdg2 Rh3

40.Ne7 Qe4 41.Qxh3 Rh8 42.Qf5 Qe3 43.Rxg6+ fxg6 44.Rxg6+ Kh7 45.Qh5# 1-0 (45) stuthefox (2628)-Pogos89 (2680) Blitz 2025]

9.d5

[9.0-0-0 e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd8+ Nxd8 13.Nd5 Nc6 14.Nec3 Ne8 15.Be2 Be6 16.Bd1 Nd4 17.Ba4 Nd6 18.b3 Rb8 19.Nc7 a6 20.Rd1 Rb7 21.Nxa6 Bf6 22.Kb2 Nxc4+ 23.bxc4 Bxc4 24.Nd5 Bd8 25.Bxd4 exd4 26.Bc6 Ra7 27.Nb8 Rxa2+ 28.Kb1 Rxg2 29.Nd7 Be2 30.Re1 Bxf3 31.N7xb6 d3 32.Nc4 Rxh2 33.Nc3 Bg5 34.Rf1 Bh5 35.Nd1 Be2 36.Rg1 Bf6 37.Nce3 Bd4 38.Rg3 h5 39.Bb5 h4 40.Rg5 Rh1 41.Kc1 h3 42.Kd2 h2 43.Rg2 Rxd1+ 44.Nxd1 h1Q 45.Rxe2 dxe2 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-Eraschenkov,D (2734) Blitz 2022]

[9.Rd1 e5 10.dxc5 dxc5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd8+ Nxd8 13.Nd5 Nc6 *(13...Ne6 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Nc3 Bg5 16.Bf2 Nd4 17.Bd3 Bb7 18.h4 Bh6 19.0-0 Kg7 20.Rd1 Kf6 21.Kf1 Ke6 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.cxd5+ Kd6 24.a4 Bg7 25.Rb1 h5 26.b4 Rc8 27.bxc5+ Rxc5 28.Be1 Kd7 29.Bb4 Rc7 30.a5 b5 31.a6 Bh6 32.Ba5 Rc5 33.Ra1 Be3 34.Bb6 Rc7 35.Bxc7 Kxc7 36.Ra3 b4 37.Ra4 b3 38.Rb4 Kd6 39.Rb7 Nc2 40.Rxb3* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-DJT45-47 (2504) Blitz 2025*)* 14.Nec3 Nd4 15.Bd3 Bb7 16.Kf2 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Rd8 18.Rd1 Kf8 19.a3 h6 20.b4 cxb4 21.axb4 f5 22.Bxd4 exd4 23.Ra1 Bxd5 24.exd5 Rd7 25.g4 fxg4 26.fxg4 g5 27.Ke2 Ke7 28.Kd2 Be5 29.Bf5 Rc7 30.Kd3 Kd6 31.Be6 Bf4 32.h3 Be3 33.Ra6 Ke5 34.Ra2 Kd6 35.Rc2 Bg1 36.Rc1 Be3 37.Rf1 Bf4 38.Kxd4 a5 39.bxa5 bxa5 40.Rb1 Be5+ 41.Kd3 a4 42.Rb6+ Kc5 43.Rb5+ Kd6 44.Ra5 Rb7 45.c5+ Ke7 46.Rxa4 Rb3+ 47.Ke4 Bf4 48.Kf5 Rxh3 49.Ra7+ Kf8 50.d6 Rd3 51.Kf6 1-0 (51) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-Vladimir2022 (2658) Blitz 2025]

9...Ne5

[9...Na5 10.b3 e6 11.Rc1 exd5 12.cxd5 a6 13.Ng3 b5 14.Be2 Bd7 15.0-0 b4 16.Nd1 Bb5 17.Nb2 Nd7 18.Bh6 Bd4+ 19.Kh1 Re8 20.f4 Nf6 21.Bg5 h6 22.Bxh6 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 Rxe4 24.Bxb5 axb5 25.f5 Qh4 26.Bf4 Bxb2 27.Bg3 Bxc1 28.Qxc1 Qf6 0-1 (28) sber1 (2903)-LSGeneraal (2909) Blitz 2021]

10.Ng3 Timman,Jan H: 'Ü 47/(715) Huebner,Robert: '(Timman,Jan H) Ü 47/(715)"

[10.b3?!N Huebner,Robert: 'Timman, Jan H: 'N?!'' e6 11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Rd1?! Huebner,Robert: 'Timman, Jan H: '?!'' *(12.Ng3* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H'*)* 12...Nh5!∓ Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: ' ∓!" 13.Bg5 *(13.Qxd6* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *Qh4+ 14.Bf2 Qf6* →–♯3→Huebner,Robert: ' Δ Nf3 →'*)* 13...Qe8 *(13...Qd7!?* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *)*

A) 14.Nb5 Rxf3 Huebner,R: '!' '!' Huebner,Robert: '!' '!' '!' '!'

A1) 15.Qxd6 (Huebner,R) Hübner Nf7

A1a) 16.Qc7 Be5 17.gxf3 Bxc7 18.Nxc7 Qc6 19.Nxa8 Nxg5 Nicht empfehlenswert für Weiß.;

A1b) 16.Nc7 Nxd6 17.Nxe8 Rxf1+ 18.Rxf1 Nxe8 19.g4

(19.Rd8 Bb7) 19...Nhf6 20.Rd8 Bb7 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Rxf6 Bxe4∓;

A1c) 16.Qd2 Nxg5 17.Qxg5 Bf6 18.Qd2 *(18.Qg4 Re3 19.Nc7 Qc6 20.Nxa8 e5-+)* 18...Bh4+ 19.g3 Qe7∓ 20.gxh4 Qxh4+ 21.Ng3 Bb7 *(21...Nxg3? 22.Qd8+)* 22.Rg1 Raf8-+;

A1d) 16.gxf3 Nxd6 17.Rxd6 Bf6 *(17...Bb7 18.Bh3* Dies sieht nicht überzeugend aus. *)* 18.Bxf6 Nxf6 19.e5 Qf8 20.Nc7∞ Ne8 21.Rd8;

A1e) 16.Qe7 Qxe7 17.Bxe7 Re3∓ 18.Kf2 *(18.g4 Nf4)* 18...Rxe4 19.g3 Bb7 20.Bg2? Rxe2+! Hübner;

A2) 15.Nc7 Huebner,R: 'Timman' 15...Qc6 Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' 16.Qxd6 Qxd6 17.Rxd6 Rd3! 18.Rxd3 Nxd3+ 19.Kd2 Nf2 20.Nxa8 Nxh1 Δ ♗e5, ♗b7∓ Huebner,Robert: 'Δ Be5, Bb7∓';

B) 14.Qxd6 Nf7 15.Qd2 Nxg5 16.Qxg5 Nf4? Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '?'' *(16...Ba6!* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *17.Qe3 Qf7∓)* 17.Nb5!∞ Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '∞!" h6 18.Qg4 e5 19.Qg3 Qe7! □ Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '!' Timman,Jan H: ' □ " 20.Nbc3 *(20.Nxf4* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman, Jan H' *exf4 21.Qxg6 Rf6 22.Qh5 Rf5=)* 20...Be6 21.Qf2 Rad8 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.cxd5 *(23.exd5* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *e4!→)* 23...c4 24.Nc1! □ Huebner, Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '!' Timman, Jan H: ' □ " *(24.Nxf4* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *Qb4+ 25.Qd2 c3* Δ ef4∓ Huebner, Robert: ' Δ ef4∓' *)* 24...Qb4+ 25.Qd2 c3 26.Qc2 Qc5! Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '!'' 27.Ne2 Rc8 28.g3 Ne6! Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '!'' 29.dxe6?⊕ Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '⊕?" *(29.Bg2* Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H' *Nd4 30.Nxd4 exd4 31.Rd3=)* 29...Rxf3 30.Nc1 Qe3+ 31.Qe2 c2 32.Rd2 Qc3!-+ Huebner,Robert: 'Timman,Jan H: '-+!" 33.e7 Re3 34.Bh3 Re8 35.0-0 Rxe2 36.Rd8 Qc5+ 37.Kh1 Qxe7 38.Rxe8+ Qxe8 39.Nxe2 Qc6 40.Bg2 h5 41.Bf3 Bh6 42.Kg2 c1Q 43.Nxc1 Bxc1 44.Rf2 Be3 0-1 (44) Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Timman,J (2635) Delft 1989 CI1-130 [Timman,Jan H]]

10...h5 11.Bg5

[11.Be2 h4 12.Nf1 e6 13.h3 *(13.Bg5 h3 14.g4 exd5 15.cxd5 Qe8 16.Ng3 a6 17.a4 Bd7 18.0-0 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Qxa8 21.Nxb5 Qb8 22.Na3 Qb3 23.Qc3 Qb6 24.Nc4 Nxc4 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Qxf6 Qxb2 27.g5 Ne5 28.f4 Qd4+ 29.Rf2 Ng4 30.Qxd4 cxd4 31.Bxg4 Bxg4 32.Rd2 Ra8 33.Kf2 Ra3 34.e5 Rf3+ 35.Ke1 Re3+ 36.Kf2 dxe5 37.fxe5 Rxe5 38.Rxd4 Bd7 39.Ne4 Kf8 40.Kg3 Ke7 41.Kf4 Rf5+ 42.Kg3 Re5 43.Kf4 Rf5+ 44.Kg3 Re5* ½-½ (44) AgressiveMode (2686)-KAPUTVSEMU (2820) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...exd5 14.cxd5 a6 15.Bg5 b5 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.e5 Re8 19.0-0-0 dxe5 20.Ne3 exf4 21.Nxc4 Bf5 22.Qxf4 Rb8 23.Qxh4 Rb4 24.a3 Rxc4 25.Qxc4 Qd6

26.g4 Ne4 27.gxf5 Nxg5 28.fxg6 fxg6 29.Rhf1 Re3 30.Rd3 Qg3 31.d6+ Kh7 32.Rfd1 1-0 (32) Lucky1357924680 (2697)-DJT45-47 (2560) Blitz 2025]

11...Nh7 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.cxb5 a6 15.Be2 axb5 16.f4 b4 17.Nd1 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.0-0 Bxd1 20.Rfxd1 h4 21.Qxh4 e5 22.Qxd8 Rfxd8 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.b3 Nf6 25.Rd2 Ra5 26.Rf1 Kg7 27.Rdf2 Rd6 28.Rc2 Rda6 29.Rff2 Ra8 30.Rfd2 Ne8 31.d6 Rd8 32.Rd5 Kf6 33.d7 Nc7 34.Rcxc5 Rxc5 35.Rxc5 Rxd7 36.Rc4 Ne6 37.Rxb4 Rd2 38.a4 Ra2 39.Nf1 Kg5 40.Ne3 Nd4 41.Nc4 Ra1+ 42.Kf2 Ra2+ 43.Kg1 Kf4 44.Kf1 Ra1+ 45.Kf2 Ra2+ 46.Kf1 g5 47.a5 Ra1+ 48.Kf2 Ra2+ 49.Kf1 Ra1+ 50.Kf2 Ra2+ 51.Kg1 Ra1+ 52.Kf2 ½-½ (52) Stockfish161Pro (2995)-Alexnajax_Fan (2854) Blitz 2025

7...cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nc6

[8...a6 9.Be2 Nc6 10.0-0 Nxd4 11.Bxd4

A) 11...Be6 12.Qd2 Qa5 13.Rfd1 Rfc8 14.b3 Nd7 *(14...b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxb3 18.axb3 Rxa1+ 19.Bxa1 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Bxa1 21.Bc4 Be5 22.g3 Ra8 23.Kg2 Kg7 24.Rf2 e6 25.Rd2 Rd8 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 Kf6 28.Kf3 Ke5 29.Rd2 Rb8 30.Re2 h5 31.Ke3 h4 32.gxh4 Rh8 33.b4 Rxh4 34.b5 Rxe4+ 35.Kd3 Rxe2 36.Kxe2 d5 37.Ba2 Kd6 38.Bb1 Kc5 39.Bd3 e5 40.Ke3 e4 41.Bf1 f5 42.h4 d4+ 43.Kf4 d3 44.Kg5 Kxb5 45.Kxg6 Kc4 46.h5 e3 47.h6 e2 48.Bxe2 dxe2 49.h7 e1Q 50.h8Q Qe6+ 51.Kg5 Qe4 52.Qc8+ Kd3 53.Qxf5 Qxf5+ 54.Kxf5 ½-½ (54) mbchessmaster (2615)-Zaremdini (2584) Blitz 2021)* 15.Bxg7 *(15.Rac1 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qc5 17.Kf2 Qxd4+ 18.Rxd4 Nc5 19.Ke3 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Re1 Kf7 22.Bd3 b5 23.Nd5 Nxd3 24.Kxd3 bxc4+ 25.bxc4 Rab8 26.Rh4 Bxd5 27.cxd5 Rh8 28.Rh6 Rb5 29.Kd4 Rb4+ 30.Kc3 Ra4 31.Re2 Ra5 32.Kd4 Ra4+ 33.Kd3 Ra5 34.Kd4 Ra4+ 35.Ke3 Ra5 36.Rd2 Ra4 37.g3 Rc8 38.Rxh7+ Kf6 39.Kf2 Rc5 40.Re2 Rxd5 41.Rhxe7 Re5 42.R7xe5 dxe5 43.h4 Ra3 44.Rb2 a5 45.g4 e4 46.Rb6+ Ke5 47.Rb5+ Kd4 48.Rxf5 Rxa2+ 49.Kg3 e3 50.h5 e2 51.Rf4+ Kd3 52.Re4 Ra1 53.h6 e1Q+ 54.Rxe1 Rxe1 55.g5 a4 56.h7 Rh1 57.g6 a3 58.g7 a2 59.h8Q Rg1+ 60.Kf2 a1Q 61.Qd8+ Kc2 62.Qc8+ Kd3 63.Qd7+ Kc2 64.Qf5+ Kd2 65.Qf4+ Kc2 66.Qe4+ Kd2 67.Qe3+ Kc2 68.Qe2+ Kc3 69.Qe5+ Kc2 70.Qxa1* 1-0 (70) Lucky1357924680 (2668)-notkevich (2795) Blitz 2024) 15...Kxg7 16.Nd5 *(16.Rac1 f6 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Kf7 19.Nf4 b5 20.Rdc2 b4 21.Nxe6 Kxe6 22.f4 Nc5 23.Bg4+ f5 24.exf5+ gxf5 25.Re1+ Kf6 26.Bf3 Ra7 27.h3 a5 28.g4 h6 29.Re3 a4 30.Rg2 Rg8 31.Bd5 Rg7 32.Reg3 axb3 33.g5+ hxg5 34.fxg5+ Kg6 35.axb3 e6 36.Bf3 Rh7 37.Rh2 Rh4 38.Rd2 Ra6 39.Bg2 f4 40.Rf3 Kxg5 41.Rf1 e5 42.Kf2 Rh6 43.Rg1 Kf5 44.Bf3 Kf6 45.Rgd1 Rxh3 46.Rxd6+ Rxd6 47.Rxd6+ Kf5 48.Rd5 Ne4+ 49.Bxe4+ Kxe4 50.Rb5 Rxb3*

51.c5 Rb2+ 52.Ke1 Ke3 53.Kd1 f3 54.Rb8 f2 55.Rf8 Rd2+ 56.Kc1 Rd5 57.c6 Rc5+ 58.Kb2 Rxc6 59.Kb3 Rc3+ 60.Kxb4 Rc1 61.Kb3 Re1 62.Kb2 f1Q 63.Kc3 Qxf8 64.Kc4 Qc8+ 65.Kd5 Rd1+ 66.Kxe5 Qc5+ 67.Kf6 Rd6+ 68.Ke7 Qc7+ 69.Ke8 Rd8# 0-1 (70) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-TheRagnarLothbrok (2563) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd5 18.exd5 a5 19.Re1 Nc5 20.f4 h5 21.g4 hxg4 22.Bxg4 Rc7 23.Rde2 Kf6 24.Kg2 Ra6 25.Re3 Rb6 26.Bd1 a4 27.Bc2 axb3 28.axb3 Rb4 29.Rf1 b5 30.cxb5 Rxb5 31.h4 Rb4 32.Kg3 Nd7 33.Rf2 Nb6 34.f5 g5 35.hxg5+ Kxg5 36.f6 Rg4+ 37.Kh3 Rh4+ 38.Kg3 Rg4+ 39.Kh3 Rh4+ 40.Kg2 Rg4+ 41.Kf1 Nxd5 42.Rf5+ Kh4 43.Rxd5 Rf4+ 44.Ke1 Rxf6 45.Bd1 Rc1 46.Rh5# 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-miki_train (2591) Blitz 2023;

B) 11...Nd7 12.Be3 Ne5 13.Qd2 Be6 14.b3 Rc8 15.Rac1 Re8 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.cxd5 b5 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.Rc1 Qb7 20.Qc2 h5 21.Qc7 Qa8 22.Kf2 Bf6 23.h3 g5 24.Qa7 Ng6 25.Rc7 Kg7 26.Qb6 Nf4 27.Ra7 Qc8 28.Qc6 Nxe2 29.Kxe2 g4 30.hxg4 hxg4 31.Rxa6 gxf3+ 32.gxf3 Qh3 33.Qxe8 Qg2+ 34.Kd3 Qxf3 35.Qc6 Qd1+ 36.Bd2 Qb1+ 37.Ke2 Qxe4+ 38.Kd1 Qf3+ 39.Kc1 Qf1+ 40.Kc2 Qf5+ 41.Kd1 Qf1+ 42.Kc2 Qf5+ 43.Kd1 Qb1+ 44.Ke2 Qe4+ 45.Kd1 Qb1+ 46.Ke2 Qe4+ ½-½ (46) amiraitowa (2688)-Artemka2004 (2556) Blitz 2023]

9.Qd2 Krasenkow,Michal: '- B38''Schipkov,Boris: '- B38' Schipkov,Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '- B38'" 'leads to a Sicilian Maroczy (B38) in a decent version for Black but it is not to everyone's taste. Schipkov,Boris: 'M. Krasenkow wrote in CBM 165: "leads to a Sicilian Maroczy (B38) in a decent version for Black but it is not to everyone's taste". Krasenkow, Michal: 'leads to a Sicilian Maroczy (B38) in a decent version for Black but it is not to everyone's taste.'"

[9.Be2

A) 9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.b3 *(11.0-0 Qa5 12.Rc1 Rfc8 13.b3 a6 14.a4 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qd4+ Kg8 17.Kh1 Qc5 18.Qd2 Qb4 19.Qc2 Nc5 20.Rb1 Rab8 21.Rfc1 Qb6 22.b4 Nd7 23.a5 Qd4 24.Qd1 Qxd1+ 25.Nxd1 Ne5 26.Ne3 f6 27.f4 Nd7 28.Kg1 Rc7 29.Rc2 Rbc8 30.Rbc1 Bf7 31.Kf2 Kf8 32.g3 h5 33.h4 b6 34.axb6 Nxb6 35.c5 dxc5 36.bxc5 Nd7 37.Bxa6 Rb8 38.c6 Nb6 39.Bb7 Nc8 40.Bxc8 Rbxc8 41.Nd5 Ra7 42.c7 Bxd5 43.exd5 Ke8 44.Ke3 Kd7 45.f5 gxf5 46.Kf4 Ra5 47.Kxf5 Rxd5+ 48.Kg6 f5 49.Kxh5 f4+ 50.Kg4 fxg3 51.Kxg3 Rd3+ 52.Kf2 Rh3 53.Rd2+ Ke8 54.Rd4 Ra3 55.Kg2 Ra7 56.Rdc4 Kd7 57.h5 Ra5 58.Rc5 Rxc5 59.Rxc5 Kd6 60.Rc4 Ke5 61.Kg3 Kf5 62.Rc5+ e5 63.h6 Kg6 64.Rxe5 Rxc7 65.Re6+ Kh7 66.Kg4 Rc5 67.Kh4 Rc4+ 68.Kg5 Rc5+ 69.Kf6 Rc4 70.Kf7 Rf4+ 71.Ke7 Rf6 72.Rxf6 Kg8 73.Rg6+ Kh7* ½-½ (73) Jakob19 (2601)-zaguer (2591) Blitz 2021*)* 11...a6 12.0-0

Rc8 13.a4 Nd7 14.f4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qxb6 Nxb6 17.a5 Na8 18.f5 Bd7 19.Nd5 Rfe8 20.f6 Rb8 21.Nxe7+ Kf8 22.Rfd1 Bc6 23.c5 dxc5 24.Nxc6 bxc6 25.Rd7 Rxe4 26.Bc4 Rd4 27.Rxf7+ Ke8 28.Re1+ 1-0 (28) Shod (2670)-Azamat86 (2578) Blitz 2020;

B) 9...Bd7

B1) 10.0-0

B1a) 10...Qa5 11.Qd2 Rfc8 12.Rac1 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bc6 14.Rfd1 Qd8 *(14...Nd7 15.b3 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qc5 17.Kf2 a5 18.Ke3 b6 19.Qxc5 bxc5 20.a4 Rcb8 21.Nb5 Bxb5 22.cxb5 Nb6 23.Bc4 Rd8 24.Rd2 Kf8 25.Rcd1 Rac8 26.e5 d5 27.Bxd5 c4 28.Bxc4 Rxd2 29.Rxd2 Nxc4+ 30.bxc4 Rxc4 31.Rb2 Ke8 32.b6 Rc8 33.Kd4 Kd7 34.b7 Rb8 35.Kc5 Kc7 36.f4 h5 37.g3 f6 38.exf6 exf6 39.Rb6 Rxb7 40.Rxb7+ Kxb7 41.Kb5 Kc7 42.Kxa5 Kd6 43.Kb4 Kd5 44.a5 h4 45.a6 hxg3 46.hxg3 Ke4 47.a7 Kf3 48.a8Q+ Kxg3 49.Qe4 f5 50.Qe3+ Kg4 51.Kc4* 1-0 (51) GUNNE_USER (2622)-SouthAfricanWolf (2639) Blitz 2022*)* 15.b3 Nd7 16.b4 Bxd4+ 17.Qxd4 Qb6 18.b5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Rc5 20.Nc3 Rac8 21.Nd5 Qd8 22.h4 e6 23.Ne3 Qxh4 24.Qxd6 Ne5 25.Nf1 Qf4 26.Qd2 Qh4 27.f4 Ng4 28.Bxg4 Qxg4 29.Nh2 Qh4 30.Nf3 Qe7 31.Qd7 Qxd7 32.Rxd7 Rxc4 33.Rxc4 Rxc4 34.Ng5 f6 35.Nxh7 1-0 (35) Lucky1357924680 (2658)-Koshechka22 (2643) Blitz 2024;

B1b) 10...Rc8 11.Rc1 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bc6 13.b3 Nd7 14.g3 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Rfd1 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 a5 18.Kf2 Nc5 19.h4 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 b6 23.Re1 Rcd8 24.Bd1 e6 25.Rd4 Kg7 26.a3 Kf6 27.b4 axb4 28.axb4 Na6 29.Bb3 e5 30.Rd5 Nxb4 31.Rb5 Nd3+ 32.Ke2 Nxe1 33.Kxe1 Rb8 34.Rd5 Ke7 35.Ke2 Rfc8 36.Ke3 Rc5 37.Rd1 Ra8 38.Bc2 Ra3+ 39.Kf2 Ra2 0-1 (39) Lucky1357924680 (2655)-kaumandur01 (2744) Blitz 2024;

B1c) 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 a5 12.b3 Bc6 13.Rc1 Nd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ Kg8 16.Rc2 Nc5 17.f4 Qb6 18.Rb1 Qb4 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 a4 21.Rcb2 axb3 22.axb3 Ra3 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5 e6 25.h4 Rxb3 26.Rxb3 Nxb3 27.Qe3 Qd2 28.Rxb3 Qe1+ 29.Bf1 Qxh4 30.Rxb7 Rd8 31.c5 Rc8 32.g3 Qg4 33.Bg2 Qd1+ 34.Kh2 Qh5+ 35.Kg1 Qxc5 36.Qxc5 Rxc5 37.Rb2 h5 38.Kf2 Kg7 39.Bf3 Rc7 40.Rb3 Kf6 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Rb7 Rc3+ 43.Kf2 Rc2+ 44.Be2 Rc5 45.Bb5 Kg7 46.Be8 Rf5 47.Ke3 e5 48.Ke4 exf4 49.gxf4 Rf6 50.Bd7 Rd6 51.Bb5 Rd1

52.Bc4 Re1+ 53.Kf3 Rc1 54.Bxf7 Rc3+ 55.Ke4 h4 56.Be6+ Kf6 57.Bd5 h3 58.Rf7# 1-0 (58) Ararat2022 (2648)-Coronavirus95 (2620) Blitz 2022;

B1d) 10...a6 11.Rc1 *(11.Nc2 Rb8 12.Rc1 Ne5 13.Nd5 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Ncb4 Nc4 16.Bd4 e5 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.Bc3 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qe2 fxe4 21.fxe4 Rxf1+ 22.Rxf1 Rc8 23.Qf2 Be6 24.Rd1 Ra8 25.a3 Ra7 26.Bb4 Rf7 27.Qe3 Bf8 28.Nc3 Qb8 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Kxf1 Qe8 31.Ne2 d5 32.exd5 Bxd5 33.Bc3 Bg7 34.Ng3 Qf7+ 35.Kg1 Qf4 36.Qxf4 exf4 37.Bxg7 fxg3 38.Bd4 gxh2+ 39.Kxh2 Kf7 40.Kg3 Ke6 41.Kf2 Kf5 42.g3 Ke4 43.Bg7 Be6 44.a4 Bd7 45.a5 Bb5 46.Bc3 Ba6 47.Bd2 Bb5 48.g4 Ba6 49.Kg3 Bb5 50.Kh4 Kf3 51.Kg5 Ba6 52.Kh4 Bb5 53.g5 Ke4 54.Kg4 Ba6 55.Bc3 Bb5 56.Kg3 Ba6 57.Kf2 Bb5 58.Ke2 Ba6 59.Kd2 Kf4 60.Bf6 Ke4 61.Kc3 Kd5 62.Kb4 Kc6 63.Bd8 Bb5 64.Kc3 Ba6 65.Kd4 Bb5 66.Ke5 Kd7 67.Bb6 Ke8 68.Kd6 Kf7 69.Kc7 Ke6 70.Kb7 Kf5 71.Be3 Ke4 72.Bd2 Kd3 73.Bc3 Ke4 74.a6* 1-0 (74) OnkelKonkel (2634)-Masoretes (2301) Rapid 2022 *)* 11...Rc8 12.b3

B1d1) 12...Qa5 13.Qd2 Qh5 *(13...Nxd4 14.Bxd4 b5 15.Rfd1 Be6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxe7+ Kh8 18.Rxd2 Rc7 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Bf5 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.g4 Bc8 23.b4 Bb7 24.c5 Re8 25.Rcc2 Rce7 26.cxd6 Rd7 27.Rc7 Red8 28.Rdc2 Bxd5 29.Ra7 Rxa7* 0-1 (29) HundimBuero (2626)-ukchessbomber (2621) Blitz 2021 *)* 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.c5 Be8 17.Bxa6 Ra8 18.Bc4 d5 19.exd5 cxd5 20.Be2 d4 21.Bxd4 Bh6 22.f4 Qf5 23.g3 e5 24.Bd3 Qc8 25.Bxe5 Qxc5+ 26.Qf2 Qxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Ng4+ 28.Ke2 Nxe5 29.fxe5 Bxc1 30.Rxc1 Rac8 31.b4 Rd7 32.Bb5 Re7 33.Bxe8 Rxe5+ 34.Kf2 Rexe8 35.Rc2 Re6 36.b5 Rec6 37.bxc6 1-0 (37) Superfm1 (2634)-HAtURAL (2558) Blitz 2021;

B1d2) 12...Re8 13.Qd2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bc6 15.Rfd1 Nh5 16.Bxg7 Nxg7 17.f4 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Ne6 19.Bg4 Rcd8 20.f5 Nc5 21.Qf4 Nd7 22.fxg6 hxg6 23.Bxd7 Rxd7 24.Rd3 Qc5 25.Rf1 Rf8 26.Rh3 Qe5 27.Qh4 Qg7 28.Ne2 e5 29.Ng3 b5 30.Nh5 gxh5 31.Rg3 f6 32.Rxf6 bxc4 33.bxc4 Rxf6 34.Qxf6 Bxe4 35.Kg1 Kh7 36.Rxg7+ Rxg7 37.g3 Rg6 38.Qf7+ Kh6 39.Qf8+ Kh7 40.Qc8 h4 41.Qh3 Kg7

42.Qxh4 Bd3 43.Qe7+ Kh6 44.Qf8+ Kh7 45.Qc8 e4 46.Kf2 a5 47.Ke3 Kh6 48.Qh8+ Kg5 49.Qh4+ Kf5 50.Qh3+ Kf6 51.Qd7 Ke5 52.Qe7+ Re6 53.Qg5# 1-0 (53) Biriyani (2714)-hitsuji (2584) Blitz 2022;

B2) 10.Nc2 a5 11.0-0 a4 12.Qd2 Qa5 13.Rad1 Rfc8 14.Na3 Be6 15.Kh1 Nd7 16.f4 Qb4 17.f5 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Qxc3 19.bxc3 gxf5 20.exf5 Bxf5 21.Rxf5 Nce5 22.g4 Ra5 23.Rdf1 Raa8 24.g5 Rc6 25.Bd4 Rac8 26.Bh5 Rf8 27.Bf3 Rc7 28.Be2 Rc6 29.h4 Rc7 30.h5 Rcc8 31.Rb1 Rc7 32.Rb4 Ra8 33.Bf1 Nc6 34.Rb2 Nce5 35.Bg2 e6 36.Rf1 Nxc4 37.Nxc4 Rxc4 38.Rxb7 Rd8 39.Rfb1 e5 40.Bf2 Rxc3 41.Be4 Rh3+ 42.Kg2 Rxh5 43.Be3 Nc5 44.Rb8 Rxb8 45.Rxb8+ Kg7 46.Bd5 Ne6 47.Bxe6 fxe6 48.Kg3 d5 49.Kg4 Rh2 50.Bc5 Rg2+ 51.Kh4 Rxa2 52.Bd6 Kg6 53.Rg8+ Kf5 54.Rf8+ Ke4 55.Rf7 Rh2+ 56.Kg3 Rh5 57.Kg4 Rh1 58.Rf2 d4 59.Re2+ Kd5 60.Bb8 e4 61.Ra2 e3 62.Rxa4 e2 63.Ra5+ Kc4 64.Bg3 Rg1 65.Ra4+ Kb3 66.Rxd4 e1Q 67.Rd3+ Kc4 68.Rf3 Qe4+ 69.Rf4 Qxf4+ 70.Kxf4 Rxg3 71.g6 Rxg6 72.Ke5 h5 73.Kf4 Rg1 74.Kf3 ½-½ (74) dmitry-lavrik (2728)-TheRedKing89 (2766) Blitz 2021]

[9.Nc2 Be6 *(9...b6 10.Be2 Bb7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Rc1 Ne5 13.b3 h5 14.Qd2 Re8 15.Nb4 a5 16.Nbd5 Nfd7 17.Na4 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Rxc1 19.Rxc1 Qb8 20.Bb5 Rd8 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxd7 Nxe3 23.Bb5 Ng4 24.Rc6 Nf6 25.Qc2 Nd7 26.Qc4 Kh7 27.h3 Kh6 28.Kf2 Kh7 29.Kf3 Kg8 30.Rc7 Nc5 31.Rc6 Nd7 32.Qd3 Nc5 33.Nxc5 bxc5 34.a4 Rc8 35.Qd2 Rxc6 36.dxc6 Qc7 37.f5 Kh7 38.Qd5 e5 39.Bc4 gxf5 40.exf5 f6 41.Kg3 e4 42.Kf4 Bh6+ 43.Kxe4 Bg7 44.Kf3 Qc8 45.Qg8+ Kh6 46.Qxc8* 1-0 (46) OnkelKonkel (2615)-Zodtg (2421) Rapid 2022*)* 10.Be2 Qa5 *(10...a5 11.0-0 a4 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.cxd5 Ne5 14.Nd4 Qa5 15.Rc1 Rfc8 16.h3 h5 17.Bb5 a3 18.b3 Ned7 19.Qe2 Qb4 20.Nc2 Qa5 21.b4 Qd8 22.Qd3 Ne5 23.Qb3 Nfd7 24.Nxa3 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Nb6 26.Nc2 Rc8 27.Ne1 Rxc1 28.Bxc1 Qc7 29.Be3 Nbc4 30.Bf2 Nd2 31.Qa3 Nec4 32.Qd3 Kh7 33.a4 Bh6 34.Bd4 Ne5 35.Qc2 Qd8 36.a5 Qf8 37.Qc3 f5 38.Bxe5 dxe5 39.exf5 Qxf5 40.Bd3 Qf6 41.b5 Be3+ 42.Kh1 Qf4 43.Qc7 Qg3 44.Qxe7+ Kh6 45.Qf8+ Kh7 46.Qf7+ Kh6 47.Qxg6+ Qxg6 48.Bxg6 Kxg6 49.Nc2 Bc5 50.a6 bxa6 51.bxa6 Nb3 52.Kh2 Nd4 53.Ne3 Kf6 54.Nc4 Nf5 55.g4 Ne3 56.Nb2 hxg4 57.Nd3 gxf3 58.Kg3 f2 59.Nxc5 Nd1 60.Ne4+ Kf5 61.Kg2 Kxe4 62.d6 Ne3+ 63.Kg3 f1Q 64.Kh4* 1-0 (64) OnkelKonkel (2627)-Romsta (2653) Blitz 2022*)* 11.0-0 Rfc8 12.a3 Qd8 13.Rc1 Nd7 14.Qd2 Nce5 15.b3 Nc5 16.Rb1 a6 17.h3 b5 18.f4 bxc4 19.fxe5 cxb3 20.Nd4 Bxe5 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Bc4 Qa5 23.Bd4 Nxe4 24.Bxe6+ Kg7 25.Nxe4 Qxd2 26.Bxe5+ dxe5

27.Rf7+ Kh6 28.Nxd2 Rc2 29.Nxb3 Rb8 30.Re1 Rb5 31.Rxe7 a5 32.a4 Rb4 33.Rxe5 Rxa4 34.Bg8 1-0 (34) OnkelKonkel (2635)-bja555 (2585) Blitz 2022]

9...Bd7

[9...Nxd4 'Schipkov,Boris Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris'" 10.Bxd4

A) 10...a5

A1) 11.b3 Bd7 12.Be2 Bc6 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Be3 Nc5 15.Rab1 Qb6 16.Rfc1 Rfc8 17.Rc2 Qb4 *(17...Qd8 18.a3 a4 19.b4 Nb3 20.Qd3 Be5 21.b5 Bd7 22.Nxa4 Rxa4 23.Rxb3 Rca8 24.c5 Be6 25.c6 bxc6 26.bxc6 Bxb3 27.Qxb3 Rxa3 28.Qb7 Rxe3 29.c7 Qc8 30.Ba6 Bd4 31.Kf1 Qxb7 32.Bxb7 Ra1+ 33.Kf2 Rc3+* 0-1 (33) AgressiveMode (2722)-crackcubano (2815) Blitz 2021*)* 18.Qc1 Qb6 19.a3 Qd8 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Na4 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 b5 24.c5 dxc5 25.bxc5 Qxd5 26.Bxb5 Bd4 27.c6 Qe5 28.Bxd4 Qxd4+ 29.Kh1 Nb6 30.h3 e6 31.Rd2 Qe5 32.Qe1 Qxe1+ 33.Rxe1 Nd5 34.Rc1 Rc7 35.Bd3 Rac8 36.Be4 Rxc6 37.Rcd1 Rd6 38.Bxd5 Rcd8 39.Kh2 Rxd5 40.Rxd5 exd5 41.Kg3 Kg7 42.Kf4 Kf6 43.h4 h6 44.Re1 d4 45.Rd1 h5 46.g3 Rd7 47.Ke4 Re7+ 48.Kf4 Rd7 49.Ke4 g5 50.hxg5+ Kxg5 51.Rxd4 Re7+ 52.Kd3 f5 53.Kd2 Re8 54.Rc4 Re7 55.Rd4 Ra7 56.Ke2 Ra2+ 57.Kf1 Rb2 58.Rc4 Rd2 59.Kg1 Rd3 60.Kg2 Rd2+ 61.Kh3 Rd6 62.f4+ Kg6 63.Kh4 Re6 ½-½ (63) Dmiktor (2788)-kelnoreem (2841) Blitz 2024;

A2) 11.Be2 Bd7

A2a) 12.0-0 Bc6 13.Rac1 *(13.Kh1 Nd7 14.Rfd1 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qd2 Nc5 17.Rab1 Rfc8 18.Qg5 f6 19.Qh6 Ne6 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Ng5 22.Qh4 Rc7 23.Re1 Nf7 24.f4 Qd4 25.Qg3 Qd2 26.Bd3 Kg7 27.Re2 Qb4 28.Rbe1 Re8 29.h4 Kh8 30.Qf3 Nh6 31.g4 b5 32.cxb5 g5 33.hxg5 fxg5 34.Re6 Rf8 35.Qh3 Rf6 36.Rf1 Qd4 37.Rxf6 Qxf6 38.Qh5 Ng8 39.Qxh7#* 1-0 (39) Maghsoodloo,P (2698)-Priasmoro,N (2502) chess.com INT 2021*; 13.Rfd1 Nd7 14.Be3 Nc5 15.b3 Qb6 16.Kh1 Qb4 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qb6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Qxe5 a4 21.Rab1 axb3 22.axb3 Ne6 23.b4 Rfd8 24.c5 Qc7 25.Qxc7 Nxc7 26.b5 Be8 27.Rdc1 Rd2 28.Bf1 Ne6 29.Ne4 Rdd8* ½-½ (29) amiraitowa (2604)-bijiy (2609) Rapid 2023*)* 13...a4 14.a3 Qa5 15.Rfd1 Nd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qd4+ Qe5 18.Qxe5+ Nxe5 19.f4 Nd7 20.Bf3 Nc5 21.Kf2 Rfc8 22.Ke3 f5 23.exf5 Bxf3 24.Kxf3 gxf5 25.Nd5 Nb3 26.Rc3 Rc5 27.Nxe7 Re8 28.Re3 Kf7 29.Nd5 Rxc4 30.Rxe8 Kxe8 31.Ne3 Rd4 32.Re1 Nd2+ 33.Ke2 Kd7 34.Nxf5 Rxf4 35.Nxd6 Nb3 36.Nxb7 Kc7 37.Ke3 Rf8

38.Rd1 Kxb7 39.Rd7+ Kc6 40.Rxh7 Re8+ 41.Kf2 Kc5 42.Rh5+ Kc4 43.Rh7 Kd3 44.Rd7+ Kc2 45.h4 Kxb2 46.h5 Kxa3 47.h6 Rh8 48.h7 Kb2 49.g4 a3 50.g5 a2 51.g6 Rxh7 52.g7 Rxg7 53.Rxg7 a1Q 54.Rg2 Ka2 55.Kg3+ Qb2 56.Rg1 Qc3+ 57.Kh2 Qc4 58.Kh3 Ka3 59.Rg3 Kb4 60.Kh2 Qc3 61.Rg4+ Ka3 62.Rg3 1-0 (62) Superfm1 (2703)-CristianS27 (2409) Blitz 2024;

A2b) 12.c5 Bc6 13.cxd6 exd6 14.0-0 Re8 15.Rfd1 a4 16.Rac1 Qa5 17.a3 h5 18.Qf4 Re6 19.Bc4 g5 20.Qd2 Ree8 21.Na2 Qxd2 22.Rxd2 h4 23.Bc3 Rac8 24.Rxd6 Nh5 25.Nb4 Bf8 26.Rg6+ 1-0 (26) Dmiktor (2818)-kelnoreem (2827) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...Be6

B1) 11.Nd5

B1a) 11...Nxd5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.exd5 Bd7 14.h4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' h5 15.0-0-0 Qb6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(15...b5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *)* 16.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(16.Kb1* Krasenkow,Michal: '±' *)* 16...hxg4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(16...Rh8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *)* 17.Re1 Rae8 *(17...gxf3 18.Rxe7 Bf5 19.Qc3+ Kh6 20.Bd3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' *)* 18.h5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Rh8 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(18...e5* Krasenkow,Michal: '±' *)* 19.Bd3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(19.h6+* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Kg8 20.fxg4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ' *)* 19...Qd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(19...g3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *20.hxg6 Qf2* Krasenkow,Michal: '=' *)* 20.Re4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± ' *(20.hxg6* Krasenkow,Michal: '±' *)* 20...Qf6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ? ' *(20...Qc5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' *)* 21.fxg4 *(21.Rf4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Qe5 22.fxg4* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 21...e5 22.dxe6 Rxe6 23.Rf4 Qe7 24.Rhf1 Be8 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Qc3+ Re5 27.c5 Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' d5 28.Kb1 Qg5 29.Bf5 *(29.R4f3* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 29...Kf6 30.R4f3 Rh7 31.Re1 *(31.Bd7+* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 31...Rhe7 32.Bd7+ Kg7 33.Rfe3 Bxd7 34.Rxe5 Rxe5 35.Rxe5 Qxg4 36.Re4+ Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (36) Krasenkow,M (2632)-Managadze,N (2463) Aghia Pelagia 2004';

B1b) Krasenkow,Michal: ' ' 11...Bxd5 12.exd5 Re8 *(12...a5 13.Be2 Nd7 14.Bf2 Nc5 15.0-0 Qb6 16.Rab1 Rfe8 17.Rfd1 Qb4 18.Qc2 a4 19.Kh1 e6 20.Bf1 exd5 21.Rxd5 Re6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (61) Rodriguez Vila,A (2518)-Felgaer,R (2564) Quito 2012')Krasenkow,Michal: ' ' 13.0-0-0 a6 14.Kb1 Qd7 15.g4 b5 Krasenkow,Michal:

'1-0 (69) Ward,C (2498)-McShane,L (2544) Torquay 2002' 16.h4 Krasenkow, Michal: '±!';

B2) 11.Be2 Qa5 12.0-0 Rfc8 13.b3 b5 *(13...Nd7 14.Rfd1 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qc5 16.f4 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 f6 18.Bf3 Rab8 19.g4 a6 20.a4 Nc5 21.Rb1 a5 22.h4 Kf8 23.Kg2 Bd7 24.Kg3 Bc6 25.g5 fxg5 26.hxg5 Kg7 27.Rd2 Rf8 28.Re2 Ne6 29.Nd5 Nd4 30.Rd2 Nxf3 31.Kxf3 e5 32.Nf6 h6 33.Rxd6 exf4 34.gxh6+ Kxh6 35.Rh1+ Kg5 36.Nh7# 1-0 (36) mbchessmaster (2615)-Revan_2002 (2564) Blitz 2021)* 14.cxb5 Nxe4 15.fxe4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qxc3 17.Qxc3 Rxc3 18.Rac1 Rac8 19.Bc4 *(19.Rxc3 Rxc3 20.Kf2 Rc2 21.Ke3 Rxa2 22.Bc4 Rxg2 23.Ra1 Kg7 24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.Rxa7 Rb2 26.Ra3 Rc2 27.b6 Rc6 28.Ra6 Rc3+ 29.Kd4 Rxb3 30.Ra7 Rxb6 31.Rxe7+ Kf6 32.Rxh7 Rb2 33.h4 Rb3 34.Rh6 Rh3 35.Rh8 Kf7 36.Rd8 Ke7 37.Rf8* 0-1 (37) mbchessmaster (2608)-tiger_nad (2749) Blitz 2021*)* 19...Rxc1 20.Rxc1 Kg7 21.Kf2 Kf6 22.Ke3 Ke5 23.a4 f5 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Rc2 f4+ 26.Kd2 Rg8 27.Kc3 d5 28.Re2+ Kd6 29.Bd3 Rg4 30.h3 Rg3 31.Kd4 Bxh3 32.gxh3 e5+ 33.Rxe5 Rxd3+ 34.Kxd3 Kxe5 35.a5 Kd6 36.b4 h5 37.h4 Kc7 38.Kd4 Kb7 39.Kd3 Kc7 40.Kd4 Kb7 41.Kd3 Kc7 ½-½ (41) AngryBirds2000 (2675)-josemourinho2024 (2678) Blitz 2024;

B3) 11.Rc1 Qa5 12.b3 Rfc8

B3a) 13.Be3 a6 14.Na4 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Nd7 16.Be2 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.f4 Rc7 *(18...Bf7 19.h3 Rc7 20.g4 Nc5 21.Nb6 Re8 22.Bf3 Ne4+ 23.Bxe4 fxe4 24.f5 e6 25.fxe6 Rxe6 26.Ke2 Bg6 27.Nd5 Rf7 28.Nf4 Ref6 29.Rhf1 Bh6 30.Nd5 Rxf1 31.Rxf1 Rxf1 32.Kxf1 Bg7 33.Ne7+ Kf7 34.Nxg6 hxg6 35.Bf4 Ke6 36.Ke2 d5 37.cxd5+ Kxd5 38.h4 b5 39.h5 gxh5 40.gxh5 Ke6 41.Ke3 Kf5 42.h6 Bb2 43.h7 Bg7 44.Bd6 Bh8 45.Bc5 Kg6 46.Kxe4 Kxh7 47.Kd5 Kg6 48.Kc6 Bc3 49.Kb6 Kf5 50.Kxa6 Ke4 51.Kxb5 Kd5 52.a4 Ke6 53.b4 Kd7 54.Kb6 Kc8 55.Ka7 Be5 56.b5 Bb8+ 57.Ka8 Be5 58.a5 Bc7 59.a6 Be5 60.b6 Kd7 61.b7 Kc6 62.Bf2 Kb5 63.a7 Kc6 64.b8Q* 1-0 (64) AgressiveMode (2721)-Romsta (2607) Blitz 2021*)* 19.h3 Nf6 20.Bf3 Ne4+ 21.Bxe4 fxe4 22.Nb6 Rd8 23.g4 d5 24.cxd5 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Bxd5 26.Nxd5 e6 *(26...Rxd5+ 27.Ke2 Rd7 28.Rc4 b5 29.Rxe4 Rc7 30.Kd2 Kf7 31.Bd4 Bf8 32.f5 Bh6+ 33.Be3 Bg7 34.Re6 Rd7+ 35.Ke2 a5 36.Ra6 Bc3 37.Ra7 Rxa7 38.Bxa7 e6 39.fxe6+ Kxe6 40.Kd3 Be1 41.Ke4 a4 42.Bd4 axb3*

43.axb3 Kf7 44.Kf5 Bd2 45.h4 Be1 46.h5 Bg3 47.g5 Be1 48.g6+ Kg8 49.Ke6 Bd2 50.Kd5 b4 51.Kc4 Be1 52.Kd3 Bg3 53.Ke3 Be1 54.Ke2 Bg3 55.Kd3 Be1 56.Kc4 Bd2 57.gxh7+ Kxh7 58.Bc5 Bf4 59.Bxb4 Kh6 60.Bf8+ Kxh5 61.b4 Kg6 62.Kd5 Kf7 63.Bd6 Be3 64.b5 Ke8 65.Bc5 Bf4 66.Kc6 Kd8 67.Kb7 Kd7 68.b6 Bd2 69.Bf2 1-0 (69) AgressiveMode (2663)-izel2 (2600) Blitz 2021*)* 27.Rc8 1-0 (27) AgressiveMode (2721)-izel2 (2572) Blitz 2021;

B3b) 13.g4 a6 14.g5 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd5 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Kf8 18.Be2 Rab8 19.h4 a5 20.h5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Kg7 22.f4 Nc5 23.Rh3 Rh8 24.Rch1 f6 25.a3 fxg5 26.fxg5 Ne4+ 27.Ke3 Nxg5 28.h6+ Kf8 29.Rg3 Nf7 30.Rf1 Ke8 31.Bg4 Ne5 32.Be6 a4 33.Kd4 axb3 34.Rxb3 Rf8 35.Rxf8+ Kxf8 36.c5 Ra8 37.Rxb7 Ra4+ 38.Kc3 Rxa3+ 39.Kb4 Ra8 40.c6 Nd3+ 41.Kb5 Nc5 42.Kb6 Na4+ 43.Kb5 Nc5 44.Kb6 Na4+ 45.Kc7 Nc5 46.Rb8+ Rxb8 47.Kxb8 g5 48.c7 Na6+ 49.Kb7 Nxc7 50.Kxc7 g4 51.Bxg4 Kf7 52.Kd7 Kf6 53.Be6 Kg5 54.Kxe7 Kxh6 55.Kxd6 Kg5 56.Ke7 1-0 (56) sber1 (2828)-Elbece (2782) Blitz 2023]

[9...Rb8 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bxa7 Ra8 12.Bd4 Qa5 13.Be2 c5 14.Be3 Be6 15.0-0-0 Rfb8 16.Kc2 Nd7 17.Rb1 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 19.Kxc3 Rxa2 20.Bd3 Nb6 21.b3 Rxg2 22.h4 h5 23.Ra1 Nd7 24.Rhg1 Rh2 25.Rh1 Rxh1 26.Rxh1 Ne5 27.Be2 Ra8 28.f4 Nc6 29.e5 Ra2 30.Bd3 Nb4 31.exd6 exd6 32.f5 Bxf5 33.Bxf5 gxf5 34.Rc1 Re2 35.Rg1+ Kh7 36.Bd2 Rh2 37.Rg5 Rh3+ 38.Kb2 Rxh4 39.Rxf5 Nd3+ 40.Kc2 Ne5 41.Rf6 Rd4 42.Bc3 Re4 43.Rxd6 h4 44.Rd5 f6 45.Rxc5 h3 46.Ra5 Re2+ 47.Kd1 Rg2 48.Rxe5 fxe5 49.Bxe5 h2 50.Bxh2 Rxh2 0-1 (50) AgressiveMode (2725)-Loay23 (2592) Blitz 2021]

[9...e6 10.0-0-0 d5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Bd4 Be6 15.h4 Qa5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Bxg7 Qxa2 18.Bxf8 Qa1+ 19.Kc2 Qa4+ 20.Kb1 Qa2+ 21.Kc2 Qa4+ 22.Kd3 Rd8+ 23.Ke3 Rxd2 24.Rxd2 Kxf8 25.Bd3 Qa5 26.Rc1 Qe5+ 27.Kf2 Qf4 28.Rdc2 Qxh4+ 29.Kf1 Bd5 30.Bc4 Qh1+ 31.Kf2 Qh4+ 32.Kf1 h5 33.Bxd5 cxd5 34.Rd1 Qh1+ 0-1 (34) SlowSmokingTurtle (2615)-Turmalinovyj (2639) Blitz 2023]

10.Rc1

[10.Nc2 Qa5 *(10...Rc8 11.Rc1 a6 12.Be2 Ne5 13.b3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 d5 17.Bd4 Nh5 18.f4 Ng4 19.e5 f6 20.e6 f5 21.Bd7 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Rxc1+ 23.Qxc1 Qa5+ 24.Qd2 Qxd2+ 25.Kxd2 Nxf4 26.Nc6 Nf2 27.Nxe7+ Kg7 28.Rc1 Ne4+ 29.Ke3 Nxg2+ 30.Kf3 Nh4+ 31.Kf4 g5+ 32.Ke5 Nf3+ 33.Kxd5 Kf6 34.Nc8 Rd8 35.Nd6 Ne5 36.Nxe4+ fxe4 37.Rf1+ Nf3 38.Kxe4 g4 39.h3 Ke7 40.hxg4 Nd2+* 0-1 (40) dmitry-lavrik (2600)-

sh20032006 (2569) Blitz 2021*)* 11.Rc1 Rfc8 12.Be2 a6 13.a3 Ne5 14.c5 dxc5 15.f4 Neg4 16.e5 Nxe3 17.Nxe3 Nh5 18.Bxh5 1-0 (18) LazaroBruzon (2817)-MKiller9803 (2616) Blitz 2022]

[10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Kb1 Ne5 12.b3 a6 13.h3 *(13.Rc1 Re8 14.Be2 Qa5 15.Rhd1 Nc6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nd7 20.Bf1 b6 21.Re1 a5 22.Bd4 Bxd4 23.Rxd4 Nc5 24.Kc2 Kg7 25.Kd2 Rcd8 26.f4 Kf8 27.g3 e6 28.dxe6 Rxe6 29.Bg2 Ke7 30.Bd5 Rxe1 31.Kxe1 Rb8 32.Rd2 b5 33.cxb5 Rxb5 34.Kf2 Rb4 35.Re2+ Kf8 36.Bc4 a4 37.Re3 a3 38.Ke1 Rb7 39.Bd5 Rb4 40.Bc4 h5 41.Kd2 f5 42.Kc3 Rb8 43.b4 Ne4+ 44.Kb3 Nd2+ 45.Kc3 Ne4+ 46.Kb3 Nd2+ 47.Kc3 Ne4+* ½-½ (47) bodoque50 (2603)-Romsta (2560) Blitz 2023*)* 13...e6 14.Be2 Re8 15.Rc1 Qa5 16.Rhd1 Qa3 17.Qb2 Qxb2+ 18.Kxb2 Red8 19.Kb1 Nc6 20.Nxc6 Bxc6 21.Bb6 Rd7 22.Na4 Bxa4 23.bxa4 Rc6 24.a5 Nh5 25.Bf1 f5 26.Rc2 Kf7 27.Rcd2 Ke7 28.c5 Be5 29.Bc4 fxe4 30.fxe4 Nf6 31.Bd3 dxc5 32.Rc2 c4 33.Be2 Rxd1+ 34.Bxd1 Nxe4 35.Kc1 Bf4+ 36.Kb2 c3+ 37.Kb3 Nd2+ 38.Ka4 Rc4+ 39.Ka3 Bd6+ 0-1 (39) SlowSmokingTurtle (2639)-EqualiZ3R (2702) Blitz 2023]

[10.Be2

A) 10...Rc8 11.0-0 a6 12.Rfc1 *(12.Rac1 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bc6 14.Be3 Bd7 15.b3 Qc7 16.f4 Bc6 17.Bd3 e6 18.h3 Qd7 19.Bb6 Ne8 20.Rfd1 Nc7 21.Bb1 Rfd8 22.Qf2 Qe7 23.Re1 Re8 24.e5 Na8 25.Bd4 Rcd8 26.Be4 Qd7 27.Bxc6 Qxc6 28.Ne4 dxe5 29.Bxe5 f5 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Qb2+ e5 32.Ng5 Qc5+ 33.Kh2 Rd4 34.fxe5 Nc7 35.b4 Qb6 36.Nf3 Re4 37.Red1 Qe6 38.Rd6 Qe7 39.Rcd1 Kg8 40.Rd7 Qe6 41.Rxc7 Re7 42.Rd6 Qf7 43.Ng5 Qe8 44.Rxe7 Qxe7 45.Nxe4 fxe4 46.Qd4 e3 47.Rd8+ Kg7 48.Rd7 Qxd7 49.Qxd7+ Kf8 50.e6 e2 51.Qf7#* 1-0 (51) Sethuraman,S (2623)-Bakshi,R (1891) Pune IND 2015 *)* 12...Re8 13.Rab1 Ne5 14.Nd5 Nc6 15.Nc3 e6 16.Bf2 Qe7 17.b4 Ne5 18.Nd1 h6 19.Be3 g5 20.Nf2 Red8 21.Nb3 Ng6 22.Bb6 Re8 23.Na5 Ba4 24.Bd1 Bxd1 25.Rxd1 Nd7 26.Bd4 Nde5 27.Rbc1 Nf4 28.c5 Nxf3+ 29.gxf3 Bxd4 30.cxd6 Qxd6 31.Kf1 Rxc1 32.Rxc1 Qb6 33.Nc4 Qd8 34.Rd1 Bf6 35.Ng4 Be7 36.Nxh6+ Kg7 37.Qxd8 Rxd8 38.Rxd8 Bxd8 39.Ng4 b5 40.Nd6 Bc7 41.Nb7 f6 42.Nc5 a5 43.a3 axb4 44.axb4 Bd6 45.Na6 Kg6 46.Ne3 f5 47.exf5+ exf5 48.Nc2 Nd3 49.Nd4 Nxb4 50.Nxb5 Nxa6 51.Nxd6 Nc5 52.Nc4 Nd3 53.Ne5+ Nxe5 54.Ke2 f4 55.h3 Kf5 56.h4 gxh4 57.Kf2 Nxf3 58.Kf1 h3 59.Kf2 Kg4 60.Ke2 ½-½ (60) AgressiveMode (2625)-Akbar2001 (2608) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...a6 11.0-0 Rb8 12.Rac1 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.b4 Qe8 16.Qb2 Be6 17.Rfd1 Qd7 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Rfc8 20.a3 Nh5 21.Bxg7 Nxg7 22.g4 Ne8 23.Qd4 Nf6 24.Kg2 Ra8 25.Rc3 Qb7 26.Rxc8+ Rxc8 27.Rd2 Rc1 28.f4 Nd7 29.g5 Nb6 30.Bxb5 Qa7 31.a4 Qc7 32.Bc6

Nd7 33.a5 Nf8 34.Re2 e5 35.Qe3 Rc4 36.fxe5 dxe5 37.Qxe5 Qd8 38.h3 Rxb4 39.Ra2 Rb3 40.a6 Nd7 41.Qf4 Nc5 42.Rf2 Nd3 43.Qxf7+ Kh8 44.Qf6+ Qxf6 45.Rxf6 Ra3 46.Re6 Ra2+ 47.Kg3 Nc5 48.Re8+ Kg7 49.Re7+ Kf8 50.Re4 Nxe4+ 51.Kf4 Nd6 52.Ke5 Ke7 53.Kd4 Rf2 54.Kc5 Rf4 55.Kb6 Rc4 56.Kc7 Rb4 57.a7 Nb5+ 0-1 (57) AgressiveMode (2632)-felipeporrasmateo (2648) Blitz 2021]

10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 a5 12.b3 Bc6 13.Be2 Nd7 14.Be3 Nc5 15.0-0 Qb6 16.Nb5 Rfc8 17.Rfd1 Bxb5

[17...Qd8 18.Nd4 Qf8 19.Rc2 Bd7 20.Bf1 h5 21.Bf2 Kh7 22.Qe1 Be5 23.g3 Qh8 24.f4 Bg7 25.Bg2 a4 26.b4 Ne6 27.Nf3 a3 28.f5 Nf8 29.c5 dxc5 30.Rxc5 Bc3 31.fxg6+ fxg6 32.Ng5+ Kg8 33.Qe2 Qf6 34.Qc4+ Kg7 35.Qxc3 Qxc3 36.Rxc3 Rxc3 37.Bd4+ Kh6 38.Nf7+ 1-0 (38) TaylorSwiftFans (2823)-TheRedKing89 (2825) Blitz 2021]

18.cxb5 Qd8 19.Rc4 b6 20.Bf1 Qf8 21.Bf2 Bh6 22.Qc2 Rd8 23.a3 e6 24.b4 axb4 25.axb4 d5 26.exd5 exd5 27.Rh4 Ne6 28.Bxb6 Rdc8 29.Qb3 d4 30.Bc4 Be3+ 31.Kh1 Qd6 32.Bxe6 Qxb6 33.Bxc8 Rxc8 34.Qd5 Rc2 35.h3 Rb2 36.Ra1 Kg7 37.Qe5+ f6 1-0 (37) TaylorSwiftFans (2843)-TheRedKing89 (2814) Blitz 2021

[111] **8.Qd2** Krasenkow,Michal: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Vigorito, D: '(?!)' 8...Qa5 Vigorito, D: '!'

[8...e5 9.dxc5 dxc5 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.Bxc5 b6 12.Ba3 Be6 13.Nd5 Nh5 14.Rd1 f5 15.Nec3 Nd4 16.Bd3 Nf4 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.0-0 fxe4 19.Bxe4 Rac8 20.Nd5 Rxc4 21.Nxf4 Bf7 22.Rfe1 g5 23.Nd3 Nc2 24.Re2 Nxa3 25.bxa3 Rcd4 26.Red2 Bc4 27.Kf2 R4d6 28.g3 Bb5 29.Ke2 Bc3 30.Rc2 Ba5 31.Rb2 Ba6 32.Ke3 Bc3 33.Rb3 Bd4+ 34.Ke2 Bc4 35.Rb4 Bxa2 36.Nc1 Bf7 37.Nb3 Be5 38.Rxd6 Rxd6 39.Nc1 Bc3 40.Rb1 Rd2+ 41.Ke3 Ra2 42.Ne2 Bf6 43.Bd3 Rxa3 44.Kd2 Ra2+ 45.Ke3 Kg7 46.h4 gxh4 47.gxh4 Bxh4 48.Rg1+ Kf6 49.Nf4 Bg5 50.Be4 Ra3+ 51.Ke2 Bxf4 52.Bxh7 Ra2+ 53.Kd3 Rd2+ 54.Ke4 Bh6 55.f4 Rf2 56.Rg4 Be6 57.Rh4 Bg7 58.Ke3 Rb2 59.Be4 Rb3+ 60.Kf2 Rb2+ 61.Ke3 Rb4 62.Bd3 Ke7 63.Kd2 Kf8 64.Kc2 Bf6 65.Rh1 Rb2+ 66.Kc1 Ra2 67.f5 Ra1+ 68.Kd2 Ba2 69.Rb1 Bxb1 70.Be2 Ra2+ 71.Kd1 Bxf5 72.Bc4 Ra1+ 73.Kd2 Bd7 74.Ke3 Re1+ 75.Be2 Rc1 76.Kf4 Rc5 77.Kg3 Rc4 78.Kf2 Rc3 79.Bf3 Rc2+ 80.Kg3 Rc3 81.Kf4 Rxf3+ 0-1 (81) MatthewG-p4p (2726)-gaho2005 (2600) Blitz 2022]

[8...Na5 9.Ng3 h5 10.Be2 h4 11.Nf1 Nd7 12.h3 a6 13.Nh2 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Ne5 15.b3 Nac6 16.Be3 Qa5 17.Rc1 b5 18.Ng4 bxc4 19.bxc4 Be6 20.Nd5 Qxd2+ 21.Kxd2 Rac8 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.f4 Bg7 24.Bg4 f5 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Bf3 Bf7 27.Bf2 e6 28.Nb6 Rc7 29.Na4 Nd4 30.c5 dxc5 31.Nxc5 Rd8 32.Nd3 Rcd7 33.Bd1 Nb5 34.Be2 Bh5 35.Bxh5 Rxd3+ 36.Ke2 Rd2+ 37.Kf1 Rxa2 38.Bxh4 Rdd2 39.Bf3 Nd4 40.Bb7 Nc2 41.Kg1 Ne3 42.Kh2 Rxg2+ 43.Bxg2 Rxg2# 0-1 (43)

superfm1 (2695)-Heart_of_Fire_Cat (2533) Blitz 2024]
[8...a6 9.h4 h5 10.dxc5 dxc5 11.Qxd8 Rxd8 12.Bxc5 Nd7 13.Be3 Nde5 14.Nc1 Nb4 15.Rb1 Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Nxe3 17.Kxe3 Bh6+ 18.f4 f5 19.Be2 fxe4 20.Nxe4 Bf5 21.Nb3 Rac8 22.Rbc1 Rc6 23.Ng5 Bxg5 24.hxg5 Ng4+ 25.Bxg4 Rd3+ 26.Kf2 hxg4 27.Rhe1 g3+ 28.Kg1 Kf7 29.c5 Rc8 30.Rc3 Rxc3 31.bxc3 Rd8 32.Nd4 Rd5 33.Re3 Rxc5 34.Rxg3 Ra5 35.Re3 Rxa2 36.Re5 Bd3 37.g4 b5 38.f5 b4 39.cxb4 Rb2 40.Re6 Rxb4 41.fxg6+ Bxg6 42.Rxa6 Rxd4 43.Ra5 Rxg4+ 44.Kh2 Rxg5 45.Rxg5 Bh7 46.Rg3 Bg6 47.Rc3 e5 48.Ra3 e4 49.Kg1 Ke6 50.Kf2 Kd5 51.Ke1 Kd4 52.Ra5 e3 53.Ra7 Kd3 54.Rc7 Be4 55.Rc8 Bf3 56.Rb8 Be4 57.Rc8 Kd4 58.Rd8+ Ke5 59.Re8+ Kf4 60.Rf8+ Bf5 61.Re8 Bg6 62.Rf8+ Kg5 63.Re8 Bxe8 0-1 (63) Hard-Training (2648)-Mr_Chockobunny (2668) Blitz 2023]

9.Rd1

[Vigorito, D: 'The normal' 9.d5 Ne5 Vigorito, D: 'looks fine for Black, as White will be hard pressed to stop ... a6, ...b5 with a very decent Benko. This is because a2-a4 will not stop it because of the pin on the a-file.'

A) 10.Ng3

A1) 10...e6 11.Be2 a6 12.0-0 exd5 13.cxd5 *(13.exd5 Re8 14.Nge4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Qc7 16.Bg5 Nd7 17.Rae1 f5 18.Nc3 Nf6 19.Bd3 Bd7 20.Rxe8+ Rxe8 21.Re1 Qd8 22.Rxe8+ Qxe8 23.Qe2 Qxe2 24.Bxe2 Kf7 25.Kf2 h6 26.Bf4 Bf8 27.h4 Nh5 28.Bd2 Bg7 29.g4 fxg4 30.fxg4 Nf6 31.Kg3 h5 32.gxh5 Nxh5+ 33.Bxh5 gxh5 34.Ne4 b5 35.b3 bxc4 36.Nxd6+ Kg6 37.Nxc4 Kf5 38.Kf3 Bf6 39.Be1 Be7 40.Bg3 Bb5 41.Ne3+ Kf6 42.Ke4 Bd7 43.d6 Bc6+ 44.Kd3 Bb5+ 45.Nc4 Bf8 46.a4 Bd7 47.Nb6 Be6 48.Kc3 Kf5 49.d7 Bg7+ 50.Kc2 Bf6 51.Bc7 Bxh4 52.d8Q Bxd8 53.Bxd8 Kg4 54.Be7 h4 55.Bxc5 h3 56.Bd6 Kf3 57.b4 Kg2 58.Kc3 h2 59.Bxh2 Kxh2 60.Na8 Kg3 61.Nc7 Bc8 62.Kd4 Kf4 63.Kd5 Bb7+ 64.Kc5 Ke5 65.Kb6 Bc8 66.Nxa6 Kd6 67.Nc5 Kd5 68.a5 Kc4 69.a6* 1-0 (69) Superfm1 (2627)-Markosian,D (2605) Rapid 2023*)* 13...b5 14.a3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Bh6 Rb8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Rf2 Rb3 19.Re1 Nd7 20.f4 Re8 21.e5 dxe5 22.f5 f6 23.h4 Nf8 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Nge4 f5 26.Nd6 Qd8 27.Nxe8+ Qxe8 28.d6 e4 29.Qd5 Be6 30.Qxc5 Nd7 31.Qd4+ Kh7 32.Nxe4 fxe4 33.Qxe4 Nc5 34.Qe5 Nd3 35.Qxe6 Qxe6 36.Rxe6 Nxf2 37.d7 Nh3+ 38.gxh3 Rd3 39.Re7+ Kh6 40.Kf2 Kh5 41.Rh7# 1-0 (41) AgressiveMode (2740)-Krpokapetan (2563) Blitz 2021;

A2) 10...a6

A2a) 11.Be2 Bd7 *(11...b5 12.0-0 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 bxc4 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nge4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Rb8 17.Rab1 f5 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rxb2 20.Rxb2 Qxc3 21.Rbf2 Qd4 22.Qh4 Rf6 23.Kh1 c3*

24.Qg3 fxe4 25.h3 Rxf2 26.Rxf2 e3 27.Rf1 e2 28.Rc1 Qd1+ 29.Qe1 c2 30.Kg1 Bb7 31.Kf2 Bxd5 32.a3 a5 33.g3 a4 34.h4 h5 35.Kg1 Kg7 36.Kf2 e6 37.Qxe2 Qxc1 38.Qxe5+ Kf7 39.Qc7+ Kf6 40.Qd8+ Ke5 41.Qc7+ Ke4 42.Qg7 Qd2+ 0-1 (42) Superfm1 (2647)-vistagausta (2849) Blitz 2025*)* 12.0-0 b5 13.b3 bxc4 14.bxc4 Rab8 15.Rab1 Rb4 16.Rxb4 cxb4 17.Nb1 Rc8 18.Rc1 Qa3 19.h3 Qa4 20.f4 Neg4 21.hxg4 Nxg4 22.Bxg4 Bxg4 23.Ne2 a5 24.Nd4 Qd7 25.Qf2 e6 26.Nd2 exd5 27.exd5 Re8 28.N2f3 Re4 29.Nc6 h5 30.Nxa5 Qa4 31.Nc6 Bc3 32.c5 dxc5 33.Bxc5 Rxf4 34.Qe3 Rc4 35.Qe8+ Kg7 36.Qf8+ Kh7 37.Ng5# 1-0 (37) superfm1 (2650)-BardiaVeisi (2616) Blitz 2024;

A2b) 11.h4 h5 12.Be2 b5 13.b3 bxc4 14.bxc4 Nfg4 15.Rc1 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Rb8 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Kh1 Rb2 19.a4 Rfb8 20.f4 Ng4 21.Qd3 R8b3 22.Rf3 Qd8 23.e5 e6 24.dxe6 Qxh4+ 25.Kg1 Bxe6 26.Qxd6 Qh2+ 27.Kf1 Rxe2 28.Ngxe2 Qh1+ 29.Ng1 Bxc4+ 30.Nce2 Bxe2+ 31.Kxe2 Qxg2+ 32.Kd1 Qxg1+ 33.Kc2 Qg2+ 34.Kxb3 Qxf3+ 35.Rc3 Qb7+ 36.Kc2 Bf8 37.Qd8 Qe4+ 38.Kb2 Qxa4 39.e6 fxe6 40.Rd3 Qxf4 41.Rd7 Qf6+ 42.Qxf6 Nxf6 43.Ra7 h4 44.Rxa6 h3 45.Rxe6 h2 46.Re1 Ng4 47.Rh1 Bd6 48.Kc3 Nf2 0-1 (48) Superfm1 (2625)-vaynetop (2731) Blitz 2021;

A2c) 11.a4 b5 *(11...Qb4 12.a5 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 Qxc4 14.Ra4 Qb3 15.Ra3 Qb4 16.Ra4 Qb3 17.Ra3 Qb4 18.Ra4 Qb3* ½-½ (18) retardedplatypus123 (2622)-Hugiv_Zasit (2744) Blitz 2022 *)* 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6 14.0-0 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Rfb1 Rfb8 17.Nge2 Nd7 18.Nc1 Ne5 19.Ra3 Ba6 20.b3 Nxf3+ 21.gxf3 Bxc3 22.Qf2 Bg7 23.Bd2 Qc7 24.Ne2 Rb7 25.Bc3 Rab8 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Nf4 Rb4 28.Kh1 c4 29.Qd4+ Kg8 30.Nh5 f6 31.Qd2 gxh5 32.Rg1+ Kh8 33.Qg2 e5 34.dxe6 Rxb3 35.Raa1 Rb2 36.Qg3 Qe7 37.Rad1 R2b7 38.Rxd6 Rf8 39.Rxa6 Rc7 40.Rd6 c3 41.Rdd1 c2 42.Rc1 h4 43.Qf2 Qxe6 44.Rxc2 Rxc2 45.Qxc2 Qe7 46.Qg2 Qf7 47.a5 h3 48.Qxh3 f5 49.Qg3 fxe4 50.Qe5+ Qf6 51.Qxf6+ Rxf6 52.fxe4 Re6 53.Ra1 Rxe4 54.a6 Re8 55.a7 Ra8 56.Kg2 Kg7 57.Kf3 Kf6 58.Ke4 Ke6 59.Kd4 Kd6 60.Rf1 Kc6 61.Rf6+ Kb5 62.Rf7 Kb4 63.Rxh7 Ka3 64.Rh4 Rd8+ 65.Ke5 Re8+ 66.Kf6 Re6+ 67.Kg7 1-0 (67) tornike_sanikidze (2729)-Feanor_64 (2664) Blitz 2020;

A3) 10...h5 11.Bg5 *(11.Be2 h4 12.Nf1 a6 13.h3 b5 14.b3 Nh5 15.f4 Nf3+ 16.Bxf3 Bxc3 17.Rd1 Bxd2+ 18.Nxd2 Ng3 19.Rg1 bxc4 20.bxc4 f5 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 f4 23.Bf2 Bf5* 0-1 (23) Superfm1 (2627)-FireworkSufficient (2477) Blitz 2024 *)* 11...a6 *(11...e6 12.Be2 exd5 13.cxd5 a6 14.0-0 b5 15.f4 Ned7 16.e5 Nh7 17.e6 Ndf6 18.f5 Nxg5 19.Qxg5 Nh7 20.exf7+ Rxf7 21.Qxg6 h4 22.Nh5 Qd8 23.Ne4 Raa7 24.f6 Nf8 25.Qg5 Nh7 26.Qxh4 Bf8 27.Rf3 Kh8 28.Raf1 Qe8 29.Rg3 Qe5 30.Ng7 Qxd5 31.Ng5 Qd4+ 32.Qxd4 cxd4 33.Nxf7+ Rxf7 34.Nh5 Be6 35.b3 d5 36.Bd3 Bd6 37.Rg7 Be5 38.Bxh7 Rxg7 39.fxg7+ Kxh7 40.Re1 d3 41.g8Q+ Bxg8 42.Kf2 d2 43.Rd1 Bc3 44.Ng3 Bf7 45.Ne2 Bb4 46.Nd4 Bh5 47.Nf3 Kg7 48.h3 Kf6 49.g4 Bg6 50.Nxd2 Bc5+ 51.Ke2 Bd6 52.Rc1 Ke6 53.Ne4 Bxe4 54.Rc6 Ke5 55.Rxa6 d4 56.Rxd6 d3+ 57.Kd2* 1-0 (57) Lucky1357924680 (2685)-Zacatelco (2661) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.Be2 Nh7 13.Bxe7 Re8 14.Bxd6 h4 15.Nf1 h3 16.g3 b5 17.Ne3 b4 18.Ncd1 Qb6 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.0-0 a5 21.f4 Bd4 22.e5 a4 23.Kh1 a3 24.Bf3 axb2 25.Nxb2 Ra3 26.Ned1 b3 27.axb3 Rxa1 0-1 (27) AgressiveMode (2749)-billybako (2560) Blitz 2021;

B) 10.Nc1

B1) 10...a6 11.h3 *(11.a3 e6 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.Be2 exd5 14.cxd5 b5 15.0-0 Nh5 16.Rac1 f5 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 f4 19.Qg5 Qg7 20.Qh4 Bd7 21.Nd2 Nf6 22.Qf2 g5 23.Rfe1 h5 24.b4 c4 25.Bf1 g4 26.Kh1 Qg5 27.Be2 Rf7 28.Rcd1 Kh8 29.g3 Raf8 30.Rg1 fxg3 31.Qxg3 Ng6 32.Qxd6 Nf4 33.Bf1 Ne8 34.Qc5 Qh4 35.Rg3 Ng6 36.Be2 Ng7 37.Qe3 Re8 38.Qh6+ Kg8 39.Rdg1 Nf4 40.Bd1 Rf6 41.Qxf6 Qxf6 42.Ne2 Nd3 43.f4 h4 44.Rxd3 cxd3 45.Nc1 Qxf4* 0-1 (45) bodoque50 (2624)-SovietRussia (2802) Blitz 2023*)* 11...b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Nxb5 Qb6 14.Be2 Ba6 15.a4 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Qxb5 17.axb5 Rxa1 18.0-0 Nc4 19.Qe2 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Nxd5 21.Qd2 Bd4+ 22.Kh2 Ne3 23.Re1 Nc4 24.Qe2 Be5+ 25.g3 Nxb2 26.f4 Bc3 27.Rf1 Rb8 28.e5 Bd4 29.e6 f5 30.Nb3 Rxf1 31.Qxf1 Bf6 32.Qa1 Rxb5 33.Qa8+ Kg7 34.Na5 Nd3 35.Nc6 Rb2+ 36.Kg1 c4 37.Qe8 c3 38.Qf7+ Kh6 39.g4 fxg4 40.hxg4 Nxf4 41.Qf8+ Kg5 42.Nxe7 Bd4+ 0-1 (42) sillyMASTER (2728)-xamax2000 (2681) Blitz 2021;

B2) 10...e6 11.Be2 exd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.Nb3 Qb4 14.0-0 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Bh6 Rfe8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Rae1 b5 19.Qf4 b4 20.Nd1 Re5 21.Ne3 Qb5 22.Nd2 Qa6 23.Nec4 Bb5 24.Nxe5 dxe5 25.Qxe5 Re8 26.Qc7 Bxf1 27.Nxf1 Nxd5 28.Qxc5 Nf4 29.Qxb4 Qxa2 30.Qc3+ Kg8

31.Qd2 Ne6 32.Ne3 Rb8 33.Re2 Qa1+ 34.Kf2 Nf4 35.Nc2 Qh1 36.Qxf4 Rxb2 37.Nd4 Qd1 38.Rxb2 Qxd4+ 39.Kg3 Qxb2 40.Qe3 Qb8+ 41.f4 a5 42.Qa3 Qb4 43.Qd3 a4 44.e5 a3 45.Qd8+ Kg7 46.Qf6+ Kg8 47.Qd8+ Qf8 48.Qa5 Qe7 49.h3 h5 50.Qa8+ Kg7 51.Kh2 h4 52.e6 fxe6 53.Qa4 Qd6 54.Qc4 g5 55.Qc3+ Kf7 56.Kh1 Qxf4 57.Qc7+ Qxc7 58.Kg1 a2 59.Kf2 a1Q 60.Kf3 Qae5 61.Kg4 Qcc3 62.Kh5 Qf6 63.Kg4 Qg6 0-1 (63) AgressiveMode (2667)-kirill_kopyonkin (2663) Blitz 2021;

B3) 10...h5 11.Be2 a6 12.0-0 Rb8 13.f4 Neg4 14.Kh1 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 b5 16.h3 Nd7 17.Nb3 Qc7 18.Rae1 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Rxb3 20.axb3 Bd4 21.Qg3 Nb6 22.Ne2 Bf6 23.Ng1 Nxc4 24.bxc4 e6 25.e5 Bg7 26.Nf3 exd5 27.cxd5 Bb7 28.Rd1 c4 29.e6 Qe7 30.Ng5 fxe6 31.Nxe6 Rf6 32.Rfe1 Qd7 33.Nxg7 Qxg7 34.Qg5 Kh7 35.Re6 Rf5 36.Qe7 Bxd5 37.Qxg7+ Kxg7 38.Rxd6 Be4 39.R6d4 Rxf4 40.Kh2 g5 41.Rxc4 Kf6 42.Rdd4 Kf5 43.Ra4 Bb7 44.Rxf4+ gxf4 45.Ra5+ Ke4 46.Rxh5 f3 47.gxf3+ Kxf3 48.Rh7 Be4 49.Ra7 Bd3 50.h4 Kg4 51.Kg2 Kxh4 52.Kf2 Bb5 53.Ke3 Kg5 54.Kd4 Kf6 55.Kc5 Bf1 56.b4 Ke5 57.Kb6 Ke6 58.Rxa6 Kd6 59.Ra7 Kd5 60.Rc7 Kd6 61.Rc5 Kd7 62.Ka5 Kd6 63.Ka4 1-0 (63) ImpAc3 (2775)-Tandilensis (2622) Blitz 2021]

[Vigorito, D: 'Also there is' 9.0-0-0 a6 *(9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Bd7* ½-½ (16) SlowSmokingTurtle (2659)-Baidetskyi, V (2492) Blitz 2023*)* 10.Kb1 Vigorito, D: 'when Black has a pleasant choice between' b5 Vigorito, D: 'is probably worse after' *(10...Rd8 11.d5 Ne5 12.Ng3 Bd7 13.h3 b5 14.f4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.e5 Ne8 17.Nge4 Rab8 18.Ka1 Rdc8 19.g4 dxe5 20.f5 Nd6 21.Qc2 Nb5 22.fxg6 hxg6 23.Rhf1 Nd4 24.Qf2 Be8 25.d6 Rb7 26.dxe7 Rcb8 27.Rd2 Nb3+ 28.Kb1 Nxd2+ 29.Qxd2 Rxe7 30.Nd5 Qxd2 31.Nxe7+ Kh7 32.Ng5+ Kh8 33.Bxd2* 1-0 (33) Superfm1 (2630)-Darthweber (2502) Blitz 2025*; 10...e6;* Vigorito, D: 'and even' *10...e5* Vigorito, D: '!?'*)* 11.dxc5 b4 *(11...dxc5 12.Nd5* Vigorito, D: ' ⩲'*)* 12.Nd5 dxc5 13.Bh6 Be6 14.h4 Nd4 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.h5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rfc8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bd3 Rab8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Rxh7+ Kxh7 22.Rh1+ Kg8 23.Qh6 1-0 (23) Ichigo98850110027 (2727)-chessm3g1c (2795) Blitz 2021]

[9.b3 e6 10.Rc1 Re8 11.Nb5 Nb4 12.Nec3 cxd4 13.Bxd4 Nc6 14.Be3 d5 15.Nd6 Rd8 16.Ncb5 Qxd2+ 17.Bxd2 dxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 a6 20.Nc3 Bd7 21.Bg5 f6 22.Be3 Bf8 23.c5 Ne5 24.Be2 Rdc8 25.b4 a5 26.a3 axb4 27.axb4 Ra3 28.0-0 Rb3 29.Rxf6 Bg7 30.Rff1 Nc6 31.Bd2 Rb2 32.Rfd1 Nxb4 33.Bf1 Bc6 34.Bf4 Rf8 35.Bd6 Rff2 36.Bg3

Rfd2 37.Rxd2 Rxd2 38.Be1 Rb2 39.Nd1 Na2 40.Nxb2 Nxc1 41.Nd3 Nb3 42.e5 Be4 43.Bc3 Bxd3 44.Bxd3 Nxc5 45.Bc4 Kf7 46.Bb5 Ne4 47.Bd4 Nd2 48.Kf2 Nb3 49.Bb2 Nc5 50.Kf3 b6 51.h4 Bf8 52.g4 Be7 53.h5 Bg5 54.hxg6+ hxg6 55.Bd4 Be7 56.Bxc5 Bxc5 57.Ke4 g5 58.Kf3 Ke7 59.Ke4 Kd8 60.Kf3 Ke7 61.Ke4 Kd8 62.Kf3 Ke7 ½-½ (62) Duda,J (2726)-Firouzja,A (2777) chess.com INT 2023]

[9.Rc1 Vigorito, D: '?!'

A) 9...a6 10.b3 *(* Vigorito, D: 'Again' *10.d5 Ne5 11.Ng3 b5* Vigorito, D: '!' *12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Ba6* Vigorito, D: 'is a good Benko for Black.'*)* 10...b5 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.Nd5 b4 Vigorito, D: '!?' *(12...Qxd2+* Vigorito, D: 'is also fine. The text move is more ambitious.'*)* 13.e5 Vigorito, D: '?' Vigorito, D: 'This is just bad. Perhaps White still felt he should be trying for something.' *(* Vigorito, D: 'The best chance to mix things up was with' *13.a3* Vigorito, D: '!?' *Qxa3 14.Bxc5)* 13...Nd7 Vigorito, D: '!' *(* Vigorito, D: 'Also good is' *13...Nxe5 14.Nxe7+ Kh8)* 14.Bg5 Vigorito, D: 'What else?' *(*Vigorito, D: 'Both' *14.f4 e6;* Vigorito, D: 'and' *14.e6 fxe6 15.Ndf4 Nde5* Vigorito, D: 'are clearly insufficient.'*)* 14...Ndxe5 15.Bxe7 *(* Vigorito, D: 'Black wins quickly after' *15.Nxe7+ Nxe7 16.Bxe7 Re8 17.Bg5 Bf5)* 15...Nxe7 *(* Vigorito, D: 'Even stronger was' *15...Bf5* Vigorito, D: '!' *)* 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.f4 Vigorito, D: '?' *(* Vigorito, D: 'Too many pawn moves and too many weak squares. White cannot even attempt to recover after this. Instead' *17.Nd5 Re8 18.Kf2* Vigorito, D: ' ∓' Vigorito, D: 'is bad, but the game still goes on.'*)* 17...Ng4 Vigorito, D: '-+' 18.h3 Nf6 19.Nxc8 Raxc8 20.g3 Ne4 21.Qd3 0-1 (21) De Bari,V (2627)-Krumpacnik,D (2725) 200 Traps In The Opening [Patrici,N] *(*Vigorito, D: 'After' *21.Qd3 Rfe8 22.Bg2 Rcd8* Vigorito, D: 'even the desperate' *23.Qxe4* Vigorito, D: 'cannot offer any resistance.' *Rxe4 24.Bxe4 Qxa2)*;

B) 9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bd7 11.Nb3 Qb4 12.Qc2 Na5 13.Nd2 Nc6 14.Nb3 Na5 15.Nd2 Nc6 16.Be2 Nh5 17.Nb3 Na5 18.0-0 Nxb3 19.axb3 e6 20.Ra1 a6 21.Rfd1 Rfc8 22.g4 Nf6 23.e5 Ne8 24.exd6 b5 25.Na2 Qa5 26.b4 Qd8 27.c5 Nf6 28.Nc3 Bc6 29.Bd4 Nd7 30.Qd2 e5 31.Be3 f5 32.Nd5 Kh8 33.Ne7 1-0 (33) Duda,J (2724)-Trent,L (2403) chess.com INT 2023]

[9.a3 a6 10.d5 Ne5 11.Ng3 h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 h3 14.g3 b5 15.Bg5 bxc4 16.Ne3 Nh7 17.Bxe7 Re8 18.Bxd6 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Nc4 Qd8 21.Bxc5 f5 22.0-0 Bb7 23.Qxd3 Rc8 24.b4 fxe4 25.fxe4 Bxc3 26.Qxc3 Rxe4 27.Rad1 Re2 28.Qd3 Rg2+ 29.Kh1 Qg5 30.Qe4 Nf8 31.Nd6 Rc7 32.Nxb7 1-0 (32) tony23man (2608)-MagnusCarlsensTwin (2479) Blitz 2024]

9...a6

[9...e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Nd5 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Nd4 14.Nc3 Bd7 15.Bd3 a6 16.0-0 b5 17.f4 b4

18.Ne2 f6 19.b3 a5 20.Rc1 Rfc8 21.Bc4 a4 22.fxe5 fxe5 23.d6+ Kh8 24.Nxd4 exd4 25.Bf4 Re8 26.Bd5 Rac8 27.g3 h6 28.h4 Kh7 29.Kg2 a3 30.Rdc2 d3 31.Rd2 Bb5 32.Rcd1 Bc3 33.Rxd3 Bxd3 34.Rxd3 Rcd8 35.Bc6 Re6 36.Kf3 Be5 37.Bxe5 Rxe5 38.d7 Kg7 39.Ke3 Kf6 40.Bb5 g5 41.hxg5+ hxg5 42.Rd6+ Re6 43.Rd5 Re5 44.Rd6+ Re6 45.Rd2 Ke7 46.Rd5 c4 47.bxc4 Rd6 48.Re5+ Kf6 49.Rf5+ Kg6 50.Rf2 Rd1 51.e5 Re1+ 52.Kd4 Rd1+ 53.Kc5 R1xd7 54.Bxd7 Rxd7 55.Kxb4 Re7 56.Re2 Kf5 57.c5 Kg4 58.Re3 Kf5 59.c6 Ke6 60.Kc5 Ra7 61.Kb6 1-0 (61) DmitryKryakvin (2712)-Oburg007 (2378) Blitz 2025]

10.h4

[10.a3 e6 11.Nb1 Qxd2+ 12.Rxd2 d5 13.dxc5 dxe4 14.Nec3 exf3 15.gxf3 e5 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (39) Crouch,C (2388)-Rose,M (2303) England 2013']

10...b5 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.h5 Ne5 13.Nf4 Bb7 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Ncd5 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Rfc8 19.Be2 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Ke2 Rab8 22.Rc1 Rb4 23.Rcc2 Ra4 24.f4 Bd4 25.Bxd4 cxd4 26.Rxd4 Rxa2 27.Kd2 Rb8 28.Rdxc4 Rbxb2 29.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 30.Ke3 Rxg2 31.Rc8+ Kg7 32.Ra8 Ra2 33.Ra7 Kf8 34.e5 a5 35.Ra8+ Kg7 36.Ra7 Kf8 37.Ra8+ Kg7 38.d6 exd6 39.exd6 Ra3+ 40.Kd2 Ra4 41.Kc3 Ra3+ 42.Kc4 Ra4+ 43.Kc5 1-0 (43) Ricky_Zhou (2837)-ChicagoUS_239 (2643) Blitz 2022

8.g3 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bd7 10.Bg2 Rc8 11.b3 a6 12.a4 Qa5 13.Qd2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 b5 15.cxb5 e5 16.Bf2 Qxc3 17.Qxc3 Rxc3 18.bxa6 Rxb3 19.0-0 d5 20.exd5 Nxd5 21.Rfd1 Bc6 22.f4 Nb4 23.a7 Bxg2 24.Kxg2 exf4 25.Rab1 Rxb1 26.Rxb1 Nc6 27.gxf4 Ra8 28.Rb7 Kf8 29.a5 Ke8 30.a6 Bf6 31.Kf3 Bd4 32.Bxd4 Nxd4+ 33.Ke4 Nc6 34.h4 Rxa7 35.Rb6 Kd7 36.Kd5 Ne7+ 37.Ke5 Nc6+ 38.Kf6 Kd6 39.Rb7 Rxb7 40.axb7 Kc7 41.Kxf7 Kxb7 42.Kg7 Kc7 43.Kxh7 Ne7 44.Kh6 Kd6 45.Kg5 Ke6 46.h5 gxh5 47.Kxh5 Kf5 48.Kh6 Kxf4 ½-½ (48) snx4life (2729)-coperez82 (2644) Blitz 2023

[112] **8...Na5** Vigorito, D: '!?' 9.Ng3

[9.Nc1

A) 9...a6 10.Qd2 e6 11.Be2 *(11.Nb3 exd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.Be2 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Nc1 Rb8 16.0-0 Nd7 17.f4 Re8 18.N1e2 Nf6 19.e5 Ng4 20.Ng3 dxe5 21.f5 e4 22.Bxc5 e3 23.Qe2 Qh4 24.h3 Nf2 25.Qf3 Rxb2 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Nce4 Bxh3 28.Nxf2 exf2+ 29.Bxf2 Bg4 30.Qa3 Rxf2 31.Rxf2 Bxa1 32.Qc5 Qxg3* 0-1 (32) alexkaspi (2601)-anand68 (2750) Blitz 2022*)* 11...exd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.0-0 Re8 14.Kh1 Bd7 15.Nd1 b4 16.Nf2 Bb5 17.Qc2 Nxd5 18.Bd2 Nb6 19.a3 Nc6 20.axb4 Nd4 21.Qd1 Nxe2 22.Nxe2 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Bg7 24.Re1 Nc4 25.Bc3 Bh6 26.Ng4 Bg7 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Qc1 h5 29.Qc3+ f6 30.Ne3 Nxe3 31.Qxe3 Bxe2 32.Qxe2 Qe7 33.Qd2 Rab8 34.h3 Rb5 35.bxc5 dxc5 36.Ra1 Rd8 37.Qc3 Qe6 38.e5 f5 39.Rad1 Rxd1 40.Rxd1 c4 41.Rd6 Qxe5 42.Rd7+ Kf6 43.Qc1 Ra5 44.f4 Qa1 45.Qxa1+

Rxa1+ 46.Kh2 c3 47.Rd6+ Ke7 48.Rc6 Ra3 49.Rxg6 Kd7 50.Rg7+ Kd6 51.Rg6+ Kd5 52.Rg8 Ra4 53.Rd8+ Kc4 54.Rc8+ Kd3 55.g4 c2 56.gxh5 Rc4 0-1 (56) WhiteBishop4761 (2641)-SovietRussia (2796) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...e6 10.Be2

B1) 10...a6 11.a4 Qb6 12.Qc2 Qb4 13.0-0 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.a5 exd5 *(15...Bd7 16.b3 Qxc3 17.Qxc3 Nxd5 18.Qxg7+ Kxg7 19.exd5 exd5 20.Bf4 Bb5 21.Rd1 d4 22.Bxd6 Rfc8 23.b4 cxb4 24.Bxb4 Rc4 25.Be1 Rac8 26.Bf2 Ba4 27.Re1 Bc2 28.Ra3 Rd8 29.Nd3 Kf8 30.Ne5 Rc3 31.Rxc3 dxc3 32.Bb6 Rd1 33.Kf2 Rd2+ 34.Kg3 Bf5 35.Re3 c2 36.Rc3 Re2 37.Ng4 Re1 38.Be3 h5 39.Bh6+ Ke7 40.Nf2 f6 41.Ne4 Re2 42.h4 Ke6 43.Bf4 Kd5 44.Nxf6+ Kd4 45.Rc7 Bd3 46.Bh6 Re1 47.Nd7 Bc4 48.Nb6 Bb3 49.Rd7+ Kc3 50.Rc7+ Kb2 51.Bg7+ Kb1 52.Nd5 Re2* 0-1 (52) Aczgego (2603)-dalmatinac101 (2764) Blitz 2021 *)* 16.Ra4 Qxf1+ 17.Kxf1 d4 18.Bf4 dxc3 19.bxc3 Rd8 20.c4 Bd7 21.Ra3 Bc6 22.Rd3 Ne8 23.Qd1 Rd7 24.Bxd6 Nxd6 25.Rxd6 Rad8 26.Rxd7 Rxd7 27.Qb3 Be5 28.Nd3 Bxh2 29.Nxc5 Re7 30.Nd3 Bd6 31.Qb6 Bc7 32.Qc5 Re8 33.Nb4 Re5 34.Qd4 Rxa5 35.Nxc6 bxc6 36.Qd7 Ra1+ 37.Ke2 Ra2+ 38.Kd3 Bf4 39.Qxc6 Rxg2 40.Qxa6 h5 41.c5 h4 42.c6 Rd2+ 43.Kc3 Rd1 44.Qc8+ Kg7 45.Kb4 Rb1+ 46.Ka4 Ra1+ 47.Kb3 Rb1+ 48.Ka2 Rc1 49.Qb7 h3 50.Qb2+ f6 51.Qb7+ Kh6 52.Qc8 h2 53.Qh3+ Kg7 54.Qd7+ Kh6 55.Qh3+ Kg7 56.Qd7+ Kh6 57.Qh3+ ½-½ (57) alexkaspi (2605)-calito1969 (2625) Blitz 2023;

B2) 10...exd5 11.cxd5 a6 *(11...Nd7 12.Nb3 f5 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 15.0-0 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Qxd2 17.Bxd2 Nf7 18.Bc3 Bf5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nc3 Rae8* Vigorito, D: 'and Black was at least ok in Vitiugov, N (2705)-Grischuk, A (2763) Moscow 2012.'*)* 12.Nb3 b5 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 Vigorito, D: 'see last month's Dreev, A (2677)-Grischuk, A (2763) Astana 2012']

9...a6

[9...h5 10.Be2 Nd7 11.Nf1 a6 12.Nd2 Rb8 13.a4 e6 14.0-0 exd5 15.cxd5 Ne5 16.h3 f5 17.f4 Bh6 18.Kh1 Nf7 19.Bd3]

10.Be2

[10.Qd2 b5 favoured White in Sammalvuo, T - Ponomariov, R Katowice Blitz 2017 *(10...Rb8 11.h4 b5 12.cxb5 axb5 13.Bh6 b4 14.Nd1 e6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h5 exd5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh6+ Kg8 19.Ne3 Qe7 20.exd5 Nxd5 21.Ne4 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Bf5 23.Rd1 Bxe4 24.fxe4 Qe5 25.Be2 Rbe8 26.Qh6 Re7* 0-1 (26) maciek_92 (2664)-donatello (2679) Blitz 2019*; 10...e6 11.Bh6 Re8 12.h4 b5 13.h5 Bh8 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.cxb5 exd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5+ Be6 18.Qd2 axb5 19.Rd1*

Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.a3 c3 22.bxc3 Rxa3 23.Ne2 d5 24.exd5 Bd7 25.0-0 Bb5 26.Rfe1 Bxe2 27.Rxe2 Bxc3 28.Qg5 Qxg5 29.Rxe8+ Kf7 30.Rf8+ Ke7 31.Bxg5+ Kxf8 32.d6 Bd4+ 33.Rxd4 cxd4 34.d7 Ra1+ 35.Kf2 Ra2+ 36.Ke1 Ra1+ 37.Kd2 Ra2+ 38.Kd3 1-0 (38) Xiong,J (2646)-Tamono,R (2173) chess.com INT 2024*)* 11.Bh6 *(11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nb3)* 11...e6 *(11...e5)* 12.h4 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 bxc4 14.Bxg7 *(14.h5 exd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6+ Kg8 18.Nxd5 Ra7 19.0-0-0 Rb7 20.Ne2 Be6 21.Ndf4 Bf7 22.Nc3 Qe7 23.Qg5 Rfb8 24.Rd2 Qe5 25.Qxe5 dxe5 26.Nfe2 Ne8 27.Na4 Nc7 28.Nxc5 Rb5 29.Nd7 Rd8 30.Nf6+ Kg7 31.Rxh7+ Kxf6 32.Rxd8 Ne6 33.Rd7 Be8 34.Rb7 Ra5 35.Nc3 Nd4 36.Nd5+ Kg5 37.Rbe7 Nc6 38.Rxe8 Rxa2 39.Re6 Ra1+ 40.Kd2 c3+ 41.bxc3 Ra2+ 42.Ke3 Rxg2 43.Rxc6 Rg1 44.Re6* 1-0 (44) Masterwferrari (2694)-neseacar (2641) Blitz 2020*)* 14...Kxg7 15.dxe6 Ponkratov, P - Dubov, D Sochi 2017, and now simplest would be Bxe6= For 16.0-0-0 and 16...Rb8 check out the archives. 17.h5 Qb6 18.Nge2 *(18.Nf5+ Bxf5 19.exf5)* 18...Rb7 19.Nf4 Rfb8 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Nxe6+ fxe6 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.Rd2]

10...e6

[10...Bd7 11.0-0 In 2009, I described this move as busting the variation. Evidently, Dubov has other ideas... Rb8!? A novelty, it seems. 12.Qd2 *(12.a4 Qb6; 12.Rb1 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.b4 cxb4 15.Rxb4 Ng4 16.Bd4 Ne3 17.Bxe3 Bxc3)* 12...b5 13.Bh6 *(13.cxb5=* with fine piece play The principled move is *13...axb5* which has been played a few times over the last few months: *14.e5 Ne8)*

A) a better approach would involve 13...Bxh6! 14.Qxh6 bxc4 *(14...Nxc4! 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Rf2)* 15.Rab1;

B) 13...Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 bxc4?! This manoeuvre seems to be too slow. 16.Rf2 e6 Dubov sets his heart on picking off the forward b-pawn. 17.Rd1 exd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Rxd5 Qe7 20.Qf4 Rb6 21.Rfd2 The smoke clears (temporarily!) and White is clearly better. It's not evident for Black to recuperate his pawn deficit, and his centralized king offers White some tactical possibilities. Rfb8 22.Rxd6!? A tricky tactic, but Black doesn't have to capture on d4 at this point. Rxd6 23.Qxd6 Another tactical shot. Qxd6 24.Rxd6 Be6 25.Rd2 c3 This enables him to pick off the b-pawn. 26.bxc3 Rb1+ 27.Kf2 Ra1 *(27...Rc1 28.Ne2 Ra1* wasn't satisfactory for Black in Dittler, V - Stiffler, E Wangs Pizol 1996.*)* 28.e5 Rxa2 The c-pawn at least gives Dubov a chance to mix matters, but he's clearly struggling. *(* After *28...Bxa2* I don't think that Black should immediately exchange queens: *29.Rd8+? Kg7 30.Ne4)* 29.Rxa2 Bxa2 30.Ne4 c4 31.Ke3 Kf8 32.Nc5 *(32.Kd4 a5?! 33.Nd6 Ke7 34.Nxc4* Arab, A - Salem, AR Doha 2011, and Black was able to seize the initiative. The jury is out on this one. *a4!? 35.f4* is favoured slightly by the engines, but how will

White untangle?) 32...a5 33.Nb7?! A flashy move. a4 34.Nd6 Bb3 35.Nb5 Ke7 36.Kd4 Ke6 37.Na3? Kf5 38.g3 g5 Now the knight is clumsily placed and a long way from home. 39.Kd5 Bd1 40.Nxc4 *(40.Kd4 Bxf3 41.Nxc4)* 40...Bb3 41.Kc5 Bxc4 42.Kxc4 Kxe5 43.Kb4 Kd5 44.c4+?! Kd4 45.c5 Kd5 *(45...a3 46.c6)* 46.Kb5 a3 47.c6 Kd6 48.Kb6 a2 49.c7 a1Q 50.c8Q Black can now simplify to a drawn rook endgame. The last chance was 50...Qb2+! which better keeps control, as following 51.Ka6 Qa3+ 52.Kb6 Qb3+ 53.Ka6 Qa3+ Black isn't out of the woods yet. 54.Kb6 Qe3+ 55.Ka6 Qe6 is a technical win Here 56.Qc3! Kd5+ 57.Ka5 Qe5 58.Kb4 was required in order to avoid any serious technical problems. Qd4+! with consolidation in mind would be simpler. Or perhaps 59.Kb3 Qd1+ 60.Kb4 Qb1+ 61.Ka3 h6 62.Qa5+ Ke6 63.Qa6+ Kf5 64.Qxh6 Qd3+ with decent winning chances for White. after 65.Kb4 we are on the path towards getting the commonly arising endgame of R + N + 4 versus R + B + 3 with all the pawns on the same wing. It's generally considered to be a win. The more cautious 65...Qxf3 is also good. Naturally, avoiding 66.Kc5?? Qe3++- Instead, Black should prefer 67.Kc6 (giving White three sets of doubled pawns!) when Qe8+ 68.Kc5 Qe7+ 69.Qd6± gives Black the better structure. Even so, if forced to choose, I would still prefer to have the bishop pair here. The immediate 69...Qa7+?! comes into consideration, but although I don't think it changes a great deal if White retreats to e3, it gives White a promising possibility with 70.Kc4! e.g. Qa4+ 71.Kc3 Kg4 72.h4 Qa1+ 73.Kc2! and White seems to be better. See the archives for the game Nisipeanu, LD - Lupulescu, C Khanty-Mansiysk 2009, where Black didn't fare well after 73...Qa2+ The following alternative is highly complicated, but can one really trust it for Black? 74.Kc3!? Qa5+ 75.Kc4 ½-½ (75) Fedoseev, V (2718)-Dubov,D (2683) St Petersburg RUS 2017 [Flear, Glenn]]

[10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.a4 Nd7 14.Qc2 c4 15.Rd1 Bxb5 16.axb5 Qb8 17.Bxc4 Rc8 18.b3 Nxc4 19.bxc4 Qxb5 20.cxb5 Rxc2 21.0-0 Raa2 22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Bxf2 Rb2 24.Bd4 Bxd4+ 25.Rxd4 Rxb5 26.Ra4 Rb1+ 27.Kf2 Rb2+ 28.Kf1 Ne5 29.Ra7 Kf8 30.Ra8+ Kg7 31.Ra7 Kf6 32.Ne2 Nd3 33.g3 Ne5 34.Kf2 Rb3 35.f4 Ng4+ 36.Kg2 Rb2 37.Kf3 Nxh2+ 38.Ke3 Ng4+ 39.Kd3 Nf2+ 40.Ke3 Nxe4 41.Nd4 Nxg3 42.Nc6 Nf5+ 43.Ke4 Re2+ 44.Kf3 Re3+ 45.Kf2 Rd3 46.Nb4 Rd4 47.Rb7 Rxf4+ 48.Ke2 Rd4 49.Rb8 h5 50.Kf3 h4 51.Ke2 h3 52.Kf3 Rh4 53.Nd3 h2 54.Rh8 Rxh8 55.Nf4 h1Q+ 56.Kg4 Ne3+ 57.Kg3 Qh4+ 58.Kf3 Nf5 59.Ke4 Qe1+ 60.Kf3 Qe3+ 61.Kg4 Qg3# 0-1 (61) OnkelKonkel (2669)-Pblu35 (2766) Blitz 2022]

11.a4

[11.e5 Ne8 Aleksandrov, A - Dubov,

D Minsk 2017, and the bishop pair helped Black to cope with White's extra pawn. This type of position reminds me of those lines of the Caro-Kann, Panov Variation, where Black plays with ...g6 and allows White to capture on d5. OK, White keeps his pawn for the time being, but what can he really achieve with doubled isolated d-pawns? 12.exd6?! Nxd6 13.Bxc5 Naxc4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Bxf8 Qxf8]

11...Qb6

[11...exd5 12.cxd5 h5 *(12...Re8 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Ra3 Bd7 15.Qa1 c4 16.Kh1 Nb3 17.Qd1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Ra6 Qc7 20.Na2 b4 21.Ra7 Qd8 22.Bxc4 Nc5 23.Qd2 b3 24.Nc3 Qb6 25.Ra3 Qb4 26.Be2 Ra8 27.Rfa1 Rxa3 28.Rxa3 h5 29.Nf1 h4 30.Bd4 Nfxe4 31.Nxe4 Qxd4 32.Qxd4 Bxd4 33.Nxd6 Rxe2* 0-1 (33) retardedplatypus123 (2603)-ZeroEmpathy12 (2711) Blitz 2022*)* 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 Nd7 15.Rc1 Ne5 16.b3 f5 17.Nf2 f4 18.Bd2 c4 19.b4 Nb3 20.Rb1 Nxd2 21.Qxd2 h3 22.gxh3 Qh4 23.Kh1 Bxh3 24.Nxh3 Qxh3 25.Rf2 g5 26.Rg1 g4 27.fxg4 f3 28.Bf1 Qh4 29.Rg3 Nxg4 30.Rfxf3 Rxf3 31.Rxf3 Be5 32.h3 Rf8 33.Qg2 Rxf3 34.Qxf3 Nf2+ 35.Kg2 Bxc3 36.Qxf2 Qxe4+ 37.Qf3 Qxf3+ 38.Kxf3 Bxb4 39.Bxc4 Kg7 40.Ke4 a5 41.Be2 b6 42.Bg4 Bc5 43.Bc8 Kh6 44.Kd3 Kg5 45.Kc4 Kh4 46.Kb5 Kg3 47.Kc6 Kh4 48.Kb5 Kg3 49.Be6 Kh4 50.Kc4 Kg3 51.Kd3 Kh4 52.Kd2 Kg3 53.Ke2 Kh4 54.Kf3 Kh5 55.Kf4 Kh6 56.Bg4 Kh7 57.Kf5 Kg7 58.Ke6 Kh8 59.h4 Kh7 60.h5 Kh8 61.Kf7 Kh7 62.Bf5+ Kh8 63.Ke6 Bb4 64.Bg6 Bc5 65.Kd7 Bb4 66.Kc6 Bc5 67.Kb5 Kg7 68.Bf5 Kh6 69.Bg6 Kg7 70.Kc4 Kh6 71.Bf7 Kg7 72.Be8 Kh6 73.Bd7 Kg7 74.Kd3 Kh6 75.Bc6 Kg7 76.Bb5 Kh6 77.Ke4 Kg7 78.Kf3 Kh6 79.Kf4 Kg7 80.Kg4 Kh6 81.Kf5 Kg7 82.h6+ Kxh6 83.Ke6 1-0 (83) Killerkaz (2627)-themunky (2503) Rapid 2022]

12.Rb1 Qb3 13.0-0 exd5 14.cxd5 Nd7 15.f4 Nb6 16.e5 Qxd1 17.Rbxd1 Nac4 18.Bc1 dxe5 19.f5 Rd8 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.Bg5 Re8 22.Nge4 Nxb2 23.Rb1 N2xa4 24.Nxa4 Nxa4 25.Nd6 Nc3 26.Nxe8 Nxe2+ 27.Kf2 Nc3 28.Nc7 Rb8 29.Be7 Nxb1 30.Rxb1 Bf8 31.d6 b5 32.Rd1 Bd7 33.Nxa6 Rc8 34.Rd5 c4 35.Nc5 Rxc5 36.Rxc5 Kg7 37.Rxe5 b4 38.Re4 Bb5 39.Ke3 b3 40.Kd2 f5 41.Re5 Kf7 42.Bxf8 1-0 (42) Maghsoodloo,P (2721)-Bodnaruk,A (2378) chess.com INT 2022

[113] **9.Nc1** e6 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 Rb8

[11...Nh5 12.0-0 f5 13.f4 Ng4 14.Bxg4 fxg4 15.Nd3 g3 16.h3 Qh4 17.e5 c4 18.Ne1 dxe5 19.Nf3 Qe7 20.d6 Qe6 21.fxe5 Bxe5 22.Nxe5 Qxe5 23.Rxf8+ Kxf8 24.Bh6+ Ke8 25.Qd2 Be6 26.Re1 Qc5+ 27.Be3 Qf5 28.d7+ Bxd7 29.Bb6+ Kf7 30.Rf1 axb6 31.Qxd7+ 1-0 (31) bodoque50 (2608)-Prettyfly (2619) Blitz 2023]

[11...a6 12.a4

A) 12...Bd7 13.0-0 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.Bxb5 *(16.Nxb5?! Qb8∓)* 16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Qa6♕ Δ ♖b8 Δ Rb8 ;

B) 12...Rb8 13.0-0 Bd7 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.Ra2 Bb5 17.Nxb5 axb5 18.b4 Nfd7 19.Rc2

c4 20.Qd2 Ra6 21.Na2 Nb6 22.Nc3 Qd7 23.Rb1 Rfa8 24.Bd4 f5 25.exf5 Qxf5 26.Nxb5 Ra2 27.Rbc1 Rxc2 28.Qxc2 Nd3 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.Qc3+ Kg8 31.Bxd3 cxd3 32.Rd1 Nxd5 33.Qxd3 Qxd3 34.Rxd3 Ra1+ 35.Kf2 Ra2+ 36.Kg3 Rxg2+ 37.Kxg2 Nf4+ 38.Kg3 Nxd3 39.Nxd6 Nxb4 40.Ne4 Nd5 41.h4 Kg7 42.Ng5 h6 43.Nh3 Kf6 44.Nf2 Ne7 45.Ng4+ Kg7 46.Kh3 Nf5 47.Ne5 Kf6 48.f4 Nd4 49.Ng4+ Kf5 50.Kg3 Ne2+ 51.Kf3 Nxf4 52.Nxh6+ Ke5 53.Nf7+ Kf6 54.Nd8 Nh5 55.Kg4 g5 56.hxg5+ Kg6 57.Ne6 Nf6+ 58.Kf4 1-0 (58) bodoque50 (2604)-Plmlgs99 (2571) Blitz 2024;

C) 12...h5!? 13.0-0N *(13.Qd2 →63/(71) Shirov,A: '- 63/(71)' Ü 63/(71))* 13...Nh7 14.h3 f5

C1) 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.g4? hxg4

C1a) 17.hxg4 Qh4 18.Kg2 *(18.Bf2 Qh3-+)* 18...Nxg4 19.fxg4 Bxc3 20.Rxf5 *(20.bxc3 Be4+-+; 20.gxf5 Be5 21.Rf3 Ng5 22.Bxg5 Qxg5+ 23.Kf1 Rxf5-+)* 20...Be1! 21.Rf3 Rxf3 22.Bxf3 Qg3+ 23.Kf1 *(23.Kh1 Rf8-+)* 23...Rf8 24.Qxe1 Qxf3+ 25.Bf2 *(25.Kg1 Qxg4+ 26.Kh2 Rf3-+)* 25...Qh1+ 26.Ke2 Re8+-+;

C1b) 17.fxg4 Bd7∓;

C2) 15.f4 Nf7 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.g4 hxg4 18.hxg4 Re8 19.Bf2 Be4!∓ 20.Ra3□ g5 21.f5 Bxc3 *(21...Qf6!?)* 22.bxc3□ Nf6 23.c4 Kg7 24.Bg3 *(24.Rb3 Re7 →→h8! Δ Qh8!)* 24...Re7? *(24...b5! 25.cxb5 Bxd5 26.bxa6 c4!∓)* 25.Nd3 b5 26.Nf2! b4? *(26...bxc4 27.Bxc4 Qb6∞ △28.Rb3 Qa5)* 27.Rb3!± *(27.Re3? Bc2∓)* 27...Qe8 *(27...Qa5 28.Qd2 Qxa4 29.Bd1± →→e3 Δ Re3)* 28.Re3 b3 *(28...Raa7 29.Re1±)* 29.Qd2!! *(29.Qxb3? Bc2! 30.Rxe7 Bxb3 31.Rxe8 Rxe8∓)* 29...Qxa4 *(29...Bc2 30.Re6+-)* 30.Bd3+- Rae8 31.Nxe4 Rxe4 32.Bxe4

C2a) 32...Rxe4 33.Rxe4 Nxe4 34.f6+! *(34.Qd3? Nf6)* 34...Kf8 *(34...Nxf6? 35.Qf2)* 35.Qd3 Nxg3 36.Qg6!! Nxf1 37.Qg7+ Ke8 38.Qg8+ Kd7 39.Qxf7+ Kc8 40.Qe6+! Kc7 41.f7;

C2b) 32...Nxe4 33.f6+! Kf8 34.Qd3 Nxg3 35.Rxg3 Re5 36.Qg6 Qxc4 37.Qg7+ Ke8 38.Qg8+ Kd7 39.Qxf7+ Kc8 40.Qg8+ Kc7 41.Qh7+ Kb6 1-0 (41) Granda Zuniga,J (2605)-Shirov,A (2695) Amsterdam 1995 CI1-130 [Shirov,Alexei] *(41...Kb6 42.Rxb3+ Qxb3 43.Qb1)*]

12.h3 Re8 13.a4 Nh5 14.f4 Qh4+ 15.Kd2 Nxf4 16.Bg4 Nxg2 0-1 (16) Matin_Shams (2623)-sina_iran (2769) Blitz 2021

[114] **9...h5** John Emms: '!' 10.Be2 h4 John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'An excellent pawn sac, with Black gaining a lot of activity in return. Nakamura was playing his moves very quickly, and in fact this move had been played previously.'

[10...Rb8 11.Nf1 e6 12.a4 a6

13.Nd2 exd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.h3 h4 16.f4 Nh5 17.Bxh5 Nd3+ 18.Ke2 Nxb2 19.Qc2 b5 20.Bf3 b4 21.Nd1 Nxa4 22.Rb1 a5 23.Kf2 Nb6 24.Nb2 a4 25.Nbc4 b3 26.Qc1 Bb5 27.Nxb6 Qxb6 28.Nc4 Qa6 29.Na3 Bd3 30.Rd1 c4 31.Rxd3 cxd3 32.Qd1 b2 33.Qd2 Rb3 0-1 (33) edgelorde (2659)-adnan_nn (2667) Blitz 2021]

[10...e6 11.0-0 exd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.Nge4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 b5 15.cxb5 a6 16.a4 axb5 17.Bxb5 Bd7 18.Nxd6 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 c4 20.Bd4 Nd3 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qc2 Qxd5 23.Kh1 Rac8 24.Nc3 Qe5 25.a5 Ra8 26.a6 Reb8 27.Rfb1 Rxa6 28.Na4 Rba8 29.Qxc4 Nxb2 30.Qc2 Rxa4 31.Rxa4 Rxa4 32.h3 Nc4 33.Qxa4 Nd2 34.Qa1 Qxa1 35.Rxa1 Nc4 36.Kg1 Ne3 37.Kf2 Nc2 38.Ra4 Kf6 39.Ke2 Kf5 40.Kd2 1-0 (40) Superfm1 (2639)-DBMK (2578) Rapid 2023]

11.Nf1 e6

[11...a6

A) 12.a4 h3 13.g4 e6 14.g5 *(14.Ng3 exd5 15.cxd5 Re8 16.Qd2 Qa5 17.0-0 Qb4 18.Nb1 Qxd2 19.Nxd2 Bd7 20.g5 Nh7 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxg4 Bxg4 23.Nc4 Rac8 24.Nxd6 Bxb2 25.Rab1 Bd4 26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Nxe8 Rxe8 28.Kf2 f6 29.Rxb7 fxg5 30.Ke1 Nf6 31.fxg5 Nxe4 32.Nxe4 Rxe4+ 33.Kd2 Bf5 34.d6 d3 35.d7 Re1 36.Rxe1* 1-0 (36) Vivekananda555 (2707)-Woodtree (2639) Blitz 2022 *)* 14...Nh7 15.f4 exd5 16.cxd5 Nd7 17.Rg1 Re8 18.Qc2 Qa5 19.Ra2 Ndf8 20.Nd2 Bd4 21.Qd3 Bh8 22.Rg3 Rb8 23.Bf1 Qd8 24.Kd1 Bg7 25.a5 b5 26.axb6 Rxb6 27.Bxh3 Bxh3 28.Rxh3 a5 29.Nc4 Rb4 30.Bd2 Qd7 31.Rg3 a4 32.Ra3 Rb3 33.h4 Reb8 34.Rxb3 Rxb3 35.e5 dxe5 36.fxe5 Qc8 37.Kc2 Qa6 38.Re3 Rb4 39.Re4 Rb7 40.Qe3 a3 41.bxa3 Rb8 42.Qxc5 Qb7 43.Qc6 Qb3+ 44.Kd3 Rd8 45.Re1 Nd7 46.Qc7 Qb8 47.Qxb8 Nxb8 48.Be3 Nf8 49.Bc5 Ne6 50.Bd6 Nf4+ 51.Kd4 Nd7 52.a4 Nc5 53.Rb1 Na6 54.Ne4 Nc7 55.Nb6 Na8 56.a5 Ng2 57.Nxa8 Nxh4 58.Nb6 Nf3+ 59.Kc5 Bxe5 60.Bxe5 Nxe5 61.a6 Kg7 62.a7 Rh8 63.d6 Nd3+ 64.Kc6 Re8 65.Kc7 Nf4 66.Nc5 Nd5+ 67.Nxd5 Ra8 68.Kb7 Rd8 69.d7 Kh7 70.a8Q Rxa8 71.Rh1+ Kg7 72.Kxa8 f5 73.gxf6+ Kf7 74.d8N+ Kg8 75.Ne7+ Kf8 76.Rh8# 1-0 (76) YukariBot (2723)-InanisBot (2552) Rapid 2025;

B) 12.Bg5 h3 13.Ne3 *(13.gxh3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Qa5+ 16.Kf2 c4 17.a4 Bxh3 18.Bd2 Qd8 19.Ng3 Nfd7 20.Be3 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.Kg2 Nc5 24.Nd4 Qd7 25.Nxf5 Qxf5 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.Rf1 Nd3 28.Bxd3 cxd3 29.Qb3 Be5 30.d6+ Kg7 31.Qb7 Bxd6 32.Qxa8 Qf4 33.Rh1 Qd2+ 34.Kh3 Qh6+ 35.Kg2 Qd2+ 36.Kh3 Qh6+ 37.Kg2* ½-½ (37) Salem,A (2622)-Loay,S (2185) Sharjah UAE 2024*)* 13...hxg2 14.Rg1 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Bxb5 Qa5 17.Kf2 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Qxa6 19.Kxg2 Nh7 20.Bxe7 Rfe8 21.Bh4 Nd3 22.Qd2 Bd4 23.Kh1 Nxb2 24.Nf5 Nc4 25.Qf4 Ne5 26.Nh6+ Kg7 27.Nf5+ Kh8 28.Nxd4 cxd4

29.Nb1 Qd3 30.Nd2 Qe3 31.Bg3 Nd3 32.Qxe3 dxe3 33.Nc4 e2 34.Nxd6 Rf8 35.a4 f5 36.exf5 gxf5 37.a5 f4 38.Bh4 Rg8 39.Nf7# 1-0 (39) gidropark (2739)-anand68 (2741) Blitz 2022]

[11...h3 12.g4 *(12.g3 Qb6 13.Qc2 e6 14.Nd2 a6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.b3 Rfe8 17.a4 Qa5 18.Rac1 Rac8 19.Qd1 exd5 20.cxd5 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Qc2 b4 23.Ra1 Qd8 24.Nb5 Qb6 25.Nc4 Nxc4 26.bxc4 Bxb5 27.cxb5 Nxd5 28.Ra6 Nxe3 29.Qc1 Qd8 30.Qxe3 Bd4* 0-1 (30) superfm1 (2630)-drawingchest (2606) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Qa5 13.Nd2 b5 14.cxb5 a6 15.Nb3 Qb6 16.Na4 Qb8 17.Nc3 axb5 18.Bxb5 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.0-0 Rb6 21.Rb1 Nc4 22.Bf2 e6 23.dxe6 fxe6 24.Qd3 Ne5 25.Qe2 Rxb3 26.axb3 Qxb3 27.Bg3 Nc4 28.Qd1 Qb4 29.Qd3 Nd7 30.f4 Nxb2 31.Qxd6 Bd4+ 32.Kh1 Qxc3 33.Qxe6+ Rf7 34.f5 Qc2 35.Qxg6+ Bg7 36.Rxb2 Qxb2 37.Bf2 Qe5 38.Re1 Qf4 39.Kg1 Ne5 40.Qh5 Nxg4 41.Bg3 Bd4+ 42.Kh1 Qf3# 0-1 (42) OnkelKonkel (2660)-Tandilensis (2649) Blitz 2022]

12.Bg5

[12.f4

A) 12...Neg4 13.Bxg4 Nxg4 14.Qxg4 exd5 15.f5 d4 16.0-0-0 *(16.Bg5 Qa5 17.Qxh4 dxc3 18.b3 c2+ 19.Ke2 Bxa1 20.f6 Qc3 21.Qh6 c1N+ 22.Kf2 Nd3+ 23.Kg1 Qxf6 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.Ne3 Bd4 26.Kf1 Be6 27.h4 Bg7 28.Qg5 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.h5 Bg4+ 31.Kg1 Bxh5 32.Nd5 Bd4+ 33.Kh2 Be5+ 34.g3 Rf2+ 35.Kh3 Kg7 36.Qe7+ Rf7 37.Qg5 Bf3 38.Rf1 Rh8+ 39.Qh4 Rxh4+ 40.gxh4 Bxd5 41.Rd1 Rf3+ 42.Kg2 Rf2+ 43.Kh3 Be6#* 0-1 (43) Superfm1 (2621)-comicsclub (2587) Blitz 2024*)* 16...dxc3 17.g3 Qa5 18.Kb1 c2+ 19.Kxc2 Qxa2 20.Nd2 d5 21.cxd5 Qa4+ 22.Kb1 Bxf5 23.Qf3 Qb4 24.Kc2 Qxb2+ 25.Kd3 Qb5+ 26.Kc2 c4 27.Rb1 Qa4+ 28.Kc1 Bd7 29.Bc5 Rfc8 30.Bd6 c3 31.Nb3 c2 32.Rb2 Rc3 0-1 (32) OnkelKonkel (2649)-comicsclub (2624) Blitz 2022;

B) 12...Nxc4 13.Bxc4 exd5 *(13...b5 14.Bxb5 exd5 15.exd5 Rb8 16.Qe2 Bg4 17.Qc4 Qe7 18.h3 Bh5 19.Kf2 a6 20.Bxa6 Rxb2+ 21.Kg1 Rfb8 22.Re1 Qa7 23.Nd2 R8b4 24.Qf1 Rc2 25.Ndb1 Rbb2 26.Rh2 Nd7 27.Rc1 Bxc3 28.Nxc3 Nf6 29.a4 Rxc1 30.Bxc1 c4+ 31.Kh1 Rc2 32.g4 hxg3 33.Rxc2* 1-0 (33) OnkelKonkel (2661)-Voat (2646) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Bxd5 Re8 15.Qc2 Qa5 16.Bd2 Bf5 17.Ne3 Nxd5 18.Ncxd5 Bxe4 19.Qxe4 Qxd2+ 20.Kxd2 Rxe4 21.Rhe1 Rae8 22.Nc2 Bxb2 23.Rxe4 Rxe4 24.Rb1 Bd4 25.Rxb7 Kg7 26.Kd3 Re8 27.Nxd4 cxd4 28.Kxd4 Re2 29.g4 Rxa2 30.h3 Ra4+ 31.Kd3 Ra3+ 32.Nc3 a5 33.Ra7 Ra1 34.Ne4 Rh1 35.Ng5 a4 36.Rxf7+ Kg8 37.Ra7 a3 38.Rxa3 Rg1 39.Ke4 d5+ 40.Kxd5 Kg7 41.Ra7+ Kg8 42.Ke6 Kh8 43.Kf6 Ra1 44.Rxa1 Kg8 45.Ra8# 1-0 (45) Ricky_Zhou (2779)-IMaDale (2627) Blitz 2022]

[12.Nd2 John Emms: 'The first new move.' exd5 ChessBase: '?!' John

Emms: 'Nakamura was still playing instantaneously, which must have been very disconcerting for Edouard, who was having to face a strong initiative and still in his opponent's prep - not the ideal scenario!' 13.cxd5 a6 ChessBase: '?!' 14.a4 *(14.0-0)*

A) 14...Rb8 Schipkov,Boris: '?' 15.0-0 Schipkov,Boris: '±' ChessBase: ' ± 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White is better. He plans h3 and f4 to push the black e5-knight from the centre.'

A1) 15...Bd7 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' 16.Bg5 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(16.h3)* 16...c4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' John Emms: 'Nakamura's pawn sac with 9...e5 and 10...d4 looks like a very good way for Black to play in this line.' John Emms: 'White had to try' 17.Bxh4 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Bischoff,K-Meyer,P/Biel 1992/CBM 031 ext (56)';

A2) 15...Ne8 ChessBase: 'Δ♖a1' 16.f4 Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(16...Nd7* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 17.Nc4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(17.h3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' John Emms: 'intending' *f5 18.Qe1* John Emms: '!' *Qe7 19.Kh1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 17...Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Nf6 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 Reilly,T-Lukey,S/Wanganui 2005/CBM 104 ext (47)';

A3) 15...h3 16.g4 Schipkov, Boris: '±';

A4) 15...Qe8 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' 16.a5 ChessBase: '!' *(16.h3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4* ChessBase: '?' ChessBase: 'helps to open the a1-h8 diagonal. ' *20.e5 Rb4 21.Qe1 Nd7 22.Qxh4 dxe5* Schipkov,Boris: 'and White attacks on the kingside with the typical' *23.f5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 16...Bd7 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' John Emms: '!' *(16...b5 17.axb6 Rxb6* ChessBase: 'Black has protected the kingside very well. Now White starts a minority attack on the queenside.' John Emms: '?' *18.Ra2 h3 19.g4* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±' John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'Winning - there is no defence to Black's attack.'*)* 17.h3 Schipkov,Boris: '!' ChessBase: '!' Nh7 Schipkov,Boris: '?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Losing at once.' *(17...Bb5* John Emms: '!' *18.Nxb5 axb5 19.Qe1 c4* ChessBase: 'Black has tom close the a1-h8 diagonal.' *20.Qxh4 Ned7* Schipkov,Boris: '±' John Emms: '!' *)* 18.f4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Bh6 ChessBase: 'Now White wins the control at the dark squares.' 19.Qe1 Qd8 ChessBase: 'prevents f2-f4' John Emms: 'With White's king on f1 and rook stuck in the corner, Black enjoys long-term compensation. So far Edouard has defended well, but now the strain of having to find accurate moves under pressure begins to tell.' 20.Nd1 1-0 (20) Campos,J (2617)-Ortiz Aguirre,N (2371) Game 3 2010 CBM 141 [Chess May 1947 p254];

B) 14...Bd7 John Emms: '!' 15.0-0

B1) 15...h3 16.g3 b5 *(16...Re8*

17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Qxa8 21.Bxb5 Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Qb8 23.Qd3 Nd7 24.b3 f5 25.Bf4 fxe4 26.fxe4 Ne5 27.Qe2 Qb6 28.Rb1 Rb8 29.Na3 Qb4 30.Nc2 Qc3 31.Ne1 Rxb3 32.Rxb3 Qxb3 33.Bxe5 Bxe5 34.Nf3 Bf6 35.e5 Qb1+ 36.Kf2 dxe5 37.d6 e4 38.Qc4+ Kg7 39.Nd2 Qh1 40.Qxc5 Qxh2+ 41.Ke3 Qg1+ 0-1 (41) alexkaspi (2609)-Keru (2586) Blitz 2022*)* 17.axb5 axb5 18.Rxa8 Qxa8 19.Bf4 *(19.Nxb5 Qb8 20.Nc3 Qb4 21.Qc2 Rb8 22.Rb1 Be8 23.Nd1 Bb5 24.Bxb5 Qxb5 25.Nc3 Qa6 26.b3 Nfd7 27.Re1 c4 28.bxc4 Nxc4 29.Qd3 Nde5 30.Qf1 Qc8 31.Nxc4 Nxc4 32.Nd1 Nxe3 33.Nxe3 Rb2 34.Qc4 Qb8 35.Rc1 Qa7 36.Qd3 Bd4 37.Re1 Qa2 38.Qxd4 Rg2+ 39.Kh1 Rxh2+* 0-1 (39) alexkaspi (2624)-CiuckowoWarszawa (2559) Blitz 2022 *)* 19...Nh5 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.f4 Bd4+ 22.Kh1 Nf6 23.Bf3 Re8 24.Qc2 b4 25.Ne2 Bb5 26.Re1 Qa2 27.Nxd4 cxd4 28.Qb3 Qxb3 29.Nxb3 d3 30.Kg1 Nxd5 31.Kf2 Nb6 32.Nd4 Bd7 33.Rd1 Ra8 34.Rxd3 Ra2 35.Rb3 Nc4 36.Rxb4 Nxb2 37.Ke3 Na4 38.Rb7 Nc5 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.f5 Rxh2 41.g4 g5 42.Rb6 Ra2 43.Rxd6 h2 44.Rd5 Ra3+ 45.Kf2 Rxf3+ 46.Nxf3 h1Q 47.Rxc5 Ba4 48.Rd5 Bd1 49.Ne1 Qxe4 50.Rd2 Qf4+ 51.Kg1 Qxd2 52.Kf1 Qe2+ 53.Kg1 Qxe1+ 54.Kg2 Qe2+ 55.Kg3 Qxg4+ 0-1 (56) alumno (2668)-QuCq (2609) Blitz 2023;

B2) 15...b5 Schipkov,Boris: 'Black sacrifices a pawn like in the Benko-Volga gambit.' 16.axb5 axb5 John Emms: 'looks better.' 17.Rxa8 Qxa8

B2a) 18.Bxb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Qa6

B2a1) 20.Na3 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' John Emms: 'followed by ...f5' h3 *(20...Rb8* Schipkov,Boris: '⩱' *)* 21.gxh3 Rb8 22.f4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' John Emms: 'with good compensation, Babujian,L-Hovhannisyan,R/ Tbilisi 2014' *(22.Qc1* John Emms: 'is covered in Carlsen,M-Nakamura,H/ Leuven 2016.'*)* 22...Nd3 23.Qf3 Nxb2 ChessBase: 'Lautier,J-Hertneck,G/ Tilburg/1992/1-0/41/' 24.Bf2 Nd7 25.e5 dxe5 26.f5 c4 27.Nc2 Nd3 Schipkov, Boris: ' ∓ ' 28.Ra1 Qf6 29.Nxc4 Qg5+ *(29...e4* Schipkov,Boris: '!' ChessBase: 'Vaganian,R-Sokolov,I/Bled\Rogaska Slatina/1991/0-1/39/' *30.Qxe4 Nxf2 31.Kxf2* John Emms: 'gives White as edge, as we saw earlier in Aronian,L-Caruana,F/ Leuven 2016.' *Nc5* Schipkov,Boris: '-+' John Emms: '?!' John Emms: 'is premature - see the notes to Bacrot, E-Inkiov,V/

Haguenau 2013.') 30.Qg3 Schipkov,Boris: '?' John Emms: 'was fine for Black in Li, C-Giri,A/Moscow 2016. ' *(30.Qg4* John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'was perfectly okay for Black (see the notes to Gelfand,B-Inarkiev, E/ Magas 2016).') John Emms: 'In a previous update we saw that' 30...Nxf2 Schipkov,Boris: '-+' 31.Qxg5 John Emms: '!' Nxh3+ Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 Summermatter,D-Gallagher, J/Switzerland 1994/EXT 2000 (31)';

B2a2) 20.Nc3 Rb8 21.Qc2 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Schipkov,Boris: 'White has a small advantage thanks to his extra pawn. Black could not keep the position and lost in 41 moves.' Nh5 22.b3 Rb4 23.Na2 Rb8 John Emms: '=' John Emms: 'Lednev,V-Peuraniemi,P/ICCF email 2011.' 24.Nc1 Schipkov, Boris: ' ±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Psakhis,L-Piket,M/ Amsterdam 1990/CBM 020 (41)';

B2b) 18.h3 Schipkov,Boris: '?' c4 19.Qe1 b4 20.Nd1 Qa2 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' 21.Qxh4 Ba4 22.f4 Nd3 23.Bxd3 cxd3 24.Bd4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(24.f5)* 24...Bxd1 ChessBase: 'Gurevich,M-Sokolov,I/ Belgrade/1991/1-0/52/' 25.Rxd1 Nh5 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qf2 Qxb2 28.Qe3 Qc2 Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓' Schipkov, Boris: '0-1 Vyzmanavin,A-Polgar,J/Groningen 1993/CBM 039 (50)';

B2c) 18.Nxb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Rb8 20.Be2 Rxb2 21.f4 Qa3 22.Bf2 Qa2 23.Be1 Ned7 24.Bc4 Rxd2 25.Qxd2 Qxc4 26.e5 dxe5 27.fxe5 Ne4 28.Qd1 Nxe5 29.d6 Qd4+ 30.Qxd4 cxd4 31.Bb4 d3 32.Rd1 Nc6 33.d7 d2 34.Bxd2 Bd4+ 35.Kf1 Nc5 36.Rc1 Nd8 37.Bg5 Nce6 38.Bxh4 g5 39.Bg3 Kf8 40.Bd6+ Kg7 41.Rc8 Kf6 42.Bc7 Ke7 43.Bxd8+ Nxd8 44.Rc4 Be5 45.Re4 f6 46.h3 Kxd7 47.g4 Ne6 48.Re2 Nf4 49.Rd2+ Ke6 50.Kf2 Nxh3+ 51.Kf3 Nf4 52.Ke4 Nd5 53.Rxd5 1-0 (53) Superfm1 (2652)-Combinatroni (2592) Blitz 2024;

B3) 15...Nh7 Schipkov,Boris: '?' 16.f4 Bh6 17.Kh1 Schipkov, Boris: '!?' *(17.Qe1 Re8* ChessBase: ' ±' ChessBase: 'Alburt,L-Sigurjonsson,G/Lone Pine/1979/1-0/61/' *18.Qf2 Ng4 19.Bxg4 Bxg4 20.h3 Bd7 21.e5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' *b5 22.Nf3 bxa4 23.Ne4 dxe5 24.fxe5 Bxe3 25.Qxe3* ChessBase: '?!' *Bf5 26.Nc3* Schipkov,Boris: '+-') 17...f5 *(17...Bc8 18.a5)* 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.fxe5 Schipkov,Boris: '+-';

B4) 15...Rb8 16.h3 Schipkov, Boris: ' ±!' John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'is stronger:' b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.Nxc4 Nh5 21.Nxd6 Bxh3

22.gxh3 Qxd6 23.e5 Qd8 24.Rf2 Re8 25.d6 Ng3 26.Nd5 Ne4 27.Rg2 c4 28.Ra7 Rb3 29.Qg4 Rxe3 30.Rxf7 Re1+ 31.Kh2 Ng3 32.Rxg3 hxg3+ 33.Qxg3 Re2+ 34.Kg1 Qa5 35.Nf6+ Kxf7 36.e6+ R8xe6 37.d7 Qa1+ 0-1 (37) Poirot_Hercule (2721)-QuCq (2627) Blitz 2023]

[12.Qd2 exd5 13.cxd5 Rb8 *(13...a6 14.a4 Qa5 15.h3 Qb4 16.a5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Qc2 Nxd5 19.exd5 Re8 20.Ra4 Bxc3+ 21.Kf2 Be1+ 22.Kxe1 Qxc2 23.Rxh4 Qxb2 24.Re4 Bf5 25.Rf4 Rxe3+ 26.Nxe3 Re8* 0-1 (26) Superfm1 (2635)-Egor_Vladimirovich (2471) Blitz 2024*)* 14.a4 a6 15.h3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 c4 18.Nd4 Nh5 19.Rb1 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.f4 Nd3+ 22.Bxd3 cxd3 23.Nc6 Qc7 24.Nxb8 Qxb8 25.Qxd3 Re8 26.Kf2 Qb4 27.Qd2 Qb3 28.Qd1 Qxd1 29.Rxd1 Ba6 30.Nd2 Ng3 31.Rhe1 Bxb2 32.Nf3 Ne4+ 33.Kg1 Bc4 34.Bd4 Ba3 35.Nxh4 Bxd5 36.Nxf5 Kf7 37.Re3 Bb4 38.Bb2 Rb8 39.Rxd5 Bc5 40.Bd4 1-0 (40) xiqichess (2641)-sina_iran (2833) Blitz 2021]

[12.h3 exd5 13.cxd5

A) 13...Re8 14.Qd2 a6 15.Bg5 *(15.a4 Qa5 16.Nh2 b5 17.Ng4 Nh5 18.0-0 Ng3 19.Rfc1 b4 20.Nd1 f5 21.Nxe5 Bxe5 22.Nf2 f4 23.Nd3 fxe3 24.Qe1 Bd4 25.Kh2 Qd8 26.Nxb4 cxb4 27.Qxb4 Be5* 0-1 (27) Superfm1 (2615)-Warrior211 (2815) Blitz 2024 *)* 15...b5 16.Bxh4 b4 17.Nd1 Kh7 18.Nfe3 Bh6 19.0-0 Kg7 20.Qc2 Qb6 21.f4 Ned7 22.Nc4 Qc7 23.Bd3 Bb7 24.g4 Kh7 25.g5 Nxe4 26.Bxe4 Bg7 27.f5 Bd4+ 28.Bf2 Ne5 29.Bxd4 cxd4 30.fxg6+ fxg6 31.Nxe5 Qxc2 32.Bxc2 Rxe5 33.Rf7+ Kg8 34.Rxb7 Rxg5+ 35.Kh2 Re8 36.Bd3 Re1 37.Rc1 Re8 38.Nf2 Rge5 39.Ng4 Rxd5 40.Nf6+ 1-0 (40) OnkelKonkel (2636)-Satscho (2596) Blitz 2022;

B) 13...b5 14.Nxb5 Rb8 15.Rb1 Nh5 16.f4 Qa5+ 17.Nc3 Nd7 18.Bd2 Re8 19.a4 Nxf4 20.Bxf4 Rxb2 21.Rxb2 Qxc3+ 22.Rd2 Rxe4 23.Bxd6 Ba6 24.Kf2 Bd4+ 25.Rxd4 Rxe2+ 26.Qxe2 Bxe2 27.Re4 Bxf1 28.Rxf1 Qf6+ 29.Bf4 g5 30.Kg1 gxf4 31.Rexf4 Qe7 32.Rg4+ Kf8 33.Rgf4 Ne5 34.Re4 Qd6 35.Rfe1 Ng6 36.Rd1 Nf4 37.Rf1 Nxd5 38.Rxh4 Ne3 39.Rf3 Qd1+ 40.Kh2 Nf1+ 41.Rxf1 Qxf1 42.Rh8+ Kg7 43.Rc8 c4 44.h4 Qf4+ 45.Kh3 Qf5+ 46.Kh2 Qxc8 0-1 (46) Superfm1 (2636)-Soham0705 (2694) Blitz 2024]

12...exd5

[12...h3 13.Ne3 *(13.gxh3 exd5 14.cxd5 Bxh3 15.Rg1 Qa5 16.Nd2 c4 17.Be3 b5 18.a3 Rfe8 19.Qc2 Rac8 20.Kf2 Nd3+ 21.Bxd3 cxd3 22.Qxd3 Nd7 23.Rac1 Ne5 24.Qe2 b4 25.Nb3 Qd8 26.axb4 Qh4+ 27.Rg3 f5 28.Bg5 Qh5 29.Kg1 f4 30.Bxf4 Rf8 31.Be3 Rxf3 32.Nd4 Rxg3+ 33.hxg3 Bg4 34.Qh2 Qxh2+ 35.Kxh2 Bd7 36.Rf1 Ng4+ 37.Kg1 Nxe3 38.Rf3 Bxd4 39.Ne2 Bb6 40.Kh2 Rc2 41.Rf2 Ng4+* 0-1 (41) xiqichess (2653)-sina_iran (2693) Blitz 2021*)* 13...hxg2 14.Rg1 b5 15.cxb5 exd5 16.Nexd5 Bh3 17.f4 Ned7 18.Qd3 Be6 19.Rxg2 Bxd5 20.exd5 Re8 21.0-0-0 c4

22.Qh3 Qa5 23.f5 Ne4 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.Bd2 Nxd2 26.Rxd2 Ne5 27.Bg4 Nxg4 28.Rxg4 Re1+ 29.Rd1 Rxd1+ 30.Kxd1 Qb6 31.Rxg6 Qd4+ 32.Kc2 Re8 33.Rg4 Qf2+ 34.Kc1 Re1+ 35.Nd1 Qxb2# 0-1 (35) gidropark (2745)-anand68 (2757) Blitz 2022]

13.Nxd5 Be6 14.Bxh4 b5 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.cxb5 a6 18.b6 Rfb8 19.Ne3 Rxb6 20.b3 c4 21.0-0 cxb3 22.axb3 Bxb3 23.Qc1 Rc6 24.Qd2 Nc4 25.Qd5 Rac8 26.Nxc4 Bxc4 27.Bxc4 Rxc4 28.Rxa6 Rd4 0-1 (28) PetersBot (3018)-MadMadChess (3003) Blitz 2025

9...Qa5 10.Be2 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.Nh1 Qb4 13.Qb3 Qxb3 14.axb3 Nh5 15.Nf2 f5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Nxg4 fxg4 18.e5 Bf5 19.Nb5 dxe5 20.fxe5 Bxe5 21.Bxc5 a6 22.Nc3 Rf7 23.Rae1 Nf4 24.Rf2 g3 25.hxg3 hxg3 26.Rf3 Bg4 27.Re3 Bxc3 28.bxc3 Nxe2+ 29.R3xe2 Bxe2 30.Rxe2 Raf8 31.Re1 Re8 32.d6 e5 33.Re3 e4 34.Rxg3 Kh7 35.Rh3+ Kg8 36.Bd4 Rh7 37.Rxh7 Kxh7 38.Bf6 e3 39.d7 e2 40.dxe8Q 1-0 (40) Xiong,J (2709)-Kanakaris,G (2400) chess.com INT 2021

9...b5 10.cxb5 h5 11.Be2 h4 12.Nf1 e6 13.f4 Neg4 14.Bxg4 Nxg4 15.Qxg4 exd5 16.Qg5 Qxg5 17.fxg5 d4 18.Nd5 dxe3 19.Nfxe3 Bxb2 20.Rb1 Bd4 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Kd2 Kg7 23.Rhf1 h3 24.g3 Rh8 25.Kd3 Rad8 26.a4 Rh5 27.Nf4 Rxg5 28.Nxe6+ fxe6 29.Na5 d5 30.Nc6 Rd7 31.a5 dxe4+ 32.Kxe4 Bf6 33.Rbd1 Rgd5 34.Rxd5 exd5+ 35.Kd3 c4+ 36.Ke3 d4+ 37.Ke4 d3 38.b6 axb6 39.axb6 d2 40.Rd1 c3 41.Nb4 Rb7 42.Kd3 Rxb6 43.Nc2 Re6 0-1 (43) Sjugirov,S (2675)-Shimanov,A (2593) chess.com INT 2020

9...Bd7 10.h3 Be8 11.f4 Ned7 12.Be2 b5 13.cxb5 a6 14.bxa6 Nb8 15.0-0 Nxa6 16.e5 Nd7 17.e6 Nf6 18.f5 Nc7 19.Qd2 Rb8 20.Rab1 Rb4 21.a3 Rd4 22.Bxd4 cxd4 23.Qxd4 Nfxd5 24.Qd2 Nxc3 25.bxc3 fxe6 26.fxe6 Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 d5 28.Qe3 d4 29.Qd2 Qd6 30.Ne4 Qxe6 31.Bf3 dxc3 32.Nxc3 h6 33.Bd5 Nxd5 34.Qxd5 Bf7 35.Qxe6 Bxe6 36.Nb5 Bc4 37.Re1 Bxb5 38.Rxe7 Bf8 39.Rb7 Ba6 40.Rb8 Kf7 41.Rb6 Bc5+ 0-1 (41) WhiteBishop4761 (2631)-Surreptitiously421 (2615) Blitz 2023

10.Be2

[10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.b3 Qa5 12.Bd2 Qc7 13.f4 Nc6 14.f5 Bd7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Be2 Nd4 17.0-0 Bc6 18.Bd3 Nd7 19.Rc1 Ne5 20.Bb1 a6 21.Bf4 b5 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Nge2 Qb7 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.exd5 Qxd5 27.Rc3 Rac8 28.Rg3 Rfe8 29.h4 b4 30.h5 Rc3 31.hxg6 fxg6 32.Bxg6 Rxg3 33.Bh7+ Kh8 34.Bxg3 Bh6 35.Bf5 Kg7 36.Bxe5+ Qxe5 37.Qg4+ Kh8 38.Qg6 Re7 39.Qxh6+ 1-0 (39) WhiteWolf736 (2763)-DailyTornado (2625) Rapid 2021]

10...exd5

[10...a6 11.a4 h5 *(11...exd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.Qd2 Qe7 14.Nge4 Nxe4 15.fxe4 f5 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.0-0 Qh4 19.Rf4 Qh6 20.Rd1 g5 21.Rxf5 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nd7 23.Bf3 Nf6 24.h3 Qh4 25.Qf2 Qxc4 26.Qg3 Qf4 27.Qxf4 gxf4 28.Ne2 Re5 29.Nxf4 Rxf5 30.Ne6 b5 31.a5 Ra7 32.b4 c4 33.Nd4 Rf4 34.Nc6 Rf7 35.Kh2 c3 36.Rc1 Rc4 37.Be2 Re4 38.Bd3 Re3 39.Rxc3 Nxd5 40.Rb3 Rf2 41.Nd4 Kh8*

42.Kg1 Rd2 43.Nf5 Re1+ 44.Kh2 Nf4 45.Be4 d5 46.Bf3 d4 47.Kg3 Ne2+ 48.Bxe2 Rexe2 49.Rf3 1-0 (49) Superfm1 (2672)-QuCq (2687) Blitz 2024*)* 12.0-0 h4 *(12...exd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Qd2 h4 15.Nge4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 f5 17.Bg5 Qc7 18.Nf6+ Bxf6 19.Bxf6 Qf7 20.Bxh4 f4 21.Bg5 Rf8 22.Bh6 Bd7 23.Bxf8 Rxf8 24.a5 g5 25.b4 Qh5 26.bxc5 Rf7 27.Bd3 Nxd3 28.Qxd3 Rh7 29.Kf2 Qxh2 30.Qg6+ Rg7 31.Qxd6 Qg3+ 32.Ke2 g4 33.Ra3 gxf3+ 34.Raxf3 Bg4 35.Qb8+ Kh7 36.Rh1+ Kg6 37.Qe8+ Kf5 38.Qe6+ Kg5 39.Qh6+ Kf5 40.Rh5+ Ke4 41.Qe6+ Bxe6 42.Rxg3 Rxg3 43.dxe6 Rg6 44.e7 Re6 45.Rh7 Kd4+ 46.Kf3 Kxc5 47.Kxf4 Kxc4 48.Kf5 Re2 49.Kf6 Kb5 50.Rh8 Rf2+ 51.Ke6 Re2+ 52.Kd7 Rd2+ 53.Kc7 Rc2+ 54.Kxb7* 1-0 (54) Superfm1 (2625)-SixBucks (2398) Rapid 2023*)* 13.Nh1 h3 14.g4 *(14.f4 Neg4 15.Bxg4 Nxg4 16.Qxg4 exd5 17.f5 hxg2 18.Nxd5 gxf1Q+ 19.Rxf1 Be5 20.Bg5 f6 21.Bh6 g5 22.Bxf8 Qxf8 23.Ng3 Bd7 24.Nh5 Re8 25.b3 Bc6 26.Nc7 Re7 27.Ne6 Qh6 28.h4 Be8 29.Nhf4 Qxh4 30.Qxh4 gxh4 31.Nd5 Rh7 32.Kh1 Bd7 33.Rg1+ Kf7 34.Nd8+ Kf8 35.Nxb7 Bxf5 36.Nxd6 Be6 37.Nb7 h3 38.Nxc5 Bc8 39.Rf1 Kf7 40.Nd3 Ke6 41.Nxe5 Kxe5 42.Nxf6 Rh4 43.Kh2 Rh6 44.Nd5 Kxe4 45.Rf8 Bb7 46.Nf6+ Kd4 47.Ng4 Rh4 48.Rf4+ Kc3 49.Kg3 h2 50.Nxh2 Rxf4 51.Kxf4 Kxb3 52.c5 Kxa4 53.Ke5 Kb5 54.Kd6 a5 55.Ng4 a4 56.Ne3 a3 57.Nc2 a2 58.Na1 Kc4 59.c6 Bxc6 60.Kxc6 Kc3 61.Kc5 Kb2 62.Kc4 Kxa1 63.Kc3 Kb1* 0-1 (63) Superfm1 (2686)-aryamannkid (2484) Blitz 2024*)* 14...exd5 15.cxd5 Rb8 16.Nf2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nxh3 *(18.Bxb5 Nh7 19.Kh1 Nxg4 20.Nxg4 Bxg4 21.fxg4 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Rxb5 23.e5 dxe5 24.Ra7 c4 25.d6 Qc8 26.Qf3 e4 27.Qxh3 Qe6 28.Bh6 Rh5 29.Qe3 Rxh6 30.Qxh6 e3 31.Re7 e2 32.Re1 Qd5+ 33.Kg1 Ng5 34.Kf2 Qc5+ 35.Kxe2 Rb8 36.Kf1 Qc6 37.Qxg5 Qh1+ 38.Kf2 Qxh2+ 39.Kf3 Qh3+ 40.Kf4 Qh2+ 41.Ke4 Rb2 42.Re8+ Kh7 43.Rh8+ Kxh8 44.Qf6+ Kh7 45.Qxf7+ Kh6 46.Qf8+* 1-0 (46) kflorian (2672)-Eyesless18 (2763) Blitz 2020*)* 18...b4 19.Nb1 c4 20.Nf2 Re8 21.Kh1 Nfd7 22.Nd2 c3 23.bxc3 bxc3 24.Nb3 Qh4 25.Nd4 Nc5 26.f4 c2 27.Nxc2 Nxe4 28.Nxe4 Nxg4 29.Bxg4 Bxg4 30.Qe1 Qxe1 31.Raxe1 Rxe4 32.Kg1 Rb2 33.Na3 Rxe3 34.Rxe3 Bd4 35.Nc4 Re2 0-1 (35) lqevsll (2902)-satranc365-speed-run (2668) Blitz 2023]

11.cxd5

[11.exd5 Re8 12.Nge4 Nxe4 13.fxe4 Bd7 14.0-0 a6 15.Qd2 Rb8 16.a4 Qa5 17.Qc2 Qb4 18.Nd1 Qa5 19.Bd2 Qd8 20.a5 h5 21.Ra3 Kh7 22.Rg3 Bh6 23.Bc3 Rf8 24.Bxe5 dxe5 25.Rgf3 Kg7 26.Qc3 f6 27.Qa3 b6 28.axb6 Qxb6 29.Nc3 Bg5 30.Na4 Bxa4 31.Qxa4 Qxb2 32.Bd3 Qd4+ 33.Kh1 Rb4 34.Qxa6 Rb3 35.Be2 Rb2 36.Bd3 Rd2 37.Bb1 h4 38.h3 Bf4 39.Qe6 Qxc4 40.Qg4 g5 41.Qe6 Rf7 42.Qb6 Qe2 43.Rg1 Be3 44.Rxe3 Qxe3 45.Qe6 Qd4 46.Qg4 c4 47.Rf1 c3 48.Kh2 Qe3 49.Rf3 Qe1 50.Bd3 Rxd3 51.Rxd3 c2 52.d6 c1Q 0-1 (52)

Superfm1 (2612)-MahammadMuradli2003 (2673) Rapid 2023]

11...a6

[11...h5 12.0-0 *(12.Nf1 a6 13.h3 b5 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Nd2 Re8 17.0-0 Nxe4 18.Ncxe4 Bf5 19.Ng3 Rxe3 20.Nxf5 gxf5 21.Nxc4 Re4 22.Rc1 h4 23.b3 Qf6 24.Rc2 Rae8 25.Rd2 Bh6 26.Rdf2 Rd4 27.Qh5 Ree4 28.Nb6 Bxf4 29.Nd7 Qg5 30.Rxf4* 1-0 (31) Paravyan,D (2620)-Sieciechowicz,M (2401) chess.com INT 2024 *)*

A) 12...h4 13.Nh1 h3 *(13...Nh7 14.f4 Nd7 15.Nf2 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nh3 Ndf6 18.Qd2 Bd7 19.Kh1 Qe8 20.a4 Qg6 21.Bd3 Rae8 22.Bf2 Qh6 23.Ng5 Ng4 24.Ne6 h3 25.gxh3 Qxh3 26.Bg3 Rxe6 27.dxe6 Bc6+ 28.Kg1 Bd4+* 0-1 (28) WhiteBishop4761 (2625)-Hrithika1234 (2552) Blitz 2023*; 13...Bd7 14.Nf2 b5 15.Nxb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Rb8 17.a4 Qb6 18.b4 Ned7 19.Rc1 a6 20.bxc5 Nxc5 21.Bc6 Nh5 22.Nd3 Qb3 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Qxb3 Rxb3 25.Nxc5 Bd4+ 26.Kh1 Rb2 27.Nd3 Ra2 28.Rfd1 Kg7 29.Nb4 Be3 30.Nxa2 Rh8 31.g4 hxg3 32.hxg3 Nf4#* 0-1 (32) player149 (2609)-adapodadeiii (2687) Blitz 2022 *)*

A1) 14.g3 a6 15.a4 Bd7 16.a5 *(16.Nf2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Qb6 19.f4 Neg4 20.Nxg4 Nxg4 21.Bxg4 Rxa1 22.Qxa1 Bxg4 23.Nc3 Re8 24.Qa4 Kf8 25.Qc2 Qb4 26.e5 dxe5 27.Ne4 Bf5 28.Bxc5+* 1-0 (28) Superfm1 (2618)-Cultureindustry (2461) Blitz 2024 *)* 16...b5 17.axb6 Qxb6 18.Rb1 Bb5 19.Nf2 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Qb4 21.Nxh3 Rfb8 22.Nf2 Nc4 23.Bf4 Nh5 24.Nd3 Nxf4 25.Nxf4 Bxc3 26.bxc3 Qxb1 27.Qxc4 Qb5 28.Qa2 Qb2 29.Qc4 Rb3 30.e5 Qxc3 31.Qa4 Rb4 32.Qc6 Qe3+ 33.Kg2 Rb2+ 34.Kh3 Rf8 35.Qxd6 Qd2 36.Rh1 c4 37.e6 Qd4 38.e7 Re8 39.Nxg6 Qg7 40.Nh4 Rb7 41.Re1 Qg5 42.Re5 Qh6 43.Qxh6 1-0 (43) superfm1 (2627)-ssj2gohan (2708) Blitz 2023;

A2) 14.g4 Rb8 15.Ng3 b5 16.Nxb5 a6 17.Na3 Rxb2 18.g5 Ne8 19.f4 Qa5 20.fxe5 Qxa3 21.Bc1 Bxe5 22.Bxb2 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Qxa2 25.Qb3 Qd2 26.Qf3 Qxg5 27.Rb8 Nf6 28.Bd3 Bg4 29.Rxf8+ Kxf8 30.Qf4 Qxf4 31.Rxf4 Be5 32.Rf1 a5 33.Rb1 Bd4 34.Be2 a4 35.Rb8+ Kg7 36.Ra8 Nxe4 37.Bxg4 Nf2+ 38.Kg1 Nxg4+ 39.Kf1 Nxh2+ 40.Ke2 Be5 41.Nh1 Ng4 42.Rxa4 Nf6 43.Rh4 Nxd5 44.Kf3 h2 45.Nf2 g5 46.Rh3 f5 47.Rh5 Kg6 0-1 (47) edgelorde (2759)-chandraprabhat (2669) Blitz 2021;

B) 12...b5 13.Bxb5 Rb8 14.Rb1 a6 15.Be2 h4 16.Nh1 Qa5 17.Qd2 h3 18.g4 Bd7 19.Nf2 Rb7 20.Nxh3 Rfb8 21.Kg2 Nfxg4 22.fxg4 Nxg4 23.Bxg4 Bxg4 24.Nf2 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Rxb1 26.Rxb1 Rxb1 27.Nxg4 Ra1 28.Bf2 Rxa2 29.Qe3 Qd8 30.Qf4 a5 31.Kh3 a4 32.Bh4 Qf8 33.Nh6+ Kh7 34.Nxf7 Rc2 35.Bf6 g5 36.Qf5+ Kg8 37.Qg6+

1-0 (37) chessisinmyblood (2752)-Rustin_Cohle6 (2734) Blitz 2021;
C) 12...Nh7 13.Qd2 h4 14.Nh1 a6 *(14...g5 15.a4 Bd7* 0-1 (15) Correspondence-ai (2749)-AKS-Mantissa (2583) Classical 2024 *)* 15.Nf2 b5 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.h3 Rb8 19.Rae1 Re8 20.a3 Bd7 21.e5 dxe5 22.Nfe4 exf4 23.Bxf4 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Rb6 25.Be3 Bxe3 26.Rxe3 Bf5 27.Qf2 Bxe4 28.Rxe4 Rf6 29.Rf4 Kg7 30.Qxc5 Rxf4 31.Rxf4 Nf6 32.Rxh4 Nxd5 33.Qd4+ Nf6 34.Qxd8 Rxd8 35.Rxc4 Rd2 36.b4 Nh5 37.Ne4 Ra2 38.Rc3 f5 39.Nc5 Kf6 40.g3 Ke5 41.Re3+ Kd4 42.Rf3 a5 43.g4 Nf6 44.Kg1 Nd5 45.gxf5 gxf5 46.h4 axb4 47.axb4 Nxb4 48.Rxf5 Nc2 49.h5 Ne1 50.h6 Rg2+ 51.Kf1 Rh2 52.Kxe1 Rh1+ 53.Kd2 Rh2+ 54.Kc1 Rh1+ 55.Kb2 Rh2+ 56.Ka1 Rh1+ 57.Ka2 Rh2+ 58.Ka1 Rh1+ 59.Ka2 Rh2+ 60.Ka1 ½-½ (60) PetersBot (3024)-colinbot (3024) Blitz 2025]

[11...b5 12.Nxb5 Rb8 13.Qd2 h5 14.0-0 h4 15.Nh1 h3 *(15...Qb6 16.Rab1 h3 17.g4 Ba6 18.a4 Bxb5 19.axb5 Qc7 20.Nf2 c4 21.f4 Nd3 22.Bxd3 cxd3 23.Qxd3 Rfe8 24.Rfe1 Qd7 25.g5 Ng4 26.f5 gxf5 27.exf5 Nxe3 28.Rxe3 Rxe3 29.Qxe3 Qxf5 30.Re1 Be5 31.Qxh3 Qxg5+ 32.Kh1 Kf8 33.Nd3 Qd2 34.Rxe5 dxe5 35.Qh8+ Ke7 36.Qxe5+ Kd7 37.Nc5+ Kc8 38.Qe8+ Kc7 39.Qc6+* 1-0 (39) kflorian (2679)-alina0220 (2557) Blitz 2020 *)* 16.Ng3 hxg2 *(16...Bd7 17.Nc3 Rb4 18.b3 Kh7 19.Bg5 hxg2 20.Kxg2 Qc8 21.Rfc1 Nh5 22.Nxh5 gxh5 23.Kh1 f5 24.Rf1 Rd4 25.Qe3 Ng6 26.Bc4 f4 27.Qe1 Ne5 28.Ne2 Nxc4 29.bxc4 Rxc4 30.Rb1 Qe8 31.Nxf4 Qe5 32.Qh4 Bg4 33.fxg4 Qxe4+ 34.Ng2 Rxf1+ 35.Rxf1 Rc2 36.Qxh5+ Kg8 37.Qf7+ Kh8 38.Qf3 Qxf3 39.Rxf3 Rxa2 40.Nf4 Bd4 41.Ne6 Ra1+ 42.Kg2 Ra2+ 43.Kh3 Be5 44.Bf6+ Bxf6 45.Rxf6 c4 46.g5* 1-0 (46) Sethuraman,S (2632)-Triapishko,A (2508) St Petersburg RUS 2017*)* 17.Rf2 Bh3 18.Bh6 *(18.Nxa7 Nxd5 19.exd5 Rxb2 20.Qxb2 Nxf3+ 21.Bxf3 Bxb2 22.Nc6 Qh4 23.Re1 Re8 24.Rxb2 Qf6 25.Bxg2 Qxb2 26.Bxh3 Qc3 27.Kf2 Qf6+ 28.Kg2 Qc3 29.Kf2 Qf6+ 30.Kg2 Qc3 31.Kf2* ½-½ (31) magnusglad_bot (2911)-RaspFish (3101) Rapid 2025*)* 18...Qd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nc3 Qc7 21.Nb5 Qd7 22.Nc3 Qc7 23.b3 c4 24.Bxc4 Qb6 25.Be2 Qb4 26.Bd1 Rbc8 27.Na4 Qxd2 28.Rxd2 g5 29.Be2 Rfe8 30.Rad1 Rh8 31.Nb2 Nfd7 32.Kf2 Rh4 33.Bb5 Kf6 34.Ne2 Ke7 35.Ng1 Nf6 36.Nd3 g4 37.Nxe5 dxe5 38.d6+ Kd8 39.Bd3 Rc6 40.b4 Rc3 41.Rc2 Rxc2+ 42.Bxc2 gxf3 43.Re1 Nh5 44.Bd1 Nf4 45.Bxf3 Be6 46.Re3 Rxh2 47.Ra3 Kd7 48.Rxa7+ Kxd6 49.a4 Rh8 50.Ra6+ Kc7 51.b5 Nd3+ 52.Kxg2 Nb4 53.b6+ Kb7 54.Ra5 Rg8+ 55.Kh2 Rh8+ 56.Kg3 Rg8+ 57.Kh2 Rh8+ 58.Kg3 Nc6 59.Rb5 Nd4 60.Rb1 Bc4 61.a5 Rc8 62.Bg4 Rg8 63.Nf3 Nc6 64.Kh4 Rh8+ 65.Kg5 Rg8+ 66.Kh5 Rh8+ 67.Kg5 Rg8+ 68.Kh4 f6 69.Ra1 Rh8+ 70.Kg3 Ra8 71.Rd1 Rxa5 72.Rd6 Ra3 73.Bc8+ Kxb6 74.Bd7 Bb5

75.Rxf6 Re3 76.Bxc6 Bxc6 77.Kf2 Rxe4 78.Re6 Rf4 79.Rxe5 Bxf3 80.Re1 Ba8+ 81.Ke3 Ka7 82.Kxf4 Kb8 83.Rc1 Bd5 84.Ke5 Ba2 85.Kd6 Bf7 86.Rb1+ Kc8 87.Rb5 Bg6 88.Rc5+ Kb8 89.Kc6 Kc8 90.Re5 Kb8 91.Re7 Kc8 92.Rc7+ Kd8 93.Kd6 Ke8 94.Re7+ Kf8 95.Ke6 Bb1 96.Kf6 Kg8 97.Rg7+ Kh8 98.Kf7 Bd3 99.Rg4 Bb1 100.Ra4 Bd3 101.Rh4+ Bh7 102.Rd4 Bc2 103.Rh4+ Bh7 104.Kf6 Kg8 105.Rg4+ Kh8 106.Kf7 Bd3 107.Rg8+ Kh7 108.Rg4 Kh6 109.Kf6 Kh5 110.Rg5+ Kh4 111.Rg2 Bf1 112.Rd2 Kh5 113.Rd1 Bh3 114.Rg1 Kh4 115.Ke5 Kh5 116.Kf4 Be6 117.Rg7 Bc4 118.Rg5+ Kh6 119.Kf5 Be2 120.Kf6 Kh7 121.Ke5 Kh6 122.Rg3 Bd1 123.Kf6 Kh5 124.Rg5+ Kh4 125.Kf5 Kh3 126.Rg2 Kxg2 ½-½ (126) PetersBot (2990)-SolistaBot (3064) Blitz 2024]

12.a4 h5

[12...Bd7

A) 13.0-0 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.Nxb5 *(16.Bxb5 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Qa6 18.Na3 Rb8 19.Qc2 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Nxd3 21.Nc4 Ne8 22.Rb1 Rb3 23.Kf1 Kf8 24.Ke2 Ke7 25.Bd2 Nc7 26.Na5 Rxb2 27.Rxb2 Nxb2 28.Bg5+ Kd7 29.Kd2 Nb5 30.Ne2 c4 31.Be3 c3+ 32.Kc2 f5 33.exf5 gxf5 34.Kb3 Nd3 35.Kc4 Ne1 36.Kxb5 Nxg2 37.Bd4 Bxd4 38.Nxd4 Ne3 39.Kb4 Nxd5+ 40.Kc4 Ne3+ 41.Kxc3 Nf1 42.h3 Ke7 43.Nxf5+ Kf6 44.Nxd6 Ke5 45.Nb5 Kf4 46.Nd4 Kg3 47.Nc4 Nh2 48.Ne5 Kxh3 49.Ng4 Nxg4 50.fxg4 Kxg4 51.Kd3 Kf4 52.Ke2 Ke4 53.Nf3 Kf4 54.Kf2 Kg4 55.Kg2 h6 56.Nh2+ Kh4 57.Nf3+ Kg4 58.Nh2+ Kf4 59.Nf3 h5 60.Nh2 Kf5 61.Nf3 Ke4 62.Nh2 Kf4 63.Nf3 Kg4 64.Nh2+ Kh4 65.Nf3+ Kg4 66.Nh2+ Kf4 67.Nf3 Kf5 68.Nh2 h4 69.Nf3 h3+ 70.Kxh3 ½-½ (70) xiqichess (2641)-hesham-a (2644) Blitz 2021)* 16...Bxb5 17.Bxb5 Rb8 18.Qe2 Qb7 19.Bd3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Nd7 21.Rb1 Ne5 22.Qc2 Qb3 23.Qxb3 Rxb3 24.Nf1 Nc4 25.Bf2 Rxb2 26.Ra1 Be5 27.Ra8+ Kg7 28.g3 Bd4 29.Bxd4+ cxd4 30.Ra4 Rc2 31.Ra1 Nb2 32.Ra2 d3 33.Ne3 Re2 34.Nf1 f5 35.exf5 gxf5 36.Ra7+ Kf6 37.Rd7 Ke5 38.Rxh7 Kxd5 39.Rh5 Ke5 40.f4+ Ke4 41.Rh7 Kf3 42.Re7 Rxe7 43.Nd2+ Ke2 44.Nc4 0-1 (44) gravereaper (2659)-chessiando (2732) Blitz 2021;

B) 13.h3 b5

B1) 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.0-0 Rb8 17.e5 *(17.Qe2 Re8 18.Rab1 Rb4 19.e5 dxe5 20.f5 Qb6 21.Qf2 Rc8 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Nge4 Nxe4 24.Qf7+ Kh8 25.Nxe4 Bf5 26.Rxf5 gxf5 27.Qxf5 Rf8 28.Qh5 Rxb2 29.Re1 Rb1* 0-1 (29) curtainsjr (2707)-Anuar_Is (2756) Blitz 2021 *)*

B1a) 17...Qe7 18.Qf3

B1a1) 18...dxe5 19.fxe5 Ne8 *(19...Qxe5 20.Bxc5 Rxb2 21.Bxf8 Qd4+ 22.Kh1 Kxf8 23.Nce4±)* 20.Nge4 f5 21.exf6 Nxf6 22.Bxc5 Nxe4 23.Bxe7 Rxf3 24.Rxf3 Nd2 25.Rf2 Bd4 26.Ba3 Bxa4 27.Nxa4 Ne4 28.Raf1 Rb7 29.Nc3

Nxf2 30.Rxf2 Rf7 31.Nd1±;

B1a2) 18...Ne8 19.Qf2! *(19.exd6 Qxe3+ 20.Qxe3 Bd4)* 19...f5 20.Rfe1±;

B1b) 17...Ne8!?

B1b1) 18.Qd2 Qc8 *(18...dxe5 19.Bxc5 exf4 20.Nge4 f5 21.Bxf8 Bxf8 22.Nf2 Bd6 23.Qe2 Qc7 24.Rad1 Nf6 25.Rd4 Rb4 26.Rfd1 Qb6 27.R1d2 Qc5 28.Kh1 Nh5 29.Qf3 Ng3+ 30.Kg1 Rxb2 31.Rxb2 Qxd4 32.Rb7 Bc8 33.Rb1 Qxc3 34.Qxc3 Ne2+ 35.Kf1 Nxc3 36.Rc1 Be5 37.Nd1 Nxd1 38.Rxd1 c3 39.d6 Bd7 40.Ke2 Kf7 41.Kd3 Ke6 42.Ra1 Kxd6 43.a5 Bb5+ 44.Kc2 Bc6 45.Rd1+ Kc5 0-1 (45) alexkaspi (2620) - DoubleHelix2 (2706) Blitz 2022)* 19.Rae1 *(19.Nge4 f5! 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.e6 Bxe6!=)* 19...dxe5 20.fxe5 Bxe5 21.Nge4 f5∞ Ü 105/200;

B1b2) 18.Qe2 dxe5!

B1b21) 19.Bxc5 exf4 20.Bxf8 Bxf8 21.Rxf4 Bd6 22.Rf3 Bc5+ 23.Kh1 Bg4! 24.Qxc4 Bxf3 25.Qxc5 Qg5! 26.Rf1 *(26.Qf2 Bxd5=)* 26...Qxg3 27.Rxf3 Qe1+ 28.Kh2 Qe5+=;

B1b22) 19.fxe5 Bxe5 20.Bxc5

B1b221) 20...Bd6 21.Nge4 Bxc5+ 22.Nxc5 Bf5 23.Qf2 a5 24.g4!? Bc8 *(24...Bd3 25.Ne6)* 25.Rae1 Nd6 26.Re2±;

B1b222) 20...Bxg3!? 21.Bxf8 Bxh3! *(21...Kxf8?! 22.Qf3 Bf5 23.Qxg3 Rxb2 24.Rae1±)* 22.gxh3 *(22.Bc5 Bf5 23.Qxc4 Rxb2⇄)* 22...Kxf8 23.Rf3 Qh4 24.Kg2 Bc7⩲;

B1c) 17...Re8 Stoica,Valentin: '!?' 18.Qf3

B1c1) 18...dxe5 19.fxe5 Rxe5 20.Bf4 Re7 21.Bg5 *(21.Bxb8 Qxb8 22.Kh1±)* 21...Rb6 *(21...Ne8 22.d6! Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nxd6 24.Nd5±)* 22.a5 Rd6 23.Nge4 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd5 25.Nf6+ Bxf6 26.Qxd5 Bxg5 27.Qxg5 Be6 28.Qxc5 Rd7 29.Qb6±;

B1c2) 18...Rxb2 19.exf6 Qxf6 20.Rac1

B1c21) 20...Rb3!?N 21.Nge4

B1c211) ⌓21...Qd8 22.Bd2 *(22.Bf2 Rxe4! 23.Qxe4 Rxc3 24.Rxc3 Bxc3 25.Qxc4 Qa5=; 22.Kh2 f5! 23.Nxd6 Bxc3 24.Nxe8 Bd2 25.d6 Bxe3 26.Qd5+ Kf8 27.Nc7 Qh4 28.Qe5 Bxc1 29.Rxc1 Rxh3+=)*

B1c2111) 22...Qb8?! 23.f5!

Bxf5 24.Ng3 Bd4+ 25.Kh1! Qc8 *(25...Re5 26.Bf4±)* 26.Nxf5 Qxf5 27.Qxf5 gxf5 28.Rxf5 Be3 29.Bxe3 Rxe3 30.Rf3**±**;

B1c2112) 22...Bd4+

B1c21121) 23.Kh1 Rb2! 24.Rcd1 *(24.Nd1? Bf5!∓; 24.Rfd1 Bf5⇄ ⩤25.g4 Bxe4 26.Nxe4 Rb3 27.Nc3 Rb2=)* 24...Rxd2! 25.Rxd2 f5 26.Nxd6 Re3 27.Qd1 Bxc3**∞**;

B1c21122) 23.Kh2

B1c211221)

23...Bf5 24.Rfe1 Rb2 *(24...h5 25.Qf1! Rb4 26.a5±)* 25.Re2 Re7 26.Rce1 Rc2 *(26...Rb3 27.Nxc5! Rxe2 28.Nxb3 Rf2 29.Nxd4 Rxf3 30.Nxf3±)* 27.g4! Bxc3 28.Nxc3 Rxe2+ 29.Qxe2 Bd3 30.Qe3! *(30.Qf2 Qf6⇄)* 30...Qf6 31.Kg3 Qd4 *(31...h5 32.Rb1! h4+ 33.Kf3±)* 32.Nd1 Qxe3+ 33.Bxe3 f5 34.Nf2**±**;

B1c211222)

23...Qb8!? 24.Rfe1 *(24.f5 Bxf5 25.Ng3 Re5 26.Bf4 Qe8!⇄)* 24...f5 *(24...Bf5 25.a5 h5 26.Qf1 Rb4 27.Re2±)* 25.Ng5 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 Qf8 *(26...Qd8?! 27.Ne6 Qf6 28.Qe2! ⩤Bxc3 29.Qxc4 Bxd2 30.Qxb3 Bb4□ 31.Re3 Qa1 32.Qd3±)* 27.Ne6 Qf7! 28.a5 *(28.Qe2? Bxc3∓; 28.Rc1 Bxa4∞)* 28...Qf6! 29.Rc1 *(29.Qe2 Bxc3 30.Qxc4 Bxd2 31.Qxb3 Bb5!∞)* 29...h6**⩲** **Δ** ♔f7;

B1c212) 21...Qe7?! 22.Bf2!

B1c2121) 22...Bxc3 23.Nxc3 Qf6 24.Rfe1 Rxe1+ *(24...Bxa4 25.Ne4±)* 25.Bxe1 Bf5 26.Qf2 Qe7 *(26...Qd4 27.Qxd4 cxd4 28.Ne2 d3 29.Nd4 Rb2 30.Nxf5 gxf5 31.Bc3 Ra2 32.Kf1±)* 27.Nd1 Qe4 *(27...Be4 28.Ne3±)* 28.Bc3 Qxd5 29.Qh4! *(29.Ne3 Qd3 30.Nxf5 Rxc3 31.Rxc3 Qxc3 32.Nxd6 h5 33.Kh2*

h4±) 29...Rxc3 30.Nxc3 Qd2 31.Qe1**±**;

B1c2122) 22...Rb4 23.Rfe1 Qf8 24.Kh2 Rb2 25.Nd1 Rb3 26.Ne3 Bxa4 *(26...f5 27.Nd2±)* 27.f5! Be5+ 28.Bg3**±**;

B1c2123) 22...Bxa4 23.Nd2 Qd7 *(23...Bxc3 24.Nxb3 cxb3 25.Rxc3 Qe2 26.Rxb3 Bxb3 27.Qxb3±)* 24.Nxb3 cxb3

B1c21231) 25.f5! Be5 *(25...gxf5 26.Nxa4 Qxa4 27.Qxf5 b2 28.Rce1 Rxe1 29.Bxe1 Qe8 30.Bh4!+- Δ ♗f6)* 26.Nxa4 Qxa4 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.Bxc5 f6 29.Bxd6 Qd4+ 30.Rf2 Bxd6 31.Qxf6 Qxf6 32.Rxf6 b2 33.Rb1 Bc5+ 34.Kf1 Kg7 35.Re6**±**;

B1c21232)

25.Rfe1!?

B1c212321)

25...Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Bb5 27.Bh4 *(27.f5!?)* 27...Bd4+ 28.Kh2 Bc4 29.Re7 Qf5 30.Re8+ Kg7 31.Be7**±**;

B1c212322)

25...Bb5!? 26.Rxe8+ *(26.f5!?)* 26...Qxe8 27.Re1 Qb8 28.f5! Bd7 *(28...Be5 29.fxg6 hxg6 30.Bg3 Bd4+ 31.Kh2 b2 32.Ne4±)* 29.f6 Bf8 *(29...Bh6 30.Re7+-)* 30.Qf4! Qb6 *(30...a5 31.Bxc5±)* 31.Qc4! b2 *(31...a5 32.Rb1 b2 33.Nd1+-)* 32.g4! Δ ♖b1**±**;

B1c212323)

25...Rb8 26.Rb1**±** a5 *(⌓26...c4 27.f5! Bb5 28.f6 Bf8 29.Qf4 a5 30.Re4±)* 27.Re4 *(27.f5! Be5 28.Rxe5! dxe5 29.Bxc5+-)* 27...Bxc3 28.Qxc3 Qf5 29.Ree1

B1c2123231)

29...Qxf4 30.Qxa5+-;

B1c2123232)

29...Rb4 30.Ra1! Bd7 *(30...b2 31.Rab1+-)* 31.Rxa5 Rb8 32.Raa1+-;

B1c2123233)

29...Qxd5 30.Rbd1! Qf5 *(30...Qc6 31.Re7+-)*

B1c21232331)

31.Qd2!? b2
(31...Qd7 32.f5! Bc6 33.f6+-)
32.Rb1 Qf6
(32...Bc2 33.Rxb2!+-)
33.Re2 Bb3
34.Qxb2 Qxb2
35.Rexb2 a4
(35...c4 36.Rd2+-)
36.Rd2 Rb6
37.Bh4! Rc6
38.Bf6 d5
39.Bb2+-;

B1c21232332)
31.Qxa5 Qxf4
(31...b2 32.Rb1 Bc2 33.Rxb2+-)
32.Qc7+- Qb4
33.Rxd6 b2
34.Rd8+ *(34.Rb1 Bc2 35.Bxc5+-)*
34...Rxd8
35.Qxd8+ Kg7
36.Qd3?⊕
(36.Rb1 Bc2 37.Bg3! Bxb1 38.Be5+ Kh6 39.Qf8+ Kg5 40.Qe7+ Kf5 41.Bg7+-; 36.Kh2 b1Q 37.Rxb1 Qxb1 38.Bxc5+-)

B1c212323321)
36...Bb5! 37.Qb1
(37.Qc2 Ba4=)
37...Qc3!
(37...Qd2? 38.Rd1 Qc3 39.Be1+-)
38.Bg3 *(38.Rd1 Ba4)* 38...f6!=;

B1c212323322)
36...Bc6?⊕
37.Qb1? *(37.Bg3! Be4 38.Be5+ f6 39.Qd7+ Kh6 40.Bxf6! Qxe1+ 41.Kh2+-)*
37...Qd2= 38.Rd1 Qe2 39.Re1 Qd2 40.Rd1 Qe2 41.Re1 ½-½ (41) Parligras,M (2633)-Miron,L (2526) Romania 2013 CI1-130 [Stoica, Valentin];

B1c22) 20...Qd8

B1c221) 21.Rfe1

B1c2211) 21...Rb3
22.Bd2! *(22.Bf2 f5)* 22...Bxa4
(22...f5 23.Qd1!±)
23.Rxe8+

B1c22111)
23...Bxe8 24.f5!
Bd7 25.Kh1 Qe7!?
(25...Be5 26.Bf4 Qe7 27.Re1! gxf5 28.Bxe5 dxe5 29.Nh5±) 26.Re1
Qf6 27.Nge4! Qxf5
28.Qe2! △Qe5
29.Qxc4 Ra3
30.Qf1! *(30.Nxc5 Rxc3 31.Qh4 Rxh3+!⇄)* 30...Qf5
31.Qe2 Qe5
32.Qf2±;

B1c22112)
23...Qxe8 24.f5
Qe5 25.f6!±;

B1c2212) 21...f5
22.Nf1!? *(22.Bf2 Rb3 23.Nf1 Bd4∞)*
22...Rb3 23.Bd2!

B1c22121) 23...Rxe1 24.Bxe1 Bd4+ 25.Kh2 Qf6 *(25...Bxa4 26.Nd2±)* 26.a5± Δ ♘g3-e2;

B1c22122) 23...Bxa4 24.Re6! Bb5 25.Qe2 Rxe6 26.dxe6 Qe7 27.Nd5 Bd4+ 28.Kh2 Qb7 29.e7 Qxd5 30.e8Q+ Bxe8 31.Qxe8+ Kg7 32.Re1! *(32.Qe7+ Kg8=)* 32...Rb7 33.Ne3 Qe4 *(33...Qf7 34.Qxf7+ Kxf7 35.Nxc4 Rd7 36.Be3±)* 34.Qa8! Qxf4+ *(34...Rf7 35.Nd5 Qd3 36.Ba5 Qa3 37.Qd8±)* 35.Kh1 Rf7 36.Nxc4 Qf2 37.Rb1±;

B1c222) 21.Nd1 Rb3⇄ △22.Rxc4?! Bd4 23.Re1 Qa5∓;

B1c223) 21.Kh1 f5 Stoica,Valentin: '⇄!' 22.Bf2 ½-½ (22) Ponomariov,R (2723)-Gallagher,J (2500) Porto Carras GRE 2011;

B2) 14.0-0 b4 15.Nb1 c4 16.Nd2 *(16.f4 Nd3 17.Bxd3 cxd3 18.Qxd3 Qe8 19.b3 h5 20.Nd2 h4 21.Nh1 Rc8 22.Bd4 Rc3 23.Qxa6 Nxe4 24.Bxg7 Nxd2 25.Bxf8 Nxf1 26.Rxf1 Qxf8 27.Qb7 Qe8 28.Qxb4 Qe3+ 29.Nf2 Bxh3 30.Qe4 Bf5 31.Qxe3 Rxe3 32.b4 Rb3 33.a5 Rxb4 34.Ra1 Rb7 35.Kh2 Re7 36.Nd1 Bd3 37.Nc3 Re3 38.Ra4 Kg7 39.Nd1 Re2 40.a6 Be4 41.a7 Bxd5 42.a8Q Rxg2+ 43.Kh3 Bxa8 44.Rxa8 Rd2 45.Ra1 Rd3+ 46.Kxh4 Rf3 47.Ra4 f5 48.Rd4 Kh6 49.Nb2 Rxf4+ 50.Rxf4 g5+ 51.Kg3 gxf4+ 52.Kf2 f3 53.Kxf3 f4 54.Kf2 f3 55.Kxf3 d5 56.Na4 d4 57.Nb2 d3 58.Ke4 d2 59.Nd1 Kg5 60.Kf3 Kh4 61.Kf2 Kh3 62.Nc3 d1Q 63.Nxd1 ½-½ (63) AILc0 (2823)-Nikitosikbot_v2 (2915) Blitz 2024)* 16...c3 17.f4 Neg4 18.hxg4 cxd2 19.a5 *(19.Bf3 Re8 20.Qe2 h5 21.gxh5 gxh5 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Rxe5 24.Qxd2 Ng4 25.Bf4 Qb6+ 26.Kh1 Qd8 27.Ne4 Qh4+ 28.Kg1 Rae8 29.Bg3 Qd8 30.Rae1 Rf5 31.Nd6 Rxe1 32.Rxe1 Rf6 33.Nc4 Rg6 34.Qxb4 h4 35.Qb8 Qxb8 36.Bxb8 Bxa4 37.Kh1 Nf2+ 38.Kh2 Ng4+ 39.Kh1 Nf2+ 40.Kh2 Ng4+ 41.Kh1 ½-½ (41) ProteusSF-Godot (2913)-Nikitosikbot (2926) Rapid 2023)* 19...Qe7 20.Qxd2 Bxg4 21.Bf3 Rac8 22.Rae1 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Qd7 24.Kg2 Qb5 25.Rc1 Qxa5 26.Ne2 Nh5 27.Rc6 Rxc6 28.dxc6 Rc8 29.Rc1 Qb5 30.c7 Bf8 31.f5 Qd7 32.Bb6 Qb5 33.Be3 Qd7 34.Bb6 Qb5 35.Be3 Normal ½-½ (35) RaspFish (2931)-Nikitosikbot_v2 (2934)

Rapid 2024]
[12...Qa5 13.0-0
A) 13...Re8 14.f4 *(14.h3 Rb8 15.Qd2 Qb4 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Qc2 Rxb6 20.Rfb1 Nd7 21.Nge2 Ne5 22.b3 Qd3 23.Qc1 f5 24.Kh1 Nf7 25.Ra2 a5 26.Rc2 fxe4 27.Nf4 Qa6 28.Nxe4 Qb7 29.Qa3 Bf5 30.Rc4 Rb4 31.Qc1 Rxb3 32.Rxb3 Qxb3 33.g4 Bxe4 34.Rxe4 Rxe4 35.fxe4 a4 36.Ne6 Be5 37.Qf1 Qb6 38.Qc4 Qa7 39.Qb5 Qa8 40.Nc7 Qa7 41.Na6 Kg7 42.Qxa4 Qe7 43.Kg2 Qh4 44.Bf2 Qg5 45.Nc7 Qf4 46.Ne6+* 1-0 (46) Edouard,R (2649)-Le Huec, M (2213) Europe-Chess INT 2020*)* 14...Neg4 15.Bd2 Qb4 16.h3 Qd4+ 17.Kh1 Nf2+ 18.Rxf2 Qxf2 19.Kh2 h5 20.Bf3 Qd4 21.Nge2 Qd3 22.Nc1 Qd4 23.Nb3 Qf2 24.Be1 Qf1 25.Nd2 Qd3 26.Be2 Qd4 27.Qc2 Qe3 28.g3 h4 29.Nc4 hxg3+ 30.Bxg3 Qd4 31.Rd1 Nh5 32.Rxd4 cxd4 33.Nd1 Bd7 34.Nxd6 Re7 35.e5 Rd8 36.Nf2 b5 37.Bxh5 gxh5 38.Nd3 bxa4 39.f5 Bxe5 40.Bxe5 Be8 41.Qg2+ 1-0 (41) dmitry-lavrik (2652)-felipeporrasmateo (2579) Blitz 2021;
B) 13...Qb4 14.Ra3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Bf4 Ne8 17.Re1 Bd7 18.a5 f5 19.e5 Qxf4 20.e6 Bb5 0-1 (20) defenceboy1 (2890)-BabaRamdev (2844) Blitz 2021]
[12...Rb8 13.h3 Bd7 14.f4 Ne8 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.fxe5 Bxe5 18.Qe1 b4 19.Nd1 Qh4 20.Bf2 Nf6 21.Bf3 Qf4 22.Qe3 Qxe3 23.Nxe3 Bxb2 24.Nc4 Bxa1 25.Rxa1 Ne8 26.Ne2 Bb5 27.Nxd6 Bxe2 28.Nxe8 Bxf3 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Nd7 Bxe4 31.Bxc5 Bxd5 32.Bxf8+ Rxf8 33.Nxf8 Kxf8 34.Kf2 b3 35.Rb1 Ke7 36.Ke3 Bxg2 37.Rxb3 Bxh3 38.Kf4 Be6 39.Rb7+ Kf6 40.Rb5 g5+ 41.Rxg5 h6 42.Rh5 Kg6 43.Rh1 h5 44.Rg1+ Bg4 45.Ke5 Kg5 46.Ke4 f5+ 47.Ke5 f4 48.Rf1 f3 49.Ke4 f2 50.Rxf2 Bh3 51.Ke3 Kg4 52.Rh2 Kg3 53.Rh1 h4 54.Ra1 Bg4 55.Ra7 Bh5 56.Rh7 Kg4 57.Rg7+ Kh3 58.Rh7 Kg4 59.Kd2 Kg5 60.Rg7+ Bg6 0-1 (60) Minarque (2657)-ConscienciaSocial (2552) Blitz 2022]
[12...Re8 13.0-0 h5 14.Qd2 *(14.h3 h4 15.Nh1 Nh7 16.f4 Nd7 17.Nf2 f5 18.Qc2 Nhf6 19.Bf3 Rb8 20.Rae1 b5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Qxf5 Ne5 24.Qg5 Nxf3+ 25.gxf3 b4 26.Nce4 Bb7 27.Qxh4 Nxd5 28.Qxd8 Rbxd8 29.Bc1 Rf8 30.Ng5 Rde8 31.Ne6 Rf7 32.Nxg7 Rxg7+ 33.Ng4 Rf8 34.Re4 Rh7 35.Kh2 Ba6 36.Rg1 Rg7 37.Re6 Nxf4 38.Rxd6 Ne2 39.Rxa6 Nxg1 40.Kxg1 Rxf3 41.Kg2 Rf8 42.Rc6 Rg5 43.Bxg5 Rf5 44.h4 Rd5 45.Nf6+ Kg7 46.Nxd5* Normal 1-0 (47) licg (2608)-ChessForLifeAgain (2390) Blitz 2024*)* 14...h4 15.Nh1 h3 16.g3 Nh7 17.Nf2 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.g4 Bd7 20.Nxh3 Rb8 21.Kh1 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Nf4 Ng5 24.Nd1 Qf6 25.Ra7 Re7 26.Ng2 Ngf7 27.h3 Nc4 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.Bg5 Nxg5 30.h4 Nf7 31.Nc3 Qd4 32.Qc1 Rbe8 33.Ra1 Bc8 34.Qc2 Qd3 35.Qxd3 cxd3 36.Rad1 c4 37.Rd2 Ne5 38.Nf4 Rf8 39.Ng2 Rxf3 40.Rfd1 Bxg4 41.Kg1 Rg3 42.Ne4 Bxd1 43.Nxg3 Nf3+ 44.Kf2 Nxd2 45.Ne3 Bd4 46.Ke1 Bxe3 47.Kxd1

Nf3 48.h5 Bf4 49.Ne4 Rxe4 0-1 (49) masterofpuppets2 (2628)-licg (2551) Blitz 2022]

13.0-0 Nh7

[13...Bd7 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.Qc1 Nh7 16.a5 Qc7 17.Bh6 h4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nh1 g5 20.Nf2 b5 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.Ncd1 Qd8 23.Ne3 a5 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.Bxd3 Qf6 26.Ra3 a4 27.f4 Qd4 28.fxg5 Rab8 29.Rc3 Nxg5 30.e5 f5 31.e6 f4 32.Rc4 Qxe3+ 33.Qxe3 fxe3 34.exd7 h3 35.Rxa4 hxg2 36.Kxg2 Rxb2+ 37.Kg3 Rbb8 38.Rxf8 Kxf8 39.Kf4 Nf7 40.Kxe3 Ke7 41.Bf5 Kf6 42.Be6 Ne5 43.h4 Rd8 44.Ra7 c4 45.Rc7 c3 46.Rc8 c2 47.Kd2 Ke7 48.h5 Rxd7 49.Bxd7 Kxd7 50.Rxc2 Ke8 51.h6 Kf7 52.h7 Ng6 53.h8N+ Nxh8 54.Rc7+ Kf6 55.Kc3 Nf7 56.Rd7 Ng5 57.Rxd6+ Ke7 58.Ra6 Nf3 59.Kb4 Kd8 60.d6 Ne5 61.Kc5 Nd3+ 62.Kc4 Nf4 63.Ra7 Ke8 64.Re7+ Kd8 65.Rf7 Nh3 66.Kc5 Ke8 67.Rf5 Kd7 68.Kd5 Ng1 69.Rf7+ Kd8 70.Kc6 Ke8 71.Rf6 Ne2 72.Kc7 Nc1 73.d7+ Ke7 74.d8Q# 1-0 (74) Correspondence-ai (2711)-AKS-Mantissa (2601) Classical 2024]

[13...h4 14.Nh1

A) 14...Qb6 15.Qd2 Qb4 16.a5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Na4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Qxe4 20.Nb6 Rb8 21.Ra4 Qe8 22.Bh6 h3 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Re1 Qd8 25.Qc3+ Kg8 26.g3 Bf5 27.Rh4 Qg5 1-0 (27) AgressiveMode (2691)-aryamannkid (2598) Blitz 2021;

B) 14...Re8 15.Nf2 Rb8 16.Qd2 Bd7 17.a5 *(17.h3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.f4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Ra6 Bc8 22.Ra2 Nh5 23.Re1 f5 24.e5 dxe5 25.fxe5 Bxe5 26.Bxc5 Qc7 27.Rxe5 Qxe5 28.Qh6 Qe1+ 29.Kh2 Qe5+ 30.Kg1 Qf6 31.Ra7 Re1+* 0-1 (31) Jamorris94 (2655)-NTDVAN (2621) Blitz 2021*)* 17...b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.Ra2 Bb5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.b4 Nfd7 22.Rc2 Nc4 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.bxc5 Nxc5 25.Rxc4 Qb5 26.Rc2 Nb3 27.Qd3 Qa4 28.Rc4 Qa6 29.Ng4 Rbc8 30.Rxc8 Qxd3 31.Rxe8+ Kh7 32.Re7 Nd2 33.Re1 h3 34.Rxf7 Kg8 35.Rd7 hxg2 36.Kxg2 Nc4 37.Bg5 Qc2+ 38.Kg3 Ne5 39.Rd8+ Kf7 40.Bf4 Nd3 41.Rd7+ Ke8 42.Rxg7 Nxe1 43.Nf6+ Kd8 44.Bxd6 Qg2+ 45.Kf4 Qxh2+ 46.Kg5 Nxf3+ 47.Kxg6 Nh4+ 48.Kf7 Qxd6 49.Rg8+ Kc7 50.Ne8+ Kd7 51.Nxd6 Kxd6 52.Rd8+ Ke5 53.d6 Nf3 54.d7 Ng5+ 55.Ke7 Ne6 56.Rg8 Nd4 57.Rg6 Nc6+ 58.Rxc6 Kxe4 59.d8Q Ke5 60.Qd6+ Kf5 61.Rc5+ Ke4 62.Qd5+ Ke3 63.Rc3+ Ke2 64.Qf3+ Ke1 1-0 (65) penguingim1 (2685)-BlueGreensun (2569) Blitz 2020;

C) 14...Nh7 15.Nf2 f5 16.f4 Nf7 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bd3 Nh6 19.Nce4 Qe7 20.Qf3 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.g4 hxg3 24.hxg3 c4 25.Bb1 Nf6 26.Ng5 Bxb1 27.Rxb1 Nf5 28.Re1 Qb7 29.g4 Nxe3 30.Qxe3 Qxd5 31.Qh3 Qd2 32.Re7 Ra1+ 33.Kg2 Qd5+ 34.Nfe4 Rc1 35.Qf3 Rc2+ 36.Kh3 Nxe4 37.Rxe4 Bf8 38.f5 Rxb2 39.Kh4 Rb3 40.Qf2 c3 41.fxg6 Rb2 42.Qa7 Rh2+ 43.Kg3 Rh6 44.Rf4 Qd3+ 45.Rf3 Qd5 46.Nf7 Rh3+ 47.Kxh3 Qxf3+ 48.Kh4 Qf6+ 49.Ng5 Be7

50.Qb8+ Kg7 51.Qxb5 Qxg5+ 52.Qxg5 Bxg5+ 53.Kh5 c2 54.Kxg5 c1Q+ 55.Kh5 Qh6# 0-1 (55) Ponkratov,P (2631)-Sadhwani,R (2619) chess.com INT 2022;

D) 14...Qa5 15.Nf2 Qb4 16.Qc2 Bd7 17.a5 Nc4 18.Bc1 Nxa5 19.Nd3 Qb6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Nxe5 Nb3 22.Ra3 Nd4 23.Qd1 Bb5 24.Bxb5 axb5 25.Rxa8 Rxa8 26.Bg5 b4 27.Na4 Qb5 28.b3 Nxd5 29.Nc4 Rxa4 Normal 0-1 (29) MothToTheFlame (2609)-realNomenNescio (2630) Blitz 2024;

E) 14...Bd7 15.Nf2 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 Qb6 18.f4 Neg4 19.Nxg4 Bxg4 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.Bxg4 Qxb5 22.Bf3 Qxb2 23.e5 dxe5 24.fxe5 Qxe5 25.Bxc5 Rd8 26.Qb3 Nxd5 27.Rd1 Rd7 28.Bxd5 1-0 (28) AgressiveMode (2704)-Jain Kashish Manoj (2162) Blitz 2021]

14.Qd2

[14.h3 h4 15.Nh1 f5 16.exf5 *(16.Qd2 Bd7 17.Nf2 Qf6 18.f4 Nf7 19.Ra3 Rfe8 20.Rb3 Bc8 21.Rb6 Qd8 22.a5 Nf6 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Kh2 Nd7 25.Na4 Nxb6 26.Nxb6 Rb8 27.Nd1 Bd7 28.Rg1 Bb5 29.Bh5 Qe7 30.g3 Rf8 31.g4 Nh6 32.g5 Nf7 33.Qf2 Bd4 34.Bxd4 cxd4 35.Re1 Qc7 36.Qxh4 Rbe8 37.Bg6 Nxg5 38.fxg5 Rxe1 39.Qxe1 Kg7 40.Bh5 Qc2+ 41.Nf2 Qc7 42.Qd2 Qc5 43.Bf3 d3 44.h4 Qd4 45.h5 Re8 46.h6+ Kg6 47.Kg2 Re3 48.Nc8 Kxg5 49.Nxd6 Qf4 50.Nh3+ Kxh6 51.Nxf4 Rxf3 52.Kxf3 Kg5 53.Nxd3+ Kf6 54.Nxb5 axb5 55.Nf4 b4 56.Qd4+ Kg5 57.d6 Kh4 58.d7 Kg5 59.d8Q+ Kh6 60.Q4h8#* 1-0 (60) OnkelKonkel (2619)-jshutzman (2621) Blitz 2022*)* 16...gxf5 17.f4 Ng6 18.Bh5 Qf6 19.Qd2 Bd7 20.a5 Rab8 21.Bf2 b5 22.axb6 Rxb6 23.Ra2 Be8 24.Be2 Rb4 25.Be3 Bb5 26.Bxb5 axb5 27.Ra6 Qe7 28.Re1 Bd4 29.Nf2 Re8 30.Nfd1 Nxf4 31.Kf1 Nh5 32.Bf2 Be5 33.Rb6 Rf4 34.Nxb5 Ng3+ 35.Kg1 Ne4 36.Qc2 Qd8 37.Rc6 Nxf2 38.Nxf2 Bd4 39.Rxe8+ Qxe8 40.Nxd4 Qe1+ 41.Kh2 cxd4 42.Rc8+ Nf8 43.Qc7 Rxf2 44.Qxd6 Rxg2+ ½-½ (44) Hammer,J (2636)-Salem,A (2469) Chotowa POL 2010]

14...Re8 15.Bh6 h4 16.Nh1 g5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nf2 Bd7 19.Nfd1 Rb8 20.a5 b5 21.axb6 Rxb6 22.Rxa6 Rxa6 23.Bxa6 Qf6 24.Ne3 Rb8 25.Be2 Qf4 26.Ncd1 Nf8 27.Qe1 Qf6 28.g3 Nfg6 29.Rf2 Kf8 30.Kg2 hxg3 31.hxg3 Nf4+ 32.gxf4 gxf4 33.Ng4 Bxg4 34.fxg4 Rb3 35.Rf3 Nxf3 36.Bxf3 Rd3 37.Qh1 Rd2+ 38.Kf1 Qd4 39.Qh6+ Ke8 40.Qxf4 Rxd1+ 41.Bxd1 Qxd1+ 42.Kg2 c4 43.Qxd6 Qxg4+ 44.Kf2 Qxe4 45.Qc6+ Kf8 46.Qd7 Qd4+ 47.Ke1 Qxb2 48.d6 c3 49.Qh3 c2 50.Qh6+ Ke8 51.Qe3+ Kd7 52.Qe7+ Kc6 53.Qc7+ Kd5 54.Qxf7+ Kxd6 55.Qf4+ Kc5 56.Qf2+ Kd6 57.Qd2+ Kc5 58.Qf2+ Kc6 59.Qg2+ Kc7 60.Qh2+ Kc6 61.Qh1+ Kc7 62.Qh2+ Kb7 63.Qh1+ Kc8 64.Qh3+ Kb8 65.Qh2+ Kb7 66.Qh1+ Kb6 67.Qg1+ Kb7 68.Qh1+ ½-½ (68) PetersBot (3061)-RaspFish (3073) Rapid 2024

[115] **7.Bd3** e5 8.d5 Nc5 9.Bc2 a5

[9...Nh5 10.Qd2 f5 11.0-0-0 Nf4 12.g3 Nh5 13.Nge2 Bd7 14.exf5

gxf5 15.g4 fxg4 16.fxg4 Nf4 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Kh8 19.Be3 Bxg4 20.Rdg1 Qh4 21.Bd4 Rg8 22.h3 Bh5 23.Rxg7 Rxg7 24.Rg1 Rag8 25.Qe3 Nd7 26.Rxg7 Rxg7 27.Bxg7+ Kxg7 28.b3 a6 29.Ne4 Bg6 30.Ng5 Ne5 31.Ne6+ Kg8 32.Bxg6 hxg6 33.Nxc7 Qh7 34.Ne6 Qf7 35.a4 Qf1+ 36.Kb2 Nd3+ 37.Kc3 Ne5 38.c5 Qa1+ 39.Kb4 dxc5+ 40.Kxc5 Qb2 41.Kd6 Nf7+ 42.Kc7 b5 43.axb5 axb5 44.Qd4 Qxd4 45.Nxd4 b4 46.d6 1-0 (46) IkawAkoTayo (2699)-GreenFieldsPrince12 (2749) Blitz 2022]

[9...c6 10.Nge2 cxd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.b4 Na6 13.a3 Nc7 14.0-0 b5 15.Qd2 a5 16.Bd3 Qb8 17.Rfb1 axb4 18.Rxb4 Ra5 19.Qb2 Na6 20.Rb3 Nc5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Bxb5 Bxb5 23.Rxb5 Rxb5 24.Qxb5 Qa7 25.Qc4 Bh6 26.Kf2 Nd7 27.a4 Rb8 28.Nb5 Qa5 29.Qc3 Qb6 30.g3 c4+ 31.Kg2 Rc8 32.Ra2 f6 33.h4 f5 34.exf5 gxf5 35.Qc2 Qg6 36.Nec3 Nc5 37.g4 Nd3 38.Kh1 fxg4 39.Qg2 g3 40.Ne4 Bf4 41.Qh3 Re8 42.Qg4 Qxg4 43.fxg4 Kg7 44.a5 Rb8 45.Nbc3 Rb3 46.a6 Nf2+ 47.Kg2 Nxe4 48.Nxe4 Rb8 49.a7 Ra8 50.d6 Kf7 51.Kf3 Ke6 52.g5 Kd7 53.h5 Bxg5 54.Nxg5 c3 55.Ne4 c2 56.Rxc2 Rxa7 57.Kxg3 Ra3+ 58.Kg4 Re3 59.Kf5 Rh3 60.Rc7+ Kd8 61.Rxh7 Rf3+ 62.Ke6 Kc8 63.Nf6 1-0 (63) alexkaspi (2614)-leopslr (2554) Blitz 2022]

10.Nge2 Nh5

[10...c6 11.0-0 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.a3 Rc8 14.Qd2 Nh5 15.Rfc1 f5 16.b4 Na6 17.Rab1 axb4 18.axb4 Nf4 19.Nxf4 exf4 20.Bd4 Bxd4+ 21.Qxd4 Qf6 22.Qxf6 Rxf6 23.Bd3 Rff8 24.Kf2 Kg7 25.Bxa6 bxa6 26.Ra1 Rc7 27.exf5 Rfc8 28.Rxa6 Bxf5 29.Rc6 Rxc6 30.dxc6 Rxc6 31.b5 Rc4 32.b6 Rb4 33.Nd5 Rb2+ 34.Ke1 g5 35.Rc7+ Kh6 36.b7 Bd3 37.Rd7 g4 38.Rxd6+ Kg5 39.Rb6 1-0 (39) Xu,X (2626)-Garcia,J (2418) Hangzhou CHN 2023]

11.Qd2 Na6 12.a3 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Rab1 Kh8 16.b4 axb4 17.axb4 Qe7 18.f4 Rae8 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.Bxf6+ Rxf6 22.c5 Rg8 23.Rf2 Qg7 24.Re1 Rg6 25.Kh1 Rxg2 26.Ng3 Nxg3+ 27.hxg3 Rxg3 0-1 (27) Muselmen100precent (2761)-ZhohoFF (2619) Blitz 2023

7.Qd2 c5 8.Nge2

[8.d5

A) 8...a6 9.g4 Ne8 *(9...b5 10.Nge2 Ne5 11.Ng1 bxc4 12.h4 h5 13.g5 Nfd7 14.Be2 Rb8 15.Nh3 Nb6 16.Nf2 Bd7 17.f4 Nd3+ 18.Nxd3 cxd3 19.Bxd3 Na4 20.Nxa4 Bxa4 21.Rb1 Bb5 22.Bc2 Re8 23.Kf2 e6 24.Kg2 exd5 25.exd5 Qd7 26.Bd1 Bc4 27.Bf3 Bxa2 0-1 (27) Malek_Koniahli (2620)-Mrdalica (2696) Blitz 2024)* 10.h4 f5 11.h5 fxg4 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.fxg4 Ne5 14.Be2 Bxg4 15.Bh6 Bxe2 16.Bxg7 Nxg7 17.Ncxe2 Nxc4 18.Qc3 Qa5 19.0-0-0 Qxc3+ 20.bxc3 b5 21.Nh3 Rf3 22.Rdg1 Re3 23.Kd1 Ne5 24.Ng5 Rf8 25.Rg2 b4 26.Rgh2 Nh5 27.Rg2 bxc3 28.Ne6 Rf6 29.Rxh5 Rf1+ 30.Kc2 Rxe2+ 31.Rxe2 gxh5 32.Kxc3 h4 33.Rh2 Nf3 34.Rg2+ Kf7 35.Rg7+ Kf6 36.Rh7 Re1 37.Kd3 c4+ 38.Kxc4 Rxe4+ 39.Kd3 Ra4 40.Rh8 Ne5+ 41.Ke3

Nc4+ 42.Kf4 Nb6+ 43.Kf3 Nxd5 44.Nc7 Nxc7 0-1 (44) SouthAfricanWolf (2624)-jianghaochen (2583) Blitz 2022;

B) 8...Ne5 9.h3 *(9.Nge2 Nxc4* 0-1 (9) Knightindiandefence (2666)-Doccy1 (2724) Blitz 2021*; 9.Be2 e6 10.f4 Neg4 11.Nf3 exd5 12.cxd5 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 Re8 14.0-0 a6 15.e5 Ng4 16.Qd2 Bh6 17.exd6 Qxd6 18.Ng5 Bxg5 19.Bxg4 Bf6 20.Bxc8 Raxc8 21.f5 b5 22.fxg6 hxg6 23.Rae1 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Kg7 25.a3 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 Rh8 27.h3 Rh5 28.Rf1 Qg3 29.Qe2 Rxh3+* 0-1 (29) tornike_sanikidze (2605)-cemilchess (2705) Blitz 2019*)* 9...Nh5 10.f4 Nd7 11.Nge2 a6 12.a4 Rb8 13.g4 Nhf6 14.Ng3 Ne8 15.Be2 Nc7 16.0-0 e6 17.dxe6 Nxe6 18.Qxd6 Nd4 19.Rad1 b5 20.cxb5 Rb6 21.Qd5 Bb7 22.Qc4 axb5 23.Nxb5 Ba6 24.e5 Nxb5 25.axb5 Bxb5 26.Qc2 Bxe2 27.Qxe2 Qh4 28.Kg2 Rb7 29.Ne4 Rfb8 30.Rd2 Qe7 31.Nd6 Rb3 32.g5 Nf8 33.Bxc5 Ne6 34.Be3 h6 35.h4 Qd7 36.Rf3 Qc6 37.Rc2 Qd5 38.Kg3 hxg5 39.hxg5 Nxg5 40.fxg5 Bxe5+ 41.Bf4 Rxf3+ 42.Qxf3 Qxd6 43.Rf2 Bxf4+ 44.Qxf4 Rb3+ 45.Kh4 Qe6 46.Qg4 Qe3 47.Rc2 Qe1+ 0-1 (47) WhiteBishop4761 (2685)-Orda_99 (2691) Blitz 2022]

[8.Nh3 e6 9.0-0-0 Qa5 10.Kb1 a6 11.Nd5 Qxd2 12.Ne7+ Kh8 13.Rxd2 Re8 14.Nxc8 Raxc8 15.Nf2 b6 16.Be2 Nb8 17.e5 dxe5 18.dxe5 Nfd7 19.f4 f6 20.Rhd1 Re7 21.exf6 Bxf6 22.Ne4 Kg7 23.Nxf6 Nxf6 24.Bf3 e5 25.fxe5 Rxe5 26.Bf4 Re7 27.Rd6 Nbd7 28.Bg5 Rb8 29.Rxd7 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2672)-Ngazio2000 (2550) Blitz 2022]

[8.Bd3 cxd4 9.Bxd4 a6 10.Nge2 Ne5 11.0-0 Be6 12.b3 Nfd7 13.Be3 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Qa5 15.Rac1 b5 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Rfc8 18.Nd4 Qxa2 19.Nc6 Ne5 20.Qd1 Nxc6 21.dxc6 a5 22.Qd5 a4 23.bxa4 Qxd5 24.exd5 bxa4 25.Rfd1 a3 26.Bd4 a2 27.Ra1 e6 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.dxe6 Rxc6 30.e7 Kf6 31.Rxa2 Re8 32.Rad2 Kxe7 33.Ra1 Kf6 34.Ra7 Re7 35.Ra8 Rd7 36.g4 h6 37.Kf2 d5 38.h4 d4 39.Ra4 Rcd6 40.Rd3 h5 41.Kg3 hxg4 42.fxg4 Ke5 43.Kf3 Rf6+ 44.Kg3 Ke4 45.Raa3 Rc6 46.h5 gxh5 47.gxh5 Rdc7 48.Ra4 Kxd3 0-1 (48) rhungaski (2662)-Blackoperator (2558) Blitz 2021]

8...a6

[8...cxd4 9.Nxd4

A) 9...Ne5 10.Be2 Bd7 *(10...Re8 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Rac1 Rc8 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Rxc1 15.Rxc1 Qb8 16.h3 f6 17.f4 Nf7 18.Ne6 Rc8 19.Kf2 a6 20.f5 Bxe6 21.dxe6 Ne5 22.g4 Rc6 23.Rc3 Qc8 24.Qc2 Rxc3 25.Qxc3 Qxc3 26.bxc3 Kf8 27.Ke1 Ke8 28.Kd2 Kd8 29.Kc2 Kc7 30.Kb3 Kc6 31.c4 b6 32.Kc3 a5 33.Bd1 Kc7 34.Be2 Kc6 35.Kb3 Bf8 36.Ka4 Bg7 37.h4 Bf8 38.g5 Bg7 39.Kb3 Kb7 40.Kc2 Kc6 41.Kd2 Kc7 42.Ke1 Nc6 43.a3 Ne5 44.Kf2 Kc6 45.Kg3 Bh8 46.h5 Bg7 47.gxf6 Bxf6 48.fxg6 hxg6 49.h6 g5 50.h7 Ng6 51.Bh5 Nf8 52.Kg4 Nxh7 53.Bg6 Nf8 54.Be8+ Kc7 55.Bf7 Nh7 56.Kf5 Be5 57.Bg8 Nf6 58.Bf7 Nh7 59.Bg6 Nf8 60.Bxg5 Nxg6 61.Kxg6 Bb2*

62.Bxe7 Bxa3 63.Bf8 Kd8 64.Kf7 1-0 (64) Superfm1 (2605)-SKhedira28 (2339) Rapid 2021*)* 11.0-0 a6 12.b3 Re8 13.h3 Qa5 14.Rac1 Rac8 15.Rfd1 Nc6 16.f4 *(16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Bd4 Nd7 18.Kh1 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 b6 20.f4 Bb7 21.Bg4 Rc7 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Nxe5 24.Qf4 f6 25.Be6+ Kg7 26.Bd5 Rd8 27.Re1 Bxd5 28.Nxd5 Rxd5 29.cxd5 Rxc1 30.Qxc1 Qxd5 31.Rd1 Qe6 32.Qe3 b5 33.a4 bxa4 34.bxa4 Kf7 35.Rb1 Qa2 36.Qb3+ Qxb3 37.Rxb3 Nc4 38.Rb4 Ne3 39.Rb6 e5 40.Rxa6 e4 41.Rc6 Nd5 42.a5 e3 43.Kg1 Nb4 44.Rb6 Nd3 45.Kf1 Nf4 46.a6 e2+ 47.Ke1 Nxg2+ 48.Kxe2 Nf4+ 49.Kd2 Nd5 50.Rb5* 1-0 (50) Superfm1 (2609)-Romsta (2553) Blitz 2024*)* 16...Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bc6 18.Bf3 Nd7 19.h4 Bxd4+ 20.Qxd4 Qc5 21.h5 Qxd4+ 22.Rxd4 Nc5 23.h6 Ne6 24.Rd2 Nxf4 25.Bg4 Rb8 26.Nd5 Ne6 27.Bxe6 fxe6 28.Nc7 Rec8 29.Nxe6 Bxe4 30.Re1 Bc6 31.Rf2 Bd7 32.Ng5 Re8 33.Rf7 1-0 (33) Lucky1357924680 (2639)-Romsta (2604) Blitz 2024;

B) 9...Nc5 10.Be2 a6 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Rac1 *(12.Rad1 Rc8 13.Rfe1 Re8 14.b3 Qa5 15.Rc1 Ne6 16.Red1 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Be6 18.Kh1 Nd7 19.f4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 f6 21.Bf3 b5 22.f5 Bf7 23.fxg6 hxg6 24.Bg4 Red8 25.Bxd7 Rxd7 26.cxb5 axb5 27.Nd5 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 Qxa2 29.Rc8+ Kg7 30.h4 Qxb3 31.h5 Qg3 32.hxg6 Bxg6 33.Nb6 Ra7 34.Rc1 Ra2 35.Qg1 Bxe4* 0-1 (35) Superfm1 (2655)-Romsta (2631) Blitz 2024*; 12.Rfd1 Rc8 13.Rac1 Re8 14.b3 Ne6 15.Nxe6 Bxe6 16.Nd5 Nd7 17.Bf1 Nc5 18.Bd4 Bxd4+ 19.Qxd4 Bxd5 20.cxd5 Nd7 21.b4 Qb6 22.Qxb6 Nxb6 23.Kf2 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rc8 25.Rxc8+ Nxc8 26.Ke3 Kf8 27.Kd4 Ke8 28.f4 Kd8 29.e5 Kc7 30.Bd3 h6 31.e6 f5 32.g4 fxg4 33.Bxg6 Na7 34.a4 Kb6 35.f5 Nc8 36.Bh5 a5 37.b5 Kc7 38.Bxg4 Nb6 39.f6 exf6 40.e7 Nxa4 41.e8Q Nc5 42.Qe7+ Kb6 43.Qxd6+ Kxb5 44.Qxc5+ Ka4 45.Bd1#* 1-0 (45) bodoque50 (2628)-Pechergol (2526) Blitz 2024 *)* 12...Rc8 13.b3 Ne6 14.Rfd1 Qa5 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Nc2 b5 17.cxb5 Bxb5 18.Bxb5 axb5 19.Ncb4 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Nc5 21.b4 Na4 22.Rxc8 1-0 (22) Lucky1357924680 (2683)-DR_speedrun_2700 (2572) Blitz 2024]

[8...b6 9.g4 *(9.d5 Bb7 10.Ng3 Ne8 11.Be2 e6 12.Bg5 Bf6 13.Bh6 Bg7 14.h4 exd5 15.cxd5 f5 16.h5 Qf6 17.Bxg7 Nxg7 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Rh6 Qe5 21.Nh5 Nf6 22.Nxg7 Qg3+ 23.Kd1 Kxg7 24.Kc2 Rh8 25.Rah1 f4 26.R6h3 Rxh3 27.Rxh3 Qxg2 28.Rh4 Re8 29.Rxf4 Re5 30.Bc4 Qxd2+ 31.Kxd2 Nxd5 32.Rg4+ Kh6 33.Nb5 Ne3 34.Rh4+ Kg5 35.Rh7 Nxc4+ 36.Kc3 Ba6 37.Nc7 Re3+ 38.Kc2 Bc8 39.f4+ Kg4 40.Rg7+ Kf3 41.Rf7 Re4 42.Nd5 Be6 43.Nc3 Bxf7* 0-1 (43) Superfm1 (2618)-BLITZ16 (2377) Rapid 2023*)* 9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bb7 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Ne8 13.Bh3 Nc7 14.b3 Ne5 15.f4 Nc6 16.0-0-0 a5 17.f5 Ne5 18.fxg6 fxg6 19.Nd5

a4 20.Rhf1 Rxf1 21.Rxf1 Bxd5 22.cxd5 axb3 23.axb3 Nb5 24.Nxb5 Ra1+ 25.Kb2 Nc4+ 26.Kc2 Ra2+ 27.Kd3 Nxd2 28.Be6+ Kh8 29.Bxd2 Rb2 30.Rf7 Qe8 31.Nc7 Rxb3+ 32.Kc4 Qa4+ 0-1 (32) supertactic91 (2650)-Nomercy221 (2730) Blitz 2021]

[8...Qa5 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 bxc4 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.Qxa5 Nxe3 13.Rc1 cxd4 14.Nf4 Ne5 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 c3 18.bxc3 dxc3 19.Ba6 c2 0-1 (19) BlackNight_18 (2610)-EagerBeavers (2570) Blitz 2023]

9.Rd1

[9.Bh6 b5 10.cxb5 Qa5 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.bxa6 Bxa6 13.Nc1 Bxf1 14.Kxf1 Rfb8 15.d5 Ne5 16.Qe2 Rb6 17.g4 e6 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Kg2 g5 20.Rf1 Ng6 21.Kg3 h5 22.e5 h4+ 23.Kf2 Nxe5 24.Kg1 c4 25.Kh1 Rab8 26.Nd1 Qa8 27.h3 Re8 28.Qg2 Ng6 29.Ne2 e5 30.a3 d5 31.Rc1 Rc6 32.Ne3 Kh7 33.Nf5 d4 34.Rcd1 Rb6 35.Rd2 Reb8 36.Rf2 Nd5 37.Ng1 Ngf4 38.Qf1 Ne3 39.Qb1 e4 40.fxe4 Nxf5 41.gxf5 c3 42.Rxd4 Rxb2 43.Qe1 Rb1 44.Qxc3 Kh6 45.Rd6+ Kh5 46.Qf3+ 1-0 (46) Muselmen100precent (2748)-bubbleSortUkraine (2642) Blitz 2023]

[9.a4 Qa5 10.Rd1 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Ne5 12.Be2 Bd7 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.b3 Nc6 15.Nc2 Ng4 16.Nd5 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Rd8 18.Kh1 e6 19.Nb6 Nd4 20.Nxa8 Nxc2 21.Qb6 Qxb6 22.Nxb6 Bc6 23.Rd3 Nd4 24.Bd1 Be8 25.b4 Nc6 26.Rb3 Bd4 27.a5 Ne5 28.Be2 Bc6 29.Rd1 Bf2 30.g3 f5 31.Kg2 Bxb6 32.axb6 fxe4 33.fxe4 Bxe4+ 34.Kf2 Nc6 35.Re3 d5 36.Rxe4 dxe4 37.Rxd8+ Nxd8 38.Ke3 Kf7 39.Kxe4 Ke7 40.c5 Nc6 41.b5 axb5 42.Bxb5 Nd8 43.Kd4 Nf7 44.Be2 Kd8 45.Bf3 Kc8 46.h4 Kb8 47.Bg4 Nd8 48.Ke5 Nc6+ 49.Kxe6 Nd4+ 50.Kf6 Nb3 51.Kg7 Nxc5 52.Kxh7 Ne4 53.Kxg6 Nxg3 54.h5 Nxh5 55.Kxh5 Ka8 56.Kg5 Kb8 57.Kf6 Ka8 58.Ke5 Kb8 59.Kd6 Ka8 60.Kd7 Kb8 61.Be2 Ka8 62.Ba6 Kb8 63.Bb5 Ka8 64.Ba4 Kb8 65.Bb3 Ka8 66.Kd8 Kb8 67.Bd5 Ka8 68.Bh1 Kb8 69.Kd7 Ka8 70.Kd6 Kb8 71.Bg2 Ka8 72.Bc6 Kb8 73.Bb5 Ka8 74.Kd7 Kb8 75.Bc6 Ka8 76.Kc8 bxc6 77.b7+ Ka7 78.b8Q+ 1-0 (78) Muselmen100precent (2741)-igrac4f5 (2637) Blitz 2023]

[9.d5

A) 9...b5 10.cxb5

A1) 10...Qa5 11.Nc1 Nb6 *(11...axb5 12.Bxb5 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Qxa6 14.Qe2 Rfb8 15.Qxa6 Rxa6 16.Rb1 Ng4 17.Bd2 Ne3 18.Bxe3 Bxc3+ 19.Kf2 Rxb2+ 20.Rxb2 Bxb2 21.Kg3 h5 22.Nd3 Rxa2 23.Rb1 Be5+ 24.Nxe5 Nxe5 25.Rb7 h4+ 26.Kh3 Ra3 27.Bg5 f6 28.Bxh4 Kf7 29.Bg3 Nc4 30.Kg4 Ne3+ 31.Kh3 Ra6 32.Bf4 Nc4 33.Kg4 g5 34.Bg3 Ne3+ 35.Kh3 Nc4 36.Kg4 Ra2 37.Kh3 Ke8 38.Rb8+ Kd7 39.Rb7+ Kd8 40.Rb8+ Kc7 41.Re8 Kd7 42.Rb8 Ne3 43.Rb7+ Kd8 44.f4 gxf4 45.Bxf4 Nxg2 46.Bh6 Ke8 47.Kg4 Rf2 48.h4 Ne1 49.h5 Nd3 50.Be3 Ne5+ 51.Kg3 Rf3+ 52.Kh4 Rxe3 53.h6 Re1 54.Kh5 Rh1#* 0-1 (54)

cubanito2002 (2661)-Creep30 (2780) Blitz 2020*)* 12.Nb3 Qb4 13.Qc2 Nc4 14.Bc1 Na5 15.Bd2 axb5 16.Nxb5 Nxb3 17.Bxb4 Nxa1 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.Qxa1 Nd7 20.Bc4 Nb6 21.Bb3 Bd7 22.Nc7 Ra7 23.Ne6 fxe6 24.dxe6 Bb5 25.Qc1 Ba4 26.0-0 Bxb3 27.axb3 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Bc5 29.h4 Rfa8 30.Qg5 Bd4 31.Qb5 Bc5 32.f4 Kg7 33.Kh2 Ra2 34.e5 Rxb2 35.exd6 Raa2 36.Qxc5 Rxg2+ 37.Kh3 Rh2+ 38.Kg3 Rag2+ 39.Kf3 exd6 40.Qxb6 Rd2 41.e7 Rhe2 42.Qd8 Kh6 43.e8Q Rxe8 44.Qxe8 Rd3+ 45.Kg4 Rxb3 46.Qf8# 1-0 (46) Killerkaz (2668)-ShcufNaiRolf (2603) Rapid 2022;

A2) 10...axb5 11.Nxb5 Ba6 12.Nec3 Qb6 *(12...Ne5 13.Be2 Rb8 14.0-0 Qa5 15.a4 Qb4 16.Ra2 Nfd7 17.Nc7 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Qc4 19.Qc2 Nd3 20.Qe2 Nxb2 21.Rxb2 Qxc3 22.Rxb8 Rxb8 23.Bg5 Rb2 24.Qa6 Qc2 25.Qc8+ Bf8* 0-1 (25) licg (2639)-DoubleHelix2 (2688) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be2 Rfb8 14.0-0 Ne8 15.a4 Nc7 16.Nxc7 Qxc7 17.Nb5 Qb7 18.Ra3 *(18.Rab1 Nb6 19.b3 Rc8 20.Rbc1 Nd7 21.g4 Nf6 22.g5 Ne8 23.f4 Nc7 24.Nxc7 Bxe2 25.Qxe2 Rxc7 26.Qc4 Rcc8 27.Bd2 Rcb8 28.Rf3 Bd4+ 29.Kg2 Qd7 30.f5 Rb7 31.Bc3 Bxc3 32.Rcxc3 Rb4 33.Qd3 Rab8 34.Qe3 Rd4 35.Rd3 Rdb4 36.e5 dxe5 37.Qxe5 Qd6 38.Qxd6 exd6 39.f6 Rg4+ 40.Rg3 Re4 41.Rge3 Rg4+ 42.Rg3 Re4 43.Rde3 Rd4 44.Re7 Rxd5 45.h4 h5 46.Rge3 Kf8 47.Rd7 Re5 48.Rd3 Rbe8 49.R7xd6 Re4 50.a5 Rxh4 51.a6 Rg4+ 52.Kh3* 1-0 (52) ChessTheory64 (2605)-bullishmoves (2631) Rapid 2023*)* 18...Nb6 19.b3 Nc8 20.Ra2 Na7 21.Nxa7 Rxa7 22.Rb1 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Qa6 24.Qxa6 Rxa6 25.Bd2 Rab6 26.a5 Rxb3 27.Rxb3 Rxb3 28.a6 Rb8 29.Kf1 f5 30.Ke2 c4 31.a7 Ra8 32.Be3 c3 33.Kd3 Kf7 34.Ra4 fxe4+ 35.fxe4 1-0 (35) MothToTheFlame (2674)-spectraline (2592) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...Rb8 10.Ng3 h5 *(10...Ne5 11.Be2 h5 12.0-0 h4 13.Nh1 h3 14.g3 Bd7 15.Nf2 b5 16.b3 Qa5 17.Rac1 bxc4 18.bxc4 Qa3 19.g4 Rb2 20.Rc2 Rfb8 21.Rfc1 R8b4 22.Ncd1 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Ba4 24.Rc3 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Nxc4 26.Rxa3 Nxd2 27.Bxd2 Bxd1 28.Bxb4 cxb4 29.Bxd1 bxa3 30.Kf1 Be5 31.Nf2 Bxh2 32.Nxh3 f5 33.f4 fxg4 34.Bxg4 Bg3 35.Kg2 Bh4 36.Ng5 Kf8 37.Ne6+ Ke8 38.Nc7+ Kd8 39.Nxa6 Be1 40.Kf3 Bc3 41.Ke4 Ke8 42.Nc7+ Kf7 43.Nb5 Bb2 44.Be6+ Kf6 45.Nd4 g5 46.fxg5+ Kxg5 47.Nc6 Kf6 48.Nb4 Ba1 49.Nc2 Bb2 50.Kd3 Be5 51.Nxa3 Bb2 52.Nc4 Ba1 53.a4* 1-0 (53) Superfm1 (2628)-DragonovTempest (2326) Rapid 2023*)* 11.Be2 h4 12.Nf1 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Ne5 15.a4 e6 16.dxe6 Bxe6 17.Qxd6 Qxd6 18.Nxd6 Rxb2 19.Nd2 Nh5 20.a5

Rd8 21.a6 Nc6 22.Nb7 Rxb7 23.axb7 Bxa1 24.0-0 Bd4 25.Bxd4 Nxd4 26.Ba6 Nf6 27.e5 Nd7 28.Ne4 Bd5 29.Nd6 Nb8 30.Bd3 Ndc6 31.f4 Nb4 32.Be2 Rd7 33.Rc1 Bxb7 34.Rxc5 Ba6 35.Bxa6 N8xa6 36.Rc8+ Kh7 37.Ne4 Nd5 38.Ng5+ Kg7 39.g3 hxg3 40.hxg3 Rc7 41.Rd8 Ne3 42.Kf2 Nf5 43.Ne4 Nc5 44.Nf6 Ne7 45.Ne8+ Kh6 46.Nxc7 Nf5 47.g4 Ne7 48.g5+ Kg7 49.Ne8+ 1-0 (49) Superfm1 (2657)-omidnumber1 (2355) Rapid 2023;

C) 9...Ne5 10.Ng3 *(10.Nf4 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Bd7 13.Nd3 Nh5 14.Nxe5 Bxe5 15.Be2 Qb6 16.f4 Nxf4 17.Bxf4 Bxf4 18.Qxf4 Qxb2 19.Qc1* 1-0 (19) Bardiya___Daneshvar (2661)-Arnold-2005 (2576) Blitz 2021 *)* 10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Nxb5 Ba6 13.h3 Qb6 14.a4 Nfd7 15.f4 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Qxb5 17.axb5 Rxa1+ 18.Kf2 Rxh1 19.Nxh1 Nc4 20.Qe2 Nxb2 21.Kf3 Rb8 22.Nf2 Na4 23.Bd2 Nc3 24.Bxc3 Bxc3 25.Qc4 Bd4 26.Nd3 Ra8 27.e5 Nb6 28.Qc2 Ra3 29.exd6 exd6 30.Kg4 Nxd5 31.Qe2 h5+ 32.Kh4 Bf6+ 33.Kg3 c4 34.Qe8+ Kg7 35.Qc6 Rxd3+ 36.Kh2 Bh4 37.g4 Bg3+ 38.Kg2 Nxf4+ 0-1 (38) OnkelKonkel (2683)-ruslan1541 (2593) Blitz 2022]

[9.b3 Qa5 10.a4 Re8 11.Rb1 e6 12.d5 exd5 13.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Nc3 f5 17.Re1 Bd7 18.h3 Re7 19.f4 Nf7 20.Bd3 Rae8 21.Bf2 Bh6 22.g3 Kg7 23.Rxe7 Rxe7 24.a5 g5 25.Be3 gxf4 26.gxf4 Kf8 27.Ne2 Bg7 28.Ng3 Nh6 29.Re1 Bf6 30.Nh5 Bh8 31.Bf2 Be8 32.Rxe7 Kxe7 33.Bh4+ Kf7 34.Ng3 Bd7 35.Bg5 Bg7 36.Ke3 Bd4+ 37.Kf3 Bg7 38.Bxh6 Bxh6 39.Bxf5 Bxf5 40.Nxf5 Bf8 41.Ke4 Kf6 42.Ne3 Be7 43.Ng4+ Kf7 44.Kf5 Bd8 45.Nh6+ Ke7 46.Ng8+ Kf7 47.Nh6+ Kg7 48.Ng4 Kf7 49.Nh6+ ½-½ (49) gg-gm-gmg (2648)-Markosian,D (2575) Blitz 2020]

[9.dxc5 dxc5 10.Rd1 Qc7 11.Nf4 e6 12.Be2 b6 13.Nd3 Bb7 14.Bf4 Qc8 15.0-0 Rd8 16.e5 Nh5 17.Bg5 Nxe5 18.Bxd8 Nxc4 19.Qc1 Qxd8 20.Nxc5 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 bxc5 22.Bxc4 Qh4 23.Ne2 Be5 24.f4 Bg7 25.Rd7 Be4 26.Qe3 Nf6 27.Rd2 Qxh2+ 28.Kxh2 Ng4+ 29.Kg1 Nxe3 30.Rc1 h5 31.b3 a5 32.Ng3 Bc6 33.Ne2 a4 34.Kf2 Ng4+ 35.Kg3 axb3 36.Bxb3 Nf6 37.Nc3 Rb8 38.Rd6 Be8 39.Rcd1 Kh7 40.Rd8 Rb4 41.Ne2 Bc6 42.Kf2 Ne4+ 43.Kg1 c4 44.Bc2 Nc5 45.Rc8 Be4 46.Rxc5 Bxc2 47.Rd7 Rb1+ 48.Kh2 Bd3 49.Rxf7 Bxe2 50.Rcc7 1-0 (50) Outrunner (2620)-Doccy1 (2679) Blitz 2021]

9...Qa5

[9...b6 10.b3 Rb8 11.a4 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bb7 13.Be2 e6 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Nc2 d5 16.exd5 exd5 17.cxd5 Qc7 18.Bd4 Rfe8 19.Nb4 Nc5 20.Bc4 Qd6 21.Qb2 h5 22.Kh1 h4 23.Nc6 h3 24.gxh3 Bxc6 25.dxc6 Qxc6 26.Qg2 Ne6 27.Bxf6 Bxf6 28.Nd5 Bd4 29.f4 b5 30.axb5 axb5 31.f5 bxc4 32.fxe6 Rxe6 33.Rxd4 cxb3 34.Qf3 Rc7 35.Nxc7 Qxf3+ 36.Rxf3 Re1+ 37.Kg2 b2 38.Rd8+ Kg7 39.Rb8 b1Q 40.Ne8+ Kg8 41.Rxb1 Rxb1 42.h4 Rd1 43.h5 Rd8 44.hxg6 fxg6 45.Nc7 1-0 (45) Baramidze,D (2605)-Szelag,

M (2456) Hockenheim GER 2015]
[9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 Qc7 11.Be2 Ne5 12.Rc1 Nc6 13.0-0 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Be6 15.f4 Rac8 16.b3 Bd7 17.e5 dxe5 18.fxe5 Ng4 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Bb6 Qe8 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.Qg5 1-0 (22) Svetushkin,D (2603)-Rousakis,I (1944) Rethymno GRE 2013]
10.Nc1
[10.dxc5 Nxc5 11.Nf4 b5 12.Ncd5 Qd8 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Rxa2 15.Bc4 Nfxe4 16.fxe4 Rxb2 17.Qc1 Nxe4 18.0-0 e6 19.Bd4 Rb8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qa1+ f6 22.Qa7+ Rb7 23.Qd4 exd5 24.Bxd5 Nc5 25.Bxb7 Nxb7 26.Rfe1 Rf7 27.Rc1 Bf5 28.Kh1 h5 29.Qd5 Nc5 30.Rxc5 Re7 31.Rxe7+ Qxe7 32.Rc1 1-0 (32) Lucky1357924680 (2664)-Pouya1360 (2494) Blitz 2024]
10...cxd4 11.Bxd4 Nc5 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.b3 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Nfd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd4 Ne5 20.h3 h5 21.b4 Na4 22.Nxe6+ fxe6 23.Nb3 Nc3 24.Nd4 Kf7 25.f4 Nc6 26.Nxc6 Rxc6 27.f5 Nxe2+ 28.Rxe2 gxf5 29.exf5 e5 30.Rf3 Kf6 31.b5 Rc1+ 32.Rf1 Rc7 33.Rb2 Rb7 34.g4 hxg4 35.hxg4 Kg5 36.Kg2 Ra3 37.b6 Kxg4 38.f6 exf6 39.Rxf6 d5 40.Rc2 d4 41.Rc5 Rxa2+ 42.Kf1 Rh7 43.Rg6+ Kf5 44.Rg1 Rhh2 45.Rc1 Rhf2+ 46.Ke1 Rae2+ 47.Kd1 Rd2+ 48.Ke1 Ke4 49.b7 Rde2+ 50.Kd1 Rb2 51.Ke1 Rfe2+ 52.Kd1 Rh2 53.Ke1 Rxb7 54.Rg4+ Kd5 55.Rg3 d3 56.Kd1 Ke4 0-1 (56) Lucky1357924680 (2761)-IDISJUDA (2752) Blitz 2024

[116] **7...a6** 8.Nf2
[8.a4 c5 *(8...a5 9.Nf2 e5 10.d5 Nh5 11.Nd3 f5 12.Qd2 Qh4+ 13.Bf2 Qe7 14.g3 fxe4 15.fxe4 b6 16.Be2 Nc5 17.Nxc5 bxc5 18.0-0 Bh3 19.Rfe1 Nf6 20.Bf1 Qd7 21.Bg2 Bxg2 22.Kxg2 Ng4 23.Bg1 Bh6 24.Qe2 Rf7 25.Rf1 Nf6 26.Rf3 Raf8 27.Raf1 Bg5 28.Be3 Bxe3 29.Qxe3 Kg7 30.h3 h5 31.Qd2 Qc8 32.Qd3 Qd7 33.Nb5 h4 34.g4 Nh7 35.Qd2 Rxf3 36.Rxf3 Rxf3 37.Kxf3 Qe7 38.Qxa5 Ng5+ 39.Kg2 Qf6 40.Qxc7+ Kh6 41.Qxd6 Qf3+ 42.Kh2 Qf2+ 43.Kh1 Nxh3 44.g5+ Kh5* 0-1 (44) ChessTheory64 (2609)-kc6 (2588) Blitz 2022*)* 9.d5 Qa5 10.Bd2 Qc7 11.Nf2 e5 12.a5 Nh5 13.Nd3 f5 14.Be2 Ndf6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Nf2 Nf4 18.g3 Nxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Rae8 20.Nce4 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 h6 22.g4 Bd7 23.b4 Rf4 24.bxc5 dxc5 25.Be3 Bxg4 26.Bxf4 exf4 27.Nf6+ Bxf6 28.Qxe8+ Kg7 29.fxg4 Bd4+ 30.Kh1 Bxa1 31.Rxa1 f3 32.Qe4 f2 33.Rf1 Qxa5 34.Rxf2 Qa1+ 35.Kg2 1-0 (35) ChessTheory64 (2613)-Cofi7 (2595) Blitz 2022]
8...e5
[8...c5 9.Be2 cxd4 *(9...b5 10.cxb5 axb5 11.Nxb5 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bb7 13.0-0 e5 14.Nb3 d5 15.Nc5 Nxc5 16.Bxc5 Re8 17.Bb5 Qa5 18.Bxe8 Qxc5 19.Rc1 Qb6 20.Ba4 dxe4 21.fxe4 Nxe4 22.Qb3 Qxb3 23.Bxb3 Nd2 24.Rc7 Nxb3 25.Rxb7 Nd4 26.Ne4 f5 27.Nc3 e4 28.Rd1 e3 29.Rd7 Ne6 30.Re7 Ra6 31.Rdd7 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Rxa2 33.Re8+ Nf8 34.Kf1 e2+ 35.Ke1* 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-mrsagsibil (2720) Blitz 2023*)* 10.Bxd4 Nc5 *(10...e5 11.Be3 Nc5 12.0-0 Ne6 13.Qd2 Re8 14.Rfd1 Nd4*

15.Bf1 Bd7 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Ne2 Nh5 18.Nxd4 Rc8 19.Rac1 Qh4 20.g3 Nxg3 21.hxg3 Qxg3+ 22.Bg2 Rc5 23.Ne2 Qh4 24.Qxd6 Rg5 25.Qxd7 Re6 26.Qc8+ Bf8 27.Rd8 Kg7 28.Rxf8 1-0 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-satlan (2709) Blitz 2023*)* 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Qd2 Bc6 13.b4 Ne6 14.Be3 Qb8 15.Rac1 Rc8 16.Rfd1 b5 17.Nd5 Qb7 18.Nb6 bxc4 19.Nxa8 Qxa8 20.Bxc4 Nd7 21.Bd5 Bxd5 22.Qxd5 Qb8 23.Rxc8+ Qxc8 24.Rc1 Qb8 25.Qc6 Ndf8 26.Qb6 Qa8 27.a4 Nd7 28.Qc6 Qd8 29.Qc8 1-0 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2720)-ruslan1541 (2648) Blitz 2025]

[8...c6 9.Be2 b5 *(9...Rb8 10.0-0 b5 11.Rb1 b4 12.Na4 Nb6 13.Nxb6 Qxb6 14.Qd2 a5 15.d5 c5 16.Nd3 Nd7 17.f4 a4 18.Bf3 Qa6 19.b3 axb3 20.axb3 Ra8 21.e5 Qa2 22.Qe1 Bb7 23.Qh4 Qc2 24.Be4 Ra2 25.Nxc5 Qc3 26.Rbe1 Nxc5 27.Bxc5 dxc5 28.Qxe7 Bc8 29.Qxc5 Qxb3 30.Rb1 Qc3 31.Rfc1 Qd2 32.Rf1 Rb2 33.Rxb2 Qxb2 34.Rb1 Qd2 35.g3 Bh3 36.Qf2 Qc3 37.Qe2 b3 38.Qd3 Qa5 39.Rxb3 Qc5+ 40.Kh1 Ra8 41.Rb1 h5 42.d6 Rd8 43.Rd1 Bf8 44.Qd4 Qa3 45.Bg2 Bg4 46.Qd3 Qb2 47.Rd2 Qc1+ 48.Bf1 Bf5 49.Qd4 Rxd6 50.Kg1 Rxd4 51.Rxd4 Qe3+ 52.Kg2 Qxd4 53.Be2 Bc5 54.Bf3 Qf2+* 0-1 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-ZhohoFF (2593) Blitz 2023*)* 10.0-0 bxc4 11.Bxc4 d5 12.Bb3 e5 13.exd5 exd4 14.Bxd4 c5 15.Be3 Rb8 16.Nfe4 c4 17.Bxc4 Rxb2 18.Rb1 Rxb1 19.Qxb1 Qc7 20.Qb3 Ne5 21.Be2 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Rd8 23.Bb6 Qd7 24.Bxd8 Qxd8 25.Rd1 Bf5 26.d6 Nd7 27.Bxa6 Be5 28.Bc4 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Qh4 30.g3 Qxe4 31.Bxf7+ Kg7 32.Qd3 Qxd3 33.Rxd3 Kxf7 34.a4 Ke6 35.a5 Bxd6 36.a6 Ne5 37.Rxd6+ Kxd6 38.a7 1-0 (38) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-kc6 (2576) Blitz 2023]

9.Be2 h5

[9...exd4 10.Bxd4 Re8 11.0-0 Nc5 12.Qd2 Ne6 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Rac1 *(14.Rfd1 b6 15.Rac1 Bb7 16.b4 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4 Ra3 19.Nd5 Qa8 20.Nd3 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Nd4 22.Qe1 Ra2 23.Bf1 Qd8 24.Rc4 Nc2 25.Qd2 Nxe3 26.Qxe3 Qf6 27.Rxc7 Ne5 28.Nxe5 Qxe5 29.Qxb6 h5 30.Qe3 Rea8 31.f4 Qb2 32.e5 dxe5 33.d6 exf4 34.Qxf4 Rf8 35.d7 Be5 36.Qxf7+ Rxf7 37.d8Q+ Rf8 38.Qxf8+ Kxf8 39.Rd8#* 1-0 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2650)-spectraline (2503) Blitz 2024*)* 14...c5 15.Rfd1 Nd4 16.Bf1 Ne5 17.Ne2 Ndxf3+ 0-1 (17) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-spectraline (2617) Blitz 2023]

[9...Nh5 10.g3 c6 11.d5 cxd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.Qd2 Nb6 14.b3 b4 15.Na4 Nxa4 16.bxa4 a5 17.0-0 f5 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bh6 Bg7 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.Rac1 f4 23.g4 Ng7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Bb5 Bb7 26.Bc6 Qb6 27.Bxb7 Qxb7 28.Rc6 Ra6 29.Rfc1 Bd8 30.Qd3 Rb6 31.Rxb6 Bxb6 32.Rc6 Bc5 33.Qb5 Qxb5 34.axb5 Rb7 35.Kf1 Rxb5 36.Nd3 a4 37.Nxc5 dxc5 38.d6 Kf8 39.Rc8+ Kf7 40.d7 Rb7 41.d8Q Re7 42.Rc7 Rxc7 43.Qxc7+ Kf6 44.Qxc5 b3 45.Qb4 b2 46.Qxb2 Kg5 47.Qa3 Kh4 48.Kg2 h5 49.gxh5 g5 50.h6 g4 51.h7 gxf3+

52.Qxf3 Kg5 53.h8Q Kg6 54.Qfh5# 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-tanzhie (2703) Blitz 2022]

10.Qd2 Nh7 11.0-0 Bf6 12.g3 Bg5 13.f4 exf4 14.gxf4 Bh4 15.e5 dxe5 16.fxe5 Bg5 17.Nfe4 Bxe3+ 18.Qxe3 c6 19.Kh1 c5 20.Nd5 cxd4 21.Qxd4 Ng5 22.Nef6+ Nxf6 23.Nxf6+ Kh8 24.Qh4 Nh7 25.Bxh5 Bf5 26.Rxf5 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2739)-spectraline (2572) Blitz 2023

7...c5 8.Nf2

[8.d5 Ne5 9.Nf2 a6 10.a4 Qa5 11.Bd2 e6 12.Be2 exd5 13.Nxd5 Qd8 14.Bg5 h6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Bxh6 Re8 17.0-0 Nc6 18.Qd2 Nd4 19.Rad1 Be6 20.Bd3 Qb6 21.Kh1 Nc6 22.Be3 Rab8 23.Rb1 Qb4 24.b3 Qxd2 25.Bxd2 Nd4 26.Be3 b5 27.cxb5 axb5 28.Bxd4 Bxd4 29.Bxb5 Rxb5 30.axb5 Rb8 31.b4 c4 32.Nh3 Rxb5 33.Nf4 c3 34.Ne2 Bg7 35.Rfc1 Bc4 36.Nxc3 Rb8 37.b5 1-0 (37) Carnifex73 (2628)-tomo71hr (2495) Blitz 2024]

8...cxd4

[8...Qa5 9.Be2 a6 10.0-0 cxd4 11.Bxd4 Rb8 12.a3 b5 13.b4 Qc7 14.Rc1 bxc4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qxd5 Nb6 18.Qd4+ e5 19.Qd2 Be6 20.Rfd1 Rfd8 21.h4 d5 22.exd5 Rxd5 23.Qe3 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Rc8 25.Nc3 Nd5 26.Nxd5 Bxd5 27.h5 f6 28.h6+ Kf7 29.Qc3 Be6 30.Rd1 Rd8 31.Rxd8 Qxd8 32.Kf2 Qd4+ 33.Qe3 c3 34.Bd3 Bf5 35.Bxf5 gxf5 36.Ke2 Ke6 37.Qd3 f4 38.Qxa6+ Kf5 39.Qd3+ Kg5 40.Qxd4 exd4 41.b5 1-0 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-domino64 (2559) Blitz 2023]

9.Bxd4 Nc5

[9...Ne5 10.Be2 Be6 11.b3 a6 12.Rc1 Rc8 13.0-0

A) 13...Qa5 14.Qd2 Rfd8 *(14...b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Rfd1 b4 17.Na4 Nfd7 18.f4 Nc6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Bc4 Nc5 21.Nxc5 dxc5 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.a4 bxa3 24.Qe3 Nd4 25.Nd3 Nxb3 26.f5 Nxc1 27.Rxc1 c4 28.Nf4 exf5 29.Ne6+ Kg8 30.Nxf8 Kxf8 31.Qh6+ Kg8 32.exf5 Qxf5 33.Rf1 Qc5+ 34.Kh1 a2 35.Qd2 Ra8 36.Ra1 Qe5 37.Qc1 Qxa1 38.Qxa1 c3 39.Kg1 c2 40.Kf2 c1Q 41.Qxc1 a1Q 42.Qc4+ Kg7 43.Qe4 Ra2+ 44.Kg3* 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2645)-MiamiCSharp (2582) Blitz 2022*)*

15.Rfd1 Nc6 16.Be3 h5 17.Nd3 Ne5 18.Nf4 Bd7 19.Nfd5 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Kf8 22.Nb6 Rc7 23.f4 Nc6 24.Nd5 Rcc8 25.Nb6 Rc7 26.Rcd1 Be8 27.e5 Rb8 28.exd6 exd6 29.Rxd6 Ne7 30.Nd7+ Bxd7 31.Rxd7 Rxd7 32.Rxd7 Nf5 33.Bc5+ Kg8 34.Bf3 Rc8 35.Bf2 Re8 36.Rxb7 Rd8 37.Bd5 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment (2676)-chosterm (2567) Blitz 2023;

B) 13...Bh6 14.Rc2 Nc6 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Ne5 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.Nd3 Be3+ 20.Kh1 Qc3 21.Nxe5 fxe5 22.Qd3 Rc8 23.Rd1 Bd4 24.Qxc3 Rxc3 25.Bd3 Kf8 26.g3 Ke7 27.Kg2 Kd8 28.Kf1 a5 29.Ke2 a4 30.bxa4 Ra3 31.Rd2 Rxa4 32.Rc2 Ra3 33.f4 f6 34.fxe5 dxe5 35.Rd2 Ke7 36.Rc2 Kd6 37.Rd2 h5 38.Rc2 f5 39.exf5 e4 40.Bc4 gxf5 41.Bb3 Bc5 42.Rc4 b5 43.Rc1 Ra8 44.Rf1 Rf8 45.Rf4 Ke5 46.Rh4 Rh8 47.Rf4

h4 48.Rxh4 Rxh4 49.gxh4 f4 50.Kf1 f3 51.h5 e3 52.Bd1 e2+ 53.Bxe2 fxe2+ 54.Kxe2 Kxd5 55.Kd3 Bd4 56.h6 Bh8 57.h7 Kc5 58.h4 Kb4 59.Ke4 Ka3 60.Kf5 Kxa2 61.Ke6 b4 62.Kf7 b3 63.Kg8 Be5 64.h8Q Bxh8 65.Kxh8 b2 66.h5 b1Q 67.h6 Qf1 68.Kg7 Qg2+ 69.Kf7 Qf3+ 70.Kg6 Qg4+ 71.Kf6 Qh5 72.Kg7 Qg5+ 73.Kh7 Kb3 0-1 (73) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Meysonn (2730) Blitz 2022]

10.Be2 Ne6

[10...Be6 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Qd2 a6 13.Rac1 Qa5 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Kg7 18.Rxd2 Kxf6 19.Nd1 a5 20.Ne3 g5 21.Kf2 h5 22.h4 gxh4 23.Nd5+ Bxd5 24.Rxd5 e5 25.Rh1 Kg5 26.Rhd1 Ne6 27.Rxd6 Nd4 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.c5 Rc8 30.Rc1 b6 31.Ke3 Rxc5 32.Rxc5 bxc5 33.Bc4 f6 34.Ba6 Ne6 35.Bc8 Nf4 36.Bh3 c4 37.a4 Nd3 38.b3 Nb2 39.Kd2 cxb3 40.Kc3 Nxa4+ 41.Kxb3 Nb6 42.Be6 Kf4 43.Kc3 Kg3 44.Bh3 a4 45.Kb4 a3 46.Kxa3 Nc4+ 47.Kb4 Nd2 48.Kc5 Nf1 49.Kd6 Ne3 50.Ke6 Nxg2 51.Bf5 Nf4+ 52.Kxf6 h3 53.Bxh3 Nxh3 54.Kxe5 Nf4 55.Kf5 h4 56.e5 h3 57.e6 Nxe6 58.Kxe6 Kxf3 59.Kf5 h2 60.Ke6 h1Q 61.Kd5 Qe1 62.Kd4 Qe4+ 63.Kc5 Qd3 64.Kb4 Qc2 65.Kb5 Qc3 66.Kb6 Qc4 67.Kb7 Qc5 68.Kb8 Qe7 69.Kc8 Ke4 70.Kb8 Kd5 71.Kc8 Kc6 72.Kb8 Qb7# 0-1 (72) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Chicomalo623 (2597) Blitz 2021]

[10...Bd7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Qd2 a6 *(12...a5 13.Rfd1 Ne6 14.Be3 a4 15.Rac1 Re8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Nc5 18.Qb4 b6 19.Bb5 Ra8 20.Nd3 Ra5 21.Bxd7 Qxd7 22.Qxb6 Rb5 23.Nxc5 dxc5 24.Qc6 Qb7 25.Qxe8+ Bf8 26.Bh6* 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2654)-Romsta (2549) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Rfd1 Ne6 14.Be3 Re8 15.Rac1 Qa5 16.b3 Nc5 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Nxd5 19.cxd5 a5 20.Rdc2 b6 21.Nd3 f5 22.Nf2 Rf8 23.Bc4 Rc7 24.exf5 Bxf5 25.Re2 Rfc8 26.Rce1 Bf6 27.Ng4 Bxg4 28.fxg4 g5 29.Bb5 Kg7 30.Bc6 Rf8 31.Rf1 Rcc8 32.g3 Rf7 33.Kg2 Rcf8 34.Rf5 h6 35.Bxc5 bxc5 36.Re4 Bd4 37.Bd7 Rxf5 38.gxf5 Kf7 39.g4 Rb8 40.Ba4 Rb4 41.Kf3 Rb8 42.h3 Bf6 43.Rc4 Ra8 44.Bc6 Ra7 45.Ra4 Bc3 46.Ke4 Kf6 47.a3 Rc7 48.Kd3 Be1 49.Re4 Bf2 50.Re6+ Kg7 51.Kc4 Bd4 52.Kb5 Ra7 53.Kb6 c4+ 54.Kb5 cxb3 55.Re4 Bf6 56.Ka4 b2 57.Re1 Ra6 58.Rb1 Rb6 59.Bb5 Rb8 60.Kxa5 Ra8+ 61.Kb4 Rb8 62.Kc4 Rc8+ 63.Bc6 Rb8 64.a4 Rb6 65.Bb5 Rb8 66.a5 Rc8+ 67.Kb4 Ra8 68.Bc6 Ra7 69.a6 Rxa6 70.Bb5 Ra7 71.Ba4 Ra8 72.Bb5 Rb8 73.Rxb2 Ra8 74.Rb3 Rb8 75.Rc3 Rxb5+ 76.Kxb5 Bxc3 77.Kb6 Bd4+ 78.Kc6 Be5 79.Kd7 1-0 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Romsta (2630) Blitz 2024]

11.Be3 Nd7 12.0-0 Ndc5 13.Qd2 a6 14.b4 Nd7 15.Rac1 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bh6 f4 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.Bd3 Ne5 20.Rfd1 Be6 21.c5 dxc5 22.bxc5 Qc7 23.Nce4 Rad8 24.Ng5 Bf5 25.Qc3 Nxd3 26.Nxd3 h6 27.Qc4+ e6 28.Ne4 Bxe4 29.Qxe4 Rd5 30.Re1 Qd8 31.Rcd1 Qg5 32.h3 Rfd8 33.a4 Rd4 34.Qe2 Qf5 35.Nf2 Qxc5 36.Rxd4 Rxd4 37.Kh2 Qf5 38.Ng4 Kh7 39.Qf2

Rd5 40.Qh4 Kg6 41.Qe7 h5 42.Nf2 Qg5 43.Qxg5+ Kxg5 44.Ne4+ Kf5 45.Rb1 b5 46.Nc3 Rc5 47.Ne4 Re5 48.axb5 Rxb5 49.Ra1 a5 50.Nc3 Rd5 51.Ne2 Re5 52.Nd4+ Kg6 53.Nb3 Nf5 54.Rxa5 Rxa5 55.Nxa5 Ne3 56.Nc4 e5 57.Nxe3 fxe3 58.Kg1 Kf5 59.Kf1 h4 60.Ke2 Kf4 0-1 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-wallywally (2661) Blitz 2023

7...Ne5 8.dxe5 Nd7 9.exd6 exd6 10.Nf2 Ne5 11.Qd2 Nc6 12.Be2 a5 13.0-0 Re8 14.Rfd1 h5 15.Rac1 h4 16.Nd5 h3 17.g3 Be6 18.c5 Bxd5 19.Qxd5 Qf6 20.cxd6 cxd6 21.Qxd6 Qxb2 22.Qd2 Qa3 23.Nxh3 Rad8 24.Bd3 Nb4 25.Nf2 Rxd3 26.Nxd3 Rd8 27.Qe2 Nxd3 28.Rc2 Rd7 29.Rcd2 Nc1 30.Qe1 Nd3 31.Qf1 Ne5 32.Rxd7 Nxd7 33.Qd3 Qxd3 34.Rxd3 Ne5 35.Rd8+ Kh7 36.Kf2 f5 37.exf5 gxf5 38.Ke2 b5 39.Rd5 b4 40.Bd4 Nf7 41.Bxg7 Kxg7 42.Rxa5 b3 43.axb3 f4 44.g4 Kg6 45.h4 Nh6 46.Ra6+ Kg7 47.Rxh6 Kxh6 48.Kd3 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-gjgur (2528) Blitz 2024

7...c6 8.Be2 a6 9.a4 a5 10.0-0 e5 11.d5 Nc5 12.Nf2 Nh5 13.Nd3 Nxd3 14.Bxd3 c5 15.g3 b6 16.f4 exf4 17.gxf4 f5 18.Qc2 fxe4 19.Nxe4 Qh4 20.Qf2 Qg4+ 21.Kh1 Bf5 22.Rg1 Bxe4+ 23.Bxe4 Qd7 24.Rab1 Rae8 25.Bd3 Rxe3 26.Qxe3 Bd4 27.Qe4 Bxg1 28.Rxg1 Nxf4 29.Rf1 Nxd3 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8 31.Qxd3 Qf5 32.Qe3 Qb1+ 33.Kg2 Qxb2+ 34.Kh3 Qf6 35.Qb3 Qf5+ 36.Kg3 Qe5+ 37.Kh3 Qf5+ 38.Kg3 Qg5+ 39.Kh3 h5 40.Qf3+ Kg7 41.Qe4 Qf5+ 42.Qxf5 gxf5 43.Kh4 0-1 (43) ChessTheory64 (2628)-ZhohoFF (2612) Blitz 2022

117 **8.Nf2** c6

[8...exd4 9.Bxd4

A) 9...Re8 10.Be2 c6 *(10...Ne5 11.0-0 c6 12.Rc1 Qc7 13.Qd2 Be6 14.b3 h5 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Nf4 Bd7 17.Bb2 Bh6 18.Bd4 d5 19.exd5 cxd5 20.N2d3 Nxd3 21.Bxd3 dxc4 22.Bxc4 Be6 23.Bxe6 Rxe6 24.Nxe6 Bxd2 25.Nxd8 Bxc1 26.Rxc1* 1-0 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2629)-spectraline (2601) Blitz 2023 *)* 11.0-0 d5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Nb6 14.Bb5 Bd7 15.Bxd7 Qxd7 16.Nfe4 Nfxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qd4+ f6 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Rfd1 Rad8 21.Rac1 Re6 22.Qxa7 Ra6 23.Qd4 Qe7 24.Rc5 1-0 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-KPrometeo (2580) Blitz 2024;

B) 9...c6 10.Be2 d5 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.e5 Nh5 13.g3 Nxe5 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxg7 Nxg7 16.Qxd5 Ne3 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Rc1 Bf5 19.Nfd1 Nc2+ 20.Kf2 Rd2 21.Nb1 Rd4 22.Nbc3 Rad8 23.Ne3 Nxe3 24.Kxe3 Be6 25.Rhd1 Nf5+ 26.Kf2 Rd2 27.Ke1 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 29.Bxd1 Ne3 30.Be2 f6 31.Kf2 Nc2 32.Bd3 Nb4 33.Bb1 Kf7 34.a3 Nd5 35.Nxd5 Bxd5 36.Ke3 Ke6 37.Kd4 Kd6 38.h4 Bg8 39.Be4 b6 40.b4 Bf7 41.h5 f5 42.Bd3 Bd5 43.h6 Be6 44.Be2 Bd5 45.g4 fxg4 46.Bxg4 Be6 47.Bf3 Bf5 48.Bd5 Be6 49.Be4 Bf5 50.Bf3 Be6 51.Be2 Ba2 52.Bd3 Bf7 53.Bc2 Ke6 54.Bb3+ Kf6 55.Bxf7 Kxf7 56.Ke5 Ke7 57.b5 Kf7 58.f5 g5 59.a4 Ke7 60.f6+ Kf7 61.Kf5 g4 62.Kxg4 Kxf6

63.Kf4 Kg6 64.Ke5 Kxh6 65.Kd6 Kg5 66.Kc7 h5 67.Kb7 h4 68.Kxa7 h3 69.a5 bxa5 70.b6 h2 71.b7 h1Q 72.b8Q Qg1+ 73.Ka6 Qc5 74.Qg8+ Kf5 75.Qf7+ Ke5 76.Qb3 Kd4 77.Qb2+ Kc4 78.Qb1 1-0 (78) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-sotirakis (2605) Blitz 2024;

C) 9...Qe7 10.Qd2 c6 11.0-0-0 a6 12.Be3 Ne8 13.Bg5 Qe6 14.g3 Ne5 15.Qe2 f5 16.f4 Nf7 17.exf5 Qxe2 18.Bxe2 Bxf5 19.Be7 Nc7 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.Rhe1 Rd8 22.Nfe4 Bxe4 23.Nxe4 d5 24.cxd5 cxd5 25.Nc5 Rb8 26.Kb1 a5 27.Bf3 b6 28.Ne6 Nxe6 29.Rxe6 d4 30.Bd5 Kf8 31.Rde1 b5 32.Re7 Nh6 33.Rb7 Rxb7 34.Bxb7 Nf5 35.Bc6 b4 36.Be4 Ne3 37.Kc1 Ke7 38.Kd2 Kd6 39.Kd3 Kc5 40.Rc1+ Kb5 41.Rc7 Bf6 42.Rxh7 Nd1 43.Kc2 Ne3+ 44.Kd2 Nc4+ 45.Kc1 Ne3 46.Bd3+ Kc5 47.Rc7+ Kd6 48.Ra7 b3 49.axb3 Nd5 50.Ra6+ Ke7 51.Rxa5 Nb4 52.Bc4 d3 53.Kd2 Nc2 54.Ra7+ Kd6 55.Ra6+ Ke7 56.Kxd3 Nb4+ 57.Ke4 Nxa6 58.Bxa6 Bxb2 59.Bc4 Bc3 60.f5 Kf6 61.fxg6 Kxg6 62.Kf3 Kg5 63.h4+ Kh5 64.Kg2 Kh6 65.Kh3 Bb4 66.g4 Bd6 67.g5+ Kh7 68.Kg4 Kg7 69.h5 Kh8 70.h6 Be7 71.Kh5 Bf6 72.gxf6 Kh7 73.f7 Kh8 74.f8Q+ Kh7 75.Qg7# 1-0 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-SpinyHedgehog (2613) Blitz 2021]

[8...a5 9.Qd2 *(9.Be2 Nh5 10.Qd2 Nf4 11.0-0 Nxe2+ 12.Nxe2 b6 13.Rfd1 Qe7 14.Rac1 Bb7 15.Nc3 f5 16.Bg5 Qf7 17.Nd5 exd4 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Nxc7 Rac8 20.Nb5 Qg6 21.Kh1 Ne5 22.Nxd4 Nxc4 23.Qd3 Qxg5 24.Rxc4 Ba6 25.b3 Bxc4 26.bxc4 Qf6 27.Nb5 Rfd8 28.Qd5+ Qf7 29.Qxf7+ Kxf7 30.Nxd6+ Rxd6 31.Rxd6 Rxc4 32.g3 Rc1+ 33.Kg2 Rc2 34.a4 Be5 35.Rd8 Ke7 36.Rd3 Bd6 37.Kf1 Bc5 38.Nd1 Rxh2 39.Nc3 Rf2+ 40.Ke1 Rg2 41.Ne2 Bf2+ 42.Kf1 Rh2 43.Rd5 Ke6 44.Rd8 Bc5 45.Re8+ Kd5 46.Nf4+ Kc4 47.Ke1 Bf2+ 48.Kd1 Bxg3 49.Ne2 Bf2 50.Re6 Bc5 51.Rf6 Kb4 52.Rxf5 Kxa4 53.Nc3+ Kb3 54.Ne4 a4 55.Nxc5+ bxc5 56.Rxc5 a3 57.Rb5+ Ka4 58.Rb8 a2 59.Ra8+ Kb3 60.Kc1 Rh1+ 61.Kd2 a1Q 62.Rxa1 Rxa1 63.Ke3 Ra4 64.f4 Kc4 65.Ke4 Kc5+ 66.Ke5 Kc6 67.Ke6 Rxf4 68.Ke5 Rg4 69.Kf5 Rg6 0-1 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2653)-Printezis04 (2624) Blitz 2024)* 9...Nh5 10.0-0-0 a4 11.Kb1 a3 12.b3 c6 13.d5 c5 14.Nd3 Nb8 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.Qc1 Na6 17.Nxa3 f5 18.Nb5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Bg4 20.Re1 Bd7 21.a4 Bxb5 22.axb5 Nb8 23.Be2 Nf4 24.g3 Ng2 25.Bg5 Qc7 26.Reg1 Qa5 27.Qb2 h6 28.Bd2 Qd8 29.Rxg2 Nd7 30.Rf1 Nf6 31.Nf2 Qd7 32.Bf3 h5 33.Qc2 Nxd5 34.exd5 Rxf3 35.Bc3 Rxc3 36.Qxc3 e4 37.Qe3 Ra1+ 38.Kc2 Rxf1 39.Qxe4 Kh7 40.Nd3 Qf7 41.Qf4 Rxf4 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-splendidkid (2640) Blitz 2022]

9.d5 cxd5 10.cxd5 Nh5

[10...a6 11.Qd2 b5 12.Be2 *(12.b4 Nb6 13.Bd3 Bd7 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Rfc1 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.a4 Qc8 18.axb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 axb5 20.Rxc4 bxc4 21.b5 Nd7 22.Qb4 Qb8 23.b6 c3 24.b7 c2 25.Nd3 Qc7 26.Ba7 Bh6 27.Qb2 f5 28.h4*

fxe4 29.fxe4 Qc4 30.b8Q Nxb8 31.Bxb8 Qxd3 32.Bxd6 Qe3+ 33.Kh1 Qxe4 34.Bxf8 Qxh4+ 35.Kg1 Be3+ 36.Kf1 Qf2# 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2640)-Wild_of_luck (2602) Blitz 2023*)*
12...Qa5 13.0-0 b4 14.Nb1 Nc5 15.Na3 Rb8 16.Nc4 Qd8 17.Rfc1 Na4 18.Bd1 Nc5 19.Nxd6 1-0 (19) Consent_to_treatment (2678)-chessdax (2564) Blitz 2024]
11.Qd2 a6 12.0-0-0 b5 13.g4 Nf4 14.Kb1 Nb6 15.b3 b4 16.Ne2 a5 17.Nxf4 exf4 18.Bd4 a4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qxb4 axb3 21.axb3 Nd7 22.Be2 Qf6 23.Qd4 Ne5 24.Nd3 Ba6 25.Rhe1 Bxd3+ 26.Rxd3 Ra3 27.Rc3 Rfa8 28.Rec1 Qh4 29.b4 Ra1+ 30.Kc2 R1a2+ 31.Kd1 Qxh2 32.R3c2 Rc8 0-1 (32) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-Noquestionplayer (2778) Blitz 2024

[118] **8...Nh5** 9.Nf2 a6 10.Qd2 f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.Be2 Qg6 14.0-0 f4 15.Nce4 Ndf6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bd3 Qh5 19.Ne4 Be7 20.Rac1 Bf5 21.b4 Bxe4 22.Bxe4 Rf6 23.c5 Rh6 24.h3 Kh8 25.cxd6 Bxd6 26.Rf2 Rg8 27.Kf1 Qg5 28.Ke2 b6 29.a4 a5 30.bxa5 bxa5 31.Rc6 Bb4 32.Qc2 Rxc6 33.Qxc6 Bd6 34.Kd3 Rb8 35.Rc2 Rb3+ 36.Rc3 Rxc3+ 37.Kxc3 Qxg2 38.Qe8+ Kg7 39.Qd7+ Kf8 40.Qf5+ Ke7 41.Qe6+ Kf8 42.Qf6+ Ke8 43.Qh8+ Kf7 44.Qxh7+ Qg7 45.Qf5+ Ke7 46.Qe6+ Kf8 47.Kc4 Qf7 48.Qc8+ Kg7 49.h4 Kh6 50.Qg4 Qh5 51.Qe6+ Kg7 52.Qd7+ Kf8 53.Qd8+ Qe8 54.Qg5 Qxa4+ 55.Kd3 Qd1+ 56.Kc4 Qd4+ 57.Kb3 a4+ 58.Kc2 Qc4+ 59.Kd1 Qf1+ 60.Kc2 Qe2+ 61.Kc3 Qe3+ 62.Kc2 Qb3+ 63.Kd2 Bb4+ 64.Ke2 Qb2+ 65.Kf1 Bc5 66.Qf6+ Kg8 67.Qg6+ Kf8 68.Qf6+ Kg8 69.Qd8+ Kg7 70.Qxc7+ Kf6 71.Qxc5 Qc1+ 72.Qxc1 1-0 (72) Jia,H (2667)-atari_luchador (2608) Blitz 2023

[119] **9.Nf2** Nh5 10.Qd2 Nc5 11.0-0-0 Bd7 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.Nd3 b6 14.Kb1 a4 15.Nb4 f6 16.Be3 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Be2 a3 19.g4 Nf4 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.gxf5 Bxf5+ 22.Bd3 Nxd3 23.Nxd3 Qe3 24.Rhg1 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 axb2 26.Kxb2 Kh8 27.Kb3 Bd4 28.Rg5 Be3 29.Rd1 h6 30.Rh5 Kh7 31.Ne4 Kg6 32.Rh4 Bxe4 33.fxe4 Kg5 34.Rh3 Rae8 35.Rf3 Rxe4 36.a4 h5 37.h4+ Kxh4 38.Rh1+ Kg4 39.Rfh3 Rf5 40.Rh4+ Kf3 41.R1h3+ Ke2 42.Nb2 Rd4 43.Rh2+ Bf2 44.Kc3 f3 45.Rxd4 Kf1 46.Rd1+ Be1+ 47.Kd3 f2 48.Ke4 Kg1 49.Nd3 f1Q 50.Rxe1 Re5+ 51.Nxe5 Qxe1+ 52.Kf5 Qxe5+ 53.Kg6 Qxh2 54.Kf7 Qc2 55.Ke6 Qxc4 56.Kd7 Qxa4+ 57.Kxc7 Qc4+ 58.Kxd6 Qxd5+ 59.Kxd5 b5 0-1 (59) basheriyti1995 (2622)-BoomerAangie (2656) Blitz 2021

[120] **10.Nf2** c6 11.Nd3 Na6
[11...cxd5 12.cxd5 b6 13.Qd2 Bd7 14.Nxc5 bxc5 15.a4 Rb8 16.Bc4 Rb4 *(16...h5 17.h3 Nh7 18.Nb5 Qh4+ 19.Qf2 Qxf2+ 20.Kxf2 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.gxf5 Bxf5 23.Bd2 Kh8 24.Rag1 Rf6 25.Ke2 Rbf8 26.Bc3 Bc2 27.Rg3 Bxa4 28.Nc7 Bh6 29.Ne6 Rb8 30.Ra1 Bb5 31.Bxb5 Rxb5 32.Rxa5 Rxa5 33.Bxa5 Nf8 34.Nxf8 Bxf8 35.Rg5 Bh6 36.Rxh5 Kg7 37.Rh4 Bf4 38.Rg4+ Kh7 39.Rh4+ Kg7 40.Rg4+ Kh7 41.b4 cxb4 42.Bxb4 Rf7*

43.Kd3 Rc7 44.Rg1 Rc8 45.Ra1 Kg6 46.Ra6 Kf5 47.Bxd6 Bg5 48.Rb6 Rd8 49.Kc4 Rh8 50.Rb3 Bf6 51.Kc5 Rxh3 52.Kc6 ½-½ (52) LCZero0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-61 (3634)-Stockfishdev E608Eab (3662) tcec-chess.com INT 2024*)* 17.b3 Be8 18.Bg5 h6 19.Bh4 Kh7 20.Qd3 Qb8 21.0-0 Rb7 22.Ra2 Bd7 23.Kh1 Ne8 24.Bb5 Bf6 25.Be1 Qd8 26.Bxd7 Rxd7 27.Nb5 Bg5 28.Rg2 Rb7 29.Bg3 Qe7 30.Rb1 f5 31.gxf5 gxf5 32.Na3 fxe4 33.Qxe4+ Kh8 34.Nc4 Qh7 35.Nxd6 Nxd6 36.Bxe5+ Rf6 37.Bxf6+ Bxf6 38.Qe6 Qxb1+ 39.Rg1 Qxg1+ 40.Kxg1 Be7 41.Qxh6+ Kg8 42.Qg6+ Kf8 43.h4 Rxb3 44.h5 Rxf3 45.h6 Rf6 46.Qg7+ Ke8 47.h7 Nf7 48.h8Q+ Nxh8 49.Qxh8+ Kd7 50.Qh3+ Ke8 51.Qc8+ Bd8 52.Kg2 Ke7 53.Qb7+ Kd6 54.Qc6+ Ke7 55.Qb7+ Ke8 56.Kg1 Rd6 57.Kf2 c4 58.Kf3 Bb6 59.Qc8+ Ke7 60.Kf4 Rh6 61.Ke5 Rh5+ 62.Kf4 Rh6 63.Ke5 Rh5+ 64.Ke4 Rh6 65.Qg4 Rd6 66.Qc8 ½-½ (66) Berserk20250622 (3650)-KomodoDragon3.3 (3620) tcec-chess.com INT 2025]

12.Be2

[12.h4 h5 13.Be2 cxd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.g5 Ne8 16.Na4 Bxa4 17.Qxa4 b6 18.0-0-0 Rc8+ 19.Kb1 Nc5 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.Ba6 Ra8 22.Bb7 Ra7 23.Bc6 Nd6 24.Rhg1 Re7 25.Qc2 Qc7 26.Rgf1 Rd8 27.Rd3 Rb8 28.a4 Kh7 29.Rb3 Qd8 30.Rc1 Kg8 31.Qf2 Kh7 32.Qg2 Qc7 33.Qh2 Qd8 34.Qd2 Qc7 35.Qe2 Rd8 36.Rc2 Rf8 37.Qa6 Rb8 38.Rg2 Bf8 39.Qe2 Kg8 40.Qf1 Rd8 41.Rc2 Rc8 42.Qa6 Rb8 43.Qe2 Qd8 44.Qg2 Bg7 45.Ka2 Rc7 46.Qf1 Re7 47.Kb1 Kh7 48.Qf2 Kg8 49.Qe2 Kh7 50.Bc1 Kg8 51.Qf2 Kh7 52.Qf1 Kg8 53.Be3 Rc8 54.Qa6 Rb8 55.Qd3 Kh7 56.Qd2 Qc7 57.Qd1 Rf8 58.Bc1 Rb8 59.Qe2 Rd8 60.Qf1 Rf8 61.Rg2 Kg8 62.Rd2 Rb8 63.Rf2 Nc8 64.Bd2 Nd6 65.Re3 Nc8 66.Re1 Na7 67.Bb5 Nxb5 68.Qxb5 Kh7 69.Qc4 Rd8 70.Ka2 Kg8 71.Rff1 Rd6 72.Rc1 Qd8 73.Kb1 Qc8 74.Rf2 Kh7 75.Rd1 Qd7 76.Rdf1 Qb7 77.Bc3 Qc7 78.Ka2 Kg8 79.Ra1 Rdd7 80.Bd2 Qd8 81.Qb5 Kh7 82.Rc1 Qc7 83.Rff1 Qd8 84.Qc4 Qc7 85.Rcd1 Qd6 86.Qb5 Qc7 87.Bc1 Qd8 88.Rd2 Rd6 89.Rc2 Qc7 90.Bd2 Qd8 91.Qc4 Qc8 92.Rf2 Rdd7 93.Bc3 Qd8 94.Rf1 Kg8 95.Rff2 Qc7 96.Rc1 Qd8 97.Kb1 Qc7 98.Qb5 Qd8 99.Rcf1 Qc7 100.Bd2 Qd8 101.Rd1 Ra7 102.Bc3 Rad7 103.Ka2 Rd6 104.Rdf1 Rdd7 105.Re2 Rd6 106.Qc4 Qd7 107.Rd2 Qh3 108.Qe2 Qd7 109.b3 Qh3 110.Bb2 Re8 111.Rdd1 Re7 112.Rh1 Qd7 113.Rh2 Qc7 114.Qb5 Qb8 115.Kb1 Qf8 116.Rf2 f5 117.Rff1 Qa8 118.Ka2 Qc8 119.Qc4 f4 120.Rh1 Rb7 121.Kb1 Qd7 122.Kc1 Kf7 123.Rh2 Ra7 124.Rdh1 Ke8 125.Bc3 Qc8 126.Rd2 Qd7 127.Rdd1 Ke7 128.Qe2 Ke8 129.Qb2 Qe7 130.Rhe1 Kd7 131.Kd2 Kd8 132.Ke2 Ke8 133.Rd2 Kd8 134.Rc1 Ke8 135.Rdd1 Kd8 136.Kf2 Ke8 137.Qe2 Kd8 138.Ra1 Qe8 139.Kg2 Ke7 140.Bb2 Kf7 141.Qc2 Rad7 142.Re1 Ra7 143.Rad1 Rad7 144.Qb1 Ra7 145.Rd3 Qd7 146.Red1 Qe8 147.Qa2 Qh8 148.Re1 Qe8

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12...h5 13.Rc1 Rb8 14.b3 Bd7 15.g5 Ne8 16.0-0 cxd5 17.cxd5 Nec7 18.Kh1 Nb5 19.Nxb5 Bxb5 20.Qd2 Bd7 21.Nb2 b5 22.Nd3 b4 23.Nb2 Nc7 24.Nc4 Nb5 25.Bd3 Bh3 26.Rg1 Bd7 27.Qf2 Rb7 28.Qe1 Rb8 29.Qg3 Re8 30.Rgf1 Rb7 31.Rf2 Re7 32.Rfc2 Re8 33.h4 Kh7 34.Kh2 Rf8 35.f4 f5 36.gxf6 Bxf6 37.f5 Be8 38.Rg1 Rg7 39.Rcg2 Rfg8 40.Bg5 Nd4 41.Qh3 Bxg5 42.Rxg5 Bf7 43.Qe3 Kh8 44.R1g3 Qf6 45.Kh3 Ra8 46.Nb6 Rag8 47.Qd2 Qd8 48.Nc4 Qe7 49.Qg2 Qd7 50.Nb6 Qe8 51.Ba6 Qf8 52.f6 Rh7 53.Nc8 Be8 54.Ne7 Rxe7 55.fxe7 Qxe7 56.Rxh5+ gxh5 57.Rxg8+ Kh7 58.Rg5 Bd7+ 59.Kg3 Bg4 60.Bc8 Ne2+ 61.Kh2 Nf4 62.Qc2 Qa7 63.Bxg4 hxg4 64.Rxg4 Kh6 65.Qd2 a4 66.Rxf4 exf4 67.Qxf4+ Kh7 68.Kh3 axb3 69.axb3 Qd4 70.Kg4 Qd1+ 71.Qf3 Qg1+ 72.Qg3 Qc5 73.Kh5 Kh8 74.Qg6 Qa7 75.e5 dxe5 76.Qe6 e4 77.d6 Qc5+ 78.Kg6 Qg1+ 79.Kf7 Qg8+ 80.Ke7 Qb8 81.d7 e3 82.Qh6+ Kg8 83.Qg5+ Kh8 84.Kf7 Qf4+ 85.Qxf4 Kh7 86.Qxe3 Kh8 87.Qh6# 1-0 (87) Stockfishdev E608Eab (3662)-LCZero0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-61 (3634) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

[121] **4...e6** Marin,Mihail: 'N!?' Marin, Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Th''Aronian really loves this move. Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Aronian really loves this move.'''' ' is seems to be new! According to Mark Crowther on the The Week in Chess site, it's a suggestion of Anish Giri.' Glenn Flear: 'This seems to be new! According to Mark Crowther on the The Week in Chess site, it's a suggestion of Anish Giri. Marin,M: 'N!?" Glenn Flear: 'This seems to be new! According to Mark Crowther on the The Week in Chess site, it's a suggestion of Anish Giri.'' Marin,Mihail: 'This interesting novelty completely changes the character of the play with respect to the previous games.

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Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" exd5 9.b4 Bb6 10.exd5 Nd4 11.Nge2 Nf5 Marin,Mihail: '']

5...b6 Marin,Mihail: '!!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Glenn Flear: 'With White opting for slightly clumsy development (in order to hold onto the pawn) Grischuk feels justified in opening lines. Despite appearances, it turns out that the pawn sacrifice is only a temporary affair.' Glenn Flear: 'With White opting for slightly clumsy development (in order to hold onto the pawn) Grischuk feels justified in opening lines. Despite appearances, it turns out that the pawn sacrifice is only a temporary affair. Marin,M: '!!'' Glenn Flear: 'With White opting for slightly clumsy development (in order to hold onto the pawn) Grischuk feels justified in opening lines. Despite appearances, it turns out that the pawn sacrifice is only a temporary affair." Marin,Mihail: 'Here it is, the Volga Gambit spirit! Rather than retrieving the pawn, Black is interested in opening files and diagonals for rapid queenside development. Glenn Flear: 'Marin, M: 'Here it is, the Volga Gambit spirit! Rather than retrieving the pawn, Black is interested in opening files and diagonals for rapid queenside development.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Instead" 5...Na6 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'regains the material. I don't think that White's extra space after' Glenn Flear: 'regains the material. I don't think that White's extra space after'' Marin,Mihail: 'would retrieve the pawn but allow White retain a small edge. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'would retrieve the pawn but allow White retain a small edge.'" 6.Nc3 Nxc5 *(6...Bxc5 7.Bxc5 Nxc5 8.Qd4 Qe7 9.0-0-0 0-0 10.f4 Ne8 11.Nf3 d6 12.h4 b5 13.cxb5 Bb7 14.e4 Nf6 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Nfxe4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Rd7 Rac8+ 19.Kb1 Bd5 20.Be2 Ng3 21.Rxd5 exd5 22.Re1 Rfe8 23.Bd3 Rxe1+ 24.Nxe1 Ne4 25.a4 h5 26.Nf3 Nc5 27.Bc2 Ne6 28.g3 d4 29.Ne5 Nc5 30.b4 Ne6 31.Nc6 Rc7 32.Be4 Kf8 33.Kc2 Ke8 34.Kd3 Rd7 35.a5 Rc7 36.Nxd4 Nxd4 37.Kxd4 Kd7 38.Bc6+ Kd6 39.Bd5 Re7 40.b6 axb6 41.axb6 f6 42.Be4 Rg7 43.b7 Kc7 44.Kc5 g5 45.hxg5 fxg5 46.b5 h4 47.fxg5 Rxg5+ 48.Bd5 hxg3 49.b6+ Kb8 50.Kc6 Rxd5 51.Kxd5 g2 52.Kc5 g1Q+ 53.Kc6 Qg7 54.Kd6 Qxb7 55.Kc5 Kc8 56.Kb5 Kd7 57.Kc5 Kc8 58.Kb5* 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Turbulency (2574) Blitz 2023 *)

A) Marin,Mihail: 'It makes no sense to drive the knight away since this piece is a slight source of worries for Black, being kind of hanging on c5. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'It makes no sense to drive the knight away since this piece is a slight source of worries for Black, being kind of hanging on c5.'" 7.b4 Na6 8.a3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'is significant. The most important priority is getting organized and it will take White some time.' Glenn Flear: 'is significant. The most important priority is getting organized and it will take White

some time.'' Bg7 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 9.Qc2 d5 10.Rd1 0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' 11.Bf2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal'' Bd7 Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '!';

B) 7.Nh3 b6 8.Bd4 Bg7 9.e4 0-0 10.e5 *(10.Be2 d6 11.Nf2 a6 12.0-0 Qc7 13.Qd2 Bb7 14.Rac1 Rad8 15.Rfd1 Qb8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.Na4 Bc6 18.Qc2 b5 19.cxb5 Bxb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Nc3 Qb7 22.a4 bxa4 23.Qxa4 Ra8 24.Qb5 Rfb8 25.Qxb7 Rxb7 26.b5 Ne8 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Ra1 Rxa1 29.Rxa1 Nc7 30.Rb1 Ne5 31.Kf1 Nc4 32.Ke2 Na3 33.Rb3 Naxb5 34.Kd3 d5 35.exd5 exd5 36.Ng4 Nd6 37.Rxb7 Nxb7 38.Ne3 Nc5+ 39.Kd4 N5e6+ 40.Kd3 d4 41.Ncd1 dxe3 42.Nxe3 h5 43.Ke2 Nf4+ 44.Kf2 Ncd5 45.Nc4 Nd3+ 46.Ke2 N5f4+ 47.Ke3 Kf6 48.g3 Ne5 49.Nd2 Nd5+ 50.Kf2 Nc6 51.Ne4+ Ke5 52.Nd2 Nc3 53.Ke3 Nd5+ 54.Kf2 Nd4 55.Nc4+ Ke6 56.Nd2 f6 57.h4 Nc6 58.Ne4 Ne5 59.Nc5+ Kf7 60.Nb3 Ne7 61.Nd4 Nf5 62.Ne2 Nd3+ 63.Kg2 Ne3+ 64.Kg1 Ke6 65.Nd4+ Kd5 66.Ne2 Ne5 67.Kf2 Nd1+ 68.Kg2 Nb2 69.Kf2 Nbd3+ 70.Kg2 Kc4 71.g4 Kd5 72.gxh5 gxh5 73.Ng3 Nf4+ 74.Kf2 Kd4 75.Ne4 Ned3+ 76.Kg3 f5 0-1 (76) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-onewaytraffic (2629) Blitz 2023)* 10...Ne8 11.b4 Na6 12.a3 Nb8 13.Bd3 Nc6 14.Be4 Qc7 15.Bxc6 Qxc6 16.0-0 d6 17.exd6 e5 18.Nd5 Qxd6 19.Bb2 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Nf6 21.Re1 Rfe8 22.Qd3 Nxd5 23.Qxd5 Qf6 24.Rad1 Rac8 25.Qe4 Qe6 26.Rd5 Qxh3 27.Red1 Qe6 28.Bc1 Qc6 29.c5 bxc5 30.Rxc5 Qe6 31.Be3 a6 32.Rdc1 h5 33.Qc4 Rxc5 34.bxc5 Qc6 35.Qe4 Rc8 36.Qxc6 Rxc6 37.Kf2 Bf8 38.Ke2 f5 39.Kd3 Kf7 40.Kc4 Ke6 41.Rb1 f4 42.Bf2 g5 43.h3 e4 44.fxe4 g4 45.hxg4 hxg4 46.Bd4 g3 47.Rf1 Bd6 48.e5 Bxc5 49.Bxc5 g2 50.Rg1 f3 51.Kb4 Rxc5 52.Kxc5 f2 53.Rxg2 f1Q 0-1 (53) Ding,L (2811)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2776) chess.com INT 2019;

C) 7.Bf2 d5 8.cxd5 exd5 9.e4 a6 *(9...dxe4 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.0-0-0+ Ke8 12.Nb5 Na6 13.Bd4 Be7 14.Nd6+ Kf8 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Nxb7 Nb4 17.a3 Ba2+ 18.Ka1 Bb3 19.Rd2 e3 20.Bxe3 Nc2+ 21.Rxc2 Bxc2 22.Bc4 Kg7 23.Ne2 Rhc8 24.Ba2 a5 25.Nd4 Bd3 26.Rd1 Ba6 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-WaiBiBaBu727 (2649) Blitz 2022)* 10.exd5 Bd6 11.Qe2+ Kf8 12.0-0-0 Kg7 13.Bd4 Re8 14.Qf2 Ncd7 15.Bd3 Be5 16.Nh3 b5 17.Rhe1 b4 18.Ne4 Nxd5 19.Kb1 Bb7 20.Bc4 Bxd4 21.Qxd4+ Ne5 22.Bxd5 Qxd5 23.Qxd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 1-0 (24) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Shuvalov (2585) Blitz 2022;

D) 7.Bd4 d6 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8+ Kxd8 10.0-0-0+ Bd7 11.e3 Kc7 12.Nge2 a6 13.Nf4 Bc6 14.Be2 Bd6 15.h4 Rad8 16.Kc2 h6 17.Nd3 b5 18.Nf2 b4 19.Nb1 Bg3 20.Nd3 Kb6 21.Nd2 a5 22.Nb3 Nd7 23.h5 g5 24.Nbc1 a4 25.Rh3 Bd6 26.Nf2

Kc7 27.Rhh1 f5 28.Bd3 Ne5 29.Be2 Rhg8 30.Ncd3 Nd7 31.Rhg1 Nb6 32.Nc1 Be5 33.Rxd8 Rxd8 34.g4 Rf8 35.gxf5 exf5 36.Ncd3 Bd6 37.e4 Nxc4 38.Nxb4 Ne3+ 39.Kd2 cxb4 40.Kxe3 Bc5+ 0-1 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-Nichega (2723) Blitz 2022;

E) 7.Qd2 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 7...b6 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Marin,Mihail: 'In order to play ...♗g7, Black needs spending a tempo on defending the knight.' *(7...a6 8.Bf2 d5 9.0-0-0 Qc7 10.e4 dxe4 11.Bg3 Qa5 12.Qd4 Be7 13.Be5 Ncd7 14.Bd6 Bxd6 15.Qxd6 Qc5 16.fxe4 Qxd6 17.Rxd6 Ke7 18.Rd2 Nc5 19.e5 Nfe4 20.Nxe4 Nxe4 21.Re2 Nc5 22.b4 Nd3+ 23.Kd2 Nxb4 24.Kc3 Nc6 25.g3 b5 26.Bg2 Bb7 27.Nf3 Rac8 28.Ng5 h6 29.Bxc6 Rxc6 0-1 (29) Lucky1357924680 (2635)-abhijeet1610 (2812) Blitz 2024)* 8.Rd1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan' *(8.Bf2 Bg7 9.e4 d6 10.0-0-0 0-0 11.Qxd6 Qxd6 12.Rxd6 Ba6 13.Nh3 Rac8 14.Be2 Ne8 15.Rd2 Bxc3 16.bxc3 e5 17.Rhd1 Nc7 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Rd7 Ne6 20.R1d6 Rc7 21.Rxe6 Rxd7 22.Rxa6 Rfd8 23.Ng1 Rd2 24.Rxa7 h5 25.h4 Kg7 26.Ra8 Kf6 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.a4 g5 29.hxg5+ Kxg5 30.g3 h4 31.gxh4+ Kxh4 32.Kc2 Kg3 33.Bd1 Kf2 34.Nh3+ Ke3 35.Ng5 f6 36.Ne6 Rd2+ 37.Kc1 Ra2 38.Nxc5 Ra1+ 39.Kc2 Kf2 40.Nb3 Rxa4 41.c5 Ra6 42.Kd3 Ke1 43.Bc2 Ra2 44.c4 Ra6 45.Kc3 Ke2 46.Kb4 Kxf3 47.Kb5 Ra8 48.c6 Rb8+ 49.Kc5 f5 50.exf5 e4 51.c7 Rc8 52.Kd6 e3 53.f6 e2 54.Nd4+ Ke3 55.Nxe2 Kxe2 56.f7 Kd2 57.Bg6 Kc3 58.Kd7 Rf8 59.c8Q Rxf7+ 60.Bxf7 Kc2 61.c5 Kc3 62.c6 Kd4 63.Kc7 Ke5 64.Qd7 Kf6 65.Kd8 Ke5 66.Be8 Kf6 67.c7 Ke5 68.c8Q Kf6 69.Qcc6+ Ke5 70.Qdd5+ Kf4 71.Qcc4+ Ke3 72.Qdd3+ Kf2 73.Qcc2+ Kg1 74.Qdd1# 1-0 (74) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-stammargg (2592) Blitz 2022)* 8...Bg7 9.Bg5 0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 10.e4 Marin,Mihail: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: '!']

[5...Nc6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Qd2 0-0 8.Bf2 b6 9.e4 bxc5 10.Bxc5 Re8 11.Nh3 d5 12.Nf2 d4 13.Nb5 Rb8 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.Qxd4 Qa5+ 16.b4 Rxb4 17.Bxb4 Qxb4+ 18.Qd2 Qxd2+ 19.Kxd2 Nxe4+ 20.Nxe4 Bxa1 21.Nc3 Bb2 22.Bd3 Ba3 23.Rb1 Bc5 24.Ne4 Bd4 25.Rb8 Bd7 26.Rxe8+ Bxe8 27.g3 f5 28.Nd6 Bd7 29.Ke2 Kf8 30.f4 e5 31.Nb5 Bxb5 32.cxb5 exf4 33.gxf4 Bc5 34.a4 Kg7 35.Kf3 Kf6 36.Bc4 h6 37.h4 g5 38.hxg5+ hxg5 39.fxg5+ Kxg5 40.a5 f4 41.Ke4 Kf6 42.Kxf4 Ke7 43.Ke5 Kd7 44.Kd5 Bb4 45.b6 axb6 46.a6 Kc7 47.Bb5 Kb8 48.Kc6 Ka7 49.Kc7 Bc5 50.Kc6 Bg1 51.Kc7 Bc5 52.Kc6 Bg1 53.Kc7 Bc5 ½-½ (53) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-BulgarianBulldozer (2654) Blitz 2024]

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acceptance of the fact that after Black's last move White has no advantage at all. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'White, too, aims for rapid development. But the last move looks more like an acceptance of the fact that after Black's last move White has no advantage at all.'"

[6.cxb6 axb6 7.Nc3 *(7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d5 9.cxd5 exd5 10.e3 Bc5 11.Bb5+ Bd7 12.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Nge2 Qe8 15.Bf2 Bxe3 16.Bxe3 Qxe3 17.Qd4 Qe7 18.0-0 Rfc8 19.Rfd1 Ne5 20.Nf4 Rc4 21.Nfxd5 Nxd5 22.Qxd5 Ra5 23.Qd8+ Qxd8 24.Rxd8+ Kg7 25.Rad1 Rc6 26.Rb8 Nc4 27.Rdd8 Kf6 28.b3 Ne5 29.Ne4+ Kf5 30.Rd2 Kf4 31.Kf2 Ng4+ 32.fxg4 Kxe4 33.a4 Rac5 34.h3 Rc3 35.Re8+ Kf4 36.Rd4+ Kg5 37.Re5+ Kf6 38.Rb5 Rc2+ 39.Kg3 Re6 40.Rd3 Kg7 41.Kh2 Rb2 42.h4 Ree2 43.Rg3 Re6 44.h5 Rd6 45.Rb4 g5 46.Rb5 f6 47.Rc3 Re2 48.Rb4 Kf7 49.Rbc4 Ke6 50.Rc8 Rdd2 51.Rg3 Kf7 52.Rh8 Rf2 53.Rh7+* 1-0 (53) Shankland,S (2722)-Svidler,P (2756) Hoogeveen NED 2018 *)*

A) Marin,Mihail: 'whereas' 7...Nc6 Marin,Mihail: '?!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear''Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" 8.Bf2 Ba6 *(8...Bc5 9.e4 0-0 10.Bd3 Ba6 11.Nge2 Bxf2+ 12.Kxf2 Qe7 13.Qd2 Qc5+ 14.Qe3 Ne5* 0-1 (14) Consent_to_treatment (2679)-TalBaron-YouTube (2897) Blitz 2023*; 8...Bb4 9.e4 0-0 10.Nge2 d5 11.a3 dxc4 12.axb4 Rxa1 13.Qxa1 Nxb4 14.Nd4 e5 15.Qa4 exd4 16.Qxb4 dxc3 17.bxc3 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Re8 19.Qxc4 Qg5 20.Be2 Qc1+ 21.Bd1 Ba6 22.Qxa6 Rxe4+ 23.Qe2 Qxc3+ 24.Kf1 Rxe2 25.Bxe2 Qc1+ 26.Be1 Qf4+ 27.Bf2 g5 28.g4 b5 29.Rg1 Qxh2 30.Bxb5 h5 31.gxh5 Qxh5 32.Be2 Qh3+ 33.Ke1 Qc3+ 34.Kf1 Qh3+ 35.Ke1 Qc3+* ½-½ (35) Ma Qun (2615)-Navara,D (2662) Biel SUI 2025 *)* 9.e4 Marin,Mihail: 'makes life easier for White Glenn Flear: 'makes life easier for White";

B) 7...Bc5 8.Bd4 Nc6 9.e3 Qe7 10.Bxc5 Qxc5 11.Qd2 0-0 12.Bd3 Ne5 13.b3 d5 14.cxd5 Rd8 15.Nge2 Nxd5 16.Be4 Ba6 17.Qd4 Qc7 18.Bxd5 Nd3+ 19.Kd2 exd5 20.Nf4 Nxf4 21.exf4 Rac8 22.Rhe1 Qd6 23.Re5 b5 24.Rxd5 Qc7 25.Rd1 b4 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8 27.Nd5 Qd6 28.Ke1 Qe6+ 29.Qe5 Kf8 30.Qxe6 fxe6 31.Nxb4 Ra8 32.Nxa6 Rxa6 33.a4 Ke7 34.Rd3 Rb6 35.Kd2 h6 36.Kc3 g5 37.fxg5 hxg5 38.b4 Rc6+ 39.Kb3 Rc1 40.Rc3 Rb1+ 41.Kc4 Kd6 42.Rb3 Rc1+ 43.Kb5 Kc7 44.a5 Kb7 45.Re3 Ka7 46.Rxe6 Rc6 47.Rxc6 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2752) Blitz 2023;

C) 7...Ba6]

6...Ba6 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'This move order continues to gain interest. Combining an early ...d6 and ...b5 avoids the 5... b5 6 e4 0-0 7 e5 line. "" Flear: 'Marin,M: '!?'" Krasenkow,

Michal: '!?'Marin,Mihail: 'To tell the truth, Black does not seem to need such radical measures anymore. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'To tell the truth, Black does not seem to need such radic'A quiet but decent continuation, examined in CBM 193, annotations by GM Vladimir Fedoseev to his game against GM Radoslaw Wojtaszek. Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'A quiet but decent continuation, examined in CBM 193, annotations by GM Vladimir Fedoseev to his game against GM Radoslaw Wojtaszek. '" al measures anymore.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Retrieving the pawn ensures him excellent play:' 6...Bxc5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 7.Bxc5 bxc5 8.e3 Nc6 9.Nh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' Krasenkow, Michal: 'It is not all forced, nevertheless it is the general trend of this line.' Rb8 'Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" 10.Qd2 0-0 11.Be2 d5]

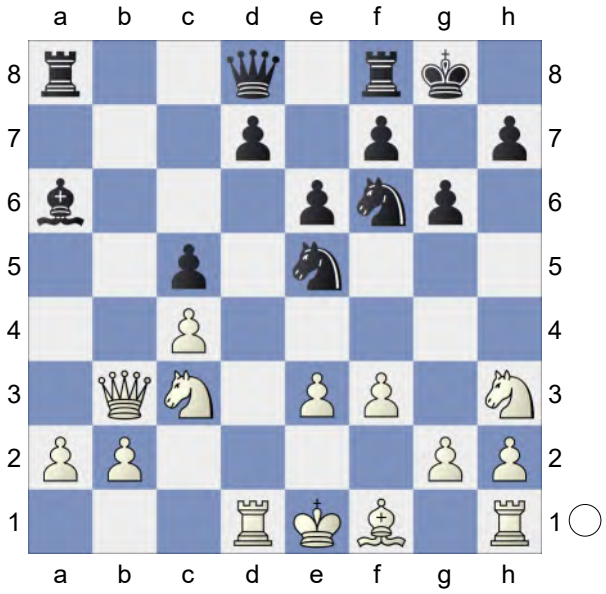
7.cxb6 "Aronian himself had reasonable success with this opening against Grischuk despite a slight setback out of opening. Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Aronian himself had reasonable success with this opening against Grischuk despite a slight setback out of opening.'''' '7...axb6 Marin,Mihail: 'Glen''Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'Aronian chooses the move he previously faced when playing this line as White against Carlsen. Moradiabadi, Elshan: '!?'''' ' n Flear: 'which transposes back to the game.' Glenn Flear: 'which transposes back to the game.'' Krasenkow, Michal: '!? 'Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'would transpose below.'" 8.Bg5 Marin,Mihail: 'Sticking to the material advantage would offer Black ample compensation. Here are just a few suggestive lines: Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Sticking to the material advantage would offer Black ample compensation. Here are just a few suggestive lines:'"

[8.b3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Nc6 Marin,Mihail: 'This developing move keeps the main threats, ...♗b4 or ...d5, in reserve. If White moves with his e3-bishop in order to continue his development, ...♗b4 would be unpleasant. Otherwise, ...d5 would threaten the fork ...d4

' *(8...Bb4 9.Rc1 Nc6 10.Kf2 Qe7 11.Ne4 Nxe4+ 12.fxe4 Ne5 13.h3 Bc5 14.Qd2 f5 15.Nf3 Nxf3 16.exf3 fxe4 17.Be2 0-0 18.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 19.Qe3 exf3 20.Bxf3 Bb7 21.Qxc5 bxc5 22.Rc2 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rf4 24.Rd1 Raf8 25.Rxd7 Rxf3+ 26.Kg2 R3f5 27.Re2 h5 28.Rd3 h4 29.Rde3 Rg5+ 30.Kh2 Kg7 31.Rxe6 Rf1 32.Rg2 Rxg2+ 33.Kxg2 Ra1 34.Re2 Kf6 35.Kf3 Kf5 36.Rd2 Rf1+ 37.Ke3 Rh1 38.Rd5+ Kf6 39.Rxc5 Rxh3+ 40.Kf4 Rh1 41.Rc6+ Kg7 42.b4 Rg1 43.Rc7+ Kh6 44.Rc8 Kh7 45.Rd8 g5+ 46.Kf3 h3 47.Rd2 g4+ 48.Kf4 g3 49.Rd7+ Kh6 50.Rd6+ Kh5 51.Rd5+ Kh4 52.Rd8 Rf1+ 53.Ke3 g2 54.Rh8+ Kg3 55.Rg8+ Kh2 56.c5 g1Q+ 57.Rxg1 Kxg1 58.c6 h2 59.c7 Rc1 60.b5 Rxc7 61.b6 Rb7 62.a4 Rxb6 63.a5 Ra6*

Normal 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2745) Blitz 2024 *)* 9.Rc1 *(9.Bf4 Bb4)* 9...Bb7 10.a4 d5]

[8.Qb3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Bc5 *(8...Nc6* Krasenkow, Michal: ' ∞' *9.Bxb6* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan' *Qc8* Marin,Mihail: ' ≅'*)* 9.Bxc5 bxc5 Marin,Mihail: 'White faces a dilemma. e2-e4 would weaken the d4-square while otherwise ...d7-d5 is hard to stop. ' 10.e4 *(10.e3 Nc6 11.Rd1 0-0 12.Nh3 Ne5* Marin,Mihail: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Diagram



It seems to be the time for Black to resign, but....''*)* 10...Nc6 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 11.Qd1 0-0 12.Nh3 Nd4 13.Bd3 d5 Marin,Mihail: '↑']

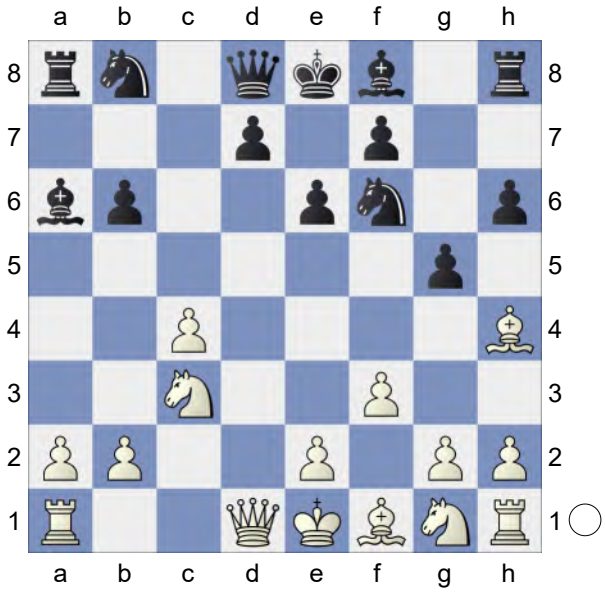
[8.Na4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Bxc4 *(8...b5 9.Nb6 Ra7 10.c5 d5 11.Rc1 Nc6* Marin,Mihail: 'The b6-knight is somewhat out of play and Black's centre may become threatening.

' *)* 9.Nxb6 Nd5 10.Nxc4 Qh4+ 11.Bf2 Qxc4 12.Qd4 Qb4+ Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'The best way of maintaining the initiative.' 13.Qxb4 Nxb4]

8...h6

[8...Bxc4 Marin,Mihail: '??' Marin, Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) allows a fork with' 9.Qd4]

9.Bh4 g5 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Diagram



''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Diagram [#]''' ' 10.Bf2 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'White could h'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'N''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'N' John Emms: 'Caruana is the first to diverge with this new move.''' ' ave gone here on move eight, but Caruana has meantime induced some potential weaknesses with ... h6 and ...g5.' Glenn Flear: 'White could have gone here on move eight, but Caruana has meantime induced some potential weaknesses with ... h6 and ...g5.''Marin,Mihail: 'The bishop has reached this safe square after having provoked the

weakening of the black kingside. But White's main problem is his delay in development, which offers Black great play in any case. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'The bishop has reached this safe square after having provoked the weakening of the black kingside. But White's main problem is his delay in development, which offers Black great play in any case.''' 10...Bxc4 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'This move isn't wise against 10 Be3 because of g2-g4, but that's not possible here.'''' 'This manoeuvre is appropriate now Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'This manoeuvre is appropriate now''' Marin,Mihail: ' Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: ' '''' 11.e4 Bxf1 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '!'''' 12.Kxf1 Marin,Mihail: 'Even though pawns are equal now, the last exchange once again reminds us of one of the main l'This is the main difference from the positions after ...e6xd5 c4xd5. Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This is the main difference from the positions after ...e6xd5 c4xd5.''' ines of the Volga/Benko Gambit. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Even though pawns are equal now, the last exchange once again reminds us of one of the main lines of the Volga/ Benko Gambit.''' 12...Nc6 13.Nge2 Bc5 14.Nd4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Material is balanced, 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Diagram

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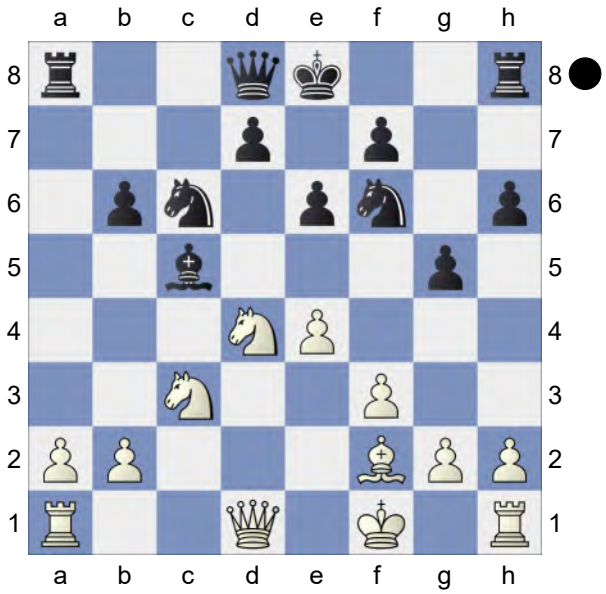

''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Diagram [#]''' ' but the strange Black pawn structure and awkwardly placed white king make the relative prospects difficult to judge.' Glenn Flear: 'Material is balanced, but the strange Black pawn structure and awkwardly placed white king make the relative prospects difficult to judge.'' 14...Qe7 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' '!?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: '!?' John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'The position is on a knife-edge. Black has a development advantage and must use his initiative, because once White coordinates his forces Black's weaknesses will become more prominent. Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?'''' ' Marin,Mihail: 'The position has more or less settled down, but evaluating it properly implies taking into account several aspects.

White's development is typical for the Sicilian defence (which he had aimed for with 4.dxc5) but his main problem is getting the king out of

the way of the major pieces. This can be achieved with either g2-g4 followed by ♔g2 or ♔fe-e2, ♖e1, ♔f1-g1. Both plans are time consuming and with ...d7-d5 in the air one would expect certain dangers for His Majesty. An additional plan would be fighting against the c5-bishop with a2-a3 and b2-b4, but this would not do much for his kingside development.
Black has comfortable development, but still needs to decide between castling right away or spending some time with ...♔f8-g7 in order to avoid problems along the h-file. His structure is flexible enough, but he should not forget that there are several weak dark squares in his structure, (Xf6, d6, b6).
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'" 15.Ncb5 Marin,Mihail: 'Consolidating the d4-square before switching to the aforementioned queenside plan. This move has the drawback of spending yet another tempo with the development incomplete. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Consolidating the d4-square before switching to the aforementioned queenside plan. This move has the drawback of spending yet another tempo with the development incomplete.'"
[15.a3 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M''Marin,Mihail: 'is an important alternative. If Black plays like in the game White would have chances for retaining an edge.' Kf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(* Marin,Mihail: 'And just as in the game,' *15...0-0* Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'looks better, although White would have to take into account' *16.g4* Marin,Mihail: ' ∞'Marin,Mihail: 'with sharp play.'*)* 16.b4 Marin,Mihail: 'The merit of this plan is that after the inevitable ♗f2xd4 the king will get the relatively comfortable f2-square.' Nxd4 *(16...Bxd4 17.Bxd4 Nxd4* Krasenkow,Michal: 'with big complications' *18.Qxd4* Marin,Mihail: '±' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan' *)* 17.Bxd4 *(17.e5* Marin,Mihail: '!?'*)* 17...e5 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ±' *(17...Bxd4* 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: '!?''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' John Emms: '!?'" ' 'was possible now, to which

Black should probably play Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'was possible now, to which Black should probably play'" *18.Qxd4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'" *Kg7* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *19.Kf2* Marin,Mihail: ' ⩲' *)* 18.Bxc5 Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) Krasenkow, Michal' Krasenkow,Michal: 'It's too late for capturing on d5 first, as' 18...bxc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) (Krasenkow,Michal) is answered by' 19.b5 Marin,Mihail: '⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '!']

15...Kf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞''Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '∞' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '!''''Marin,Mihail: 'Not a bad move, but it offers White the time to carry out his idea under acceptable circumstances. Glenn Flear: 'Marin, M: 'Not a bad move, but it offers White the time to carry out his idea under acceptable circumstances.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Black could castle here' Glenn Flear: 'Black could castle here'' 15...0-0 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'but would probably need to follow up with ...Kg7 at some point anyway.' Glenn Flear: 'but would probably need to follow up with ...Kg7 at some point anyway. Marin,M: '!?'' Glenn Flear: 'but would probably need to follow up with ...Kg7 at some point anyway." 16.h4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' *(* Marin,Mihail: 'Black's last move may have been aimed at inhibiting the plan based on' *16.g4* Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M''Marin,Mihail: 'but it seems that he would get a great game after' *Nxd4 17.Nxd4 d5 18.e5 Nd7 19.Nc6 Qe8* Krasenkow,Michal: '→' *20.h4* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *f5)* 16...g4 17.a3 Rac8 18.b4 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 Ne5 Marin,Mihail: '⇄']

16.a3

[16.g4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' h5 Marin,Mihail: '∓']

[16.h4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' g4]

16...Nxd4 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'With the threat on a2 preventing the Ng3 idea, finally it's safe to take on c4.''''' 17.Nxd4 Kg7 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: '!'''' 18.b4 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'Aronian has managed to avoid g2-g4 without making any concessions.''''

18...Bxd4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'The alternative Glenn Flear: 'The alternative'' 18...Bd6 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' 19.Nb5 Be5 Marin,Mihail: 'looks fine. Giving up the bishop is an ambitious attempt by Black, especially as he follows up with an optimistic pawn sacrifice. Glenn Flear: 'looks fine. Giving up the bishop is an ambitious attempt by Black, especially as he follows up with an optimistic pawn sacrifice."]

19.Bxd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: '?!'''Marin,Mihail: 'White has eliminated the enemy bishops, but his chanc'White's queen loses its way. Moradiabadi,Elshan:

'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White's queen loses its way.''' es of taking advantage of the weakness of the dark squares are not too high due to his poor development. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'White has eliminated the enemy bishops, but his chances of taking advantage of the weakness of the dark squares are not too high due to his poor development.''' 19...e5 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'This may have been partially inspired by the fact that Caruana had already spent a great deal of his available time.' Glenn Flear: 'This may have been partially inspired by the fact that Caruana had already spent a great deal of his available time.''Marin,Mihail: 'Switching back to the Volga Gambit mode. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Switching back to the Volga Gambit mode.'"

[19...d5 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow, Michal: '↑' 20.exd5 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' Rhd8 Marin,Mihail: '!']

20.Bxb6 Qe6 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: '!"" 21.Be3 Marin,Mihail: 'In view of the predictable ...d7-d5, the bishop is exposed on this square. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'In view of the predictable ...d7-d5, the bishop is exposed on this square.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'But' 21.Bc5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Marin,Mihail: 'would have failed to keep things under control due to' d6 Marin,Mihail: '!' 22.Qxd6 Qc4+ Krasenkow,Michal: '♕' 23.Kg1 Marin,Mihail: '□' Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) (Krasenkow,Michal) would be met by' *(23.Kf2 Qc2+ 24.Kg1* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Rhd8 25.Qc6 Rd1+ 26.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 27.Kf2 Qd2+ 28.Kf1 Rxa3* Marin,Mihail: '-+'*)* 23...Qc3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'but after 14 Qd2 it becomes a threat.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'After' 24.Qd1 Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) Krasenkow,Michal' Rhd8 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'the tactics favour White.' 25.Qc1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?''Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" Qxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Rxa3 Marin,Mihail: '=']

21...d5 Marin,Mihail: '♕' Marin,Mihail: 'Glen'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'John Emms: 'A nice discovered attack/defence!''' n Flear: 'Marin,M: '♕'" Krasenkow, Michal: '!'Marin,Mihail: 'Black has excellent compensation for the pawn and White needs to display certain accuracy to avoid problems. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Black has excellent compensation for the pawn and White needs to display certain accuracy to avoid problems.'" 22.Qb3

[22.exd5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Nxd5]

22...Rhb8 Marin,Mihail: '?!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '↑'" Flear: 'Marin,M: '?!'" Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Marin,Mihail: 'In the Volga/Benko Gambit this is the most common way of using the rooks, but here

there are things to do in the centre as well. The last move offers White chances to complete his development while keeping his extra pawn. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'In the Volga/Benko Gambit this is the most common way of using the rooks, but here there are things to do in the centre as well. The last move offers White chances to complete his development while keeping his extra pawn.'"

[22...Qa6+ Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' 23.Kf2 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) (Krasenkow,Michal) doesn't work, in view of'Marin,Mihail: 'White needs to spend a tempo on connecting his rooks.' *(23.b5* Marin,Mihail: '?' *Rhb8* Marin,Mihail: '!' *24.a4* Marin,Mihail: '?' *Rxb5* Marin,Mihail: '-+!'*)* 23...dxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 24.b5 'Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" Rhb8 25.a4 exf3 26.gxf3 Qc8 27.Kg2 Qf5 Marin,Mihail: 'Due to the vulnerability of the white king, Black should count on at least a draw by perpetual.']

[22...Rhd8 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Marin,Mihail: 'also looks more to the point than the game move, since the d-file is more important than the b-file.']

[Marin,Mihail: 'After' 22...dxe4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' Krasenkow, Michal: ' = 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'For example,' 23.Qxe6 Krasenkow, Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) (Krasenkow, Michal) deals with the g2-g4 problem, but at a cost of a tempo and reduced activity. After' fxe6 Marin,Mihail: 'I would probably have gone for Glenn Flear: 'I would probably have gone for'' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: 'it's suddenly looking very promising for White.' 24.Kf2 Marin,Mihail: 'when one feels that Black might struggle to'Moradiabadi, Elshan Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan'" contain the passed pawns. Glenn Flear: 'when one feels that Black might struggle to contain the passed pawns.'' *(* Marin,Mihail: 'noting that my computer prefers the more aggressive Glenn Flear: 'noting that my computer prefers the more aggressive" *24.h4)*]

23.Ke2 Marin,Mihail: '?!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: '?!'"

[23.exd5 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'and Black wins.' Nxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) Krasenkow,Michal' 24.Kf2 Marin,Mihail: ' ±!?' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *(24.Bd2* 'Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan John Emms: '!?'''' *Nxb4* Marin,Mihail: '!!' *25.Qxe6 fxe6* Marin,Mihail: '='*; 24.Rd1 Qa6+ 25.Kf2 Nf4 26.Rd2 Qxa3 27.Rb1* Marin,Mihail: '=' *)*]

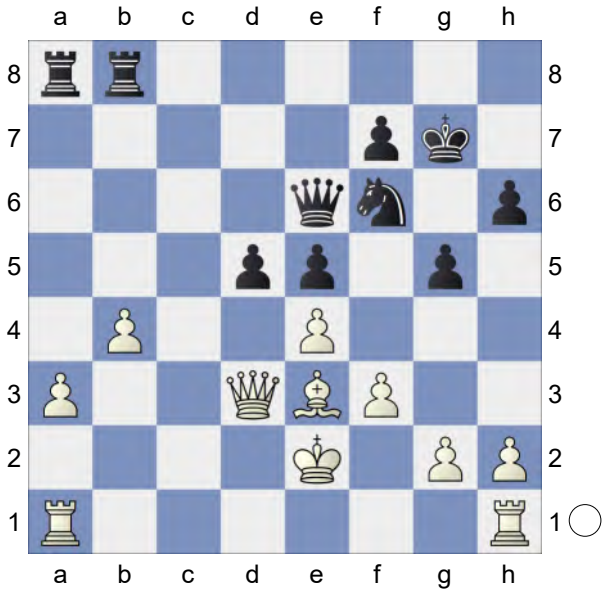
23...Qa6+ "Up to this point, the moves have been more or less forced. Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Up to this point, the moves have been more or less forced.'''' ' 24.Qd3 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' '!?''Caruana prepares an exchange

sacrifice but... Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' John Emms: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Caruana prepares an exchange sacrifice but...'''' ' 24...Qe6 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'Aronian has played the game with great energy, and by now it's clear that Black enjoys some advantage. Rather than allowing a strong passed pawn on c3, Caruana decides to sacrifice the exchange for a pawn. The resulting position should give White drawing chances, but Aronian manages to convert.''''

[Marin,Mihail: 'Without queens, the structure resulting after' 24...dxe4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 25.Qxa6 Rxa6 Marin,Mihail: 'looks dangerous for Black. The white king is safe and the queenside pawns are threatening.']

25.Qb3 Marin,Mihail: '=' '=' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: '='''

25...Qa6+ 26.Qd3 Qe6 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Diagram



''Diagram [#] Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Diagram [#]''' ' 'Black has won material; White is probably able to survive but must play very accutarely. Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Black has won material; White is probably able to survive but must play very accutarely.''' 27.exd5 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'By spurning the repetition, Caruana obviously de'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' '?''A natural move which turns out to be very costly. Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' John Emms: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'A natural move which turns out to be very costly.'''' ' cided that he was better.' Glenn Flear: 'By spurning the repetition, Caruana obviously decided that he was better. Marin, M: '!?''' Marin,Mihail: 'Continuing the fight rather than accepting a draw by repetition. Glenn Flear: 'Marin, M: 'Continuing the fight rather than accepting a draw by repetition.'''

[27.Qb3]

27...Nxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' '?''Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: '?''' ' 28.Kf2 Rd8 Marin,Mihail: 'Finally correcting the rook's position, but time is important in such situations. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Finally correcting the rook's position, but time is important in such situations.''' 29.Qc4 Marin,Mihail: '?!' Marin, Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: '?!''' Marin,Mihail: 'The queen is exposed

here and it does not defend the bishop. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'The queen is exposed here and it does not defend the bishop.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'I prefer the less exposed square'' 29.Qb3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!" Qf5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 30.Rhe1 Marin,Mihail: '⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) (Krasenkow,Michal) still isn't possible:']

29...Qf5 Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: '⇄'"

[29...Rdc8 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'John Emms: '!'" 30.Bc5 Nxb4 Marin,Mihail: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'John Emms: 'and Black's dynamic play still compensates for his weaknesses.'" 31.Qxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan' Nd3+ 32.Ke3 fxe6 Marin,Mihail: '=']

30.Rhe1 Krasenkow,Michal: '?"'This is way too slow. Now, Aronian wins by force. Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '?' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'This is way too slow. Now, Aronian wins by force."" '

[30.Rhd1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: '- the bishop is strong on f7.' Nxe3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 31.Kxe3 Rxa3+ Marin,Mihail: '↑!']

[30.Qe4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Qxe4 Marin,Mihail: '!?' 31.fxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Nc3 Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '(Krasenkow,Michal) John Emms: 'is a critical alternative, as it also protects c4. Engines give'"]

30...Rac8 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!' '!''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!''' 'Marin,Mihail: 'With all his pieces on active squares, Black has at least enough compensation for the paw'Black activates this knight, and White's king gets into trouble. Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black activates this knight, and White's king gets into trouble.'" n.
Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'With all his pieces on active squares, Black has at least enough compensation for the pawn.
'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Plausible is' 30...Nxe3 Marin,Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) but after' 31.Rxe3 Rd2+ 32.Re2 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and White should not lose' Rc8 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) Krasenkow,Michal' 33.Qe4 Rxe2+ Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 34.Kxe2 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) Krasenkow,Michal' Qe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!'Krasenkow,Michal: 'This looks better than' 35.Rd1 Marin,Mihail: 'White retains the slightly better chances. Glenn Flear: 'White retains the slightly better chances.'' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi,Elshan) Krasenkow,Michal']

31.Bc5

[31.Qe4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear:

'Marin,M'' Rc2+ Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' 32.Kg1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan' *(32.Re2* Marin,Mihail: '??' *Rxe2+ 33.Kxe2 Nc3+* Krasenkow,Michal: '!*)* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Missing a good defensive opportunity:' 32...Qxe4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 33.fxe4 Nxe3 34.Rxe3 Rdd2 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' 35.Rg3 Rb2 Marin,Mihail: '=!?']

31...Nf4 32.Kg1 Marin,Mihail: '?' Marin, Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '??' '??' '??' '??' '??' '??' Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: '?'" Marin,Mihail: 'Ironically, occupying what looks the safest square for the king is the decisive mistake. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'Ironically, occupying what looks the safest square for the king is the decisive mistake.'"

[Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Correct is'' Marin,Mihail: 'For reasons that will be revealed soon, it was essential to defend the e1-rook: Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'For reasons that will be revealed soon, it was essential to defend the e1-rook:''' 32.Kf1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'when'' Rd2 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'can be met by' Glenn Flear: 'can be met by'' 33.Ra2 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '. Even so'' Rxa2 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow, Michal'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'holding on. ' *(33...Qd7* Marin,Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) (with ...Nxg2 in mind) gives Black a dangerous initiative for the pawn. Glenn Flear: '(with ...Nxg2 in mind) gives Black a dangerous initiative for the pawn.''*)* 34.Qxa2 'Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'" Qd3+ 35.Kg1 Qc3 Marin,Mihail: '∞']

32...Rd2 33.Ra2 Nxg2 Marin,Mihail: '-+!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Black crashes through. The fact that the rook on e1 is undefended makes a big difference' Glenn Flear: 'Black crashes through. The fact that the rook on e1 is undefended makes a big difference Marin,M: '-+!'' Glenn Flear: 'Black crashes through. The fact that the rook on e1 is undefended makes a big difference''Marin,Mihail: 'This is the point! With the king on f1 this move would have been impossible.

Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M: 'This is the point! With the king on f1 this move would have been impossible.

'" 34.Rxd2 Nxe1 35.Rf2 Nxf3+ 36.Kg2 e4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'White's king is too vulnerable for him to really have much of a chance of surviving.' Glenn Flear: 'White's king is too vulnerable for him to really have much of a chance of surviving.''Marin,Mihail: 'Black is a pawn up and retains dangerous threats. Engines are not too enthusiastic about Grischuk's play in the next phase, since he repeatedly chooses -3.00 or -4.00 continuations when there were -9. 00 alternatives. But this does not have any meaning, the main thing is that Black's win will not be in any shadow of doubt until the end.

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''' 37.Re2 Re8
[37...Rd8 Marin,Mihail: '-+!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 38.Qc3+ Krasenkow,Michal: '∓!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *(38.Qxe4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲' *Nh4+ 39.Kg3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' *Rd3+)* 38...f6 Krasenkow,Michal: '△' 39.Qc2 Nh4+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Moradiabadi,Elshan Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan''' 40.Kg1 Qh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓']
[37...Nh4+ Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' 38.Kg1 Rd8 Marin,Mihail: 'would already have been decisive.']
38.a4
[38.Bf2 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'']
38...Qf4
[38...Rd8 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'in view of']
[38...Nh4+ Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) again.']
39.Kh1 Rd8 40.Qc3+ f6 41.Qc2 Rd3 42.a5 Ne1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Glenn Flear: 'Another strong hop to this square.' Glenn Flear: 'Another strong hop to this square.'' 43.Rxe1 Rd2 44.Qxd2 Qxd2 45.Re3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?''Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?''''A strange decision - to keep the g5 pawn alive. Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A strange decision - to keep the g5 pawn alive.''' 45...f5 46.Kg1 Qa2 Krasenkow,Michal: '-+''Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '-+''' 47.Re1 f4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'' 48.a6
[48.Rxe4 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' Qb1+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!''Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'would have maintained the balance because Nb5 is not possible. Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'would have maintained the balance because Nb5 is not possible.'''' 'was essential preventing Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'was essential preventing''']
48...e3 49.Bd4+
[49.Bxe3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' fxe3 50.Rxe3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black needs to work a while to win.' Qxa6 Marin,Mihail: 'is a technical win for Black. Glenn Flear: 'is a technical win for Black.''Krasenkow,Michal: 'is not decisive due to']
49...Kg6 50.Ra1 Qf2+ 51.Kh1 Qf3+ 52.Kg1 Qg4+ Krasenkow,Michal: 'After' 53.Kh1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 53...f3
0-1 (53) Deslandes,P (2844)-Ernst,H (2797) corr ICCF 2014 Anti-Sicilians MBM [FS 12/1979 p311] Marin,Mihail: 'threatening both the bishop as well as mate.'

Marin,Mihail: 'Otherwise' **4...Qc7** Marin,Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) could transpose. Instead after' Krasenkow, Michal: '=' 5.Nd2 Marin,Mihail: '(a bit slow?)' 5...Qxc5 6.e4 Bg7 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Nh3 d6 10.Nf4 e6 11.Qd2 Nc6 12.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: '=' 12...a5 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Balla, Ta-Florescu, C Arad 2011, Black had obtained counter chances.' Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan'

4...Bg7 5.Nc3

[5.e4 Qc7 *(5...0-0 6.Be3 Qa5+ 7.Qd2 Qc7 8.Nc3 Na6 9.Rc1 Nxc5 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 b6 12.b4 d6 13.bxc5 bxc5 14.Bc4 Rb8 15.Ne2 Rb2 16.Rc2 Rb1+ 17.Nc1 Qb6 18.0-0 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Qxa6 20.Qe2 Qa4 21.Nb3 Rxf1+ 22.Kxf1 Rb8 23.Qc4 Rb4 24.Qe2 h5 25.h4 a5 26.Kf2 Bf6 27.Kg3 c4 28.Nd4 Qa3 29.Nc6 Rb2 30.Rxb2 Bxb2 31.Bd4 Bxd4 32.Nxd4 Qc3 33.Nc2 a4 34.Kf2 Qf6 35.Qxc4 Qxh4+ 36.Kg1 a3 37.Qc3 Qf4 38.Nxa3 h4 39.Nc2 h3 40.Qe3 Qg3 41.Qf2 Qg5 42.g4 Qf4 43.Ne3 Qe5 44.Nf1 Qc3 45.Kh2 Qe5+ 46.Kxh3 e6 47.dxe6 fxe6 48.Kg2 Qc3 49.Ng3 d5 50.exd5 exd5 51.Ne2 Qd3 52.Nf4 Qc4 53.Nxg6 d4 54.Ne7+ Kf7 55.Nf5 d3 56.Nd6+ Ke6 57.Nxc4 d2 58.Qxd2* 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2667)-ajedrez2021 (2587) Blitz 2024*)* 6.Be3 Na6 7.Nc3 Nxc5 8.Rc1 a6 9.Nd5 Qc6 10.Ne2 d6 11.Nd4 1-0 (11) Consent_to_treatment (2673)-Shinsei (2505) Blitz 2024]

5...Na6 6.e4 Nxc5 7.Be3 d6

[7...b6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Nh3 Bb7 10.Be2 e6 11.Nf4 d5 12.exd5 exd5 13.cxd5 Re8 14.0-0 g5 15.Nd3 Rxe3 16.Qxe3 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Qxd5 18.Kh1 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Bxb2 20.Qxd5 Bxd5 21.Rad1 Be6 22.Rd2 Be5 23.Rc2 Kg7 24.Rd1 h5 25.Ba6 h4 26.Bb7 Re8 27.Bd5 Bf5 28.Be4 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Bf4 30.Re2 b5 31.Rd3 a5 32.g3 hxg3 33.hxg3 Be5 34.Rd5 Kg6 35.Kg2 b4 36.Rxa5 f6 37.Rb5 Bc3 38.Rb6 g4 39.Rb5 Rd8 40.Rf5 Rd3 41.Rf4 Kg5 42.Rf5+ Kg6 43.Rd5 Rf3 44.Rf2 Re3 45.Rf4 Re2+ 46.Kf1 Rxa2 47.Rxg4+ Kf7 48.Rb5 Rb2 49.Rh4 b3 50.Rh7+ Kg6 51.Rhb7 Rb1+ 52.Ke2 b2 53.Kd3 Be5 54.R7b6 Rg1 55.Rxe5 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-SilentAndCalm (2654) Blitz 2023]

8.Bxc5

[8.Qd2 0-0 9.Nge2

A) 9...a6 10.Nf4 Bd7 *(10...b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Nb3 13.Qd1 Nxa1 14.Qxa1 e5 15.Nfd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Qa5+ 17.Nc3 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Qxa6 19.Kf2 f5 20.Rd1 fxe4 21.Nxe4 Qxa2 22.Qxa2+ Rxa2 23.Rxd6 Rxb2+ 24.Kg3 Rc8 25.Nc5 e4 26.Rd7 exf3 27.gxf3 Re2 28.Bg1 Rf8 29.Nd3 Rd2 30.h4 h5 31.Be3 Rd1 32.Bg5 Bf6 33.Bh6 Rd8 34.Rxd8+ Bxd8 35.Nf4 Bc7 36.Kg2 Bxf4 37.Bxf4 Kf7 38.Bg5 Ke6 39.Kg3 Rd4 40.Be3 Rc4 41.Bh6 Ra4 42.Bg5 Kd5 43.Bh6 Kd4 44.Bg7+ Ke3 45.Bh6+ Ke2 46.f4 Ra3+ 47.Kg2 Kd3 48.Kf3 Kd4+ 49.Kg2 Ke4 50.Bg5 Rf3 51.Bh6 Rxf4 52.Bxf4 Kxf4 53.Kh3 Kf3* 0-1 (53) Lucky1357924680 (2623)-Kivurawnuru (2881) Blitz

2024 *)* 11.Be2 b5 12.0-0 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Bc6 14.Rfd1 Nfd7 15.Nfd5 Re8 16.Rac1 Rb8 17.b4 Ne5 18.Be2 Na4 19.Bxa6 Nxc3 20.Rxc3 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rxb4 22.Rc8 Qxc8 23.Bxc8 Rb2 24.Qxb2 Nxf3+ 25.gxf3 Bxb2 26.Rb1 Bf6 27.Rb8 Kg7 28.a4 1-0 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2713)-tryhard122 (2695) Blitz 2024;

B) 9...b6 10.Nd4 Bb7 11.Be2 a6 12.0-0 e6 13.Rfd1 d5 14.cxd5 exd5 15.e5 Nfd7 16.f4 Rc8 17.Bf3 Ne4 18.Bxe4 dxe4 19.Ne6 fxe6 20.Qxd7 Qxd7 21.Rxd7 Bc6 22.Rd6 b5 23.Rxe6 Rfd8 24.Rd1 Rxd1+ 25.Nxd1 Bf8 26.a3 a5 27.Nc3 b4 28.axb4 axb4 29.Ne2 Bd5 30.Rb6 Rc2 31.Nd4 Rxb2 32.Rb8 b3 33.e6 Kg7 34.f5 Bc5 35.Rb5 Rb1+ 36.Kf2 b2 37.Nc2 Bxe3+ 38.Nxe3 gxf5 39.Nxf5+ Kf6 40.e7 Bf7 41.Kg3 Rf1 42.Nd6 b1Q 43.Rxb1 Rxb1 44.e8Q Bxe8 45.Nxe8+ Ke5 0-1 (45) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-SilentAndCalm (2640) Blitz 2023;

C) 9...Be6 10.Nf4 Rc8 11.Be2 *(11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfe8 13.Be2 a6 14.Ncd5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Nfd7 16.Rc1 Rb8 17.Nc7 Rec8 18.Ncd5 Kf8 19.h4 Na4 20.b3 Nac5 21.Nxe6+ fxe6 22.Nc3 Ne5 23.f4 Nc6 24.Bf3 Kf7 25.h5 b5 26.hxg6+ hxg6 27.cxb5 axb5 28.e5 d5 29.Bxc5 b4 30.Ne2* 1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2633)-menezchri (2616) Blitz 2022*)* 11...a6 12.0-0 Nfd7 13.Rac1 Ne5 14.b3 Re8 15.Rfd1 Qa5 16.Nxe6 Nxe6 17.f4 Nc6 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Ned4 20.Bg4 e6 21.Nb6 Rcd8 22.Rcd1 f5 23.Bh3 e5 24.exf5 Nxf5 25.Bxf5 gxf5 26.Rxd6 Rxd6 27.Rxd6 exf4 28.Bf2 Re2 29.Rd1 Rxa2 30.Nd5 Rb2 31.Nxf4 Rxb3 32.Ne6 Be5 33.Nc5 Rc3 34.Nd3 Rxc4 35.Nxe5 Nxe5 36.Bg3 Ng4 37.h3 Ne3 38.Rd8+ Kf7 39.Rd7+ Ke6 40.Rxb7 Rc2 41.Rb6+ Kd5 42.Rxa6 Rxg2+ 43.Kh1 Rxg3 0-1 (43) Consent_to_treatment (2739)-la_volante (2719) Blitz 2022]

[8.Nge2 0-0 9.Nf4 Ne6 10.Qd2 Nxf4 11.Bxf4 Bd7 12.Be2 a5 13.0-0 a4 14.Be3 Qa5 15.Rac1 Rfc8 16.Rfd1 h5 17.h4 Be6 18.Nb5 Nd7 19.Qxa5 Rxa5 20.Bd4 Bh6 21.Rc3 f6 22.Kf2 Ne5 23.Bxe5 fxe5 24.c5 dxc5 25.Na3 c4 26.Bxc4 Bxc4 27.Rxc4 Rac5 28.b3 b5 29.Rxc5 Rxc5 30.Ke2 axb3 31.axb3 Rc3 32.Rd3 Rc5 33.b4 Rc1 34.Rb3 Kf7 35.Nxb5 Bf4 36.Nc3 Rc2+ 37.Kd3 Bg3 38.Kxc2 1-0 (38) kflorian (2667)-Nguyen,D (2409) Blitz 2021]

8...dxc5 9.Qxd8+ Kxd8 10.e5 Nd7 11.f4 f6 12.exf6 exf6 13.0-0-0 Ke7 14.Nd5+ Kf7 15.Nc7 Rb8 16.Nb5 Nb6 17.Nd6+ Ke7 18.Nxc8+ Rbxc8 19.Ne2 Rhd8 20.Re1 Kf7 21.b3 a5 22.g4 a4 23.Bg2 axb3 24.axb3 Ra8 25.Nc3 f5 26.Na4 Nxa4 27.bxa4 Rd4 28.Bd5+ Kf8 29.gxf5 Rxa4 30.Rd1 Ra1+ 31.Kc2 Ra2+ 32.Kb3 Rb2+ 33.Ka3 Rxd1 34.Rxd1 gxf5 35.h4 Rb6 36.Rg1 Rg6 37.Rd1 Bd4 38.Ka4 Ra6+ 39.Kb5 Rb6+ 40.Kxb6 1-0 (40) chessisinmyblood (2775)-AspirantStudent (2590) Blitz 2021

4...Nc6 5.e4 Bg7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.Be3 b6 8.cxb6 axb6 9.Nh3 Na5

10.Nf2 Ba6 11.Nb5 d6 12.Be2 Nd7 13.Bd4 Ne5 14.b3 Nac6 15.0-0 Bxb5 16.Bxe5 Bxe5 17.cxb5 Bxa1 18.bxc6 Bg7 19.a4 Qc7 20.Bb5 Rfd8 21.Ng4 e6 22.Ne3 d5 23.exd5 Qe5 24.Nc4 Qd4+ 25.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 26.Kh1 exd5 27.Nd2 Bc5 28.Rd1 Rac8 29.h4 Re8 30.Kh2 Bd6+ 31.Kh3 Bf4 32.Nb1 Red8 33.Nc3 d4 34.Ne4 f5 35.Nf6+ Kg7 36.Nd7 Be3 37.Nxb6 Rxc6 38.Bxc6 Rd6 39.Nc4 Rxc6 40.g3 Rc8 41.f4 Rb8 42.Rd3 Rb4 43.Nxe3 dxe3 44.Rxe3 Kf6 45.Rc3 h5 46.Rc6+ Kg7 47.Rc3 Rb8 48.Kg2 Ra8 49.Kf3 Rb8 50.Ke3 Rb4 51.Kd3 Re4 52.Kc2 Re2+ 53.Kb1 Rf2 54.a5 Rg2 55.a6 Rg1+ 56.Kb2 Rg2+ 57.Ka3 Rxg3 58.Rxg3 Kh6 59.Rg5 Kg7 60.a7 Kf6 61.a8Q Ke6 62.Qa6+ Kd5 63.Qxg6 Ke4 64.Qxf5+ Ke3 65.Rxh5 Kf3 66.Rg5 Ke3 67.Qg4 Kf2 68.f5 Ke1 69.f6 Kf1 70.f7 Ke1 71.Qf5 Kd1 72.Rg6 Kc1 73.Rg4 Kd2 74.Qf3 Kc1 75.Rg2 Kb1 76.Qf1# 1-0 (76) Consent_to_treatment (2744)-Ocinitram (2627) Blitz 2022

4...b6 5.cxb6 Qxb6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.e4 Nc6 8.Nd5

[8.Qb3 Qc5 9.Qb5 d6 10.Qxc5 dxc5 11.Be3 Nd4 12.0-0-0 0-0 13.Nge2 e5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 f5 16.Nc3 Bd7 17.Bc4 a5 18.Rhe1 a4 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 e4 21.Ne2 Rfc8 22.Kb1 Rab8 23.Rd2 Bb5 24.Rc1 a3 25.b3 Bxc4 26.Rxc4 Nxb3 27.axb3 Rxb3+ 28.Ka2 Rxe3 29.d6 Rd3 30.Rxd3 exd3 31.Nc3 Bxc3 32.Rxc3 c4 33.d7 Rd8 34.Rxc4 Rxd7 35.Rc1 d2 36.Rd1 Rd3 37.Kb1 Kf7 38.Kc2 Rd4 39.g3 Ke6 40.Kb3 Kd5 41.Kxa3 Ke4 42.Kb2 Kd3 43.Ra1 Ke2 44.Kc3 d1Q 45.Rxd1 Rxd1 46.g4 0-1 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-ice2breaker (2737) Blitz 2023]

8...Nxd5 9.cxd5 Nd4 10.Bd3 0-0 11.Ne2 Rb8 12.Rb1 e6 13.b3 exd5 14.Bb2 d6 15.exd5 Re8 16.Kf1 Nxf3 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.gxf3 Bh3+ 19.Ke1 Re3 20.Be4 f5 21.Rc1 fxe4 22.Rc6 Qb4+ 23.Qd2 Qxd2+ 24.Kxd2 Rd3+ 25.Kc2 Rxf3 26.Ng3 e3 27.Re1 Re8 28.Rxd6 h5 29.Ne2 Rf2 30.Kd3 Rxh2 31.Nc3 Bf5+ 32.Kc4 Rd2 33.Rc6 e2 34.d6 Rd8 35.Kc5 a6 36.Rxe2 Rd3 37.Kb4 Kh6 38.Ne4 Bxe4 39.Rxe4 R3xd6 40.Rxd6 Rxd6 41.Kc5 Rf6 42.b4 g5 43.a4 g4 44.b5 axb5 45.axb5 g3 46.b6 Rxb6 47.Kxb6 Kg5 48.Re1 Kg4 49.Rg1 h4 50.Kc5 h3 51.Rd1 h2 52.Rd4+ Kh3 53.Rd3 Kg2 54.Rd1 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2703)-Micheliavelli (2677) Blitz 2023

4...e5 5.Be3 Nc6 6.Nc3 b6 7.cxb6 axb6 8.Qd2 Bc5 9.Bxc5 bxc5 10.e3 0-0 11.Nh3 d6 12.Nf2 Be6 13.Rd1 Qb6 14.Bd3 Rfd8 15.e4 Nd4 16.0-0 Nh5 17.b3 Nf4 18.Rfe1 Rd7 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qd8 21.Kh1 f5 22.Bb1 Qg5 23.Nd3 Qh4 24.g3 Qh3 25.Nxf4 exf4 26.Qxf4 Rdd8 27.Rxd4 cxd4 28.Qxd4 Re8 29.Qf2 Rxe1+ 30.Qxe1 Kf8 31.Kg1 Re8 32.Qf1 Qh6 33.f4 Qg7 34.Qf2 Qa1 35.Kg2 Qxb1 36.Qa7 Qe4+ 37.Kh3 Qf3 38.Qg1 Qg4+ 39.Kg2 Re2+ 40.Kh1 Qf3+ 41.Qg2 Qxg2# 0-1 (41) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-Zlatin (2618) Blitz 2023

[122] **5...Qxc5** 6.e4 Marin,Mihail: 'White has build up the Maroczy bind, but will need to find a coherent way to complete his development in order to have any chance of claiming an advantage. Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M:

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6...d6

[6...Bg7 7.Qd3 *(7.a3* Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear' *d6 8.b4 Qb6 9.Na4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Qc7 10.Be3 0-0 11.Rc1 Nbd7 12.Ne2 Nb6* Marin,Mihail: 'Partos, C-Vaganian, R Biel izt 1985, and White was unable to keep control Glenn Flear: 'Partos, C-Vaganian, R Biel izt 1985, and White was unable to keep control'') 7...Nc6 8.Be3 Qa5 9.Qd2 d6

A) 10.Bd3 Be6 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.b3 0-0 13.0-0

A1) 13...Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Rac8 *(14...Nd7 15.Rfd1 Nc5 16.Qd2 Rfc8 17.Rac1 Qd8 18.Nf4 a5 19.Nfd5 h5 20.Bg5 Bxd5 21.Nxd5 f6 22.Be3 Rab8 23.Nf4 Kf7 24.Qd5+ e6 25.Qxd6 Bf8 26.Qxd8 Rxd8 27.Kf1 h4 28.Ke2 g5 29.Nd3 Nxd3 30.Rxd3 Rxd3 31.Kxd3 Rd8+ 32.Ke2 Bd6 33.h3 Ke7 34.Rd1 Rc8 35.Bd4 a4 36.Bxf6+ Kxf6 37.Rxd6 axb3 38.axb3 Ra8 39.Rd2 Ra3 40.Rb2 Ke5 41.Kd3 Kf4 42.Kd4 Ra5 43.b4 e5+ 44.Kc3 Ra3+ 45.Rb3 Ra2 46.Rb2 Ra3+ 47.Rb3 Ra2 48.c5 Rxg2 49.Kc4 Rc2+ 50.Kd5 Kg3 51.Kxe5 Kxh3 52.f4+ Kg4 53.fxg5 Kxg5 54.Kd6 Kg4 55.e5 h3 56.b5 h2 57.Rb1 Rd2+ 58.Kc7 Rd5 59.Kb6 Rxe5 60.Rb4+ Kg3 61.Rb3+ Kg2 62.Rb2+ Kg1 63.Rb1+ Kg2 64.Ra1 h1Q 65.Rxh1 Kxh1 66.c6 bxc6 67.bxc6 Re6 68.Kb7 Rxc6 69.Kxc6* ½-½ (69) Consent_to_treatment (2693)-Koshechka22 (2645) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.Rfd1 Nd7 16.Rac1 Ne5 17.Qd2 Qd8 18.Nd5 Nc6 19.Nd4 b6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Nf4 Qd7 22.Ne2 Kh8 23.Nd4 Ne5 24.Ne2 Rxf3 25.Bh6 Rf7 26.Bxg7+ Kxg7 27.Rf1 Rcf8 28.Ng3 Qc6 29.Qd4 Qc5 30.Qxc5 bxc5 31.Rxf7+ Rxf7 32.Ne2 Nd3 33.Rc3 Nb4 34.a3 Nc6 35.Rf3 Rxf3 36.gxf3 e5 37.Kf2 Kf7 38.Nc3 Nd4 39.Nb5 Nxb5 40.cxb5 e6 41.a4 Ke7 42.a5 Kd7 43.Ke3 d5 44.Kd3 Kc7 45.Kc3 g5 46.Kd3 h5 47.h3 Kd6 48.Ke3 c4 49.b4 c3 50.Kd3 dxe4+ 51.Kxc3 exf3 52.Kd3 g4 53.hxg4 hxg4 54.Ke3 Kd5 55.b6 axb6 56.a6 Kc6 57.b5+ Kc7 58.Kf2 e4 59.Kf1 e3 60.Ke1 g3 61.Kf1 e5 62.Ke1 g2 63.Kd1 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2714)-daubon (2757) Blitz 2022;

A2) 13...Rfc8 14.Rac1 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Nd7 16.Rfd1 a6 17.Nf4 Ne5 *(17...b5 18.Ncd5 Kf8 19.Nxe7 bxc4 20.Qxd6* 1-0 (20) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Shukh_Nikolay (2579) Blitz 2023*)* 18.Qd2 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Ncd5 Qxd2 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rxd2 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Rc1+ 24.Kf2 e6 25.Nb4 Bf8 26.Nd3 Nxd3+ 27.Rxd3 Ra1 28.Rd2 b4 29.Bd4 Rc1 30.Bb2 Rb1 31.Rc2 d5 32.exd5 exd5 33.Bf6 d4 34.Rc8 d3 35.Be7 d2 36.Bxf8 Rc1 37.Ra8 1-0 (37) Consent_to_treatment

(2684)-Greifax (2579) Blitz 2023;
A3) 13...a6 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxe7+ Kh8 16.Bxd2 Nxd3 17.Rad1 Rfe8 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.cxd5 Nb2 20.Rc1 Nxd5 21.Nf4 Nxf4 22.Bxf4 Nd3 0-1 (22) Consent_to_treatment (2717)-liczner (2737) Blitz 2022;
B) 10.Nge2 0-0 11.Nf4]
[6...Nc6 7.Nh3 *(7.Qd3 Ne5 8.Qe2 d6 9.Be3 Qc7 10.Rc1 Bg7 11.Qd2 Bd7 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Ne2 0-0 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Nf4 e6 16.Be2 Qc7 17.0-0 Rfd8 18.Rfd1 Be8 19.b3 Rac8 20.Nd3 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Bc6 22.Bd4 Bxd4+ 23.Qxd4 e5 24.Qe3 Qb6 25.Qxb6 axb6 26.a4 Kf8 27.Kf2 Ke7 28.Ke3 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.g3 Ke6 31.f4 Kf6 32.Rd2 Rd7 33.Rcd1 Rcd8 34.fxe5+ dxe5 35.Rxd7 Rxd7 36.Rxd7 Bxd7 37.Bf3 Bc6 38.Bxc6 bxc6 39.b4 Ke7 40.Kf3 h5 41.h3 Kd6 42.g4 fxg4+ 43.hxg4 h4 44.g5 Ke6 45.a5 bxa5 46.bxa5* 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-warrior5191 (2647) Blitz 2022*)* 7...Bg7 8.Nf2 d6 9.Qd3 Ne5 10.Qe2 Be6 11.b3 a6 12.Be3 Qa5 13.Qd2 0-0 14.Nd5 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Bxd5 16.cxd5 Rfc8 17.Nd3 Nfd7 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.Rc1 Rxc1 20.Kxc1 Rc8+ 21.Kd2 Bb2 22.Be2 Ba3 23.h4 h5 24.Bd4 Bc5 25.Bb2 Bb4+ 26.Kd1 Bc3 27.Bc1 Bf6 28.g4 hxg4 29.fxg4 Kh7 30.g5 Bd4 31.Bg4 Rc7 32.h5 gxh5 33.Bf5+ Kg7 34.Rxh5 Ne5 35.Rh3 a5 36.Bd2 b6 37.g6 Nxg6 38.Bh6+ Kg8 39.Bg5 Kg7 40.Bh6+ Kg8 41.Bxg6 fxg6 42.Kd2 Bf6 43.Be3 Kg7 44.Bf4 g5 45.Be3 Kg6 46.Bxb6 Rc8 47.Bxa5 g4 48.Rh1 Be5 49.Bb6 Kg5 50.Be3+ Kg6 51.a4 g3 52.Ke2 Rc3 53.Rb1 Kh5 54.a5 Kg4 55.a6 Rc2+ 56.Kd3 Ra2 57.b4 g2 58.b5 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2710)-MATRIXTRINITY (2560) Blitz 2022]
7.Na4 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞'
[7.Qd3 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' Nc6
A) 8.a3 Ne5 9.Qe2 Be6 10.Nd5 Bxd5 11.cxd5 Bg7 12.Qb5+ Qxb5 13.Bxb5+ Ned7 14.Ne2 0-0 15.Be3 a6 16.Ba4 Rfc8 17.Bd4 b5 18.Bb3 Nc5 19.Bc2 Nfd7 20.Kd2 Rc7 21.Rac1 Rac8 22.b4 Nb7 23.Bd3 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rxc1 25.Kxc1 Ne5 26.Kd2 Nd8 27.f4 Nxd3 28.Kxd3 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Nd4 Kf6 32.Nc6 Nb7 33.Kd4 e6 34.dxe6 Kxe6 35.Nb8 a5 36.Nc6 axb4 37.axb4 d5 38.Na7 Nd6 39.Kc5 Ne4+ 40.Kd4 Nd6 41.g3 h5 42.h4 Ne4 43.Nxb5 Nxg3 44.Nc7+ Kd6 45.Nxd5 Ne2+ 46.Kd3 Nc1+ 47.Kc4 Ne2 48.Ne3 Nxf4 49.Nxf5+ Ke5 50.Ng7 Ng6 51.Nxh5 Nxh4 52.Kc5 Nf5 53.b5 Nd6 54.b6 Nb7+ 55.Kc6 Na5+ 56.Kc7 Kd5 57.Nf4+ Kc5 58.Ne2 Kb5 59.Nc3+ Ka6 60.Ne4 Nc4 61.b7 Nd6 62.Nxd6 Ka7 *(62...Ka5 63.b8Q Ka4 64.Qb2 Ka5 65.Qb5#* 1-0 (77) Superfm1 (2602)-KingZlatan (2226) Rapid 2021 *)* 63.b8Q+ Ka6 64.Qb6# 1-0 (64) Consent_to_treatment (2701)-Larsen,M (2560) Blitz 2023;
B) 8.Be3 Nb4 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'This is the moment when it is important that the queen is defended.' 9.Bxc5 *(9.Qd2 Qxe3+ 10.Qxe3 Nc2+ 11.Kd2 Nxe3 12.Kxe3 Bh6+ 13.Kf2 0-0*

14.Rd1 Be6 15.Bd3 Rfc8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Bd7 18.Ne2 Rc5 19.f4 Rac8 20.g3 Bg7 21.b3 f5 22.Rc1 fxe4 23.Bxe4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rxc1 25.Nxc1 Kf7 26.Ke2 Bd4 27.Nd3 Kf6 28.Bf3 h5 29.Nf2 Bb5+ 30.Ke1 a5 31.Ne4+ Kg7 32.Ng5 Bc3+ 33.Kd1 a4 34.Kc2 Bb4 35.Ne6+ Kf6 36.Nd4 Bd7 37.Be4 a3 38.Kd3 Bc5 39.Kc3 b5 40.b4 Bxd4+ 41.Kxd4 g5 42.fxg5+ Kxg5 43.Bf3 Kf6 44.Bxh5 e5+ 45.dxe6 Bxe6 46.Be2 Bxa2 47.Bxb5 Bb3 48.Kc3 a2 49.Kb2 d5 50.Bd3 d4 51.b5 Ke5 52.b6 Bd5 53.h4 Bb7 1-0 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2685)-genbu64 (2690) Blitz 2022*)*
9...Nxd3+ 10.Bxd3 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ⩲' dxc5 11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 Bh6 13.Nd5 Rb8 14.g3 f6 Marin,Mihail: '=' Marin,Mihail: 'Gurevich,D (2575)-Gulko,B (2635) Beersheba 1993 (½-½, 19)']

7...Qh5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'

[7...Qa5+ Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin,M'' 8.Bd2 Qd8 9.Ne2 Nc6 10.Nac3 Bg7 11.Nf4]

[7...Qc7 Marin,Mihail: '(Glenn Flear) looks normal, but this allows White to tidy up with' 8.Be3]

8.Ne2 Bh6 9.Nf4 Qe5 Krasenkow, Michal: '0-1 (33) Lombaers,P (2383)-Alekseenko,K (2704) Caleta ENG 2020' 10.Nd3 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ±' 10...Qh5 Krasenkow, Michal: '1/2 (43) Tsvetkov,A (2358)-Smirnov,A (2597) lichess.org INT 2020' 11.Nf4 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' 11...Qe5 12.Nd5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Giri, A-Matamoros Franco, C Tromsö Olympiad 2014, and the subsequent trade of two pairs of minor pieces only left White with a slight space advantage.' Glenn Flear: 'Giri, A-Matamoros Franco, C Troms→Olympiad 2014, and the subsequent trade of two pairs of minor pieces only left White with a slight space advantage.'' 12...Bxc1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin, M'' 13.Rxc1 Nxd5 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ∞' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (34) Aronian,L (2758)-Carlsen,M (2876) Douglas 2019' 14.cxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan' 14...0-0 'Aronian,Levon 2758 - Carlsen,Magnus 2876, Douglas 2019 - 143/176 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Aronian,Levon 2758 - Carlsen,Magnus 2876, Douglas 2019 - 143/176'' 15.Be2 Bd7 16.Nc3 Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: 'Giri,A (2745)-Matamoros Franco,C (2525) Tromso 2014 (1-0, 51)' 16...Na6 17.0-0 g5 18.Qd2 Kh8 19.Rfe1 Rfc8 20.Bxa6 bxa6 21.Ne2 a5 22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 23.Rc1 Rxc1+ 24.Qxc1 h6 25.Qd2 Kg7 26.Nc3 f5 27.exf5 Bxf5 28.g3 Bg6 29.Kf2 Kf6 30.a3 Bf7 31.h4 Bg6 32.hxg5+ hxg5 33.Nd1 Bf7 34.Ne3 Kg6 35.Qc2+ Kg7 36.Qc3 Qf6 37.f4 gxf4 38.gxf4 Kg6 39.Kf3 Kg7 40.Nf5+ Kg6 41.Ne3 e6 42.dxe6 Bxe6 43.Qxf6+ Kxf6 44.Ke4 Bg8 45.Nd5+ Kf7 46.f5 Kg7 47.Ne7 Ba2 48.Nc8 Bb1+ 49.Kd5 Bxf5 50.Nxa7 Kf6 51.Kxd6 1-0 (51) Giri,A (2745)-Matamoros Franco,C (2525) Tromso NOR 2014

5...Na6 6.a3 Qxc5 7.e4 Bg7 8.Qd3 0-0 9.Be3 Qc7 10.Rc1 d6 11.Nd5 Qd8 12.b4 Nc7 13.Ne2 Ncxd5 14.cxd5 e6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Nf4 Re8 17.Be2 d5 18.e5 Nd7 19.Nxe6 Nxe5

20.Nxd8 Nxd3+ 21.Bxd3 Rxe3+ 22.Kd2 Bh6 23.Rce1 Rxd8 24.Rxe3 d4 25.Ke2 Bxe3 26.Rb1 Re8 27.Be4 Re7 28.Kd3 Rc7 29.Rb3 Kg7 30.b5 h5 31.h3 h4 32.a4 b6 33.Bc6 Re7 34.Rb2 f5 35.Rc2 Bg1 36.Re2 Be3 37.Rc2 Kf6 38.Bd5 Ke5 39.Bb3 Kf4 40.Rc6 g5 41.Re6 Rc7 42.Rc6 Rd7 43.Be6 Re7 44.Bc8 Re5 45.Rf6 Rc5 46.Bd7 Rc3+ 47.Ke2 Rc2+ 48.Kd3 Rd2+ 49.Kc4 Rxg2 50.Rxf5+ Kg3 51.Rf8 Kf2 52.Bg4 Rg1 53.Kd5 Rc1 54.Ke4 Rc3 55.Rd8 Rc4 56.Rd5 Rxa4 57.Kd3 Rb4 58.Ke4 Rb3 59.Rxd4 Bxd4 60.Kf5 1-0 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2674)-Gettingold72 (2667) Blitz 2023

[123] **6...Na6** 7.Be3 Nxc5 8.a3 Ne6 9.b4 Qd8 10.Qd2 a5 11.Rc1 axb4 12.axb4 0-0 13.Nd5 d6 14.Bb6 Qe8 15.Bd3 Ra6 16.Be3 Ra3 17.Ne2 b5 18.0-0 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Rxa6 21.b5 Qxb5 22.Nxe7+ Kh8 23.Rfd1 Rfa8 24.Nd4 Nxd4 25.Bxd4 Ra2 26.Rc2 Rxc2 27.Qxc2 Nh5 28.Bxg7+ Kxg7 29.Qc3+ Qe5 30.Qxe5+ dxe5 31.Nc6 Ra2 32.g3 f6 33.Rd7+ Kg8 34.Ne7+ Kh8 35.Nd5 f5 36.g4 fxg4 37.fxg4 Nf4 38.Nf6 Ra1+ 39.Kf2 Ra2+ 40.Kf1 Ra1+ 41.Kf2 Ra2+ 42.Ke1 Ra1+ 43.Kd2 Ra2+ 44.Kc1 Nd3+ 45.Kb1 Rb2+ 46.Ka1 Rb7 47.Rxb7 h5 48.Rh7# 1-0 (48) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-positionaloldman (2631) Blitz 2021

[124] **7...d6** 8.Be3 Qb4
[8...Qc7
A) 9.Rc1 0-0 *(9...a6 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 Qd7 12.Bd4 0-0 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Ne2 Qd8 15.h4 h5 16.Nf4 Nd7 17.Qd4+ Ne5 18.Nd3 Qa5+ 19.b4 Qxa2 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Qxe5+ f6 22.Qxe7+ Rf7 23.Qd8 a5 24.b5 a4 25.Rxc8 Rxc8 26.Qxc8 Qb1+ 27.Kf2 a3 28.Rg1 a2 29.Bd3 Qxd3 30.Qc1 Qd4+ 31.Kg3 Qe5+ 32.Kh3 Rc7 33.Qa1 Qxa1 34.Rxa1 Rc2 35.f4 Rd2 36.d6 Kf7 37.e5 fxe5 38.fxe5 Ke6 39.g3 b6 40.g4 Rd3+ 41.Kg2 hxg4 42.Rxa2 Kxe5 43.Rc2 Rxd6 44.Kg3 Kf5 45.Rf2+ Ke5 46.Rc2 Kd5 47.Kxg4 Re6 48.Kg5 Kd4 49.Rc6 Re5+ 50.Kxg6 Rxb5 51.Rf6 Kd5 52.h5 Rb1 53.Rf5+ Kc6 54.Rf6+ Kb7 55.Kf7 Ka6 56.Re6 Rh1 57.Re7 Rxh5 58.Ke8 Rc5* 0-1 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2712)-genbu64 (2739) Blitz 2025*)* 10.Qd1 Nbd7 11.Bd3 a6 12.Nge2 b6 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Qb8 16.b4 Rc8 17.Qa4 b5 18.Qa5 Ne5 19.Rxc8+ Qxc8 20.Rc1 Qd8 21.Qxd8+ Rxd8 22.Rc7 Nxd3 23.Rxb7 Nxb4 24.Rxe7 Nxa2 25.Bd2 b4 26.Ra7 Nc3 27.Bxc3 bxc3 28.Rxa6 Rc8 29.Rc6 Rd8 30.Nxc3 Bxc3 31.Rxc3 Rd7 32.Kf2 Kg7 33.Ke3 f6 34.Rc6 Kf7 35.g4 g5 36.h4 h6 37.h5 Kg7 38.f4 Kf7 39.fxg5 fxg5 40.e5 dxe5 41.Ke4 Ra7 42.Kxe5 Ra4 43.Rc7+ Kf8 44.d6 Rxg4 45.Rc8+ Kf7 46.d7 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2728)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2711) Blitz 2023;
B) 9.Qd2
B1) 9...Nc6 10.Rc1 0-0
B1a) 11.Nge2 Be6 12.Nf4 Bd7 *(12...Qa5 13.Be2 Rfc8 14.0-0 Ne5 15.b3 h5 16.Rfd1 a6 17.h3 b5*

18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.f4 Nc6 20.cxb5 axb5 21.Bxb5 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Qxb5 23.Ng5 Qf5 24.Re1 e5 25.Qd5+ e6 26.Nxe6 Ne7 27.Qxd6 exf4 28.Qxe7 Qf7 29.Qxf7+ Kxf7 30.Nxf4 Rxc1 31.Rxc1 Rxa2 32.Rc7+ Kf6 33.Bd4+ Kf5 34.Rf7+ Ke4 35.Bxg7 g5 36.Nxh5 g4 37.hxg4 Ke3 38.Bh6+ 1-0 (38) Lucky1357924680 (2664)-Pernambuquinho (2537) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.Be2 a6 14.0-0 Rac8 15.b3 Qb8 16.Rfd1 Rfe8 17.Nfd5 Be6 18.Bf1 Bxd5 19.exd5 Ne5 20.a4 a5 21.h3 b6 22.f4 Ned7 23.Bd3 Nc5 24.Bc2 e6 25.dxe6 Rxe6 26.f5 Ree8 27.Bf4 Rcd8 28.Nb5 Nfe4 29.Bxe4 Nxe4 30.Qd5 Qc8 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.Re1 Qc5+ 33.Be3 Qxd5 34.cxd5 Nc5 35.Bxc5 dxc5 36.d6 Rxe1+ 37.Rxe1 Bf8 38.Rd1 Rd7 39.Kf2 Kg7 40.Kf3 Kf6 41.Ke4 Ke6 42.Nc7+ Kf6 43.Rf1+ Kg5 44.Nd5 f5+ 45.Ke5 Bxd6+ 46.Ke6 Rd8 47.Nxb6 Rb8 48.Nd5 Bg3 49.Rf3 f4 50.Kd6 Rc8 51.Nb6 Rb8 52.Kxc5 Bh2 53.Nc4 Bg1+ 54.Kc6 Be3 55.Nxe3 Rxb3 1-0 (55) Lucky1357924680 (2685)-qianqian529 (2544) Blitz 2024;

B1b) 11.Bd3 Ne5 12.Nge2 a6 13.0-0 Bd7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Qd8 16.Bb1 Bb5 17.b3 h5 18.Rfd1 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 h4 20.Qf2 h3 21.g3 Qd7 22.Bd4 Rfc8 23.f4 Ng4 24.Qd2 Bxd4+ 25.Qxd4 Qb5 26.Bd3 Qa5 27.Be2 Qxa2 28.Qd3 Qb2 29.Rb1 Qa2 30.Ra1 Qb2 31.Rdb1 Qc2 32.Qxc2 Rxc2 33.Bxg4 Rc3 34.Bxh3 Re3 35.Re1 Rxb3 36.Rab1 Rxb1 37.Rxb1 b5 38.Bf1 Kf8 39.Ra1 b4 40.Rxa6 Rxa6 41.Bxa6 b3 42.Bd3 Ke8 43.Kf2 Kd8 44.Ke3 Kc7 45.Kd4 Kb6 46.Kc3 b2 47.Kxb2 Kc5 48.Kc3 f6 49.h4 g5 50.fxg5 fxg5 51.hxg5 e5 52.g6 1-0 (52) Consent_to_treatment (2649)-Shuvalov (2582) Blitz 2022;

B1c) 11.b3 a6 12.Nge2 Bd7 13.Nf4 Qa5 14.Be2 Ne5 15.0-0 b5 16.Ncd5 Qd8 17.Bb6 Qe8 18.Nc7 Qb8 19.Nxa8 Qxa8 20.Be3 bxc4 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.bxc4 Rc8 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.cxd5 Bb5 25.Rxc8+ Qxc8 26.Rc1 Qb8 27.Bd4 h5 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Qd4+ f6 30.h4 Qb7 31.Kh2 Qb8 32.Qc3 Kf7 33.Qc7 Qf8 34.Qc3 Qh6 35.g3 g5 36.Qe3 Qg6 37.Rc7 gxh4 38.gxh4 Bf1 39.Qf2 Bb5 40.Qa7 Qh6 41.Rxe7+ Kg6 42.Qg1+ 1-0 (42) Lucky1357924680 (2688)-whiteprocess (2603) Blitz 2024;

B2) 9...a6 10.Rc1 Nbd7 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 Qd8 13.h4 h5 14.Nh3 0-0 15.Ng5 Ne5 16.Be2 Bd7 17.0-0 Rc8 18.Bd4 Rxc1 19.Rxc1 Qb8 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qd4+ Kg8 23.Bxg4 Bxg4

24.Kh2 Rc8 25.Rc3 Rxc3 26.Qxc3 Qd8 27.a4 Qb6 28.Qc8+ Bxc8 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2731)-Maldnus_Blundersen (2663) Blitz 2023]

[8...Qa5 9.Nge2 0-0 10.Nd4 *(10.Nf4 Nc6 11.Be2 Bd7 12.0-0 Rac8 13.b3 Ng4 14.Bd2 Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Nf2+ 16.Rxf2 Qxf2 17.Be3 Qh4 18.Rc1 g5 19.Nfd5 Be5 20.h3 Bxh3 21.gxh3 Qxh3+ 22.Kg1 f5 23.exf5 Rxf5 24.Qe4 Bh2+ 25.Kf2 Bg3+ 26.Kg1 Rcf8 27.Qg4 Qh2+ 28.Kf1 Qh1+ 29.Bg1 Rxf3+ 30.Bxf3 Rxf3+ 31.Ke2 Qg2+ 32.Bf2 Qxf2+ 33.Kd1 Rd3#* 0-1 (33) kflorian (2636)-Lunaticxxx (2714) Blitz 2020*)* 10...Nc6 11.Be2 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.b3 a6 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 Rab8 19.Kh1 b5 20.Bg4 Qd8 21.Rae1 bxc4 22.bxc4 Rc7 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.f5 Kg8 25.f6 exf6 26.Rxf6 Re8 27.Ref1 Re5 28.Qd4 Qe7 29.h3 Re4 30.Qb6 Rexc4 31.Rxf7 Qe2 32.Qb8+ Rc8 33.Qxd6 Qe8 34.Qf6 1-0 (34) Fastchess2345 (2690)-No_Move_Left (2558) Blitz 2024]

9.Qd2 Nc6 10.a3 Qb5 11.cxb5 1-0 (11) Consent_to_treatment (2764)-Ocinitram (2648) Blitz 2022

7...0-0 8.Be3 Qa5

[8...Qb4 9.Qd2 a6 10.0-0-0 Nc6 11.Nd5 Qa4 12.Kb1 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Nb4 14.a3 a5 15.Rc1 b5 16.Qd1 Qxd1 17.Rxd1 Na6 18.Bxb5 Rb8 19.a4 Nc7 20.Ne2 Nxb5 21.axb5 Rxb5 22.Bd4 e5 23.Be3 Ba6 24.Nc3 Rb3 25.Kc2 Rfb8 26.Rb1 a4 27.Bc1 Bf8 28.Ra1 a3 29.bxa3 f5 30.Rd1 Bc5 31.Ra2 Bd4 32.Bd2 Bc4 33.Rda1 R3b7 34.a4 Bxa2 35.Rxa2 Rc8 36.Ra3 Rb4 37.a5 Kf7 38.Kd3 Ba7 39.Ne2 fxe4+ 40.fxe4 Rbc4 41.Bc3 d6 42.a6 R4c7 43.Ra5 Rd7 44.Ra3 Rdc7 45.Bb4 Bc5 46.Bxc5 Rxc5 47.Nc3 Ra8 48.a7 Rc7 49.Nb5 Rd7 50.Kc4 Ke7 51.Kb4 Rb7 52.Ra6 Kd7 53.Rc6 Rxb5+ 54.Kxb5 Rxa7 55.Rb6 Rb7 56.Rxb7+ Ke8 57.Rb6 Kf8 58.Kc6 Kg8 0-1 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2677)-lilmaby (2552) Blitz 2024]

9.Qd2 d6 10.Bd3 Be6 11.Nge2 Rc8 12.b3 Nc6 13.0-0 a6 14.Rac1 Ne5 15.Rfd1 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 b5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Nf4

[18.Qxb5 Qxb5 19.Nxb5 Rxa2 20.Ned4 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Bd7 22.Rc7 e5 23.Nc6 d5 24.Bg5 Be6 25.Ne7+ Kf8 26.exd5 Bf5 27.Nxf5 gxf5 28.d6 Ra1+ 29.Kf2 Rd1 30.Rc8+ Ne8 31.Be7+ 1-0 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2660)-Micheliavelli (2662) Blitz 2022]

18...b4 19.Na4 Nd7 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Bd4 Bxd4+ 22.Qxd4 Qb5 23.Qd2 Nc5 24.Nxc5 Rxc5 25.Rxc5 Qxc5+ 26.Kf1 Rc8 27.Qd4 Qb5+ 28.Qd3 Qc5 29.Qd4 Qb5+ 30.Qd3 Qxd3+ 31.Rxd3 Rc2 32.Rd4 Rxa2 33.Rxb4 Kf7 34.Rb5 e5 35.Rb6 Rb2 36.h4 h6 37.Kg1 Kf6 38.Kh2 g5 39.h5 g4 40.Kg3 gxf3 41.gxf3 Kg5 42.Rb8 Kxh5 43.b4 Kg6 44.b5 Kf7 45.b6 Ke6 46.Kg4 Rb3 47.Kg3 Kd7 48.Kg4 h5+ 49.Kg3 h4+ 50.Kg4 h3 51.Rh8 Rxb6 52.Rxh3 Rb1 53.Kg3 Rg1+ 54.Kf2 Rg8 55.Rh1 Ra8 56.Rb1 Ra2+ 57.Ke3 Ke6 58.Rb6 Kf6 59.Rc6 Ra3+ 60.Ke2 Ke6 61.Rb6 Kf6 62.Rc6 Kg5 63.Rc8 Kf6 64.Rf8+ Ke6 65.Rb8 Kf6 66.Rf8+ Ke6 67.Rb8 Kf6 68.Rf8+ ½-½ (68) Consent_to_treatment (2690)-RenierChess (2699) Blitz 2022

[125] **8.a3** d6 9.Be3 Qa5 10.Qd2 Be6 11.Bd3 Ne5 12.b4 Qc7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.cxd5 Nxd3+ 15.Qxd3 Qc3+ 16.Ke2 Qxd3+ 17.Kxd3 Bxa1 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Ne2 Be5 20.f4 Bf6 21.Nd4 Bxd4 22.Bxd4 Rf8 23.g3 Kd7 24.h4 h5 25.e5 d5 26.Be3 b6 27.Rg1 Rac8 28.g4 Rc4 29.gxh5 gxh5 30.Rg5 Rfc8 31.Bd2 Rh8 32.Rg7 a5 33.Rg5 a4 34.Rg6 b5 35.Rg5 Rh7 36.Be3 Re4 37.Rg8 Rf7 38.Rb8 Rfxf4 39.Bxf4 Rxf4 40.Rb7+ Ke8 41.Rxb5 Rf3+ 42.Kd4 Rxa3 43.Ra5 Ra1 44.Ra8+ Kf7 45.b5 a3 46.Kc3 a2 47.b6 Rb1 48.Rxa2 Rxb6 49.Ra7 Rc6+ 50.Kd3 Rc4 51.Ra8 Rxh4 52.Rh8 Rf4 53.Rxh5 Rf5 54.Rh7+ Kg6 55.Rxe7 Rxe5 56.Re8 Re4 57.Rf8 Rh4 58.Rf1 e5 59.Rg1+ Kf5 60.Rf1+ Rf4 61.Rh1 Rf3+ 62.Ke2 e4 63.Rh5+ Ke6 64.Rg5 Kd6 65.Kd2 Kc5 66.Ke2 Kd4 67.Rg8 Rb3 68.Rd8 Rb2+ 69.Kd1 Kc4 70.Kc1 Rg2 71.Rc8+ Kd3 72.Rd8 d4 73.Kb1 e3 74.Kc1 Rd2 75.Re8 e2 76.Re7 Rd1+ 77.Kb2 e1Q 78.Rc7 Rb1+ 79.Ka3 Qa5# 0-1 (79) Consent_to_treatment (2711)-Naaas (2729) Blitz 2022

[126] **8...Qb4** 9.Qd2 0-0 10.Nd5 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 d6 12.Rb1
[12.Bd3 Nd7 13.Rb1 e6 14.Nc7 Rb8 15.Nb5 Nc5 16.Bc2 Rd8 17.b4 Nd7 18.Ne2 Nde5 19.Bd3 a6 20.Nbd4 Nxd3 21.Kxd3 Ne5+ 22.Kc3 Bd7 23.Rhc1 Rdc8 24.Kb3 b5 25.cxb5 axb5 26.Rxc8+ Rxc8 27.Rc1 Nc4 28.Bf2 d5 29.exd5 exd5 30.Rc2 Re8 31.Nc3 Ne3 32.Bxe3 Rxe3 33.Rd2 h5 34.Kc2 h4 35.Nxd5 Ra3 36.Kb2 Ra8 37.Nb6 Ra7 38.Nxd7 Rxd7 39.Kc3 Kf8 40.Rd3 Kg8 41.g4 h3 42.Rd2 f5 43.gxf5 gxf5 44.f4 Kf7 45.a4 bxa4 46.Kc4 Rc7+ 47.Kb5 a3 48.Nf3 Rc3 49.Ng5+ Kg6 50.Rd6+ Kh5 51.Rd7 Bf6 52.Rf7 Bxg5 53.fxg5 Kxg5 54.Ra7 Rb3 55.Kc4 Rb2 56.b5 Rxh2 57.Rxa3 Kg4 58.Ra8 Rc2+ 59.Kd3 Rb2 60.Rg8+ Kf3 61.Kc4 h2 62.Rh8 Kg2 63.Rg8+ Kh1 64.Rh8 Kg1 65.Kd5 Kh1 66.Kc6 Rc2+ 67.Kd7 Rd2+ 68.Ke7 1-0 (68) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2657) Blitz 2022]
12...e6 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Ne2 d5 15.cxd5 exd5 16.exd5 Rd8 17.Nc3 Nb4 18.Bc4 Be6 19.Ke2 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Bxd5 21.Bxd5 Rxd5 22.Rhd1 Re5 23.Kf2 Rae8 24.Rd3 Rxe3 25.Rxe3 Bd4 26.Rbe1 g5 27.g3 f5 28.f4 g4 29.b3 Kf7 30.R1e2 Kf6 31.Re1 Re4 32.R1e2 Ke6 33.h3 gxh3 34.Kf3 Rxe3+ 35.Rxe3+ Bxe3 36.Kxe3 h2 0-1 (36) Consent_to_treatment (2683)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2660) Blitz 2022

[127] **10.Nge2**
[10.0-0-0 d6 11.Kb1 Be6 12.Nd5 Qxd2 13.Rxd2 Rfc8 14.Ne2 Kf8 15.Nef4 Bd7 16.Be2 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 b6 18.Rc1 Rab8 19.b3 Ke8 20.Rcd1 Nd8 21.Bg5 Bf8 22.e5 Bf5+ 23.Bd3 Bxd3+ 24.Rxd3 dxe5 25.Re1 f6 26.Bc1 Ne6 27.f4 Nxf4 28.Bxf4 exf4 29.Nxf6+ Kf7 30.Nd5 g5 31.h4 h6 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Re5 b5 34.Rxg5 bxc4 35.Rf3 cxb3 36.axb3 e5 37.Rxe5 Bh6 38.Nxf4 Bxf4 39.Rxf4+ Kg6 40.Rf3 Rb6 41.Re4 Kg5 42.Kb2 Rc7 43.Re8 Rg6 44.Rg3+ Kf6 45.Rxg6+ Kxg6 46.Re4 Kf5 47.Rc4 Rg7 48.g4+ Rxg4 49.Rxg4 Kxg4 50.Ka3 Kf5 51.Ka4 Ke5 52.Ka5 Kd5 53.Ka6

Kc5 54.Kxa7 Kb4 55.Kb8 Kxb3 ½-½ (55) Consent_to_treatment (2718)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2770) Blitz 2022]
[10.Bd3 a6 *(10...e6 11.Nge2 d5 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 14.Bxd2 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Be4 Nc4 17.Bc3 Nxb2 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.0-0 Nc4 20.Rac1 Nd6 21.Nd4 Bd7 22.Rc7 Rfd8 23.Rfc1 Rac8 24.Kf2 Rxc7 25.Rxc7 Kf8 26.Nb3 Ke8 27.Na5 Rc8 28.Rxc8+ Bxc8 29.Ke3 Bd7 30.Kd4 f6 31.h4 Kd8 32.Bd3 b6 33.Nc6+ Kc7 34.Nxa7 Kb7 35.Nc6 Bxc6 36.dxc6+ Kxc6 37.h5 gxh5 38.Bxh7 h4 39.Bd3 Nf7 40.Ke4 Kd6 41.Kf4 Ne5 42.Be2 Kd5 43.Kf5 Kd4 44.Kxf6 Nd7+ 45.Kg5 Ke3 46.Bb5 Ne5 47.Kxh4 Kf2 48.f4 Nf7 49.g4 Kf3 50.f5 Kf4 51.Kh5 Ne5 52.Be2 Nd7 53.Kg6 Ne5+ 54.Kf6 Nc6 55.g5 Nd4 56.Bd1 Nxf5 57.g6 Nh6 58.Bc2* 1-0 (58) Consent_to_treatment (2652)-UnkOwnChessFloMaster (2770) Blitz 2022*)* 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.0-0 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 b5 14.cxb5 d6 15.Rfd1 Bd7 16.bxa6 Rfb8 17.Rd2 Bc8 18.a7 Rb7 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Rc1 Raxa7 21.Nb3 Qb4 22.Bxa7 Rxa7 23.Qd4 Qb8 24.Qe3 h5 25.Rdc2 Kh7 26.Qd3 h4 27.Nd4 Nh5 28.Ndb5 Nf4 29.Qf1 Rb7 30.a4 Bxc3 31.Rxc3 Bxb5 32.axb5 Rxb5 33.g3 Qa7+ 34.Kh1 hxg3 35.hxg3 Nh5 36.Qxb5 Qf2 37.f4 Nxg3+ 38.Rxg3 Qxg3 39.Qe2 Kg7 40.Rf1 Qh3+ 41.Kg1 Qg3+ 42.Qg2 Qe3+ 43.Kh2 Qb3 44.f5 Qb5 45.fxg6 fxg6 46.Rf3 Qe5+ 47.Rg3 g5 48.Kg1 Kg6 49.Rf3 Qd4+ 50.Qf2 Qxe4 51.Re3 Qg4+ 52.Kf1 Qd1+ 53.Qe1 Qh5 54.Rxe7 Qh1+ 55.Kf2 Qh2+ 56.Ke3 Qf4+ 57.Kd3 Qf3+ 58.Kc2 Qc6+ 59.Kb1 Kh5 60.Qe2+ Kh4 61.Qe4+ Kg3 62.Qxc6 g4 63.Qxd6+ Kh3 64.Qh6+ Kg2 65.Rg7 g3 66.Qg5 Kf1 67.Qxg3 Ke2 68.Qe5+ Kd1 69.Rd7# 1-0 (69) Consent_to_treatment (2668)-TemurKuybokarov (2854) Blitz 2022]
10...d6 11.Nf4 Marin,Mihail: 'Sliwa,B-Filip,M Gotha 1957 (½-½, 38).' Marin,Mihail: 'White retained his space advantage with a normal development and very few chances for Black to get any counterplay.'
[11.Nd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.Be2 *(13.Nd5 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bxd5 15.cxd5 Nd7 16.Bb5 Bxd4 17.Bxd7 Rfd8 18.Kd3 Bxb2 19.Rab1 Rxd7 20.Rxb2 Rc7 21.Rhb1 b6 22.a4 Rac8 23.Ra1 Rc3+ 24.Kd2 R3c5 25.a5 bxa5 26.Rba2 a4 27.Ke3 Rc3+ 28.Kf4 Rc2 29.Rxc2 Rxc2 30.Rxa4 Rxg2 31.Rxa7 Kf8 32.Ra8+ Kg7 33.h4 h6 34.Ra7 Kf6 35.Ra6 Re2 36.Rb6 Re1 37.Ra6 g5+ 38.hxg5+ hxg5+ 39.Kg3 Ke5 40.Ra7 Kf6 41.Kf2 Rb1 42.Kg3 e6 43.Ra6 Ke5 44.Ra5 Kf6 45.Ra6 Ke5 46.dxe6 fxe6 47.Ra5+ d5 48.Kf2 Rb3 49.exd5 exd5 50.Ra8 Kd4 51.Rg8 Kd3 52.Rxg5 d4 53.Rc5 Kd2 54.f4 Rh3 55.f5 d3 56.f6 Rh6 57.Rf5 Rh8 58.f7 Rf8 59.Kg3 Ke2 60.Re5+ Kd2 61.Re7 Kc2 62.Kf2 d2 63.Rc7+ Kb2 64.Ke2 Rd8 65.Kd1 Kb3 66.Rd7 Rf8 67.Kxd2 Kc4 68.Ke3 Kc5 69.Ke4 Kc6 70.Ra7 Kd6 71.Kf5 Rh8 72.Kg6 Ke6 73.Kg7 Rh1 74.Ra6+ Ke7 75.f8Q+* 1-0 (74) Da4rk_Hu7nter (2612)-King_of_Soul (2602) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Rfc8 14.b3 a6 15.0-0 b5 16.cxb5 Nxe4 *(16...axb5 17.Rfc1 b4*

18.Na4 Rxc1+ 19.Rxc1 Rc8 20.Rxc8+ Bxc8 21.Qc2 Bd7 22.Nb6 Be8 23.Bf2 h5 24.h3 Qe5 25.h4 d5 26.Nxd5 Nxd5 27.exd5 Qxd5 28.Bc4 Qd6 29.Bc5 Qxc5+ 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2681)-paja534 (2547) Blitz 2024*)* 17.fxe4 Rxc3 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.bxa6 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bc8 21.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 22.Rxc1 Qa7 23.Qc3+ e5 24.Qc7 Qe3 25.Qc2 Bxa6 26.Bxa6 Rxa6 27.a4 Rb6 28.Rb1 Rb4 29.a5 Rxe4 30.h3 Rb4 31.a6 Qa7 32.Ra1 h5 33.Qc3 Rb6 34.Qc4 d5 35.Qxd5 Rxa6 36.Qxe5+ Kh7 37.Rxa6 Qxa6 38.Qe1 Qb5 39.b4 Kg7 40.Qc3+ Kh7 41.Kg1 h4 42.Qc5 Qe2 43.Qd6 Qe1+ 44.Kh2 Qe2 45.Qf4 Qe7 46.b5 Qb7 47.Qxh4+ Kg7 48.Qd4+ Kh7 49.Qe5 Kg8 50.Qc5 Kh7 51.Qc6 Qb8+ 52.Kg1 Qf4 53.b6 Qe3+ 54.Kf1 Qd3+ 55.Kf2 Qd2+ 56.Kf3 Qd3+ 57.Kg4 Qe4+ 58.Kg3 Qxc6 59.b7 Qxb7 60.Kf4 Qb6 61.Kg3 Qd6+ 62.Kf3 Qf6+ 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-black_robber (2486) Blitz 2025]

11...Nd7

[11...Be6 12.Be2 *(12.Ncd5 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Rac8 14.Rc1 Bxd5 15.Nxd5 Nd7 16.b3 e6 17.Nc3 Nc5 18.Be2 Rfd8 19.Rhd1 Nd4 20.Ke1 Nxe2 21.Kxe2 a6 22.Bf4 Be5 23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Rd1 Rd4 26.Ke3 Rxd1 27.Nxd1 a5 28.Kd2 Kf8 29.Kc3 Ke7 30.a3 b6 31.b4 axb4+ 32.axb4 Nb7 33.Ne3 Nd6 34.c5 bxc5 35.bxc5 Nb5+ 36.Kc4 Nd4 37.Ng4 Nc6 38.Kb5 Nd4+ 39.Kb6 f6 40.c6 Nxc6 41.Kxc6 h5 42.Ne3 f5 43.Nc4 Kf6 44.Kd6* 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2691)-Gonest1998 (2632) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Rac8 *(12...Nd7 13.0-0 Nc5 14.Nfd5 Qd8 15.Rfd1 a5 16.Rac1 a4 17.Nb5 Qa5 18.Nbc7 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Ra5 20.Nc3 a3 21.N7d5 axb2 22.Rxb2 Na4 23.Nxa4 Rxa4 24.Rxb7 Rxa2 25.Bf1 Re8 26.Rc7 Bxd5 27.cxd5 Bd4 28.Re1 Bxe3+ 29.Rxe3 Ne5 30.h4 h6 31.Re2 Rxe2 32.Bxe2 g5 33.hxg5 hxg5 34.g3 Kg7 35.Kf2 Kf6 36.f4 gxf4 37.gxf4 Ng6 38.Ke3 Rh8 39.Bg4 Rh4 40.Bf5 Nxf4 41.Rc8 Ng6 42.Bxg6 fxg6 43.Rf8+ Kg7 44.Re8 Kf7 45.Ra8 g5 46.Kf3 Rf4+ 47.Ke3 Rf6 48.Ra2 g4 49.Rg2 Rg6 50.Kf4 Kf6 51.Rxg4 Rxg4+ 52.Kxg4 Ke5 53.Kf3 Kd4 54.Kf4 Kd3 55.Kf5 Ke3 56.e5 Kd4 57.Ke6 dxe5 58.d6 exd6 59.Kd7 e4 60.Kc6 e3 61.Kd7 e2 62.Kc6* ½-½ (62) Consent_to_treatment (2651)-ikica77 (2793) Blitz 2024*)* 13.0-0 *(13.Rc1 Bd7 14.0-0 a6 15.Rfd1 Rfe8 16.a3 Ne5 17.b4 Qxa3 18.Ncd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 b5 20.c5 dxc5 21.Bxc5 Nc4 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.Nxe7+ Rxe7 24.Bxe7 Ba4 25.Rxc4 Re8 26.Bc5 Bxd1 27.Qxd1 a5 28.bxa5 Qxa5 29.Be3 Qb5 30.Rc2 h5 31.h3 Qb3 32.Qe2 Ra8 33.Bf4 Bd4+ 34.Kh2 Ra1 35.h4 Qb1 36.e5 Qh1+ 37.Kg3 Re1 38.Qb5 Rd1 39.Re2 Qf1 40.e6 Bf2+ 41.Rxf2 Qxb5 42.e7 Qe8 43.Re2 Rd7 44.Bg5* 1-0 (44) kflorian (2728)-Garoy (2721) Blitz 2021*)* 13...a6 *(13...Ne5 14.b3 a6 15.Ncd5 Qd8 16.Bb6 Qd7 17.a4 Bxd5 18.cxd5 Bh6 19.Be3 Qd8 20.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 21.Rxc1 Qb8 22.a5 Rc8 23.h4 Ned7 24.g4 Ne8 25.g5 Bg7 26.Nd3 Rxc1+ 27.Qxc1 Nc7 28.Kf2 Nb5 29.Qc4 Nc3 30.Bf1 Qd8 31.b4*

Nb5 32.f4 h6 33.Kf3 hxg5 34.hxg5 Qe8 35.Bf2 Qb8 36.Bh3 Nf8 37.Bb6 Qe8 38.Bg1 e6 39.dxe6 Nxe6 40.Bxe6 fxe6 41.Bb6 Qd7 42.f5 gxf5 43.exf5 d5 44.Qf4 exf5 45.Qb8+ Kh7 46.Nc5 Qe7 47.Qh2+ Kg6 48.Bd8 Nd4+ 49.Kg2 Qe2+ 50.Kh1 Qd1+ 51.Qg1 Qf3+ 52.Qg2 Qd1+ 53.Kh2 Qh5+ 54.Qh3 1-0 (54) chessisinmyblood (2711)-dzundi (2579) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Rac1 Ne5 15.b3 Bd7 16.Rfd1 Rfe8 17.Nfd5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Bc6 20.Nb4 a5 21.Nxc6 Nxc6 22.c5 Nb4 23.a3 Nc6 24.cxd6 exd6 25.Rcd1 Be5 26.Bb6 f5 27.Bc4+ Kg7 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Re2 Kf6 30.g3 f4 31.g4 h6 32.Kf1 a4 33.bxa4 Ne7 34.Bb5 Rh8 35.Bd4 Ng6 36.Bd7 Rcd8 37.Bf5 Nh4 38.Be4 Rhe8 39.Bf2 Kg5 40.Bxb7 Rb8 41.Be4 Rb3 42.Rd3 Rb1+ 43.Re1 Rb2 44.Red1 Reb8 45.h3 Ra2 46.R1d2 Rb1+ 47.Be1 Raa1 48.Re2 Rc1 49.Kf2 h5 50.a5 hxg4 51.hxg4 Rc5 52.a6 Rc7 53.Bb7 Rb1 54.a7 Rcxb7 55.a8Q R1b2 56.Qd8+ Bf6 57.Qg8+ Ng6 58.Rxd6 Rxe2+ 59.Kxe2 Re7+ 60.Kf1 Re5 61.Bc3 Kh4 62.Rxf6 Re3 0-1 (62) Consent_to_treatment (2738)-TemurKuybokarov (2893) Blitz 2022]

[11...Bd7 12.Be2 Rab8 *(12...Rac8 13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Rfd1 Ne5 15.b3 Bc6 16.Rac1 a6 17.Ncd5 Qxd2 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Rxd2 Nd7 20.Rdc2 a5 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.cxd5 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Nc5 24.Bb5 Rb8 25.Kf1 Be5 26.g3 b6 27.Ke2 h5 28.f4 Bg7 29.Kf3 f5 30.exf5 gxf5 31.Bxc5 bxc5 32.Bd3 Rf8 33.Re2 Rf7 34.Rc2 Kh7 35.Re2 Kg6 36.Re6+ Bf6 37.h3 Rh7 38.g4 hxg4+ 39.hxg4 Rh3+ 40.Ke2 Rh2+ 41.Kf1 Kf7 42.Bxf5 Rxa2 43.g5 Bd4 44.Bg6+ Kf8 45.Re2 Ra1+ 46.Kg2 Rc1 47.Kf3 Rc3+ 48.Kg4 Rxb3 49.Rh2 a4 50.Rh7 Bg7 51.Bc2 Rb4 52.Rh1 a3 53.Kf5 a2* 0-1 (53) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-Buffy7 (2672) Blitz 2022*; 12...Rfc8 13.0-0 a6 14.a3 Ne5 15.b4 Qd8 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 e6 18.Rfd1 Bc6 19.Qd6 Nfd7 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.f4 Qa5 23.Bd4 Re8 24.Qh3 Nxc5 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.fxe5 Nb3 27.Rab1 Qc5+ 28.Kh1 Nd4 29.Bg4 Qxe5 30.Nd5 Rad8 31.Qd3 Bxd5 32.Qxd4 Qxd4 33.Rxd4 Bxe4 34.Rxd8 Rxd8 35.Re1 Bc6 36.Kg1 Rd4 37.Bf3 Bxf3 38.gxf3 Rd3 39.Re8+ Kg7 40.Re7+ Kh6 41.Rxb7 Rxa3 42.Kg2 a5 43.Kg3 a4 44.h4 Ra1 45.Ra7 a3 46.Kg2 g5 47.Ra6+ Kh5 48.hxg5 Kxg5 49.Ra5+ Kf6 50.Ra7 h5 51.Ra6+ Kg5 52.Ra5+ Kg6 53.Ra6+ Kf5 54.Ra5+ Kf4 55.Rxh5 Rc1 56.Ra5 Rc2+ 57.Kh3 a2 58.Ra4+ Kxf3 59.Kh4 Ke3 60.Kg5 Kd3 61.Kf5 Kc3 62.Ke4 Kb3 63.Kd3 Kxa4* 0-1 (63) Consent_to_treatment (2682)-RenierChess (2743) Blitz 2022*)* 13.0-0 a6 14.Rfd1 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.a3 Ne5 17.Ncd5 Qd8 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Nd5 Bg7 20.Rac1 Be6 21.Bf1 Nc4 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.Rxc4 Rxb2 24.Rc2 Rxc2 25.Qxc2 Bxd5 26.Rxd5 Qa8 27.Rd3 Rc8 28.Qb1 Qa4 29.h3 Be5 30.Qb3 Qa5 31.Kf2 h5 32.Qb4 Qa6 33.Qb3 Kg7 34.Bd4 Bxd4+ 35.Rxd4 Qa7 36.Qe3 Rc2+ 37.Kg3 Qc5 38.Qd3 Qe5+ 39.f4 Qc5 40.Kh2 Ra2 41.a4 Qc1 42.e5 dxe5 43.fxe5 Qg5 44.Qg3 Qf5 45.Rf4 Qe6 46.Qe3 Ra1 47.Rf2 Rb1 48.Qf4 Ra1 49.Rf3 Qa2 50.Rf2 Qe6

51.Rf3 Re1 52.Re3 Ra1 53.Rg3 Re1 54.Re3 Ra1 55.Re4 Rb1 56.Qf3 Rc1 57.Qe3 Rc2 58.h4 Ra2 59.Qf4 Ra1 60.Qf3 Ra2 61.Qf4 Rc2 62.Qf3 Rc5 63.Qf4 Rd5 64.Qe3 Rc5 65.Qf4 Rd5 66.Qe3 Rd4 67.Qxd4 Qg4 68.e6+ f6 69.Rxg4 1-0 (69) chessisinmyblood (2719)-AfricanCyborg (2576) Blitz 2021]

[11...Ne5 12.Rc1 Be6 13.b3 Rfc8 14.Be2 a6 15.Ncd5 Qxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Kf8 18.a4 Ke8 19.Nd3 Nxd3 20.Bxd3 Nd7 21.a5 Bb2 22.Rc2 Ba3 23.Bd4 Bb4+ 24.Ke2 Bxa5 25.Rhc1 Rxc2+ 26.Rxc2 Kd8 27.h4 Rc8 28.Rxc8+ Kxc8 29.f4 Kc7 30.h5 Bb6 31.Bb2 Bc5 32.e5 dxe5 33.fxe5 Nb6 34.Be4 Kd7 35.h6 Ke8 36.Kf3 Nd7 37.Kf4 b5 38.e6 Bd6+ 39.Ke3 fxe6 40.Bxg6+ 1-0 (40) Lucky1357924680 (2680)-No_Move_Left (2640) Blitz 2024]

12.Rc1 Nde5

[12...Nc5 13.b3 e5 14.Nfd5 Be6 15.Nb5 Qd8 16.Nxd6 Nd4 17.Nb5 Ncxb3 18.axb3 Nxb3 19.Qb2 Nxc1 20.Qxc1 a6 21.Bb6 Qd7 22.Nbc7 Rac8 23.Be2 Kh8 24.0-0 f5 25.exf5 Bxd5 26.Nxd5 gxf5 27.Rd1 Qe6 28.Qe3 Rc6 29.Ba5 Rfc8 30.Nb6 Re8 31.c5 e4 32.f4 Qe7 33.Bb4 Rxb6 34.cxb6 Qxb4 35.h4 a5 36.Rd7 a4 37.Rxb7 Bd4 0-1 (37) Lucky1357924680 (2700)-Negocia (2844) Blitz 2024]

13.Be2 Bd7 14.0-0 Rfc8 15.Rfd1 Be8 16.b3 Rab8 17.Nfd5 e6 18.Nf4 a6 19.Na4 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 b5 21.Nb6 Rd8 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Bxb5 Bh6 24.Bxc6 Bxc6 25.Nc4 Nxc4 26.Rxc4 Bb5 27.Rcc2 d5 28.Nxd5 1-0 (28) defenceboy1 (2886)-KarlBallmer (2876) Blitz 2021

128 **5.Be3** Qa5+

[5...Qc7 6.Nc3 Nxc5

A) 7.Rc1

A1) 7...d6 8.Qd2 *(8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.cxd5 a5 10.Bd4 Rg8 11.e4 Rg7 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Bxg7 Bxg7 15.Rc2 Qa4 16.b3 Qb4+ 17.Kf1 a4 18.Rc4 Qb5 19.Qe2 axb3 20.axb3 Ra1+ 21.Kf2 Qxb3 22.Kg3 Be5+ 23.Kh3 Nd3 24.Rc8+ Kd7 25.Qc2 Qxc2 26.Rxc2 Bd4 27.Rd2 Nf2+ 28.Kg3 Nxh1+* 0-1 (28) Consent_to_treatment (2639)-Khem (2593) Blitz 2023*)* 8...Bg7 9.Bd4 0-0 10.e4 b6 11.b4 Ne6 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxg7 Nxg7 14.cxd5 Qd7 15.Ne2 Ba6 16.Nd4 Bxf1 17.Rxf1 e6 18.Kf2 exd5 19.exd5 Rfe8 20.Rfe1 Rxe1 21.Rxe1 Re8 22.Nc6 Nh5 23.Rxe8+ Qxe8 24.Nxa7 Qe5 25.g3 Nf6 26.Nc6 Qa1 27.Kg2 Kg7 28.g4 h6 29.h4 b5 30.g5 hxg5 31.hxg5 Nd7 32.Qd4+ Qxd4 33.Nxd4 Nb6 34.Nxb5 Nxd5 35.a3 Ne3+ 36.Kf2 Nc4 37.a4 Kf8 38.a5 Ke7 39.Ke2 Kd7 40.Kd3 Ne5+ 41.Ke4 Nc6 42.a6 Kc8 43.Nxd6+ Kc7 44.b5 Na7 45.Nxf7 Nxb5 46.Ke5 Kb6 47.Kf6 Kxa6 48.Kxg6 Kb6 49.f4 Kc6 50.f5 Kd7 51.f6 Ke8 52.Ne5 Kf8 53.Nd7+ Ke8 54.f7+ 1-0 (54) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-splmmoyeasupg (2580) Blitz 2025;

A2) 7...Bg7 8.Nb5 Qc6 9.Nd4 Qc7 10.Nb5 Qc6 11.Bf2 0-0

12.e4 d6 13.Ne2 a6 14.Ned4 Qb6 15.Nc3 Qxb2 16.Be2 Qa3 17.0-0 Qa5 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Bd7 20.Qd2 Rfe8 21.Rfd1 Rac8 22.Rc2 h5 23.Ra2 Qc7 24.Na4 Bxa4 25.Rxa4 Nd7 26.Ra2 Kh7 27.Rb1 Ne5 28.Be3 Nc6 29.Qe1 a5 30.Qf2 Ra8 31.Bb6 Qd7 32.Ra4 Ra6 33.Kh1 Rea8 34.Be3 Nb4 35.Bd2 Nc6 36.Ra2 Bd4 37.Qe1 e5 38.Rc2 Nb4 39.Bxb4 axb4 40.Qxb4 Ra1 41.Rcc1 Rxb1 42.Rxb1 Qc6 43.c5 Qxc5 44.Qxc5 dxc5 45.Bc4 Kg7 46.g3 b6 47.Kg2 Ra3 48.Kh3 Kf6 49.Bd5 Ra2 50.b4 Rf2 51.bxc5 Bxc5 52.Rb3 Kg5 53.Bxf7 Rd2 54.Bd5 Bg1 55.f4+ exf4 56.gxf4+ Kh6 57.Kg3 Rxh2 58.Kf3 Rd2 59.e5 Bc5 60.Ke4 1-0 (60) Consent_to_treatment (2706)-Egor_Kharitonov (2619) Blitz 2025;

B) 7.Bf2 d6 8.e4 Bg7 9.Rc1 0-0 10.b4 Ne6 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 Bc3+ 13.Ke2 Qc4+ 14.Ke3 Bd4+ 15.Kd2 Qxb4+ 0-1 (15) Consent_to_treatment (2721)-maxsumaxs (2651) Blitz 2022]

[5...e5 6.Nc3 Bxc5 *(6...Nxc5 7.Qd2 Qa5 8.Rd1 h5 9.Nd5 Qxd2+ 10.Bxd2 Nxd5 11.cxd5 f5 12.e3 d6 13.Bb5+ Bd7 14.Bxd7+ Kxd7 15.b4 Na4 16.Nh3 Be7 17.Ke2 g5 18.Nf2 Rhc8 19.Rc1 b5 20.e4 f4 21.g4 hxg4 22.Nxg4 Nb6 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Rc1 Nc4 25.Be1 Bd8 26.Rc3 Bb6 27.Rc2 Rh8 28.Rc1 Ke7 29.a4 a6 30.a5 Bd4 31.Bf2 Bxf2 32.Kxf2 Rh4 33.Ke2 Rh3 34.Kf2 Nd2 35.Rc7+ Kd8 36.Rc6 Nxf3 37.Rxd6+ Kc8 38.Rxa6 Nd2 39.Nf6 Rxh2+ 40.Ke1 f3 41.Kd1 Nc4 42.Ng4 Rg2 43.Rc6+ Kb7 44.a6+ Ka7 45.Rf6 Rxg4 46.Rxf3 Rxe4 47.Rf7+ Kxa6 48.Kc2 Rd4 49.Kc3 Rxd5 50.Rf6+ Kb7 51.Rf8 g4 52.Rg8 e4 53.Rg7+ Kc6 54.Rxg4 Rd3+ 55.Kc2 Ne3+ 56.Kc1 Nxg4 57.Kc2 Rd4 58.Kc1 Rc4+ 59.Kd2 Rxb4 60.Ke2 Kd5 61.Kd2 Kc4 62.Kc2 Kd4 63.Kc1 Rb3 64.Kc2 Ke3 65.Kc1 Rd3 66.Kc2 Ke2 67.Kb2 e3 68.Kc2 Nf2 69.Kb2* ½-½ (69) Consent_to_treatment (2694)-DmitryMaximov (2690) Blitz 2025*)* 7.Bxc5 Nxc5 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 a6 10.e3 b5 11.Qd6 Nb7 12.Qxe5 Re8 13.Qg5 Qb6 14.e4 Nc5 15.e5 b4 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.exf6 bxc3 18.b3 Bb7 19.Ne2 a5 20.Nxc3 Bc6 21.Bd3 Re6 22.Bc2 Rxf6 23.Rhe1 Re6 24.Rxe6 fxe6 25.Ne4 Nxe4 26.Bxe4 Bxe4 27.fxe4 Ra7 28.e5 Kf7 29.Kc2 Rc7 30.Kc3 Ke7 31.a3 Rc8 32.b4 axb4+ 33.axb4 Rf8 34.b5 Rf5 35.Kd4 Rf2 36.Rb1 Kd8 37.Kc5 Kc7 38.Ra1 Rxg2 39.Ra7+ Kc8 40.Kb6 Kd8 41.Ra8+ Ke7 42.c5 Rxh2 43.Rh8 h5 44.Rh7+ Kd8 45.Rh8+ Ke7 46.Kc7 1-0 (46) Consent_to_treatment (2704)-bobbystruk (2542) Blitz 2025]

[5...Bg7 6.Nc3 0-0

A) 7.Qd2 Re8 *(7...b6 8.cxb6 axb6 9.Bd4 Nc5 10.Rd1 d6 11.e4 Be6 12.Bd3 Nfd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.f4 f5 15.exf5 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3 Bxf5 17.Qd4+ e5 18.fxe5 Nxe5 19.Nf3 Qf6 20.0-0 Rad8 21.Nxe5 dxe5 22.Qe3 Rd4 23.b3 Rfd8 24.Nd5 Rxd1 25.Nxf6 Kxf6 26.Qxb6+ R8d6 27.Qe3 e4 28.g4 Rxf1+ 29.Kxf1 Bxg4 30.Qf4+*

1-0 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2665)-Urbicus (2550) Blitz 2023*)* 8.Bf2 Qa5 9.a3 b6 10.cxb6 axb6 11.e4 Nc5 12.b4 Qxb4 13.axb4 Rxa1+ 14.Nd1 Ncxe4 15.fxe4 Nxe4 16.Qc2 d5 17.Bd3 Nc3 18.Be2 Bf5 19.Qd2 d4 20.Bxd4 Ne4 21.Bxg7 1-0 (21) Consent_to_treatment (2687)-Khem (2670) Blitz 2024;

B) 7.Bd4 Nh5 8.Bxg7 Nxg7 9.e4 Nxc5 10.Qd4 d6 11.0-0-0 Nce6 12.Qd2 Bd7 13.Kb1 Re8 14.h4 Qa5 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Bc6 17.Bd3 a5 18.Ne2 a4 19.Rc1 Nc5 20.Nd4 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Rec8 22.Bb5 Nh5 23.Ne2 Ra5 24.Bd3 Rb8 25.g4 Nf6 26.Nd4 Nfd7 27.Be2 Ne5 28.b4 axb3 29.axb3 Rba8 30.Kc2 Ra2+ 31.Kd1 Rxd2+ 32.Kxd2 Ra2+ 33.Rc2 Rxc2+ 34.Kxc2 h6 35.g5 hxg5 36.hxg5 Ned7 37.b4 Na4 38.Bb5 Nab6 39.Bxd7 Nxd7 40.f4 Kf8 41.Kc3 Nb6 42.Nb3 Nd7 43.Kc4 f6 44.Kb5 fxg5 45.fxg5 Ke8 46.Na5 Ne5 47.Nxb7 Nf3 48.Kc6 Nxg5 49.b5 Nxe4 50.b6 Nf6 51.Na5 g5 52.b7 Nd7 53.Nc4 g4 54.Kc7 g3 55.Nb6 Nb8 56.Kxb8 g2 57.Kc7 g1Q 58.b8Q+ Kf7 59.Kd7 Qc5 60.Qe8+ Kf6 61.Qxe7+ Kg6 62.Qxd6+ Qxd6+ 63.Kxd6 Kf5 64.Kc7 Kf4 65.d6 Ke4 66.d7 Kd4 67.d8Q+ Kc5 68.Qd6+ Kb5 69.Qc6+ Kb4 70.Nd7 Ka5 71.Qb7 Ka4 72.Kc6 Ka3 73.Qb6 Ka4 74.Qb7 Ka3 ½-½ (74) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-LadyMercedes (2701) Blitz 2022]

6.Qd2 Qxd2+ 7.Nxd2 e6

[7...Bg7 8.0-0-0 0-0 9.Bf2 b6 10.cxb6 axb6 11.e4 Nc5 12.Kb1 d6 13.Ne2 Be6 14.Nf4 b5 15.Nxe6 fxe6 16.cxb5 Nfd7 17.Bc4 Ne5 18.Bxc5 Nxc4 19.Nxc4 dxc5 20.b3 Bd4 21.a4 e5 22.Kc2 Rab8 23.Kd3 Rfd8 24.Ke2 Kf7 25.Rd2 Ke6 26.Ra2 h5 27.Rd1 g5 28.a5 Rxb5 29.Rd3 Ra8 30.a6 Kd7 31.Kd1 Kc6 32.Kc2 Rab8 33.Ra4 e6 34.h3 h4 35.Ra2 Ra8 36.Rd1 Ra7 37.Rb1 Rb8 38.Ra4 Rba8 39.b4 cxb4 40.Rbxb4 Rxa6 41.Kb3 Rxa4 42.Rxa4 Rxa4 43.Kxa4 Kc5 44.Kb3 Ba1 45.Ne3 Bd4 46.Ng4 Ba1 47.Kc2 Kd4 48.Kd2 Bc3+ 49.Ke2 Ba5 50.Nf6 Bd8 51.Ng4 Be7 52.Ne3 Bd8 53.Nc2+ Kc3 54.Ne3 Kd4 55.Nd1 Be7 56.Nf2 Bd8 57.Nd3 Be7 58.Kd2 Bd8 59.Ke2 Be7 60.Nc1 Bd8 61.Nb3+ Kc4 62.Nd2+ Kd4 63.Nf1 Be7 64.Ne3 Bd8 ½-½ (64) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Hippolytus (2562) Blitz 2023]

8.Nb3 Nb4 9.Kd2 Be7 10.a3 Na6 11.Rd1 0-0 12.Kc2 b6 13.cxb6 axb6 14.Bxb6 d5 15.e3 Bb7 16.c5 Rac8 17.Bxa6 Bxa6 18.Nh3 Nd7 19.Kb1 Nxc5 20.Nxc5 Bxc5 21.Bxc5 Rxc5 22.Rc1 Bd3+ 23.Ka1 Rfc8 24.Rxc5 Rxc5 25.Nf2 Ba6 26.Kb1 Rb5 27.b4 e5 28.Kb2 d4 29.exd4 exd4 30.Rd1 Re5 31.Rd2 Re1 32.a4 Bf1 33.Ne4 d3 34.b5 Re2 35.Kc3 Bxg2 36.b6 Re1 37.b7 Rc1+ 38.Kb3 Rb1+ 39.Rb2 1-0 (39) Consent_to_treatment (2729)-Name554 (2548) Blitz 2024

[129] **6.Be3** Qb6 7.Qd2 Qc7 8.Nc3 a6 9.Rc1 Bg7 10.Nh3 0-0 11.Nf2 d6 12.Be2 Be6 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.Rfd1 h5 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.Nd3 Kh7 18.N3f4 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.cxd5 Qh8 21.Qd3 Bb2 22.Rc2 Rxc2 23.Qxc2 Rc8 24.Qa4 Qc3 25.Bd4

Qxd4+ 26.Rxd4 Bxd4+ 27.Kf1 Rc1+ 28.Bd1 b5 29.Qb3 Ne5 30.Ke2 Nc4 31.Bc2 Rg1 32.g3 Rg2+ 33.Kf1 Rf2+ 34.Ke1 Rxh2 35.Bd3 Ne5 36.Be2 Rh1+ 37.Kd2 h4 38.f4 Nd7 39.Qf3 Rh2 40.Qg4 Nf6 41.Qf3 h3 42.e5 Rf2 43.exf6 Rxf3 44.fxe7 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2662)-NeverDreamed (2563) Blitz 2023

130 **8.Qd2** 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'John Emms: 'with a repetition.'''' 8...a6 9.Rc1 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Ghitescu, T-Ghinda, M Sinaia 1975, gives with another solid-looking Marcozy.'' Krasenkow,Michal: '=' 9...h5 Marin,Mihail: 'Glenn Flear: 'Marin, M'' Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: '(Moradiabadi, Elshan) (Krasenkow,Michal) is less effective here because of' 10.Nge2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 10...h4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 11.Nd5 Bg7 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan: '- 146/(175)''Krasenkow, Michal: 'had been played in earlier games:' 12.Nec3 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Bd7 14.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'John Emms: 'and more recently''' 14...0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: '(Krasenkow,Michal) John Emms: 'Lombaers,P-Alekseenko,K/ Caleta 2020.'''' 15.0-0 h3 16.g3 Qb8 17.b4 Na4 18.Nxa4 Bxa4 19.f4 Marin,Mihail: ' ± ' Marin,Mihail: 'Ghitescu,T-Ghinda,M Sinaia 1975 (1-0, 41)'

131 **10.Be2** a6 11.0-0 e6 12.Qd2 Qc7 13.Rfd1 Rd8 14.b4 Ncd7 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Bf8 17.Rdd1 Bxb4 18.Na4 Bb7 19.Rab1 a5 20.Nd3 Bc6 21.Nxb6 Nxb6 22.Bxb6 Rdb8 23.Bd4 Be7 24.Ne5 Ba4 25.Rdc1 Ba3 26.Rf1 Rd8 27.Bb6 Rd2 28.Rf2 Rb8 29.Nd3 Bc2 30.Rb5 Bxd3 31.Bxd3 Rxd3 32.Kf1 Nd7 33.Bxa5 Ra8 34.Rc2 Bc5 35.Be1 Rda3 36.Rb7 Ne5 37.Bc3 Nxc4 38.Bf6 Ne3+ 39.Ke2 Nxc2 0-1 (39) defenceboy1 (2898)-KarlBallmer (2864) Blitz 2021

132 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Бодрый гамбит ' **4...b5** Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' в данной ситуации имеет некоторые минусы :' ChessCalisthenics: ').' 5.e4

[5.cxb5 a6 Arsovic,Goran: 'is a 5.f3 Benko' *(5...e6 6.e4 exd5 7.e5 Nh5 8.Qxd5 Qh4+ 9.Ke2 Bg7 10.Qxa8 0-0 11.Qe4 Ng3+ 12.hxg3 Qxh1 13.Be3 d5 14.Qh4 Qxh4 15.gxh4 Bxe5 16.Nd2 d4 17.Bf2 Re8 18.Kd1 Bf5 19.g4 Bd7 20.Bc4 Kg7 21.Kc2 f5 22.g5 f4 23.Re1 Bf5+ 24.Bd3 Bd7 25.Nc4* 1-0 (25) unitedff (2632)-Artem_0degov (2611) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 6.bxa6 Bxa6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1

A1) 8...d6 9.Nc3 Bg7 10.g3 0-0 *(10...Nbd7 11.Kg2 h5 12.Nge2 h4 13.Bg5 h3+ 14.Kf2 Qb6 15.Rb1 Ne5 16.Qb3 Qa7 17.Qb5+ Kf8 18.Be3 Nfg4+ 19.fxg4 Nxg4+ 20.Kf3 Ne5+ 21.Kf2 Ng4+ 22.Kf3 Ne5+ 23.Kf2 Ng4+* ½-½ (23) MrAble (2621)-DDLUK (2550) Rapid 2023 *)* 11.Kg2 Nbd7 12.Nge2 Nb6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bf4 g5 15.Bc1 e6 16.h4 g4 17.fxg4 exd5 18.exd5 Nxg4 19.Nf4 Qd7

20.Nh5 Qf5 21.Nxg7 Kxg7 22.Rf1 Qg6 23.Rf4 *(23.h5 Qxh5 24.Rh1 Qg6 25.Bf4 Nc4 26.Qe2 Rfe8 27.Qxc4 Qc2+ 28.Kf3 f5 29.Bxh6+ Kg6 30.Raf1 Ne5+* 0-1 (30) Consent_to_treatment (2666)-doreality (2744) Blitz 2021*)* 23...h5 24.Rf1 Rfe8 25.Bg5 Nc4 26.Kh3 Nxb2 27.Qf3 Ra3 28.Rab1 Nd3 29.Rb3 Rxb3 30.axb3 f6 31.Bd2 Nge5 32.Qf5 Qxf5+ 33.Rxf5 Kg6 34.Rf1 Rb8 35.Ne4 Ng4 36.Bc3 Rxb3 37.Bxf6 Rb4 38.Nxd6 Nxf6 39.Nf5 Re4 40.d6 Ne5 41.Ne7+ Kf7 42.Nd5 Ned7 43.Nxf6 Nxf6 44.Rf5 c4 45.Rc5 Rd4 46.d7 Nxd7 47.Rxh5 c3 0-1 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2686)-doreality (2761) Blitz 2021;

A2) 8...Bg7 9.Ne2

A2a) 9...d6 10.Nbc3 0-0 11.a4 Nbd7 *(11...Na6 12.Be3 Qb6 13.Nb5 Nd7 14.Nec3 f5 15.Qc2 Nb4 16.Qb3* 0-1 (16) Spinaltap (2610)-wannabe2700 (2671) Blitz 2020*)* 12.Nb5 Ne8 13.g3 f5 14.Kg2 fxe4 15.fxe4 Nef6 16.Nec3 Ne5 17.Rf1 Qd7 18.Ra3 Nc4 19.Rb3 Ng4 20.Rf3 Rxf3 21.Qxf3 Rf8 22.Qe2 Rf2+ 23.Qxf2 Nxf2 24.Kxf2 Qh3 25.Kg1 Qg4 26.Kf2 h5 27.Ne2 Qxe4 28.Na3 Bd4+ 29.Kf1 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-Foksa (2586) Blitz 2021;

A2b) 9...0-0 10.Nec3 e6 11.a4 exd5 12.Nxd5 Nc6 13.Nbc3 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qb8 15.Ra3 c4 16.Qe2 Rc8 17.Rc3 Rxa4 18.Rxc4 Rxc4 19.Qxc4 Bxb2 20.Bf4 Be5 21.Bxe5 Qxe5 22.Kf2 Rb8 23.f4 Rb2+ 24.Kg3 Qb8 25.Rc1 Qb3+ 26.Qxb3 Rxb3+ 27.Kf2 Kg7 28.Rd1 Nd8 29.g3 Ne6 30.e5 Rb2+ 31.Kf3 Rxh2 32.Nf6 Nf8 33.Nxd7 Nxd7 34.Rxd7 Kf8 35.Kg4 Rh5 36.Ra7 Rf5 37.Ra8+ Kg7 38.Ra6 h5+ 39.Kh4 Kh6 40.Rf6 Rxf6 41.exf6 Kh7 42.Kg5 Kh8 43.Kh6 Kg8 44.f5 gxf5 45.Kxh5 Kh7 46.Kg5 f4 47.gxf4 Kh8 48.Kf5 Kh7 49.Kg5 Kh8 50.Kg4 Kh7 51.Kh5 Kh8 52.Kg5 Kg8 53.Kh5 Kh7 54.Kg5 ½-½ (54) supertactic91 (2776)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2820) Blitz 2021;

B) 6.b6 d6 7.e4 Bg7 8.Nd2 0-0 9.Ne2 Nbd7 10.Nc3 Nxb6 11.Be2 a5 12.0-0 a4 13.Qc2 e6 14.dxe6 Bxe6 15.Rd1 d5 16.exd5 Nfxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Ne4 Nb4 19.Qxc5 Qb8 20.Bg5 Rc8 21.Qf2 a3 22.bxa3 Bxa1 23.Rxa1 Nc2 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.Qh4 h5 26.Nxh5+ gxh5 27.Bf6+ Kf8 28.Qxh5 Ke8 29.Bb5+ 1-0 (29) EnglishLongbow (2739)-DESTROYER7777777 (2729) Blitz 2020;

C) 6.Na3 axb5 7.Nxb5 Bb7 8.e4 Bg7 9.Ne2 0-0 10.Nec3 d6 11.Be2 Nbd7 12.a4 Ne5 13.Ra3 c4 14.Be3 Ba6 15.0-0 h5 16.Qd2 Qc8 17.Rfa1 Nfd7 18.f4 Ng4 19.Bxg4 hxg4 20.Qe2 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Kh1 Nc5 23.Qxc4 Ne4

24.Qb4 Nxc3 25.bxc3 Bf6 26.Bd4 Kg7 27.Bxf6+ Rxf6 28.Re1 Qh8 29.Rxe7+ Kg6 30.c4 Qh4 31.Qe1 Qh6 32.Re6 Raf8 33.Nxd6 Qxf4 34.Rae3 Bxc4 35.R3e5 Bd3 36.a5 Rxe6 37.Rxe6+ Kg5 38.Qe3 Qxe3 39.Rxe3 Ba6 40.Re8 Rxe8 41.Nxe8 f4 42.Nc7 Bc4 43.a6 Bxa6 44.Nxa6 Kf5 45.Nb4 Ke5 46.Kg1 Kd6 47.Kf2 Kc5 48.h4 gxh3 49.gxh3 Kd6 50.h4 1-0 (50) sugeng_prasetyo (2724)-valhalla_SK (2577) Blitz 2021;

D) 6.e4 d6 *(6...axb5 7.e5 Nh5 8.g4 Ng7 9.Bxb5 h5 10.Ne2 hxg4 11.fxg4 Ba6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.0-0 e6 14.Ng3 Qh4 15.Rf2 exd5 16.Qxd5 Re6 17.Nc3 Nc6 18.Bf4 Be7 19.Rd1 0-0 20.Qxd7 Qxg4 21.Qd3 Nh5 22.Qf3 Qxf3 23.Rxf3 Nxf4 24.Rxf4 Nxe5 25.Nd5 Bg5 26.Re4 Rb8 27.b3 Kg7 28.Kg2 c4 29.Rde1 cxb3 30.axb3 f6 31.h4 Bh6 32.Nxf6 Kxf6 33.Rg1* 0-1 (33) OnkelKonkel (2676)-DmitryMaximov (2706) Blitz 2022 *)*

D1) 7.Na3 Bg7 8.Ne2 *(8.bxa6 Bxa6 9.Bxa6 Rxa6 10.Ne2 0-0 11.Nc3 Nbd7 12.Qe2 Qa5 13.Nc4 Qb4 14.Ne5 Nxe5 15.Qxa6 Qd4 16.Ke2 c4 17.Rd1 Nd3 18.Be3 Qe5 19.Rxd3 cxd3+ 20.Qxd3 Qxh2 21.Kf2 Nh5 22.Ne2 Bxb2 23.Rb1 Be5 24.a4 Ng3 25.a5 Nh1+ 26.Kf1 Ng3+ 27.Nxg3 Bxg3 28.a6 Qh1+ 29.Bg1 Bh2 30.Qe3 f5 31.a7 fxe4 32.Rb8 exf3 33.Rxf8+ Kxf8 34.a8Q+ Kg7 35.Qxe7+* 1-0 (35) supertactic91 (2729)-doreality (2716) Blitz 2021*)* 8...0-0 9.Nc3 e6 *(9...Nbd7 10.Be2 Nb6 11.0-0 Ne8 12.Be3 Nc7 13.Qd2 axb5 14.Naxb5 Nxb5 15.Bxb5 Ba6 16.Bh6 Bxb5 17.Bxg7 Bxf1 18.Bxf8 Nc4 19.Qf2 Qxf8 20.Rxf1 Qb8 21.Qe2 Qb4 22.Rf2 Rb8 23.Nd1 Ra8 24.Nc3 Rb8 25.Nd1 Ra8 26.b3 Na3 27.Qd2 Nb5 28.Kf1 Qxd2 29.Rxd2 Kg7 30.Ke2 f5 31.Kd3 Kf6 32.Ne3 Na3 33.Re2 Ra7 34.h4 fxe4+ 35.fxe4 h5 36.Rf2+ Kg7 37.Nc4 Nb5 38.a4 Nc7 39.g3 Ra6 40.Ke3 Ra8 41.Rd2 Rb8 42.Na5 Kf6 43.Rf2+ Kg7 44.Rb2 e6 45.dxe6 Kf6 46.Rd2 Kxe6 47.Rd3 d5 48.exd5+ Nxd5+ 49.Ke2 Nb6 50.Nc6 Rc8 51.Re3+ Kf6 52.Ne5 Ra8 53.Re4 Kf5 54.Kf3 g5 55.g4+ hxg4+ 56.Nxg4 Nd7 57.Re7* 1-0 (57) Wojtaszek,R (2748)-Ftacnik,L (2555) Czech Republic CZE 2016*; 9...axb5 10.Naxb5 Ba6 11.Be2 Nbd7 12.0-0 Qa5 13.a4 Rfc8 14.Bd2 c4 15.Kh1 Qb6 16.b4 cxb3 17.Qxb3 Nc5 18.Qb4 Nfd7 19.Rab1 Rab8 20.Be3 Nd3 21.Bxb6 Nxb4 22.Bc7 Rb7 23.Rxb4 Bxc3 24.Nxc3 Rxb4 25.Bxa6 Rxc7 26.Nb5 Rc5 27.Bb7 Rxa4 28.Bc6 Nb8 29.Nc7 Ra7 30.Nb5 Ra5 31.Nc7 Nxc6 32.dxc6 Rxc6 33.Nd5 Kf8 34.h4 e6 35.Ne3 Kg7 36.Ng4 h5 37.Nf2 Rc3 38.Nh3 d5 39.Kh2 dxe4 40.fxe4 Re5 41.Ng5 f6 42.Nf3 Rxe4 43.Ra1 e5 44.Ra7+ Kh6 45.Ra8 Rf4* 0-1 (45) povadingo (2716)-Goldenpawn1211 (2650) Blitz

2024) 10.Bc4 (10.Be2 exd5 11.exd5 Nbd7 12.0-0 Nb6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 g5 15.Bf2 axb5 16.Naxb5 Bb7 17.Qb3 Re8 18.Rad1 Nh5 19.g3 Nf6 20.Rfe1 Re5 21.Bf1 Rf5 22.Qc2 Rxf3 23.Bg2 Rxf2 24.Qxf2 Qd7 25.b3 Ng4 26.Qc2 c4 27.Nd4 cxb3 28.axb3 Qc7 29.Nc6 Bxc6 30.Nb5 Ra2 31.Re8+ Bxe8 32.Qxc7 Bxb5 33.Qxb6 Be2 34.Qd8+ Bf8 35.Rc1 1-0 (35) Sadler,M (2693)-D'Costa, L (2386) England ENG 2018; 10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.bxa6 d5 12.Be2 Qa5 13.0-0 dxe4 14.fxe4 Rd8 15.Qa4 Qxa4 16.Nxa4 Nxe4 17.Nb5 Rxa6 18.Nac3 Nxc3 19.bxc3 Rxa2 20.Rxa2 Bxa2 21.Bg5 Re8 22.Bf3 Bc4 23.Nd6 Bxf1 24.Nxe8 Bd3 25.Nxg7 Kxg7 26.Be3 c4 27.Bd4+ f6 28.Kf2 Nd7 29.Bc6 Ne5 30.Bd5 h5 31.h4 Ng4+ 32.Kg3 Nh6 33.Kf4 Nf5 34.Bf2 Kf8 35.Be6 Ng7 36.Bc5+ Ke8 37.Bd5 Nf5 38.g3 Kd7 39.Bf7 Nh6 40.Bd5 Ng4 41.Bf3 Ne5 42.Bd5 Bf5 43.Ke3 Be6 44.Kd4 Bxd5 45.Kxd5 Nf3 46.Kxc4 Ke6 47.Kd3 Kf5 48.Bd6 g5 49.hxg5 fxg5 50.Ke3 Ne5 51.Kd4 Nf3+ 52.Kd5 Nd2 53.c4 Nxc4 54.Kxc4 h4 55.gxh4 gxh4 56.Kd4 h3 57.Ke3 h2 58.Bxh2 ½-½ (58) deagle_1903 (2684)-Misi_95 (2710) Blitz 2023) 10...axb5 11.Naxb5 exd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Ra6 14.0-0 Сергей Шипов_17: '→→→ встрече И. Коваленко - В . Звягинцев, Магнитогорск 2011 черные не получили должной компенсации за пешку.';

D2) 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Bg5 (8.Nh3 Bxh3 9.gxh3 0-0 10.a4 e6 11.Bc4 axb5 12.Bxb5 exd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Qxd5 Qh4+ 15.Ke2 Qxh3 16.Be3 Nd7 17.Bxd7 Qxd7 18.Rhd1 Qh3 19.Rd2 Qxh2+ 20.Kd3 Qg3 21.a5 Rab8 22.a6 c4+ 23.Qxc4 d5 24.exd5 Rfc8 25.a7 Rxc4 26.axb8Q+ Qxb8 27.Kxc4 Qc7+ 28.Bc5 Qf4+ 29.Rd4 Bxd4 30.Ra8+ Kg7 31.Bxd4+ Kh6 32.Ra7 Qxf3 33.d6 Qc6+ 34.Bc5 f5 35.d7 Qe4+ 36.Bd4 Qc6+ 37.Kb4 1-0 (37) Al_Haibara (2695)-SpiritAirlines (2582) Blitz 2024) 8...0-0

D2a) 9.a4 axb5 10.Bxb5 Nbd7 (10...Ba6 11.Nge2 Bxb5 12.Nxb5 Qa5+ 13.Nec3 Nbd7 14.0-0 Nb6 15.Qe2 Qb4 ½-½ (15) Consent_to_treatment (2609)-NIKiler (2603) Blitz 2021) 11.Nge2 h6 12.Be3 Ba6 13.0-0 Bxb5 14.axb5 Ne5 15.b3 Qb6 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.h3 Qb7 18.f4 Ned7 19.Qc2 e6 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.e5 Nd5 23.Nxd5 exd5 24.f5 Nxe5 25.fxg6+ Kh8 26.Ng3 d4 27.Bf4 d3 28.Qd2 Rf8 29.Bxe5 dxe5 30.Rxf8+ Bxf8 31.Qxd3 Qb6 32.Kh1 Qf6 33.Qf5 Qd8 34.Qf7 Bg7 35.Nf5 1-0 (35) DoloresCrotal (2734)-hyfyww (2560) Blitz 2024;

D2b) 9.bxa6 Qa5 10.Qa4

Qxa4 11.Nxa4 Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Nxa6 13.Nc3 Rfb8 14.Nd1 Nb4 15.Kd2 Nxa2 16.Ne2 Nb4 17.Rxa8 Rxa8 18.Ndc3 Kf8 19.h3 Nd7 20.Be3 Ne5 21.b3 Nd7 22.Rc1 Ra3 23.Rb1 h5 24.g4 hxg4 25.hxg4 Ne5 26.Ng1 Nc4+ 27.bxc4 Bxc3+ 28.Ke2 Ra2+ 29.Kf1 Kg7 30.Ne2 Bd2 31.Bxd2 Rxd2 32.Rb3 Rd1+ 33.Kf2 Ra1 34.f4 Ra2 35.Rc3 Nc2 36.Kf3 Ra3 37.e5 Rxc3+ 38.Nxc3 Na3 39.exd6 exd6 40.Nb5 Nxc4 41.Ke4 Kf8 42.Kd3 Nb6 43.Nxd6 Nxd5 44.Ke4 Nf6+ 45.Kf3 Ke7 46.Nb7 c4 47.Na5 c3 48.Nc6+ Kd6 49.Nb4 Kc5 50.Nc2 Kc4 51.g5 Nd5 52.Ke4 Nb4 53.Ne3+ Kb3 54.f5 Nc2 55.Nd5 gxf5+ 56.Ke5 Nb4 57.Nxc3 Kxc3 58.Kxf5 Nd5 ½-½ (58) edgelorde (2750)-Fantastic_power06 (2769) Blitz 2021;

D3) 7.Qb3 Bg7 8.b6 Bd7 9.a4 a5 10.Bc4 0-0 11.Na3 Na6 12.b7 Ra7 13.Ne2 Nb4 14.Nb5 Rxb7 15.0-0 Ne8 16.Bf4 Nc7 17.Nec3 Qb8 18.Kh1 Rb6 19.Bd2 Qb7 20.f4 Rb8 21.Nxc7 Qxc7 22.Nb5 Qd8 23.f5 Ra8 24.Rf3 Rbb8 25.Raf1 Be8 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Qe3 Bxb2 28.Nc3 Nc2 29.Qh6 1-0 (29) Mr_Hayrettin (2719)-PROGRESSUS-CHESS (2470) Rapid 2021;

D4) 7.bxa6 Bg7 8.Bb5+ *(8.a7 Rxa7 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Nfxd7 11.Nc3 0-0 12.Nge2 Qa5 13.0-0 Na6 14.a4 Nc7 15.Bd2 Qb6 16.Kh1 Rb8 17.Rb1 c4 18.Qc1 Nc5 19.Be3 Qb4 20.Bxc5 Qxc5 21.b3 cxb3 22.Rxb3 Rxb3* 0-1 (22) K1_K1_K1_K1_K1 (2633)-pawnendgames (2605) Blitz 2023*; 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Ne2 Qb6 10.Na3 Bxa6 11.Bxa6 Rxa6 12.Qd3 Nbd7 13.Nc4 Qb5 14.Nc3 Qb4 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Ne5 Ra7 17.Nc6 Qb6 18.Nxb8 Qxb8 19.Kh1 Nh5 20.f4 Nhf6 21.h3 Rb7 22.Rb1 Nh5 23.b3 c4 24.bxc4 Rxb1 25.Nxb1 Nc5 26.Qc2 Ng3+ 27.Kg1 Nxf1 28.Kxf1 h5 29.Be3 Nd7 30.Kg1 h4 31.Kh2 Qb4 32.Nd2 g5 33.fxg5 Be5+ 34.Kg1 Bg3 35.Qb3 Qa5 36.Kf1 Ne5 37.Ke2 Kh7 38.a3 Kg6 39.Qb4 Qa6 40.a4 Qc8 41.a5 f6 42.gxf6 Kxf6 43.Qb5 Nd7 44.a6 Nb8 45.a7 Nd7 46.Qc6 Qd8* 1-0 (46) mbchessmaster (2621)-Heisenberg3 (2459) Rapid 2021*)* 8...Nbd7 9.Qe2 0-0 10.Nc3 Qa5 11.Bd2 Bxa6 12.a4 Rfb8 13.Ra2 e6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Bxa6 Qxa6 16.Qxa6 Rxa6 17.Nge2 d5 18.exd5 exd5 19.Kf2 d4 20.Nb1 Ne5 21.Rc1 Nd3+ 22.Kf1 Nxc1 23.Nxc1 Nd5 24.b3 c4 25.bxc4 Nb6 26.Rb2 Rxa4 27.c5 Nd7 28.Rxb8+ Nxb8 29.Bf4 Ra1 30.Na3 d3 31.Nc4 Nc6 32.Ke1 Bd4 33.Kd2 Bxc5 34.Kxd3 Kf7 35.Nb3 Rd1+ 36.Ke2 Rd5 37.g4 Nd4+ 38.Nxd4 Rxd4 39.Ne5+ Ke6 40.Nd3 Rc4 41.Bg3 Bd6 42.f4 Ra4 43.Ke3

Kf7 44.Kf3 Ra3 45.Ke4 Bc7 46.Nb4 Ra4 47.Kd5 Rxb4 48.f5 Bxg3 49.fxg6+ Kxg6 50.hxg3 Rxg4 0-1 (50) el-kun78 (2648)-surreptitiously421 (2655) Blitz 2024;

D5) 7.a4 Bg7

D5a) 8.Na3 0-0 9.Ne2 e6 10.dxe6 *(10.Nc3 exd5 11.Nxd5 Nbd7 12.Bc4 Bb7 13.0-0 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Bd4+ 15.Kh1 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qh4 17.a5 Nf6 18.Nc2 Bf2 19.g4 Bg3 20.Qd2 axb5 21.Qg2 Be5 22.f4 Bd4 23.Nxd4 cxd4 24.g5 Nh5 25.Bd2 f5 26.gxf6 Nxf6 27.f5 Qg4 28.fxg6 hxg6 29.Rf4 Qxg2+ 30.Kxg2 Nxd5 31.Rxd4 Rf5 32.Rf1 Re5 33.b4 Rc8 34.Rf2 Rc6 35.h4 Ne7 36.Rg4 d5 37.Bg5 Nf5 38.Ra2 Ree6 39.Rf4 Ne3+ 40.Kf2 Nd1+ 41.Kg2 Ne3+ 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Bd8 Nf5+ 44.Kf2 d4 45.Bb6 Rc4 46.Bc5 d3 47.Rxc4 bxc4 48.a6 c3 49.a7 Re8 50.a8Q Rxa8 51.Rxa8 c2 52.Ra7+ Kg8 53.Ra8+ Kf7 54.Ra7+ Ke6 55.Ra6+ Kd5 56.Ra5 Ke4 57.Ra1 d2 58.Ke2 c1Q* 0-1 (58) Feller,S (2640)-Le Roux,J (2551) Belfort FRA 2012 *)* 10...Bxe6 11.Nf4 d5 12.Be2 axb5 13.Nxb5 Nc6 14.0-0 Nd4 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bc4 Kh8 19.Qe2 Qb6 20.Kh1 Ne3 21.Bxe3 dxe3 22.Rae1 Bd4 23.b3 e5 24.Rd1 Rf4 25.g3 Rf6 26.Qc2 Raf8 27.Qe4 g5 28.Rde1 Kg7 29.Kg2 h5 30.Qd5 Rd6 31.Qe4 Rdf6 32.h4 gxh4 33.Qxh4 Qb7 34.Qe4 Qe7 35.Bd3 Rh8 36.Rh1 Qb4 37.Re2 Qxb3 38.f4 Qe6 39.fxe5 Qxe5 40.Qxe5 Bxe5 41.Rxe3 Bd6 42.a5 Rb8 43.Rxh5 Rb2+ 44.Kh3 Ra2 45.Rh7+ Kg8 46.Bc4+ Kxh7 47.Bxa2 Kg7 48.Re6 Rxe6 49.Bxe6 Kf6 50.Bc4 Kg5 51.a6 Bc5 52.Kg2 Kf5 53.Kf3 Ba7 54.g4+ Ke5 55.Bd3 Kf6 56.Ke4 Bb8 57.Kd5 1-0 (57) Grischuk,A (2795)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Sochi RUS 2014;

D5b) 8.Bd2 0-0 9.Bc3 axb5 10.Bxb5 Ba6 11.Na3 Nbd7 12.Ne2 Ne8 13.0-0 Nc7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nc3 Bxb5 16.axb5 Nb6 17.f4 f6 18.Rf3 Qd7 19.Rg3 f5 20.Qd3 fxe4 21.Qxe4 Rf5 22.Rd1 Raf8 23.Rf3 Kg8 24.b3 Ra8 25.Nc4 Rb8 26.Na5 Nxb5 27.Nxb5 Qxb5 28.Nc6 Re8 29.g4 Rf7 30.f5 Nd7 31.fxg6 Rxf3 32.gxh7+ Kh8 33.Qxf3 Nf6 34.g5 Nxh7 35.g6 Rg8 36.Qe4 Qxb3 37.Rd3 Qb1+ 38.Kf2 Qc2+ 39.Kg3 Nf6 40.Qf5 Qe2 41.Rf3 Nh5+ 42.Qxh5+ Kg7 43.Qh7# 1-0 (43) h16 (2653)-Hellblazer2007 (2726) Blitz 2021;

D5c) 8.Nc3 0-0 *(8...axb5 9.Bxb5+ Bd7 10.Nge2 0-0 11.0-0 Bxb5 12.Nxb5 Nbd7 13.Be3 Nb6 14.Qc2 Nc8 15.Nec3 Nd7 16.b3 Nb8 17.Rae1 Na6 18.f4 Nb4*

19.Qd2 Na7 20.e5 Nxb5 21.Nxb5 Qd7 22.exd6 exd6 23.f5 Be5 24.Bf4 Bxf4 25.Rxf4 Rae8 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.f6 Re5 28.Rxb4 Qf5 29.Rf4 Qb1+ 30.Rf1 1-0 (30) jposthuma (2746)-Happy_Duck12 (2522) Rapid 2022*; 8...Bd7 9.Ra3 e6 10.Bc4 exd5 11.Nxd5 axb5 12.axb5 Rxa3 13.bxa3 0-0 14.Ne2 Bxb5 15.Bxb5 Qa5+ 16.Ndc3 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Bxc3+ 18.Nxc3 Qxc3+ 19.Qd2 Qe5 20.Bd3 d5 21.Bb2 Qe6 22.0-0 d4 23.Qc2 Rc8 24.Bc4* Normal 1-0 (24) licg (2635)-MackWin (2442) Blitz 2024 *)*

D5c1) 9.Bc4 axb5

D5c11) 10.Bxb5 e6 *(10...Ba6 11.Nge2 Bxb5 12.Nxb5 Nbd7 13.0-0 Nb6 14.Qc2 Ne8 15.Ra3 Nc7 16.Nxc7 Qxc7 17.Bd2 Qb7 18.Bc3 Rfb8 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.b3 Nd7 21.a5 Qb4 22.Rfa1 Ne5 23.a6 Ra7 24.f4 Ng4 25.h3 Nf6 26.Nc3 c4 27.bxc4 Qxc4 28.Qf2 Rba8 29.Qe3 Rxa6 30.Rxa6 Rxa6 31.Rxa6 Qxa6 32.e5 Nd7 33.Qd4 dxe5 34.fxe5 Qb6 35.Qxb6 Nxb6 36.d6 exd6 37.exd6 Kf6 38.Ne4+ Ke6 39.Ng5+ Kxd6 40.Nxf7+ Ke7 41.Ng5 h6 42.Nf3 Nd5 43.Kf2 Kf6 44.Nd2* ½-½ (44) abrakadabra02 (2655)-Koshechka22 (2658) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.Nge2 exd5 12.exd5 Na6 13.0-0 Nb4 14.Ng3 Bb7 15.Bc4 Re8 16.Nge4 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Qf3 Ra7 20.Bf4 Nc2 21.Rad1 Nd4 22.Qh3 Qb6 23.Rd2 Rae7 24.Kh1 Qb4 25.Bg5 Rb7 26.Rdf2 Rf8 27.Bf6 Bxf6 28.Rxf6 Qxb2 29.a5 Rb3 30.Qd7 Rb7 31.Na4 Qb4 32.Qxd6 Qxa4 33.Qxc5 Ne2 34.Qe3 Rb2 35.h3 Qc4 36.Kh2 Nd4 37.d6 Nc6 38.d7 Nd8 39.e5 Rb5 40.a6 Ne6 41.a7 Qc7 42.Rxf7 Rxe5 43.Rxf8+ Nxf8 44.Qf4 Rf5 45.Qxc7 Rxf1 46.d8Q 1-0 (46) Superfm1 (2702)-Egor_Kharitonov (2548) Blitz 2025;

D5c12) 10.Nxb5 Na6 11.Ne2 Nd7 12.Nec3 Nb4 13.0-0 Ba6 14.Bg5 h6 15.Be3 Ne5 16.Be2 c4 17.Qd2 Kh7 18.f4 Ned3 19.b3 Bxb5 20.axb5 Rc8 21.Rab1 Qa5 22.b6 cxb3 23.Rxb3 Nc5 24.Rbb1 Qxb6 25.Na4 Nxe4 26.Nxb6 Nxd2 27.Bxd2 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Bxb6 29.Rxb4 Ba5 30.Rd4 Bxd2 31.Rxd2 Rc3 32.Bf3 Rfc8 33.Re1 R8c7 34.Rde2 Rc1 35.h3 Rxe1+ 36.Rxe1 Kg7 37.Kh2 Kf6 38.g4

g5 39.Kg3 Rc4 40.fxg5+ hxg5 41.Ra1 Rd4 42.Ra8 Rd2 43.Rh8 e6 44.dxe6 fxe6 45.Rh6+ Kf7 46.Be4 d5 47.Bg6+ Kg7 48.Rh7+ Kxg6 49.Re7 Rd3+ 50.Kg2 Rd2+ 51.Kg3 Rd3+ 52.Kf2 Rd2+ 53.Ke3 Ra2 54.Rxe6+ Kf7 55.Rd6 Ra3+ 56.Kd4 Ra4+ 57.Ke5 Rf4 58.Rd7+ Kg6 59.Rxd5 Rf6 60.Rd6 Re6+ 61.Rxe6+ 1-0 (61) jposthuma (2756)-UzbekTiger63 (2747) Blitz 2022;

D5c2) 9.Nge2 axb5 10.Nxb5 Na6 *(10...Ba6 11.Nec3 Nbd7 12.Be2 Ne8 13.0-0 Nc7 14.Be3 Bb7 15.Qd2 Na6 16.b3 Nb4 17.Rae1 Rb8 18.f4 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bf3 Nf6 21.Bf2 Qd7 22.Bh4 Ba6 23.Re6 Bxb5 24.axb5 Rf7 25.Rfe1 Kf8 26.h3 Qa7 27.g4 Qa3 28.Rb1 Ng8 29.g5 Qa5 30.Rc1 Na2 31.Qxa2 Bxc3 32.Qxa5 Bxa5 33.Be2 Bd2 34.Rf1 Ra8 35.Bc4 Rg7 36.Kh1 Bc3 37.Re2 Bd4 38.Bf2 Bxf2 39.Rexf2 h6 40.h4 Rh7 41.Kg2 Ra3 42.Re1 e5 43.dxe6 Ne7 44.Rd1 hxg5 45.hxg5 d5 46.Bxd5 Rh4 47.Bc4 Rg4+ 48.Kf3 Kg7 49.Rd7 Kf8 50.Rh2 Ng6 51.Rhh7 Rxf4+ 52.Ke3 Re4+ 53.Kd3 Ne5+ 54.Kc3 Nxd7 55.exd7 Rd4 56.g6 Ra1 57.g7+ Ke7 58.g8Q+ Kd6 59.d8Q+ Ke5 60.Re7+ Kf4 61.Qg7 Kf3 62.Qh6 Rc1+ 63.Kb2 Rd2+ 64.Kxc1 Rc2+ 65.Kxc2 Kg2 66.Qh1+* 1-0 (66) W-B-Yeats (2639)-UzbekTiger63 (2751) Blitz 2022*; 10...e6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.Qxd6 Qxd6 13.Nxd6 Nc6 14.Nc3 Nd4 15.Kf2 Rfd8 16.Ndb5 Nb3 17.Rb1 Nxc1 18.Rxc1 Rd2+ 19.Be2 Rxb2 20.Rb1 Rb4 21.Nc7 Rd8 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Rxb4 cxb4 24.Rd1 Ra8 25.Nb5 Rxa4 26.Rd8+ Bf8 27.Bc4 Kf7 28.Rc8 Nd7 29.Rc7 Bc5+ 30.Kg3 Ke7 31.Rc6 Be3 32.Rxe6+ Kd8 33.Bb3 Ra5 34.Nd6 Rg5+ 35.Kh3 Rh5+ 36.Kg3 Nc5 37.Nf7+ Kd7 38.Ne5+ Rxe5 39.Rxe5 Nxb3 40.Rd5+ Kc6 41.Rd3 Nd2 42.Rxe3 b3 43.Rc3+ Kb5 44.Rd3 b2 45.Rxd2 b1Q 46.Rd5+ Kc6 47.h3 Qe1+ 48.Kh2 h5 49.Rg5 Qe3 50.Rxg6+ Kc5 51.Rf6 Kd4 52.Rf5 h4 53.Rd5+ Kc3 54.Rh5 Kd2 55.Rxh4 Ke1 56.Rg4 Kf1 57.h4 Qf2 58.Kh3 Kg1 59.h5 Kh1 60.h6 Qg1 61.Kg3 Qh2+ 62.Kf2 Qxh6 63.Kg3 Kg1 64.Rh4 Qd6+ 65.Rf4 Kf1 66.Kg4 Qg6+ 67.Kh3 Kf2 68.Kh4 Qh6+* 0-1 (68) Vantablack_Chess (2619)-Peacefulwarrior1996 (2751) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Nec3 Nb4 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bh4 Ba6

14.Be2 Nd7 15.0-0 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Bf6 17.Bxf6 exf6 18.Qd2 Kg7 19.f4 Re8 20.Rae1 Re7 21.b3 Qa5 22.Re2 Na6 23.Bc6 Rd8 24.Nb5 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 Ndb8 26.Nc3 Nxc6 27.dxc6 Rc7 28.e5 fxe5 29.fxe5 Rxc6 30.Rfd1 c4 31.Rxd6 Rdc8 32.Rxc6 Rxc6 33.Rd6 Nb4 34.Rxc6 Nxc6 35.bxc4 Nxe5 36.c5 Kf6 37.Kf1 Ke6 38.Ke2 Kd7 39.Ke3 Kc6 40.Kd4 Nd7 41.g4 Nxc5 42.h4 f6 43.a5 Ne6+ 44.Kc4 h5 45.gxh5 gxh5 46.Nd5 Nf4 47.Nxf4 1-0 (47) Brigello (2743)-Koshechka22 (2740) Blitz 2021;

D5c3) 9.Bd2 Nbd7 10.Nh3 *(10.Bc4 Ne5 11.b3 axb5 12.axb5 Rxa1 13.Qxa1 Nxc4 14.bxc4 Nd7 15.f4 f5 16.exf5 Nb6 17.fxg6 Nxc4 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.Nf3 Bg4 20.Qa4 Nxd2 21.Kxd2 Bxf3 22.gxf3 Qd7 23.Rb1 Qh3 24.Ne2 Qxf3 25.Qb3 Qf2 26.Qe3 Qg2 27.Qd3 Rxf4 28.Rg1 Qxh2 29.Rxg7 Kxg7 30.Qe3 Rf7 31.b6 Qg2 32.h8Q+ Kxh8 33.Qh6+ Kg8 34.Qe6 Qg5+ 35.Kd3 Qf5+ 36.Qxf5 Rxf5 37.b7 Rf8 38.Kc4 Rb8 39.Nf4 Rxb7* 0-1 (39) doreality (2687)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2614) Blitz 2020*)* 10...Ne8 11.Nf2 Nc7 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 axb5 14.axb5 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Nxb5 16.Rb1 Ba6 17.Qc1 Nxc3 18.Bxc3 Rxb1 19.Qh6 Rxf1+ 20.Bxf1 f6 21.Bxa6 Qb6 22.Bf1 Qb3 23.Qd2 Ra8 24.Nd1 Ra2 25.Qd3 Ne5 26.Bxe5 Qxd3 27.Bxd3 fxe5 28.Bc4 Ra1 29.Be2 Rc1 30.Kf2 Kg7 31.Ne3 h5 32.g3 Kf6 33.h4 g5 34.hxg5+ Kxg5 35.Nc4 Rc2 36.Ke3 h4 37.gxh4+ Kxh4 38.Nb6 Kg5 39.Bd3 Rc3 40.Nc4 Kf6 41.Kd2 Rb3 42.Ne3 Rb8 43.Ng4+ Kf7 44.Ke3 Rh8 45.Be2 Rh3 46.Bf1 Rh8 47.f4 exf4+ 48.Kxf4 Kg6 49.e5 Rf8+ 50.Ke4 Rxf1 0-1 (50) Violet_Pride (2707)-Millionaire_19 (2617) Blitz 2023;

D5c4) 9.Be3 e6 10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.bxa6 Nxa6 12.Bxa6 Rxa6 13.Nge2 d5 14.Bxc5 Re8 15.0-0 Qc8 16.Bd4 dxe4 17.Nxe4 Rd8 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Bxf6 Rxd1 20.Rfxd1 Bd5 21.Bc3 Qc5+ 22.Rd4 Bc4 23.Ng3 f5 24.Kh1 Rd6 25.Rad1 Rxd4 26.Rxd4 Bb3 27.h4 Qe7 28.a5 Qc5 29.Ne2 Bc4 30.Nf4 Qb5 31.Kh2 Qb3 32.h5 g5 33.Nh3 h6 34.Rd6 Bf1 35.Rxh6 Qc2 36.Rg6+ Kh7 37.Rxg5 Qc1 38.f4 Bd3 39.Be5 Be4 40.a6 Qa1 41.Rg6 Qh1+ 42.Kxh1 Bxg2+ 43.Kh2 Bxh3 44.a7 Bg2 45.Rxg2 Kh6 1-0 (45) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2653)-Fantastic_power06

(2702) Blitz 2021;
D5c5) 9.Ra3 axb5 *(9...e6 10.Bc4 axb5 11.axb5 Rxa3 12.bxa3 exd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Qa5+ 15.Kf2 Qxb5 16.Ne2 Nd7 17.Be3 Nb6 18.Ba2 Rd8 19.Qb1 Qa5 20.Rd1 Ba6 21.Bd2 Qb5 22.Qxb5 Bxb5 23.Rb1 Nc4 24.Rxb5 Nxd2 25.Rb7 c4 26.Ke1 c3 27.Rxf7 Kh8 28.Rc7 d5 29.Bxd5 Be5 30.Rc6 Nb1 31.a4 Rb8 32.f4 Bg7 33.a5 h5 34.a6 Na3 35.Nxc3 Bd4 36.Kd2 Rb2+ 37.Kd3 Bg1 38.Rc7 Nb1 39.Nxb1 Rxb1 40.a7 Rd1+ 41.Ke2 Ra1 42.a8Q+ Rxa8 43.Bxa8 Bxh2 44.Kf3 Bg1 45.e5 Bd4 46.Be4 g5 47.fxg5 Bxe5 48.Rd7 Bc3 49.g4 h4 50.Kg2 Bb2 51.Kh3 Bc1 52.Bf5 Bxg5 53.Rd6 Be7 54.Rg6 Kh7 55.g5* 1-0 (55) Consent_to_treatment (2671)-KingChessT007 (2661) Blitz 2021*)* 10.Bxb5 Na6 11.Nge2 Nc7 12.0-0 Nxb5 13.axb5 Bd7 14.Be3 Qb6 15.Qd2 Rfb8 16.Rxa8 Rxa8 17.b4 Rc8 18.bxc5 dxc5 19.Rb1 Ne8 20.Na4 Qd6 21.Bf4 e5 22.dxe6 Qxe6 23.b6 Bxa4 24.b7 Bc6 25.bxc8Q Qxc8 26.Nc3 h5 27.Nd5 Qe6 28.Rb6 Kh7 29.h3 Qd7 30.Kh2 Bd4 31.Ne3 Ng7 32.Nc2 Ne6 33.Nxd4 cxd4 34.Be5 f6 35.Bb8 d3 36.Rb3 Bb5 37.Rc3 g5 38.Rc1 Kg6 39.Rb1 Qb7 40.Bg3 h4 41.Bd6 Qc6 42.e5 Nf4 43.Rc1 Qd5 44.Rc5 Qd4 45.Rxb5 Ne2 46.Bc5 Qxe5+ 47.Kh1 Ng3+ 48.Kg1 Ne2+ 49.Kf2 Qg3+ 50.Ke3 Qxg2 51.Kxd3 Nf4+ 52.Kc2 Qxf3 53.Be3 Qe4+ 54.Kd1 Ne6 55.Qc2 Qd3+ 56.Qxd3+ f5 57.Qd5 Nf4 58.Qd6+ Kh5 59.Rb7 Ng6 60.Bf4 gxf4 61.Qd8 f3 62.Qe8 Kg5 63.Rh7 Kf4 64.Qxg6 Ke3 65.Qh6+ Kf2 66.Qd2+ Kf1 67.Qd3+ Kg2 68.Qe3 f2 69.Qf3+ Kxf3 70.Rg7 1-0 (70) gogotaniye (2803)-Steem20 (2716) Blitz 2023]

5...Bg7

[5...bxc4 6.Nc3 *(6.Ne2 d6 7.Nec3 Bg7 8.Nd2 0-0 9.Nxc4 Nbd7 10.Be2 Nb6 11.Ne3 a5 12.a4 Ba6 13.0-0 c4 14.Nc2 Nfd7 15.Nd4 Nc5 16.Be3 Nd3 17.Qd2 Re8 18.Nc6 Qc7 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.axb5 Nc4 22.Qxd3 Nxe3 23.Qxe3 Bxb2 24.Ra2 Bf6 25.b6 Qb7 26.Rb1 a4 27.Rb4 e6 28.Qd3 exd5 29.Qxd5 Ra6 30.Raxa4 Rxb6 31.Kf2 Qxc6* 0-1 (31) supertactic91 (2679)-doreality (2756) Blitz 2021*; 6.e5 Nh5 7.g4 Ng7 8.Bxc4 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Nc3 e6 11.Nge2 Qh4+ 12.Ng3 h5 13.Be3 hxg4 14.fxg4 Qxg3+ 15.hxg3 Rxh1+ 16.Ke2 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 exd5 18.Nxd5 Be7 19.Rd3 Rc8 20.Ra3 Nb4 21.Nf6+ Bxf6 22.exf6 Ne6 23.Rxa7 Nd5 24.a4 Nxf6 25.a5 Nxg4 26.Bd2 Ne5 27.a6 Nc6 28.Rb7 Ra8* 0-1 (28) Dr-CRO (2669)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2698) Blitz 2020*)* 6...d6 7.Bxc4 Bg7

8.Nge2 0-0 9.0-0
A) 9...Ba6 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.Be3 *(11.Bg5 Nd7 12.Qd2 Rb8 13.b3 Re8 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Rac1 Qa5 16.Na4 Qxd2 17.Bxd2 Nb6 18.Nec3 Rec8 19.Nxb6 axb6 20.Nb5 Nc7 21.Na7 Re8 22.Nc6 Ra8 23.a4 e6 24.Bf4 e5 25.Bd2 b5 26.axb5 Nxb5 27.Ra1 Bf6 28.Kf2 Nd4 29.Nxd4 exd4 30.Ra4 Rab8 31.Rb1 Rb5 32.Bf4 Be5 33.Bxe5 Rxe5 34.Ra6 f5 35.Rxd6 fxe4 36.fxe4 Rxe4 37.Ra1 Rb8 38.Ra7 Rf8+ 39.Kg3 Rf7 40.Ra4 Re5 41.Rc4 Re3+ 42.Kg4 Re4+ 43.Kg3 Re3+ 44.Kg4 h5+ 45.Kh4 Kg7 46.g3 Rf2 47.Kh3 Ree2 48.g4 Rf3+ 49.Kh4 Re4 50.Kg5 Rxg4#* 0-1 (50) theredking89 (2617)-UzbekTiger63 (2608) Blitz 2020*)* 11...Nd7 12.Qd2 Rb8 13.b3 Qa5 14.Rac1 Ne5 15.Rfd1 Nb4 16.Nf4 Bh6 17.a4 Bxf4 18.Bxf4 Nbd3 19.Rb1 Nxf4 0-1 (19) Consent_to_treatment (2684)-Yuriy_Ayrapetyan (2610) Blitz 2021;
B) 9...Nbd7 10.b3 *(10.Nf4 Ne5 11.Be2 Rb8 12.Nd3 Nfd7 13.Rb1 Nc4 14.Nf2 Ndb6 15.Qc2 Bd4 16.Ncd1 Ne5 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Nxe3 Qd7 19.f4* 1-0 (19) Bardiya___Daneshvar (2611)-CHErik2005 (2554) Blitz 2020*)* 10...Nb6 11.Bb5 a6 12.Bc6 Rb8 13.Rb1 Bd7 14.Bxd7 Nfxd7 15.Bb2 Ne5 16.Qd2 c4 17.Nd1 cxb3 18.axb3 Nbc4 19.bxc4 Nxc4 20.Qc1 Nxb2 21.Nxb2 Qb6+ 0-1 (21) Beginner741 (2710)-mbojan23 (2692) Blitz 2021]
6.cxb5
[6.e5 Ng8 7.f4 d6 8.Nf3 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Aronian,L (2797)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2758) Beijing 2014' Nh6 *(8...Bg4 9.Nc3 dxe5 10.fxe5 Bxe5 11.Nxb5 Nf6 12.Qa4 Bxf3 13.Nc7+ Kf8 14.Nxa8 Be4 15.Bh6+ Kg8 16.0-0-0 Nbd7 17.Qxa7 Ng4 18.Bg5 f6 19.Bd2 Kf7 20.Re1 f5 21.Rxe4 fxe4 22.Qa6 Bd6 23.Be2 Ngf6 24.Rf1 Qxa8 25.Qxa8 Rxa8 26.a3 Be5 27.Kc2 Kg7 28.g4 Ne8 29.h4 Nd6 30.g5 Nf5 31.Bg4 Rf8 32.b4 Nd4+ 33.Kb2 Rxf1 34.Bxd7 Rf2 35.Kc1 Nb3+ 36.Kd1 Rxd2+ 37.Ke1 e3 38.b5 Nd4* 0-1 (38) Violet_Pride (2739)-crackcubano (2639) Blitz 2023 *)* 9.cxb5 0-0 10.Nc3 a6 11.bxa6 Nf5 12.Bc4 Nd4 13.Be3 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Qb6 15.Qe2 Bxa6 16.0-0 Bxc4 17.Qxc4 Nd7 18.b3 dxe5 19.f5 e4 20.Rae1 Qb4 21.Nxe4 Rxa2 22.d6 Qxc4 23.bxc4 exd6 24.f6 Bh8 25.g4 Ne5 26.g5 Nxc4 27.Bf4 h6 28.h4 hxg5 29.hxg5 Re8 30.Nxd6 Nxd6 31.Bxd6 Rxe1 32.Rxe1 Rd2 33.Bxc5 Rd5 34.Be3 Re5 35.Kg2 Re6 36.Bd2 Rd6 37.Bf4 Ra6 38.Re8+ Kh7 39.Rf8 Ra7 40.Bd6 Bg7 41.Re8 Bxf6 42.gxf6 g5 43.Be7 Ra5 44.Kg3 Kg6 45.Rg8+ Kf5 46.Rg7 1-0 (46) Aronian,L (2797)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2758) Beijing CHN 2014]
6...a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞'
[6...e6 7.dxe6 fxe6 8.Qd6 Qb6 9.Qxb6 axb6 10.Nd2 d5 11.Bd3 0-0 12.Ne2 Ne8 13.Nc3 Bb7 14.0-0 Nc7 15.a4 Nd7 16.exd5 exd5 17.f4 c4 18.Be2 Nc5 19.Bf3 Rae8 20.Nxc4 dxc4 21.Bxb7 Nxb7 22.Bd2 Ne6 23.Nd5 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Kg7 25.Bb4 Rf5 26.Nc3 Bxc3 27.bxc3 Nbc5 28.Ra2 Rxf4 0-1 (28) Killerkaz (2658)-RaskolnikovRebel (2632)

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7.Nc3
[7.e5 Ng8 8.f4 d6 9.Nf3 Nd7 10.Nc3 dxe5 11.fxe5 Nxe5 12.bxa6 Qa5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5 14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.Qf3 Kg7 16.0-0 Bd4+ 17.Be3 Nf6 18.d6 Bf5 19.a4 e5 20.Ne2 Qd8 21.Bxd4 cxd4 22.Qg3 Ng4 23.h3 Ne3 24.Qxe5+ f6 25.Qxd4 Nc2 26.Qc5 Nxa1 27.Rxa1 Qc8 28.b4 Bxh3 29.d7 Bxd7 30.Qe7+ Kh6 31.Bxd7 Qxa6 32.Nd4 Qd3 33.Qxf6 Rhf8 34.Qh4+ Kg7 35.Ne6+ 1-0 (35) Kramnik,V (2790)-Ponomariov,R (2737) Nice FRA 2010]
[7.a4 0-0 8.Na3 e6 9.dxe6 fxe6 10.Be3 d5 11.Bxc5 Rf7 12.Bf8 Qxf8 0-1 (12) AMC2 (2629)-RenierChess (2600) Blitz 2018]
7...0-0 8.Nh3
[8.bxa6 e6 9.Bc4 Re8 10.Nge2 exd5 11.Nxd5 Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Nxa6 13.Bg5 Qa5+ 14.Bd2 Qd8 15.Bc3 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Bxc3+ 17.bxc3 Qh4+ 18.Ng3 Qf4 19.Kf2 h5 20.Rhd1 h4 21.Nf1 Nc7 22.Qxd7 Ne6 23.Qd6 Qf6 24.Qd2 Ng5 25.Kg1 h3 26.Qd6 Re6 27.Qg3 Kg7 28.Rd5 Qxc3 29.Rad1 hxg2 30.Kxg2 Rxa2+ 31.R1d2 Rxd2+ 32.Nxd2 Nh7 33.f4 Nf6 34.Qxc3 1-0 (34) OnkelKonkel (2655)-RaskolnikovRebel (2598) Rapid 2022]
8...d6 9.Nf4 Nbd7 10.Be2 axb5 11.Nxb5 Ne8 Krasenkow,Michal: 'and Black is fine.' 12.0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal'' 12...Ba6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is White's idea behind 10.Be3' 13.Kh1 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!''1-0 (47) Fedoseev,V (2664)-Wojtaszek,R (2748) Douglas 2019 CBM 193 [Fedoseev,Vladimir] Moradiabadi,Elshan: '!?' Moradiabadi,Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (47) Fedoseev,V (2664)-Wojtaszek,R (2748) Douglas 2019 CBM 193 [Fedoseev,Vladimir] John Emms: '!?"" 13...Nc7 Krasenkow,Michal: '±"V.Fedoseev Moradiabadi, Elshan: 'Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: 'V.Fedoseev'" 14.Nc3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Moradiabadi, Elshan' 14...Qb8 15.Bxa6 Rxa6 16.Nfe2 Nb5 17.Bg5 Re8 18.Qd3 Ra5 19.Rab1 Ne5 20.Qc2 Nxc3 21.Nxc3 Qb4 Marin,Mihail: '∞' Marin,Mihail: 'Grischuk,A (2760)-Caruana,F (2700) Plovdiv 2010 (½-½, 36).' Marin,Mihail: 'As we wil see, there will be Volga/Benko elements in our main game, too, even though the structure in the centre will be quite different.' 22.Rfc1 Qc4 23.b3 Qd3 24.a4 h6 25.Bd2 Qxc2 26.Rxc2 Rb8 27.Kg1 Ra6 28.Kf1 c4 29.b4 Nd3 30.Nd1 Rxa4 31.Rxc4 Ra2 32.Be3 Ra4 33.Bd2 Ra2 34.Be3 Ra4 35.Ke2 Raxb4 36.Rcxb4 ½-½ (36) Grischuk,A (2760)-Caruana,F (2700) Plovdiv BUL 2010

4...Bg7 5.e4 0-0 6.Ne2
[6.Nc3 e6 *(6...b5 7.Nxb5 e6 8.Nc3 exd5 9.cxd5 Re8 10.Bd3 Na6 11.Nge2 Nb4 12.Bc4 a5 13.0-0 Qb6 14.Be3 d6 15.Qd2 Ba6 16.b3 Bxc4 17.bxc4 a4 18.a3 Na6 19.Rab1 Qd8 20.Nxa4 Nd7 21.Rfc1 Nc7 22.Qc2 Qc8 23.Bf4 Qa6 24.Nb2 Ne5 25.a4 Reb8 26.Kh1 Qa5 27.Bd2 Qa7 28.Bc3 Na6 29.Nd3 f6 30.Nxe5 fxe5 31.Rb5 Nc7 32.Rxb8+ Rxb8 33.a5 Qb7 34.h3 Bh6 35.Ra1 Na6 36.Qa4 Kf7 37.Rf1 Ke7 38.f4 exf4 39.e5 Qc7 40.Nxf4 Bxf4*

41.Rxf4 Rb1+ 42.Kh2 dxe5 43.Re4 Nb4 44.Bxe5 Qc8 45.Bg3+ Kf7 46.Qa3 Rf1 47.Qe3 Rf6 48.Re7+ Kg8 49.Qh6 Rf7 50.Rxf7 Kxf7 51.Qxh7+ Kf6 52.Bh4+ Ke5 53.Qxg6 Kd4 54.d6 Kxc4 55.Qe4+ Kb5 56.Qe5 Nc6 57.Qd5 Nb4 58.Qd2 Qd7 59.Bg3 Kxa5 60.Qc3 Kb5 61.Qe5 Nc6 62.Qe2+ c4 63.Qb2+ Kc5 64.Qd2 Kb5 65.Qe3 Kb4 66.Qc3+ Kxc3 0-1 (66) xiqichess (2638)-SergerBeurier (2654) Blitz 2021*; 6...a6 7.a4 e6 8.Be3 d6 9.Qd2 b6 10.Nge2 Ra7 11.Ng3 Re7 12.Be2 e5 13.h4 h5 14.Bg5 Nh7 15.Bxe7 Qxe7 16.Nf1 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Ne3 Bh6 19.g3 Nf6 20.0-0 f4 21.Ng2 Qg7 22.gxf4 Bxf4 23.Qd3 Qg3 24.Rfe1 Bh3 25.Bf1 Qh2+ 26.Kf2 Bg3+ 27.Ke3 e4 28.Nxe4 Ng4+ 29.Kd2 Bxg2 30.Kc3 Be5+ 31.Kb3 Rxf3 32.Qxf3 Bxf3 33.Ng5 Qxb2#* 0-1 (33) Outrunner (2616)-Mistango (2575) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 7.Nge2 exd5 8.cxd5 Re8 9.Ng3 h5 10.Be2 *(10.Bg5 Qb6 11.Qd2 Nh7 12.Be3 h4 13.Nge2 d6 14.Nf4 Nd7 15.Be2 Ne5 16.0-0 Bd7 17.Rab1 a5 18.Kh1 g5 19.Nh5 g4 20.Nxg7 Kxg7 21.f4 Ng6 22.e5 h3 23.gxh3 gxh3 24.e6 fxe6 25.Rg1 Nhf8 26.Bh5 exd5 27.Nxd5 Qc6 28.Rg5 Be6 29.Rd1 Bxd5+ 30.Rxd5 Re4 31.Bf3 Rae8 32.Qc3+ Kh7 33.Bxe4 Rxe4 34.Kg1 Qd7 35.Rh5+ Kg8 36.Rg5 Qe7 37.Bf2 Rxf4 38.Qg3 Qe2 39.Re1 Rxf2 40.Rxe2 Rxe2 41.Rxg6+ Nxg6 42.Qxg6+ Kf8 43.Qxd6+ Re7 44.Qxc5 Kf7 45.Qf5+ Ke8 46.Qxa5 Rd7 47.Kf2 Ke7 48.Ke3 Rd5 49.Qxd5 b6 50.Qe4+ Kf6 51.Qf3+* 1-0 (51) Dr-CRO (2663)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2695) Blitz 2020 *)* 10...h4 11.Nf1 h3 12.g4 d6 13.Ng3 Nbd7 14.0-0 a6 15.a4 Rb8 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.Qd2 Bd7 18.a5 b5 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.Rxa6 Rxa6 21.Bxa6 Qb6 22.Be2 Bxg4 23.Bxe5 Rxe5 24.fxg4 c4+ 25.Kh1 Re8 26.g5 Nd7 27.Bxc4 Rb8 28.Nb5 Ne5 29.b3 Qc5 30.Qe2 Bf8 31.Rg1 Be7 32.Nf1 Ra8 33.Ne3 Qb4 34.Ng4 Nxg4 35.Qxg4 Ra2 36.Nc7 Qd2 37.Qc8+ Kh7 38.Qxh3+ Kg7 39.Ne8+ Kg8 40.Nf6+ Bxf6 41.gxf6 Qf4 42.Qc8+ Kh7 43.Qh3+ Kg8 44.Bd3 Rf2 45.Qg3 1-0 (45) cubanito2002 (2703)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2682) Blitz 2020;

B) 7.d6 Nc6 8.Nge2 b6 9.h4 h5 10.Bg5 Bb7 11.Qd2 Qb8 12.0-0-0 a6 13.g4 b5 14.Ng3 Nd4 15.gxh5 Nxf3 16.Qf4 Nxg5 17.hxg5 Nxh5 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Nxh5 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Qd8 21.e5 Qa5 22.Rd3 Qa3+ 23.Kd1 Qxa2 24.Qf6 Qb1+ 25.Kd2 Qb2+ 26.Ke3 Qc1+ 27.Kf2 Qc2+ 28.Kg1 1-0 (28) chessisinmyblood (2698)-xurramid77 (2612) Blitz 2021;

C) 7.Bd3 b5 8.Nxb5 exd5 9.cxd5 Ba6 10.a4 Bxb5 11.axb5 d6 12.Ne2 Nbd7 13.0-0 Ne5 14.Nc3 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Nd7 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.Qe2 f5 18.exf5 Rxf5 19.Bg3 Rf7 20.Ra6 Rc8 21.f4 Nd7 22.Rxd6 Qa5 23.Qe6 Rc7 24.Rc6 Nf8 25.Qg4 Bxc3 26.bxc3 Qxc3 27.f5 Rce7 28.h4 Re3 29.Kh2 Qd4 30.Rf4 Qd3 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.Rxf7 Kxf7 33.Qf4+ Kg7 34.Rc7+ Kg8 35.Qf7+ 1-0 (35)

smeets (2745) - Alexandr_KhleBovich (2762) Blitz 2023]

[6.Nh3 d6 7.Nf2 e6 *(7...b5!?; 7...a6 8.Nc3 Nbd7* Ü 25/732 Cabrilo,Goran: 'Ü 25/732' Cabrilo,G: '→25/732' *)*

A) 8.Nc3 Na6 9.Be2 *(9.Bg5)* 9...Nc7 10.0-0 a6 11.Bg5 h6 12.Be3 exd5 13.cxd5 b5?! *(13...Re8!?)* 14.Qd2 *(14.e5?! dxe5 15.Bxc5 Re8* ✕d5 Cabrilo, Goran: ' ✕d5' *)* 14...Kh7 15.e5! b4 *(15...dxe5 16.Bxc5 Re8 17.Rfd1 Bb7 18.Nfe4!±)* 16.exf6 bxc3 17.bxc3 Qxf6 18.Rac1 Qd8 19.g4! →Cabrilo,Goran: ' ○' Re8 20.Nd1 Rb8 21.Rf2 Bd7 22.Bf4± Qf6 23.c4 Rb6 24.Bd3 Reb8 25.Kg2 Ne8 26.Re2! Ba4?! *(26...Qd8!?)* 27.g5 Qd8 *(27...hxg5? 28.Bxg5 Qd4 29.Re4+-)* 28.gxh6 Bf6 29.Bc2-+ Bxc2 30.Rxc2 Qd7 31.Nf2 Bd4 32.Be3 Bxe3 *(32...Bf6 33.Ne4+-)* 33.Qxe3 Nf6 34.Nh3 Re8 35.Ng5+ Kg8 *(35...Kxh6 36.Ne4+ Kg7 37.Nxf6 Rxe3 38.Nxd7 Rxe2+ 39.Rxe2 Rb7 40.Re7+-)* 36.Qc3 1-0 (36) Kortschnoj,V (2665)-Miles,A (2565) Buenos Aires 1978 EXT 2000 [Cabrilo] *(36.Qc3 Rxe2+ 37.Rxe2 Qd8 38.Qxf6)*;

B) 8.Be2 a6 9.a4 exd5 10.cxd5 Nbd7 11.Nc3 Rb8 *(11...Ne8 12.0-0 f5⇄)* 12.0-0 Ne8 13.Rb1 Nc7 14.Bd2 b5 15.axb5 Nxb5 16.Nxb5 axb5 17.b4 c4 18.Qc2 Ra8 19.Bc3 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Qf6 21.Nd1 Bb7 22.Qxf6 Nxf6 23.Nc3 Ba6 24.Ra1 Nd7 25.Ra5 Bb7 26.Rfa1 Rxa5 27.Rxa5 Ra8 28.Rxa8+ Bxa8 1-0 (28) EnglishLongbow (2692) - TribalDancer (2700) Blitz 2020]

6...e6

[6...b5 7.cxb5

A) 7...e6 8.Nec3 a6 9.Na3 Bb7 10.dxe6 *(10.Bc4 exd5 11.Nxd5 axb5 12.Nxf6+ Qxf6 13.Nxb5 Qh4+ 14.Kf1 d5 15.Bxd5 Rd8 16.Nc3 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Bxd5 18.exd5 Qc4+ 19.Qe2 Qxd5 20.c4 Qd1+ 21.Qe1 Qc2 22.Bg5 Qxc4+ 23.Qe2 Qxe2+ 24.Kxe2 Re8+ 25.Kf2 Nc6 26.Rhc1 Ne5 27.Rc3 c4 28.a4 Nd3+ 29.Kg3 Ra5 30.Bd2 Rd5 31.Rxc4 Ne5 32.Rc2 h5 33.h4 Red8 34.Bg5 Ra8 35.Rc7 Rda5 36.Bf6 Nd3 37.Rd1 Nb4 38.Rcd7 Rf8 39.Rd8 Nc6 40.Rxf8+ Kxf8 41.Rd6 Ra6 42.a5 Ke8 43.Kf4 Nb4 44.Rd8#* 1-0 (44) TargetGM (2664) - Misha_Kopatych (2569) Blitz 2018*)* 10...fxe6 11.Be2 d5 12.0-0 Nbd7 13.Qc2 Nh5 14.g3 Bd4+ 15.Kg2 Ndf6 16.bxa6 Rxa6 17.Bxa6 Bxa6 18.Nab5 Bxc3 19.Nxc3 Bxf1+ 20.Kxf1 d4 21.Nb1 c4 22.Nd2 Ng4 23.Nxc4 Rxf3+ 24.Kg1 d3 25.Qc3 Nxg3 26.Kg2 Nxe4 27.Qb4 Rf2+ 28.Kg1 Nxh2 29.Ne5 Nf3+ 30.Nxf3 Rxf3 31.Bh6 Qh4 32.Qb8+ 1-0 (32) gg-gm-gmg (2667)-Nakigraw (2715) Blitz 2021;

B) 7...a6 8.Nec3 d6 9.a4 axb5 *(9...h5 10.Be2 h4 11.0-0 Nh5 12.Na3 e5 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Nc4 Ndf6 15.Bg5 h3 16.g3 Qc7 17.b6 Qd7 18.a5 Nh7 19.Be3 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Qd2 f4 22.gxf4 exf4 23.Bf2 Ng5 24.Kh1 Rf5 25.Rg1 Qf7 26.Nxd6 Qg6 27.Nxf5 Bxf5 28.Bh4 Bf6 29.Rxg5 Bxg5 30.Rg1 Ng3+ 31.hxg3 fxg3 32.Qxg5 g2+ 33.Kh2 Qxg5*

34.Bxg5 Re8 35.d6 Kf7 36.Bc4+ Kg6 37.Bf4 Bd7 38.Bxa6 Kf5 39.Bg3 Ra8 40.Bb5 Bxb5 41.Nxb5 Ke6 42.Nc7+ Kd7 43.Nxa8 c4 44.b7 c3 45.bxc3 Kc6 46.b8Q Kd5 47.d7 1-0 (47) pedromari99 (2650)-markljubarov (2561) Blitz 2021*)* 10.Bxb5 Na6 11.Na3 Nb4 12.0-0 Ba6 13.Be3 Qc7 14.Qe2 Rfb8 15.Rfc1 Bxb5 16.axb5 Nd7 17.Nc4 Ne5 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.Qc4 Qb7 20.f4 Bg7 21.e5 Rd8 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.Rd1 Rd8 24.Ne4 Qa8 25.b6 dxe5 26.Nxc5 Nxd5 27.b7 Nxe3 28.bxa8Q Rxa8 29.Qe4 1-0 (29) supertactic91 (2724)-DrChessAlawi (2676) Blitz 2021]

7.Nec3 exd5 8.cxd5 d6 9.Bg5

[9.Be3

A) 9...Nh5

A1) 10.g4 Nf6 11.a4 *(11.Nd2 Na6 12.Nc4 Nc7 13.a4 b6 14.Bf4 Nfe8 15.h4 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.g5 Qe7+ 18.Kf2 Bd4+ 19.Kg3 Bb7 20.Qe1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Ng7 22.h5 Rae8* 0-1 (22) Fastchess2345 (2646)-Ute-Manfred (2595) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Re8 12.Na3 Nxe4 13.fxe4 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Rxe4 15.Qf3 Qe8 16.Kd2 Bxg4 17.Qg3 Nd7 18.Nb5 Ne5 19.Nxd6 Nf3+ 20.Qxf3 Bxf3 21.Nxe8 Raxe8 22.Bb5 Rxe3 23.Bxe8 Rxe8 24.Rhe1 Rxe1 25.Rxe1 Bxd5 26.Re5 Bc6 27.Rxc5 Bxa4 28.Ra5 Bc6 29.Rxa7 f5 30.Ke3 g5 31.Kd4 f4 32.Ke5 f3 33.Ra2 Kg7 34.Kf5 h6 35.c4 Kf7 36.c5 Kg7 37.Rd2 Kf7 38.Rd6 g4 39.Rxh6 f2 40.Rf6+ Ke7 41.Re6+ Kd8 42.Rd6+ Bd7+ 0-1 (42) supertactic91 (2652)-sina_iran (2761) Blitz 2021;

A2) 10.Qd2 a6 11.g4 Nf6 12.a4 Bxg4 13.fxg4 Nxg4 14.h4 Nd7 15.Na3 Nde5 16.Be2 f5 17.Bg5 Qb6 18.exf5 Rxf5 19.0-0-0 Nf2 20.h5 Nxd1 21.Rxd1 Qb3 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Bh6 b5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Rh1 Rh8 26.Rxh8 Kxh8 27.axb5 axb5 28.Naxb5 Kh7 29.Nxd6 Rf2 30.Nde4 Rh2 31.Bd1 Qc4 32.Qxh2+ 1-0 (32) rasulovvugar (2777)-Vizhma7 (2573) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...Nbd7 10.Be2

B1) 10...h5 11.0-0 h4 12.Nd2!± This is a good place for the knight. White finishes the development and has a small advantage. In the usual Sämisch Modern Benoni this knight sits on h1 (OMG!) or goes to d2 with the manoeuvre ♘g3-♘f1-♘d2. Sometimes White wins two tempi in comparison with the theoretical Sämisch Modern Benoni: here White plays ♘e2-♘c3 and ♘d2, there White plays ♘c3 and ♘e2-g3-f1-d2. Qe7 13.Nc4 *(* White can try to grab Black's pawn after *13.Bg5! h3 14.g4 Re8 15.Qe1±)* 13...Ne5!? 14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.Qd2 Bd7 16.h3 Rfe8 17.Rae1 a6 18.f4 Qe7 19.Bf3 b5!? 20.e5! Black attacks on the flank, so White attacks in the centre. b4

B1a) 21.Ne2 Bb5! *(21...Nh7 22.e6±)* 22.exf6 Qxe3+ 23.Qxe3 Rxe3 24.fxg7 Rae8

25.Kf2 Rd3 26.a3 Rd2 27.axb4 cxb4 28.b3 Kxg7=;

B1b) 21.Ne4!? Nxe4 22.Bxe4 Bb5 23.Rf2±;

B1c) 21.Nd1 dxe5?! *(21...Nh5!? 22.e6 Bb5 23.Bxh5! Bxf1 24.Rxf1 gxh5 25.f5±)* 22.d6 Qd8 23.fxe5 (White can win the exchange with *23.Bxa8!? Qxa8 24.Bxc5 Bb5 25.Rf3 Qc6 26.Bxb4 Ne4 27.Qe3 Nxd6 28.Qc5±)* 23...Rxe5 24.Bg5 Rxe1 25.Rxe1 Rb8 26.Qf4 Be6

B1c1) 27.Qxh4!? c4 28.Ne3 Rb5 29.Bg4 Bxg4 30.Nxg4 Rxg5! 31.Qxg5 Qxd6 32.Nh6+ Kf8 33.Qe3 c3 *(33...a5±)* 34.bxc3 bxc3 35.Ng4±;

B1c2) 27.Ne3 c4? *(27...Rb6!?)* 28.Bg4! Bxg4 29.hxg4 c3 30.bxc3 bxc3

B1c21) 31.Rf1! is better. Rb6 *(31...Qb6 32.Kh1 h3 33.Bxf6 Bxf6 34.d7 Qb7 35.g5 hxg2+ 36.Nxg2+-)* 32.Bxf6 Qxd6 33.Bxg7 Qxf4 34.Rxf4 Kxg7 35.Rc4 Rb1+ 36.Kh2 Ra1 37.g5+-;

B1c22) 31.Kh1? Rb6? *(31...Rb2! 32.Bxh4 Rd2 33.Nc4 Rd3 34.Rf1 c2 35.Ne3 Qd7 36.Bxf6 Bxf6 37.Qxf6 Rxe3∓)* 32.Rd1 h3 33.d7 hxg2+ 34.Kxg2 *(34.Kg1!?)* 34...Rb2+ 35.Kh3?! *(35.Kg3=)* 35...c2 *(35...Rd2!∓)* 36.Nxc2 Rxc2 37.Rd6= Kh7 38.Qf3 Rc7 ½-½ (38) Matlakov,M (2665)-Li,C (2686) Kazan 2013 CBM 166 [Schipkov,Boris];

B2) 10...Re8 11.0-0 h6 12.a4 Nh5 13.g4 Nhf6 14.g5 Nh5 15.f4 Bxc3 16.Nxc3 Ng7 17.Qd2 Qa5 18.Bf2 Nb6 19.Rfd1 Bd7 20.Qc2 Nc8 21.Bf3 Rb8 22.Ne2 Qd8 23.a5 f5 24.gxf6 Qxf6 25.Bg3 Qf7 26.Nc3 b5 27.axb6 Rxb6 28.Qg2 Rf8 29.Rd2 Ne8 30.Be2 ½-½ (30) Granda Zuniga, J (2644)-Perdomo,L (2459) Florianopolis BRA 2017;

B3) 10...Ne8 11.a4 Nc7 12.Na3 a6 13.0-0 Rb8 14.h3 f5 15.Qd2 Qf6 16.Rab1 f4 17.Bf2 Ne5 18.Rfc1 Bd7 19.b4 b6 20.a5 cxb4 21.Rxb4 bxa5 22.Rxb8 Rxb8 23.Nd1 Nb5 24.Qxa5 Nxa3 25.Qxa3 Bb5 26.Nc3 Bxe2 27.Nxe2 Rb2 28.Qxa6 Qg5 29.Qc8+ Bf8 30.Qe6+ Kg7 31.Kf1 Nd3 32.Bd4+ Kh6 33.Bxb2 Nxb2 34.Qg4 Nd3 35.Qxg5+ Kxg5 36.Rc8 Be7 37.Nd4 Bf6 38.Ne6+ Kh6 39.Rf8 Be5 40.Rg8 g5 41.Rxg5 1-0 (41) supertactic91 (2715)-Kesha01 (2733) Blitz 2021;

C) 9...h5 10.h3 h4 11.Bg5 Qb6 12.Qd2 Nh5 13.Bxh4 f5 14.Na3 fxe4 15.Nc4 e3 16.Qxe3 Qc7 17.0-0-0 a6 18.Qe7 Nd7 19.Nxd6 b5 20.Bd3 Nf4 21.Ne8 Nxd3+ 22.Rxd3 Qf4+ 23.Kb1 Rf7 24.Qe4 Ne5 25.Qxf4 Rxf4 26.Re3 Bf5+ 27.Ka1 Rxe8 28.Bg3 Rc4 29.f4 b4 30.Nb1 Nd3 31.Rxe8+ Kf7 32.Re5 Rc2 33.Rd1 Rxg2 34.Bh4

Nxe5 35.fxe5 Bxe5 36.Rd2 Rg1 37.a4 b3 0-1 (37) supertactic91 (2649)-tiger_nad (2670) Blitz 2021;

D) 9...Re8

D1) 10.Be2

D1a) 10...Na6 11.0-0 Nc7 12.a4 b6 13.Na3 Schipkov, Boris: ' ⩲' Nd7 14.a5 *(14.Qd2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲!?'*)* 14...Rb8 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(14...Ba6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 15.axb6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(15.Nab5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲'*)* 15...axb6 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(15...Nxb6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 16.Nab5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Nxb5 17.Nxb5 *(17.Bxb5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *Re7 18.Bg5 f6 19.Bh4* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±'*)* 17...Qe7 18.Qd2 Ne5 19.Ra7 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Bb7 20.f4

D1a1) 20...Nd7 21.e5 dxe5 *(21...Nxe5 22.fxe5 Qxe5 23.Rf3 Qxd5 24.Rf2 Qc6 25.Bf4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 22.d6 Qf6 23.Nc7 Rf8 24.Bb5 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

D1a2) 20...Nc4 Schipkov, Boris: '?' 21.Bxc4 Qxe4 22.Nxd6 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (24) Glavina,P (2446)-Rodriguez Fernandez,J (2220) Padron 2012';

D1b) 10...Nh5 11.0-0 a6 12.a4 Nd7 13.g4 Nhf6 14.h3 Ne5 15.Na3 Nfd7 16.f4 Qh4 17.Kg2 f5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Qe1 Qe7 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Rxf5 Nf6 22.Rg5+ Kh8 23.Qh4 Bd7 24.Rf1 Rg8 25.Kh1 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Naxb5 Rab8 28.Rxe5 Qxe5 29.Qxf6+ Qxf6 30.Rxf6 Bxh3 31.Nxd6 Rxb2 32.Nf7+ Kg7 33.e5 h5 34.Bh6+ Kh7 35.Bd3+ 1-0 (35) thedjoker (2712)-Alex_Molchanov (2673) Blitz 2022;

D2) 10.Bd3 Nh5 11.0-0 f5 12.Qd2 f4 13.Bxf4 Nxf4 14.Qxf4 c4 15.Bxc4 Qb6+ 16.Kh1 Qxb2 17.Qxd6 Qxa1 18.Qb4 Na6 19.Qa3 Bd7 20.f4 Rac8 21.Bxa6 Bxc3 22.Bxb7 Rb8 23.Qb3 Rxe4 24.d6+ Be6 25.Qxc3 Qxc3 26.Nxc3 Rd4 27.Nb5 Rb4 28.Bc6 R4xb5 29.Bxb5 Rxb5 30.Re1 Kf7 31.h3 Rd5 0-1 (31) gg-gm-gmg (2628)-kirill_kopyonkin (2583) Blitz 2020;

D3) 10.Nd2 b6 11.a4 Ba6 12.Bb5 Nfd7 13.0-0 Bxb5 14.axb5 a5 15.Bf4 Ne5 16.Bg3 Qc7 17.Qe2 c4 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.Nxc4 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Nd7 21.Ne3 Qxc3 22.Rac1 Qe5 23.Rc6 Rab8 24.Kh1 Nc5 25.Nc4 Qd4 26.Rd1 Qc3 27.Nxd6 Red8 28.Nc4 a4 29.Nxb6 Qa5 30.Rxc5 Rxb6 31.Qd2 Qxd2 32.Rxd2 a3 33.Ra2 Ra8 34.h3 f5 35.e5 Kf7 36.Kh2 Ra5 37.Rc7+ Kf8 38.d6 Raxb5 39.Rc8+ Kf7 40.d7 1-0 (40) Indjic,A (2619)-Marosi,L (2289) chess.com INT 2023;

D4) 10.Qd2

D4a) 10...a6 11.a4 Nbd7 12.Na3 Ne5 13.Be2 Bd7 14.h3 *(14.0-0 Rc8 15.h3 c4 16.Bd4 Nh5 17.f4 Nd3 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.Bxd3 cxd3*

20.Qxd3 Qb6+ 21.Rf2 f5 22.e5 Nh5 23.Nc4 Rxc4 24.Qxc4 dxe5 25.d6+ Kg7 26.Nd5 Qxd6 27.fxe5 Rxe5 28.Nf4 Nf6 29.Raf1 Bc6 30.Qb3 Ne4 31.Rc2 Nd2 32.Qc3 Nxf1 33.Nd3 Ne3 34.Nxe5 Nxc2 35.Nxc6+ Qf6 36.Qxc2 Qxc6 37.Qd1 Kf7 38.Kf2 Qxa4 39.b3 Qc6 40.Qd2 Qc5+ 41.Kf3 Qc6+ 42.Kf2 Ke6 43.Ke1 Qe4+ 44.Kd1 Qd5 45.Ke2 Qxd2+ 46.Kxd2 Kd5 47.Kc3 b6 48.Kd3 a5 49.Ke3 b5 50.b4 a4 0-1 (50) supertactic91 (2651)-Broetchen (2749) Blitz 2021 *)* 14...b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Ncxb5 Qb6 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Rxa1 20.Rxa1 Nfd7 21.Rc1 f5 22.bxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxd6 Qxd6 24.Bxc5 Qd7 25.f4 Nf7 26.e5 g5 27.Qd3 Qa4 28.e6 Nh6 29.fxg5 Qf4 30.Be3 1-0 (30) supertactic91 (2706)-Hayk_Yeritsyann (2678) Blitz 2021;

D4b) 10...Na6 11.a4 Nb4 12.Be2 b6 13.Na3 Nd7 14.0-0 a6 15.f4 Nf6 16.Bf3 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Nc4 Qc7 19.h3 Bd7 20.e5 dxe5 21.d6 Qc6 22.fxe5 Be6 23.b3 Bxc4 24.bxc4 Rxe5 25.Rad1 Rd8 26.Bf4 Rf5 27.Bh2 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Qd7 29.a5 bxa5 30.Ne4 Nc6 31.g4 Rxf1+ 32.Rxf1 Qe6 33.Qd3 Nb4 34.Qf3 Qxc4 35.Nf6+ Bxf6 36.Qxf6 Re8 37.Rd1 Qe4+ 38.Kg1 Qe3+ 39.Qf2 Qb3 40.Qd2 Rd8 41.d7 Nc6 42.Bc7 Rf8 43.d8Q Nxd8 44.Bxd8 Qxh3 45.g5 Qg3+ 46.Kf1 Qe3 47.Qxe3 Kg7 48.Qe6 Kg8 49.Bf6 fxe6 50.Rd7 Rxf6+ 51.gxf6 Kf8 52.Rg7 Ke8 53.Rxh7 Kf8 54.Ra7 Ke8 55.Rxa6 Kf8 56.Rxa5 Kf7 57.Rxc5 Kxf6 58.Rc4 Ke5 59.Ke2 Kd5 60.Rc3 Ke5 61.Re3+ Kd5 62.Rg3 Ke5 0-1 (62) supertactic91 (2781)-MrUltra123 (2732) Blitz 2021]

[9.Nd2 Ne8 10.Nc4 a6 11.a4 f5 12.Be2 f4 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Qb3 Ne5 15.Nb6 Rb8 16.a5 g5 17.Nd1 Nf6 18.Nf2 Nfd7 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Bd2 h5 21.Bc3 Qe8 22.Qa4 Qg6 23.Nd3 Nxd3 24.Qxd7 Ne5 25.Qe6+ Qxe6 26.dxe6 Rfe8 27.Rfd1 Rxe6 28.Bxe5 Rxe5 29.Rxd6 Kh7 30.Rad1 Re7 31.Rb6 Bd4+ 32.Kf1 Rg8 33.Bc4 Rgg7 34.Be6 g4 35.Rd3 Kh8 36.Bf5 Re5 37.b4 gxf3 38.Rxf3 cxb4 39.Rxb4 Rxa5 40.Rxd4 Ra1+ 41.Ke2 Rxg2+ 42.Kd3 Ra3+ 43.Kc4 Rxf3 44.Rd8+ Kg7 45.Rd7+ Kh6 46.Rxb7 Rc2+ 47.Kd4 Rd2+ 48.Ke5 Rxh2 49.Kf6 Rg3 50.Rh7# 1-0 (50) jelmatos (2690)-TatoSarane (2681) Blitz 2020]

9...a6

[9...Nbd7 10.Be2 *(10.Nd2 h6 11.Be3 Re8 12.Be2 a6 13.a4 Nb6 14.Bf2 Nh5 15.a5 Nd7 16.g3 f5 17.f4 Ndf6 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.0-0 Qd7 20.Nc4 Rad8 21.Re1 Ne4 22.Nxe4 Bxe4 23.Nb6 Qh3 24.Bf1 Qf5 25.g4 Qxf4 26.gxh5 Qg5+ 27.Bg3 Bd4+* 0-1 (27) SimplyCringeBaby (2611)-lattedicapra (2619) Blitz 2022*)* 10...h6 11.Be3 Ne5 *(11...Nh5; 11...Qe7 12.0-0 a6 13.a4 b6 14.Nd2 Ne5*

15.Rb1 Bd7 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 Rfc8 18.Bd4 Rab8 19.Bxa6 Rc7 20.Bb5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Rcc8 22.Qb3 Nfd7 23.Bxe5 Bxe5 24.g3 Nc5 25.Qe3 Bg7 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 Kh7 28.Rb1 Qa7 29.Nc4 Rd8 30.Qf4 Nxa4 31.Nxd6 Nc3 32.Re1 Rxd6 33.Qxd6 Nb5 34.Qf6 Nxd4 35.Qxd4 Qa5 36.Rd1 b5 37.d6 b4 38.Kg2 b3 39.d7 Rd8 40.Qc4 Qa2+ 41.Kh3 Kg7 42.Qc3+ Kg8 43.Qc7 Qa8 44.Qb6 Kg7 45.Qxb3 Qc6 46.Qd5 Qc2 47.Qd4+ Kh7 48.Qf6 Qc4 49.Qxd8 Qe6+ 50.Kg2 Qa2+ 51.Kh3 Qe2 52.Qf6 Qxd1 53.Qxf7+ Kh8 54.Qf8+ 1-0 (54) Hammer,J (2659)-Perro,L (2522) Chess.com INT 2018 *)* 12.0-0 *(12.Qd2 Nh5 13.g4 Nf6 14.h3 Qe7 15.a4 a6 16.a5 Rb8 17.Kf1 g5 18.h4 Nh7 19.h5 Nf6 20.Rg1 Bd7 21.Qc2 Ne8 22.Kg2 Nc7 23.Bf2 b5 24.axb6 Rxb6 25.Na3 Rfb8 26.Rgb1 Rb4 27.Be1 c4 28.Bg3 Nb5 29.Naxb5 Bxb5 30.Ra3 Nd3 31.Nxb5 R4xb5 32.b3 Nb4 33.Qxc4 Rc5 34.Qxc5 dxc5 35.Bxb8 Nxd5 36.Bg3 Nf4+ 37.Kf1 Nxe2 38.Kxe2 Qb7 39.Ra4 Qb5+ 40.Rc4 a5 41.Ke3 Bd4+ 42.Kd2 f5 43.gxf5 Qe8 44.Rbc1 g4 45.Rxc5 Bxc5 46.Rxc5 Qxh5 47.Bd6 gxf3 48.Rc8+ Kf7 49.Ke3 f2 50.Rf8+ Kg7 51.Kxf2 Qd1 52.Rd8 Qxb3 53.Be5+ Kf7 54.Rb8 Qc2+ 55.Kf3 Qd3+ 56.Kf4 Qd7 57.Rh8 Qd2+ 58.Kf3 a4 59.Rh7+ Ke8 60.Rh8+ Kd7 61.Rh7+ Kc6 62.f6 Qd3+* ½-½ (62) Lafarga Santorroman,D (2649)-Ham,S (2583) ICCF email 2016*)* 12...g5 13.Kh1!? *(13.Nd2!?)* 13...Nh5 *(13...Qe7!?)* 14.g3!± g4? *(14...Qd7 15.Rg1±)* 15.f4 Nf3 16.Bxf3 gxf3 17.Qxf3± Nf6 18.f5 b5? *(18...b6±)* 19.Nxb5 Qb6 *(19...a6 20.N5a3 Re8 21.Nd2+-)* 20.a4 Re8 21.Nd2 Bb7 22.Nc4+- Qd8 23.Ncxd6 Rxe4 24.Nxb7 Qe7 25.Bxc5 Qxb7 26.Nd6 Qxd5 27.Rad1 1-0 (27) Meessen,R (2314)-Luukkonen,T (2252) Saint Vincent 2005]

[9...h6 10.Bh4 Re8 11.Be2 a6 12.a4 g5 13.Bf2 Nh5 14.g3 Nf6 15.Nd2 Nbd7 16.h4 g4 17.f4 Nf8 18.Kf1 Bd7 19.a5 h5 20.Kg2 Ng6 21.Qc2 Qc7 22.Rhe1 Re7 23.Nc4 Bb5 24.Bd3 Bxc4 25.Bxc4 Rae8 26.e5 Nd7 27.e6 Nf6 28.exf7+ Kxf7 29.Re6 Nf8 30.Rd1 Nxe6 31.dxe6+ Kf8 32.f5 Qxa5 33.Nd5 b5 34.Nxf6 Bxf6 35.Bd5 Rh7 36.Be3 c4 37.Bf4 Qb4 38.Bc6 Rd8 39.Qe4 Qxb2+ 40.Rd2 Qb4 41.Bd7 Be7 42.f6 Bxf6 43.Qxh7 c3 44.Bh6+ Bg7 45.Qxg7# 1-0 (45) Rikikits (2601)-Beginner741 (2612) Blitz 2021]

10.a4 Nbd7 11.Qd2 h6 12.Bf4 Qe7 13.Be2 Kh7 14.0-0 Ne5 15.Na3 Nh5 16.Be3 f5 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 fxg4 19.Nc4 Bd7 20.Nb6 Rae8 21.Rae1 g3 22.h3 Nf6 23.e5 dxe5 24.fxe5 Qxe5 25.Bxc5 Ne4 26.Nxe4 Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 Bxh3 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.gxh3 Bg5 30.Qd3 h5 31.Bd4 Qe2 32.Rf7+ Kh6 33.Bg7+ Kh7 34.Be5+ 1-0 (34) winx_m (2800)-GoodFellas1903 (2605) Blitz 2021

4...e6 5.Nh3 Perunovic,Milos: '!?'

[5.Nc3 Bg7 *(5...exd5 6.cxd5 Bg7 7.Nh3 0-0 8.Nf2 b5 9.Nxb5 Qa5+ 10.Nc3 Nxd5 11.Qxd5 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Qxc3+ 13.Kd1 Qxa1 14.Qxa8 Nc6 15.e3 Qxa2 16.Ng4 Nb4 17.Qe4 d5 18.Nh6+ Kg7 19.Qe5+ f6 20.Qe7+ Kxh6 21.Qxf8+ Kh5 22.g4+* 1-0 (22) BackyardProfessor (2662)-Larsen,M

(2629) Blitz 2021*)* 6.Nh3 *(6.e4 exd5 7.cxd5 0-0 8.Bd3 Re8 9.Nge2 d6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Bf4 Ne5 12.Bxe5 Rxe5 13.Qd2 a6 14.a4 h5 15.Rab1 b6 16.b4 h4 17.h3 Kh7 18.bxc5 bxc5 19.f4 Re7 20.Kh2 Nh5 21.Qe1 Bf6 22.Kh1 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.f5 g5 25.Ne4 Bxa4 26.d6 Rd7 27.Nxc5 Rxd6 28.Nb7 Qd7 29.Nxd6 Qxd6 30.Be4 Rc8 31.Rb7 Kg7 32.Qa1 Bb5 33.Qa2 Rc7 34.Rxc7 Qxc7 35.Kh2 Ng3 36.Rc1 Qa7 37.Nxg3 hxg3+ 38.Kh1 Qe3 39.Qc2 g4 40.h4 Bxh4 41.Bd5 Bf6 42.Qc3 Qh6+ 43.Kg1 Qh2#* 0-1 (43) Superfm1 (2688)-workforthefuture (2541) Blitz 2025*)* 6...d6 7.Nf2 a6 8.a4 0-0 9.e4 exd5 10.cxd5

A) 10...Nbd7 11.Bg5 h6 12.Be3 Ne5 13.Be2 h5 14.0-0 h4 *(14...Rb8 15.h3 Re8 16.Qd2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Qb6 19.b4 Ned7 20.Rab1 Ba6 21.bxc5 Nxc5 22.Nc3 Qc7 23.Bxa6 Nxa6 24.Nb5 Qd7 25.Nd4 Nc5 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.Nc6 Ra8 28.e5 Ne8 29.Qc2 Nb7 30.e6 fxe6 31.Qxg6 exd5 32.Nd4 Qf7 33.Qg5 Nc5 34.Nf5 Ne6 35.Nh6+ Kf8 36.Nxf7 Nxg5 37.Nxg5 d4 38.Ne6+* 1-0 (37) monkkkk (2603)-KING_1943_BOB (2615) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.h3 Nh5 16.f4 Ng3 17.fxe5 Nxf1 18.Bxf1 Bxe5 19.Qd2 f5 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Be2 Bd7 23.Rf1 Rae8 24.Qh6 g5 25.Qxf6 Rxf6 26.Ng4 Rff8 27.exf5 Kg7 28.Bd3 b5 29.axb5 axb5 30.f6+ Kh8 31.Bxb5 Bxb5 32.Nxb5 Rb8 33.Nxd6 Rxb2 34.Ne5 Kh7 35.Nd7 Rd8 36.f7 g4 37.f8Q Rxf8 38.Nxf8+ Kh6 39.hxg4 Kg5 1-0 (39) DoloresCrotal (2707)-Fratz71 (2623) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...Nfd7 11.Be2 f5 12.exf5 Rxf5 13.0-0 Nf6 14.f4 Ne8 15.Nfe4 Rf8 16.Ng5 Nc7 17.Kh1 Bf5 18.Ra3 h6 19.g4 Bc8 20.Nge4 Ne8 21.Qe1 Nd7 22.f5 Ne5 23.Ng3 Nf6 24.g5 hxg5 25.Bxg5 Qe8 26.Bxf6 Bxf6 27.Nce4 gxf5 28.Nxd6 Qd8 29.Ngxf5 Bxf5 30.Nxf5 Qxd5+ 31.Bf3 Nxf3 32.Raxf3 Rae8 33.Qg3+ Kf7 34.Nd6+ Ke7 35.Nxe8 Kxe8 36.Qg2 Qe6 37.R3f2 Be7 38.Rxf8+ Bxf8 39.Qxb7 Bd6 40.Qg2 Kd8 41.Rd1 Kc7 42.Qd5 Qh6 43.Qxd6+ Qxd6 44.Rxd6 Kxd6 45.Kg2 c4 46.h4 Kc5 47.h5 Kb4 48.h6 Kb3 49.h7 Kxb2 50.h8Q+ c3 51.Qf6 Kb3 52.Qxa6 c2 53.Qc6 Kb2 54.a5 1-0 (54) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Beijing CHN 2014]

5...d6 Perunovic,Milos: 'N'

[5...b5 Perunovic,Milos: '?!' Perunovic, Milos: '- 136/185' 6.dxe6 fxe6 7.cxb5

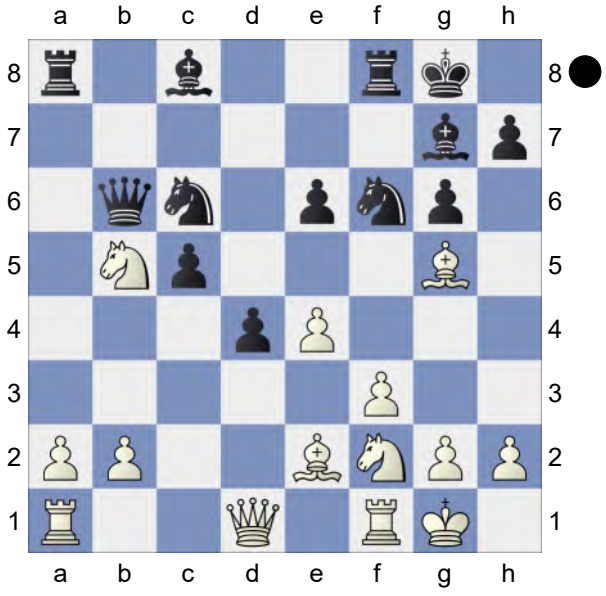
A) 7...a6 8.e4 axb5 9.Bxb5 Bg7 *(9...Qa5+ 10.Nc3 Ba6 11.Bxa6 Qxa6 12.a4±)* 10.Nc3 0-0 11.0-0 d5 12.e5 Nfd7 13.f4**±**;

B) 7...d5 8.e4 Bg7

B1) 9.e5 Nfd7 *(9...Ng8 10.f4 Nh6 11.Nc3 0-0 12.Ng5 a6⩱)* 10.f4 0-0 11.Nc3 *(11.Ng5 Qb6 12.h4 c4 13.Rh3 Nxe5 14.Be3 Qa5+ 15.Nd2 Nf7 16.Nxh7 Kxh7 17.h5 gxh5 18.Qxh5+ Nh6 19.Bd4 e5 20.Bc3 Bxh3 21.Bxa5 Bg4 22.Qh2 exf4 23.Nf3 Bxb2 24.Rd1 Nd7 25.Rxd5 Nf6 26.Rd6 Rae8+ 27.Kd1 Be5 28.Ra6 Rf7*

29.Bxc4 Rd7+ 30.Bd2 Bxf3+ 31.gxf3 Red8 32.Re6 Bc3 33.Rxf6 Rxd2+ 34.Qxd2 Rxd2+ 35.Kc1 Bxf6 36.a4 Rd4 37.Bb3 Rb4 38.Kc2 Rxb3 39.Kxb3 Bd8 40.Kc4 Bb6 41.Kd5 Be3 42.Kc6 Nf5 43.a5 Nd4+ 44.Kc5 Nxf3+ 45.Kc4 Nd4 46.b6 Nc6 47.Kb5 Nxa5 48.Kxa5 axb6+ 49.Kb5 f3 50.Kc4 f2 51.Kd3 Bc5 52.Ke2 Kg6 53.Kf1 Kf6 54.Ke2 Ke6 55.Kd3 ½-½ (55) dmitry-lavrik (2679)-Garoy (2646) Blitz 2021*)* 11...d4 12.Ne4 Bb7 13.Qc2 Bd5 14.Nhf2 a6⩱;

B2) 9.Be2 0-0 *(9...dxe4? 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nc3 Bb7 12.fxe4±)* 10.0-0 a6 11.Nc3 axb5 *(11...d4 12.Na4±; 11...c4 12.e5 Nfd7 13.f4 axb5 14.Be3±)* 12.Nxb5 Nc6 *(12...Qb6 13.Be3 d4 14.Bf2 Nc6 15.a4±)* 13.Be3 d4 14.Bg5 *(14.Bf2 e5⇄)* 14...Qb6 15.Nf2 Diagram *(15.a4 Nd7 16.Kh1! Ba6 17.f4±)*



B2a) 15...Ba6! 16.a4 Nd7 17.Rc1 *(17.Bc4 Na5 18.b3 Ne5)* 17...Nde5 18.Kh1 *(18.Qc2 d3! 19.Bxd3 Nb4 20.Qe2 Nbxd3 21.Nxd3 Bxb5 22.axb5 Qxb5↑)* 18...c4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Rxc4 Bxb5 21.axb5 Qxb5 22.Qc1 Na5 23.Rc5 Qa6⩱;

B2b) 15...Ne8? 16.a4 Na5 *(16...Ba6 17.Rc1 Rc8 18.b3±)* 17.Rc1 c4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Rxc4+- Ba6 20.Be7 Bxb5 21.Bc5 Bxc4 *(21...Qa5 22.axb5 Qxb5 23.Qc2 Rf7 24.Bxd4+-)* 22.Bxb6 Bxf1 23.Kxf1 Nf6 24.Qb3 Rfe8 25.Nd3 Nd7 26.Bc7 Kh8 27.Qb5 1-0 (27) Inarkiev,E (2684)-Savchenko,B (2550) Batumi 2018 [Perunovic, Milos]]

6.Nf2 b5 7.e4 Bg7 Bill Schaefer: 'The modern main line.'

[7...b4 8.a3 a5 9.axb4 *(9.dxe6 Bxe6)* 9...cxb4 Bill Schaefer: 'Here I offered a draw because the ending with the opposite colored bishops looks difficult to convert. 1/2-1/2 (27) Schaefer, B-Whisenhunt, M Training Game 2016 [Schaefer, Bill]' Bill Schaefer: 'Here I offered a draw because the ending with the opposite colored bishops looks difficult to convert. 1/2-1/2 (27) Schaefer, B-Whisenhunt, M Training Game 2016 [Schaefer, Bill] I looked at this alternative'Bill Schaefer: 'I looked at this alternative' 10.Be3 Bill Schaefer: 'to try to keep more pieces on the board but ultimately it appears to peter out to equality.' Bill Schaefer: 'to try to keep more pieces on the board but ultimately it appears to peter out to equality. An alternative here is:'

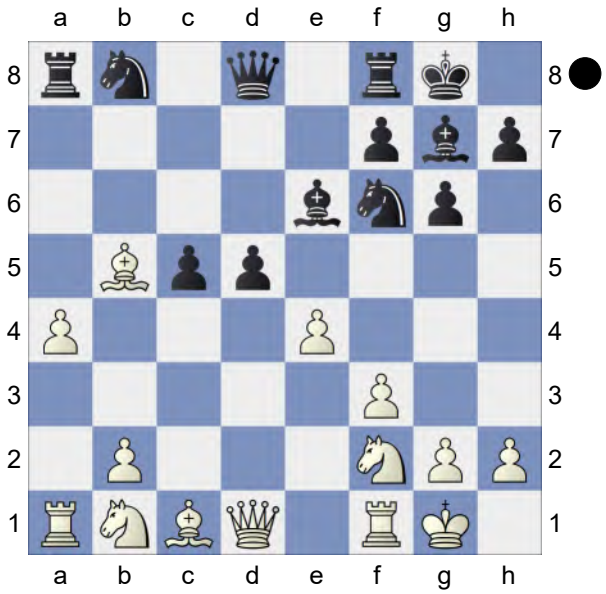
Bill Schaefer: 'An alternative here is:' 10...Nfd7 Bill Schaefer: 'Retreating to b3 (it surveys ...b4, keeps the queen out of harm's way) was covered in the notes of Aronian-Giri, 2015 by Flear:' Bill Schaefer: 'Retreating to b3 (it surveys ...b4, keeps the queen out of harm's way) was covered in the notes of Aronian-Giri, 2015 by Flear:' 11.Nd3 Na6 12.Nd2 *(12.Qa4 Nac5 13.Nxc5 dxc5 14.Nd2 Bd6* Perunovic,Milos: '∞' *)* 12...Bg7 Perunovic,Milos: '∞']

8.dxe6 Bill Schaefer: 'The most popular try for White. Given White's difficulties in proving an advantage in the gambit line that follows, perhaps 8.Be3 or 8.Bg5!? (Holt, C (2530)-So, W (2788) Saint Louis USA 2015) deserve further investigation.' Bill Schaefer: 'The most popular try for White. Given White's difficulties in proving an advantage in the gambit line that follows, perhaps 8.Be3 or 8.Bg5!? (Holt, C (2530)-So, W (2788) Saint Louis USA 2015) deserve further investigation.' 8...Bxe6 Bill Schaefer: '!?' '!?' Bill Schaefer: 'A pawn sacrifice that leads to an interesting (and theoretical) battle.' Bill Schaefer: 'A pawn sacrifice that leads to an interesting (and theoretical) battle.' 9.cxb5 0-0 10.Be2

[10.a4 a6 11.Ra3 d5 12.Be2 axb5 13.axb5 Nbd7 14.0-0 Qb6 15.Kh1 dxe4 16.Rxa8 Rxa8 17.fxe4 c4 18.Nc3 Ra1 19.Qc2 Qc5 20.Nfd1 Ne8 21.Be3 Qb4 22.Bf4 Nd6 23.Ne3 Rxf1+ 24.Bxf1 Nxb5 25.Ned5 Qa5 26.Qa4 Qxa4 27.Nxa4 Nf6 28.Bxc4 Nxe4 29.Ne7+ Kf8 30.Nxg6+ hxg6 31.Bxb5 Bd4 32.h3 Bb3 33.Kh2 Ke7 34.Bc6 Bxa4 35.Bxa4 Bxb2 36.Bc2 f5 37.g4 fxg4 38.hxg4 Nf6 39.Bxg6 Nxg4+ 40.Kg1 ½-½ (40) TheAstroBot (2688)-RaspFish (2687) Blitz 2022]

[10.Nc3 d5 11.Bg5 Qa5 12.Bd2 dxe4 13.fxe4 a6 14.a4 c4 15.Be2 axb5 16.Nxb5 Qb6 17.Qc2 Nc6 18.0-0 Na5 19.Bc3 Nb3 20.Rad1 Rxa4 21.Nd6 Rd8 22.Nxc4 Rxc4 23.Bxc4 Bxc4 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Qxc4 Nd2 27.Qd3 Qxd3 28.Nxd3 Bd4+ 29.Rf2 Nxe4 30.b4 f5 31.Kf1 Nxf2 32.Nxf2 Kf7 33.Ke2 g5 34.g3 Kf6 35.Nd1 Ke5 36.Ne3 Ke4 37.Nc4 Kd5 38.Ne3+ Ke4 39.Nc4 g4 40.b5 Kd5 41.Ne3+ Ke4 42.Nc4 Kd5 43.Ne3+ Ke6 44.Nc4 Bg1 45.Kf1 Bxh2 46.Kg2 Bxg3 47.Kxg3 Kd5 48.Ne3+ Kc5 49.Nxf5 Kxb5 50.Nh6 Kc5 51.Kxg4 Kb4 52.Kg3 Kc3 53.Ng4 Kd4 54.Nf6 Ke5 55.Nxh7 ½-½ (55) beckapplebot (2637)-MalanChess (2672) Blitz 2022]

10...d5 11.0-0 a6 12.a4 axb5 13.Bxb5 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram

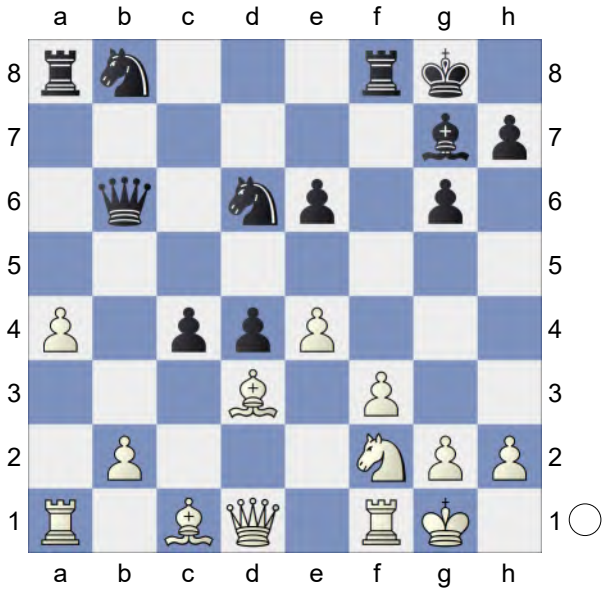


' 13...Qb6

[13...Na6 Perunovic,Milos: '!' 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.Bxf6 *(15.Nc3 Nc7 16.e5 Nfe8* Perunovic,Milos: '!' *17.Be7* Bill Schaefer: '1/2-1/2 (48) Aronian, L (2797)-Giri, A (2784) Wijk aan Zee NED 2015 [Glenn Flear]' Bill Schaefer: '1/2-1/2 (48) Aronian, L (2797)-Giri, A (2784) Wijk aan Zee NED 2015 [Glenn Flear] My own game continued:' Bill Schaefer: 'My own game continued:' *17...Bxe5 18.Bxf8 Kxf8* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' *)* 15...Bxf6 16.exd5 Bill Schaefer: '!' '!' Bill Schaefer: 'with advantage to White.' Bill Schaefer: 'with advantage to White. The most frequently played move has been:' Bill Schaefer: 'The most frequently played move has been:' 16...Rfd8 Bill Schaefer: '!?' '!?' Bill Schaefer: 'and was indeed what I tried in my own game. However, this line tends to lead to a position where White has a material advantage but Black's active pieces and opposite colored bishops make it difficult to convert.' Bill Schaefer: 'and was indeed what I tried in my own game. However, this line tends to lead to a position where White has a material advantage but Black's active pieces and opposite colored bishops make it difficult to convert.' 17.Nc3 Nc7 18.dxe6 *(18.Bc6 Rab8 19.Nfe4 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Bxd5 22.Bxd5 Rxd5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲'*; 18.Nfe4 Bd4+ 19.Kh1 Nxd5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲'*)* 18...Rxd1 19.exf7+ Kxf7 20.Raxd1 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Nxb5 22.axb5 Qxb5 23.Ne4 Perunovic,Milos: '=']

14.Nc3 dxe4 Perunovic,Milos: '?!'

[Bill Schaefer: 'An important alternative is:' 14...d4 Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' 15.Ne2 Ne8 *(15...Na6 16.Nf4* Perunovic,Milos: ' ±'*)* 16.Nf4 Nd6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bd3 *(18.Be2* Bill Schaefer: '1/2-1/2 (41) Meier, G (2646) -So, W (2677) Saint Louis 2012' Bill Schaefer: '1/2-1/2 (41) Meier, G (2646) -So, W (2677) Saint Louis 2012 In the June 2012 update, Glenn Flear analyzed:' Bill Schaefer: 'In the June 2012 update, Glenn Flear analyzed:' *18...c4* Perunovic,Milos: '↑' *)* 18...c4 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram



' 19.e5 Perunovic,Milos: '!' Bxe5 20.Qe2 Nd7 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.Qxc4 Rfc8 23.Qe2 Perunovic,Milos: '⩱']

15.Nfxe4 Bill Schaefer: 'The most recent try for an advantage (and recommended by chess engines.) It leads to a very sharp position where Black has strong compensation due to his active pieces.' Bill Schaefer: 'The most recent try for an advantage (and recommended by chess engines.) It leads to a very sharp position where Black has strong compensation due to his active pieces.' 15...Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bill Schaefer: 'Developing and

bringing his bishop where it can help defend the weakened e1-h4 dark squares.' Bill Schaefer: 'Developing and bringing his bishop where it can help defend the weakened e1-h4 dark squares.'

16...Bd4+ Bill Schaefer: '!' '!' Bill Schaefer: 'Black immediately attacks White's center in view of the somewhat precarious position of White's king.' Bill Schaefer: 'Black immediately attacks White's center in view of the somewhat precarious position of White's king.'

[16...c4+ 17.Kh1 Na6 18.Bd2 Nc7 19.Bc3 Nxb5 20.axb5 Rad8 21.Qc1 Qxb5 22.Nf6+ Kh8 23.Ra5 Qb3 24.Qf4 Perunovic,Milos: '±' Bill Schaefer: ' ±' '±' Bill Schaefer: 'but White later went astray in the ending and lost 0-1 (68) Sandipan, C (2590)-Adhiban, B (2547) Moscow 2013' Bill Schaefer: 'but White later went astray in the ending and lost 0-1 (68) Sandipan, C (2590)-Adhiban, B (2547) Moscow 2013']

17.Kh1 Bill Schaefer: 'Places the queen in what seems to be a less vulnerable position.' 17...Nc6 Bill Schaefer: '!' '!' Bill Schaefer: 'However, Black insists on drawing the queen back to the line of fire and activating his rook. This also makes a possible castling queenside look less inviting.' Bill Schaefer: 'However, Black insists on drawing the queen back to the line of fire and activating his rook. This also makes a possible castling queenside look less inviting.'

[17...Na6 18.Bh6 Rfd8 19.Qe1 Perunovic,Milos: '!' Bxb2 Perunovic, Milos: '?' 20.Rb1 Bd4 21.a5 Qc7 22.Qh4 Perunovic,Milos: '+-']

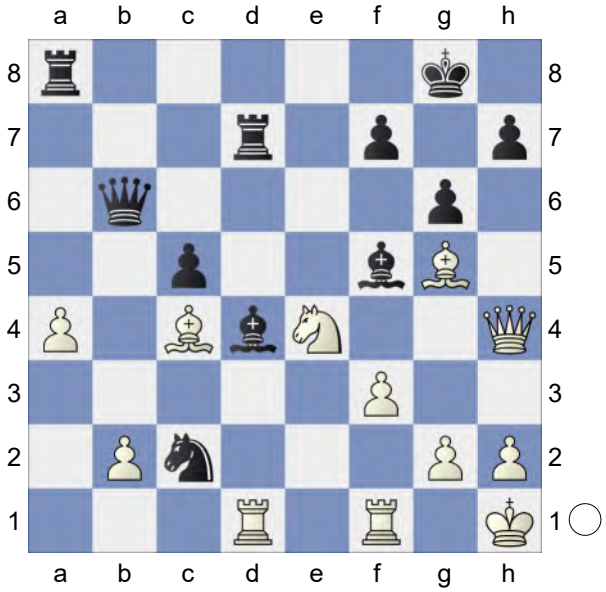
18.Bh6 Rfd8 19.Qe1 Bill Schaefer: 'White's queen is forced back to a passive square far from the action on the kingside.' Bill Schaefer: 'White's queen is forced back to a passive square far from the action on the kingside.' 19...Nb4

[19...Na7 20.Qh4 Bd5 *(20...Nxb5* Bill Schaefer: ' ∓ ' ' ∓ ' *21.Nf6+* Bill Schaefer: 'has the merit of strengthening White's control of the weakened dark squares. However, White's queen is vulnerable to attack.' Bill Schaefer: 'has the merit of strengthening White's control of the weakened dark squares. However, White's queen is vulnerable to attack.' *Kh8 22.Bf8 h5 23.Qg5* Perunovic, Milos: '+-') 21.a5 Perunovic,Milos: '!' Qe6 22.Bd3 Perunovic,Milos: '±']

20.Qh4 Perunovic,Milos: '+-' 20...Bf5 21.Bg5 Rd5

[21...Rf8 22.Bc4 Perunovic,Milos: '+-']

22.Bc4 Rd7 23.Rad1 Nc2 Perunovic, Milos: 'Diagram



' 24.b3 Bill Schaefer: 'Here Ding

Liren bails out of this sharp position with a draw by repetition.' Bill Schaefer: 'Here Ding Liren bails out of this sharp position with a draw by repetition.'

[24.Rxd4 Perunovic,Milos: '!' Rxd4 *(24...Nxd4 25.Nf6+ Qxf6* Bill Schaefer: ' ∓' '∓' Bill Schaefer: 'Certainly not:' Bill Schaefer: 'Certainly not:' *26.Bxf6* Perunovic,Milos: '+-' Bill Schaefer: '?' '?') 25.Qh6 Rd6 *(25...Rxe4 26.fxe4* Perunovic,Milos: '+-') 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.Qxh7+ Ke6 28.g4 Rad8 *(28...Bxe4 29.Qe7+ Kd5 30.Qxe4#* Perunovic,Milos: '#') 29.gxf5+ gxf5 Bill Schaefer: '=' '=' 30.Nc3 Perunovic,Milos: '+-']

24...Na3 25.Bf6 Perunovic,Milos: '?'

[25.Rxd4 Perunovic,Milos: '!']

25...Nxc4 Perunovic,Milos: '?'

[25...Bxe4 Perunovic,Milos: '!' 26.Rxd4 *(26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Qxe4 Rad8)* 26...cxd4 27.fxe4 Nxc4 28.Qh6 Qxf6 Bill Schaefer: '=' '=' 29.Rxf6 d3 Bill Schaefer: '?' '?' 30.Rf1 Re8 Perunovic,Milos: '!' 31.Qh3 *(31.bxc4 d2* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞') 31...Ne5 Perunovic,Milos: '±']

26.Rxd4 Nd6 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram

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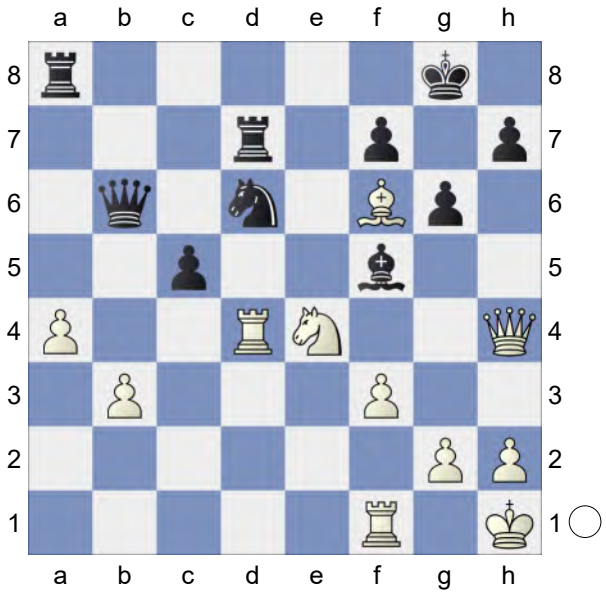

' 27.Qh6

[27.Qxh7+ Perunovic,Milos: '!' Kxh7 28.Ng5+ Kg8 29.Rh4 Perunovic,Milos: '+-']

27...Ne8 Bill Schaefer: 'Preventing Black from entering with the queen on g2.'

28.Rxd7 Bxd7

[28...Nxf6 29.Rd6 Perunovic,Milos: '+-']

29.Be7 1-0 (29) Winter (2778)-4.♘f3 g6 5.♘bd2 (2707) Sora 2018 200 Traps In The Opening [Nyback/Meyer,CD]

[133] **5.g4** b5 6.cxb5 a6 7.e4 Bg7 8.a4 axb5 9.Bxb5+ Nfd7 10.h4 Na6 11.Nc3 0-0 12.h5 Nb4 13.Kf1 Ne5 14.Kg2 c4 15.Nge2 Nbd3 16.h6 Bh8 17.Nd4 f5 18.Nc6 Nxc6 19.dxc6 Be6 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Nd5 Qe8 22.c7 Qf7 23.Bg5 Be5 24.Bxc4 fxe4 25.Nxe7+ Kh8 26.Bxd3 exd3 27.Qxd3 Rae8 28.Rae1 Rxe7 29.Bxe7 Qxe7 30.Rxe5 dxe5 31.Qc3 Qg5+ 32.Kf2 Rg8 33.Ke2 Qg2+ 34.Ke3 Qg5+ 35.Ke2 Bc8 36.b4 Qg2+ 37.Ke3 Qg5+ 38.Ke2 Qg2+ 39.Ke3 Qg5+ 40.Ke2 ½-½ (40) Nikitosikbot (2930)-RaspFish

(2882) Rapid 2023

5.Nc3 e6

[5...Na6 6.e4 Nc7 7.Nge2 Bg7 8.Ng3 Rb8 *(8...a6 9.a4 Bd7 10.a5 0-0 11.Be2 e6 12.0-0 exd5 13.exd5 Nfe8 14.Bd3 f5 15.Nge2 Nf6 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bh4 g5 18.Bf2 f4 19.h3 Qc8 20.Kh2 Bf5 21.Qc2 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Re8 23.Rfe1 Qd7 24.Na4 Qf7 25.Rab1 Nd7 26.b4 Ne5 27.Qc2 cxb4 28.Rxb4 Qh5 29.Rxb7 Re7 30.c5 Nxd5 31.Rxe7 Nxe7 32.cxd6 Nf5 33.Qxf5 Nxf3+ 34.gxf3 Qxf3 35.Kg1* 1-0 (35) retardedplatypus123 (2618)-cuatrosigmas (2582) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Be2 a6 10.a4 b6 11.Bg5 h6 12.Be3 0-0 13.Qd2 Kh7 14.h4 h5 15.e5 Ng8 16.Nge4 Bxe5 17.g4 Nf6 18.gxh5 Nxh5 19.f4 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 f6 21.0-0-0 Bf5 22.Bxh5 gxh5 23.Ng3 Bg4 24.f5 Qd7 25.Bd2 Kg7 26.Qe3 Rh8 27.Rde1 Kf7 28.Rhg1 Rbg8 29.Bc3 b5 30.Ba5 bxc4 31.Bxc7 Qxc7 32.Qe6+ Kf8 33.Ne4 Rh6 34.Rg3 Rg7 35.Rge3 Rf7 36.Nf2 Qa5 37.Qxf7+ 1-0 (37) penguingim1 (2648)-Lucuix21 (2280) Classical 2018]

6.Kf2 exd5 7.cxd5 a6 8.a4 Nbd7 9.g3 h5 10.h4 Ne5 11.Kg2 Bg7 12.e4 Nh7 13.Nh3 0-0 14.Nf4 Rb8 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Be2 Bd7 18.Rxa6 Rxa6 19.Bxa6 c4 20.Bb5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Qa5 22.Nc3 Rb8 23.Re1 Nf6 24.Qa4 Qc7 25.Qa3 Nfd7 26.Be3 Rb3 27.Qa8+ Kh7 28.Re2 Rb8 29.Qa7 Qc8 30.Qa3 Ra8 31.Qb4 Ra1 32.Nh3 Kg8 33.Ng5 Bf8 34.Qb5 Ra8 35.Nd1 Rb8 36.Qa4 Be7 37.Nf2 Nc5 38.Bxc5 Qxc5 39.f4 Nd3 40.Nf3 Nxb2 41.Qc6 Qxc6 42.dxc6 c3 43.Rc2 Na4 44.Ra2 Nc5 45.Ra3 Rc8 46.Rxc3 Rxc6 47.Nd3 Ra6 48.Nxc5 Ra2+ 49.Kf1 dxc5 50.Ne5 Ra4 51.Nc4 Bf6 52.e5 Be7 53.Ke2 f6 54.Kd3 fxe5 55.Nxe5 Bf6 56.Rxc5 Bxe5 57.fxe5 Kf7 58.Rc7+ Ke6 59.Rc6+ Kxe5 60.Rxg6 Ra3+ 61.Kc4 Ke4 62.Rg5 Ra8 63.Kb5 Kf3 64.Kc6 Rd8 65.Rxh5 Kxg3 66.Rd5 Rxd5 67.Kxd5 Kxh4 ½-½ (67) Aronian, L (2747)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2722) Warsaw POL 2025

[134] **5...a6** 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Be3

[7.a4 Qa5 8.Bd2 e6 9.Nce2 Qd8 10.Bc3 exd5 11.cxd5 0-0 12.Ng3 h5 13.h4 Nbd7 14.Nh3 Ne5 15.Nf2 b6 16.Be2 Rb8 17.Nf1 b5 18.g3 c4 19.a5 Ned7 20.Ne3 Nc5 21.0-0 Nh7 22.Nc2 f5 23.Nb4 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Rb7 25.exf5 gxf5 26.f4 Rg7 27.Kh2 Qf6 28.Qc2 Qg6 29.Rg1 Nf6 30.Nh3 Re7 31.Ng5 Rfe8 32.Rg2 Re3 33.Rd1 Nce4 34.Na2 Nxg5 35.hxg5 Ne4 36.Rf1 Qh7 37.Rf3 Rxf3 38.Bxf3 h4 39.Bxe4 hxg3+ 40.Kxg3 Rxe4 41.Re2 Qh1 42.Rxe4 fxe4 43.Qh2 Qf3+ 44.Kh4 Qg4# 0-1 (44) Clovis1088 (2647)-S_L_I_P_K_N_O_T (2488) Rapid 2022]

7...0-0

[7...Bd7 8.a4 Qa5 9.Bd3 Qb4 10.Nge2 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.a5 h3 13.g3 Nh5 14.Qd2 b6 15.Ra3 bxa5 16.Rfa1 a4 17.Qc2 a5 18.Nxa4 Bxa4 19.Rxa4 Qxb2 20.Qxb2 Bxb2 21.R1a2 Bg7 22.Rxa5 Rxa5 23.Rxa5 0-0 24.Ra7 e5 25.Nc3 f5 26.Nb5 f4 27.gxf4 exf4 28.Bf2 Be5 29.Bf1 Rf7 30.Ra8 Rb7 31.Bxh3 Kg7 32.Bc8 Rb6 33.Be1 Bd4+ 34.Kf1 1-0 (34) superfm1 (2651)-niclang (2313) Rapid 2023]

8.Qd2 Bd7

[8...b5
A) 9.cxb5 Qa5 *(9...Nbd7 10.bxa6 Qa5 11.Nh3 Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Qxa6 13.Nf2 Rfb8 14.Rb1 Ne5 15.Qe2 Nc4 16.0-0 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Nd7 18.a4 Bd4 19.Qd2 Qa5 20.Kh1 Ne5 21.Qe2 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qxc3 23.f4 Qc4 24.Qd2 Nd7 25.a5 Rxb1 26.Rxb1 Qa4 27.Rb7 Qa1+ 28.Nd1 Qxa5 29.Qxa5 Rxa5 30.Rxd7 Ra1 31.h3 Rxd1+ 32.Kh2 Kf8 33.Rd8+ Kg7 34.Rd7 Kf6 35.g4 h6 36.h4 g5 37.Kg3 Rd3+ 38.Kg2 gxf4 39.g5+ hxg5 40.h5 g4 41.h6 Rh3 42.Rd8 f3+ 43.Kf2 Rxh6 44.Kg3 Rg6 45.Ra8 Ke5 46.Re8 Rf6 47.Rxe7+ Kd4 48.Kf2 g3+ 49.Kf1 f2 50.e5 g2+ 51.Kxg2 f1Q+ 52.Kg3 Rg6+ 53.Kh4 Qh1# 0-1 (53) Superfm1 (2663)-petrover (2632) Blitz 2024)* 10.bxa6 *(10.a4 axb5 11.Bxb5 Ba6 12.Nge2 Ne8 13.Bxa6 Nxa6 14.0-0 Nec7 15.Rab1 Rfb8 16.b3 Nb4 17.Rfc1 Rb7 18.Nd1 Rab8 19.Nb2 Qa6 20.Nc4 Na8 21.Nc3 Nb6 22.Nb5 Nxc4 23.Rxc4 Qb6 24.Rxb4 1-0 (24) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2616)-girafik (2584) Blitz 2021)* 10...Bxa6 11.Bxa6 Nxa6 12.Nge2 Rfb8 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Rab1 *(14.Kh1 Nb6 15.b3 Nc7 16.a4 Nd7 17.Rab1 Rb7 18.f4 Rab8 19.Qc2 Qa6 20.Rfd1 Rb6 21.Ng1 Qb7 22.a5 Rxb3 23.Nge2 Rb2 24.Qd3 Qa6 25.Rxb2 Rxb2 26.Qxa6 Nxa6 27.h3 Rb3 28.Bd2 c4 29.Na4 Ndc5 30.Nec3 Nxa4 31.Nxa4 c3 32.Bxc3 Bxc3 33.Rc1 Bxa5 34.Rc8+ Kg7 35.Ra8 Ra3 36.Nb2 Bc3 37.Nc4 Ra1+ 38.Kh2 Nc5 39.Re8 Nxe4 40.Rxe7 Re1 41.Re8 Bd4 42.Rxe4 Rxe4 43.Nxd6 Rxf4 44.Nb5 Be5 45.Kg1 Rb4 46.Na3 Rd4 47.Kf2 Rxd5 48.Nc4 Bf6 49.Kf3 Rc5 50.Nd2 Rc3+ 51.Ke4 Rc2 52.Kd3 Ra2 53.g4 Ra3+ 54.Ke4 Rxh3 55.Nc4 Bg5 56.Nd6 Re3+ 57.Kd4 Re1 58.Nb5 h5 59.gxh5 gxh5 60.Nd6 h4 61.Nf5+ Kg6 62.Nd6 h3 63.Nc4 h2 64.Ne5+ Rxe5 65.Kxe5 h1Q 66.Kd6 Qh8 67.Kd7 Qg8 68.Kc6 Qg7 69.Kd5 f6 70.Ke4 f5+ 71.Kf3 f4 72.Kf2 Qb2+ 73.Kf3 Qb3+ 74.Kg4 Qd1+ 75.Kh3 Qh1+ 76.Kg4 Qg2# 0-1 (76) Anahoga (2647)-ArsBars2108 (2535) Rapid 2024)* 14...Ne5 15.b3 Qa3 16.Bh6 Nb4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ra1 c4 19.bxc4 Qa7+ 20.Qd4 Qxd4+ 21.Nxd4 Nxc4 22.a4 Nc2 23.Nxc2 1-0 (23) rdm89 (2666)-schaakam (2608) Blitz 2023;
B) 9.Rc1 b4 10.Nd1 a5 11.Bd3 a4 12.Ne2 e6 13.0-0 exd5 14.exd5 Re8 15.Bg5 Nbd7 16.Nf2 Ne5 17.Bb1 Ba6 18.b3 axb3 19.axb3 Qc7 20.Ng3 Bc8 21.Rfe1 Bd7 22.h3 Bc8 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.f4 Bd7 25.Nfe4 Nf3+ 26.gxf3 Bd4+ 27.Kh2 Kh8 28.Re2 Ra3 29.Bc2 Ra2 30.Rce1 Kg7 31.f5 f6 32.Rg2 Kf7 33.Qh6 1-0 (33) brillantetoile (2674)-mysterious_expert (2801) Blitz 2023]
[8...e6
A) 9.Nge2 b5 10.Ng3 b4 11.Nd1 *(11.Na4 h5 12.Bd3 h4 13.Ne2 h3 14.g4 exd5 15.cxd5 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxg4 17.0-0-0 b3 18.axb3 Nd7 19.Kb1 Nb6 20.Nac3 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 a5*

22.Bb5 Qb8 23.Qxh3 a4 24.bxa4 Nxa4 25.Bxa4 Qb4 26.Qd7 Rfb8 27.Rd2 Bxc3 28.Nxc3 Qxc3 29.Rhd1 Rb4 30.Rc2 Qf3 0-1 (30) bodoque50 (2622)-Woodtree (2653) Blitz 2021*)* 11...Re8 12.Be2 h5 13.0-0 exd5 14.cxd5 Bd7 15.Rc1 Bb5 16.b3 Nbd7 17.Nb2 Ne5 18.Nc4 Bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.bxc4 Nd7 21.Nh1 a5 22.Nf2 Nf6 23.Bg5 a4 24.f4 Qc7 25.Rce1 Nh7 26.e5 Nxg5 27.fxg5 Rxe5 28.Rxe5 Bxe5 29.Ne4 Qe7 30.Qd3 Re8 31.Kh1 Bd4 32.Re1 Kg7 33.h4 b3 34.axb3 a3 35.Re2 Qxe4 36.Rxe4 Rxe4 37.Qxe4 a2 0-1 (37) cubanito2002 (2652)-Creep30 (2788) Blitz 2020;

B) 9.Bd3 exd5 10.exd5 Nbd7 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.0-0 Re8 13.Rae1 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Bf5 15.Qd2 Nd7 16.Kh1 Ne5 17.b3 b5 18.cxb5 axb5 19.Nxb5 Bd3 20.Nbc3 c4 21.Bd4 Qh4 22.bxc4 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 Nxc4 24.Qc3 Ne3 25.Rg1 Nf5 26.Bxg7 Rxe2 27.f4 Rxe1 28.Rxe1 Nxg7 29.g3 Qg4 30.Qc6 Rd8 31.Qc7 Qd7 32.Qb6 h5 33.a4 Nf5 34.a5 Re8 35.Rxe8+ Qxe8 36.a6 Qe4+ 37.Kg1 Qe1+ 38.Kg2 Ne3+ 39.Kf3 Qd1+ 40.Kf2 Ng4+ 41.Kg2 Qe2+ 42.Kg1 Qxh2+ 43.Kf1 Qh1+ 44.Ke2 Qe4+ 45.Kd1 Ne3+ 46.Kd2 Nc4+ 0-1 (46) IkawAkoTayo (2660)-SALVA-DALI-07 (2573) Blitz 2022]

9.a4 Qa5 10.Ra3 Qb4 11.Bd3 Be8 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.f4 Nb6 14.Na2 Qxd2+ 15.Bxd2 Nxa4 16.b3 Nb2 17.Bc2 b5 18.Bc1 Ng4 19.e5 b4 20.Ra5 dxe5 21.Bxb2 Ne3 22.Kd2 Nxg2 23.fxe5 Nh4 24.Rf1 Ng2 25.Rxc5 Bh6+ 26.Kd3 Ne3 27.Rf3 Nf5 28.Nxb4 a5 29.Nc6 Bd7 30.Kc3 Be3 31.Bxf5 Bxc5 32.Bxd7 Bb6 33.Nxe7+ Kg7 34.Kc2 Bc5 35.e6+ f6 36.Nc6 a4 37.e7 Bxe7 38.Nxe7 Ra7 39.Bxa4 Rxe7 40.Nf4 Kf7 41.Ne6 Rfe8 42.Rxf6+ Kg8 43.Bxe8 Rxe8 1-0 (43) jposthuma (2775)-Einsteinthegreat (2418) Rapid 2022

5...e5

[135] **6.Bd3** Sokolov,Ivan: '!?' Sokolov, Ivan: 'Strangely enough, but according to my database - a novelty! Ding Liren wants to combine Bd3 development plan with Ne2-c3. Fresh idea at very early stage of the game, though it will be interesting to see if gets many followers. Nepo reacts in a true Benoni style and his reaction was (I think) good. Strangely enough, but according to my database - a novelty! Ding Liren wants to combine Bd3 development plan with Ne2-c3. Fresh idea at very early stage of the game, though it will be interesting to see if gets many followers. Nepo reacts in a true Benoni style and his reaction was (I think) good.' Arsovic, Goran: 'Diagram

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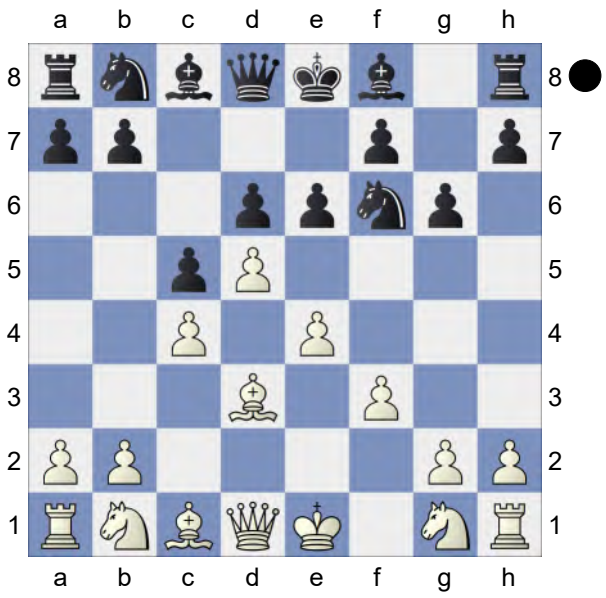

' 6...Bg7 Arsovic,Goran: '- 148/187'
[6...exd5 7.exd5 Nbd7 *(7...Bg7 8.Qe2+ Qe7 9.Qxe7+ Kxe7 10.Nc3 Re8 11.Nge2 Kf8 12.Bf4 Rd8 13.Nb5 Ne8 14.0-0-0 a6 15.Nbc3 Nd7 16.a4 Ne5 17.a5 Rb8 18.Na4 b5 19.axb6 Bd7 20.Nec3 Bxa4 21.Nxa4 Nd7 22.Bd2 Nxb6 23.Nxb6 Rxb6 24.Ba5 Rdb8 25.Bxb6 Rxb6 26.f4 Rxb2 27.Rd2 Rb3 28.Kc2 Rc3+ 29.Kd1 a5 30.Ke2 a4 31.Ra2 a3 32.Rha1 Rb3 33.Rxa3 Rb2+ 34.Kf3 Bd4 35.R1a2 Rb4 36.Ra8 h5 37.Re2* 1-0 (37) K1_K1_K1_K1_K1 (2625)-Nozdrachev,V (2515) Blitz 2023*) 8.Qe2+ Qe7 9.Qxe7+ Bxe7 10.Nc3 a6 11.a4 Ne5 12.Be2 Bf5 13.Bh6 0-0-0 14.Kd2 Rdg8 15.h4 Nh5 16.Rh2 Ng7 17.g4 Bd7 18.Nh3 f5 19.Ng5 Bxg5+ 20.Bxg5 fxg4 21.f4 Nf7 22.Bf6 Bf5 23.Re1 Nh5 24.Bxh8 Rxh8 25.Rf2 a5 26.Bd1 Kd8 27.Nb5 Rf8 28.Kc3 Re8 29.Rxe8+ Kxe8 30.Kd2 Kd7 31.Rf1 Nh6 32.Na3 Ng8 33.Nb5 Ngf6 34.Nc3 b6 35.Ne2 Ke8 36.Ke3 Kf7 37.Re1 Kf8 38.Rg1 Kg7 39.Nc3 Kf7 40.Nb5 Ke7 41.Re1 Kd7 42.Nc3 Kd8 43.Ne2 Ke7 44.Rg1 Kf8 45.Ng3 Nxg3 46.Rxg3 Kg7 47.Rg1 Kh6 48.Re1 Kh5 49.Kf2 Ne4+ 50.Kg2 Nf6 51.b3 h6 52.Rg1 Be4+ 53.Kg3 Bf5 54.Rf1 Ne4+ 55.Kg2 Nc3 56.Rh1 Ne4 57.Rg1 Nc3 58.Rf1 g5 59.fxg5 Nxd1 60.Rxd1 hxg5 61.hxg5 Bc2 62.Re1 Bxb3 63.Re6 Bxc4 64.Rxd6 Kxg5 65.Rxb6 Kf5 66.d6 Ke6 67.Kg3 Bd3 68.Kxg4 Bf5+ 69.Kf4 Bc2 70.d7+ Kxd7 71.Ke5 Bxa4 72.Kd5 Bc2 73.Rb7+ Ke8 74.Rb2 Ba4 75.Kc4 Kf7 76.Rf2+ Ke8 77.Ra2 Bc6 78.Rxa5 Bd7 79.Kd5 Bc8 80.Ra8 Kd8 81.Kd6 c4 82.Ra4 Bf5 83.Ra5 Bd7 84.Ra8+ Bc8 85.Ra4 c3 86.Rh4 Bd7 87.Rh7 Bb5 88.Rc7 c2 89.Rxc2 Ke8 90.Rc7 Kf8 91.Rc1 Be8 92.Ke6 Ba4 93.Rb1 Kg8 94.Kd6 Kg7 95.Ke6 Bc6 96.Rg1+ Kf8 97.Rg4 Bh1 98.Rf4+ Kg7 99.Rf5 Bc6 100.Rg5+ Kh7 101.Kf7 Bf3 102.Rg1 Bd5+ 103.Kf8 Kh6 104.Ke7 Bc4 105.Kf6 Kh5 106.Rg5+ Kh4 107.Kf5 Be2 108.Kf4 Kh3 109.Rg1 Kh2 110.Ra1 Kg2 111.Ra5 Bf1 112.Ra2+ Kh3 113.Ra3+ Kg2 114.Ra1 Be2 115.Rc1 Kf2 116.Rc2 Kf1 117.Rb2 Kf2 118.Ke4 Kf1 119.Rb1+ Kf2 120.Kf4 Ba6 121.Rb6 Be2 122.Rb1 Ba6 123.Rb2+ Be2 124.Rd2 Kf1 125.Ke3 Bh5 126.Kf4 Ke1 127.Rh2 Bf7 128.Ke3 Kd1 129.Rh1+ Kc2 ½-½ (129) UltimateL (2808)-ToromBot (2776) Blitz 2023]
[6...Nbd7 Arsovic,Goran: 'N'
A) 7.dxe6 fxe6
A1) 8.f4 e5 9.f5
A1a) 9...gxf5 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' 10.exf5 b5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 11.Nc3 *(11.cxb5*

Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *Bb7* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 11...Bb7 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

A1b) 9...Nxe4 Arsovic,Goran: '∓!' 10.Bxe4;

A2) 8.Nc3 Ne5 9.Nh3 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0 11.f4 Nc6 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B) 7.Nh3 Ne5 8.Nf2 Nxd3+

B1) 9.Qxd3 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0 11.a4

B1a) 11...Nd7 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' 12.dxe6 Ne5 13.exf7+ Rxf7 14.Qb3 *(14.Qe2 Be6 15.Na3 Qh4 16.Bd2 Raf8 17.f4 Nc6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲') 14...Be6 15.Na3 Qh4 Arsovic,Goran: '⩲';

B1b) 11...exd5 12.cxd5 Nd7 13.Nc3 Ne5 14.Qc2 f5 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B2) 9.Nxd3 Bg7

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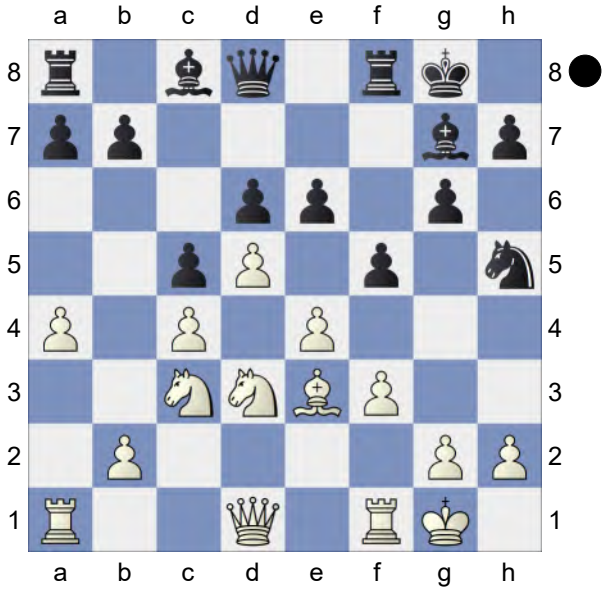
B2b) 10.a4 0-0 11.0-0 Nh5 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' *(11...exd5 12.cxd5 Nd7 13.Nc3 c4 14.Nf2 Nc5 15.Qe2 Nb3 16.Ra3 Nxc1 17.Rxc1 Bd7 18.Qxc4 Qa5 19.Qe2 Rac8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲') 12.Nc3 *(12.g4 Bd4+ 13.Kg2 Ng7 14.Nc3 f5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 12...f5

B2b1) 13.Nf2 Qh4 14.Nb5 Be5 15.Nh3 f4 16.Nf2 Qe7 17.Nd3 a6 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 18.Nxe5 *(18.Nc3 Bxc3 19.bxc3 e5 20.Ra2 g5* Arsovic,Goran: '∓') 18...axb5 19.Ng4 bxc4 20.dxe6 Bxe6 21.Bd2 g5 22.Bc3 Bxg4 23.fxg4 Nf6 24.Bxf6 Rxf6 25.Qd5+ Re6 26.Qxc4 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B2b2) 13.Be3 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram



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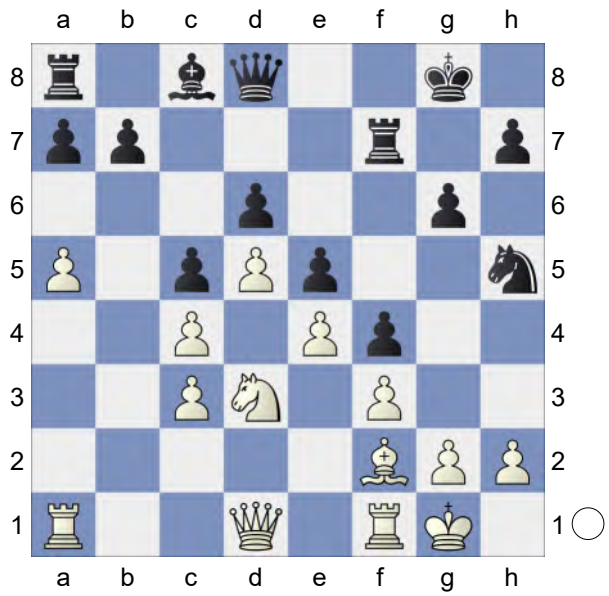

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B2b21) 17.Bxc5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' dxc5 18.Nxe5 Rf8 19.Nd3 Qe7 20.Re1 *(20.Qd2 Rb8 21.Qf2 b6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∞ *')* 20...g5 21.e5 Bf5 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B2b22) 17.Qb3 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' 17...g5 18.h3 *(18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Nxe5 Rg7 20.Qb5 g4 21.Qxc5 Qg5* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ *')* 18...Nf6

B2b221) 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Nxe5 Re7 21.Nd3 *(21.a6 Rxe5 22.axb7 Rb8 23.bxc8Q Qxc8 24.Qc2 Qc7* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ *')* 21...Nd7 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B2b222) 19.Rfe1

B2b2221) 19...Rg7 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' 20.Kf1 g4 21.hxg4 Nxg4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' 22.fxg4 *(22.Ke2 Nxf2 23.Nxf2 Rb8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ *')* 22...Bxg4 23.Qc2 Qg5 24.Reb1 Qg6 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B2b2222) 19...h5 20.Kf1 g4

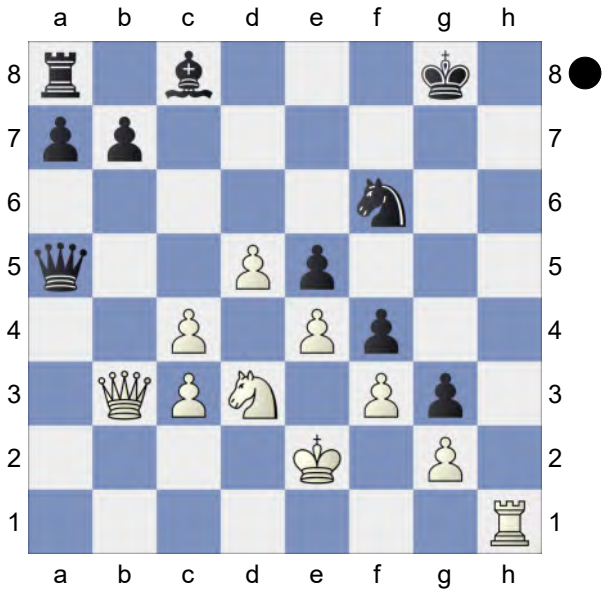
B2b22221) 21.Bh4 Arsovic,Goran: '!'

B2b222211) 21...gxh3 22.gxh3 Rg7 *(22...Bxh3+* Arsovic,Goran: '?!' *23.Ke2 Rg7 24.Rg1* Arsovic,Goran: ' ± *')* 23.Ke2 Rg2+ 24.Nf2 Kf7 Arsovic,Goran: '∞';

B2b222212) 21...Rb8 22.Ke2 Rh7 23.Rh1 Qf8 24.Bxf6 Qxf6 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B2b22222) 21.hxg4 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' 21...hxg4 22.Ke2 Rh7 23.Rh1 Rxh1 *(23...Qe7 24.Qb5 g3 25.Bxc5 dxc5 26.a6 Rh2* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ *')* 24.Rxh1 g3 25.Bxc5 *(25.Be1 Qxa5 26.Bd2 Qc7* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓ *')* 25...dxc5 26.Nxc5 Arsovic,Goran: '?' *(26.Qb5 Qe7*

27.a6 Rb8
28.Nxc5 b6
29.Nd3 Bd7
30.Qb4 Re8
Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓')
26...Qxa5 27.Nd3
Arsovic,Goran:
'Diagram



' Qb6
Arsovic,Goran: '!'
B2b222221)
28.Qc2 Qe3+
29.Kf1 a5 30.c5
Nxd5
Arsovic,Goran: '!'
31.exd5 *(31.Rh5*
Qxf3+
Arsovic,Goran: '!'
32.gxf3 Ne3+
Arsovic,Goran:
'-+' *)* 31...Bf5
Arsovic,Goran:
'-+';
B2b222222)
28.Qxb6 axb6
29.Nxe5 Ra2+
30.Kd3 Rxg2
31.Ng6 Rf2
32.Kd4 Ng4
Arsovic,Goran: '!'
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Kg7 34.Nxf4 Rxf4
35.Rxg3+ Kf7
Arsovic,Goran:
'-+' *)* 33.fxg4 g2
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B2b2222221)
34...Rd2+ 35.Ke5
f3 36.d6 Kf7
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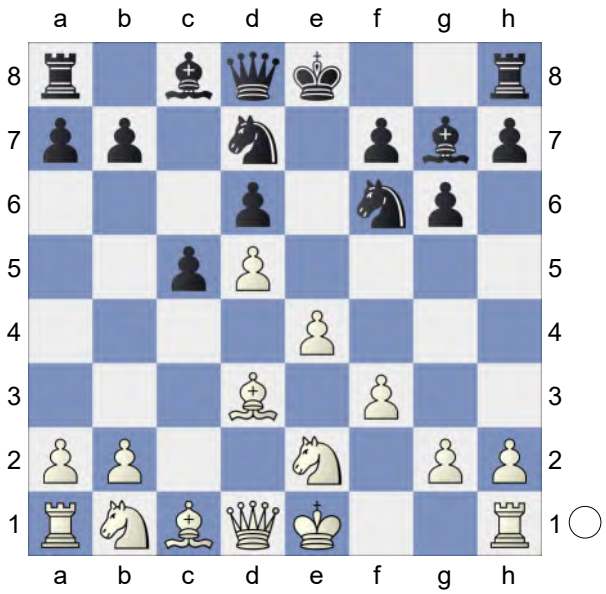
37.Kxd6 f2
38.Rxg2 f1Q
Arsovic,Goran:
'-+' *)* 37.Nf4 Bxg4
Arsovic,Goran:
'-+';
B2b2222222)
34...f3
Arsovic,Goran: '?'
35.Ne5
Arsovic,Goran: '?'
(35.Ke3
Arsovic,Goran: '!'
Rf1 36.Ne7+ Kf7
37.Nxc8 Rxg1
38.Kxf3 Kf6
39.Nd6 Ke5
40.Nf7+ Kf6
41.Nd6
Arsovic,Goran: '=')
35...Rd2+ 36.Ke3
f2 37.Rxg2 f1Q
38.Rxd2 Qg1+
39.Kd3 Qg3+
40.Kd4 Qg1+
41.Kd3 Kf8
42.Re2 Ke7
43.Kd2 Qg3
Arsovic,Goran: '-+'
44.Nd3 Bxg4
45.Re1 Bh5 46.e5

Qg2+ 47.Ke3 Bg6 48.Nf2 Qg3+ 49.Ke2 Qxc3 50.d6+ Ke6 0-1 (50) Levchenko, M (2677) - Mohandesi, S (2632) Monte Carlo 2023 200 Traps In The Opening [Adly, Ahmed]]

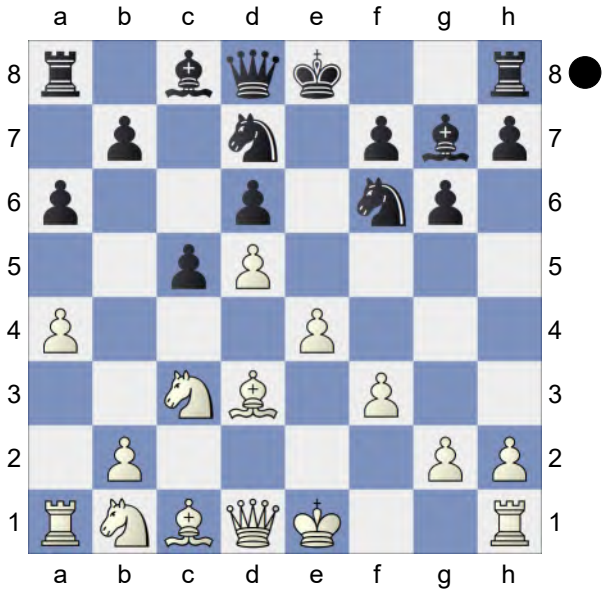
7.Ne2 0-0

[7...exd5 8.cxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Instead of the Gruenfeld Defence, a structure typical for the Modern Benoni.'

A) 8...Nbd7 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram



' Krasenkow,Michal: 'This move is appropriate when White has already played Ng1-e2 - in that case he can't move his knight via h3 to f2 anymore.' 9.Nec3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'N!?' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Ding Liren's idea behind 6.Bd3!? - willing to hybrid different Benoni lines. Ding Liren's idea behind 6. Bd3!? - willing to hybrid different Benoni lines.'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A well-known concept (the other knight is heading to c4) but new in this particular position.' *(9.Nbc3* Sokolov,Ivan: 'leads to known positions.' *0-0* Sokolov,Ivan: '- A 65' Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to a position from the Modern Benoni Defence, seen in a number of games.'*; 9.a4 0-0 10.0-0 Ne5 11.Bc2 a6 12.Nd2 Re8 13.b3 Rb8 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.Ra2 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.h3 g5* Sokolov,Ivan: '=') 9...a6 10.a4 Diagram



Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram [#] True to his style, Nepo goes for immediate active play.'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding had played all his moves instantly up to this point and had, due to the 30 seconds increment per move more thinking time than when the game started, but black's next move sent him into the thinking tank' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'In this typical Benoni structure, White can hope for a slight advantage due to his space

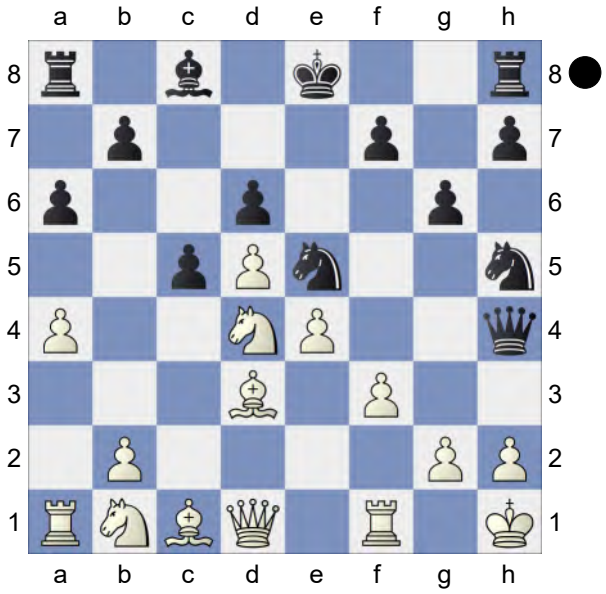
advantage. Therefore, Nepo, who is also a pragmatic by playing style, relies on direct concrete play in the following:''Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding hatte bis zu diesem Zeitpunkt alle seine Züge a tempo gespielt und hatte aufgrund des 30-Sekunden-Inkrements pro Zug mehr Bedenkzeit als zu Beginn der Partie, aber der nächste Zug von Schwarz brachte ihn ins Grübeln' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'In dieser typischen Benonistruktur kann Weiß aufgrund seines Raumvorteils auf einen leichten Vorteil hoffen. Daher setzt Nepo, der vom Spielstil her auch Pragmatiker ist, im folgenden auf direktes konkretes Spiel:"

A1) Admittedly, it is unclear how he can equalize, e.g. 10...0-0 11.0-0 , and one of the games, in which the present position arose from another move order, continued Rb8 *(11...Nh5 12.g4 Bd4+ 13.Kh1 Ng7 14.Ne2 Ne5 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Be2 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.g5 f4 19.Qxd4 Qxg5 20.Rg1 Qh4 21.Nd2 Bf5 22.Nc4 Rae8 23.Nxd6 Ng4 24.Rxg4 Bxg4 25.Nxe8 Rxe8 26.Bxf4 Rxe2 27.Qd3* 0-1 (27) Vaibhav,S (2600)-Puranik,A (2603) chess24.com INT 2022 *)* 12.Na3 Ne8 13.Be3 Ne5 14.Be2 f5 15.Qd2 Nf6 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Bd7 *(⌓18...Nd7)* 19.a5 Nh5 1-0 (33) Vukelic,T (2273)-Jovanic,O (2313) Pula 2000 , and now White should have played 20.Bg5±;

A2) 10...Nh5N Steingrimsson, Hedinn: '!?' '!?' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' '!' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'a good example of a practical resource, which while being objectively sound is also likely to come as a surprise and throw the opponent off guard as it did in this game. This move is also likely to come as a surprise to the "space bar monkeys" as some well known opening theoreticians refer to themselves since it is by no means the engines top recommendation. In the critical line for which white needs to find many good moves, black will gain two pieces for the rook. White has much more opportunities than black to go wrong and even with ultra precise engine play, black's position is fine. The top rated engine moves here all focus on defending the ...b7 pawn.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black tries to make use of White's move order to his favour but fails.' is recently more successful than 10...Bd7. Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'ist ein gutes Beispiel für eine praktische Ressource, die zwar objektiv solide ist, aber auch überraschen und den Gegner überrumpeln kann, wie es in dieser Partie der Fall war. Dieser Zug wird auch die 'Leertasten-Affen' überraschen, als die sich einige bekannte Eröffnungstheoretiker selbst bezeichnen, da er keineswegs die Top-Empfehlung der Engine ist. In der kritischen Variante, für die Weiß viele gute Züge finden muss, wird Schwarz

zwei Figuren für den Turm gewinnen. Weiß hat viel mehr Möglichkeiten als Schwarz, etwas falsch zu machen, und selbst bei ultrapräzisem Engine-Spiel ist die schwarze Stellung in Ordnung. Die am besten bewerteten Engine-Züge konzentrieren sich hier alle auf die Verteidigung des Bauern ... b7.' ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 10...Ld7. 11.0-0 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Ding Liren solves the problem with his king's position, not being "afraid of the ghosts", obviously still in his preparation. Next few moves are (though not forced) very logical. Ding Liren solves the problem with his king's position, not being "afraid of the ghosts", obviously still in his preparation. Next few moves are (though not forced) very logical.' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'Played by Ding after more than 15 minutes thinking. White is more or less forced to play this since otherwise the queen will be misplaced. Here the engines initially indicate that white is considerably better.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Stupid strategy as Black can easily protect his b4 pawn? Not at all! His knight must go to a6, where it can easily find itself out of play. Practice shows that White keeps a small but clear edge in this line. ' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Gespielt von Ding nach mehr als 15 Minuten Überlegung. Weiß ist mehr oder weniger gezwungen, dies zu spielen, da sonst die Dame deplatziert wird. Hier zeigen die Engines zunächst an, dass Weiß deutlich besser steht.' Bd4+ Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'in the online broadcast chat, the audience thought that Ding might already be clearly better at this point, obviously heavily overestimating the initial engine evaluation. Ding went again into the thinking tank here.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Im Chat der Online-Übertragung dachten die Zuschauer, dass Ding zu diesem Zeitpunkt bereits deutlich besser sein könnte, wobei sie die anfängliche Enginebewertung offensichtlich stark überschätzten. Ding ging hier wieder in den Denkmodus.' 12.Kh1 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'strategically black is doing very well due to a lead in development and weaknesses in white's position together with the fact that it is not easy to find shelter for white's king. The only way for white to play for an advantage is to play aggressively. The engines are initially very optimistic about white's chances after this move.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Strategisch steht Schwarz aufgrund des Entwicklungsvorsprungs und der Schwächen in der weißen Stellung sowie der Tatsache, dass es nicht einfach ist, Schutz für den weißen König zu finden, sehr gut da. Die einzige Möglichkeit für Weiß, sich einen Vorteil zu erspielen, besteht darin, aggressiv zu spielen. Die

Engines sind zunächst sehr optimistisch, was die Chancen von Weiß nach diesem Zug angeht.' Ne5 13.Ne2 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: ' □''□' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Krasenkow, Michal: '!'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'the only move for white' Krasenkow,Michal: 'And this knight heads to d3 or c2, in order to force ...b4xa3 after all.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'der einzige Zug für Weiß' Qh4 14.Nxd4 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '□' '□' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram



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A2a) Sokolov,Ivan: 'Theoretical investigation (trying to determine the relevance of 6.Bd3!?) will focus on Theoretical investigation (trying to determine the relevance of 6. Bd3!?) will focus on' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'After''Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Nach" 14...cxd4 Sokolov,Ivan: 'position is very complicated, and looks dynamically balanced. Sequence of moves leading to this position is very logical, so Ding Liren was likely (still) in his home preparation. I will try to give possible run of play and assumption of direction of Ding Liren's home preparation.

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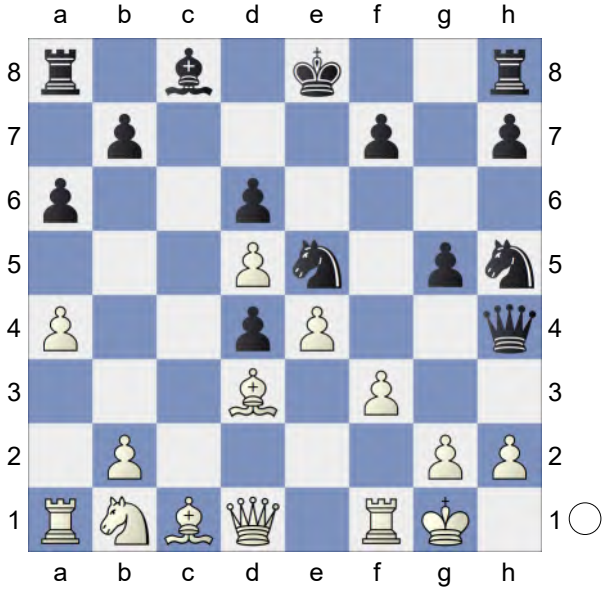

' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was the right way to create counterplay. The position becomes messy, although Black's king, remaining in the centre, is his point of concern. Mueller, Karsten: 'the situation is dynamically balanced.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'ist die Lage dynamisch ausgeglichen."

A2a1) 16.Be2 Sokolov,Ivan: 'loses too much time, Black having various ways to get excellent play (resulting positions looking dangerous for White) loses too much time, Black having various ways to get excellent play (resulting positions looking dangerous for White)' d3 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov, Ivan: 'this pawn sacrifice discoordinates White (and forces him to lose time). this pawn sacrifice discoordinates White (and forces him to lose time).' *(16...g4* Sokolov,Ivan: 'is (probably) premature as after is (probably) premature as after' *17.fxg4 Bxg4 18.Bxg4 Nxg4 19.h3 Rg8⩱* Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram

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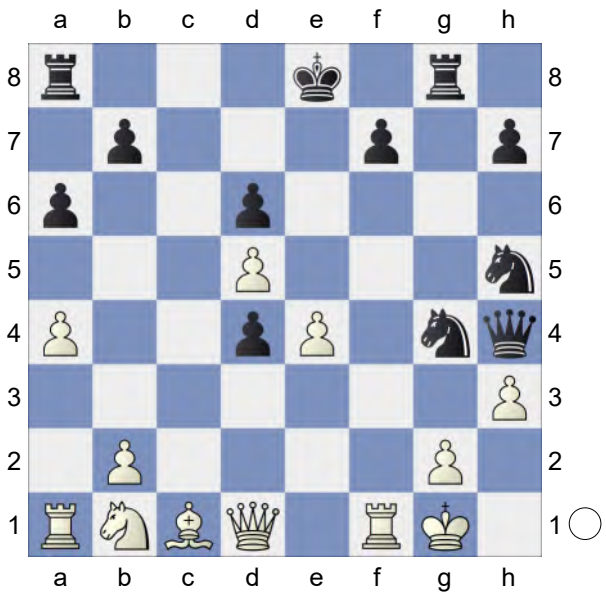

White can be greedy: Diagram [#] White can be greedy:' after nach *20.hxg4* Steingrimsson,Hedinn Sokolov,Ivan: '!' *Ng3 21.g5* Sokolov,Ivan: '!' *Qh1+∓* white is already entering territory where he or she has to find only moves in order to stay in the game and avoid being checkmated very soon with objectively a bit better position for black. begibt sich Weiß bereits in ein Gebiet, in dem er oder sie nur noch Züge finden muss, um im Spiel zu bleiben und zu vermeiden, sehr bald schachmatt gesetzt, bei einer objektiv etwas besseren Stellung für Schwarz. *22.Kf2 Qh4* Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram

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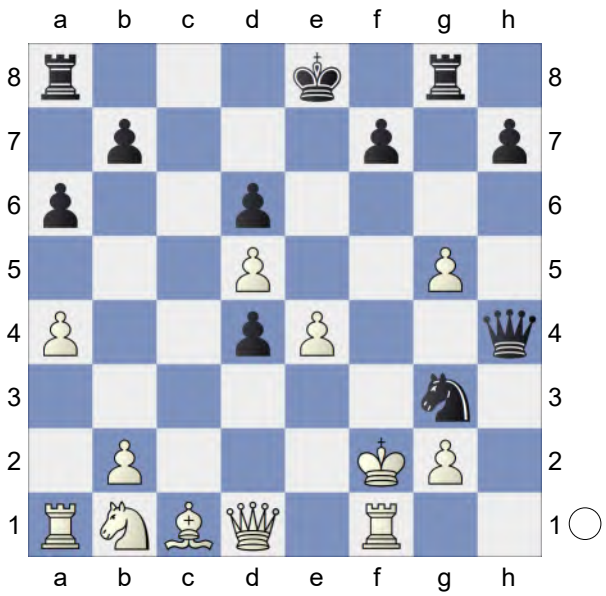

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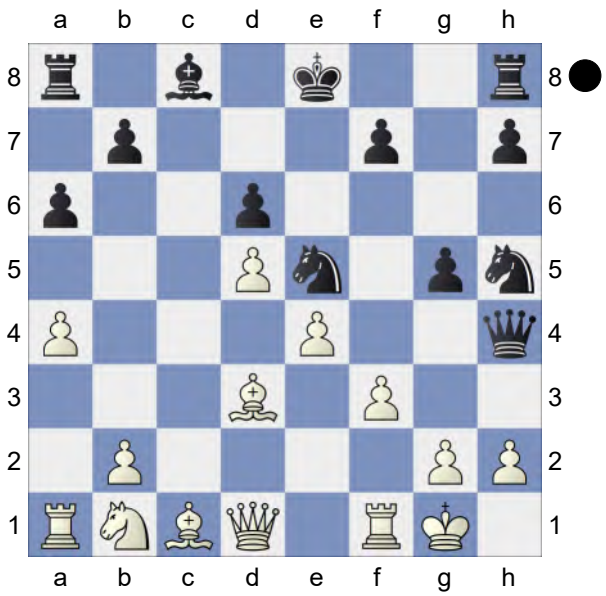

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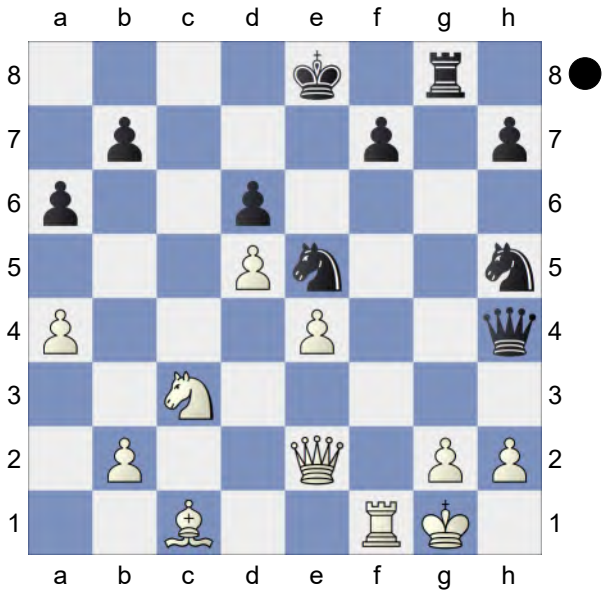
A2a11) 17...Rg8!? 18.Be2!? g4? Steingrimsson,Hedinn 19.fxg4-+ wins for blackgewinnt für Schwarz *(19.f4* Sokolov,Ivan: '??' *g3* Sokolov,Ivan: '-+') 19...Bxg4? Steingrimsson, Hedinn Sokolov,Ivan: ' ⩲' Sokolov,Ivan: 'and now is probably smart for White to agree to a draw by perpetual check. and now is probably smart for White to agree to a draw by perpetual check.'

A2a111) Sokolov,Ivan: 'Playing for a win is risky for White as after Playing for a win is risky for White as after' 20.Ra3 Bxe2! 21.Qxe2 Rc8 Sokolov,Ivan: ' ⩱' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Black has excellent compensation. One example of Black's attacking potential is Black has excellent compensation. One example of Black's attacking potential is' 22.Rc3 Rxc3 23.Nxc3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram



Now Black has beautiful attacking idea in Diagram [#] Now Black has beautiful attacking idea in' Rg3 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov,Ivan: '(24... Ng4 is a terrible threat and to prevent it White has to part with his queen) (24...Ng4 is a terrible threat and to prevent it White has to part with his queen)'

(23...Ng4 Sokolov,Ivan: 'leads to unclear game after' *24.h3 Ne5 25.Rf5 Ng3 26.Rxe5+ dxe5!∓* Δ Nc6 *27.Qc4* Sokolov,Ivan: ' ∞ ') 24.Qf2 Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'is not easy for neither a human nor an engine to evaluate. Here black will avoid the queen trade highlighting the fact that the white king is vulnerable and that black has a lead in development.
Black has two minor pieces for the rook. This position is initially evaluated as slightly better for white by the engines. Deeper analysis reveals that white will not be able to keep all the pawns and that black is objectively fine. Here obviously black is playing for two results and there are more ways for white to go wrong than black due to white's lack of development and black's initiative. This line is analysed in Sipke Ernst's work on the Slav and is a good example of lines that he recommends which have a high practical value and where his

experience and deep analysis outweighs the initial engine evaluation.'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'ist weder für einen Menschen noch für eine Engine einfach zu bewerten. Hier wird Schwarz den Damentausch vermeiden, die Tatsache hervorhebend, dass der weiße König verwundbar ist und dass Schwarz einen Entwicklungsvorsprung hat.
Schwarz hat zwei Leichtfiguren für den Turm. Diese Stellung wird von den Engines zunächst als leicht besser für Weiß bewertet. Eine genauere Analyse zeigt, dass Weiß nicht alle Bauern behalten kann und dass Schwarz objektiv gut steht. Hier spielt Schwarz offensichtlich auf zwei Ergebnisse, und es gibt mehr Möglichkeiten für Weiß, etwas falsch zu machen, als für Schwarz, da Weiß keine Entwicklung hat und Schwarz die Initiative hat. Diese Partie wird in Sipke Ernsts Werk über die

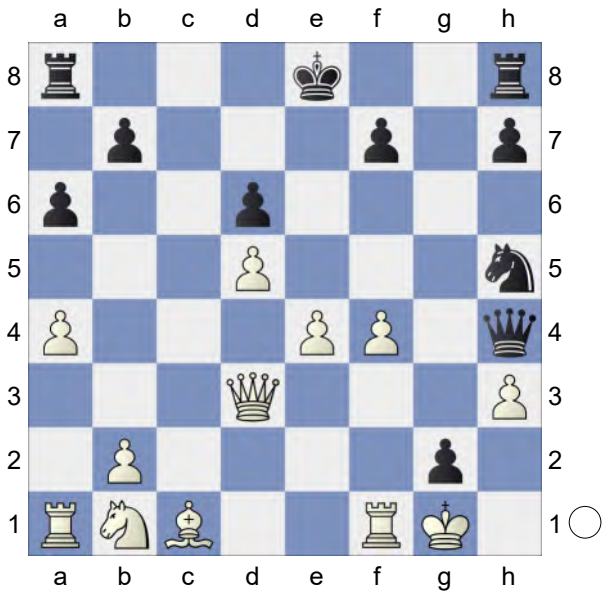
Slawische Partie analysiert und ist ein gutes Beispiel für die von ihm empfohlenen Varianten, die einen hohen praktischen Wert haben und bei denen seine Erfahrung und tiefgreifende Analyse die anfängliche Enginebewertung überwiegt.' *(24.hxg3* Sokolov,Ivan: '??' *Nxg3* Sokolov,Ivan: '-+' *25.Qd2* Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'also wins two pieces for the rook' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'gewinnt auch zwei Figuren für den Turm' *Ng4)* 24...Nf3+∞ Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '!?' '!?' 25.Qxf3!?≅ Steingrimsson,Hedinn It is understandable that even modern engines running on powerful hardware find it hard to evaluate this position correctly from afar, where deeper analysis reveals that white will loose at least one pawn, leading to the line with 10... dxc4!? being underestimated by the engines. It is worth to note that here any other move than 15. dxc5 or 15.Qa5 leads to a quick loss for white due to the threat ...Rb7 winning the white knight on c7. Es ist verständlich, dass selbst moderne Engines, die auf leistungsfähiger Hardware laufen, Schwierigkeiten haben, diese Stellung aus der Ferne richtig einzuschätzen, wobei eine tiefere Analyse zeigt, dass Weiß mindestens einen Bauern verlieren wird, was dazu führt, dass die Variante mit 10... dxc4!? von den Engines unterschätzt wird. Es ist erwähnenswert, dass hier jeder andere Zug als 15.dxc5 oder 15. Da5 zu einem schnellen Verlust für Weiß führt, da die Drohung ...Tb7 den weißen Springer auf c7 gewinnt. Rxf3!? Steingrimsson,Hedinn 26.Rxf3?! Sokolov,Ivan: ' ∞ ' Sokolov,Ivan: 'in this materially imbalanced position, if somebody is better - it is Black.';

A2a112) 20.Qe1-+ Nf3+ Steingrimsson, Hedinn 21.Bxf3 Bxf3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'and a draw by perpetual check:' 22.Qxh4

Rxg2+ 23.Kh1 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'is given by Sipke Ernst as critical. This is also the engine's preference and seems to be the reason why the engines evaluate 10...dxc4 as favorable for white. The resulting position after' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'wird von Sipke Ernst als kritisch bezeichnet. Dies ist auch die Präferenz der Engine und scheint der Grund zu sein, warum die Engines 10...dxc4 als vorteilhaft für Weiß bewerten. Die resultierende Stellung nach' Rf2+ Sokolov,Ivan: '=';

A2a12) 17...g4 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' 18.f4 Nxd3 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' *(18...Nf3+?!* Steingrimsson,Hedinn Sokolov,Ivan: '??' *19.Rxf3* one again white is entering only move territory to stay in the game wieder einmal betritt Weiß das Gebiet, wo er einzige Züge finden muss, um im Spiel zu bleiben *gxf3? 20.Qxf3-+* white is defenseless against black's threats on the dark squares with... Bxe3, ...Rxd2 and ...Bb4. Weiß ist wehrlos gegen die schwarzen Drohungen auf den dunklen Feldern mit ... Lxe3, ...Txd2 und ...Lb4. *Bg4* Steingrimsson, Hedinn Sokolov,Ivan: 'is hopeless for Black as compared to 16.Ra3 g4, Black does not have his d4-pawn. is hopeless for Black as compared to 16. Ra3 g4, Black does not have his d4-pawn.' *21.Qf2∓* Sokolov,Ivan: '+-' *)* 19.Qxd3 g3 20.h3 Bxh3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'This position looks like a nightmare for White. Black has draw in his pocket and might well have a killing blow, e.g. This position looks like a nightmare for White. Black has draw in his pocket and might well have a killing blow, e.g.' 21.gxh3∓ is one variation where white is very passive. The striking difference in the activity of the black knight and the white bishop together with black's more active rooks is worth more than a pawn. Black is playing for two results. ist eine Variante, in der Weiß sehr passiv ist. Der auffällige Unterschied in der Aktivität des schwarzen Springers und des weißen Läufers zusammen mit den

aktiveren Türmen von Schwarz ist mehr wert als ein Bauer. Schwarz spielt auf zwei Ergebnisse. g2? Diagram



22.Rf2!! Steingrimsson, Hedinn: '-+!!' '-+!!' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'is a beautiful move demonstrating white's weak king and lack of development'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'ist ein schöner Zug, der den schwachen König und die mangelnde Entwicklung von Weiß zeigt' (Sokolov,Ivan: 'In the case of' *22.Rd1*-+ the engine move Der Enginezug *22...Rg8* Steingrimsson,Hedinn putting more emphasis on protecting the weak e3 pawn than on being able to castle long, is not really the way humans play chess.mehr Wert darauf zu legen, den schwachen e3-Bauern zu schützen, als lang rochieren zu können, ist nicht wirklich die Art, wie Menschen Schach spielen. *23.Ra3∓ Ng3 24.Rd2* Steingrimsson, Hedinn: ' ⩲' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'also here black is objectively slightly better and the black position is also much easier to play due to a lead in development and the fact that it is not clear where the white king is going to go. White also has dark square weaknesses that black can target.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Auch hier steht Schwarz objektiv etwas besser, und die schwarze Stellung ist auch viel einfacher zu spielen, weil es einen Entwicklungsvorsprung gibt und nicht klar ist, wohin der weiße König gehen wird. Außerdem hat Weiß Schwächen auf den dunklen Feldern, auf die Schwarz reagieren kann.' *Qxf4 25.Rd1* Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '∓!' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'keeping the queens on the board and asking the white king questions. It is not clear how white will finish

development while the black pieces are much more active. Pawn grabbing will lead to a quick win for black' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'hält die Damen auf dem Brett und stellt dem weißen König Fragen. Es ist nicht klar, wie Weiß die Entwicklung beenden wird, während die schwarzen Figuren viel aktiver sind. Bauernraub wird zu einem schnellen Sieg für Schwarz führen' *Qh4 26.Rd2⩱* Sokolov,Ivan: 'White might pray Black not to have more than a draw. White might pray Black not to have more than a draw.' *)* 22...Rg8 23.Rxg2 Kd7 24.Qf1 Ng3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'looks very promising for Black. looks very promising for Black. ' *(* Sokolov,Ivan: 'Black also had a draw in his pocket with' *24...Rxg2+-+ 25.Kxg2 Rg8+ 26.Kh2 Qg3+ 27.Kh1 Qg6-+ 28.Kh2* Sokolov,Ivan: '=' *)*;

A2a2) 16.Ra3 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' 16...g4 Sokolov,Ivan: 'White goes for an exchange sacrifice: White goes for an exchange sacrifice:' 17.f4! is ok for whiteist für Weiß in Ordnung Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'the more ambitious' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'das ehrgeizigere' 17...Nf3+ Steingrimsson, Hedinn: '!' '!' 18.Rxf3 gxf3 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: ' ∓' '∓' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'with the idea to keep the queens on the board and play for a checkmate is given as a slight advantage for black by the engines. Black will direct his pieces towards the weak p2 pawn with ... Rhb8 and if needed ...Nb6-a4 on the agenda.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'mit der Idee, die Damen auf dem Brett zu behalten und auf ein Schachmatt zu spielen, wird von der Engine als leichter Vorteil für Schwarz angegeben. Schwarz wird seine Figuren auf den schwachen p2-Bauern lenken, wobei ... Thb8 und, falls nötig, ...Sb6-a4 auf der Tagesordnung stehen.' 19.Qxf3 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '!?' '!?' Bg4 Steingrimsson, Hedinn: '!?' '!?' 20.Qf2 Qxf2+ 21.Kxf2 Rc8⩱ 22.Bd2 Steingrimsson, Hedinn Bd1 Sokolov,Ivan: '∞' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram

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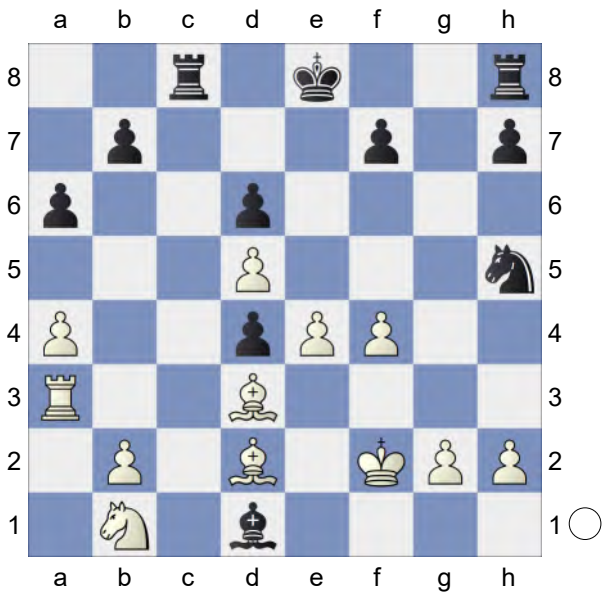

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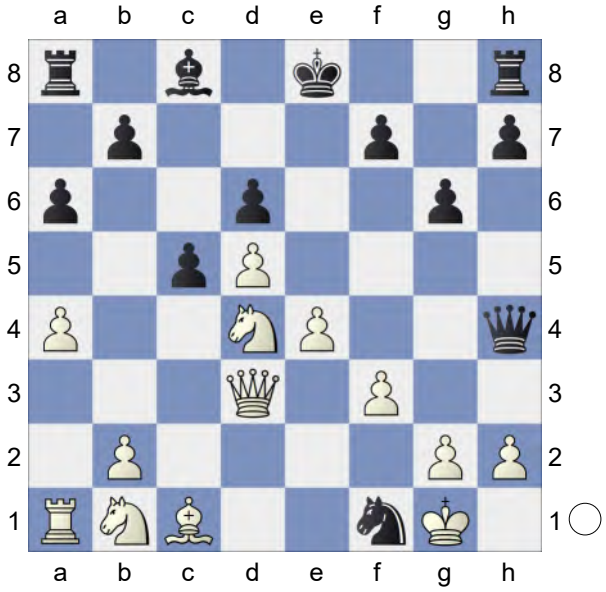
A2b) 14...Ng3+?! Mueller,Karsten: '?' Mueller,Karsten: 'on the other hand, fails due to' Mueller,Karsten: 'scheitert dagegen an' 15.Kg1 Nxf1 16.Bxf1 cxd4 17.Qxd4± Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (37) Nikolic,P (2635)-Renet,O (2495) Debrecen 1992' Mueller,Karsten: 'and White has more than enough compensation for the exchange thanks to his bishops and the dark-squared weaknesses in the black camp.' Mueller,Karsten: 'und Weiß hat dank seiner Läufer und der schwarzfeldrigen Schwächen im schwarzen Lager mehr als genug Kompensation für die Qualität.';

A2c) 14...Nxd3 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' 'Mueller,Karsten: '?'' Sokolov,Ivan: '?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'This runs into a deep tactical refutation." Krasenkow, Michal: 'This "attack", unsupported by pieces, is absolutely senseless.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'Das läuft in eine tiefe taktische Widerlegung.'' 15.Qxd3 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Now (after next few forced moves) smoke is soon going to clear, White having winning advantage. Now (after next few forced moves) smoke is soon going to clear, White having winning advantage.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding chooses the seemingly safer move, which still leads to a strategically risky position for white' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding wählt den scheinbar sichereren Zug, der dennoch zu einer strategisch riskanten Stellung für Weiß führt' Ng3+ 'N' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A forced positional concession, opening up the b-file for White.

Black's b6 pawn now becomes a crucial weakness.' 16.Kg1 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: ' □' '□' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'only move for white'Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'einziger Zug für Weiß' Nxf1 Sokolov,Ivan: 'Diagram



' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: ' ♘ " 17.Nc2 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: ' □' '□' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: '!!'' Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov,Ivan: 'Perhaps the move Nepo underestimated (or missed). Perhaps the move Nepo underestimated (or missed).'Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'only move for white' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'Nepo had probably overlooked this knight retreat.'' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'einziger Zug für Weiß' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller, Karsten: 'Diesen Springerrückzug hatte Nepo vermutlich übersehen."

A2c1) Krasenkow,Michal: 'If Black protects his pawn:' 17...Qxh2+ Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten' Sokolov,Ivan: 'loses to' white has better chances to hold than in the game. Krasenkow,Michal: 'then White can, for instance, start a deadly attack on the kingside:'Weiß hat bessere Chancen zu halten als in der Partie.18.Kxf1!? Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Qh1+?! *(Krasenkow,Michal: 'In case of' 18...f5* Krasenkow,Michal: 'this knight is placed nicely but pointlessly.' *19.Qe3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *0-0 20.Qh6 Qe5* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' *21.Nc3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⌓' Krasenkow,Michal: 'or so.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'On the contrary,' *21...fxe4* Krasenkow,Michal: 'looks illogical but it was played by none other than Anatoly Karpov! Hm...' *22.Nxe4 Qxd5?! 23.Ng5+-)* 19.Kf2! Qxc1? 20.Qc3 Sokolov,Ivan: '!' Sokolov, Ivan: 'with 21.Nd2 to follow and Black's queen is trapped. with 21.Nd2 to follow and Black's queen is trapped. Δ Nd2+-';

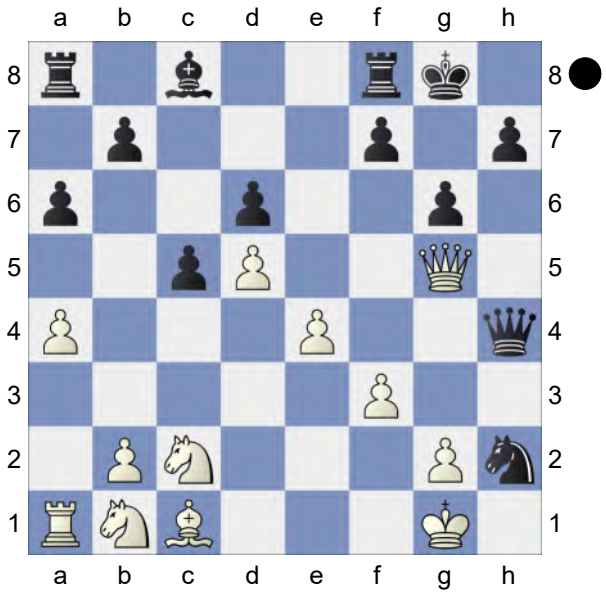
A2c2) 17...Nxh2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black has a temporary material advantage but his knight will be eventually lost. Even

then, formally, he will not be behind in material but White's minor pieces will be definitely much stronger than Black's rook, taking into account Black's numerous weaknesses (the d6 pawn, dark squares etc.). ' 18.Qe3 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Now the knight can never participate in the game again." Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Nun kann der Springer nie wieder am Spiel teilnehmen."

A2c21) Sokolov,Ivan: 'My computer engine suggests' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Thus" Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'So scheitert' ' 18...g5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Sokolov,Ivan: 'but White has abundant choice in but White has abundant choice in 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'as White can't take this pawn. He can, however, continue Mueller,Karsten: 'fails to" Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'an'' 19.Nd2 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ± 'is an engine line which may objectively give white better chances of holding a draw. It is based on the tactic that the g2 pawn is indirectly protected due to Bf1! threatening Rc8+ ist eine Engine-Variante, die Weiß objektiv bessere Chancen auf ein Remis geben kann. Sie basiert auf der Taktik, dass der g2-Bauer wegen Lf1! mit der Drohung Tc8+ indirekt geschützt ist. *(*Sokolov,Ivan: 'Or' *19.e5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten' Sokolov, Ivan: '!? 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'and in addition to the offside knight, the dark-squared weaknesses in the black camp weigh too heavily, for example'Krasenkow, Michal: 'und zusätzlich zum Abseitsspringer wiegen die schwarzfeldrigen Schwächen im schwarzen Lager zu schwer, zum Beispiel' *Bf5 20.exd6+ Kf8 21.Nba3 Re8 22.Qf2 Qh6 23.Be3±)* 19...0-0!? 20.Nc4□ Sokolov,Ivan: '+-';

A2c22) 18...0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: '?!'' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'white has had to find several only moves to get here. Still objectively black is slightly better.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Not very tough, but there's no saving it anyway.''

Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Weiß musste mehrere einzige Züge finden, um hierher zu gelangen. Dennoch steht Schwarz objektiv etwas besser.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Nicht sehr zäh, aber es gibt ohnehin keine Rettung mehr." 19.Qg5 Sokolov,Ivan: '+-' Sokolov, Ivan: 'Diagram



Black loses material, while his weak king remains a problem.' Nxf3+ Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'this is also all given by Sipke Ernst. Objectively black is slightly better. Black also has much easier play due to white's lack of development and numerous weaknesses (most importantly b2, but also e3 and h2) and the lack of coordination of white's pieces.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'das ist auch alles von Sipke Ernst gegeben. Objektiv steht Schwarz etwas besser. Außerdem hat Schwarz aufgrund der fehlenden Entwicklung und der zahlreichen Schwächen von Weiß (vor allem b2, aber auch e3 und h2) sowie der mangelnden Koordination der weißen Figuren viel leichteres Spiel.' 20.gxf3 Qh3 Steingrimsson, Hedinn: ' ∓''∓'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'A dream position for black out of the opening. White is underdeveloped and many pawns are hanging (e3, b2 and h2). It is clear that black is more than fine.' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'Eine Traumstellung für Schwarz aus der Eröffnung heraus. Weiß ist unterentwickelt und viele Bauern hängen (e3, b2 und h2). Es ist klar, dass Schwarz mehr als gut dasteht.' 21.Bf4 Qxf3 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '∓!?'' ∓!?' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'will lead to the endgame that occurred in the game' Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'wird zu dem in der Partie vorkommenden Endspiel führen.' 22.Nd2

Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'With white, everything fits together perfectly.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Bei Weiß passt alles perfekt zusammen.'' f6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Alas, Black has no active plan of counterplay.' *(22...Qd3∓* and next either ...Na4 or ...Nd5 with pressure against the white queenside pawns, especially the b2 pawn. This was a way for black to press for the win. und dann entweder ...Sa4 oder ...Sd5 mit Druck gegen die weißen Bauern am Damenflügel, insbesondere den b2-Bauern. Dies war eine Möglichkeit für Schwarz, auf den Sieg zu drängen. *23.Qf6!?* Steingrimsson, Hedinn*;* *22...Qh3 23.Qf6!?+-;* *22...Qe2* Mueller,Karsten *23.Qf6+-)* 23.Qxg6+ Krasenkow,Michal: '!' hxg6 24.Nxf3 Diagram

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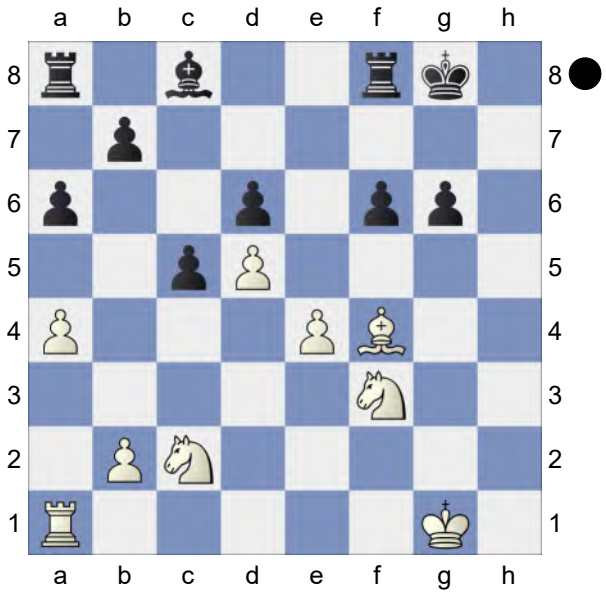
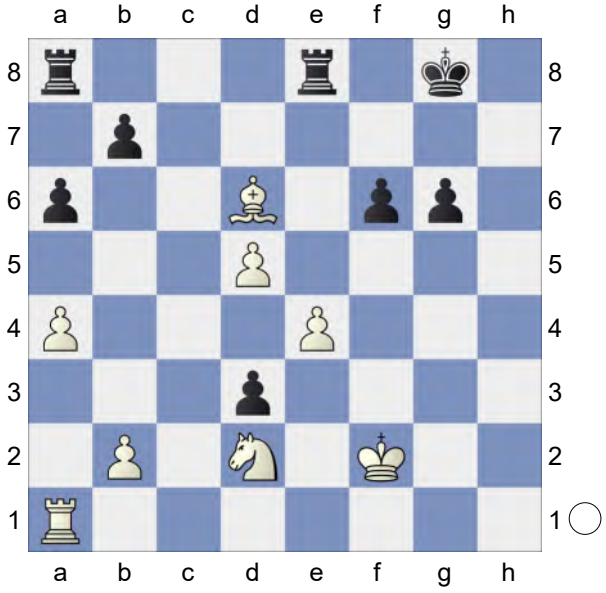


Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⊥' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'the most human move' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Now the white win is just a matter of technique:'' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'der menschlichste Zug' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: ' Nun ist der weiße Gewinn nur noch eine Frage der Technik:'' Bg4= Steingrimsson,Hedinn: ' ∓' '∓' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding bailed out to an endgame where black is slightly better'Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Ding rettete sich in ein Endspiel, in dem Schwarz leicht besser steht' 25.Nd2 Be2 *(25...Rad8* Mueller,Karsten *26.Ne3 Be2 27.Kf2 Bd3 28.Rg1*

Kh7 29.Nec4+-) 26.Kf2 Bd3 *(26...Bh5* Mueller,Karsten *27.Bxd6 Rf7 28.Ne3+-)* 27.Ne1 c4 *(27...f5* Mueller,Karsten *28.Nxd3 fxe4 29.Nxe4 c4 30.Ke3 cxd3 31.Nxd6+-)* 28.Bxd6 Rfe8 Steingrimsson,Hedinn: '!?' '!?' 29.Nxd3 cxd3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Desperation.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: '



" 30.Bc7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: '!" Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'The powerful bishop paralyses both rooks.'' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: 'Der mächtige Läufer legt beide Türme lahm." Kf7= 31.Ra3 Rac8 32.d6 Ke6 33.Rxd3 Krasenkow, Michal: '+-'Steingrimsson, Hedinn: 'Jorden agreed to a draw here. In a different situation this would have been a good starting point for Jorden to press for the win. Objectively black can play for a win with without risk. Strategically black is doing very well since the white kingside pawns are weak. Black also has the initiative and white will need to demonstrate how he wants to protect the weak queenside pawns. In a practical game white has a tough task to hold the draw.

Ding was visibly relieved and happy with making a draw here.

One can not say that Ding played this game badly, still it was a very much two results affair with white despite finding several only moves and playing sensibly at most surviving with a draw after the opening surprise which Sipke Ernst analyses thouroughly in his work on the Slav. It definitely would have been wise of Ding to take a look at Sipke Ernst's work before this game.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The rest is an agony.' Steingrimsson,Hedinn: 'Jorden willigte hier in ein Remis ein. In einer anderen Situation wäre

dies eine gute Ausgangsposition für Jorden gewesen, um auf den Sieg zu drängen. Objektiv gesehen kann Schwarz ohne Risiko auf Gewinn spielen. Strategisch steht Schwarz sehr gut, da die weißen Bauern am Königsflügel schwach sind. Schwarz hat auch die Initiative, und Weiß wird zeigen müssen, wie er die schwachen Bauern am Damenflügel schützen will. In einer praktischen Partie hat Weiß eine schwierige Aufgabe, das Remis zu halten.
Ding war sichtlich erleichtert und glücklich, hier ein Remis erreicht zu haben.
Man kann nicht sagen, dass Ding diese Partie schlecht gespielt hat, dennoch war es eine sehr zweischneidige Angelegenheit, in der Weiß, obwohl er einige einzige Züge fand und vernünftig spielte, höchstens mit einem Remis nach der Eröffnungsüberraschung überlebte, die Sipke Ernst in seinem Werk über den Slawen gründlich analysiert. Es wäre sicher klug von Ding gewesen, vor dieser Partie einen Blick in Sipke Ernsts Werk zu werfen.' a similar plan as before was also possible, here with the queens off the board ein ähnlicher Plan wie zuvor war auch möglich, hier ohne Damen auf dem Brett 33...Kd7!? Steingrimsson, Hedinn 34.Nc4 Predecessor: 34...Rxc7 35.Nb6+ ½-½ (35) Ding,L (2811)-Van Foreest,J (2681) Wijk aan Zee 2023 [Perunovic,Milos] Krasenkow,Michal: 'Mueller,Karsten: '!';

B) 8...0-0 leads to similar positions, of course.;

C) 8...Nfd7 9.0-0 *(9.Nec3 0-0 10.0-0 Ne5 11.Be2 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Bd2 Nbd7 14.Kh1 f4 15.Ne4 Nf6 16.Nbc3 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Bf5 18.Bxf4 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Ng6 20.g3 Qe7 21.Qc2 Nxf4 22.gxf4 Bh6 23.e5 Bxf4 24.e6 Bxh2 25.Bh5 Rf4 26.Bf7+ Kh8 27.Rxf4 Bxf4 28.Qc3+ Be5 29.Qh3 Rf8 30.Rf1 Qg5 31.Rf5 Qc1+ 32.Rf1 Qg5 33.Rg1 Qf6 34.Bg6 Qe7 35.Bf7 Qf6 36.b3 b5 37.Rf1 Qg5 38.Rg1 Qf6 39.Re1 Qg5 40.Qh5 Qf6 41.Qh3 Qf2 42.Rf1 Qe2 43.e7 Qe4+ 44.Rf3 Qe1+ 45.Kg2 Qd2+ 46.Kh1 Qe1+ 47.Qf1 Qh4+ 48.Rh3 Qe4+ 49.Rf3 Qh4+ 50.Rh3 Qe4+ 51.Qf3 Qb1+ 52.Kg2 Qc2+ 53.Kf1 Qb1+ 54.Ke2 Qxa2+ 55.Ke3 Bd4+ 56.Ke4 Qb1+ 57.Qd3 Qe1+ 58.Qe3 Qb1+ 59.Qd3 Qe1+ 60.Qe3 Qb1+ 61.Qd3 ½-½* (61)

The_Magnificent_Bob (2970)-RaspFish (2966) Rapid 2024*)* 9...Ne5 10.Nbc3 Nxd3 11.Qxd3 Nd7 12.f4 0-0 13.a4 a6 14.h3 Rb8 15.Kh2 Re8 16.Ng3 b6 17.Bd2 h5 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 e4 20.Qc2 e3 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Qxg6 Ne5 23.Qxh5 exd2 24.Nce4 Rb7 25.Ng5 Bh8 26.d6 Ng6 27.d7 Rxd7 28.Nf5 Be5+ 29.g3 Bxg3+ 30.Kxg3 Qc7+ 31.Kg2 Qc6+ 32.Kg1 Bb7 33.Nh6+ Kg7 34.Nf5+ Kg8 35.Nh6+ Kg7 36.Nf5+ Kg8 ½-½ (36) PetersBot (2987)-RaspFish (3048) Rapid 2024]

[Sokolov,Ivan: 'The Benko Gambit type of idea is' 7...b5 Sokolov,Ivan: '!?' Sokolov,Ivan: 'however it is doubtful if Black is getting enough compensation after however it is doubtful if Black is getting enough compensation after' 8.dxe6 Bxe6 9.cxb5]

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[8...exd5 9.cxd5 a6 *(9...Na6 10.Nec3 Nc7 11.Bg5 Rb8 12.a4 a6 13.Na3 h6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.Nc4 Qe7 17.Bf4 Ne8 18.Kh1 b6 19.Bg3 Ne5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Bxe5 Qxe5 22.f4 Qg7 23.Rae1 Rb7 24.e5 Re7 25.Bc2 Kh8 26.Rf3 dxe5 27.d6 Re6 28.d7 Bxd7 29.Qxd7 exf4 30.Rxe6* 1-0 (30) Kuzubov,Y (2603)-Pinero,C (2242) chess.com INT 2023 *)* 10.a4 Nbd7 11.Nbc3

A) 11...Rb8 12.Ng3 *(12.Bf4 Ne8 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Bg3 f5 15.exf5 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Bxf5 17.Qd2 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Ne4 Qe7 20.Nxc5 Rc8 21.Nd3 Nf6 22.Nb4 Rc4 23.Nc6 Qb7 24.Ned4 Nxd5 25.Nxf5 gxf5 26.Qxd5+ Kh8 27.Bxd6 Rd8 28.Ne7 Qxd5 29.Nxd5 Bd4+ 30.Kh1 Rxd6 31.Ra8+ Kg7 32.Ne7 Kf6 33.Ng8+ Kf7 34.Re1 Bf2 35.Re7+ Kg6 36.g3 Rc2 37.Kg2 Rdd2 38.Kh3 Bb6 39.Re6+ Kf7 40.Rf6+ Kg7 41.Rxf5 Rxh2+ 42.Kg4 Rc4+ 43.f4 Rxb2 44.Ne7 Bd4 45.Rg8+ Kh6 46.Rh5#* 1-0 (46) Superfm1 (2624)-Hippolytus (2510) Blitz 2024 *)* 12...h5 *(12...Ne5 13.Be2 Re8 14.Nh1 c4 15.a5 Nfd7 16.Be3 Qc7 17.f4 Nd3 18.Bxd3 cxd3 19.Qxd3 f5 20.Nf2 Nf6 21.e5 dxe5 22.Bb6 Qf7 23.fxe5 Rxe5 24.Qg3 Nh5 25.Qf3 Nf6 26.Nd3 Re8 27.Rae1 Qf8 28.Ne5 Bd7 29.Qf4 Bb5 30.Nxb5 axb5 31.Bd4 Nxd5 32.Qf2 Qb4 33.Nf3 Nf6 34.Qd2 Qxd2 35.Nxd2 Ne4 36.Nb3 Bf8 37.Bb6 Rbc8 38.Nd4 b4 39.Re2 Nd6 40.Rxe8 Rxe8*

41.Rc1 Rc8 42.Rxc8 Nxc8 43.Bc7 Bc5 44.Be5 Nd6 45.Kf1 Bxd4 46.Bxd4 Nc4 47.Ke2 Nxa5 48.Ke3 Nc6 49.Bf6 Kf7 50.Bh8 g5 51.Kd3 b5 52.g3 Ke6 53.h3 h5 54.Bg7 g4 55.hxg4 hxg4 56.Ke3 b3 57.Bh6 Ne7 58.Kd4 Nd5 59.Bd2 Nb6 60.Bh6 Na4 61.Bc1 Kf6 62.Kd5 Nc3+ 63.bxc3 f4 64.Ke4 fxg3 65.Ke3 Kf5 66.Ba3 g2 67.Kf2 Ke4 68.Kxg2 Kd3 0-1 (68) Grigoryan,K (2616)-Asis Gargatagli,H (2483) Barcelona ESP 2015 *)* 13.Bg5 Qb6 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Be2 Re8 16.a5 Qc7 17.f4 Ned7 18.e5 dxe5 19.d6 Qc6 20.f5 c4 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Bf3 e4 23.Ngxe4 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxe4 25.Bxe4 Qxe4 26.Rae1 Qd4+ 27.Qxd4 Bxd4+ 28.Kh1 Ne5 29.Bf6 Bxb2 30.Bxe5 Bxe5 31.Rxe5 Bf5 32.Re7 Rd8 33.Rd1 Bd3 34.d7 Kf8 35.Rde1 1-0 (35) Cshuki (2880)-KarlBallmer (2853) Blitz 2021;

B) 11...Ne8 12.Be3 Ne5 13.Bc2 Nc4 14.Bc1 Rb8 15.b3 Na5 16.Bb2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Qd2 Bd7 19.Kh1 b4 20.Na4 c4 21.Bxg7 Nxg7 22.Nd4 Nh5 23.Qf2 Qf6 24.bxc4 Nxc4 25.Nc6 Bxc6 26.dxc6 b3 27.c7 Rb7 28.Bd3 Ne5 29.Rfd1 Nxd3 30.Qd2 Ne5 31.Nc3 Nc4 32.Qd3 Nb6 33.Nb5 Nf4 34.Qxb3 Na8 35.Qc2 Nxc7 36.Nxc7 Rb2 37.Qc6 Rxg2 38.Qxd6 Rxh2+ 39.Kxh2 Qh4+ 40.Kg1 Qg3+ 41.Kf1 Qg2+ 42.Ke1 Qe2# 0-1 (42) silence404 (2812)-temurkuybokarov (2831) Blitz 2024;

C) 11...h5 12.Bg5 Qc7 13.Qd2 Re8 14.Kh1 Ne5 15.Bc2 Nh7 16.Bh4 Rb8 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Rxb6 19.b3 Bd7 20.Rae1 c4 21.f4 Nd3 22.Bxd3 cxd3 23.Qxd3 Rxb3 24.Rc1 Rc8 25.e5 dxe5 26.Qxa6 Rb6 27.Qd3 Bf5 28.Qd2 Qb8 29.fxe5 Bxe5 30.Bg3 Nf6 31.Bxe5 Qxe5 32.Nd4 Ng4 33.Qf4 Qxf4 34.Rxf4 Rb4 35.Nxf5 Rxc3 36.Ne7+ Kg7 37.Rff1 Rxc1 38.Rxc1 Rd4 39.h3 Nf2+ 40.Kg1 Ne4 41.Re1 Nf6 42.Re5 h4 43.Kf2 Rd2+ 44.Kf3 Kf8 45.g4 Rd3+ 46.Kg2 Nd7 47.Re1 Nc5 48.g5 Rg3+ 49.Kh2 Rxg5 50.d6 Nd7 51.Nc6 Rd5 52.Rf1 Rxd6 53.Nd8 Rf6 54.Re1 Kg7 55.Rd1 Nc5 56.Re1 Ne6 57.Nc6 Ng5 58.Ne5 Nf3+ 59.Nxf3 Rxf3 60.Kg2 Rg3+ 61.Kh2 g5 62.Rf1 Kg6 63.Re1 f5 64.Rf1 Rd3 65.Re1 Rd2+ 66.Kh1 Kh5 67.Re6 g4 68.hxg4+ fxg4 69.Re5+ Kg6 70.Rb5 Rd1+ 71.Kg2 Rd2+ 72.Kg1 h3 73.Rb6+ Kg5 74.Rb4 Kh4 75.Rb2 Rxb2 76.Kh1 Kg3 77.Kg1 Rb1# 0-1 (77) CarlesMurusevich (2747)-vaynetop (2834) Blitz 2022;

D) 11...Nh5 12.g4 Nhf6 13.Ng3 Ne5 14.Be2 c4 15.g5 Ne8 16.f4 Nd7 17.Bxc4 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 f6 19.h4 fxg5 20.hxg5 Nc7 21.Qe2 Re8 22.Be3 Qb4 23.a5 Nc5 24.Rfb1 Bg4 25.Qf1 Bxc3 26.bxc3 Qxc3 27.Bf2 Nxe4 28.Rb3 Nxf2+ 29.Kh2 Qc2 30.Rc1 Qd2 31.Be2 Bxe2 32.Qxf2 Qxc1 33.Rxb7 Bg4 34.f5 Qxg5 35.fxg6 Rf8 36.gxh7+ Kh8 37.Qd4+ Rf6 38.Rxc7 Qh4+ 39.Kg2 Qh3+ 40.Kg1 Qxg3+ 41.Kh1 Bf3# 0-1 (41) MCjgp_Twitch (2714)-cerrogol1970

(2593) Blitz 2021;
E) 11...Qc7 12.Be3 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Na4 Rb4 16.Bd2 a5 17.Bxb4 axb4 18.b3 Re8 19.Ra2 Ne5 20.Nb2 Nh5 21.Bb5 Bd7 22.Bxd7 Qxd7 23.Qc2 Bh6 24.Nc4 Nxc4 25.Qxc4 Be3+ 26.Kh1 Qe7 27.g3 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Ng1 Qf6 30.Nh3 Bd4 31.Qb5 Re3 32.Ra8+ Kg7 33.Ra7+ Kh6 34.Qd7 Ng7 35.Nf4 Qe5 36.Qf7 Re1 37.Kg2 Re2+ 38.Kh3 Be3 39.Nxe2 1-0 (39) Taylanruzgar (2631)-pazamolam (2550) Blitz 2023;
F) 11...Ne5 12.Bc2 *(12.Kh1 Rb8 13.f4 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Ng3 c4 17.Qc2 b4 18.Nce2 h5 19.Qxc4 h4 20.e5 dxe5 21.fxe5 Nxd5 22.Ne4 h3 23.Bg5 hxg2+ 24.Kxg2 Qxg5+ 25.Kh1 Ne3* 0-1 (25) Artur0208 (2775)-gogotaniye (2798) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Bd7 13.f4 *(13.h3 b5 14.f4 Nc4 15.b3 Na5 16.e5 b4 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.Bd2 bxc3 19.Nxc3 Rb8 20.Ne4 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 Bf5 22.Bxa5 Qxa5 23.Nxd6 Bxc2 24.Qxc2 Bxa1 25.Rxa1 Qb4 26.Ne4 f5 27.Nxc5 Qxf4 28.Ne6 Qe5 29.Rd1 Rfc8 30.Qd3 Rc3 31.Qxa6 Rcxb3 32.Qf1 Rxh3+ 33.gxh3 Rb2 34.Nf4 g5 35.Ng2 Rb3 36.Rd3* 1-0 (36) xxysoul6 (2892)-QuCq (2748) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Nc4 14.b3 Na5 15.h3 c4 16.Be3 cxb3 17.Bxb3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.e5 Nh5 20.e6 b4 21.exd7 bxc3 22.Ba4 Nc4 23.Bd4 Nb2 24.Qb3 Nxa4 25.Rxa4 Qxd7 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.Qxc3 Rc8 28.Qd3 Bxd4+ 29.Nxd4 Rc5 30.Nb3 Rb5 31.f5 Rb4 32.Qc3 Rf4 33.Ra1 Ra4 34.Rxa4 Qxa4 35.Nd4 Qa7 36.Kh2 Qe7 37.Nf3 Qe4 38.fxg6 Qf4+ 39.Kg1 hxg6 40.Qd2 Qf5 41.Qg5 Qb1+ 42.Kh2 Kg7 43.Qe3 Nf6 44.Qa3 Qb6 45.Qc3 Qf2 46.Qb4 Ne8 47.Qc3+ Kg8 48.h4 Qe2 49.Qd4 Qb5 50.Nd2 Qe2 51.Nf3 Qb5 52.Nd2 Qa5 53.Nf3 Qb5 ½-½ (53) PetersBot (2992)-ArasanX (3041) Rapid 2024]
9.Nec3
[9.Bg5 Ne5 10.Nbc3 h6 11.Bh4 *(11.Bf4 exd5 12.Bxe5 dxe5 13.cxd5 a6 14.b3 Ne8 15.Rc1 Nd6 16.Na4 b6 17.Qe1 Bd7 18.Nb2 Bb5 19.Nc3 Qd7 20.Qe2 f5 21.a4 Bxd3 22.Nxd3 g5 23.Rfd1 Rf7 24.a5 Qb7 25.Na4 bxa5 26.Naxc5 Qb6 27.Kh1 g4 28.Ne6 gxf3 29.gxf3 fxe4 30.fxe4 Rc8 31.Rxc8+ Nxc8 32.Rg1 Qxb3 33.Qe3 Kh7 34.Qg3 Qb7 35.Nxe5 Re7 36.Qg6+ Kg8 37.Qf6 Nd6 38.Rxg7+ Rxg7 39.Qd8+ Kh7 40.Nf8+ Kg8 41.Nfg6+* 1-0 (41) PitPurge (2750)-Anuar_Is (2654) Blitz 2020 *)* 11...exd5 *(11...g5 12.Bf2 a6 13.a4 Rb8 14.b3 exd5 15.exd5 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Nh5 17.Ng3 Nf4 18.Qd2 Qa5 19.Rac1 Re8 20.Nce4 Qxd2 21.Nxd2 Nd3 22.Nde4 Nxc1 23.Rxc1 Rd8 24.Nh5 f5 25.Nef6+ Bxf6 26.Nxf6+ Kf7 27.Nh5 b5 28.axb5 axb5 29.f4 Kg6 30.Ng3 bxc4 31.bxc4 Ba6 32.Nf1 gxf4 33.Be1 Re8 34.Bd2 Re4* 0-1 (34) papasi (2621)-avantage_ru (2642) Blitz 2020*)* 12.exd5 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 Bf5 14.Qd2 g5 15.Bg3 Re8 16.Rae1 a6 17.a4 Qb6 18.a5 Qxa5 19.Bxd6 Qb4 20.Ng3 Bg6 21.f4 Qxc4 22.fxg5 hxg5 23.Qxg5 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 Re8 25.Rxe8+ Nxe8

26.Qd8 f5 27.Nxf5 Bd4+ 28.Nxd4 cxd4 29.Qg5 Qd3 30.Ne2 Nxd6 31.Qd8+ Ne8 32.Nf4 0-1 (32) edgelorde (2755)-CrazySage (2786) Blitz 2021]

9...Nh5 10.g4 Bd4+ 11.Kh1 Ng7 12.Nb5 Ne5 13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Be2 f5 15.Qxd4 fxg4 16.f4 Nf3 17.Bxf3 gxf3 18.dxe6 Bxe6

[18...Qh4 19.Be3 Nh5 20.Rxf3 Qe1+ 21.Kg2 Bxe6 22.b3 Qe2+ 23.Rf2 Qg4+ 24.Kh1 Nxf4 25.Nc3 Nh3 26.Rff1 Nf4 27.Bxf4 Rxf4 28.Nd5 Bxd5 29.Qxd5+ Kh8 30.Qd4+ Kg8 31.Qd5+ Kh8 32.Qd4+ Kg8 33.Qd5+ ½-½ (33) RaspFish (2934)-Nikitosikbot_v2 (2929) Blitz 2024]

[18...Nxe6 19.Qd5 Qh4 20.Be3 Bd7 21.Nc3 Qh3 22.Rf2 Bc6 23.Qd2 Qh4 24.Nd5 Rae8 25.Raf1 Ng7 26.Qd3 Qg4 27.Rxf3 Qe6 28.f5 Qxe4 29.Qxe4 Rxe4 30.fxg6 Rxf3 31.Rxf3 Ne8 32.gxh7+ Kxh7 33.b3 b5 34.Rh3+ Kg7 35.Kg1 bxc4 36.Nc3 Rg4+ ½-½ (36) Santos Latasa,J (2609)-Gledura,B (2643) Batumi GEO 2025]

19.Rxf3 Bg4

[19...Qh4 20.Nc3 Bg4 21.Rf1 Ne6 22.Qf2 Qxf2 23.Rxf2 Nc5 24.f5 Rfe8 25.h3 Bh5 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Nd5 Nxe4 28.Rf4 Kg7 29.Nc7 g5 30.Rxe4 Rxe4 31.Nxa8 Rxc4 32.Bxg5 Rc8 33.Kg2 Rxa8 34.Rf1 Re8 35.Kg3 Re4 36.a3 Re2 37.Bf6+ Kf7 38.h4 Ke6 39.Bc3 Re3+ 40.Kf4 Rd3 41.Re1+ Kf7 42.Rg1 Ke6 43.Re1+ Kf7 44.Rf1 Rd1 45.Rxd1 Bxd1 46.Kg5 Ke6 47.h5 Bc2 48.Be1 b6 49.Bf2 Kd5 50.Kf6 Kc4 51.Ke6 Kb3 52.Bd4 Kc4 53.Be3 Kb3 54.Bc1 Bd3 55.Kxd6 Kc2 56.Be3 Kxb2 57.Bxb6 axb6 58.a4 b5 59.axb5 Bxb5 60.h6 Bd3 61.h7 Bxh7 ½-½ (61) PetersBot (3012)-RaspFish (3038) Rapid 2024]

20.Rf1 Ne6 21.Qf2 Nc5 22.Nc3 Qe7 23.Qd4 Qh4 24.Kg1 Qh3 25.b4 Nd3 26.Be3 Nxb4 27.Rf2 Nc6 28.Qd3 Ne5 29.fxe5 Rxf2 30.Kxf2 Rf8+ 31.Ke1 Rf1+ 32.Qxf1 Qxe3+ 33.Ne2 Bxe2 34.Qxe2 Qc3+ 35.Kf2 Qxa1 36.exd6 Qf6+ 37.Ke3 Qxd6 38.Qb2 b6 39.e5 Qc5+ 40.Kd3 Kf7 41.Qb5 Ke7 42.Qa6 Qc7 43.Qb5 Qc5 44.Qa6 Qc7 45.Qb5 Qc5 ½-½ (45) Mr-Chess-Berserk (3022)-RaspFish (3040) Rapid 2024

6.Ne2 Bg7

[6...exd5 7.cxd5 Bg7 *(7...Nh5 8.g3 Bg7 9.Nbc3 0-0 10.Be3 Nd7 11.g4 Nhf6 12.Ng3 a6 13.a4 Rb8 14.Be2 Ne8 15.Qd2 Nc7 16.h4 b5 17.axb5 Nxb5 18.Nxb5 axb5 19.h5 Ne5 20.Bg5 f6 21.Bf4 Bd7 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Ra7 Ra8 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Bh6 Rf7 26.Bxg7 Rxg7 27.g5 Qd8 28.f4 Nf7 29.e5 fxe5 30.Ne4 Rh7 31.Nf6+ Qxf6 32.gxf6 Rxh1+ 33.Kf2 exf4 34.Qa5 Rh2+ 35.Ke1 Rh8 36.Qc7 Bf5 37.Qe7* 1-0 (37) Giri,A (2720)-Ivanchuk,V (2766) Beijing CHN 2012*; 7...b5 8.a4 b4 9.Be3 Bg7 10.Nd2 Nfd7 11.Qc2 Ne5 12.Nc1 0-0 13.Be2 f5 14.0-0 f4 15.Bf2 Nbd7 16.Nd3 Nxd3 17.Bxd3 Ne5 18.Be2 g5 19.Nc4 h5 20.Rac1 g4 21.fxg4 hxg4 22.Nxd6 Qxd6 23.Bxc5 Qf6 24.Bxf8 Bxf8 25.Kh1 Qh6 26.Kg1 Qb6+ 27.Kh1 Qh6 28.Kg1 g3 29.h3 Bxh3 30.gxh3 Qxh3 31.Rf2 gxf2+ 32.Kxf2 Qh2+ 33.Ke1 Qg3+ 34.Kd1 Qg1+ 35.Kd2 Qe3+ 36.Kd1 f3 37.Bf1 Qg1 38.Ke1 f2+ 39.Ke2 Qg3* 0-1 (39) mbchessmaster (2647)-Nagid (2536) Rapid 2021 *)* 8.Nec3

A) 8...h5 9.Be3 h4 10.Qd2 Nh5 11.a4 Na6 12.Na3 Nb4 13.Nc4 0-0 14.Be2 f5 15.0-0 f4 16.Bf2 Ng3 17.Rfd1 a6 18.e5 Bf5 19.Nxd6 Bxe5 20.Nxf5 Nxf5 21.Bxc5 Rc8 22.Bf2 h3 23.gxh3 Ne3 24.Bxe3 fxe3 25.Qxe3 Re8 26.Qf2 Nc2 27.Rac1 Ne3 28.Rd3 Qg5+ 29.Kh1 Ng4 30.Qg1 Nf2+ 31.Qxf2 Qxc1+ 32.Rd1 Qxb2 33.Ne4 Rc2 34.Qg1 Rxe2 35.Qxg6+ Kf8 36.Qf5+ Bf6 37.Qxf6+ Qxf6 38.Nxf6 Re1+ 39.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 40.Kg2 b5 41.Kf2 Rh1 42.axb5 axb5 43.Ke3 b4 44.Kd4 Rc1 45.d6 b3 46.Ke5 b2 47.Ke6 Re1+ 48.Kd7 b1Q 49.Ne4 Qb7+ 50.Ke6 Rxe4+ 51.fxe4 Ke8 52.Ke5 Kf7 53.Kd4 Qd7 54.e5 Ke6 55.h4 Qa4+ 56.Kc5 Kxe5 57.h5 Qd4+ 58.Kc6 Qxd6+ 59.Kb5 Qh6 60.Kc4 Qxh5 61.h4 Qxh4+ 62.Kb5 Qh3 63.Kc6 Qd3 64.Kc5 Qd5+ 65.Kb4 Kd4 66.Ka4 Qc5 67.Kb3 Qb6+ 68.Ka4 Qb4+ 69.Kxb4 ½-½ (69) supertactic91 (2707)-June31 (2742) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...a6 9.a4 Nh5?! A typical reaction against the white king, but I'm not sure it is good at all! *(9...0-0)*

B1) Although most games continued 10.Be3 f5, I believe 10.g4! is simply better for White: Qh4+ 11.Kd2 Nf4 *(11...Ng3? 12.hxg3 Qxh1 13.Bb5++-)* 12.Kc2**±**;

B2) 10.Qe2?! Bd4 Black wants to make ...Qh4+ possible, and to free the g7-square for the knight in the event of g4, so that he can play ...f5.

B2a) 11.Be3 0-0 12.Qf2 Bxe3 13.Qxe3 f5**∞**;

B2b) 11.g4 Ng7**∞** *(11...Qh4+?! 12.Kd1 Ng3? 13.Qe1+-)*;

B2c) 11.Kd1? A typical plan - but only when Black has lost time giving a check on h4. Here it is just too slow. 11...0-0 12.g4 Ng7 13.Na3 f5 14.gxf5 gxf5 15.Qg2?! *(15.Nc4* to make Black's development harder was probably better, still after *Nd7 16.Nxd6 fxe4* followed by ...Ndf6 or ...Ne5, Black seems to be doing great. *)* 15...Nd7 16.Bg5 Qc7 *(16...Qe8?! 17.Nc4* would be annoying - so instead Black puts his queen temporarily out of play.*)* 17.Nc4 Ne5 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.h4 Qf7 20.Be2 Kh8! Excellent prophylaxis, as Puranik explained in the post-game analysis. *(20...Bd7* would give White time to play *21.h5 Kh8 22.h6 Ne8 23.f4 Bd4 24.Bh5* while in the game, White wasn't in time for Bh5.*)* 21.h5 Ne8 22.f4 Bd4 23.h6 Nf6! White is in huge trouble, but the position remains extremely difficult to understad for any human. 24.e5 dxe5 25.fxe5 Bxe5 26.Bf3 Rg8 27.Qd2 Ne4?! This move seems to make White's play a little easier. *(27...f4!? 28.Bxf4 Bd4* just opening the position and aiming at ...Bf5 might have been best.*)* 28.Bxe4 fxe4 29.Kc2 b5 *(29...e3* was Puranik's first intention,

but then he could not assess the position after *30.Bxe3 b5 31.Bxc5 Bf5+ 32.Kb3* which is fully understandable, as even the engine is losing its way here. *)* 30.Raf1 Bf5 31.Kc1! White managed to reorganize himself and can breathe a little bit. Qd7 One of the ways to prevent Nxe4. 32.Bf4 *(32.d6!* with the idea of *b4? 33.Qd5!* was surely best.*)* 32...Bf6 33.Be3 b4 34.Nd1? White's position becomes terrible again. *(34.Qf2 bxc3 35.Qxf5 Qxf5 36.Rxf5 cxb2+ 37.Kb1 Bd4 38.Bxd4+ cxd4 39.d6)* 34...Rg6 35.Rf2 Bg4 36.Bxc5? Funnily, Puranik said he felt the least damage for White would be to sac an exchange on f6 and "play something". And he's right! That's the only way for White not to cross the -2 barrier. Rc8 Now it's all over. 37.Qxb4 Qxd5 38.Rc2 Bxd1 0-1 (38) Niemann,H (2645)-Puranik,A (2604) Sitges 2021 CBM 206 Extra [Edouard, Romain] *(38...Bxd1 39.Rxd1 Bg5+-+)*;

C) 8...Nh5 Arsovic,Goran: 'is similar, for example'Krasenkow, Michal: 'was seen in some recent games:'

C1) 9.g4 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'is always interesting -' Qh4+ 10.Kd2 Nf4 11.Qe1 *(11.Kc2* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?'*)* 11...Qf6 12.Kc2 g5 13.h4 h6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∞ 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'with a very sharp position: ½-½ (52) Grischuk,A (2810)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Beijing 2014' 14.Na3 Nd7 15.hxg5 hxg5 16.Rxh8+ Bxh8 17.Nc4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'but not' 17...a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(17...Ne5* Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' *)* 18.e5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Qg6+ 19.Ne4 Nxd5 20.Bd3 Kf8 Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (52) Grischuk,A (2810)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Beijing 2014' 21.Bd2 *(21.Nexd6 Nb4+ 22.Qxb4 Qxd3+ 23.Kxd3 cxb4 24.Bxg5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±'*)* 21...Nxe5 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Nxg5 Nb4+ 24.Bxb4 Qxg5 25.Bd2 Qf6 26.Qh1 Qh8 27.Bc3 Bxc3 28.bxc3 Qxh1 29.Rxh1 Kg8 30.Be4 Be6 31.Rd1 Rd8 32.Bxb7 Bxa2 33.Bxa6 Be6 34.f4 Bxg4 35.Rg1 f5 36.Be2 Rd7 37.Kd2 Kf8 38.Bc4 Re7 39.Re1 Rxe1 40.Kxe1 Bf3 41.Kd2 Be4 42.Ke3 Ke7 43.Bb5 Kf6 44.Ba6 Ke7 45.Bb5 Kd8 46.Ba4 Kc7 47.Bb5 Kb6 48.Ba4 Kc7 49.Bb5 Kd8 50.Ba4 Ke7 51.Bb5 Kf7 52.Bc4+ ½-½ (52) Grischuk,A (2810)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Beijing CHN 2014;

C2) 9.Be3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to the above-mentioned line. With the text move, White wants to anticipate ...e6xd5 and prepare g2-g4 but it is too pretentious.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Krasenkow,M: 'leads to the

above-mentioned line. With the text move, White wants to anticipate ...e6xd5 and prepare g2-g4 but it is too pretentious.'' 9...f5 Arsovic,Goran: 'and now'

C2a) 10.exf5 gxf5

C2a1) 11.Bb5+ 'note that Bok's move order prevents this Vigorito,D: 'note that Bok's move order prevents this Arsovic,Goran: 'note that Bok's move order prevents this''' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '0-1 Eisele,S-Bogner,S/Stuttgart 2005/ (37)' Nd7 12.g4 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Now it's definitely the wrong time for this, White's king becomes highly vulnerable:' *(12.0-0; 12.f4* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *Nhf6 13.0-0 Ng4 14.Qf3 0-0* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '1-0 Schmaltz,R-Naiditsch,A/ playchess.com 2004/ (46)' *15.Kh1 a6 16.Bxd7 Bxd7 17.Bg1 b5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (45) Bogdanovich,S (2581)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2714) Moscow 2015'*)* 12...fxg4 13.fxg4 Qh4+ 14.Kd2 Nhf6 15.Qe1 Qxe1+ 16.Rxe1 0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: '∓' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova ITA 2015' 17.h3 a6 18.Be2 b5 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓''0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova ITA 2015 Vigorito,D: '0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova ITA 2015 Arsovic,Goran: '0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova ITA 2015'' Vigorito,D: '0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova ITA 2015'' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∓ 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '0-1 (35) Lodici,L (2347)-Vovk,Y (2626) Padova 2015';

C2a2) 11.Be2 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲ 'Krasenkow,Michal: 'but Black has a good position anyway';

C2a3) 11.Qd2 0-0 12.Be2 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'would be a standard way to play the position';

C2b) 10.Be2 0-0 11.exf5 *(11.Qd2 f4 12.Bf2 Be5 13.a4 Nd7 14.Na3 Bg7 15.Rb1 Ne5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 Qg5 18.g4 Nxg4 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Rg1 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 f3 22.Bc4 Rae8 23.Qd4 Qc1+ 24.Qd1 Rxe4+* 0-1 (24) supertactic91 (2669)-sina_iran (2744) Blitz 2021*)* 11...gxf5 12.f4 Re8 13.Qd2 Nf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (13) Lukov,V (2470)-Moracchini,F (2315) Paris 1998';

C2c) 10.Nd2 0-0 11.Be2 a6 *(11...Bd4* Krasenkow,Michal:

'!' *12.Nc4 Qh4+ 13.Kd2 Na6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓"Paravyan,D (2436) -Khusnutdinov,R (2490) Moscow 2015 Vigorito,D: 'Paravyan,D (2436) -Khusnutdinov,R (2490) Moscow 2015 Arsovic,Goran: 'Paravyan,D (2436) -Khusnutdinov,R (2490) Moscow 2015''' *14.Qg1* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '1-0 Motylev,A-Landa,K/Internet 2004/ (37)' *Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 fxe4 16.Nxd6 exf3 17.Bxf3 Qd8 18.Nxc8 Rxc8 19.Qd1 Nf6* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (69) Paravyan,D (2436)-Khusnutdinov,R (2490) Moscow 2015'*)* 12.a4 Bd4 13.Bf2 Nf4 14.g3 Nh3 15.Bxd4 cxd4 16.Ncb1 f4 17.Nf1 Nd7 18.Qxd4 Ne5 19.Nbd2 Bd7 20.Qb4 Qf6 21.Rc1 Rac8 22.Rc3 Rxc3 23.bxc3 Rc8 24.c4 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Kd1 0-1 (26) Ricky_Zhou (2834)-ikica77 (2720) Blitz 2022]

7.Nec3 'Vigorito,D: 'Now we reach our gray area. The position is an irregular King's Indian (E60) because it could not really arise from a natural Samisch move order - White never played Nb1-c3. The main difference is that the b1-knight can now go to d2, or even a3. With the knights on c3 and e2, the e2-knight has to move again, often to g3. So White's argument is that the b1-knight has better options than a knight on e2. Black has to prove that this is not so, or that it is too slow.''Now we reach our gray area. The position is an irregular King's Indian (E60) because it could not really arise from a natural Samisch move order - White never played Nb1-c3. The main difference is that the b1-knight can now go to d2, or even a3. With the knights on c3 and e2, the e2-knight has to move again, often to g3. So White's argument is that the b1-knight has better options than a knight on e2. Black has to prove that this is not so, or that it is too slow.'" ' Arsovic,Zoran: '*'

[7.Bg5 exd5 8.cxd5 b5 9.Ng3 Bd7 10.Be2 Na6 11.0-0 0-0 12.a4 Nc7 13.Na3 a6 14.Qd2 Qb8 15.b3 Rc8 16.Rab1 Ra7 17.b4 cxb4 18.Qxb4 Nfe8 19.Be3 a5 20.Qb3 b4 21.Nc4 Na6 22.Bxa7 Qxa7+ 23.Kh1 Bc3 24.Qa2 Nc5 25.Bd1 Qa6 26.Ne2 Bg7 27.Nd2 Qd3 28.Qc2 Qxc2 29.Bxc2 Nxa4 30.Bxa4 Bxa4 31.Nb3 Bb5 32.Rfc1 Ra8 33.Ned4 Bd3 34.Ra1 a4 35.Ra2 Kf8 36.Nc6 axb3 37.Rxa8 b2 38.Rg1 Bh6 39.Nxb4 b1Q 40.Rxb1 Bxb1 41.Ra1 Bxe4 42.fxe4 Nf6 43.Ra8+ Kg7 44.e5 dxe5 45.d6 e4 46.Ra7 Bd2 47.Nc2

Kf8 48.Nd4 Ke8 49.Nc6 1-0 (49) Martinovic,S (2604)-Neverov,V (2480) Batumi GEO 2018]

Arsovic,Goran: 'The immediate' 7...Nh5 Arsovic,Goran: 'is also possible.' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Trying to immediately create counterplay, not wasting a tempo on castling.'

[7...a6 'Vigorito,D: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Vigorito,D: 'Black has tried many things here, but Bok's id'Black has tried many things here, but Bok's idea is important. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito,D: 'Black has tried many things here, but Bok's idea is important.''' ea is important.'' 'Vigorito,D: 'All in all, the theory is very young, and different ideas could be developed. Bok's play is very logical. White's knights are both on the queenside, so he tries to open the position quickly.''All in all, the theory is very young, and different ideas could be developed. Bok's play is very logical. White's knights are both on the queenside, so he tries to open the position quickly. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'All in all, the theory is very young, and different ideas could be developed. Bok's play is very logical. White's knights are both on the queenside, so he tries to open the position quickly.''' ' 8.a4 Nh5 'Vigorito,D: 'With the ideas ...Qh4+ and ...f5.''With the ideas ...Qh4+ and ...f5. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'With the ideas ...Qh4+ and ...f5.''' ' 9.Be3

A) Arsovic,Goran: 'After' 9...f5 10.Qd2 *(10.dxe6 f4 11.Bf2 Nc6 12.Nd5 Bxb2 13.Ra2 Be5 14.Nbc3 Bxe6 15.Be2 Nf6 16.0-0 Bxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.cxd5 Nd4 19.Qb1 Rb8 20.Kh1 0-0 21.Bd3 Qa5 22.Be1 Qc7 23.Rb2 c4 24.Bc2 b5 25.a5 c3 26.Ra2 b4 27.Bb3 Rfc8 28.Bf2 c2* 0-1 (28) supertactic91 (2657)-Jaguar_92 (2676) Blitz 2021*)* 10...0-0 11.Bg5 Bf6 12.Bxf6 Nxf6 13.exf5 exf5 14.Be2 Nh5 '1/2-1/2 Gonda,L (2540)-Grigoriants,S (2571) Hungary 2015 is not very telling, but Black looks ok. Vigorito,D: '1/2-1/2 Gonda,L (2540)-Grigoriants,S (2571) Hungary 2015 is not very telling, but Black looks ok. Arsovic,Goran: '1/2-1/2 Gonda,L (2540)-Grigoriants,S (2571) Hungary 2015 is not very telling, but Black looks ok." Vigorito,D: '→→Gonda,L (2540)-Grigoriants,S (2571) Hungary 2015 is not very telling, but Black looks ok.";

B) 9...exd5 10.cxd5 f5

B1) 'Vigorito,D: 'After''After Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'After''' ' 11.Qd2 '- 124/(191) Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic,Goran: '- 124/(191)''' Arsovic,Zoran: 'N' f4 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic,Zoran: '!' *(11...0-0* 'is possible as well Vigorito,D: 'is possible as well Arsovic,Goran: 'is possible as well''' *)* 12.Bxf4 Arsovic,Zoran: '?!' *(12.Bf2* '1/2-1/2 (12) Moiseenko,A (2695)-Erdos,V (2615) Jerusalem 2015 Vigorito,D: '1/2-1/2 (12) Moiseenko,A (2695)-Erdos,V (2615) Jerusalem 2015 Arsovic,Goran: '1/2-1/2 (12) Moiseenko,A (2695)-Erdos,V (2615) Jerusalem 2015''*)* 12...Nxf4 13.Qxf4 Be5 14.Qd2 *(14.Qh6 Qf6* 'threatening ... Bf4 Vigorito,D: 'threatening ... Bf4

Arsovic,Goran: 'threatening ... Bf4'" *)* 14...Qh4+ *(14...0-0⩱)* 15.Qf2 Qf6 Arsovic,Goran: '⩱"White may well be best off repeating with 16. Qd2. Vigorito, D: 'White may well be best off repeating with 16. Qd2. Arsovic, Goran: 'White may well be best off repeating with 16. Qd2.'";

B2) 11.exf5 gxf5

B2a) Arsovic,Goran: 'After' 12.f4 Qh4+ 13.Bf2 Arsovic,Goran: '?' *(13.Kd2* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩾!?'*)* 13...Qe7+ 14.Qe2 Nxf4 15.Qxe7+ Kxe7 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓"left Black a pawn to the good in Garriga Cazorla,P (2196)-Antoli Royo, J (2428) Mislata 2014. Vigorito, D: 'left Black a pawn to the good in Garriga Cazorla,P (2196)-Antoli Royo,J (2428) Mislata 2014. Arsovic,Goran: 'left Black a pawn to the good in Garriga Cazorla,P (2196)-Antoli Royo,J (2428) Mislata 2014.'";

B2b) 12.Qd2

B2b1) Arsovic,Goran: 'Even here the sac is possible:' 12...f4 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' 13.Bxf4 *(13.Bf2 0-0)* 13...Nxf4 14.Qxf4 Qe7+ Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩱!?' Arsovic, Goran: 'but it's not necessary to give up material.';

B2b2) 12...0-0 13.Be2 *(* Arsovic,Goran: 'If White stops ...f4 with' *13.f4* Arsovic,Goran: 'he falls further behind in development.' *Nd7 14.Be2 Ndf6 15.0-0 Ng4* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' *16.Bxg4 fxg4 17.Na3 Bf5 18.Nc4 Qf6 19.g3 Rae8 20.Bf2 Qg6 21.Rfe1 Rb8 22.a5 Rfd8 23.Re7 Bf8 24.Re3 Nf6 25.Rae1 h5 26.Re6 Bxe6 27.Rxe6 Qf5 28.Ne3 Qg6 29.Nc4 Re8 30.Qe2 Qf7 31.f5 Nd7 32.Qe4 Nf6 33.Qf4 Kh7 34.Be3 Rbd8 35.Ne4 Nxe4 36.Qxe4 Rxe6 37.dxe6 d5 38.Qe5 Qg7 39.f6 Qg6 40.Nb6 Bd6 41.Qxd5 Qb1+ 42.Kg2 Qc2+ 43.Kg1 Kg6 44.e7 Bxg3 45.exd8Q Qxh2+ 46.Kf1 Qh3+ 47.Qg2* 1-0 (47) ChSalas (2602)-chessm3g1c (2767) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Nd7 14.0-0 f4 Arsovic,Goran: 'N''Vigorito,D: 'Natural, but not the only idea.''Natural, but not the only idea. Arsovic,Goran: 'N' Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Natural, but not the only idea.''' ' *(14...Ne5* 'Vigorito,D: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' ''Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '?!'" ?!" *15.Bh6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ⩲'*; 14...Qe8* Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: ' Δ...Qg6 ⇄'*)* 15.Bf2 Qg5 *(15...Kh8 16.Na3 Rg8 17.Kh1 Ne5 18.Rfe1 Bf5 19.Bf1 Qg5 20.Ne4 Qh6 21.Rac1 Rae8 22.Nc2 Qg6 23.b4 Bh6 24.bxc5 Ng3+ 25.Nxg3 fxg3 26.Be3 Qh5 27.h3 Nxf3 28.gxf3 Bxh3 29.Bd4+ Re5 30.f4 g2+* 0-1 (30)

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B2b21) 'Vigorito,D: 'White should consider just bringing the knights out with''White should consider just bringing the knights out with Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'White should consider just bringing the knights out with'" ' 16.Ne4 Qg6 17.Nbc3 Ne5 *(17...Ndf6 18.Bd3 Bf5 19.Rfe1)* 18.Kh1 Bf5 Arsovic,Goran: '⇄' 19.Rfe1 Arsovic,Goran: 'in both cases White may claim a small edge. Vigorito,D: 'in both cases White may claim a small edge.";

B2b22) Also possible is 16.Kh1!? waiting for Black to commit the d7-knight. Ne5 17.Ne4 Qg6;

B2b23) 16.g4 Arsovic,Goran: '?!''Vigorito,D: 'This looks appealing, as en passant hangs a queen, so White grabs space. However, if White loses control, he could regret this advance. ''This looks appealing, as en passant hangs a queen, so White grabs space. However, if White loses control, he could regret this advance. Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito, D: 'This looks appealing, as en passant hangs a queen, so White grabs space. However, if White loses control, he could regret this advance.'" ' 16...Ne5 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic, Goran: '!'" 17.Kh1 Nf6

B2b231) 18.h4 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Qg6 19.Rg1 h5 20.g5 *(20.gxh5 Qf5 21.Rg5 Qh3+ 22.Kg1 Kh8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓*')* 20...Qf5 Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'exploits the holes in White's kingside' Arsovic,Goran: 'exploits the holes in White's kingside Vigorito,D: '!' Vigorito, D: 'exploits the holes in White's kingside'' 21.Rg2 Nfg4 Arsovic,Goran: '!' '!' 22.Bg1 *(22.fxg4 hxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' ' ∓' Arsovic,Goran: 'with monstrous compensation''with monstrous compensation Vigorito, D: ' ∓' '∓' '∓' '∓' '∓' Vigorito,D: 'with monstrous compensation'with monstrous compensation Arsovic, Goran: '-+' Arsovic,

Goran: 'with monstrous compensation Vigorito, D: '∓' Vigorito,D: 'with monstrous compensation''' '') 22...Ne3 Arsovic,Goran: '∓'; **B2b232)** 18.Rg1

B2b2321)

Arsovic,Goran: 'The immediate' 18...h5 Arsovic,Goran: 'is also possible.' 19.gxh5 *(19.h4 Qg6 20.g5 Qf5 21.Rg2 Nfg4 22.fxg4 hxg4)* 19...Qxh5 20.Qxf4 Ne8 Arsovic,Goran: 'winning back the pawn with an unclear position.';

B2b2322) 18...Qg6 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!"' '

B2b23221)

'White would like to get his b1-knight into the game, but after Vigorito,D: 'White would like to get his b1-knight into the game, but after Arsovic, Goran: 'White would like to get his b1-knight into the game, but after'" 19.Na3 Bxg4 Arsovic,Goran: '!!' *(* Arsovic,Goran: 'the immediate' *19...b5* Arsovic,Goran: '!?' Arsovic,Goran: 'is also intriguing'*)* 20.Qd1 *(20.fxg4 Ne4* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *21.Qe1 Nxc3 22.bxc3 Qe4+ 23.Rg2 f3* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *)* 20...b5 Arsovic,Goran: '!!' 21.axb5 *(21.fxg4 b4* Arsovic,Goran: '-+'*;* 'the computer comes up with the disgusting move Vigorito,D: 'the computer comes up with the disgusting move Arsovic,Goran: 'the computer comes up with the disgusting move''' *21.Ncb1* Arsovic,Goran: 'but even here' *Ne4* Arsovic,Goran: '(amongst others) is crushing'*)* 21...axb5 22.Ncxb5 *(22.Naxb5 Rxa1 23.Qxa1 Nxf3* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *)* 22...Ne4 Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓!' Arsovic,Goran: 'is quite brutal.' 23.Be1 *(23.Bh4 Qh5*

Arsovic,Goran: '!') 23...Ng5 Arsovic,Goran: '!';

B2b23222) Arsovic,Goran: 'Maybe White has time for' 19.a5 Arsovic,Goran: '!?';

B2b23223) 19.Bh4 h5 ('Vigorito,D: 'Even stronger was''Even stronger was Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Even stronger was''' ' *19...Nfxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '!''Vigorito,D: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?''Arsovic, Goran: '!' Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!?"' ' *20.fxg4 f3 21.Bf1 f2 22.Bxf2 Bxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '→')

B2b232231) 'Vigorito,D: 'Matters are not so clear after''Matters are not so clear after Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Matters are not so clear after''' ' 20.gxh5 Qxh5

B2b2322311) 21.Qe1 Arsovic,Goran: '?!'

B2b23223111) 21...Nd3 22.Bxd3 Qxf3+ 23.Rg2 Bh3 24.Bf1 Rae8 25.Qf2

B2b232231111) 25...Qxf2 26.Rxf2 Re1 27.Rxf4 Rxf1+ *(27...Rc1* Arsovic,Goran: '!?') 28.Rxf1 Bxf1 29.Nd2 Bd3 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

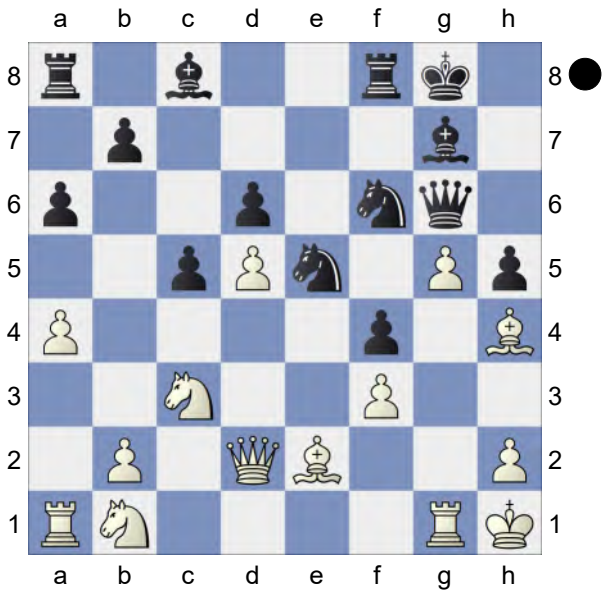
B2b232231112) 25...Bxg2+ 26.Qxg2 Qh5 27.Bxf6 Rxf6 28.Nd2 Re3 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B2b23223112) 21...Bf5 22.Nd2 Kh8 Arsovic,Goran: '∓';

B2b2322312) Arsovic,Goran: 'or perhaps' 21.Bxf6 Rxf6 22.Ne4 Rg6 23.Nbc3;

B2b2322313) 21.Qxf4 Nfg4 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!"' 22.fxg4 *(22.Qg3 Nxf3 23.Bxf3 Rxf3 24.Qxf3 Qxh4 25.Qg3 Qh6* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓') 22...Rxf4 *(22...Qxh4 23.Qg3* 'Black's position looks good, but White is up a pawn and he has survived the first wave of Black's initiative. Vigorito,

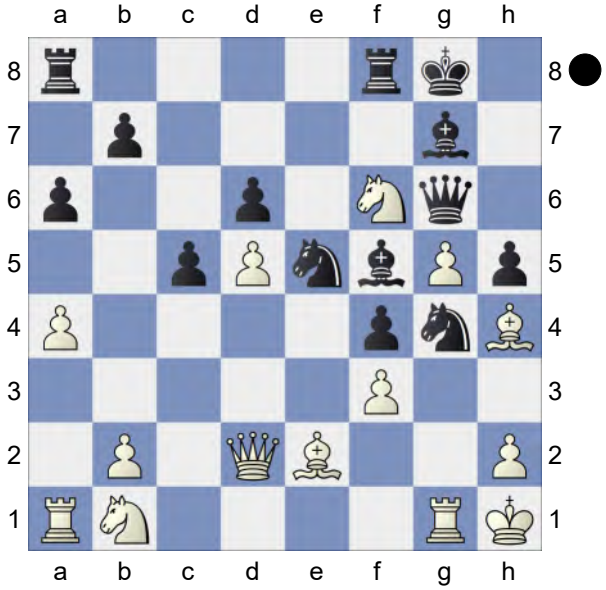
D: 'Black's position looks good, but White is up a pawn and he has survived the first wave of Black's initiative. Arsovic, Goran: 'Black's position looks good, but White is up a pawn and he has survived the first wave of Black's initiative.'") 23.gxh5 Rxh4 24.Nd2 Kh8 Arsovic,Goran: '⩱'; **B2b232232)** 20.g5 Arsovic,Goran: '?!"Diagram



Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic, Goran: 'Diagram ♘'" 20...Nfg4 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Vigorito,D: 'Now things become very difficult for White. Bok plays with great energy.''Now things become very difficult for White. Bok plays with great energy. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Now things become very difficult for White. Bok plays with great energy.''' ' 21.Ne4 *(21.fxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '?''Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic,Goran: '?'" *hxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '∓"Vigorito,D: 'is easy to play for Black.''is easy to play for Black. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'is easy to play for Black.''' ' *)* **B2b2322321)** 'Vigorito,D: 'There was a complicated way to an endgame advantage with''There was a complicated way to an endgame advantage with Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'There was a complicated way to an endgame advantage with''' ' 21...Nxf3 Arsovic,Goran: '!?''Vigorito,D: '!' '!'

'!' '!' '!''Arsovic, Goran: '!?' Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!"' 22.Bxf3 Ne5 23.Bg2 *(23.Nf6+* Arsovic,Goran: '?' *Bxf6 24.gxf6 Qxg1+* Arsovic,Goran: '!' *25.Kxg1 Nxf3+* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *)* 23...f3 24.Nf6+ 'Vigorito,D: ' □''□' '□' '□' '□' Vigorito, D : 'everything'everything else loses quickly Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '□ ' Vigorito,D: 'everything else loses quickly'" else loses quickly'' Bxf6 25.gxf6 fxg2+ 26.Qxg2 *(26.Rxg2 Bg4* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *)* 26...Qxg2+ *(26...Bg4* Arsovic,Goran: '?' *27.Nd2* Arsovic,Goran: '∆ h3 ± ') 27.Rxg2+ Bg4 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!"' 28.h3 Ng6 Arsovic,Goran: '!''Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic,Goran: '!'" 29.hxg4 Nxh4 30.Rg3 *(30.Rh2 Nf3 31.Rxh5 Rxf6 32.Nc3 Re8* Arsovic,Goran: ' ∓' Arsovic,Goran: 'as Black is more active and White's pawns are weak'*)* 30...Rxf6 Arsovic,Goran: '∓'; **B2b2322322)** 21...Bf5 22.Nf6+ Arsovic,Goran: '?!''Diagram *(* 'Vigorito,D: ' Perhaps Nakamura misses Black's next move, or he already considered the position to be desperate. The clock could also have been a factor. White is still in the game after''Perhaps Nakamura misses Black's next move, or he already considered the position to be desperate. The clock could also have been a factor. White is still in the game after Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: ' Perhaps Nakamura misses Black's next move, or he already considered the position to be desperate. The

clock could also have been a factor. White is still in the game after''' ' *22.Nbc3 Ne3 23.Nf6+ Kh8* 'Vigorito,D: ' ∓' '∓' '∓' '∓'Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: ' ∓'" ' '∓" *24.a5 Bh3* Arsovic,Goran: '∓' *)*



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24.Bxf6 Nf2# Arsovic,Goran: 'favours Black.:)';

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24.Be1 Bxb1 Arsovic,Goran: '-+''is a funny tactical point - again exploiting this knight's failure to come to c3! Vigorito,D: 'is a funny tactical point - again exploiting this knight's failure to come to c3! Arsovic,Goran: 'is a funny tactical point - again exploiting this knight's failure to come to c3!'";

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24.Qe1 Nxf3 Arsovic,Goran: '!' *(24...Re8* Arsovic,Goran: 'is also winning'*)* 25.Bxf3 Re8 Arsovic,Goran: '-+';

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24.Nc3 'Vigorito,D: 'And on move 24, the knight finally comes out to c3. Alas, it is late, so Bok's play really leave an impression.''And on move 24, the knight finally comes out to c3. Alas, it is late, so Bok's play really leave an impression. Arsovic, Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'And on move 24, the knight finally

comes out to c3. Alas, it is late, so Bok's play really leave an impression.''' ' 24...Bxh4 Arsovic,Goran: '-+' 25.Raf1 *('Vigorito,D: 'If''If Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'If''' ' 25.fxg4 Be4+* 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!''' ' *26.Nxe4 Qxe4+ 27.Rg2 hxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '-+''Vigorito,D: '-+!' '-+!' '-+!' '-+!' '-+!' Vigorito,D: '(even stronger than 27...f3)'(even stronger than 27...f3) Arsovic,Goran: '-+' Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '-+!' Vigorito,D: '(even stronger than 27...f3)''' *)* 25...Bg5 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!''' ' 26.h4 *(Arsovic,Goran: 'Or' 26.fxg4 hxg4* Arsovic,Goran: '-+' *27.Rxf4 Rf8)* 26...Bh6 27.fxg4 hxg4 28.Rxf4 Qh5 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: '!''' ' 29.Rg2 Qxh4+ 30.Kg1 *('Vigorito,D: 'If''If* Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'If''' ' *30.Rh2 Qg5* Arsovic,Goran: '-+''Vigorito,D: 'Arsovic,Goran: '-+''' *31.Rxh6 Qxh6+ 32.Kg1 Ng6* Arsovic,Goran: 'seals the deal'*)* 30...Ng6 31.Rxf5 Bxd2 32.Rxg4 Bxc3 'Vigorito,D: 'Bok now brings home the point in the most practical way.''Bok now brings home the point in the most practical way. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Bok now brings home the point in the most practical way.''' '

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'Vigorito,D: 'After''After Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'After''' '33.Rxh4 Nxh4 34.Rf4 *(34.Rg5+ Bg7* Arsovic,Goran: '!' Arsovic,Goran: 'wins' *)* 34...Bd4+ Arsovic,Goran: '-+';

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33.bxc3 Qe1+ 34.Bf1 Kg7 35.Rfg5 Qb1 0-1 (35) Osnos,V (2787)-Chiong,L (2594) Cienfuegos 2016 Telechess CBM 89 [Adly, Ahmed]'Vigorito,D: 'Simplest, as it induces resignation. ''Simplest, as it induces resignation. Arsovic,Goran: 'Vigorito,D: 'Simplest, as it induces resignation. ''']

8.Qe2 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!'

[8.Be3 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'was the natural response'

A) 8...f5 9.exf5 *(9.Nd2 f4 10.Bf2 Be5 11.Qc2 0-0 12.a3 Bd4 13.Bxd4 cxd4 14.Ne2 Qh4+ 15.Kd1 e5 16.b4 a5 17.Nb3 axb4 18.axb4 Rxa1+ 19.Nxa1 Na6 20.Qb2 Qf2 21.Qd2 Bd7 22.Nc2 Ba4 23.Nc1 Qe3 24.Nd3 Rc8 25.b5 Rxc4 26.Nde1 Rxc2 27.Nxc2 Nc5 28.Qxe3 fxe3 29.Kc1 Nf4 30.g3 Nfd3+ 31.Bxd3 Nxd3+ 32.Kb1 Nf2 33.Re1 Bxc2+ 34.Kxc2 d3+ 35.Kc3 d2 36.Rf1 e2 37.Rxf2 d1Q* 0-1 (37) Violet_Pride (2670)-ice2breaker (2693) Blitz 2020*; 9.Qa4+ Bd7 10.Qb3 b6 11.Nd2 0-0 12.0-0-0 f4 13.Bf2 e5 14.g4 Nf6 15.h4 Na6 16.a3 Ne8 17.Qa2 Nec7 18.Kc2 h6 19.Rb1 Bf6 20.b4 Qe7 21.Bd3 Rfc8 22.Kd1 Ne8 23.Ke2 Kg7 24.Bc2 Qd8 25.Ba4 Bxa4 26.Nxa4 Qd7 27.Nc3 Be7 28.h5 g5 29.Qb3 Nf6 30.Qa4 Qxa4 31.Nxa4 Nd7 32.Rb2 Kf8 33.Kd3 Ke8 34.Nb1 Kd8 35.Nbc3 Ke8 36.Ra1 Kd8 37.Rb3 Ke8 38.Nb2 Kd8 39.Kd2 Ke8 40.Nd3 Bd8 41.Rbb1 Be7 42.Nb5 Kd8 43.Ke2 Nc7 44.bxc5 bxc5 45.Be1 Nxb5 46.cxb5 Rcb8 47.a4 a6 48.bxa6 Rxb1 49.Rxb1 Rxa6 50.Nb2 Kc8 51.Kd3 Bd8 52.Kc4 Ra8 53.Bc3 Ba5 54.Bxa5 Rxa5 55.Kb3 Nb6 56.Ra1 Kc7 57.Nd1 Kc8 58.Nc3 Kc7 59.Rb1 Ra8 60.Rb2 Kc8 61.Ra2 Ra5 62.Nd1 Kc7 63.Nb2 Kc8 64.Ra1 Kc7 65.Rc1 Kc8 66.Rc3 Kc7 67.Ka3 Ra8 68.Rb3 Ra5 69.Rxb6 Kxb6 70.Nc4+ Ka6 71.Nxd6 Ka7 72.Nc4 Ra6 73.a5 Kb8 74.Ka4 Ra7 75.Kb5 Rb7+ 76.Kxc5 Rb3 77.Nxe5 Kc7 78.d6+ Kd8 79.a6 Ra3 80.a7 Kc8 81.Kb6 Rb3+ 82.Kc6 Rc3+ 83.Kd5 Ra3 84.Ke6* 1-0 (84) Laznicka,V (2668)-Esen,B (2508) Gjakova KOS 2016*)* 9...exf5 10.Be2 0-0 11.0-0 Re8 12.Bf2 Nf4 13.Bd3 Nd7 14.Na3 Ne5 15.Bc2 a6 16.Kh1 Qg5 17.g3 Nh3 18.f4 Ng4 19.fxg5 Ngxf2+ 20.Kg2 Nxd1 21.Raxd1 Nxg5 22.h4 Nf7 23.Ba4 Re7 24.Rfe1 Kf8 25.Rxe7 Kxe7 26.Re1+ Ne5 27.Nc2 Bd7 28.Bxd7 Kxd7 29.Na4 Kc7 30.Ne3 b5 31.Nc3 bxc4 32.Nxc4 Re8 33.Na5 Re7 34.Na4 Bf6 35.b3 Nd3 36.Rxe7+ Bxe7 37.Nc6 Bf6 38.Kf3 Nc1 39.a3 Nxb3 40.g4 Nd4+ 41.Nxd4 Bxd4 42.gxf5 gxf5 43.h5 c4 44.Ke2 f4 45.h6 Be5 46.Kd2 c3+ 47.Nxc3 Bxc3+ 48.Ke2

1-0 (48) cubanito2002 (2696)-Mapwright (2784) Blitz 2020;
B) 8...Be5 9.g3 f5 10.f4 Bg7 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Bg2 Nc6 14.0-0 Nf6 15.Kh1 h5 16.Nb5 0-0 17.Nxd6 Ng4 18.Nxf5 Qxd1 19.Rxd1 gxf5 20.Bxc5 Bxb2 21.h3 Rfd8 22.Bd5+ Kg7 23.hxg4 Bxa1 24.gxf5 Bf6 25.Nd2 Rac8 26.Ne4 b6 27.Ba3 Ne7 28.Bxe7 Bxe7 29.Rb1 Bf6 30.Kg2 Rc7 31.Kf3 Rh8 32.a4 Bd4 33.Rd1 Bf6 34.Rb1 Bd4 35.Ng5 Kf6 36.Ne6 1-0 (36) okriak (2761)-Gordima (2801) Blitz 2024]

8...Bd4

[8...Be5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'More natural moves would be better:' 9.Be3 *(*Krasenkow,Michal: 'Why not' *9.g3 0-0* Ftacnik,Lubomir: ' ∞' *10.Bg2* Krasenkow,Michal: '?'*)* 9...f5 *(9...0-0 10.g3 Na6* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was not Black's intention.'*)* 10.exf5 exf5 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'again with very sharp play:' 11.f4 Bg7 12.Bf2+ Kf7 13.Qd2 Nf6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'As a result, the game has reached a typical setup with the open e-file. Such positions are usually roughly equal: White has a space advantage, and Black's counterplay is only enough for equality.
' *(13...Qb6* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'with ideas like ...♘xf4, Black takes advantage of the exposed white king.' *14.g3 Re8+ 15.Be2 Nf6* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '↑!' *)* 14.h3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'There are many ways for black to seek counterplay against the black king, the older line with knights on b6 and d7 might be rejuvenated.' a6 *(14...Na6* Krasenkow,Michal: ', covering the e6-square, is a more standard setup.'*)* 15.a4 a5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black seals the queenside. A risky strategy as White has possibilities to break on the kingside (g2-g4). However, Black is not doomed to passive defence: he can double rooks along the e-file, which will inevitably lead to simplifications.
' 16.Be2 Na6 17.0-0 Bd7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?!'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'with a calm position after all; White had the better chances in the middlegame: ½-½ (49) Harikrishna,P (2763)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2788) Stavanger 2016' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Bogner plays a very dangerous move since black king is not yet in safety.' 18.Bf3 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' Re8 19.Na3 Qb6 20.Nab5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' Nb4 21.Rae1 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Korneev is making small wonders with this knight, black will go under due to its skillful relocation.' Rxe1 22.Rxe1 Re8 23.Re2 Bc8 24.Bh4 Rxe2 25.Qxe2 Qd8 26.g4 Qe7 27.Qd2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'After the exchange of queens White has no winning chances but now, too, Black's position is solid enough.' Bd7 28.gxf5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' Bxf5 29.Bg4 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' Ke8 30.Bxf5 gxf5 31.Kf1 Kd7 32.Qg2 Qf7 33.Bxf6 Bxf6 34.Qe2 Qg8 35.Nd1 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' Bd4 36.Nf2 Qg6 37.Nxd4 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' cxd4 38.c5

Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '+-'Krasenkow,Michal: 'A risky attempt to complicate matters.' *(38.Nd3* Ftacnik,Lubomir: '∞' *Qg3* Krasenkow,Michal: ', and White must give a perpetual.'*)* 38...dxc5 39.Qb5+ Kd6 40.Qxb7 Qe8 *(40...Qg8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'*)* 41.Qxh7 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±' Nxd5 42.Qh6+ Kc7 43.b3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Fortunately, Black's unsafe king deprives him of winning chances.' Ne3+ 44.Kg1 Qg8+ 45.Qg5 Qxb3 46.Qe7+ Ftacnik,Lubomir: '±' Kc6 47.Qe8+ Kc7 48.Qe7+ Kc6 49.Qe8+ Kc7 ½-½ (49) Kennaugh,C (2763)-4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4_43147 (2788) Ostrava 2016 HCL 33 [Zsolt Karacsony]]

[8...exd5 9.Nxd5 *(9.exd5+ Kd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '!'*)* 9...Nc6 10.Nbc3 0-0 11.Be3 Krasenkow, Michal: '∞']

[8...0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'was the simplest. White probably planned' 9.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'but after' Nf6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'he had no way of normal development as' 10.Bg2 exd5 11.cxd5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'would be met with' b5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 12.g5 *(12.Nxb5 Nxd5)* 12...Nh5 13.Nxb5 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '1-0 Mutschnik,I-Naiditsch,A/playchess.com 2004/ (42)' Be5 Krasenkow, Michal: '∓']

9.g4 Qh4+ 10.Kd1 Nf6 11.Nb5 0-0 12.Nxd4 cxd4 13.Qe1 Qxe1+ 14.Kxe1 Na6 15.Na3 Bd7 16.Bd2 Rac8 17.Rc1 Rfe8 18.Kd1 Nc5 19.g5 Nfxe4 20.fxe4 exd5 21.cxd5 Nxe4 0-1 (21) hansontwitch (2857)-drop_stone (2831) Blitz 2023

6.Bg5 h6 7.Be3 b5 8.dxe6 Bxe6 9.Ne2

[9.cxb5 d5 10.Ne2 d4 11.Bf2 Nh5 12.g3 Nd7 13.Bg2 a6 14.0-0 axb5 15.f4 Bg7 16.Na3 b4 17.Nb5 0-0 18.e5 Ra5 19.Nexd4 cxd4 20.Nxd4 Bd5 21.Nc6 Bxc6 22.Bxc6 Nc5 23.Qf3 Ne6 24.Rad1 Qc7 25.Bd5 Rd8 26.Bxe6 Rxd1 27.Rxd1 fxe6 28.g4 Nxf4 29.Qxf4 Rxa2 30.Qxb4 Qxe5 31.Rd8+ Kh7 32.Rd7 Kh8 33.Rd8+ Kh7 34.Rd7 Qf6 35.Qd4 e5 36.Qd5 Rxb2 37.Rf7 Rxf2 38.Rxf6 Rxf6 39.Kg2 Rf4 40.Qe6 e4 41.h4 e3 42.Kh3 Rf3+ 43.Kh2 e2 44.Qxe2 Rf6 45.Qd3 Kh8 46.Qe3 g5 47.hxg5 hxg5 48.Qxg5 Kh7 49.Kg3 Rg6 50.Qe7 Kh8 51.Qc7 Bh6 52.Qd8+ Kh7 53.Qd7+ Rg7 54.Qf5+ Kg8 55.Qc8+ Kh7 56.Qf5+ Kh8 57.Qc8+ Kh7 58.Kg2 Bg5 59.Qf5+ Kg8 60.Qc8+ Kh7 61.Qf5+ Rg6 62.Qf7+ Rg7 63.Qh5+ Kg8 64.Qe8+ Kh7 65.Qh5+ Kg8 66.Qe8+ Kh7 67.Qf8 Rg6 68.Qf7+ Rg7 69.Qe8 Rg6 70.Kf2 Rf6+ 71.Ke2 Rg6 72.Qf7+ Rg7 73.Qb3 Re7+ 74.Kf1 Rg7 75.Kg2 Rg6 76.Qb1 Kg7 77.Kg1 Be7 78.Qe4 Bg5 79.Qd3 Kf7 80.Kf2 Kg7 81.Qd7+ Kg8 82.Ke1 Bh4+ 83.Kd2 Bg5+ 84.Kd3 Kf8 85.Ke4 Be7 86.Qf5+ Kg7 87.g5 Rxg5 88.Qe6 Kf8 89.Qc8+ Kf7 90.Qc4+ Kg7 91.Qc3+ Bf6 92.Qc8 Rh5 93.Qg4+ Rg5 94.Qd7+ Kg6 95.Qe8+ Kh6 96.Qc6 Kg7 97.Kd3 Kf7 98.Qd7+ Be7 99.Kc2 Rg6 100.Qf5+ Bf6 101.Qd5+ Kf8 102.Qb7 Rh6 103.Qb8+ Ke7 104.Kd3 Rh4 105.Qa7+ Kf8 106.Qe3 Kf7 107.Qa7+ Be7 108.Qa2+ Kf6 109.Qf2+ Ke5 110.Qf7 Rd4+ 111.Ke2 Bf6 112.Qe8+ Kf5 113.Qg8 Rf4 114.Kd3 Rd4+ 115.Ke2 Rf4

116.Qc8+ Kg6 117.Qe8+ Kf5 118.Kd3 Rd4+ 119.Kc2 Rd8 120.Qf7 Ke5 121.Kc3 Rd4 122.Qe8+ Kf5 123.Qc8+ Kg6 124.Qg8+ Bg7 125.Qe8+ Kh6 126.Qe6+ Kg5 127.Qe3+ Rf4+ 128.Kb3 Bf6 129.Qg3+ Rg4 130.Qe3+ Rf4 131.Qxf4+ Kxf4 ½-½ (131) bananaaaaaaaaa_test (2742)-caissa-x (2868) Rapid 2023]

9...b4 10.Nf4 Nc6 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.g3 Bg7 13.a3 0-0 14.Bh3 Re8 15.axb4 cxb4 16.Ra6 Qc8 17.Qa4 Ne5 18.Nd2 Nfd7 19.Rxd6 Nb6 20.Qb5 Nbxc4 21.Nxc4 Qxc4 22.Bxe6+ Rxe6 23.Qxc4 Nxc4 24.Rxe6 Nxe3 25.Ke2 Nc2 26.Rxg6 Kf7 27.Ra6 Bxb2 28.Rb1 Bc3 29.f4 Nd4+ 30.Ke3 Nb5 31.e5 Rd8 32.Ke4 h5 33.Rf6+ Ke7 34.Ra6 Rd7 35.Kf5 b3 36.Kg6 b2 37.f5 Kf8 38.Rc6 Rg7+ 39.Kf6 Rf7+ 40.Kg6 Rg7+ 41.Kf6 Re7 42.Rc8+ Re8 43.Rxc3 Nxc3 44.Rxb2 Nd5+ 45.Kg6 Rxe5 46.Rb8+ Re8 47.Rb7 Ne7+ 48.Kxh5 Nxf5 49.Rxa7 Ne7 50.Ra6 Kg7 51.Ra7 Kh8 52.Kg5 Rg8+ 53.Kf6 Rg6+ 54.Kf7 Rg7+ 55.Ke6 Nc6 56.Rxg7 Kxg7 57.Kd7 Nd4 58.Ke8 Nf3 59.Kd8 Kg6 60.Ke8 Nxh2 ½-½ (60) Arundina (2852)-EmanBot (2894) Blitz 2023

6.a4 exd5 7.cxd5 h5 8.Ne2 h4 9.Nec3 Bg7 10.Na3 Nh5 11.Be3 f5 12.Qd2 Nd7 13.Nc4 Ne5 14.Nxe5 Bxe5 15.f4 Bg7 16.Bb5+ Kf7 17.0-0 a6 18.Bc4 Re8 19.e5 dxe5 20.d6+ Kf8 21.d7 Qxd7 22.Bxc5+ Re7 23.Nd5 1-0 (23) supertactic91 (2653)-General-Disarray (2665) Blitz 2021

6.g4 Bg7 7.h4 exd5 8.cxd5 0-0 9.Nc3 Re8 10.Bg5 Qa5 11.Qd2 Nbd7 12.0-0-0 a6 13.Kb1 b5 14.h5 b4 15.Nce2 Ne5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Nc1 c4 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.g5 Bg7 20.f4 c3 21.Qh2 Bg4 22.Qxh7+ Kf7 23.fxe5 Rxe5 24.Be2 Rh8 25.Bxg4 Rxh7 26.Rxh7 Rxe4 27.Be6+ Rxe6 28.dxe6+ Kg8 29.e7 Qf5+ 30.Nd3 Qc8 31.Rh2 Kf7 32.Re2 Ke8 33.Nf3 b3 34.axb3 cxb2 35.Nh4 Qg4 36.Rde1 Qxh4 37.Rc2 Qg4 38.Re4 Qf5 39.Rc8+ Qxc8 40.Rc4 Qf5 41.Ka2 Kxe7 42.Rc7+ Ke6 43.Rc4 Kd5 44.Nxb2 Ke6 45.Rd4 1-0 (45) PoppingCheckmates (2626)-Koshechka22 (2654) Blitz 2021

[136] **7...a6** 8.a4 Nbd7

[8...Bg7 9.Bd3 0-0 *(9...Nbd7 10.Nge2 Ne5 11.Bc2 Rb8 12.f4 Ned7 13.a5 0-0 14.0-0 b6 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.h3 Rb4 17.Ng3 Bb7 18.Na2 Rd4 19.Bd2 Re8 20.Nc3 Rb4 21.Rb1 a5 22.Qf3 Ba6 23.Rfd1 Qb8 24.b3 c4 25.bxc4 Bxc4 26.Na4 h5 27.Bxb4 axb4 28.Nf1 Rc8 29.Rd2 h4 30.Rf2 Bxf1 31.Rbxf1 Qa7 32.Bb3 Nh5 33.e5 Ng3 34.Re1 dxe5 35.d6 e4 36.Qg4 Rc2 37.Bxc2 Bd4 38.Kh2 Bxf2 39.Rd1 Kg7 40.Nb2 Nf6 41.Qg5 Ne2 42.Kh1 Bg1 43.Re1 Ng3+ 44.Qxg3 hxg3 45.Rxg1 e3 46.Bd3 Qd4 47.Rb1 Qxd6 48.f5 b3 49.Bf1 Qd2 50.Nc4 Qf2 51.fxg6 fxg6 52.Ne5 e2 53.Bxe2 Qxe2 54.Nf3 Ne4 55.Re1 Qxe1+ 56.Nxe1 b2 57.Kg1 Nd2 58.h4 b1R 59.Kh1 Rxe1#* 0-1 (59) expositor (2638)-Nikitosikbot (2862) Rapid 2023*)* 10.Nge2 h5 11.0-0 h4 12.f4 h3 13.e5 hxg2 14.Kxg2 dxe5 15.fxe5 Nxd5 16.Bc4 Nxc3 17.Bxf7+ Kh7 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Nxc3 Bxe5 20.Ne4 Nc6 21.Ng5+ Kg7 22.Be6 Bf6 23.Bxc8 Rdxc8 24.Ne6+ Kf7

25.Bg5 Kxe6 26.Rxf6+ Kd5 27.Rd1+ Nd4 28.Rxg6 Rg8 29.Rxg8 Rxg8 30.h4 Kc4 31.Rc1+ Kb4 32.Kf2 Rf8+ 33.Ke3 Ne6 34.Ke4 Kxa4 35.Ke5 Nd4 36.Rxc5 Nc6+ 37.Kd6 Rh8 38.Kc7 Rh7+ 39.Kb6 Kb3 40.Bf6 Rh6 41.Kxb7 Rxf6 42.Rxc6 Rf4 43.Rb6+ Kc2 44.h5 a5 45.Rb5 a4 46.Kc6 Kb1 47.Kd6 Rh4 48.Ke6 Rh2 49.Kf6 Rxb2 50.Rxb2+ Kxb2 51.h6 a3 52.h7 a2 53.h8Q a1Q 54.Kf5+ Kb1 55.Qh1+ Ka2 56.Qg2+ Qb2 57.Qd5+ Ka1 58.Qa5+ Qa2 59.Qc3+ Qb2 60.Qa5+ Qa2 61.Qe5+ Qb2 62.Qd5 Qb1+ 63.Ke5 Qe1+ 64.Kd6 Qg3+ 65.Kc5 Qa3+ 66.Kb5 Qb2+ 67.Kc6 Qc3+ 68.Kd7 Qa3 69.Qd1+ Ka2 70.Qc2+ Qb2 71.Qa4+ Qa3 72.Qd1 Qb3 73.Qd2+ Qb2 74.Qd5+ Qb3 75.Qa5+ Qa3 76.Qd2+ Qb2 77.Qd6 Qa3 78.Qd5+ Qb3 79.Qh1 Qb2 80.Kc6 Qb3 81.Kc5 Qa3+ 82.Kc4 Qb3+ 83.Kd4 Qb4+ 84.Kd3 Qb3+ 85.Ke2 Qb2+ 86.Kf1 Qb1+ 87.Kg2 Qxh1+ 88.Kxh1 ½-½ (88) EuroKnight (2694)-bosspotato (2564) Rapid 2023]

9.Nge2 Nh5 10.Be3 Ne5 11.Ng3 Qh4 12.Bf2 Nxg3 13.Bxg3 Qf6 14.Be2 Bh6 15.0-0 Be3+ 16.Kh1 g5 17.Qb3 Bf4 18.Bf2 g4 19.fxg4 Qh6 20.Bg1 Bxg4 21.Qxb7 0-0 22.Ra3 Rab8 23.Qxa6 Rxb2 24.Bxg4 Nxg4 25.Nd1 Bxh2 26.Rh3 Qd2 27.Nxb2 Bxg1 28.Kxg1 Qxb2 29.Qd3 Qe5 30.Qg3 Qxg3 31.Rxg3 h5 32.a5 Ra8 33.Ra3 c4 34.a6 Kg7 35.a7 Ne5 36.Rb1 c3 37.Rba1 c2 38.Rg3+ Kf6 39.Rc3 Ke7 40.Rxc2 Kd7 41.Rb2 Kc7 42.Rc1+ Kd7 43.Rb7+ 1-0 (43) Itinerant69 (2698)-gogotaniye (2792) Blitz 2023

7...Na6 8.Bg5 Bg7 9.Nge2 h6 10.Be3 Bd7 11.Ng3 h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 Rb8 14.Nd2 h3 15.g3 0-0 16.0-0 Ne8 17.a4 Nb4 18.Nc4 b6 19.Qd2 a6 20.a5 bxa5 21.Nxa5 Nc7 22.Nc4 Nb5 23.Nxb5 Bxb5 24.Kh1 f5 25.e5 Bxc4 26.Bxc4 Bxe5 27.Rae1 Qc7 28.Re2 Rfe8 29.Rfe1 Qg7 30.Bxc5 Rec8 31.Rxe5 dxe5 32.Bd6 Rxc4 33.Bxb8 Rd4 34.Qc3 Nxd5 35.Qc8+ Kh7 36.Qxa6 e4 37.fxe4 Rxe4 38.Rxe4 fxe4 39.Qe6 Qd4 40.Qxh3+ Kg7 41.Qd7+ Kf6 42.Qd6+ Kf7 43.Qd7+ ½-½ (43) Cheparinov,I (2688)-Savchenko,B (2633) Izmir TUR 2016

7...Nbd7 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bf4 Nh5 10.Be3 Bg7 11.Qd2 a6 12.a4 Qa5 13.Ra3 g5 14.Nh3 Ne5 15.Nf2 Qb4 16.Nd3 Nc4 17.Nxb4 Nxd2 18.Nxa6 Nxf1 19.Nc7+ Kd7 20.Nxa8 Nxe3 21.Nb6+ Kc7 22.a5 Nc2+ 23.Kd2 Nxa3 24.bxa3 Bxc3+ 25.Kxc3 Nf4 0-1 (25) Consent_to_treatment (2661)-Garoy (2763) Blitz 2021

[137] **8.Be3** 0-0

[8...Nbd7 9.Nge2 a6 10.a4 Rb8 11.Ng3 h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 Ne5 14.Nd2 Bd7 15.a5 Qe7 16.0-0 0-0 17.Bg5 h3 18.g3 Bc8 19.f4 Ned7 20.Re1 Qd8 21.Nc4 Qc7 22.Bf3 b5 23.axb6 Nxb6 24.Na5 Nh7 25.Bh4 Bd7 26.g4 Rfe8 27.Bf2 Nc8 28.Qd2 Na7 29.Nc4 Nb5 30.Rxa6 Nd4 31.Bh1 Bxg4 32.Nxd6 Red8 33.Nc4 Nf3+ 34.Bxf3 Bxf3 35.d6 Qc8 36.Ra7 Qg4+ 37.Bg3 Bd4+ 38.Ne3 Nf6 39.Qxd4 cxd4 40.Nxg4 Bxg4 41.Nd5 Nxd5 42.exd5 Rd7 43.Rxd7 Bxd7 44.Rd1 Rxb2 45.Rxd4 Rb1+ 46.Kf2 Rb6 47.Ke3 Rxd6 48.Rd2 Ra6 49.Kf2 Ra3 50.d6 Ra1 51.Re2 Kg7 52.Ke3 Ra3+ 53.Kd4 Rb3 54.Kc5 Rb5+ 55.Kc4 Rf5 56.Kd4

Kf6 57.Ke3 Rb5 58.Kf2 Rb3 59.Re3 Rb5 60.Re2 Rf5 61.Rd2 Kg7 62.Ke3 Rd5 63.Rd4 Rb5 64.Re4 Rb3+ 65.Kd4 Rb2 66.Ke5 Rb1 67.f5 Rd1 68.f6+ Kh7 69.Kf4 Kg8 70.Re7 Re1 71.Kg5 Rxe7 72.Kh6 Re6 0-1 (72) Hard-Training (2659)-rodion_romanovich64 (2755) Blitz 2024]

[8...Na6 9.Nge2 Nc7 10.Ng3 a6 11.a4 Rb8 12.Rb1 Bd7 13.Qd2 0-0 14.Be2 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 Na6 18.Rb1 b4 19.Na2 b3 20.Nc1 b2 21.Bxa6 bxc1Q+ 22.Rxc1 Re8 23.0-0 h5 24.Ne2 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Rxe4 26.Bd3 Re5 27.Bd4 Rxd5 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Rxf7+ Kxf7 30.Bc4 Kg7 31.Qxd5 Qf6 32.Rf1 Qe5 33.Qxe5+ dxe5 34.Rf7+ Kh6 35.Rxd7 Rb2 36.h4 Rc2 37.Bd3 Rd2 38.Ng3 e4 39.Nxe4 g5 40.hxg5+ 1-0 (40) IkawAkoTayo (2642)-ChorcheT (2438) Blitz 2025]

9.Qd2

[9.Nge2

A) 9...Re8 10.Ng3 a6 11.a4

A1) 11...Nbd7 12.Be2 Rb8 *(12...h6 13.Qd2 h5 14.0-0 h4 15.Nh1 Rb8 16.Bg5 h3 17.g3 Qb6 18.Nf2 Nf8 19.a5 Qc7 20.g4 b5 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.Rfb1 N6h7 23.Be3 Nd7 24.Nxh3 Ne5 25.Nf2 a5 26.Nb5 Qxb5 27.Bxb5 Nxf3+ 28.Kg2 Nxd2 29.Bxe8 Nxb1 30.Rxb1 Rxb2 31.Rxb2 Bxb2 32.Bd2 Nf6 33.Bc6 Nxg4 34.Nxg4 Bxg4 35.Bxa5 c4 36.Ba4 Be2 37.Kf2 Bd3 38.Ke3 Bc1+ 39.Kd4 Bf4 40.Bb5 Be5+ 41.Ke3 Bxh2 42.Bc3 Bg1+ 43.Kf3 f5 44.e5 dxe5 45.Bxe5 Be4+ 46.Kg3 Bxd5 47.Kf4 Bh2+ 48.Kg5 Bxe5 49.Kxg6 f4 50.Kf5 f3 51.Kxe5 f2 52.Kxd5 f1Q 53.Bxc4 Qd1+ 54.Kc5+ Kf8* 0-1 (54) rdm89 (2622)-BENED7707 (2652) Blitz 2022*)* 13.0-0 h5 14.Qd2 h4 15.Nh1 h3 16.g4 Ne5 17.Nf2 b5 *(17...Bd7 18.g5 Nh7 19.f4 b5 20.fxe5 Rxe5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Bf4 b4 23.Ncd1 Nxg5 24.Bxe5 Bxe5 25.Ra7 Bb5 26.Kh1 Bd4 27.Bxb5 Rxb5 28.Qd3 Rb8 29.Nxh3 Nxh3 30.Qxh3 c4 31.Raxf7* 1-0 (31) retardedplatypus123 (2625)-habitualthinker (2662) Blitz 2022*)* 18.axb5 axb5 19.Nxh3 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Nf2 Rb4 22.Rfb1 Nd7 23.Kg2 Ne5 24.Bg5 Qb6 25.Ra2 f5 26.h3 fxg4 27.hxg4 Rf8 28.Bf4 Qc7 29.Bxe5 Bxe5 30.Rh1 Qf7 31.Rh3 Bf4 32.Qe2 Bd7 33.Ra7 Rfb8 34.Ncd1 Be5 35.Qe3 Bf4 36.Qa3 Rb3 37.Qa5 Rf8 38.Qc7 Be8 39.Qxf7+ Bxf7 40.Rh1 Be5 41.Ra4 Be8 42.Rxc4 Rfxf3 43.Rh3 Rxh3 44.Nxh3 Bb5 45.Rc2 Rd3 46.Ndf2 Re3 47.Rc1 Bd3 48.Ng5 Bf4 49.Ne6 Rg3+ 50.Kh2 Be5 51.Nxd3 Rxd3+ 52.Kg2 Rd2+ 53.Kf3 Rxb2 54.Rc4 Rb3+ 55.Ke2 Rg3 56.g5 Kf7 57.Ra4 Ke8 58.Ra7 c4 59.Rc7 c3 60.Kf2 Rh3 61.Ke2 Rg3 62.Kd1 Rg2 63.Rc4 Rd2+ 64.Kc1 Rg2 65.Rc7 Rf2 66.Kb1 Rb2+ 67.Kc1 Rb3 68.Rc8+ Kd7 69.Rc7+ Ke8 70.Rc8+ Kf7 71.Rc7+ Kg8 72.Rc8+ Kf7

73.Rc7+ Ke8 Normal ½-½ (73) rdm89 (2657)-Sadzin (2545) Blitz 2024;

A2) 11...Qb6 12.Qd2 Nbd7 13.Be2 Qc7 14.0-0 Rb8 15.Rfc1 Ne5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Na2 Qa5 18.Nxb4 Bd7 19.Rab1 Bxa4 20.Qa2 Rbc8 21.Nc6 bxc6 22.Bb6 Qxb6+ 23.Rxb6 Bb5 24.Bxb5 axb5 25.dxc6 Nc4 26.Rxc4 bxc4 27.Qxc4 Rc7 28.Rb7 Rec8 29.Rxc7 Rxc7 30.Kf1 Ne8 31.Ne2 Kf8 32.Nf4 Nf6 33.Nd5 Nxd5 34.exd5 Bf6 35.Qb5 Bd8 36.Qb4 Ke7 37.Qh4+ Ke8 38.Qxh7 Ra7 39.Qh8+ Ke7 40.Qh4+ Ke8 41.Qe4+ Kf8 42.g3 Ra1+ 43.Kg2 Ra2+ 44.Kh3 Ra7 45.Qd4 Ra5 46.Qh8+ Ke7 47.Qh4+ Ke8 48.Qe4+ Kf8 49.f4 Rc5 50.Qd4 Ke7 51.Qa4 Kf6 52.Qa8 Ke7 53.Qb7+ Ke8 54.Qd7+ 1-0 (54) Laranarene1 (2613)-yohanborges (2317) Blitz 2025;

A3) 11...h5 12.Be2 h4 13.Nf1 Nh7 *(13...h3 14.g3 Nbd7 15.Nd2 Ne5 16.0-0 Rb8 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Nd7 19.Be2 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Nxb5 Qb6 22.Qd2 Ba6 23.Ra5 f5 24.Rfa1 Bxb5 25.Rxb5 Qc7 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.Ra2 fxe4 28.fxe4 Rb3 29.Bf2 Ne5 30.Qg5 Rb8 31.Be3 c4 32.Ra7 Rb7 33.Rxb7 Qxb7 34.Qd8+ Kh7 ½-½ (34) samovich (2629)-Tandilensis (2588) Blitz 2021)* 14.Nd2 f5 *(14...Bd4 15.Nc4 Bxe3 16.Nxe3 Nd7 17.0-0 Qf6 18.Nc4 Rb8 19.Kh1 b6 20.Qd2 Ne5 21.Nxe5 Qxe5 22.f4 Qd4 23.Qc2 g5 24.Rad1 Qg7 25.e5 gxf4 26.exd6 h3 27.Bd3 hxg2+ 28.Qxg2 Qxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Bg4 30.Rd2 f3+ 31.Kg3 Bh5 32.Bxa6* 1-0 (32) alexkaspi (2620)-estopa (2566) Blitz 2022*)* 15.Nc4 Bxc3+ 16.bxc3 fxe4 17.fxe4 Rxe4 18.0-0 Qe7 19.Qd2 Nd7 20.Bd3 Rg4 21.h3 Rg3 22.Bf4 Ne5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.d6 Qe6 25.Bxg3 hxg3 26.Qh6 e4 27.Rae1 Qxd6 28.Bxe4 Nf8 29.Bd5+ Be6 30.Rxf8+ 1-0 (30) estudiante2008 (2667)-VonSinnen (2631) Blitz 2022;

B) 9...a6 10.a4

B1) 10...Ne8 11.Ng3 Qa5 12.Qd2 b5 13.Be2 Nd7 14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 Qc7 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.Ne3 a5 18.Rae1 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Nc4 Bg7 22.Qd3 Ra8 23.b3 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 f6 25.Ne2 Be5 26.f4 Bc3 27.Nxc3 bxc3 28.Qxc3 Rb8 29.Nxa5 Rb4 30.Nc6 1-0 (30) rdm89 (2618)-alexandr_gorokhov (2558) Blitz 2022;

B2) 10...Nbd7 11.Ng3 h5 12.Be2

B2a) 12...h4 13.Nf1 Nh5 *(13...Rb8 14.Nd2 Nh5 15.Nc4 Nb6 16.Nxb6 Qxb6* ½-½ (17) Postny,E (2605)-Mikhalevski,V (2559) Jerusalem ISR 2019*)* 14.f4 *(14.Nd2 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Nhf6 17.0-0 Qe8 18.Bf2 Nb6 19.Bxh4 Qe3+ 20.Bf2 Qe7 21.a5 Nbxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Bc4 Be6*

24.Ne4 Nxf4 25.Qxd6 Qxd6 26.Nxd6 Bxc4 27.Nxc4 Ne2+ 28.Kh1 Nd4 29.Bxd4 Bxd4 30.Ra3 Rae8 31.Rg3+ Kh7 32.h3 Re2 33.Rb3 Rf7 34.Nd6 Rd7 35.Nxf5 Rxb2 36.Nxd4 Rxb3 37.Nxb3 c4 38.Nc5 Rd5 39.Nxb7 c3 40.Rc1 c2 41.Rxc2 1-0 (42) Berserkaren (2601)-TatoSarane (2573) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nhf6 15.Nd2 Re8 16.0-0 Nb6 17.a5 Nbxd5 18.exd5 Rxe3 19.Nc4 Re8 20.Bd3 Bg4 21.Qc2 h3 22.f5 g5 23.Qd2 Nh5 24.Ne4 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Nf4 26.Rxf4 gxf4 27.Qxf4 hxg2+ 28.Kxg2 Qh4 29.Kh1 Kh8 30.Ncxd6 Re7 31.f6 Rd7 32.Nf5 Qh5 33.Rf1 Rg8 34.Neg3 Qh3 35.Qh6+ Qxh6 36.Nxh6 Rg5 37.Nxg4 Rxg4 38.Bf5 Rxg3 39.hxg3 Rxd5 40.Be4 Rd6 41.Bxb7 Bxb2 42.Kg2 Bxf6 43.Be4 Kg7 44.Kf3 Bc3 45.Rc1 Bxa5 46.Rxc5 Bb6 47.Rg5+ Kf8 48.Rf5 Ke7 49.Re5+ Re6 50.Rf5 Rf6 51.g4 Rxf5+ 52.gxf5 Kf6 53.Bd3 Bc7 54.Bxa6 Be5 55.Bd3 1-0 (55) thedjoker (2612)-RSUPE_MiRacLe (2708) Blitz 2020;

B2b) 12...Qb6 13.Qc2 Re8 14.0-0 Ne5 15.h3 Bd7 16.f4 h4 17.fxe5 Rxe5 18.Nh1 Rae8 19.Nf2 Qb4 20.Bf4 Nh7 21.Bxe5 Bxe5 22.Bg4 Bxg4 23.Nxg4 Bd4+ 24.Kh1 Qc4 25.Qe2 Qb3 26.Nh6+ Kg7 27.Rxf7+ Kxh6 28.Qg4 g5 29.Qf5 Rh8 30.Qe6+ Kh5 31.Raf1 Qxb2 32.Qg4+ Kg6 33.Qf5+ Kh6 34.Nd1 Qe2 35.Qe6+ Kh5 36.Qf5 Kh6 37.Qe6+ Kh5 38.R7f3 Be5 39.Qg4+ Kh6 40.Ne3 Bf4 41.Nf5+ Kg6 42.Rxf4 Nf6 43.Qxe2 gxf4 44.Rxf4 Rg8 45.Rxh4 Kf7 46.Qf3 Rg6 47.Nxd6+ Ke7 48.Nf5+ Kf7 49.Ne3 Kg7 50.e5 Ng8 51.Rf4 Kh6 52.Rh4+ Kg7 53.Nf5+ Kf7 54.Nd6+ Ke7 55.Qf7+ Kd8 56.a5 Rg7 57.Qe8+ Kc7 58.Qc8# 1-0 (58) ChessTheory64 (2618)-DeepQChess (2563) Blitz 2021;

B3) 10...Re8 11.Nc1 Nbd7 12.Be2 Ne5 13.0-0 Nh5 14.g4 Nf6 15.h3 h5 16.g5 Nh7 17.f4 Nd7 18.h4 c4 19.N1a2 Qc7 20.Bf3 Nc5 21.Bd4 Bxd4+ 22.Qxd4 Nb3 23.Qf2 Nxa1 24.Rxa1 Bd7 25.Qd4 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Re1 Qa7 28.Qxa7 Rxa7 29.Nb4 Nf8 30.Kf2 Rea8 31.Ke3 Ra1 32.Re2 Rc1 33.e5 Raa1 34.exd6 Re1 35.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 36.Kd4 Rf1 37.Ke3 Re1+ 38.Kf2 Re8 39.Nc6 b4 40.Ne4 Ra8 41.Nxb4 Rb8 42.Nc6 Rxb2+ 43.Ke3 Rb3+ 44.Ke2 c3 45.Nd4 Bb5+ 46.Ke3 Rb1 47.Nxc3 Bd7 48.Nxb1 1-0 (48) SouthAfricanWolf (2630)-KRUMMEL2008 (2538) Blitz 2025;

C) 9...b5 10.Nxb5 Qa5+ 11.Nbc3 Ba6 12.Qd2 Nbd7 13.Bf4 Nb6 14.b3 Rad8 15.Rc1 Rfe8 16.Kf2 Nh5 17.Be3 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.g3 Kh8 20.Bg5 Rd7 21.Bh3

Rf7 22.Nf4 Bd4+ 23.Kg2 Nxf4+ 24.Bxf4 Bxc3 25.Qxc3+ Qxc3 26.Rxc3 Re2+ 27.Kg1 Nxd5 0-1 (27) Vantablack_Chess (2624)-Wild_of_luck (2590) Blitz 2023;

D) 9...Nfd7 10.Qd2 f5 11.exf5 Rxf5 12.Ng3 Rf8 13.Be2 Ne5 14.0-0 a6 15.a4 Qe7 16.Nge4 Bf5 17.Bg5 Qc7 18.Bh6 Nbd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.g4 Bxe4 21.Nxe4 h6 22.f4 Nf7 23.g5 Rae8 24.Qc3+ Kh7 25.Bd3 c4 26.Nf6+ Nxf6 27.Bxg6+ Kxg6 28.Qxf6+ Kh7 29.g6+ Kg8 30.g7 Qc5+ 31.Kh1 Qxd5+ 32.Kg1 Re6 33.gxf8Q+ Kxf8 34.Rad1 Qc5+ 35.Qd4 Rg6+ 36.Kf2 Qh5 37.Ke3 Qxh2 38.Qxc4 Rg3+ 39.Kd4 Qxb2+ 40.Kd5 Re3 41.Rg1 Re5+ 0-1 (41) alexkaspi (2613)-Crew12 (2623) Blitz 2022;

E) 9...Na6

E1) 10.Ng3 Nc7 *(10...Re8 11.Bd3 Nc7 12.0-0 Ncxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Bd2 Nc7 15.Kh1 Bxb2 16.Rb1 Bg7 17.f4 b6 18.f5 Bb7 19.Qc1 d5 20.Bg5 Qd7 21.f6 Bh8 22.e5 Rxe5 23.Qf4 Rae8 24.Bf5 Qc6 25.Qh4 d4 26.Bh3 Nd5 27.Bd2 Ne3 28.Bxe3 Rxe3 29.Nf5 Bxf6 30.Nh6+ Kg7 31.Qf4 Rxh3 32.Qxf6+ Qxf6 33.Rxf6 Kxf6 34.Ng4+ Kg7* 0-1 (34) rdm89 (2623)-iEchoic92 (2683) Blitz 2023 *)* 11.a4 Re8 12.Be2 a6 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Qd2 b5 15.axb5 Nxb5 16.Nxb5 axb5 17.b4 c4 18.Ra7 Bb7 19.Rd1 Nd7 20.Bf1 Qc7 21.Ne2 Ra8 22.Rxa8 Bxa8 23.Nd4 Qb8 24.Qa2 Bxd5 25.Qa6 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Be6 27.Rxd6 Qc7 28.Bd4 c3 29.Rc6 Nb8 30.Rxc7 Nxa6 31.Rxc3 Nxb4 32.Bxb5 Rb8 33.Bf1 h6 34.h4 g5 35.h5 f5 36.Rc7 Bf7 37.Be5 fxe4 38.Rxf7 Kxf7 39.Bxb8 exf3 40.gxf3 Nc6 41.Bg3 Kf6 42.Kf2 Nd4 43.Bd3 Ne6 44.Ke3 Nc5 45.Bg6 Ne6 46.Bb1 Nc5 47.Be1 Ne6 48.Bc3+ Ke7 49.Be5 Nf8 50.Bf5 Kf7 51.Kd4 Ne6+ 52.Bxe6+ 1-0 (52) Sjugirov,S (2675)-Obgolts,E (2376) chess.com INT 2020;

E2) 10.Nc1 Re8 11.Be2 Nh5 12.0-0 f5 13.Nd3 Nb4 14.a3 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 f4 16.Bf2 Be5 17.Rfc1 Qf6 18.b4 c4 19.Qxc4 Bd7 20.Be1 Rac8 21.Qd3 Ng3 22.hxg3 fxg3 23.Rab1 Qh4 24.Bd1 Qh2+ 25.Kf1 Qh1+ 26.Ke2 Qxg2+ 27.Ke3 Qg1+ 28.Kd2 Bf4+ 29.Kc2 Qxe1 30.Kb3 Bxc1 31.Rxc1 g2 0-1 (31) Saaker (2679)-Chepursias (2851) Blitz 2020]

[9.Bd3

A) 9...Na6 10.Nge2 *(10.a3 Nc7 11.Nge2 a6 12.a4 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Qd2 Re8 16.0-0 Nfxd5 17.exd5 Rxe3 18.Qxe3 Rxb2 19.Rfb1 Rxe2 20.Nxe2 Nxd5 21.Qd2 Bxa1 22.Rxa1 Qf6 23.Rb1 Be6 24.Bc4 Qe5 25.Bxd5 Bxd5 26.Rb8+ Kg7 27.Qc3 Qxc3 28.Nxc3 Bc4 29.Rd8* 1-0 (29) Superfm1 (2624)-Ceu_keket (2420) Blitz 2024*)* 10...Nc7 11.a4 Rb8 12.0-0 b6 13.a5 b5 14.Qd2 Re8 15.Kh1 Nh5 16.Bg1 Qh4 17.Rac1 Bd7 18.Bf2 Qf6 19.b4 cxb4 20.Na2 b3 21.Rxc7 Qd8 22.Rxa7 bxa2 23.Qxa2 b4 24.Bb6 Qe7

25.Rc1 Be5 26.Rcc7 Qh4 27.g3 b3 28.Qd2 Bxg3 29.Nxg3 Nxg3+ 30.Kg2 Qh3+ 31.Kg1 b2 32.hxg3 Qxg3+ 33.Qg2 Qe1+ 34.Qf1 Qg3+ 35.Qg2 Qe1+ 36.Qf1 Qxf1+ 37.Kxf1 Bb5 38.Kf2 Bxd3 39.Rxf7 Rxb6 40.Rg7+ Kh8 41.Rxh7+ Kg8 42.Rag7+ Kf8 43.Rf7+ Kg8 44.axb6 b1Q 45.Rfg7+ Kf8 46.b7 Qf1+ 47.Ke3 Qe2+ 48.Kf4 Qd2+ 49.Kg4 Qg2+ 50.Kf4 g5+ 51.Ke3 Qe2+ 52.Kd4 Qb2+ 53.Kxd3 Qxg7 54.Rh2 Rb8 55.Rc2 Qxb7 56.e5 Qb1 57.exd6 Rb3+ 58.Kd2 Rb2 59.Ke3 Rxc2 60.d7 Rc4 61.d8Q+ Kf7 62.Qd7+ Kf6 63.Qe6+ Kg7 64.Kf2 Kf8 65.Qe7+ Kxe7 66.d6+ Kxd6 67.Kg3 Rc2 68.f4 Rc3+ 69.Kg4 Rf3 70.fxg5 Qf5+ 71.Kh5 Qf4 72.Kh6 Rh3+ 73.Kg6 Rh5 0-1 (73) Mirakel05 (2636)-Gokerkan,C (2513) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...a6 10.a4

B1) 10...Nbd7 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.0-0 Nxd3 *(12...Qc7 13.Bc2 Bd7 14.a5 Nc4 15.Bf4 Nh5 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bc1 Nxa5 18.f4 b5 19.e5 dxe5 20.f5 g5 21.f6 Nxf6 22.Rxf6 Bxf6 23.Qd3 e4 24.Nxe4 Kg7 25.Nxf6 Kxf6 26.d6 Qb6 27.Qc3+ Ke6 28.Rxa5 b4 29.Qe3+ Kxd6 30.Ra1 Rfe8 31.Qg3+ Kc6 32.Be3 f5 33.Ba4+ Kb7 34.Bxd7 f4 35.Qf3+ Kc7 36.Bxe8 fxe3 37.Qxa8* 1-0 (37) Kuzubov,Y (2606)-Pauly,C (2314) chess.com INT 2024*)* 13.Qxd3 Nd7 14.b3 Rb8 15.Qd2 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bh6 b4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd1 c4 20.bxc4 Nc5 21.Ng3 Nb3 22.Qb2+ Qf6 23.Ra7 Qd4+ 24.Qxd4+ Nxd4 25.Nb2 b3 26.Kf2 Nc2 27.Ke2 Bb7 28.Kd2 Rfc8 29.Ne2 Rc5 30.Nc3 Bc8 31.Nb5 Rcxb5 32.cxb5 Rxb5 33.Nc4 Rb4 34.Nxd6 b2 35.Kxc2 1-0 (35) nicksecreto (2619)-chess6699 (2740) Blitz 2022;

B2) 10...Qa5 11.Nge2 b5 12.axb5 Qb4 13.Ra4 Qxb2 14.Bc1 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qb4 16.Ba3 1-0 (16) Superfm1 (2637)-DJT45-47 (2549) Blitz 2025]

9...Re8

[9...a6 10.a4

A) 10...Qa5 11.Ra3 *(11.Bd3 b5 12.Nge2 b4 13.Nd1 Nbd7 14.Bf4 Qc7 15.Ne3 Nh5 16.Bg5 Ne5 17.0-0 a5 18.Rac1 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Bxb2 20.Rc2 Bg7 21.Nc4 Ba6 22.g4 Nf6 23.Qd2 Rfe8 24.Nc1 Nd7 25.Nb3 Bxc4 26.Rxc4 Ne5 27.Rcc1 Qd7 28.Qa2 Nd3 29.Rc2 Rec8 30.Nd2 Rab8 31.Qb3 Ne5 32.Bf4 Rb7 33.Bxe5 Bxe5 34.Nc4 Bd4+ 35.Kg2 Ra7 36.h3 f5 37.Nb6 Qd8 38.Nxc8 Qxc8 39.exf5 gxf5 40.Qd3 Rf7 41.Re2 Qd7 42.Re6 Qxa4 43.Rfe1 Qa2+ 44.R1e2 Qxd5 45.Re8+ Kg7 46.R8e7 c4 47.Qd2 h6 48.Rxf7+ Kxf7 49.Qxh6 fxg4 50.hxg4 Bg7 51.Qf4+ Kg8 52.Re7 c3 53.Rc7 Qd2+ 54.Kg3 Qxf4+ 55.Kxf4 a4 56.Rc8+ Kh7 57.Kf5 a3 58.g5 a2 59.g6+ Kh6 60.Rc4* 1-0 (60) OnkelKonkel (2660)-igpn67 (2584) Blitz 2022*; 11.Nge2 b5 12.Nc1 b4 13.Nd1 Re8 14.Be2 Qd8 15.b3 a5 16.Nb2 Nbd7 17.Nc4 Nxe4 18.fxe4 Bxa1 19.0-0 Nb6 20.Bg5 Nxc4 21.bxc4 Bd4+ 22.Kh1 f6*

23.Bh6 Ra7 24.Qf4 Be5 25.Qh4 Bd7 26.Nd3 Bxa4 27.Nxe5 fxe5 28.Bg5 Qb8 29.Bg4 Bd7 30.Rf7 h5 31.Bxh5 Bf5 32.Rxf5 gxf5 33.Bf6 Rg7 34.Bxg7 Kxg7 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36.Qf6+ Kg8 37.Bf7+ Kh7 38.Qg6+ 1-0 (38) hesenlinna (2630)-zaguer (2576) Blitz 2021*)* 11...Re8 12.Be2 Nbd7 13.Kf1 Ne5 14.g3 Qb4 15.Qc2 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qxc4+ 17.Kg2 Bd7 18.Qe2 Qb4 19.a5 Bb5 20.Qc2 Qc4 21.Nge2 Nxd5 22.exd5 Rxe3 23.Nf4 Rae8 24.Kh3 Rxf3 25.Qd1 Rfe3 26.Nxb5 axb5 27.Rxe3 Rxe3 28.Re1 Qe4 29.Rxe3 Qxe3 30.Qg4 Qe7 31.Qc8+ Bf8 32.b3 h5 33.Qb8 Kg7 34.Qc8 Kh6 35.Kg2 g5 36.Nh3 Qe4+ 37.Kg1 Bg7 38.Nf2 Bd4 39.Qf8+ Kg6 40.Qg8+ Kf6 41.Qd8+ Kg6 42.Qg8+ Kf6 43.Qd8+ Kg6 44.Qxd6+ Kg7 45.Kf1 Qf3 46.Qe5+ Bxe5 47.Ke1 1-0 (47) mmsanchezchess (2666)-KingChessT007 (2556) Blitz 2023;

B) 10...Nh5 11.Bd3 f5 12.Nge2 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.Bf2 Qe7 15.0-0 Bf5 16.N2g3 Bxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf4 18.Rae1 Be5 19.Bc2 Nd7 20.g3 Nh3+ 21.Kg2 Nxf2 22.Rxf2 Qg7 23.b3 Nf6 24.Ng5 Bd4 25.Rfe2 Nxd5 26.Ne6 Qf6 27.Nxf8 Rxf8 28.f4 Nb4 29.Be4 Bc3 30.Qe3 Bxe1 31.Rxe1 Kg7 32.Bxb7 Rf7 33.Be4 Re7 34.Qd2 d5 35.Bf3 Rxe1 36.Qxe1 Qb2+ 37.Qf2 Qxf2+ 38.Kxf2 a5 39.Ke3 Kf6 40.g4 h6 41.h4 g5 42.hxg5+ hxg5 43.fxg5+ Kxg5 44.Kd2 Kf4 45.Be2 d4 46.Bd1 Nd5 47.Kd3 Ne3 48.Be2 Nxg4 49.Kc4 Nf2 50.Kxc5 Ke3 51.Bf1 Ne4+ 52.Kb5 Nd2 53.Bh3 Nxb3 54.Be6 Nc1 55.Kxa5 d3 56.Bg4 d2 57.Bd1 Ne2 58.Kb4 Nd4 59.Kc4 Ne6 60.a5 Nc7 61.Kc5 Na6+ 62.Kb6 Nb4 63.Kb5 Nd5 64.Kc5 Nc3 65.a6 Nxd1 66.a7 Kf2 67.a8Q Ne3 68.Qf8+ Ke1 69.Qf3 d1Q 70.Qxe3+ 1-0 (70) MaLeKkoNihli (2601)-DiscountedCashFlow (2569) Blitz 2021;

C) 10...Nbd7 11.Nh3

C1) 11...Qa5 12.Ra3 *(12.Ra2 Nh5 13.Be2 Ne5 14.Nf2 f5 15.f4 Ng4 16.Nxg4 fxg4 17.0-0 Bd7 18.g3 Rae8 19.Bf2 Nf6 20.Bd3 Qb4 21.Re1 Re7 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Nxd5 24.Re4 Qa5 25.Bc4* 1-0 (25) Knightindiandefence (2643)-Subhayan_1 (2659) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Ne8 13.Be2 Ne5 14.Nf2 f5 15.0-0 Nf6 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.h3 Rae8 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qb4 20.Qd2 Nh5 21.g4 Nf4 22.gxf5 Qd4 23.Qxd4 cxd4 24.Bd1 dxc3 25.Rxc3 4 Chapter A50-Games Chapter A50 Game;

C2) 11...Ne5 12.Nf2 Bd7 *(12...Nh5 13.Be2 f5 14.f4 Ng4 15.Bxg4 fxg4 16.g3 Bd7 17.a5 Re8 18.Kf1 Nf6 19.Kg2 h5 20.Rhe1 b5 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.Reb1 Qb4 23.Qc2 Re7 24.Kg1 Rae8 25.Rxa6 Nxe4 26.Ncxe4 Rxe4 27.Nxe4* Halfdanarsson (2156)-7.a4 Qb6 (1805) Buenos Aires 9 July op 5th 2023 (2) 1-0*; 12...Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Be2 Rb4 16.0-0 Nfd7 17.Qc2 Nb6 18.Nd3 Nbc4 19.Bc1 Nxd3 20.Bxd3 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 Ne3*

22.Bxe3 Bxe3 23.Bxa6 Bd4 24.Bxc8 Qxc8 25.Ra4 Qb7 26.Rxb4 Qxb4 27.Rb1 h5 28.Ne2 Bg7 29.Nf4 h4 30.Nd3 Qd4 31.b3 f5 32.Nf4 Qf6 33.Ne6 Ra8 34.exf5 gxf5 35.g3 h3 36.Nf4 Ra1 37.Nxh3 Qc3 0-1 (37) repertorio23 (2600)-yiyi1984 (2690) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be2 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.Nxb5 Bxb5 17.Bxb5 Rb8 18.Be2 Nfd7 19.Nd1 Qa4 20.Qc1 Nb6 21.Bd2 f5 22.exf5 Qh4+ 23.Nf2 gxf5 24.0-0 Nxd5 25.f4 Nf7 26.Bf3 Sukhareva,O (2570)-4. Nc3 a6 5.Bg5_35745 (2535) Torneo Postal de Expertos Cuba 1975 (11) 1-0;

C3) 11...Qc7 12.Nf2 Re8 13.Be2 c4 14.0-0 Nc5 15.Bxc4 Bd7 16.Rfc1 Rab8 17.b4 b5 18.Ba2 Nh5 19.bxc5 b4 20.c6 Bc8 21.g4 bxc3 22.Qd3 Nf6 23.Bd4 h5 24.Qxc3 Qe7 25.g5 1-0 (25) tony23man (2632)-Beta99 (2601) Blitz 2024;

C4) 11...Nh5 12.g4 Nhf6 13.Be2 Ne5 14.Nf2 h5 15.g5 Nh7 16.h4 f6 17.f4 Ng4 18.Nxg4 Bxg4 19.Bxg4 hxg4 20.h5 gxh5 21.Rxh5 fxg5 22.fxg5 Qe8 23.Qh2 g3 24.Qh3 Qg6 25.0-0-0 Rf3 26.Bd2 b5 27.Rh1 Nf8 28.Rh8+ Bxh8 29.Qxh8+ Kf7 30.e5 g2 31.e6+ Ke8 32.Re1 Rf1 33.Ne2 Rxe1+ 34.Bxe1 Qxg5+ 35.Bd2 g1Q+ 36.Nxg1 Qxg1+ 37.Kc2 Qg6+ 38.Kd1 Ra7 39.Ba5 Rh7 0-1 (39) hesenlinna (2624)-Dmitry_Morozov (2559) Blitz 2021;

C5) 11...Rb8 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Nf2 Bd7 14.a5 *(14.Rb1 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.b4 c4 17.0-0 Ra8 18.h3 Ra3 19.Rfc1 Nh5 20.f4 Nd3 21.Nxd3 cxd3 22.Bxh5 gxh5 23.f5 Qf6 24.Nd1 Re8 25.Nf2 Qe5 26.Bh6 Qg3 27.Bf4 Qh4 28.Rc7 Bxf5 29.exf5 Re2 30.Rc8+ Bf8 31.Qxe2 dxe2 32.Bh6 Qe7 33.Re1 Ra1 34.Rxa1 e1Q+ 35.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 36.Kh2 Qe5+ 37.g3 Qg7 38.Bxg7 Kxg7 39.f6+* 1-0 (39) Kraterrr (2786)-chessisinmyblood (2715) Blitz 2021*; 14.0-0 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Na2 b3 18.Nb4 Nc4 19.Qc3 Nxd5 20.Qxb3 Ndxe3* 0-1 (20) Malek_Koniahli (2627)-Alpha_777 (2786) Blitz 2024 *)* 14...b5 15.axb6 Qxb6 16.Rxa6 Qxb2 17.Qxb2 Rxb2 18.Rxd6 Ne8 19.Ra6 Nxf3+ 20.gxf3 Bxc3+ 21.Kf1 Rxe2 22.Kxe2 Bb5+ 23.Nd3 Bxa6 24.Bxc5 Nc7 25.Bxf8 Kxf8 26.Ke3 Nb5 27.Rc1 Bd4+ 28.Kd2 Na3 29.Nb4 Bb5 30.Rc8+ Kg7 31.Nc6 Nc4+ 32.Kc2 Nd6 33.Rd8 Bc5 34.Kd2 h5 35.e5 Nc4+ 36.Kc3 Bb6 37.Rb8 Ba5+ 38.Kd4 Bb6+ 39.Ke4 f5+ 40.exf6+ Kxf6 41.Rf8+ Kg7 42.Ra8 Kf6 43.Rf8+ Kg5 44.Ra8 Bc7 45.Ne7 Nd6+ 46.Kd4 Bd7 47.Kc5 Nb7+ 48.Kc4 Kf4 49.Ra7 Nd6+ 50.Kc5 Ne8 51.Nc6 Bd6+ 52.Kd4 Bf5 53.Ra8 Nc7 54.Rd8 Nb5+ 55.Kc4 Bc7 56.Kxb5 Bxd8 57.Nxd8 Kxf3 58.Kc6 Be4

59.Kd6 Kg2 60.h4 g5 61.Ke5 Bxd5 62.hxg5 h4 63.g6 Bg8 0-1 (63) TaylorSwiftFans (2834)-TheRedKing89 (2819) Blitz 2021]

[9...Nbd7 10.Nh3 *(10.Nge2 Ne5 11.Nc1 h5 12.Be2 h4 13.h3 Nh5 14.0-0 Ng3 15.Rf2 f5 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.f4 Nf7 19.Bf3 Bd7 20.N1e2 b5 21.Nxg3 hxg3 22.Re2 b4 23.Nd1 Rae8 24.exf5 Rxe2 25.Bxe2 Bxf5 26.Ne3 Be4 27.Ng4 Qg7 28.Rd1 Nh6 29.Qe3 Bf5 30.Nxh6+ Qxh6 31.Qxg3 Re8 32.Bd3 Kf7 33.Bxf5 gxf5 34.Re1 Rxe1+ 35.Qxe1 Qxf4 36.Qe6+ Kf8 37.Qf6+ Ke8 38.Qe6+ Kd8 39.Qg8+ Kc7 40.Qf7+ Kb6 41.Qg8 Qc1+ 42.Kh2 Qf4+ 43.Kg1 c4 44.Qa8 Kc5 45.Qc6+ Kd4* 0-1 (45) Firebullet (2639)-Yiyi1984 (2697) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 10...Ne8 11.Be2 Nc7 12.0-0 a6 13.a4 Rb8 14.Rab1 *(14.Rfb1 Re8 15.Nf2 b5 16.axb5 Nxb5 17.Bxb5 axb5 18.b4 Ne5 19.bxc5 b4 20.Na4 Nc4 21.Qd3 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Bxa1 23.Rxa1 Ra8 24.c6 Qf6 25.Qc1 Qd4 26.Nb2 Rxa1 27.Qxa1 f5 28.h3 fxe4 29.fxe4 Rf8* 0-1 (29) Malek_Koniahli (2603)-Mr_BaronMunchausen (2849) Blitz 2024 *)* 14...b5 15.axb5 Nxb5 16.Nxb5 axb5 17.b4 c4 18.Nf2 Nb6 19.Bd4 Na4 20.Nd1 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Ra1 Bxd4+ 23.Qxd4 Qb6 24.Qxb6 Rxb6 25.Ne3 Bd7 26.Bd1 Nc3 27.Bc2 Re8 28.Kf2 Kf7 29.Ra3 Rxe3 30.Kxe3 Nxd5+ 31.Kd4 Nxb4 32.Be4 d5 33.Kc5 dxe4 34.Kxb6 e3 35.Kc5 Nd3+ 36.Kd4 e2 37.Raa1 exf1Q 38.Rxf1 Be6 0-1 (38) miki_train (2724)-Odinokij_pastyx (2904) Blitz 2022;

B) 10...Nh5 11.Nf2 Ne5 12.Be2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Bh6 Ng6 15.0-0 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qh4 17.Nh3 Rf6 18.Qd2 Ngf4 19.Nxf4 Nxf4 20.Qe1 Qg5 21.Qg3 h6 22.Bc4 Bd7 23.a4 Re8 24.a5 a6 25.Ra3 Rg6 26.Qxg5 hxg5 27.g3 Nh3+ 28.Kg2 Rh6 29.Rb3 Bc8 30.Rb6 Re7 31.b4 cxb4 32.Rxb4 Re3 33.Ne2 f4 34.g4 Rh4 35.Nd4 Kg7 36.Be2 Rc3 37.Re1 Kf6 38.Rc4 Rxc4 39.Bxc4 Nf2 40.h3 Nxh3 41.Rh1 Bxg4 42.fxg4 Rxg4+ 43.Kxh3 Rh4+ 44.Kg2 f3+ 45.Nxf3 Rxc4 46.Rh6+ Ke7 47.Rh7+ Kf6 48.Rd7 Rc5 49.Rxd6+ Kf5 50.Rd8 Kf6 51.Kg3 Ke7 52.Rb8 Rxd5 53.Rxb7+ Kd8 54.Rg7 Rxa5 55.Nxg5 Kc8 56.Kf4 Ra1 57.Ne6 a5 58.Ke5 a4 59.Kd5 a3 60.Kc6 Rc1+ 61.Nc5 Kd8 62.Rd7+ Ke8 63.Rd2 Ra1 64.Nb7 Kf7 65.Nc5 a2 66.Kd5 Kf6 67.Nd3 Kf5 68.Nb4 Rh1 69.Nxa2 Rh5 70.Rf2+ Kg4+ 71.Ke4 Rd5 72.Kxd5 1-0 (72) Knightindiandefence (2649)-Dr_ChessAmir (2719) Blitz 2021;

C) 10...Ne5 11.Nf2 b5 12.Bxb5 Rb8 13.Be2 Qb6 14.Rb1 Ba6 15.0-0 Rfe8 16.b4 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qc7 18.bxc5 dxc5 19.Rxb8 Rxb8 20.Rc1 h5 21.h3 h4 22.f4 Ned7 23.e5 Nh5 24.Nce4 Qa5 25.Nxc5 Nxc5 26.Rxc5 Qa3 27.Rc2 Rb1+ 28.Kh2 Ng3 29.Qd3 Qxd3 30.Nxd3 Rh1# 0-1 (30) AgressiveMode (2742)-likewater (2610) Blitz 2021]

[9...h6 10.Bd3 Re8 11.Nge2 Nbd7 12.0-0 h5 13.b3 Ne5 14.Bc2 Nh7

15.h3 f5 16.f4 Nf7 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Rae1 h4 20.Kh2 Nf6 21.a4 Nh6 22.Bf2 Ne4 23.Nxe4 fxe4 24.g4 hxg3+ 25.Nxg3 Kh8 26.Rxe4 Rxe4 27.Nxe4 Nf5 28.Ng5 Qf6 29.Re1 Qg6 30.Qd3 Rf8 31.Ne6 Rf7 32.Rg1 Qh5 33.Rg5 Qh7 34.Qf3 Bh6 35.Rg4 Rf6 36.Be1 Rg6 37.Bc3+ Kg8 38.Kg2 Nh4+ 39.Kg3 Nxf3 40.Kxf3 Rxg4 41.Kxg4 Qc2 0-1 (41) Clovis1088 (2613)-Never_Play_London (2543) Blitz 2024]

10.Nge2

[10.a4 a6 *(10...Nbd7 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 Nh5 13.Be2 f5 14.f4 Nf7 15.exf5 Qe7 16.fxg6 hxg6 17.Ncd1 Nh6 18.g4 Nf6 19.g5 Ne4 20.Nxe4 Qxe4 21.0-0 Nf5 22.Bf3 Qxe3+ 23.Nxe3 Nxe3 24.Rfe1 Bd4 25.Kh1 Bf5 26.Ra3 Nc4 27.Rxe8+ Rxe8 28.Qd1 Nxa3 29.bxa3 Re3 30.Kg2 Rxa3 31.Qe2 Re3 32.Qb5 Re7 33.h4 Bd7 34.Qa5 b6 35.Qa6 Bf5 36.a5 bxa5 37.Qxd6 Kf7 38.h5 a4 39.hxg6+ Bxg6 40.Qa6 Bc2 41.d6 Rd7 42.Bh5+ Ke6 43.Bg4+ Bf5 44.Qc4+* 1-0 (44) papasi (2604)-Raphael (2568) Blitz 2018 *)*

A) 11.Nge2 Nbd7 *(11...Qc7 12.Nd1 Nbd7 13.Nec3 Ne5 14.Be2 Rb8 15.0-0 Bd7 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Rxa6 Rxa6 19.Bxa6 c4 20.Bb5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Qb8 22.Ndc3 Nd3 23.b3 Ne5 24.Qa2 cxb3 25.Qxb3 Nfd7 26.Na4 Rc8 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Bxc1 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Be3 Qb7 31.Nd4 Qxb3 32.Nxb3 Nc4 33.Bd4 Bh6 34.Na1 Be3+ 35.Bxe3 Nxe3 36.Nc3 Nb6 37.Nb5 Nec4 38.Nc7 Ne3 39.Ne8 Nec4 40.Nb3 Nxd5 41.Nd4 Kf8 42.Nxd6 Nxd6 43.Kf2 Kf7 44.Kg3 Kf6 45.Nc6 Kg5 46.h4+ Kh5 47.Nd4 f4+ 48.Kh3 Kg6 49.Kg4 h5+ 50.Kh3 Nf5 51.Ne6 Kf6 52.Ng5 Nc3 53.Nh7+ Ke5 54.Ng5 Ne2 55.Nf7+ Kf6 56.Ng5 Ne3 57.Ne4+ Ke5 58.g3 Ng1+ 59.Kh2 Nxf3+ 60.Kh3 Kxe4 61.gxf4 Nf5 62.Kg2 N3xh4+ 63.Kh3 Ng6 64.Kg2 Kxf4 65.Kh2 Kg4 66.Kg2 h4 67.Kf2 h3 68.Kg1 Kg3 69.Kh1 Nfh4 70.Kg1 Ne5 71.Kh1 Ng4 72.Kg1 Nf3+ 73.Kf1 h2 74.Ke2 h1Q 75.Kd3 Qd1+ 76.Ke4 Qd4+ 77.Kf5 Qe5+ 78.Kg6 Qf6+ 79.Kh5 Qg5#* 0-1 (79) LosingAdvantage (2632)-ZoubkovaVila (2597) Blitz 2022*; 11...Qa5 12.g4 b5 13.h4 b4 14.Nd1 Bxg4 15.fxg4 Nxe4 16.Qd3 Nd7 17.Bg2 f5 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.Bxe4 Rxe4 20.Nf2 Ne5 21.Qc2 Rxe3 22.0-0 b3 23.Qd1 Nf3+ 24.Kg2 Nxh4+ 25.Kh1 Rae8 26.Nf4 Qb4 27.Ne6 R8xe6 28.dxe6 Qb7+* 0-1 (28) SouthAfricanWolf (2610)-alexandr_gorokhov (2555) Blitz 2021 *)*

A1) 12.Nc1 Ne5 13.Be2 Nh5 *(13...Rb8 14.0-0 Qa5 15.Rd1 b5 16.Nb1 Qc7 17.axb5 axb5 18.Na3 Bd7 19.Rb1 b4 20.Nc4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 Bb5 22.Bxb5 Rxb5 23.Nd3 Nd7 24.Bf2 c4 25.Nf4 c3 26.bxc3 bxc3 27.Qc2 Reb8 28.Rxb5 Rxb5 29.Nd3 Ne5 30.Rc1 Qc4 31.Nxe5 Bxe5 32.Be3 Rb2 33.Qd1 c2 34.Qe1 Qd3 35.Kf2 Rb1 36.g3 Bb2* Normal 0-1 (36) bodoque50 (2637)-cibona (2549) Blitz 2024*; 13...h5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.h3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Rxa8 Qxa8*

18.Bxb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Nc4 20.Qd3 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Nxd5 22.Qb3 Nf4 23.Nxd6 Rb8 24.Qxf7+ Kh7 25.Qxf4 Rxb2 26.Nd3 Rc2 27.Nf7 Qa2 28.Ng5+ Kh6 29.Ne6+ Kh7 30.Nxg7 Rxg2+ 31.Kh1 Kxg7 32.Ne5 Qe2 33.Ra1 1-0 (33) Malek_Koniahli (2616)-metan0ia (2762) Blitz 2024*)* 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.g4 Nxg4 17.fxg4 Rxe3 #4 14) 3.f3-6. Nc3;

A2) 12.Nd1 Ne5 *(12...Rb8 13.Nec3 b6 14.Be2 Qc7 15.0-0 c4 16.Nf2 Rb7 17.Qc2 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Na2 Nc5 20.Nb4 Nb3 21.Rab1 Bd7 22.Nd1 Qa5 23.Nc6 Bxc6 24.dxc6 Rc7 25.Nc3 Rxc6 26.Rfd1 b4 27.Nd5 Nxd5 28.Rxd5 Qc7 29.Rbd1 Nc5 30.Bxc4 Nxe4 31.fxe4 Rxc4 32.Qd3 Rcxe4 33.Bf2 Be5 34.g3 Rc4 35.Qf3 Rc2 36.Rf1 Rxb2 37.Be3 f5 38.g4 Bxh2+ 39.Kh1 fxg4 40.Qxg4 Qb7 41.Qd4 Rxe3 42.Rf8+ Kxf8 43.Qh8+ Kf7 44.Qxh7+ Kf6 45.Qh4+ Kg7 46.Qd4+ Be5* 0-1 (46) ChessTheory64 (2602)-Uncle-Rich (2555) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Nec3 Bd7 14.Nf2 Rb8 15.h3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.0-0 Qb6 20.Ra2 Nh5 21.Kh2 f5 22.g4 Nf6 23.gxf5 gxf5 24.e5 dxe5 25.fxe5 Rxe5 26.Bf4 Nh5 27.Rg1 Nxf4 28.Qxf4 Rbe8 29.Ra8 Qf6 30.Nce4 Rxe4 31.Nxe4 Qxb2+ 32.Rg2 Qxg2+ 33.Kxg2 Rxa8 34.Nxc5 Ra2+ 35.Kg3 Ra3+ 36.Kg2 Ra2+ 37.Kf1 c3 38.Nxd7 Ra1+ 39.Ke2 c2 40.Qb8+ Kf7 41.Qc7 c1Q 42.Ne5+ Kf6 43.Qd6+ Kg5 44.Nf3+ Kh5 0-1 (44) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2649)-gmkantor (2828) Blitz 2021;

A3) 12.Ng3 Rb8 *(12...Ne5 13.Be2 Bd7 14.0-0 c4 15.h3 b5 16.f4 Nd3 17.Bxd3 cxd3 18.Qxd3 b4 19.Nce2 Qe7 20.e5 dxe5 21.f5 e4 22.Qb3 a5 23.Nd4 Rac8 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Rad1 Qe5 26.Nde2 Qc7 27.Rc1 Qd6 28.Bf4 Qxd5 29.Qe3 Qd3 30.Qa7 Be6 31.Qxa5 Nd5 32.Rcd1 Qc4 33.Rc1 Qb3 34.Nxe4 Nxf4 35.Nxf4 Qe3+* Normal 0-1 (35) Malek_Koniahli (2600)-ma_long_ma (2646) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be2 Ne5 *(13...Qc7 14.0-0 c4 15.Rfc1 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 cxb3 18.Nxb5 Qd8 19.Nxd6 b2 20.Nxe8 Nxe8 21.Rab1 bxc1Q+ 22.Rxc1 Rb2 23.Rc2 Rxc2 24.Qxc2 Qc7 25.Qa2 Qc3 26.Nf1 Bd4 27.Kf2 Nd6 28.Qa4 Bxe3+ 29.Nxe3 Qc5 30.Qb3 f5 31.Bd3 f4 32.Be2 fxe3+ 33.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 34.Kxe3 Kf7 35.f4 Bb7 36.g4 Nxe4 37.Kxe4 Nf6+ 38.Ke5 Bc8 39.g5 Nd7+ 40.Kd6 Nb6 41.Kc6 Na4 42.d6 Ke8 43.Kc7 Bd7 44.Bc4 Nc5 45.Bg8 Nd3 46.Bxh7 Nxf4 47.h4 Bg4 48.Kc6 Bd7+ 49.Kc5 Kd8 50.Kd4 Bf5 51.Ke5 Nh5 52.Bg8 Kd7 53.Bd5 Ng7 54.Bf3 Ne8 55.Bd5 Nxd6 56.Be4 Nxe4 57.h5 gxh5 58.Kxf5 Nd6+ 59.Kf4 Ke7 60.Kg3 Kf7 61.Kh4 Kg6 62.Kg3 Nf5+* 0-1 (62)

MaLeKkoNihli (2613)-Spiegelstufe (2614) Blitz 2022*)* 14.0-0

A3a) 14...h5 15.h3 h4 *(15...c4 16.f4 Nd3 17.Bxd3 cxd3 18.Qxd3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.e5 dxe5 21.fxe5 Rxe5 22.Bf4 Nd7 23.Bxe5 Nxe5 24.Qe4 b4 25.Nce2 f5 26.Qf4 Qxd5 27.Rad1 Qb3 28.Rd8+ Kh7 29.Nd4 Qxb2 30.Rc1 Bh6 31.Rc7+ Bd7 32.Rcxd7+ Nxd7 33.Rxd7+ Bg7 34.Qxb8* 1-0 (34) OnkelKonkel (2601)-Rubinst (2411) Rapid 2022*)* 16.Nh1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Bxb5 Rxb5 19.Nxb5 Nc4 20.Qc1 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Nxd5 *(21...Qb6 22.Qe2 Nxd5 23.Rfd1 Nf4 24.Qf1 c4+ 25.Nf2 Qxb5 26.Rxd6 Bxb2 27.Rb1 Qe5 28.Rc6 c3 29.Ng4 Bxg4 30.hxg4 Rd8 31.Qc4 Rd2 32.Qxf7+ Kxf7* 0-1 (32) MaLeKkoNihli (2622)-girafik (2599) Blitz 2022*)* 22.Qd2 Qb6 23.Qxd5 Qxb5 24.Qxd6 Qxb2 25.Ra8 Kh7 26.Nf2 Bd4 27.Qc7 Kg7 28.Rxc8 Rxc8 29.Qxc8 Qe2 30.Qd7 Qd2 31.Qc6 Qe2 32.Qd5 Be3 33.Qe5+ Kg8 34.Qc3 Bd4 35.Qe1 Qc2 36.Kh1 Qb2 37.Ng4 Qb8 38.e5 1-0 (38) Hard-Training (2634)-realNomenNescio (2613) Blitz 2024;

A3b) 14...Bd7 15.h3 b5 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.e5 dxe5 19.fxe5 Rxe5 20.Bf4 Ne8 21.Bxe5 Bxe5 22.Nge4 Nd6 23.Nxc5 Qb6 24.Qf2 Bf5 25.Rae1 Bg7 26.g4 Qxb2 27.Qxb2 Rxb2 28.Nd1 Bd4+ 29.Kh1 Rd2 30.gxf5 Bxc5 31.f6 h5 32.Rf3 h4 33.Nc3 Bb4 34.Rb1 a5 35.Rg1 Kh7 36.Rg4 g5 37.Rxg5 Bxc3 38.Rxc3 Ne4 39.Rg7+ Kh6 40.Rxc4 Nf2+ 41.Kg2 Ng4+ 42.Kh1 Rd1+ 43.Kg2 Ne3+ 44.Kf2 Nxc4 45.Rg4 Ne5 46.Rxh4+ Kg5 47.Rh8 Rxd5 48.Ke3 Kxf6 49.Ke4 Rc5 50.Ra8 Rc4+ 51.Kd5 Rxa4 0-1 (51) Duda,J (2756)-Giri,A (2774) chess.com INT 2021;

B) 11.a5 b5 12.axb6 Qxb6 13.Be2 Nbd7 14.Nh3 Ne5 15.Nf2 Bd7 16.0-0 Qb4 17.Bxa6 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Bf4 Bf8 20.Bg5 Be7 21.g4 Jones,S (2578)-Barteckova,V (2331) Oesterreich 57/(46) 1993;

C) 11.Bd3 Nbd7 *(11...Nh5 12.Nge2 Qh4+ 13.Bf2 Qe7 14.0-0 Nd7 15.a5 Ne5 16.Na4 f5 17.Nb6 Rb8 18.Rfe1 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 fxe4 20.fxe4 Bxb2 21.Rab1 Be5 22.Nc4 Bg7 23.Nc3 Nf4 24.Qg3 g5 25.Ne2 Qf6 26.Nxf4 gxf4 27.Qf3 h5 28.h3 Bd7 29.Rb6 Bf8 30.e5 Qf5 31.Nxd6 Bxd6 32.Rxd6 Bb5 33.Rf6 Qh7 34.Qxf4 Rf8 35.Qg5+ Kh8 36.Rh6* 1-0 (36) superfm1 (2632)-cant_handle_h5 (2619) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.Nge2

C1) 12...Ne5 13.0-0 Bd7

C1a) 14.a5 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.b4 *(17.Rfb1 Bb5 18.Qd2 Qb7 19.b4 Nd7 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Nxb5 Bxa1 22.Na3 Qc7 23.Rxa1 Ne5 24.Qc3*

1-0 (24) Vndd_am (2603)-amitiosloser (2324) Rapid 2019 *)* 17...c4 18.Qd2 Qb7 19.Nd4 Bb5 20.Ra5 Bd7 21.Rb1 Rec8 22.b5 axb5 23.Ncxb5 Rxa5 24.Qxa5 Ne8 25.Qc3 Bxb5 26.Qa5 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Rb8 28.Qd2 Qa6 29.h4 Rc8 30.Kh2 Bd7 31.Bc3 Qa7 32.h5 Rb8 33.Ra1 Qc5 34.hxg6 fxg6 35.Kg3 Rb3 36.Rh1 Qa3 37.Qh6 Rxc3 38.Qxh7+ Kf8 39.Qxg6 Ke7 40.Qg5+ Nf6 41.Rh8 Be8 42.e5 dxe5 43.Qxe5+ Kd7 44.Qe6+ Kc7 45.Qxf6 Qd6+ 46.Qxd6+ Kxd6 47.Rxe8 Kxd5 48.Rc8 Rc2 49.f4 Ke4 50.Re8+ Kf5 51.Re5+ Kf6 52.Rc5 c3 53.Kf3 Ke6 54.g3 Kd6 55.Rc8 Kd5 56.Kg4 Kd4 57.Kf5 Ra2 58.Kg4 c2 59.f5 Kd3 60.Kg5 Ra4 61.Rxc2 Kxc2 62.f6 Kd3 63.f7 Ra8 64.Kf6 Ke4 65.g4 Kf4 66.g5 Ra6+ 67.Kg7 Kxg5 68.f8Q Rg6+ 69.Kh7 Rf6 70.Qe7 Kf5 71.Kg7 Re6 72.Qc5+ Re5 73.Qc4 Re4 74.Qd5+ Re5 75.Qf3+ Kg5 76.Qf6+ 1-0 (76) Teleology (2635)-Just4theLOLZ (2601) Blitz 2022;

C1b) 14.b3 Rb8 15.Bc2 b5 16.h3 b4 17.Nd1 c4 18.f4 cxb3 19.fxe5 bxc2 20.exf6 cxd1Q 21.Raxd1 Bxf6 22.Qd3 Bxa4 23.Nd4 Bxd1 24.Nc6 Ba4 25.Nxd8 Bb5 26.Qd2 Bxf1 27.Nc6 b3 28.Nxb8 Rxb8 0-1 (28) OnkelKonkel (2644)-anand68 (2730) Blitz 2022;

C2) 12...Rb8 13.0-0 Ne5 14.h3 *(14.Rfb1 Nfd7 15.b4 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Ne5 17.Qc2 c4 18.a5 f5 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.exf5 Nd3 21.fxg6 Rxe3 22.gxh7+ Kh8 23.Nce2 Qh4 24.g3 Qf6 25.Qxc4 Ne5 26.Qc2 Rc8 27.Qd2 Nxf3+ 28.Nxf3 Qxf3 29.Nf4 Qe4 30.Re1 Bd4* 0-1 (30) MaLeKkoNihli (2605)-Nichega (2777) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Bd7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Rxa6 Rxa6 18.Bxa6 Qb6 19.Bd3 Rb8 20.Rb1 Qb4 21.b3 Ne8 22.f4 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Nc7 24.Qc4 Nb5 25.Qxb4 cxb4 26.Nxb5 Bxb5 27.Nd4 Bd3 28.Re1 Bxe4 29.Nc6 Re8 30.Bd4 Bxd4+ 31.Nxd4 Kf8 32.Ne6+ fxe6 33.Rxe4 exd5 34.Rxb4 Re3 35.Kf2 Rc3 36.Rb7 h5 37.b4 Rb3 38.g3 h4 39.gxh4 Rxh3 40.b5 Rb3 41.b6 Kg8 42.Ke2 d4 43.Kd2 d3 44.Rb8+ Kg7 45.b7 Rb5 46.Kxd3 Kh7 47.Kc4 Rb1 48.Kd5 Rd1+ 49.Kc6 Rc1+ 50.Kxd6 Rd1+ 51.Ke6 Re1+ 52.Kf7 Rb1 53.Kf6 Rb6+ 54.Ke5 Rb5+ 55.Kd6 Rb1 56.Ke6 Rb6+ 57.Ke7 Rb1 58.Kf7 Rb5 59.Re8 Rxb7+ 60.Re7 Rxe7+ 61.Kxe7 Kg7 62.Ke6 1-0 (62) Superfm1 (2697)-Koshechka22 (2582) Blitz 2024;

D) 11.Be2 Nbd7 *(11...Qc7 12.a5 b5 13.axb6 Qxb6 14.Rb1 Qa5 15.Bc4 Qb4 16.Bd3 Nbd7 17.Nh3 Ne5 18.Nf2 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.b3 Qb4 21.Nd3 Qa5 22.0-0 Ng4 23.Na4 Qxd2 24.Bxd2 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Ne3 26.Bxe3 Bxe3*

27.Nb6 Rb8 28.Nc4 Bd4 29.Nxd6 Rd8 30.Nc4 Bd7 31.Nce5 Bb5 32.Rfd1 a5 33.Rbc1 a4 34.bxa4 Bxa4 35.Re1 Rbc8 36.Nc4 Bb5 37.Nde5 f5 38.Nd3 fxe4 39.fxe4 Bxc4 40.Rxc4 Rf8 41.e5 Rf5 42.d6 Rd8 43.e6 Rxd6 44.e7 1-0 (44) Knightindiandefence (2671)-Dmitry_Morozov (2581) Blitz 2021*; 11...b6 12.h4 h5 13.Nh3 Nbd7 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Nf2 Ne5 16.0-0 Nh7 17.g3 Rb8 18.a5 b5 19.Kg2 b4 20.Ncd1 Bb7 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxg4 hxg4 23.Ne3 Bd4 24.f5 Nf6 25.Bg5 Qd7 26.Nexg4 Nxg4 27.Nxg4 Rxe4 28.Qxd4 Rxd4 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Nxd7 Bxd5+ 31.Kh3* 1-0 (31) Vndd_am (2605)-hawk1384 (2484) Rapid 2019 *)* 12.Nh3 *(12.h4 h5 13.Nh3 Ne5 14.Nf2 Rb8 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bxb5 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Nfxd7 19.Bg5 f6 20.Bh6 Nc4 21.Qf4 Rxb2 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Na4 Rb3 24.Rfc1 Nce5 25.Nd1 g5 26.Qg3 Qe7 27.Rcb1 Rxb1 28.Rxb1 Rb8 29.Rxb8 Nxb8 30.Ne3 Qa7 31.hxg5 c4 32.gxf6+ Kxf6 33.Qf4+ Kg6 34.Qf5+ Kh6 35.Qf6+ Kh7 36.Kf2 Nd3+ 37.Ke2 Nc1+ 38.Kd2 Nb3+ 39.Ke2 Nc1+ 40.Kd1 Qxe3 41.Qe7+ Kg8 42.Qe8+ Kg7 43.Qe7+ Kg8 44.Qd8+ Kg7 45.Qc7+ Kg6 46.Qxd6+ Kg5 47.Qd8+ Kg6 48.Qg8+ Kh6 49.Qxb8 Qg1+ 50.Kd2 Nb3+ 51.Kc3 Qd4+ 52.Kb4 Qd2+ 53.Kxc4 Na5+ 54.Kc5 Qc1+ 55.Kd6 Qf4+ 56.e5 Qxa4 57.Qh8+ Kg6 58.Qg8+ Kh6 59.Qe6+ Kh7 60.Qd7+ Qxd7+ 61.Kxd7 Kg7 62.e6 Nc4 63.e7 Nb6+* 1-0 (63) Vndd_am (2634)-hawk1384 (2465) Rapid 2019*)* 12...Qc7 *(12...Nh5 13.Nf2 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Bh6 Ne5 16.0-0 Qh4 17.Bg5 Qd4 18.Qxd4 cxd4 19.f4 dxc3 20.fxe5 cxb2 21.Rab1 Rxe5 22.Bxh5 f4 23.h4 h6 24.Bxh6 Rxh5 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Rxb2 Rxd5 27.Ne4 Rd4 28.Rxf4 d5 29.Nf6 Rxf4 30.Nh5+ Kf7 31.Nxf4 d4 32.Kf2 Kf6 33.Nd5+ Ke5 34.Nb6 Rb8 35.Re2+ Kd6 36.Re8 Kc7 37.Rxc8+ Rxc8 38.Nxc8 Kxc8 39.h5* 1-0 (39) Knightindiandefence (2661)-Dmitry_Morozov (2569) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Nf2 Ne5 15.h3 c4 16.f4 Ned7 17.e5 dxe5 18.d6 Qc6 19.fxe5 Nxe5 20.Bf4 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Bxe5 Rxe5 23.Bf3 Qc5 24.Kh1 Be6 25.Nce4 Nxe4 26.Nxe4 Qb6 27.Rad1 Rd8 28.Qf4 Rf5 29.Qh4 Bxb2 30.Ng5 Rxg5 31.Qxg5 Bg7 32.Bd5 h6 33.Qf4 g5 34.Qf3 Bxd5 35.Qxd5 Rd7 36.Rxf7 Rxf7 37.d7 Bf6 38.Re1 Kg7 39.Re6 Qf2 40.Rxf6 Rxf6 41.d8Q Qf1+ 42.Kh2 Qf4+ 43.Kh1 Qc1+ 44.Kh2 Qf4+ 45.Kh1 Rf8 46.Qe7+ Rf7 47.Qee5+ Qxe5 48.Qxe5+ Kg6 49.Qxb5 Rf6 50.Qxc4 Rf5 51.Qd3 Kf6 52.Qd6+ Kf7 53.Qd7+ Kg6 54.Qd6+ Rf6 55.Qd3+ Kg7 56.g4 Rf7 57.Kg2 h5 58.Qb3 hxg4 59.Qc3+ Kg6 60.hxg4 Rf4 61.Qc2+ Kg7 62.Kg3 Rf6 63.Qc7+ Rf7 64.Qc3+ Kg6 65.Qd4 Rf6 66.Qd3+ Kg7 67.Qe3 Kf7 68.Qxg5 Re6 69.Qh4 Rf6 70.Qh5+ Ke7 71.Kh4 Rf7 72.Qg5+ Kf8* 0-1 (72) TaylorSwiftFans (2820)-TheRedKing89 (2826) Blitz 2021]

[10.Be2 Nbd7 *(10...b6 11.a4 Na6 12.Bb5 Re7 13.Nge2 Nb4 14.0-0 a6 15.Bc4 Re8 16.Nc1 Nd7 17.Nd3 Nxd3 18.Bxd3 Ne5 19.Be2 Ra7 20.g4 Rae7 21.Bg5 f6 22.Bf4 Kh8 23.Kh1 Nf7 24.Rf2 f5 25.gxf5 gxf5 26.Rg1 Bd4 27.Be3 Be5 28.Bd3 Rb7 29.exf5 Qh4 30.Rg4 Qh5 31.Qc2 Rbe7 32.Rfg2 Bf6 33.Ne4 Rxe4 34.fxe4 Bxf5 35.exf5 Ne5 36.R4g3 c4 37.Be4 Nf7 38.Bf4 Qh4 39.Rf3 b5 40.axb5 axb5 41.Kg1 Bd4+ 42.Kh1 Ne5 43.Rf1 Ng4 44.Qe2 Nf6 45.Qf3 Rxe4 46.Bxd6 Re3 47.Bg3 Rxf3 48.Rxf3 Qe4* 0-1 (48) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2623)-VonSinnen (2582) Blitz 2021*; 10...Nh5 11.a4 Qh4+ 12.Kd1 Nd7 13.Nb5 f5 14.Nxd6 Rd8 15.Bg5 Qf2 16.Bd3 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Ndf6 18.Nc4 h6 19.Bxf6 Nxf6 20.Nh3 fxe4 21.fxe4 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Nh5 23.Raf1 Rab8 24.a5 Bf6 25.Rhg1 Bg5+ 26.Kc2 Kg7 27.h4 Bxh4 28.e5 Bg5 29.h4 Bf4 30.Rxg6+ Kf7 31.Rxh6 Rh8 32.Rxh5 Rxh5 33.Rxf4+ Ke7 34.d6+* 1-0 (34) Knightindiandefence (2612)-Southstream007 (2617) Blitz 2021*)* 11.Nh3 Ne5 12.Nf2 a6 *(12...Bd7 13.a4 c4 14.0-0 a6 15.h3 b5 16.f4 Nd3 17.Nxd3 cxd3 18.Qxd3 b4 19.Nd1 Nxe4 20.Nf2 Ng3 21.Rfe1 Bxb2 22.Ra2 Bf5* 0-1 (22) Viinivasalli (2660)-dalmatinac101 (2723) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.a4 b6 *(13...b5 14.axb5 Qb6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.bxa6 Reb8 17.Rfb1 Qb4 18.h3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.e5 dxe5 21.a7 Rb7 22.b3 Qh4 23.Nfe4 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Rbxa7 25.Rxa7 Rxa7 26.Bxc5 Ra8 27.b4 f5 28.Nd6 Bf8 29.Qe1 Qf6 30.Nc4 Bg7 31.b5 Rb8 32.b6 Be8 33.Bd6 Rb7 34.Bxe5 Qd8 35.Bxg7 Kxg7 36.Qe5+ Kg8 37.d6 Bf7 38.Rb4 Bxc4 39.Rxc4 Rxb6 40.Rc7 Rb1+ 41.Kh2* 1-0 (41) Nmnineisback9 (2681)-schaakam (2618) Blitz 2024*; 13...Rb8 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Rfb1 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 c4 18.Ra7 h5 19.Rba1 Nh7 20.h3 f5 21.f4 Nf7 22.Bd4 fxe4 23.Nfxe4 Bf5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.g4 hxg4 27.hxg4 Bxe4 28.Nxe4 Re7 29.Rxe7 Qxe7 30.Ra7 Qh4 31.g5 Re8 32.Bf3 Qe1+ 33.Kg2 Qxb4 34.Nf6+ Nxf6 35.Qxf6 Qd2+ 36.Kh3 Rf8 37.Qxg6+ Kh8 38.Qf6+ Kg8 39.g6 Qe3 40.gxf7+ Kh7 41.Qh4+ Kg7 42.Qg4+ Kh7 43.Ra2 Rxf7 44.Rg2 Qe8 45.Qh5#* 1-0 (45) MaLeKkoNihli (2603)-alina0220 (2566) Blitz 2021*)* 14.0-0 Qc7 15.Rfc1 Rb8 16.b4 Ned7 17.Rab1 Nf8 18.a5 bxa5 19.bxc5 Rxb1 20.Rxb1 dxc5 21.d6 Qc6 22.f4 N6d7 23.e5 f6 24.Bf3 Nxe5 25.Bxc6 1-0 (25) Koalanaattor (2720)-Guillermotello2150 (2405) Blitz 2024]

[10.0-0-0 a6 11.h4 b5 12.h5 b4 13.Nce2 Qa5 14.Kb1 Nxh5 15.Rxh5 gxh5 16.Nf4 f5 17.Nxh5 fxe4 18.Nxg7 Kxg7 19.Bh6+ Kh8 20.fxe4 Qc7 21.Nf3 Nd7 22.Qf4 Ne5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Qf6+ Kg8 25.Qg5+ Kh8 26.Be2 Qe7 27.Qg3 Rg8 28.Qf2 Bd7 29.d6 Qe6 30.Be3 c4 31.Bf3 c3 32.b3 a5 33.Rd5 a4 34.Rxe5 Qxd6 35.Rd5 Qc7 36.Bd4+ Rg7 37.Bxg7+ Kxg7 38.Qd4+ Kg8 39.Rxd7 c2+ 40.Kc1 Qf4+ 41.Kxc2 Rc8+ 42.Kd3 Rc3+ 43.Qxc3 bxc3 44.Kxc3 a3 45.Rd5 Qc1+ 46.Kb4 Qb2 47.e5 Qxa2 48.e6 Qa1 49.e7 Qe1+ 50.Kxa3 Qxe7+ 51.Kb2 Qf6+ 52.Ka3 Qa6+ 53.Kb2 Qf6+ 54.Ka3 Qa1+ 55.Kb4 Qe1+ 56.Kc4 Qc1+

57.Kb4 Qe1+ 58.Ka4 Qa1+ 59.Kb4 Qe1+ ½-½ (59) OnkelKonkel (2663)-Grovelichess (2626) Blitz 2022]
[10.h4 h5 11.0-0-0 a6 12.a4 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Bd7 15.Bxd7 Nbxd7 16.Kc2 Qb6 17.Nh3 Reb8 18.Rb1 Qb3+ 19.Kc1 Ne5 20.Qc2 Qb4 21.Nf4 c4 22.Kd2 Nfd7 23.Ke2 Nc5 24.Bxc5 Qxc5 25.Ra1 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 Bh6 27.g3 Nd3 28.Nxd3 Qe3+ 29.Kd1 cxd3 30.Qg2 Rxb2 31.Qxb2 Qg1# 0-1 (31) zipzink (2656)-knight1950 (2470) Rapid 2021]
[10.Bd3 Nbd7 *(10...Na6 11.Nge2 Nc7 12.0-0 Rb8 13.a4 a6 14.Rfb1 Nd7 15.b4 cxb4 16.Rxb4 b5 17.axb5 Nxb5 18.Bxb5 axb5 19.Rab1 Ne5 20.Nd4 Bd7 21.Ndxb5 Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Qd7 23.Nd4 Nc4 24.Qd3 Rxb4 25.Rxb4 Nxe3 26.Qxe3 Qa7 27.Nc2 Qa2 28.Qb3 Qa7+ 29.Qe3 Qa2 30.Qb3 Qa7+ 31.Kf1 Rc8 32.g3 h5 33.Ra4 Qd7 34.Kg2 h4 35.gxh4 Be5 36.Rc4 Ra8 37.Rc6 Qe7 38.Kh3 Qd7+ 39.Kg2 Qd8 40.Kh3 Rb8 41.Qc4 Kg7 42.Ne3 Qf6 43.Qe2 Rb2 44.Rc2 Rb3 45.Qf2 Qf4 46.Ng2 Rxf3+ 47.Qxf3 Qxf3# 0-1 (47) MaLeKkoNihli (2607)-jokechess (2659) Blitz 2021)* 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.0-0 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 Bd7 14.a4 b6 15.Rab1 Rc8 16.Rfc1 Nh5 17.b4 f5 18.bxc5 bxc5 19.Rb7 Rc7 20.Rcb1 f4 21.Bf2 Be5 22.Rxc7 Qxc7 23.Qa6 Rb8 24.Nb5 Bxb5 25.Rxb5 Rxb5 26.Qxb5 Nf6 27.Be1 Qb6 28.Qxb6 axb6 29.Bc3 Bxc3 30.Nxc3 Kf7 31.Nb5 Ne8 32.Na3 Nc7 33.Nc4 Kf6 34.Kf2 b5 35.Nxd6 bxa4 36.Nc4 Nb5 37.e5+ Kf5 38.e6 Kf6 39.Nd2 a3 40.Nb3 c4 41.Na1 Nc7 42.Nc2 a2 43.d6 Nxe6 44.Ke2 Nd4+ 45.Kd2 Nxc2 46.Kc3 a1Q+ 0-1 (46) MaLeKkoNihli (2624)-torynash (2649) Blitz 2021]
10...Nbd7
[10...Nh5 11.Nc1 Na6 12.Be2 Nc7 13.0-0 Bd7 14.a4 a6 15.Nd3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Rxa8 Qxa8 18.b4 c4 19.Nf4 Qa3 20.Nb1 Qb2 21.Nxh5 gxh5 22.Qxb2 Bxb2 23.Bf4 Nxd5 24.Bxd6 Ne3 25.Re1 c3 26.Bc5 Nc4 27.Bxc4 bxc4 28.Bd4 Rb8 29.Bxc3 Bxc3 30.Nxc3 Rxb4 31.Rc1 Be6 32.Kf2 Rb2+ 33.Kg3 h4+ 34.Kxh4 Rxg2 35.h3 Rd2 36.Kg3 Kg7 37.h4 Kf6 38.Kf4 Rh2 39.e5+ Ke7 40.Kg5 Kd7 41.h5 Kc6 42.f4 Kc5 43.Ne4+ Kd4 44.Nf6 c3 45.Nxh7 c2 46.Nf6 Rg2+ 47.Kh4 Kd3 48.h6 Bf5 49.Nd5 Kd2 50.Ra1 c1Q 51.Rxc1 Kxc1 52.Nf6 Rh2+ 53.Kg5 Rg2+ 54.Kxf5 Rg6 55.h7 Rh6 56.Ng8 Rxh7 57.Nf6 Rh5+ 58.Ke4 Rh3 59.e6 Rd3 60.Ke5 Rd4 61.e7 Re4+ 62.Kd6 1-0 (62) Malek_Koniahli (2643)-JonasPradoLobo (2725) Blitz 2024]
[10...Na6 11.Ng3 Nc7 12.Be2 Rb8 13.a4 a6 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.0-0 Nb5 17.Rfd1 Nd7 18.Nxb5 axb5 19.Bg5 Qc7 20.Rac1 Qa7 21.Be3 b4 22.f4 Nf6 23.e5 Ng4 24.Bxg4 Bxg4 25.Re1 Qd7 26.h3 Bf5 27.exd6 Rxd6 28.Rxc5 b3 29.Kh2 Bc2 30.Bf2 Rxe1 31.Bxe1 Bxb2 32.Bf2 f5 33.Ne2 Ba3 34.Ra5 Bb2 35.Nc3 Qc7 36.Bd4 Qxa5 0-1 (36) bodoque50 (2604)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2598) Blitz 2023]
11.Nc1
[11.Ng3 Ne5 12.Be2 h5 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 Nh5 *(14...Nh7 15.Nf2 f5 16.f4 Nf7 17.Kh1 Nf6 18.Bd3 Nh6*

19.e5 dxe5 20.fxe5 Nfg4 21.Nxg4 Nxg4 22.e6 Bxe6 23.dxe6 Kh7 24.Bc4 Qb6 25.Bf4 Rad8 26.Qe1 Qxb2 27.Qxh4+ Nh6 28.Rac1 Rd4 29.Nb5 Rxc4 30.Rxc4 Qxb5 31.Rfc1 Rxe6 32.Rxc5 Qe8 33.Rc7 Kg8 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Qxh6+ Kg8 36.h3 Qf8 37.Qg5 Qe7 38.Rc8+ Kf7 39.Rc7 1-0 (39) Konstantin_Bazarov (2675)-sugeng-prasetyo (2742) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.Nf2 a6 16.a4 Nd7 *(16...f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bxf6 Qxf6 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 fxg4 22.Nfe4 Qd4+ 23.Qxd4 cxd4 24.Nxd6 dxc3 25.Nxe8 cxb2 26.Rae1 Bf5 27.Nd6 Bd3 28.Rb1 Bxb1 29.Rxb1 Nxf4 30.Rxb2 Rf8 31.Nxb7 Nxd5 32.Rb1 Rb8 33.Rd1 Ne3 34.Rd3 Nxg2 35.Kxg2 Rxb7 36.Rd4 Rg7 37.Kf2 Kh7 38.Rd6 Rg6 39.Rd7+ Kh6 40.Rd5 Rg5 41.Rd6+ Rg6 42.Rd4 Rg5 43.Rd7 a5 44.Kg2 Kg6 45.Rd6+* 1-0 (48) jelmatos (2704)-Mapwright (2708) Blitz 2019*)* 17.f4 Nhf6 18.Bf3 Nb6 19.e5 Nc4 20.Qe2 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 dxe5 22.fxe5 Ng4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 24.Bxg4 Rxe5 25.Qf3 f5 26.Bh3 Qb6 27.Rab1 Rae8 28.Kh1 Qb4 29.d6 Rd8 30.Rfd1 Kf7 31.Nd5 Qe4 32.Qxe4 Rxe4 33.Nc3 Rd4 34.Ne2 R4xd6 35.Rxd6 Rxd6 36.b3 Rd2 37.Nf4 Be5 38.g3 hxg3 39.hxg3 g5 40.Nh5 Kg6 41.Re1 Bd6 42.g4 Rh2+ 43.Kg1 Rxh3 44.Re6+ Kf7 45.Rxd6 fxg4 46.Nf6 Rxb3 47.Nxg4 b5 48.Ne5+ Ke7 49.Rxa6 b4 50.Rc6 Rc3 51.a5 b3 52.Rb6 c4 53.a6 Rc1+ 54.Kg2 Ra1 55.a7 Rxa7 56.Nc6+ Kd6 57.Nxa7+ Kc5 58.Rb5+ Kd4 59.Nc6+ Kc3 60.Ne5 b2 61.Kg3 Kc2 62.Nxc4 b1Q 63.Na3+ Kc3 64.Nxb1+ Kc4 65.Na3+ 1-0 (65) tornike_sanikidze (2717)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2788) Blitz 2022]

11...Ne5 12.Be2 Nh5 13.0-0 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.Bh6 f4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.a4 c4+ 19.Kh1 Bf5 20.a5 Qd8 21.Ra4 Qh4 22.Kg1 Rac8 23.b3 Kh8 24.bxc4 Rg8 25.Rf2 Rg6 26.Bd3 Ng3 27.Bxf5 Nxf5 28.Ne4 Rcg8 29.Ra3 Ne3 30.Rxe3 fxe3 31.Qxe3 R8g7 32.Nd3 Nxc4 33.Qd4 b5 34.g3 Qe7 35.a6 h6 36.Nf4 Kh7 37.Nxg6 Rxg6 38.f4 Qf7 39.f5 Rg4 40.Nf6+ Qxf6 41.Qxf6 Ne5 42.Qg6+ Nxg6 43.fxg6+ Kxg6 44.Kg2 Rd4 45.Rf4 Rxd5 46.Rg4+ Kf5 47.Rf4+ Ke5 48.Rh4 Rc5 49.Kh3 1-0 (49) AgressiveMode (2837)-ice2breaker (2822) Blitz 2021

8.Bd3 0-0

[8...Nbd7 9.Nh3 Ne5 10.Nf2 Nxd3+ 11.Nxd3 0-0 12.0-0 b5 13.Nxb5 Qb6 14.Nc3 c4+ 15.Nf2 Nd7 16.Qe2 Rb8 17.Rd1 Ne5 18.Kh1 f5 19.f4 fxe4 20.Ncxe4 Nd3 21.Nxd3 cxd3 22.Qxd3 Bf5 23.Qf3 Rfe8 24.Nc3 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Qb5 26.h3 Re2 27.Rg1 Be4 28.Qg3 Bxd5 29.Be3 Qd3 30.Rae1 Rbb2 31.Rxe2 Rxe2 32.Bf2 Qxg3 33.Bxg3 Rxa2 34.f5 gxf5 35.Bxd6 a5 36.Kh2 Kf7 37.Kg3 Ke6 38.Bc5 a4 39.Re1+ Be4 40.Kf4 Rxg2 41.Ra1 Bc2 42.Ra2 Kd5 43.Bd4 Kc4 44.Bf6 Kb3 45.Ra1 Be4 46.c4 a3 47.c5 Rc2 48.Bd4 Rc4 49.Ke5 a2 50.h4 Bb1 51.Kd5 Rxd4+ 52.Kxd4 Kb2 53.Rxa2+ Bxa2 54.Ke5 Bc4 55.c6 Kc3 56.c7 Ba6 57.Kxf5 Kd4 58.Kg5 Ke5 59.Kh6 Kf6 60.Kxh7 Kf7 61.h5 Bc8 62.Kh6 Kf6 63.Kh7 Kf7 64.Kh6 Kf6 65.Kh7 Kf7 ½-½ (65) Superfm1 (2625)-Micheliavelli (2679) Blitz 2025]

9.Nge2 Sokolov,Ivan: 'this line is not much played and Black had good results in practice - Kuligowski, Adam 2450 - Schmidt,Wlodzimierz 2475, Polska 1982 - 35/117, A 65 this line is not much played and Black had good results in practice - Kuligowski,Adam 2450 - Schmidt, Wlodzimierz 2475, Polska 1982 - 35/117, A 65' 9...h6

[9...Na6 10.a3 Nc7 11.0-0 Rb8 12.a4 Na6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nb4 15.Bc4 a6 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.a5 Re8 18.Ng3 Bd7 19.h3 b5 20.axb6 Rxb6 21.f4 Qb8 22.e5 dxe5 23.Bxc5 e4 24.Rae1 Rb7 25.Ngxe4 Nxe4 26.Nxe4 Rd8 27.Nd6 Rc7 28.Bxb4 1-0 (28) Superfm1 (2648)-Anator_0531 (2533) Blitz 2024]

[9...Nh5 10.0-0 Nd7 11.g4 Nhf6 12.Ng3 Ne5 13.Bc2 a6 14.a4 Rb8 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Ra2 Ne8 18.Kg2 Nc7 19.Na4 Rb4 20.Bd2 Nc4 21.Bc1 Nb5 22.Bd3 Nd4 23.Bxc4 Rxc4 24.Nc3 Rb4 25.Bf4 Qb6 26.Qd2 Bd7 27.Rf2 Rb8 28.h4 Bb5 29.h5 Bc4 30.Ra1 Rxb2 31.Qxb2 Qxb2 32.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 33.Kh3 Nxf3 34.Nf1 Bxc3 35.Ne3 Bb5 36.Rc1 Bd4 37.Nd1 Rb3 38.Kg2 Ne1+ 39.Kh2 Nd3 0-1 (39) Mischuk_D (2631)-AndyPipkin69 (2589) Blitz 2021]

10.0-0 Nh7 11.Ng3 Nd7 12.f4 a6 13.a4 Rb8 14.Qf3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Kh1 c4 17.Bc2 b4 18.Nce2 Nc5 19.Rd1 c3 20.b3 Nxb3 21.Bxb3 c2 22.Bxc2 Bxa1 23.e5 dxe5 24.f5 g5 25.Ne4 Nf6 26.N2g3 Bd4 27.h4 b3 28.Bb1 b2 29.Bd2 Nxe4 30.Nxe4 f6 31.Qh5 Qe7 32.d6 Qg7 33.hxg5 fxg5 34.Ba2+ Kh8 35.f6 Rxf6 36.Bxg5 Rg6 37.Bh4 Bg4 0-1 (37) smeets (2698)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2772) Blitz 2024

8.Bb5+ Bd7

[8...Nbd7

A) 9.Nge2 h5 *(9...a6 10.Bxd7+ Bxd7 11.a4 b5 12.axb5 axb5 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.Bf4 b4 15.Nb1 Qa6 16.0-0 Nh5 17.Bc1 0-0 18.Re1 Bb5 19.Nf4 Nxf4 20.Bxf4 Bxb2 21.Qd2 Bd4+ 22.Be3 Bg7 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 c4 25.Nd2 c3 26.Nb3 Qb6+ 27.Qe3 Qxe3+ 28.Rxe3 Ba4 29.Nd4 c2* Normal 0-1 (29) Consent_to_treatment (2646)-AllGunsBlazing22 (2621) Blitz 2024 *)* 10.Bg5 a6 11.Bxd7+ Bxd7 12.a4 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Qxb6 15.Qd2 0-0 16.0-0 Rfe8 17.Rfb1 Nh7 18.Be3 Qb7 19.Qd3 Ra8 20.Bf2 f5 21.Qc4 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Qb6 23.N2c3 Nf6 24.Nxf6+ Bxf6 25.Ne4 Be5 26.Bg3 Bb5 27.Qc2 Kg7 28.Ng5 Bd7 29.Ne4 Bf5 30.Ra3 Bxg3 31.hxg3 Qb4 32.Rb3 Qd4+ 33.Kh2 Rxe4 34.fxe4 Bxe4 35.Rb7+ Kg8 36.Qc1 Rf8 37.Qh6 Qh8 38.Qxf8+ Kxf8 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.Rxh8 Kxh8 41.Ra1 Bd3 42.Re1 Bf5 43.Re7 Kg8 44.Ra7 Bd3 45.Rd7 Bc4 46.Rxd6 Kf7 47.Rc6 Bxd5 48.Rxa6 c4 49.Rd6 Be6 50.g4 Ke7 51.Rb6 hxg4 52.Kg3 Kf7 53.Kf4 Ke7 54.Ke5 Bf5 55.Rb7+ Kd8 56.Rb6 Kc8 57.g3 Kc7 58.Rb5 Kc6 59.Rb4 Kc5 60.Rb8 Kc6 61.Ra8 Kb5 62.Ra3 c3 63.Rxc3 Kb4 64.Rb3+ Ka4 65.Rc3 Kb4 66.Kf4 Kb5 67.Kg5 Kb6 68.Rf3 Kb5 69.Rf4 Ka5 70.Rxf5+ Ka6 71.Rf4 Ka7 72.Rxg4 Ka8 73.Rf4 Kb8 74.Rf5

Ka8 75.Rf6 1-0 (75) Consent_to_treatment (2657)-TheJoker98 (2740) Blitz 2021;

B) 9.Bf4 a6 10.Be2 Nh5 11.Bxd6 Qb6 12.e5 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Bxe5 14.Qd2 0-0 15.g3 Re8 16.f4 Bd4 17.Nf3 Bh3 18.Na4 Qf6 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.0-0-0 Rac8+ 21.Kb1 b5 22.Bxh5 gxh5 23.Qxd4 Qxd4 24.Rxd4 bxa4 25.Rxa4 Red8 26.Rd1 Bf5+ 27.Ka1 Bc2 0-1 (27) papasi (2627)-Paramos (2600) Blitz 2020;

C) 9.a4

C1) 9...0-0 10.Nh3 *(10.Nge2 Nh5 11.0-0 Be5 12.g4 Qh4 13.Rf2 Ng7 14.Rg2 Nf6 15.Be3 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxg4 17.Bf4 Bxf4 18.Nxf4 Ne3 19.Qf3 Nxg2 20.Nxg2 Qe7 21.Re1 a6 22.Bf1 Rae8 23.Ne3 f5 24.exf5 Nxf5 25.Ng2 Nh4 26.Nxh4 Qxe1* 0-1 (26) Consent_to_treatment (2609)-Centner-01 (2569) Blitz 2021 *)* 10...Ne5 11.Nf2 a6 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 h5 14.Bg5 Qc7 15.Qd2 Nh7 16.Be3 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Rac1 Qf7 19.Bh6 Bd7 20.a5 Kh8 21.Nh3 Rg8 22.Bxg7+ Rxg7 23.f4 Ng4 24.Ng5 Qg6 25.h4 Re8 26.Bxg4 fxg4 27.Rce1 Rge7 28.Ne6 Qf6 29.Ne4 Qxh4 30.g3 Qh3 31.Rf2 Bxe6 32.dxe6 Rxe6 33.Rh2 Rxe4 34.Rxe4 Rxe4 35.Rxh3 gxh3 36.Qxd6 Kg7 37.Qd7+ Kg6 38.Qxh3 Nf6 39.Qc8 Ng4 40.Qxb7 Re1+ 41.Kg2 Re2+ 42.Kf1 Rh2 43.Qxa6+ Kf5 44.Qd3+ Ke6 45.Qe4+ Kf6 46.Qc6+ Kf5 47.Qxc5+ Ke4 48.Qc6+ Ke3 49.Qc3+ Ke4 50.Kg1 Re2 51.Qc4+ Kf3 52.Qxe2+ Kxe2 53.a6 1-0 (53) Superfm1 (2610)-TheBigGreek (2637) Rapid 2021;

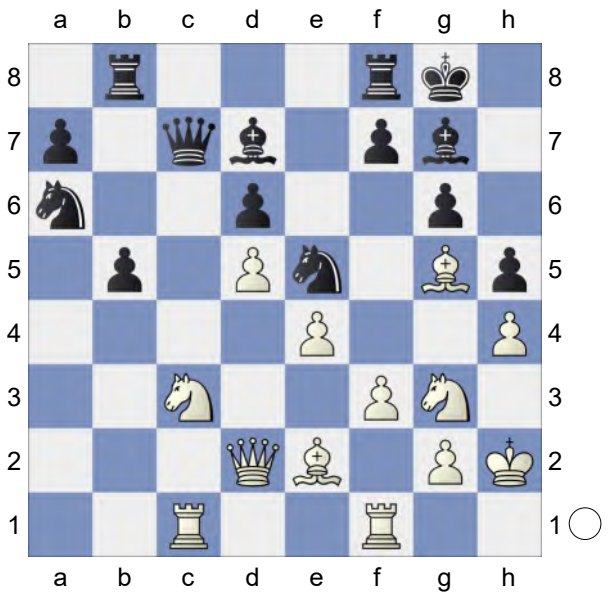
C2) 9...a6 10.Be2 Ne5 11.h3 *(11.Be3 Rb8 12.Nh3 Bxh3 13.gxh3 Nh5 14.Qd2 Qh4+ 15.Bf2 Qxh3 16.0-0-0 Nf4 17.Bg3 Nxe2+ 18.Qxe2 c4 19.Kb1 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.f4 Nd3 22.e5 0-0 23.Ne4 dxe5 24.Ng5 Qf5 25.Qe4 Qxe4 26.Nxe4 exf4 27.Bh4 Nxb2 28.d6 Nxd1 29.Rxd1 f5 30.Nc5 h6 31.Be7 Rfc8 32.d7 Rxc5 33.d8Q+ Rxd8 34.Rxd8+ Kf7 35.Bxc5 Bf6 36.Rb8 f3 37.Bf2 Be5 38.Rxb5 Bxh2 39.Kc2 Kf6 40.Rc5 g5 41.Kd2 g4 42.Bd4+ Kg5 43.Rxc4 g3 44.Ke3 f2 45.Ke2 f4 46.Kf1 Kg4 47.Rc6 f3 48.Bxf2 gxf2 49.Kxf2 Bg3+ 50.Kf1 h5 51.Rg6+ Kf4 52.Rf6+ Kg4 53.Rg6+ Kf4 54.Rf6+ Kg5 55.Rxf3 Bf4 56.Kg2 Kg4 57.Rc3 h4 58.Rc6 h3+ 59.Kf2 Bg3+ 60.Kg1 Bf4 61.Rg6+ Kf3 62.Rf6 Kg3 63.Rg6+ Kf3 64.Rg8 Be3+ 65.Kh2 Bf4+ 66.Kxh3 Be3 67.Rf8+ Ke4 68.Kg4 Bd4 69.Re8+ Kd5 70.Kf5 Kc5 71.Kf4 Kc4 72.Ke4 Bc5 73.Rc8 Kb5 74.Kd5 Bb6 75.Ra8 Bc7 76.Ra7 Bb6 77.Rb7 Ka6 78.Kc6 Ba7 79.Rb3 Ka5 80.Ra3+ Kb4 81.Rxa7 Kc4 82.Rb7 Kd4 83.Rb6 Kd3 84.Rb5 Ke3 85.Rc5 Ke2 86.Rd5 Kf2 87.Kc5 Kg3 88.Kc4 Kg2 89.Kd4 Kf2 90.Ke4 Kf1 91.Rd4 Kf2* ½-½ (91) superfm1 (2673)-ajuh2

(2553) Blitz 2024*)* 11...h5 12.f4 Ned7 13.Nf3 0-0 14.0-0 Re8 15.Qc2 c4 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Kh2 Nc5 18.Nd2 Bd7 19.a5 Rab8 20.Bg1 b5 21.axb6 Rxb6 22.Nxc4 Rbb8 23.e5 dxe5 24.d6 Qc8 25.fxe5 Nh7 26.Nd5 Nb3 27.Ra3 Bxe5+ 28.Kh1 Nd4 29.Bxd4 Bxd4 30.Ne7+ Rxe7 31.dxe7 Be6 32.Qe4 Bg7 33.Rxa6 Nf6 34.Qf3 Bd5 35.Qg3 Rb4 36.Raxf6 Bxf6 37.Rxf6 Bxc4 38.Bxh5 Rxb2 39.Bxg6 Qb8 40.Bxf7+ Kh8 41.Qxb8+ 1-0 (41) Superfm1 (2681)-Danny17 (2467) Blitz 2024]

9.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 10.Nge2 0-0 11.0-0 a6 12.a4 Re8 13.Qe1 Ne5 14.Nf4 Rb8 15.Qe2 Qd7 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Rxa6 Rxa6 19.Qxa6 Rb8 20.Nd3 Ne8 21.f4 Nc7 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Qd3 Bd4+ 24.Be3 Bxe3+ 25.Qxe3 Rxb2 26.e5 dxe5 27.Qxe5 Rb8 28.d6 Re8 29.Qxc5 Ne6 30.Qb6 Rd8 31.Ne4 Qa4 32.Re1 h5 33.d7 Rxd7 34.Nf6+ Kg7 35.Nxd7 Qxd7 36.Qb2+ Kh7 37.Qf6 Qd4+ 38.Qxd4 Nxd4 39.Kf2 Kg7 40.Ra1 h4 41.Ra4 Nf5 42.Kf3 Kf6 43.Ra6+ Kg7 44.Kg4 Kh6 45.Rf6 Ne3+ 46.Kf3 Kg7 47.Ra6 Nf5 48.Kg4 Ne3+ 49.Kxh4 Nxg2+ 50.Kg5 Ne3 51.Ra7 Nf5 52.Rb7 Nd6 53.Rd7 Ne4+ 54.Kh4 Nf6 55.Ra7 Nd5 56.Kg5 Nf6 57.f5 Nh7+ 58.Kf4 g5+ 59.Kg4 Kf6 60.Ra6+ Kg7 61.Kh5 Nf6+ 62.Kxg5 Ne4+ 63.Kf4 Nf6 64.Rxf6 Kxf6 65.Ke4 Kg5 66.Ke5 1-0 (66) cbkawk (2701)-bobyfisher2003 (2652) Rapid 2021

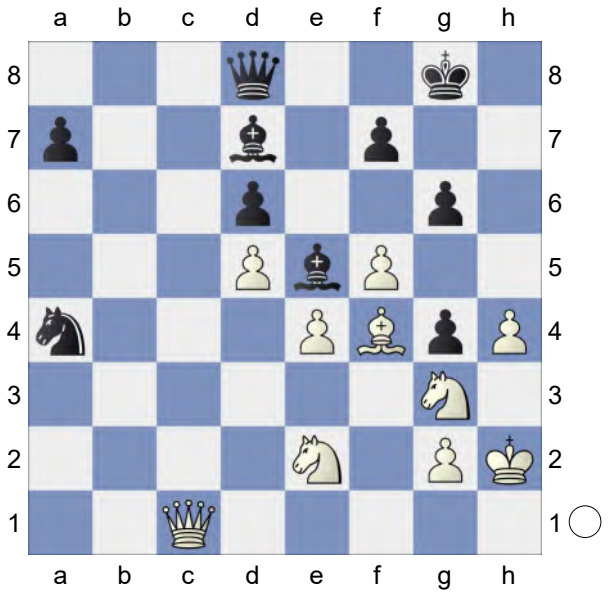
[138] **10.Ng3** White is slightly better. 10...Nd7 11.Be2 h5 12.h4 c4 [12...Bf6 looks sharper. 13.Bh6 *(13.Nf1 Ne5 14.g3 c4 15.Ne3 Qc7 16.Nb5 Qc5 17.Kf1 Bd7 18.Na3 c3 19.bxc3 Qxc3 20.Rb1 Nc5 21.Bb5 Qa5 22.Kg2 Bxb5 23.Nxb5 a6 24.Nxd6 Qc7 25.Ndc4 Nxc4 26.Nxc4 Nxe4 27.fxe4 Qxc4 28.Re1 Rae8 29.Qf3 Qc2+ 30.Kh3 Qc8+ 31.Kg2 Qc2+ 32.Kh3 Qc8+ 33.Kh2 Qc2+ 34.Kh3* ½-½ (34) PetersBot (3009)-RaspFish (3039) Rapid 2024*)* 13...Bxh4 14.Kf2 Nb4] 13.Bxc4 Ne5 14.Be2 Bd7 15.a5 Nc5 16.Bg5 Qc7 17.0-0 b6 18.a6! b5! 19.b4 [19.Nxb5 Bxb5 20.Bxb5 Qb6∓] 19...Ncd3 20.Qd2 [But not 20.Bxd3 Qxc3 21.Be2 Qxb4=] 20...Nxb4 21.Kh2 -0.01/21 [Don't go for 21.Bxb5? Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Qc5+ 23.Kh2 Nc4-+] [21.Nxb5± 0.44/21 feels stronger. Bxb5 22.Qxb4 Bxe2 23.Nxe2] 21...Rab8= 22.Rac1 [22.Rfc1!? Nc4 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.Bh6=] 22...Nxa6 0.69/20 [22...Nc4= -0.16/21 23.Bxc4 bxc4]

(Diagram)



23.Nxb5!± Qb6 24.Nd4↑ White fights for an advantage. 24...Nc5 25.Rb1 Prevents Qb4. 25...Qc7 26.f4 Ng4+ 27.Bxg4 Rxb1 28.Rxb1 hxg4 29.f5 Be5 30.Qe3 Na4 31.Nde2 Rb8! 32.Rxb8+ Qxb8 33.Bf4 Qb6 34.Qc1 And now Bxe5 would win. 34...Qd8 1.00/19

[34...Bb2± 0.45/20 35.Qc2 Bh8]



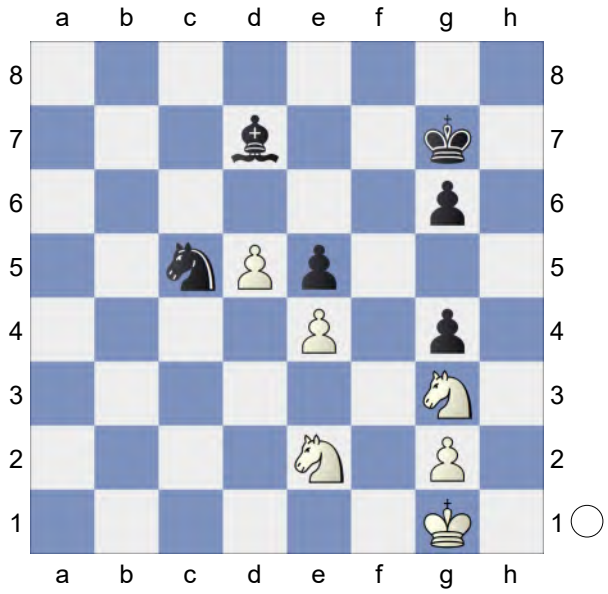
35.Bxe5 0.58/22

[White should play 35.h5!± 1.00/19]

35...Qxh4+ 36.Kg1 dxe5 37.Qc7 Qe7 38.Qb8+ Kg7 39.fxg6 &Bianco is more active.

[Much weaker is 39.Qxa7 Qc5+ 40.Qxc5 Nxc5=]

39...fxg6 40.Qxa7 Qc5+ 41.Qxc5 Nxc5 Endgame



KBN-KNN 42.Nc3! Bc8 0.01/22 Kitty Kat: '=!' '=!' 43.Kf2 Nd3+ 44.Kg1 0.01/22

[44.Kf1± 0.40/24]

44...Kf6 0.50/23

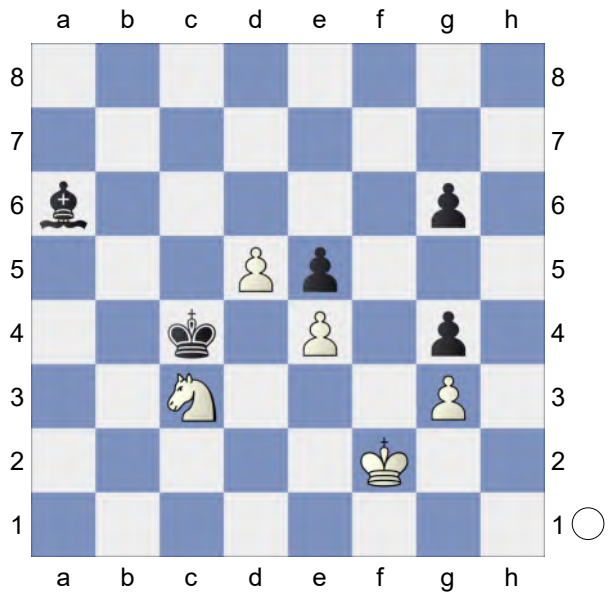
[44...Nc5!= 0.01/22]

45.Nf1 0.16/25

[45.Nh1± 0.50/23]

45...Ke7= 46.Nd2 Kd6! 47.Nb3 Ba6 Inhibits Nb5+. 48.g3 Nc5 The position is equal. 49.Nxc5 Kxc5 KB-KN 50.Kf2 Hoping for Na4+. 50...Kc4!

(Diagram)



51.d6! Bc8 52.Nd5 Nb6+ is the strong threat. 52...Kc5 Prevents Nb6. 53.Ne7 Be6 54.Nxg6 Threatens to win with d7!

[54.Ke3 is more complex. g5 55.Nf5 Kc6 56.Kd3]

54...Kxd6 55.Nh4 Kc5 56.Ke3 Kd6 57.Kd3 Bc8 58.Ng2 Kc5 59.Kc3 Bb7 60.Kd3 Bc8 61.Nh4 Kd6 62.Ke2 Be6 63.Ke3 Bc8 64.Kd3 Bd7 65.Kc3 Kc5 66.Nf5 Bxf5 67.exf5 KPP-KPP 67...Kd5 68.Kb2 Kd6 aiming for ...Ke7. 69.Kc2 Kc5

[69...Ke7!? 70.Kd3 Kf7=]

70.Kb1 Kd6 71.Kc2 Kd5 72.Kb1 e4 73.Kb2 Ke5 74.Kc3 Kxf5 (-> ...e3). KPP-KP Kitty Kat: '(→ ...e3). KPP-KP'

[74...Kf6!?]

75.Kd4 e3 76.Kxe3 Ke5 77.Kd3! Kd5 78.Ke3 Intending Kf4 and mate. 78...Ke5 79.Kd3! Kd5 80.Ke3 Kf4 would kill now. 80...Ke5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless) ½-½ (80) PetersBot (3018)-ArasanX (3041) Rapid 2024 [Kitty Kat]

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[7...h6 8.Be3

A) 8...a6 9.a4 0-0 10.Qd2 *(10.Qc1 exd5 11.cxd5 Nh7 12.Be2 h5 13.Bh6 f5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.f4 Qa5 17.Nf3 Nd7 18.0-0 Rae8 19.h3 Nhf6 20.Ng5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Rxe2 22.Nc3 Re7 23.Re1 Rfe8 24.Rxe7+ Rxe7 25.Nd5 Re2 26.Nc3 Re7 27.Qd2 Nf6 28.Qxd6 Qc7 29.Rd1 h4 30.Qxf6+ Kxf6 31.Nd5+ Kg7 32.Nxc7 Rxc7 33.Rd5 Rc6 34.Nf3 Rb6 35.Nxh4 Be4 36.Re5 Rb4 37.a5 Bb1 38.Nf3 Rxb2 39.g4 Rb5 40.Kf2 Rxa5 41.Re7+ Kf8 42.Rxb7 Rb5 43.Rc7 Rb4 44.Kg3 Rb3 45.Kf2 Rb4 46.Rxc5 Rxf4 47.Kg3 Rf7 48.Ra5 Rf6 ½-½ (48) Intron014 (2938)-RaspFish (2881) Rapid 2023)* 10...h5 *(10...e5 11.g4 Bxg4 12.fxg4 Nxg4 13.Nf3 f5 14.h3 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Nd7 16.Rg1 Kh7 17.Bd3 Bf6 18.exf5 Bh4+ 19.Nxh4 Qxh4+ 20.Qf2 Qxh3 21.fxg6+ Kg7 22.Qg3 Qh5 23.Qg4 Qxg4 24.Rxg4 Nf6 25.Rg2 Nh5 26.Be4 Rf4 27.Ke2 Raf8 28.Rh1 Rxe4+ 29.Nxe4 Nf4+ 30.Kf3 Nxg2+ 31.Kxg2 Kxg6 32.Nxd6 Rf4 33.Re1 Kf6 34.a5 Rg4+ 35.Kf3 Rg7 36.Rh1 Rd7 37.Rxh6+ Kg5 38.Re6* 1-0 (38) lestri (2697)-aryamannkid (2551) Blitz 2022*) 11.Bh6 Re8 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Be2 Qe7 14.h4 exd5 15.cxd5 Ra7 *(15...Qe5 16.Kf2 Nbd7 17.Nh3 Qd4+ 18.Qxd4 cxd4 19.Nb1 Nc5 20.Nd2 Bxh3 21.gxh3 Rac8 22.Rhc1 a5 23.Bb5 Nfd7 24.Rd1 Rf8 25.Nc4 f5 26.Nxd6 Rcd8 27.Rxd4 Ne5 28.f4*

Kf6 29.b4 axb4 30.Ne8+ Rfxe8 31.Bxe8 Ned3+ 32.Ke3 Rxe8 33.e5+ Nxe5 34.fxe5+ Rxe5+ 35.Kf4 b3 36.a5 Re2 37.Rb4 Rf2+ 38.Ke3 Ra2 39.Rd1 b2 40.Kd4 Ne6+ 41.Kc3 Nc5 42.Kd4 Ne6+ 43.Kc3 Nc5 44.Kc2 Rxa5 45.Rxb2 Ra6 46.Rb5 Ne4 47.Rxb7 Nf2 48.Rdb1 Ke5 49.Rf1 Ne4 50.Re7+ Kxd5 51.Rd1+ Kc5 52.Rc7+ Rc6 53.Rxc6+ Kxc6 54.Rg1 Kd5 55.Kd3 Ke5 56.Rxg6 Kf4 57.Ke2 Ng3+ 58.Kf2 Ne4+ 59.Kg2 Ke3 60.Ra6 1-0 (59) Leela420 (2794)-ArasanX (2806) Classical 2024*)* 16.Kf2 b6 17.Nh3 Bxh3 18.Rxh3 Nbd7 19.Rhh1 Rc8 20.Rhe1 c4 21.Kg1 Rb7 22.Rab1 Ne5 23.f4 Nd3 24.Bxd3 cxd3 25.Qxd3 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.g3 b4 28.Nd1 Rbc7 29.e5 dxe5 30.d6 Qd7 31.fxe5 Ng4 32.Ne3 Nxe5 33.Nf5+ Qxf5 34.Qxf5 gxf5 35.Rxe5 Rd7 36.Rd1 Rc6 37.Rxf5 Rcxd6 38.Rxd6 Rxd6 39.Rxh5 Rd2 40.b3 Rd3 41.Kg2 Rxb3 42.Rb5 f6 43.Rb7+ Kh6 44.Kh3 Rb1 45.Kg2 Kh5 46.Kf3 b3 47.Kg2 b2 48.Rb5+ Kg6 49.g4 f5 50.Rb6+ Kg7 51.Rb7+ Kf6 52.Rb6+ Kf7 53.Rb7+ Kf6 54.gxf5 Kxf5 55.h5 Ra1 56.Rxb2 Ra6 57.h6 Rg6+ 58.Kf1 Kg4 59.h7 Rh6 60.h8Q Rxh8 61.Ra2 Kf5 62.Rb2 Rh5 63.Ra2 Kg4 64.Rb2 Rd5 65.Rb1 Kg5 66.Ra1 Kg4 67.Rb1 Kh3 68.Ra1 Kg4 69.Rb1 ½-½ (69) PetersBot (3061)-RaspFish (3070) Rapid 2024;

B) 8...exd5 9.cxd5

B1) 9...0-0 10.Bd3 a6 11.a4 Nbd7 12.Nge2 Ne5 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Kh1 Arsovic,Goran: 'N' *(14.Bc2 Nc4 15.Bc1 b5⇄)* 14...Bd7 15.Rb1 Qa5 16.Bc2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.b4 Arsovic,Goran: '!?' cxb4 19.Ra1 Qc7 20.Na2 Ra8

B1a) 21.Nxb4 Rxa1 *(21...Nh5 22.Rc1 Nc4 23.Bg1±)* 22.Qxa1 Nh5 23.Qc1 Rc8 24.Bb3 Qa5 25.Qe1 Nc4∞;

B1b) 21.Bd4 Nh5 22.Nxb4 Rxa1 23.Bxa1

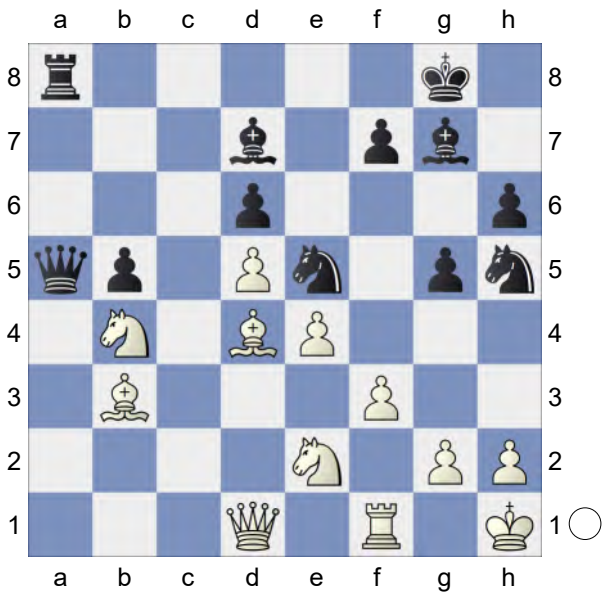
B1b1) ⌓23...Qc5

B1b11) 24.Bxe5 dxe5 *(24...Bxe5 25.Nd3 Qe3 26.Nxe5 dxe5 27.Qd3 Qc5∞)* 25.Nd3 Qd6 26.Qd2 f5∞;

B1b12) 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.Bxd3 Ra8 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qb3 Nf6 28.Rc1 Qe3∞;

B1b2) 23...Ra8 24.Bb3 g5 *(24...Qc5 25.Nc2 Nc4 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qd3±)* 25.Bd4 Arsovic,Goran: '±' Qa5 Arsovic,Goran: '?!' Arsovic,Goran: 'Diagram *(25...Nc4 26.Bxg7 Nxg7 27.Qc1±)*

(Diagram)



' 26.Nc6 Arsovic,Goran: '!'
B1b21) 26...Qc7 27.Qd2 *(27.Qc2 Bxc6 28.Bxe5 dxe5 29.Qxc6 Qxc6 30.dxc6 Rc8 31.Bd5±)* 27...Nxc6 28.dxc6 Bxc6 29.Bxg7 Nxg7 30.f4!±;
B1b22) 26...Qa6 27.Qd2! Nc4 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.Bxg7 Nxg7 30.Ncd4±;
B1b23) 26...Qa3 27.Qc2 Arsovic,Goran: ' ±' Nf4 28.Nxf4 gxf4 29.h4 *(29.Rb1! Ng6 30.Bg1 Rc8 31.Qd2±)* 29...Bf6 *(29...Ng6 30.h5 Bxd4 31.hxg6 Bxc6 32.gxf7+ Kf8 33.dxc6 Qc5 34.Qxc5 dxc5 35.Rd1 b4 36.Kh2 Rc8 37.Bd5±)* 30.Bb2 Qa6 31.Qd2 b4 32.Rg1 *(32.Ra1? Qxa1+ 33.Bxa1 Rxa1+ 34.Kh2 Ng6⩱)* 32...Bg7 33.Ra1 Qxa1+ *(33...Qb7 34.Rxa8+ Qxa8 35.Nxe5 dxe5 36.Qxb4 Qd8 37.Kg1 Qxh4 38.d6±)* 34.Bxa1 Rxa1+ 35.Kh2 Arsovic,Goran: '+-' Rb1 36.Qxb4 Rb2 37.Qb8+ Kh7 38.Nxe5 Bxe5 39.Qf8 Kg6 40.h5+ Kf6 41.Bc4 Ba4 42.Ba6 Bd1 43.Qxh6+ Ke7 44.Qg5+ Bf6 45.Qg4 Ba4 46.Bc8 Bb5 *(46...Rb8 47.h6+-)* 47.h6 Bf1 48.Qd7+ Kf8 49.Qxd6+ Be7 50.h7 *(50.Qxf4 Rxg2+ 51.Kh1 Bg5 52.Qb8+-)* 50...Rxg2+ 51.Kh1 Bxd6 52.h8Q+ Rg8 53.Qf6 Rg6 54.Qh8+ Rg8 55.Qh6+ Ke7 56.Qh4+ Ke8 57.Qf6 Rg6 58.Qh8+ Bf8 59.Qe5+ Kd8 60.Bf5 1-0 (60) Navara,D (2730)-Swiercz,D (2634) Czech Republic CZE 2016;

B2) 9...a6 10.a4
B2a) 10...Nbd7 11.Nh3
B2a1) 11...Qa5 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Nf2 Qb4 14.Qc2 c4 15.0-0 0-0 16.a5 Bd7 17.f4 Neg4 18.Nxg4 Nxg4 19.Bxg4 Bxg4 20.Ra4 Qb3 21.Qxb3 cxb3 22.Rb4 Rfe8 23.Bd4 Bxd4+ 24.Rxd4 f5 25.Rb4 Re7 26.h3 Bh5 27.Rxb3 Rae8 28.Rb6 Rd7 29.Re1 g5 30.e5 gxf4 31.e6 Rg7 32.Kf2 Rg3 33.Rb4 Rd3 34.Rxf4 Rd2+ 35.Kg3 Kh7 36.Rxf5 Rg8+ 37.Kh4 Bg6 38.Rf4 Rxg2 39.Rg4 Rxb2 40.e7 Re8 41.Reg1 Rxe7

42.Rxg6 Rb3 43.R6g3 Rc7 44.Ne4 Rb4 45.Rg4 1-0 (45) Iestri (2633)-ice2breaker (2654) Blitz 2024;

B2a2) 11...Rb8 12.Nf2 Ne5 13.Be2 Bd7 *(13...g5 14.0-0 0-0 15.Qd2 Ng6 16.Rfb1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Qe7 19.Nd1 Bd7 20.Ndc3 Nh5 21.Ra7 Nhf4 22.Bf1 Rfd8 23.Rba1 Qf6 24.R1a6 Bxb5 25.Nxb5 Qe5 26.g3 Nh5 27.Rc6 Ra8 28.Rcc7 Rxa7 29.Nxa7 Qxb2 30.Qxb2 Bxb2 31.Nb5 Be5 32.Kg2 Ra8 33.Ra7 Rb8 34.Ra6 Rd8 35.Bd2 Nf6 36.Ba5 Nd7 37.Bxd8 1-0 (37) Clovis1088 (2623)-Koshechka22 (2644) Blitz 2021)* 14.f4 Neg4 15.Nxg4 Nxg4 16.Bxg4 Qh4+ 17.g3 Qxg4 18.Qxg4 Bxg4 19.h3 Bf3 20.0-0 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Bxe4 22.Bxc5 dxc5 0-1 (22) Clovis1088 (2625)-cutemouse83 (2870) Blitz 2021;

B2a3) 11...Ne5 12.Nf2 Bd7 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Qxb6 15.Ra2 0-0 16.Be2 Bb5 17.0-0 Bc4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Bc1 Rfe8 20.Kh1 a5 21.Qa4 Qb4 22.Nd3 Qxa4 23.Rxa4 Nd7 24.Rxc4 Nb6 25.Ra4 Bxc3 26.Ra2 Bg7 27.h3 a4 28.Bf4 Red8 29.Rb1 Ra5 30.Rc1 Rb5 31.Rc2 g5 32.Bg3 f5 33.exf5 Nxd5 34.Re2 c4 35.Nf2 c3 36.bxc3 Nxc3 37.Ne4 Nxe2 38.Rxe2 Rxf5 39.Bxd6 Rd5 40.Ba3 Rd1+ 41.Kh2 Be5+ 42.Ng3 Rh1+ 43.Kxh1 Bxg3 44.Bc5 Rd1+ 45.Bg1 a3 0-1 (45) Melkumyan,H (2645)-Firouzja,A (2785) chess.com INT 2023;

B2b) 10...0-0 11.Be2

B2b1) 11...Nh7 12.Qd2 h5 *(12...Re8 13.g4 h5 14.gxh5 Qh4+ 15.Kd1 Qxh5 16.Bf4 Bf8 17.h4 Nd7 18.Kc2 Ne5 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.f4 Qg7 21.h5 Nf6 22.Bf3 b5 23.axb5 gxh5 24.Nge2 Bg4 25.Bxg4 hxg4 26.Rxa6 Rxa6 27.bxa6 Nxe4 28.Nxe4 Rxe4 29.Nc3 Re8 30.Qd3 Ra8 31.Ne4 f5 32.Nxd6 Qd7 33.Qxf5 Qxf5+ 34.Nxf5 Rxa6 35.Rg1 Kf7 36.Rxg4 Ra4 37.b3 Re4 38.Rh4 Rb4 39.Ne3 Re4 40.Kd3 Rd4+ 41.Ke2 Bd6 42.Kf3 Bb8 43.Rh7+ Kg6 44.Rh4 Kf7 45.Nf5 Rb4 46.Ne3 Rd4 ½-½ (46) YukariBot (2781)-Cheng-4 (2772) Rapid 2025)* 13.Bh6 Re8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Ra3

B2b11) 15...b6 16.Nd1 Ra7 17.Bd3 Nd7 18.Ne2 Ne5 19.0-0 Nxd3 20.Rxd3 h4 *(20...Bd7 21.Ra3 Qf6 22.Re1 Rb7 23.Nf2 b5 24.axb5 Rxb5 25.Nc3 Rb6 26.Qc1 Qd4 27.h3 Reb8 28.Ncd1 a5 29.Rd3 Qf6 30.f4 Rb4 31.Rf3 Qd4*

32.Re2 a4 33.Nc3 Rb3 34.Kh2 h4 35.Nfd1 R8b7 36.Rd2 Qf6 37.Re2 R7b4 38.Kh1 Qd8 39.e5 Bf5 40.Re1 Qe7 41.Ne3 Be4 42.Rf2 dxe5 43.Nf1 Bd3 44.fxe5 a3 45.e6 axb2 46.Qd2 b1Q 47.Rxb1 Rxb1 48.Qxd3 Re1 49.Qd2 Rxf1+ 50.Rxf1 fxe6 51.d6 Qd7 52.Ne2 Rb6 53.Rd1 Nf6 54.Qf4 Nd5 55.Qe5+ Kh7 56.Rf1 Qxd6 57.Rf7+ Kh6 58.Qh8+ Kg5 59.Qa1 Rb3 60.Ng1 c4 61.Qd4 Qg3 62.Nf3+ Rxf3 63.Rxf3 Qe1+ 64.Kh2 c3 65.Rf2 Qe3 66.Qg4+ Kh6 67.Qxh4+ Kg7 68.Rc2 e5 69.Ra2 Qf4+ 70.Qxf4 exf4 71.Ra5 c2 72.Rc5 Ne3 73.g3 Kf7 74.gxf4 Ke7 75.Rc6 Kd7 76.Rc3 Kd6 77.h4 Kd5 78.f5 Nxf5 79.Rxc2 Nxh4 80.Rc1 Ke5 81.Ra1 Kf6 82.Rb1 Kf7 83.Ra1 Nf5 84.Rb1 Ne3 85.Ra1 Nc2 86.Rb1 Nd4 87.Ra1 Nb3 88.Rb1 Nd4 89.Ra1 Nf3+ 90.Kh1 Ke6 91.Rb1 g5 92.Ra1 Kf6 93.Rb1 g4 94.Ra1 Ke5 95.Rb1 Kd6 96.Ra1 Kd5 97.Rb1 Ke6 98.Ra1 Nd4 99.Rb1 Ke5 100.Ra1 Nc2 101.Rb1 Kf4 102.Rc1 Nd4 103.Ra1 Ke3 104.Rb1 Ke4 105.Ra1 Nc2 106.Rb1 Kd5 107.Rc1 Nd4 108.Ra1 Kc5 109.Rb1 Ne6 110.Ra1 Kd6 111.Rb1 Kc7 112.Ra1 Kd8 113.Rb1 Kc7 114.Ra1 Kb7 115.Rb1+ Ka7 116.Ra1+ Kb8 117.Rb1+ Kc8 118.Ra1 Kd7 119.Rb1 Nc5 120.Ra1 Ne6 121.Rb1 Kc6 122.Ra1 Ng5 123.Rb1 Nf3 124.Ra1 g3 125.Rb1 Kc7 126.Ra1 Kc8 127.Rb1 Nd4 128.Ra1 Nc6 129.Rb1 g2+ 130.Kxg2 Na7 131.Ra1 Nc6 132.Rb1 Ne5 133.Ra1 Kb7 134.Rb1+ Kc8 135.Ra1 Ng4 136.Rb1 Ne3+ 137.Kg1 Kc7 138.Ra1 Nd5 139.Rb1 Ne7 140.Ra1 Kb7 141.Rb1+ Kc7 142.Ra1 Kd8 143.Rb1 Kc7

½-½ (143) PetersBot (3006)-RaspFish (3053) Rapid 2024) 21.Nf2 f5 22.Nf4 Ng5 23.Ne6+ Nxe6 24.dxe6 Bxe6 25.exf5 Bxf5 26.Rxd6 Rd7 27.Qc3+ Kh7 28.Rxd7+ Qxd7 29.Qc4 Kg7 30.Qxa6 Qd4 31.h3 c4 32.Rd1 Qc5 33.Qb5 Qxb5 34.axb5 Re2 35.Rd4 Rxb2 36.Rxc4 g5 37.Rc7+ Kf8 38.f4 Rb1+ 39.Kh2 Rf1 40.Rc6 Kg7 41.Nh1 gxf4 42.Rxb6 Rb1 43.Rc6 Rb2 44.Kg1 Rb1+ 45.Kh2 Rb2 46.Kg1

Rxb5 47.Rc4 Rb1+ 48.Kh2 Rf1 49.Rb4 Kf6 50.Rb2 Rb1 51.Ra2 Re1 52.Nf2 Re3 53.Ra8 f3 54.Ra4 Re2 55.Kg1 Re1+ 56.Kh2 Re2 57.Kg1 Re1+ 58.Kh2 Re2 ½-½ (58) PetersBot (3018)-colinbot (2981) Blitz 2025;

B2b12) 15...f5 16.a5 fxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf6 18.Ng5 Re5 19.f4 Rxd5 20.Qe3 Nc6 21.N1f3 Nd4 *(21...Qe8 22.Qxe8 Nxe8 23.0-0 Nc7 24.Bc4 Rf5 25.Nh4 d5 26.Bd3 Rf6 27.Bxg6 Rxg6 28.Rg3 Rxg5 29.Rxg5+ Kf6 30.Rxh5 Be6 31.h3 Bg8 32.g4 d4 33.Rh6+ Kf7 34.f5 Rd8 35.g5 d3 36.f6 d2 37.g6+ Kf8 38.Rd1 Nd5 39.Rxd2 Nxf6 40.Rf2 Rd6 41.Nf5 Re6 42.Rf1 Nxa5 43.g7+ Kf7 44.Ng3 Ke7 45.Rg6 Kf7 46.Rh6 Ke7 47.Rg6 Kf7 48.Rg5 Nc6 49.Nh5 Nd4 50.Rxc5 Ne2+ 51.Kg2 Kg6 52.Nxf6 Rxf6 53.Rxf6+ Kxf6 54.Rc7 Nf4+ 55.Kf3 Nxh3 56.Rxb7 Ng5+ 57.Ke3 a5 58.Ra7 Ne6 59.Rxa5 Nxg7 60.b3 Bxb3 61.Ra1 Bc2 62.Rc1 Nh5 63.Rxc2 Ng3 64.Rc1 Ke5 65.Ra1 Kf6 66.Rb1 Kf5 67.Ra1 Kf6 68.Rb1 Ke6 69.Ra1 Kd6 70.Rb1 Ke5 71.Ra1 Kd5 72.Rb1 Ke6 73.Ra1 Ke7 74.Rb1 Nf5+ 75.Kd2 Ke8 76.Ra1 Kf7 77.Rb1 Nd6 78.Ra1 Nc8 79.Rb1 Ke6 80.Ra1 Ke5 81.Rb1 Kf5 82.Ra1 Ne7 83.Rb1 Kf4 84.Ra1 Kf5 85.Rb1 Kf6 86.Ra1 Kg7 87.Rb1 Nd5 88.Ra1 Kh7 89.Rb1 Kh6 90.Ra1 Kg7 91.Rb1 Kg8 92.Ra1 Kg7 93.Rb1 Kf8 94.Ra1 Kg8 95.Rb1 Kf8 96.Ra1 Ne7 97.Rb1 Kf7 98.Ra1 Nd5 99.Rb1 Kg6 100.Ra1 Nb4 101.Rb1 Nd5 102.Ra1 Nf6 103.Rb1 Ne4+ 104.Kc1 Kf6 105.Ra1 Kg7 106.Rb1 Kh8 107.Ra1 Nf2 108.Rb1 Kh7 109.Ra1 Nd3+ 110.Kb1 Kg8 111.Ra2 Nc5 112.Ra1 Kf8 113.Ra2* ½-½ (113) PetersBot (3028)-RaspFish (3052) Blitz 2025*)* 22.0-0 Nc2 23.Qb3 Nxa3 24.bxa3 Qxa5 25.Bc4 Rf5 26.Ne6+ Bxe6 27.Qxb7+ Bd7 28.Qxa8 Qc7 29.Nh4 d5 30.Nxf5+ gxf5 31.Bxd5 c4 32.Bf3 c3 33.Qxa6 Qc5+ 34.Kh1 c2 35.Rc1 Qe3 36.Qf1 Ba4 37.Qe1 Qxf4 38.Qg3+ Qxg3 39.hxg3 Ne4 40.Bxe4 fxe4 41.Kg1 Kf6 42.Kf2 Kf5 43.Ke3 Kg4 44.Re1 Kxg3 45.Kd2 h4 46.Rxe4 Bc6 47.Re6 Bxg2 48.Kxc2 h3 49.a4 h2 50.Rg6+ Kf2 51.Rf6+

Ke1 52.Rd6 h1Q 53.Rd1+ Ke2 54.Rxh1 Bxh1 55.a5 Ke3 56.a6 Bd5 57.a7 Ba8 58.Kb1 Be4+ 59.Ka1 Kd2 60.a8B ½-½ (60) PetersBot (3038)-RaspFish (3060) Blitz 2025;

B2b2) 11...Re8 12.Qd2

B2b21) 12...Kh7 13.g4 *(13.Rc1 Qe7 14.b3 b6 15.Rc2 Ng8 16.Bf4 Nd7 17.Nh3 Ne5 18.Nf2 f5 19.0-0 g5 20.Bxe5 Qxe5 21.Bd3 Kh8 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Bxf5 Qxf5 24.Nce4 Qg6 25.h4 Bd4 26.hxg5 Re5 27.Rc4 Rxd5 28.g3 Re8 29.Kg2 Kg7 30.Rd1 hxg5 31.Nc3 Rde5 32.Ng4 R5e6 33.Rxd4 cxd4 34.Qxd4+ Kf7 35.Rf1 Rc8 36.Ne4 Rc2+ 37.Rf2 Rxf2+ 38.Ngxf2 Nf6 39.g4 Nxe4 40.Nxe4 a5 41.Qd5 Kg7 42.Qd4+ Kf8 43.Qxb6 Rxe4 44.fxe4 Qxe4+ 45.Kf1 Qe5 46.Qd8+ Kf7 47.Qc7+ Kg6 48.Qc8 Qf6+ 49.Ke2 Qb2+ 50.Ke1 Qe5+ 51.Kd2 Qf4+ 52.Kd3 Qf3+ 53.Kd2 Qf4+ 54.Kd1 Kf6 55.Qd8+ Kf7 56.Qd7+ Kf6 57.Qd8+ Kf7 58.Qd7+ Kf6 59.Kc2 Qf2+ 60.Kb1 Qe1+ 61.Kc2 Qe2+ 62.Kc1 Qe3+ 63.Kc2 Qf2+ 64.Kb1 Qe1+ 65.Kc2 Qe2+ 66.Kc3 Qe3+ 67.Kc4 Qc5+ 68.Kd3 Qd5+ 69.Kc3 Qc5+ 70.Kd3 Qd5+ 71.Kc3 Qe5+ 72.Kc4 Qe2+ 73.Kc3 Qf3+ 74.Kb2 Qg2+ 75.Kc3 Qf3+ 76.Kd4 Qd1+ 77.Kc3 Qc1+ 78.Kd3 Qd1+ 79.Kc3 Qc1+ 80.Kd3 Qf1+ 81.Kc2 Qg2+ 82.Kd3 Qf1+ 83.Kc3 Qa1+ 84.Kc2 Qe5 85.Qd8+ Kg7 86.Qc7+ Kh6 87.Qc4 Qh2+ 88.Kc3 Qg3+ 89.Qd3 Qf4 90.Qd4 Qc1+ 91.Kd3 Qf1+ 92.Kc2 Qg2+ 93.Qd2 Qe4+ 94.Qd3 Qc6+* ½ - ½ (94) Shineshou90_BOT (2840) - RatingISNToverrated (2836) Rapid 2023*; 13.a5 Nbd7 14.Nh3 Ne5 15.Nf2 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Rfb1 Bb5 19.b4 Nfd7 20.bxc5 Nxc5 21.Nxb5 axb5 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.Rxb5 Ra1+ 24.Nd1 Qa7 25.Bd4 Ra2 26.Rb2 Rxb2 27.Nxb2 Qa1+ 28.Bf1 Nb3 29.Qd1 Qxd1 30.Nxd1 Nxd4 31.Kf2 g5 32.g3 Ndxf3* 0 - 1 (32) WhiteBishop4761 (2609)-DorukSarp17 (2595) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...Nbd7 14.h4 *(14.Nh3 Rb8 15.Nf2 Ne5 16.g5 hxg5*

17.Bxg5 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.h4 Qd7 20.h5 Kg8 21.Bh6 Nxh5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qg5 f6 24.Qg2 Kf8 25.Ng4 Qg7 26.Nxe5 Rxe5 27.Rh4 f5 28.f4 Re7 29.Bxh5 b4 30.Ne2 gxh5 31.Qxg7+ Kxg7 32.Rxh5 fxe4 33.Kf2 e3+ 34.Kf3 Bd7 35.Rg1+ Kf6 36.Rh6+ Kf7 37.Rh7+ Kf6 38.Rh6+ Kf7 39.Rgg6 Rg8 40.Rxg8 Kxg8 41.Rxd6 Bf5 42.Ng3 Bd3 43.Re6 Rxe6 44.dxe6 e2 45.Nxe2 Bf5 46.Nc1 c4 47.Na2 c3 48.Nxc3 bxc3 49.bxc3 Bxe6 50.c4 Bf7 51.c5 Be6 52.f5 Bd5+ 53.Ke2 Bg2 54.c6 Bh3 55.f6 Kf7 56.c7 Kg8 57.c8Q+ Bxc8 58.f7+ Kxf7 ½-½ (58) PetersBot (3027)-RaspFish (3060) Blitz 2025*)* 14...Ne5 15.Nh3

B2b211) 15...Rb8 16.h5 g5 17.Bxg5 hxg5 18.Nxg5+ Kg8 19.h6 Bh8 20.h7+ Kf8 21.Nh3 Ng6

(21...Qa5 22.Nf2 Qb4 23.g5 Nfd7 24.f4 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Qxc4 26.Rc1 b5 27.a5 b4 28.Ne2 Qa2 29.Rh6 c4 30.Rc2 Nc5 31.Rxd6 Qb1+ 32.Rc1 Nxe4 33.Rxb1 Nxd2 34.Kxd2 Bf5 35.Rh1 c3+ 36.bxc3 bxc3+ 37.Nxc3 Rb2+ 38.Kd1 Rxf2 0-1 (38) YukariBot (2739)-Nimfish (2785) Blitz 2025*)* 22.Nf4 Re7 23.Rh6 Bd7 24.0-0-0 b5 25.Rdh1 b4 26.Nxg6+ fxg6 27.Rxg6 Rg7 28.Rxg7 Kxg7 29.Nd1 Qf8 30.e5 dxe5 31.Bc4 b3 32.d6 Kg6 33.Ne3 Rb4 34.Kb1 Rxa4 35.Bxb3 Rd4 36.Qh2 Bb5 37.Bc2+ Kf7 38.g5 Ne8 39.Nf5 Nxd6 40.g6+ Kf6 41.g7 Bxg7 42.Nxg7 Nf7 43.Nf5 Nh8 44.Rg1 Ke6 45.Qh3 Rd3 46.Nd4+ Kd6 47.Qe6+ Kc7 48.Nxb5+ axb5 49.Bxd3 Qf7 50.Qxe5+ Kb6 51.Qxh8 Ka7 52.Qg7 c4 53.Qxf7+ Kb6 54.Rg6+ Kc5 55.Qa7+ Kd5 56.Qd7+ Kc5 57.Qd6# 1-0 (57) StockfishPro-2025 (2964)-AKS-Mantissa (2785) Blitz 2025;

B2b212) 15...Bd7 16.h5 g5 17.Bxg5 hxg5 18.h6

(18.Nxg5+ Kh8 19.h6 Bf8 20.f4 Nh7 21.Nxh7 Kxh7 22.fxe5 Rxe5 23.Bd3 Bxg4 24.Qf2 Bf5 25.Rh5 Bg6 26.Rxe5 dxe5

27.0-0-0 b5 28.axb5 c4 29.Bxc4 Rc8 30.Bd3 axb5 31.Kb1 b4 32.Na4 b3 33.Qb6 Rb8 34.Qxd8 Rxd8 35.Nb6 Bxh6 36.Nc4 Bf4 37.Na5 Rb8 38.Nc6 Rb7 39.Na5 Rb6 40.Nc4 Rb8 41.Na5 Kh6 42.Nc6 Rb7 43.Rg1 Kh5 44.Na5 Rb6 45.Nc4 Rb8 46.Na5 Rb6 47.Rd1 Kh4 48.Rg1 Kh3 49.Nc6 Kh2 50.Rg4 Kh3 51.Rg1 Kh4 52.Na5 Rb4 53.Nc6 Rb7 54.Na5 Rb6 55.Nc4 Rb8 56.Na5 Kh3 57.d6 Kh2 58.Re1 Kg3 59.d7 Rd8 60.Nxb3 Rxd7 61.Nc5 Rc7 62.Na4 Kf3 63.Nc3 Bd2 64.Rf1+ Ke3 65.Nd5+ Kxd3 66.Nxc7 Ke2 67.Rf6 Bg5 68.Rd6 Bxe4+ 69.Ka2 Kf2 70.Kb3 Bf3 71.Nb5 e4 72.Rd5 f6 73.Rf5 Ke3 74.Nc3 Bg4 75.Rc5 Kf3 76.Kc2 e3 77.Kd3 Bf4 78.Ne2 Be5 79.Ng1+ Kf2 80.Rc2+ Kxg1 81.Kxe3 f5 82.Rc6 Kg2 83.b4 f4+ 84.Ke4 Bb8 85.Rb6 Bc7 86.Rg6 Kg3 87.b5 f3 88.b6 Bb8 89.Rf6 f2 90.Ke3 Bd6 91.b7 Bc5+ 92.Ke4 Ba7 93.b8Q+ Bxb8 94.Ke3 Ba7+ 95.Ke4 Kg2 96.Rf7 f1Q 97.Rxf1 Kxf1 98.Kf4 Bd1 99.Kf5 Ke2 100.Kf6 Bb3 101.Ke5 Kd3 102.Kf4 Bb8+ 103.Kg4 Ke4 104.Kh5 Bf7+ 105.Kg5 Be5 106.Kg4 Bf4 107.Kh4 Kf3 108.Kh3 Bg5 109.Kh2 Kf2 110.Kh3 Be6+ 111.Kh2 Bf4+ 112.Kh1 Bd5#

0-1 (112) YukariBot (2785)-Endogenetic-Bot (3056) Rapid 2025 *)* 18...Bh8 19.Nxg5+ Kg8 20.h7+ Kf8 21.0-0-0 c4 22.Ne6+ fxe6 23.g5 b5 24.Rh6 Nh5 25.Rxh5 b4 26.dxe6 Rxe6 27.Nd5 Ng6 28.Nf4 c3 29.bxc3 Nxf4 30.Qxf4+ Ke7 31.g6 Rxg6 32.e5 Qb6 33.a5 Qc6 34.Qxb4 Rc8 35.c4 Re6 36.Rxd6 Rxd6 37.exd6+ Qxd6 38.Qxd6+ Kxd6 39.Kd2 Be6 40.Rg5 Bf6 41.Rh5 Bg7 42.f4 Bf7 43.c5+ Ke7 44.Rh3 Rxc5 45.Bxa6 Rxa5 46.Bd3 Ra4 47.Ke3 Bh8 48.Rh6 Bd5 49.f5 Rg4 50.Bc2 Rb4 51.Bd3 Kd7 52.Be2 Kc7 53.Bd1 Rc4 54.Kf2 Rb4 55.f6 Bf7 56.Kg3 Kd6 57.Bh5 Rb3+

58.Kh4 Rb4+ 59.Kg5 Rb5+ 60.Kh4 Rb4+ 61.Kg5 Rb5+ 62.Kh4 Rb4+ ½-½ (62) PetersBot (3029)-Stockfish161Pro (3053) Blitz 2025;

B2b22) 12...Nbd7 13.Nh3 Nh5 14.Bxh6 Qh4+ 15.Nf2 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Nf4 17.Qxh4 Nxg2+ 18.Kd2 Nxh4 19.Ng4 Kg7 20.Rhg1 Nf6 21.Ne3 Bd7 22.Nc4 Red8 23.Nxd6 Rab8 24.e5 Nh5 25.a5 b6 26.axb6 Rxb6 27.Nc4 Rb4 28.Rgf1 Nf4 29.Na2 Rb3 30.Nc1 Rbb8 31.Nd3 Nxd5 32.Nd6 c4 33.Nxc4 Bb5 34.b3 Nf4 35.Ke3 Nhg2+ 36.Kf2 Nxd3+ 37.Bxd3 Rxd3 38.Kxg2 Rxb3 39.Nd6 Bxf1+ 0-1 (39) WhiteBishop4761 (2627)-BrittaBagels (2819) Blitz 2023;

B2b23) 12...h5

B2b231) 13.Nh3 Bxh3 14.gxh3 Nbd7 15.0-0 Nh7 16.Kh1 Qh4 17.Rg1 Qxh3 18.Raf1 Rab8 19.Qd3 Ndf6 20.b3 Nd7 21.Rg2 Ne5 22.Qc2 Qd7 23.Bc1 Nf6 24.a5 b6 25.axb6 Rxb6 26.f4 Neg4 27.Bc4 h4 28.e5 h3 29.Rg3 Nh5 30.Rgg1 dxe5 31.f5 gxf5 32.Qxf5 Qxf5 33.Rxf5 Rf6 34.Be2 Rxf5 35.Bxg4 Rf2 36.Bxh5 e4 37.d6 e3 38.Nd5 e2 39.Be3 Rg2 40.Bxe2 Re6 41.Rxg2 hxg2+ 42.Kxg2 Rxd6 43.Bc4 Bd4 44.Bd2 Rg6+ 45.Kf3 Rg1 46.Bxa6 Be5 47.Be3 Rb1 48.Bc4 Bxh2 49.Bxc5 Kg7 50.Ne3 Bg1 51.Ke2 Kf6 52.Kd2 Rb2+ 53.Kc3 Rb1 54.Kc2 Bxe3 55.Bxe3 Rh1 56.Bc5 Rh7 57.b4 Ke5 58.b5 f5 59.b6 Rb7 60.Kc3 f4 61.Ba6 Kd5 62.Kb4 Rb8 63.Kb5 Ke4 64.Kc6 Rxb6+ 65.Bxb6 Kf3 66.Bf1 Kg3 67.Kd5 f3 68.Ke5 f2 69.Be3 Kf3 70.Bf4 Kg4 71.Ke4 Kh5 72.Kf5 Kh4 73.Bg2 Kh5 74.Be3 f1Q+ 75.Bxf1 Kh4 76.Bf2+ Kh5 77.Be2+ Kh6 78.Kf6 Kh7 79.Kf7 Kh6 80.Be3+ Kh7 81.Bd3+ Kh8 82.Bd4# 1-0 (82) bananaaaaaaaaa_test (2892)-AKS-Mantissa (2602) Blitz 2023;

B2b232) 13.h4

B2b2321) 13...Qa5 14.Ra3 Qb4 *(14...Nbd7 15.Nh3 Ne5 16.Nf2 Bd7 17.0-0 Qd8 18.a5 b5 19.axb6 Qxb6*

20.b4 Qxb4 21.Qa2 Qb6 22.Ra1 Qd8 23.Rxa6 Rxa6 24.Qxa6 Bc8 25.Qa7 Nh7 26.Ra3 Qxh4 27.Nb5 Qd8 28.Qc7 Qxc7 29.Nxc7 Rd8 30.Ra8 Bf6 31.f4 Ng4 32.Nxg4 Bxg4 33.Bxg4 Rxa8 34.Nxa8 hxg4 35.Nb6 Be7 36.e5 Bf8 37.Nc4 f5 38.Kf2 Kf7 39.Bd2 Ke8 40.Ke3 Kd7 41.Kd3 Be7 42.Nb6+ Kc7 43.Ba5 g5 44.Nc4+ Kd7 45.e6+ Ke8 46.fxg5 Nxg5 47.Ne3 Ne4 48.Nxf5 Nf6 49.Kc4 Nh5 50.Bc7 Nf4 51.g3 Ng2 52.Bxd6 Ne3+ 53.Nxe3 Bxd6 54.Nxg4 1 - 0 (5 3) Koalanaattor (2666)-pbkttc (2606) Blitz 2024 *)* 15.a5 b5 16.Kf2 Nbd7 17.Nh3 Ne5 18.Ng5 Bd7 19.Qc2 c4 20.Na2 Neg4+ 21.fxg4 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Nxe4+ 23.Nxe4 Bxb2 24.Nxd6 Bxa3 25.Nxe8 Rxe8 26.gxh5 1-0 (25) TaylorSwiftFans (2 8 4 1) - KreuzritterImZoo (2814) Blitz 2022; **B2b2322)** 13...Nh7 14.g3 *(14.Nh3 Qxh4+ 15.Bf2 Qe7 16.a5 Nd7 17.Be3 Ne5 18.Ng5 Nxg5 19.Bxg5 f6 20.Bh6 f5 21.Bxg7 Qxg7 22.Qg5 Nf7 23.Qf4 fxe4 24.fxe4 Ne5 25.0-0-0 Bd7 26.Rdg1 Rf8 27.Qg5 Qf6 28.Qh6 Qf4+ 29.Qxf4 Rxf4 30.Bd1 Raf8 31.g3 Rf2 32.Rh4 Nd3+ 33.Kb1* 0-1 (32) Knightindiandefence (2 6 7 4) - swimmerchess (2842) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Nd7 15.Nh3 Ne5 16.Nf2 Bd7 17.a5 Rb8 18.0-0 b5 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.Kg2 Qc8 21.Ra2 Bb5 22.Nxb5 axb5 23.b4 Nc4 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.bxc5 c3 26.Qd3 dxc5 27.Qc4 Rb2 28.Rxb2 cxb2 29.Rb1 Qa8 30.Nd3 Rb8 31.e5 Qa1 32.Qc2 c4 33.Rxb2 Rxb2 34.Nxb2 Qa2 35.Bd4 1-0 (35) lestri (2690)-ice2breaker (2683) Blitz 2024; **B2b2323)** 13...Kh7 14.Nh3 Bxh3

15.Rxh3 Nbd7 16.Kf2 Ne5 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.Rhh1 Reb8 20.Rhb1 Qd8 21.Kg1 Nfd7 22.Bf2 c4 23.f4 Ng4 24.Bxg4 hxg4 25.Qe2 Nf6 26.Qxc4 g3 27.Bxg3 Nh5 28.Kh2 Nxf4 29.Rf1 Be5 30.h5 Rxb2 31.Kh1 Qg5 32.hxg6+ Kxg6 0 - 1 (3 1) TaylorSwiftFans (2859)-Loin_sn (2839) Blitz 2022;

B2b233) 13.Ra3

B2b2331) 13...b6 14.Bd1 Ra7 15.Nge2 Rae7 *(15...Nbd7 16.0-0 h4 17.h3 Nh5 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bxf6 Qxf6 20.f4 Rb7 21.e5 dxe5 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.f5 Ndf6 24.fxg6 Nxe4 25.Qh6 Nhf6 26.Bc2 fxg6 27.Bxe4 Qg7 28.Qxg6 Qxg6 29.Bxg6 Rf8 30.d6 Rg7 31.Bf5 Bb7 32.g4 hxg3 33.Rxg3 Bd5 34.Rd1 Bb3 35.Rd2 Rd8 36.Kh2 Rxg3 37.Nxg3 Kf7 38.h4 Bxa4 39.h5 Bd7 40.Bg6+ Kg7 41.Rf2 Ng4+ 42.Kg2 Nxf2 43.Kxf2 Be6 44.Ne4 Bd5 45.Ng5 Rxd6 46.Nf7 Bxf7* 0 - 1 (4 6) WhiteBishop4761 (2610)-Ballsy_Binge (2595) Blitz 2023*)* 16.Bg5 Nbd7 17.0-0 Re5 18.Bf4 Qc7 19.Ra1 R5e7 20.Rc1 Qb8 21.h3 Ne5 22.b3 b5 23.Ng3 b4 24.Nb1 h4 25.Nh1 Nh7 26.Nf2 f5 27.Be2 Qc7 28.Qc2 Qd8 29.Nd2 Rf7 30.Bh2 f4 31.Nc4 g5 32.Nxe5 Bxe5 33.Kh1 Nf6 34.Bg1 Bd4 35.Bd3 Nd7 36.Ng4 Ne5 37.Bxd4 cxd4 38.Be2 Bxg4 39.hxg4 a5 40.Rfd1 Qb6 41.Qd2 Rc7 42.Rxc7 Qxc7 43.Qxd4 Rc8 44.Bc4 Qc5 45.Qxc5 Rxc5 46.Bb5 Kg7 47.Rb1 Rc3 48.Kg1 Kf6 49.Kf2 Nf7 50.Be2 Ke5 51.Rb2 Kd4 52.Rb1 Kc5 53.Ke1 Ne5 0-1 (53) Clovis1088 (2612)-Arnelos (2669) Blitz 2021;

B2b2332) 13...Qc7 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Bf4

Nbd7 16.Nh3 Ne5 17.Nf2 Bd7 18.0-0 Rab8 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Rxb6 21.Rxa6 Reb8 22.Rxb6 Qxb6 23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Rb1 Ne8 25.h3 Nd6 26.Kh2 c4 27.Nfd1 Qd4 28.Qe1 Bf6 29.Ra1 Bg5 30.Ra6 Rb6 31.Rxb6 Qxb6 32.h4 Bf4+ 33.g3 Bh6 34.Bf1 Qd4 35.Bh3 f5 36.Qf2 Kf7 37.Kg2 Ke7 38.Qc2 fxe4 39.fxe4 Bxh3+ 40.Kxh3 Qd3 41.Qxd3 cxd3 42.Kg2 g5 43.Kf3 g4+ 44.Kf2 Nc4 45.b3 Nd2 46.Nb2 Nxb3 47.Nxd3 Bg7 48.Nb5 1-0 (48) VanuatuLover (2699)-giantgooga2 (2494) Blitz 2025;

B2b234) 13.h3 Nh7 14.f4 Nd7 15.Nf3 Rb8 16.0-0 Qc7 17.a5 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bd3 Ndf6 20.Nh4 Ne4 21.Bxe4 fxe4 22.f5 Nf6 23.Qf2 b5 24.Qg3 b4 25.Ne2 Bb7 26.Nf4 Re5 27.Nhg6 Rxd5 28.Ne6 Qd7 29.Bg5 Rd3 30.Qh4 Qf7 31.Nxg7 Kxg7 32.Nf4 Rh8 33.Ne6+ Kg8 34.Bxf6 Qh7 35.Bxh8 Qxh8 36.Qg5+ Kf7 37.Qg6+ Ke7 38.Ng5 Bd5 39.f6+ Kd7 40.Qg7+ Qxg7 41.fxg7 Rg3 42.h4 e3 43.Rf8 Rxg2+ 44.Kf1 e2+ 45.Ke1 Rg1+ 46.Kd2 Rxa1 47.Nf3 Bxf3 48.Rd8+ Kc6 49.Rc8+ Kb5 Normal 0-1 (48) Koalanaattor (2616)-sadzin (2486) Blitz 2024;

B2b235) 13.Bh6

B2b2351) 13...Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Qe7 *(14...Nh7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.Nd1 Ra7 18.h4 Rae7 19.Kf1 Qb4 20.Nh3 Nd7 21.Rc1 Ne5 22.Nhf2 f5 23.Rc3 Rg7 24.Qc1 Nf6 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Ne3 Qf4 27.Nh3 Qxh4 28.Qe1 Qb4 29.Qc1 Bd7 30.Bxa6 Qh4 31.Qe1 Qb4 32.Qd2 Qd4 33.Qc1 h4 34.Nc2 Qa4 35.Ra3 Bb5+ 36.Kg1 Qxa6 37.Rxa6 Nxf3+ 38.Kf2 Re2+ 39.Kxf3 Rg3+ 40.Kf4 Nh5+ 41.Kxf5 Bd7#* 0-1 (41) Rodshtein, M (2645)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2736) Samarkand UZB

2025 *)* 15.h4 Ra7 16.Qg5 Kg7 17.Rb1 Qd8 *(17...b6 18.b3 Qc7 19.Qf4 Nbd7 20.Nh3 Ne5 21.Ng5 Bd7 22.0-0 b5 23.Qd2 Rb7 24.f4 Neg4 25.f5 b4 26.Nd1 Nxe4 27.Nxe4 Rxe4 28.Bxg4 Rxg4 29.Ne3 Rd4 30.Qb2 Kg8 31.Rf3 Bxf5 32.Rxf5 gxf5 33.Nxf5 Qd8 34.Nxd4 cxd4 35.Qxd4 Re7 36.Qxb4 Re5 37.Qd4 Qe8 38.Rf1 a5 39.Rf3 Re1+ 40.Kf2 Qe2+ 41.Kg3 Rd1 42.Qf6 Qe1+ 43.Rf2 Qe5+ 44.Qxe5 dxe5 45.Rf5 Rxd5 46.Rxh5 Rd3+ 47.Kf2 f6 48.Rf5 Kg7 49.Rf3 Rd2+ 50.Kf1 Kg6 51.h5+ Kg5 52.Rh3 Kh6 53.Rf3 Kg5 54.Rh3 Rd7 55.Ke2 Kh6 56.Rf3 Kg5 57.Rh3 f5 58.h6 Kg6 59.Rc3 Rb7 60.Rc6+ Kh7 61.Rc5 Rxb3 62.Rxe5 Rb2+ 63.Kf3 Ra2 64.Kf4 Rxa4+ 65.Kxf5 Kxh6 66.g3 Ra1 67.g4 a4 68.g5+ Kh5 69.g6 Rb1 70.g7 Rb8 71.g8Q Rxg8 72.Re6 Kh4 73.Re4+ Kg3 74.Rxa4 Rc8 75.Ra1 Kg2 76.Rb1 Rh8 77.Ra1 Kg3 78.Rb1 Kf2 79.Ra1 Rf8+ 80.Ke4 Kg3 81.Rb1 Rf7 82.Ra1 Rf2 83.Rb1 Rf7 84.Ra1 Kh2 85.Rb1 Rc7 86.Ra1 Re7+ 87.Kd3 Rd7+ 88.Kc2 Rd8 89.Rb1 Rg8 90.Ra1 Kh3 91.Rb1 Rg7 92.Ra1 Rg4 93.Rb1 Kg3 94.Ra1 Rc4+ 95.Kb1 Kg2 96.Ra2+ Kg3 97.Ra1 Rc5 98.Ra2 Re5 99.Ra1 Kh2 100.Ra2+ Kg1 101.Ra1 Rd5 102.Ra2 Rc5 103.Ra1 Re5 104.Ra2 Re8 105.Ra1 Re7 106.Ra2 Re5 107.Ra1 Re2 108.Ra2 Rh2 109.Rxh2 Kxh2* ½ - ½ (1 0 9) PetersBot (3017)-RaspFish (3052) Rapid 2024*)* 18.Qf4 b6 19.b3 b5 20.axb5 Nbd7 21.Nh3 Ne5 22.Nf2 axb5 23.Nxb5 Ra2 24.Nc3 Rc2 25.Rc1 Rb2 26.Bc4 Qa5 27.0-0 Ba6 28.Bxa6

Qxa6 29.Rb1 Nd3 30.Qe3 Rxb1 31.Rxb1 Nxf2 32.Qxf2 Qd3 33.Qb2 Qe3+ 34.Kh2 Rb8 35.Nd1 Qf4+ 36.Kh3 Rb4 37.Qc3 Rd4 38.g3 Qd2 39.Qxd2 Rxd2 40.Ne3 Rd3 41.Nc4 Rxf3 42.Kg2 Rd3 43.Nxd6 Ng4 44.Rc1 Kf6 45.Nb7 Rd2+ 46.Kg1 Ke5 47.d6 Nh2 48.Rxc5+ Kxe4 49.Rc4+ Ke3 50.Rc3+ Kd4 51.Rc1 Nf3+ 52.Kf1 Nh2+ 53.Kg1 Nf3+ 54.Kf1 Nh2+ 55.Ke1 Nf3+ 56.Kf1 ½-½ (56) PetersBot (3033)-RaspFish (3055) Rapid 2024;

B2b2352) 13...Bh8

B2b23521) 14.Nh3 Bxh3 15.gxh3 Nbd7 16.0-0 Rc8

(16...Nh7 17.Kh1 Qh4 18.Rf2 Qxh3 19.Rg1 Bd4 20.Be3 Bxe3 21.Qxe3 Qh4 22.f4 Re7 23.Rf3 Qf6 24.e5 dxe5 25.Ne4 Qf5 26.Ng3 Qc2 27.Bd3 Qxb2 28.f5 e4 29.Nxe4 Ne5 30.fxg6 fxg6 31.Nf6+ Nxf6 32.Rxf6 Rf8 33.Rfxg6+ Nxg6 34.Qxe7 Rf6 35.Bxg6

1-0 (34) MrTactic2008 (2736)-anand68 (2707) Blitz 2022*)*

17.a5 c4 18.Kh1 Nc5 19.Bxc4 Nfd7 20.Ra3 b5 21.Nxb5 axb5 22.Bxb5 Rb8 23.Qe2 Qf6 24.Bc1 Qd4 25.a6 Qb4 26.Bc6 Ne5 27.Bxe8 Rxe8 28.f4 Nc4 29.Raf3 Bg7 30.e5 dxe5 31.f5 e4 32.Rg3 Ne5 33.Be3 Ra8 34.Rg2 Ncd3 35.a7 Qb7 36.b4 Kh7 37.d6 Qxb4 38.Bg1 Bh6 39.Qc2 Qxd6 40.fxg6+ fxg6 41.Qb3 Nb4 42.Rb1 e3 43.Qxb4 Qxb4 44.Rxb4 Rxa7 45.Re4 Nf3 46.Rg3 Nxg1 47.Rxg1 Rf7 48.Kg2 Bg5 49.h4 Re7 50.Rxe7+ Bxe7 51.Re1 Bxh4 52.Rxe3 g5 53.Re5 Kg6 54.Kf3 g4+ 55.Kf4 Bf2 56.Re6+ Kg7 57.Re2 Bh4 58.Kf5 Bf6 59.Ra2 Bh4 60.Ra7+ Kh6

61.Rb7 Be1
62.Rb6+ Kg7
63.Rg6+ Kh7
64.Rg5 Kh6
65.Rg6+ Kh7
66.Rg5 Kh6
67.Rg8 Kh7
68.Re8 Bd2
69.Re2 Bc1
70.Rc2 Be3
71.Re2 Bc1 72.h3 gxh3 73.Rh2 h4
74.Rxh3 Kg8
75.Kg6 Bb2
76.Rf3 Bh8
77.Ra3 Bg7
78.Ra4 h3 79.Ra2 Bf8 80.Rh2 Bb4
81.Rxh3 Kf8
82.Kf6 Be7+
83.Ke6 Bc5
84.Rh8+ Kg7
85.Rh4 Bb6
86.Ra4 Kg8
87.Ke7 Kg7
88.Rg4+ Kh6
89.Kf6 Bd8+
90.Kf5 Be7
91.Rg3 Bd8
92.Rg8 Be7
93.Rg1 Kh7
94.Rg6 Bh4
95.Rg1 Bf2
96.Rh1+ Kg7
97.Rd1 Kh6
98.Rd2 Be1
99.Rc2 Kh7
100.Rc7+ Kh6
101.Rc6+ Kg7
102.Rc7+ Kf8
103.Kf6 Bh4+
104.Kg6 Bg3
105.Rf7+ Ke8
106.Kf6 Kd8
107.Ke6 Bb8
108.Rf8+ Kc7
109.Kd5 Ba7
110.Rf3 Bb8
111.Rb3 Ba7
112.Rb4 Kc8
113.Kc6 Kd8
114.Rb7 Be3
115.Rd7+ Ke8
116.Kd6 Bg5
117.Ke6 Kf8
118.Rc7 Bh4
119.Rh7 Bg5
120.Rc7 Bh4
121.Rh7 Bg5
122.Rf7+ Kg8
123.Rc7 Bf4
124.Rc4 Bd2
125.Kf6 Kh7
126.Rh4+ Kg8
127.Rc4 Kh7
128.Rc1 Bxc1

½-½ (128) Mr-Chess-Berserk (3077)-RaspFish (3073) Rapid 2024;

B2b23522) 14.Bf4 Bg7 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.Bf4 Qc7

B2b235221) 17.Rc1 c4 18.a5 Qxa5 19.Bxc4 b5 20.Bd3 b4 21.Nce2 Qb6 22.Be3 Qd8

(22...Qb7 23.Bc4 Nbd7 24.Nd4 Ne5 25.Nc6 a5 26.Ne2 Bd7 27.Nxe5 dxe5 28.Rc2 a4 29.Nc1 b3 30.Rc3 Bb5

31.0-0 Rec8
32.Bxb5 Qxb5
33.Ne2 Bg7
34.Rfc1 Rcb8
35.Rc5 Qd7
36.Nc3 a3 37.bxa3 Rxa3 38.Rb1 h4
39.h3 Nh5 40.Kh2 Ng3 41.Rc6 b2
42.Bg5 Ra1
43.Qd1 Rxb1
44.Nxb1 Nh5
45.Qd2 Qb7
46.Bxh4 Bf8
47.Qd3 Bh6
48.Bf2 Qe7 49.d6 Bf4+ 50.Kg1 Qe6
51.Qc4 Qxc4
52.Rxc4 Kg7
53.Kf1 Kf6 54.Rc7 Rb3 55.Bh4+ g5
56.Bf2 Ng7 57.Bc5 Ne6 58.Ba3 Rb8
59.Rc4 Bc1 60.Kf2 Rb7 61.Ke1 Rd7
62.Rc8 Rb7
63.Rc6 Kg6
64.Rc4 Rb6
65.Ke2 Kf6 66.Kd1 Rb7 67.Ke1 Rd7
68.Rc8 Rb7
69.Kf2 Kg6 70.Rc6 Kh5 71.Ra6 Kg6
72.Ra5 f6 73.Rd5 Nf8 74.Rc5 Ne6
75.Rc6 Nf4
76.Rc7 Rb3 77.d7 Rd3 78.g3 Ne6
79.Ra7 Nd8
80.Be7 Rd2+
81.Ke1 Nc6
82.Rb7 Rd3
83.Ke2 Re3+
84.Kf2 Rd3
85.Ba3 Nd8
86.Rc7 Ne6
87.Ra7 Nd8
88.Be7 Rd2+
89.Kf1 Rd1+
90.Ke2 Rd2+
91.Ke1 Nc6
92.Rb7 Rd3
93.Ke2 Re3+
94.Kf2 Rd3
95.Ba3 Nd8
96.Rb6 Rxd7
97.Bxb2 Bxb2
98.Rxb2 Rc7
99.Na3 Ne6
100.Nc2 Nc5
101.Ra2 Rb7
102.Kg1 Rb1+
103.Kf2 Nd3+
104.Kg2 Rb7
105.Kf1 Rb1+
106.Kg2 Kf7
107.Ra7+ Kg6
108.Ne3 Re1
109.Nf5 Re2+
110.Kh1 Re1+
111.Kh2 Re2+
112.Kh1 Re1+
113.Kh2 Re2+
114.Kg1 Re1+
115.Kg2 Re2+
116.Kf1 Re1+
117.Kg2
½ - ½ (1 1 5) PetersBot (2999)-ArasanX (2958) Blitz 2024*)* 23.Nh3 Bxh3 24.gxh3 Nbd7 25.0-0 Ne5 26.Nd4 Nxd3 27.Qxd3 a5 28.Qd2 Qd7

29.Nc6 Qxh3
30.Bd4 Qh4
31.Bf2 Qh3
32.Bd4 Qh4
33.Bf2 Qh3
34.Bd4 ½-½ (32) PetersBot (3025)-RaspFish (3049) Rapid 2024; **B2b235222)**
17.Ra2 c4 18.Bd1 Nbd7 19.Nge2 **B2b2352221)**
19...Nc5 20.0-0 b6 21.Bc2 *(21.Kh1 Bd7 22.Nd4 Rab8 23.b3 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.bxc4 bxc4 26.Nc6 Bxc6 27.dxc6 Re6 28.Be2 Qxc6 29.Qc2 Nd3 30.Bxd3 cxd3 31.Qxd3 Rb3 32.Rc2 d5 33.exd5 Nxd5 34.Nxd5 Rxd3 35.Rxc6 Rxd5 36.Rxe6 fxe6 37.Bg3 Bf6 38.Re1 Kf7 39.h3 h4 40.Bf2 Rd2 41.Kg1 Bd4 42.Bxd4 Rxd4 43.Ra1 Kf6 44.Ra8 Rb4 45.Ra1 g5 46.Ra6 Kf5 47.Kh1 e5 48.Kh2 e4 49.Ra5+ Kf4 50.fxe4 Rxe4 51.Ra8 Ke5 52.Re8+ Kd4 53.Rg8 Re5 54.g3 Re2+ 55.Kg1 hxg3 56.Rxg5 g2 57.Rxg2 Re3 58.h4 Re1+ 59.Kf2 Rc1 60.h5 Ke4 61.h6 Rc2+ 62.Kf1 Rc3 63.h7 Rh3 64.h8Q Rxh8 65.Rg1 Ke5 66.Rg2 Kf4 67.Rg1 Rb8 68.Rh1 Re8 69.Rg1 Rh8 70.Rg2 Ra8 71.Rb2 Ra3 72.Rb1 Rg3 73.Ra1 Rg6 74.Rb1 Rg8 75.Ra1 Rg4 76.Rb1 Ke3 77.Ra1 Rc4 78.Rb1 Ke4 79.Ra1 Rc5 80.Rb1 Ra5 81.Rc1 Ke3 82.Rb1 Rf5+ 83.Ke1 Rf3 84.Ra1 Rg3 85.Ra3+ Kf4 86.Rxg3 Kxg3* ½ - ½ (8 4) PetersBot (3007)-Nikitosik-ai (3097) Rapid 2024*)*
21...Rb8 22.Nd4 Bd7 23.b4 *(23.Nce2 h4 24.Be3 Bg7 25.Nf4 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.b4 cxb3 28.Nxb3 Na4 29.Nd4 Nc3 30.Ra6 b4 31.Nc6*

Bxc6 32.dxc6 Qc8 33.Bd3 d5 34.e5 Rxe5 35.Nxg6 fxg6 36.Bf4 Re7 37.Re1 Rxe1+ 38.Qxe1 Ra8 39.Rxa8 Qxa8 40.c7 Kf7 41.g4 Qc6 42.Bd6 Bf8 43.Bxg6+ Kxg6 44.Qe6 Bxd6 45.c8Q Qxc8 46.Qxc8 d4 47.Qf5+ Kg7 48.g5 Nfd5 49.g6 Nf6 50.Qe6 b3 51.Qf7+ Kh6 52.Qxf6 b2 53.g7+ Kh7 54.Qxh4+ Kxg7 55.Qxd4+ Kf7 56.Qxc3 Bxh2+ 57.Kxh2 b1Q 58.f4 Qb5 59.f5 Qa4 60.f6 Qf4+ 61.Kg1 Kg8 62.f7+ Kf8 63.Qa1 Kxf7 64.Qb1 Kg8 65.Qa1 Qe4 66.Qc1 Kh8 67.Qa1+ Kh7 68.Qc1 Qd5 69.Qa1 Kh6 70.Qb1 Qd7 71.Qa1 Kh7 72.Qb1+ Kg7 73.Qa1+ Kh7 74.Qb1+ Kg7 75.Qa1+ Kf7 76.Qb1 Kf8 77.Qa1 Qg7+ 78.Qxg7+ Kxg7

½ - ½ (7 6)

PetersBot (3029)-Nikitosik-ai (3103) *(R a p i d 2 0 2 4)*

23...cxb3 24.Nxb3 h4 25.Rb1 Nxb3 26.Rxb3 Nh5 27.Be3 Rec8 28.Ne2 Bxa4 29.Rxa4 Qxc2 30.Qxc2 Rxc2 31.Kf1 Be5 32.f4 Rb2 33.Rxb2 Bxb2 34.Rxa6 Nf6 35.Rxb6 Rxb6 36.Bxb6 Nxe4 37.Bd8 f6 38.Ba5 f5 39.Be1 h3 40.gxh3 Kf7 41.Bh4 Bf6 42.Be1 Bd8 43.Kg2 Ke8 44.Bc3 Kd7 45.Kf3 Bf6 46.Bxf6 Nxf6 47.Nc3 Kd8 48.Ke3 Kc7 49.Kd4 Nh5 50.Nb5+ Kd7 51.Ke3 Nf6 52.Kd4 Nh5 53.Ke3 Nf6 54.Nc3 Kd8 55.Kd4 Nh5 56.Ne2 Ke7 57.h4 Kd8 58.Kc4 Kc7 59.Kb5 Kd7 60.Kc4 Kc7 61.Kb5 Kb7 62.Ka5 Nf6 63.Ng3 Nxd5 64.h5 gxh5 65.Nxh5 Kc6 66.Ng3 Nxf4 67.Nxf5 d5 68.h3 Nxh3 69.Ne3 Kd7 70.Nxd5 Nf2

71.Nc3 Ng4
72.Nb1 Ke8
73.Nd2 Ne3
74.Nb1 Ng2
75.Nd2 Ne3
76.Nb1 Nf1
77.Nd2 Kf8
78.Nxf1 ½-½ (76)
PetersBot (3035)-Nikitosik-ai (3102) Rapid 2024;
B2b2352222)
19...Ne5 20.0-0
Nfd7 21.a5 Nc5
22.Na4 Nxa4
23.Bxa4 Bd7
24.Bc2 c3
25.Qxc3 Nxf3+
26.Qxf3 Qxc2
27.Bxd6 f5 28.e5
Bxe5 29.Bxe5
Rxe5 30.Nf4 Qc5+
31.Kh1 Re3
32.Qf2 Rae8
33.Nxg6 Bb5
34.Rg1 Qxd5
B2b23522221)
35.b4 Qe4 36.Nh4
Re1 37.Nf3
(37.Qg3+ Kh8
38.Nf3 Rxg1+
39.Nxg1 Rg8
40.Qc3+ Kh7
41.h3 Qf4 42.Qe1
Bc6 43.Rf2 Qg5
44.Qe2 Re8
45.Qd3 h4 46.Nf3
Qf4 47.Kg1 Kg6
48.Qc3 Qg3
49.Qd4 Bxf3
50.Rxf3 Re1+
51.Rf1 Qe3+
52.Qxe3 Rxe3
53.Rd1 Re4
54.Rd6+ Kg5
55.Rb6 Re7
56.Kh2 Rd7 57.b5
axb5 58.Rxb5 Rc7
59.Rb4 Re7
60.Rb1 Re5
61.Rxb7 Rxa5
62.Rg7+ Kf4
63.Rh7 Kg5
64.Rb7 Ra3
65.Rb2 f4
66.Rb5+ Kf6
67.Rh5 f3 68.Rxh4
fxg2 69.Kxg2 Kg7
70.Rb4 Ra7 71.h4
Kh8 72.h5 Rc7
73.h6 Rd7 74.h7
Rd6 75.Rb1 Rd3
76.Ra1 Rd7
77.Rb1 Rg7+
78.Kf1 Rf7+
79.Ke1 Rc7
80.Ra1 Kxh7
81.Rb1 Rc4
82.Ra1 Rb4
83.Rc1 Kh6
84.Ra1 Rf4
85.Rb1 Rf5
86.Ra1 Kg6
87.Rb1 Rh5
88.Rc1 Rh3
89.Rd1 Rf3
90.Ra1 Kg7
91.Rb1 Rg3
92.Rc1 Rg6
93.Rd1 Kg8
94.Rc1 Kf8
95.Rd1 Rg1+
96.Kd2 Rg3
97.Ra1 Ke7
98.Rb1 Kd6
99.Ra1 Ke7

100.Rb1 Rg6
101.Ra1 Ke8
102.Rb1 Rg2+
103.Kc1 Rg1+
104.Kb2 Rg2+
105.Ka1 Re2
106.Rc1 Rf2
107.Rb1 Kd8
108.Rc1 Rg2
109.Rb1 Ke7
110.Rc1 Rd2
111.Rb1 Rd6
112.Rc1 Rf6
113.Rb1 Ke6
114.Rc1 Rf7
115.Rb1 Rf8
116.Rc1 Kf6
117.Rb1 Rf7
118.Rc1 Kg6
119.Rb1 Kg5
120.Rc1 Kh5
121.Rb1 Kg4
122.Rc1 Rb7
123.Rb1 Rh7
124.Rc1 Rf7
125.Rb1 Kg3
126.Rc1 Rf8
127.Rb1 Rf4
128.Rc1 Rf2
129.Rb1 Rf8
130.Rc1 Kh2
½ - ½ (1 2 8) PetersBot (3071)-ToromBot (3102) Rapid 2024*)*
37...Rxg1+
38.Nxg1 Qe3
39.Qc2 Kg7
40.Qb2+ Qe5
41.Qf2 Qe3
42.Qb2+ Qe5
43.Qc1 Kg6
44.Nf3 Qe3
45.Rd2 Bc6
46.Rd6+ Kh7
47.Qd1 Re7 48.h3 Rg7 49.Qd2 Qxd2
50.Rxd2 Kh6
51.Kh2 Bxf3
52.gxf3 h4 53.f4 Rc7 54.Rd6+ Kh5
55.Rf6 Rc2+
56.Kg1 Rb2
57.Rxf5+ Kg6
58.Rg5+ Kf6
59.Rg4 Rxb4
60.Rxh4 Kg7
61.Kg2 b6 62.axb6 a5 63.Rh5 a4
64.Rg5+ Kf6
65.Kf3 Rxb6 66.h4 a3 67.h5 a2
68.Ra5 a1Q
69.Rxa1 Rb3+
70.Ke2 Rb2+
71.Kd1 Kf5 72.h6 Rb3 73.h7 Rb8
74.h8Q Rxh8
75.Rb1 Ke6 76.f5+ Ke5 77.f6 Rd8+
78.Kc1 Rd5 79.f7 Rd8 80.f8Q Rxf8
81.Ra1 Rf6
82.Rb1 Kd4
83.Ra1 Rf7
84.Ra2 Ke3
85.Ra1 Rf8
86.Rb1 Rf7
87.Ra1 Ke4
88.Rb1 Rd7
89.Ra1 Rh7
90.Rb1 Rh8
91.Ra1 Rh5
92.Rb1 Kf3
93.Ra1 Rg5
94.Rb1 Rg7

95.Ra1 Kf2
96.Rb1 Rc7+
97.Kd1 Ra7
98.Rc1 Kg2
99.Rb1 Ra5
100.Rc1 Ra7
101.Rb1 Kf1
102.Rc1 Re7
103.Rb1 Re2
104.Rc1 Rf2
105.Ra1 Rh2
106.Rb1 Rh3
107.Ra1 Rh6
108.Rb1 Kg1
109.Ra1 Kf1
110.Rb1 Rh4
111.Ra1 Rh6
½ - ½ (1 0 9) PetersBot (3075)-ToromBot (3094) Rapid 2024;
B2b23522222)
35.Ra3 Rxa3
36.bxa3 Re4
37.h3 Qd4
38.Qxf5 Kg7
39.Rc1 Bd7
40.Qxh5 Bc6
41.Rf1 Be8
42.Rb1 Bc6
43.Rf1 Be8
44.Rb1 Qf6
45.Rxb7+ Bf7
46.Rb6 Bxg6
47.Rxf6 Bxh5
48.Rxa6 Be8
49.Rb6 Ra4 50.a6 Rxa3 51.Kg1 Bf7
52.Kf2 Ra2+
53.Ke3 Rxg2
54.h4 Ba2 55.h5 Bb3 56.Rxb3 Rg3+ 57.Kd4 Rxb3 58.h6+ Kf8
59.h7 Kg7
60.h8Q+ Kxh8
61.Kc5 Rf3 62.a7 Rf8 63.Kb5 Rf5+
64.Ka4 Rf4+
65.Ka5 Rf5+
66.Ka4 Rf8
67.Ka5 Ra8
68.Ka6 Rd8
69.Ka5 Re8
70.Kb5 Kg7
71.Ka5 Kh6
72.Kb5 Rg8
73.Ka5 Kh7
74.Kb5 Rh8
75.Ka5 Rd8
76.Kb5 Re8
77.Ka5 Kg7
78.Kb5 Kf8 79.Ka5 Rd8 80.Kb5 Rc8
81.Ka5 Ke7
82.Kb5 Ke6
83.Ka5 Kf7 84.Kb5 Re8 85.Ka5 Re2
86.Kb5 Re8
87.Ka5 Rd8
88.Kb5 Ke7
89.Ka5 Rd3
90.Ka4 Rd8
91.Ka5 Rd3
92.Ka4 Rd1
93.Kb5 Ra1
94.Kb6 Kf7 95.Kb7 Kf6 96.a8Q Rxa8
97.Kxa8
½ - ½ (9 7) PetersBot (3083)-ToromBot (3121) Rapid 2025]

[7...exd5 8.cxd5
A) 8...h6 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 11.Bf4 Nh5 12.Bxd6 Qb6

13.e5 Nxe5 14.Bxe5 Bxe5 15.Qa4+ Kf8 16.Qb3 Nf4 17.g3 Nd3+ 18.Ke2 Nxb2 19.Kd2 Na4 20.Nge2 Qxb3 21.axb3 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 a6 23.Rhd1 Kg7 24.Rac1 Rhd8 25.Kd3 Rac8 26.f4 Bd4 27.Ne2 Rxd5 28.Ke4 Rcd8 29.Nxd4 Rxd4+ 30.Rxd4 Rxd4+ 31.Ke3 b6 0-1 (31) Consent_to_treatment (2700)-Garoy (2747) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...a6 9.a4 *(9.Qd2 b5 10.Nge2 Nbd7 11.Ng3 h6 12.Bf4 Ne5 13.Be2 h5 14.0-0 h4 15.Nh1 h3 16.g4 Bd7 17.b3 Rc8 18.Ng3 Qe7 19.Rac1 b4 20.Nd1 Bb5 21.Ne3 Nh7 22.Nc4 Nxc4 23.bxc4 Bd7 24.Rfe1 a5 25.Bf1 Bd4+ 26.Kh1 f6 27.Bxh3 Ng5 28.Bg2 Qh7 29.Nf1 Nf7 30.Bg3 g5 31.Red1 Be5 32.h3 a4 33.Kg1 Kd8 34.a3 b3 35.Bxe5 fxe5 36.Ng3 Ke7 37.Nf5+ Bxf5 38.exf5 Kf6 39.Qa5 Ra8 40.Qc7 Rhc8 41.Qd7 Re8 42.Re1 Qh4 43.Re2 Qh8 44.Qb5 Kg7 45.Qd7 Qh6 46.Qb5 Qf6 47.Rb1 Reb8 48.Qc6 Ra7 49.h4 gxh4 50.g5 Qxg5 51.Re4 Kf8 52.Rg4 Qxf5 53.Rxh4 Qxb1+ 54.Kh2 Qg6* 0-1 (54) GarriKarpov (2623)-VanTierry (2647) Blitz 2024*)* 9...h6 10.Bf4 0-0 11.Qd2 Nh7 12.Nge2 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Ng3 Qe7+ 15.Be2 Nd7 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Nh5 Nf7 18.Nxg7 Kxg7 19.Rfe1 Qf6 20.a5 Bd7 21.Na4 Rae8 22.Nb6 Bb5 23.Bxb5 axb5 24.Nd7 1-0 (24) Leon_Livaic (2638)-donatello (2741) Blitz 2019;

C) 8...0-0 9.Nge2 *(9.a4 Na6 10.Be2 h6 11.Be3 Nb4 12.Qd2 a6 13.Kf1 h5 14.Bg5 Qc7 15.h4 Nd7 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Nc2 18.Rc1 Nd4 19.g4 Ne5 20.gxh5 f5 21.hxg6 b5 22.f4 fxe4 23.Nxe4 Qg7 24.Qxg7+ Kxg7 25.Nxd6 Rxf4+ 26.Ke1 Kxg6 27.Rxc5 Bg4 28.Nh3 Nxe2 29.Nxf4+ Nxf4 30.Kd2 Rd8 31.Rf1 Nf3+ 32.Ke3 Ng2+ 33.Kf2 Ngxh4 34.axb5 Rxd6 35.bxa6 Rxa6 36.Rc6+ Rxc6 37.dxc6 Nd2 38.Rg1 Ne4+ 39.Ke3 Nf6 40.Rxg4+ Nxg4+* ½-½ (40) TheAstroBot (2677)-RaspFish (2692) Blitz 2022 *)*

C1) 9...a6 10.a4 Nbd7 *(10...h6 11.Bf4 g5 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.Qd2 f5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Bf2 Bg6 16.h4 Nd7 17.hxg5 hxg5 18.Be3 Ne5 19.Bxg5 Nd3+ 20.Qxd3 Qxg5 21.Qd2 Qe5 22.0-0-0 b5 23.g4 Nf4 24.Nxf4 Rxf4 25.Re1 Qd4 26.Qxd4 cxd4 27.Ne4 Rc8+ 28.Kd2 Rxf3 29.Bd3 bxa4 30.Rhf1 Rxf1 31.Rxf1 Rb8 32.Kc2 Be5 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.Bxg6 Kxg6 35.Ne4 d3+ 36.Kxd3 Rxb2 37.Rf8 a3 38.Rg8+ Kf7 39.Ra8 Rb6 40.Nc3 Rb3 41.Ra7+ Kf6 42.Rxa6 Rxc3+ 43.Ke4 Kg6 44.Ra5 Rc4+ 45.Kd3 Rxg4 46.Ra6 Rg3+ 47.Kc4 Kf5 48.Kb5 Ke4 49.Kc6 Rc3+ 50.Kd7 Kxd5 51.Ra4 Rc5 52.Ra5 Rxa5 53.Ke7 Ra6 54.Kf7 a2 55.Kg6 a1Q 56.Kf7 Qf1+ 57.Kg6 Qf6+ 58.Kh5 Ra7 59.Kg4 Rg7+ 60.Kh5* ½-½ (60) Consent_to_treatment (2664)-quick_Mate (2702) Blitz 2021 *)* 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.Bh6 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Nxf3+ 15.Kf2 Qxe4 16.Qf4 Qxf4 17.Bxf4 Ne5 18.Nc3 Bf5

19.a5 Rfd8 20.Na4 h6 21.h3 g5 22.Bd2 Bd3 23.Nb6 Rab8 24.Bc3 Bxf1 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Rhxf1 Re8 27.Nc4 Bd4+ 28.Kf3 Rbd8 29.g4 Kg7 30.Rae1 Kg6 31.Kg2 Rxe1 32.Rxe1 Kf6 33.Kf3 Rd7 34.Re8 Re7 35.Rh8 Kg7 36.Rb8 Be5 37.b3 Bf4 38.h4 Kf6 39.h5 Rc7 40.Rh8 Kg7 41.Re8 Rd7 42.Ke4 Rc7 43.Kf5 Bc1 44.Rd8 Re7 45.Rxd6 Re2 46.Rb6 Rf2+ 47.Ke4 Rf4+ 48.Kd3 Rxg4 49.d6 Rd4+ 50.Kc2 g4 51.Rxb7 g3 52.Ne5 g2 53.Rxf7+ Kg8 54.Rf6 g1Q 55.Rg6+ Qxg6+ 56.Nxg6 Rxd6 57.Kxc1 Rxg6 58.hxg6 Kg7 59.Kd2 Kxg6 60.Ke3 h5 61.Kf4 c4 62.bxc4 Kf6 63.Ke4 Ke6 64.Kd4 Kd6 65.c5+ Kc6 66.Kc4 h4 67.Kb4 h3 68.Kc4 h2 69.Kd3 h1Q 70.Kc4 Qd5+ 71.Kb4 Qxc5+ 72.Ka4 Qb5+ 73.Ka3 Kc5 74.Ka2 Kc4 75.Ka1 Qb4 76.Ka2 Kc3 77.Ka1 Qb2# 0-1 (77) Violet_Pride (2733)-Fastchess2345 (2691) Blitz 2023;

C2) 9...h6 10.Be3

C2a) 10...Na6 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.Ng3 Nc7 13.Rb1 Re8 14.Be2 Rb8 15.a4 a6 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Nxb5 Nxb5 20.Rxb5 Rxb5 21.Bxb5 Bd7 22.Bxd7 Nxd7 23.0-0 Qb8 24.Rc1 Rc8 25.Ne2 Ne5 26.Rxc8 Qxc8 27.Nd4 Nc4 28.Qc2 Qa6 29.Qc1 Nxe3 30.Qxe3 Qa1+ 31.Kf2 Bxd4 0-1 (31) chess_lover2020 (2762)-jokechess (2754) Blitz 2022;

C2b) 10...Re8 11.Ng3 Nbd7 12.Be2 a6 13.a4 h5 *(13...Ne5 14.0-0 Rb8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Ra2 Rb4 19.Rfa1 Qb6 20.Bxa6 Bxa6 21.Rxa6 Qb8 22.Bf4 Rxb2 23.Qd1 Nfd7 24.Nge2 g5 25.Bc1 Rb7 26.Qa4 g4 27.f4 Nd3 28.e5 dxe5 29.Qe4+ Kh8 30.Qxd3 e4 31.Qc2 Bd4+ 32.Nxd4 cxd4 33.Nxe4 Kg7 34.Ng3 Re1+ 35.Kf2 Rxc1 36.Nh5+ Kf8 37.Rxc1 Rb2 38.Rc6 Rxc2+ 39.R1xc2 Ke7 40.Ng7 Qb3 41.Nf5+* 1-0 (41) Itinerant69 (2634)-Ifachess23 (2614) Blitz 2023*)* 14.0-0 h4 15.Nh1 Nh5 16.Nf2 *(16.g4 hxg3 17.hxg3 f5 18.Qd2 Ne5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bg5 Bf6 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Rae1 f4 23.g4 Qh4 24.gxh5 Kh8 25.Bd3 Rg8+ 26.Bg6 Nxg6* 0-1 (25) MothToTheFlame (2679)-seksi_cigra (2718) Blitz 2023*; 16.Qd2 Ne5 17.h3 Bd7 18.f4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Qxa8 21.Bxh5 Nc4 22.Qe1 Nxe3 23.Rf3 gxh5 24.Rxe3 Bd4 25.Nf2 b4 26.Ncd1 Bxe3 27.Qxe3 Qa1 28.Qf3 Qc1 29.Kh2 c4 30.e5 dxe5 31.fxe5 Rxe5 32.Qf6 Qg5 33.Qxg5+ Rxg5 34.Ne3 c3 35.bxc3 bxc3 36.Nd3 Bb5 37.Nb4 Re5 38.Nec2 Kf8 39.Kg1 Ke7 40.Kf2 Re2+ 41.Kf3 Rd2 42.g3 hxg3 43.Kxg3 Kd6 44.Kf4 Ba4*

45.Ne3 Bb3 46.Ke4 c2 47.Nbxc2 Bxc2+ 0-1 (46) alexkaspi (2609)-PhantomAnton (2608) Blitz 2021 *)* 16...Rb8 *(16...Be5 17.Nd3 Bd4 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.a5 Qa7 20.Nf2 Ndf6 21.Bxd4 cxd4 22.Na4 Bd7 23.Nb6 Rad8 24.Qxd4 Re5 25.Nd3 Re7 26.Rac1 Bb5 27.Rfd1 Nd7 28.Qf2 Nxb6 29.axb6 Qb8 30.Qxh4 Rde8 31.Nf4 Bxe2 32.Nxe2 f5 33.Nc3 fxe4 34.Nxe4 Kg7 35.Re1 Qd8 36.Qf2 Nf4 37.Qd4+ Re5 38.Rc7+ R8e7 39.Rxe7+ Qxe7 40.Nxd6* 1-0 (39) estudiante2008 (2720)-veni_vidi_vici2007 (2589) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Qd2 f5 18.Nh3 Ne5 19.f4 Ng4 20.Bxg4 fxg4 21.Ng5 g3 22.h3 b5 23.Ne6 Bxe6 24.dxe6 b4 25.Qd5 Qe7 26.Ne2 Qxe6 27.Qxe6+ Rxe6 28.e5 Rbe8 29.Rad1 dxe5 30.f5 gxf5 31.Rxf5 Nf4 32.Nc1 c4 33.Kf1 Rf8 34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Rd8+ Kf7 36.Rd7+ Kg6 37.Bc5 e4 38.Bxb4 Bxb2 39.Na2 Nd3 40.Bc3 Bxc3 41.Nxc3 e3 42.Rd4 Nc1 43.Rg4+ Kh5 44.Ne2 Nxe2 45.Kxe2 Rf6 46.Kxe3 Rc6 47.Kd2 c3+ 48.Kc2 Rf6 49.Kxc3 Rf2 50.Kb4 Rxg2 51.Ka5 Rh2 0-1 (51) Itinerant69 (2739)-BBMSARA (2673) Blitz 2023;

C2c) 10...a6 11.Qd2 b5 12.a4 b4 13.Nd1 Re8 14.Rc1 Nbd7 15.Nf2 h5 16.Nf4 Ne5 17.Be2 a5 18.0-0 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.N4d3 Nfd7 21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Nd3 Ra8 23.b3 Qe7 24.Nf2 Rac8 25.Qe2 Nd7 26.Kh1 Bc3 27.g4 hxg4 28.Nxg4 Bg7 29.Rg1 Qh4 30.Bf4 Ne5 31.Bxe5 Bxe5 32.Nxe5 Rxe5 33.Rg4 Qh5 34.Rcg1 Rce8 35.Qb5 Kg7 36.Qd7 R8e7 37.Qxd6 Qh3 38.R4g3 Qh4 39.Qxc5 Rh5 40.Qd4+ Ree5 41.R1g2 Kh7 42.d6 Qf4 43.d7 Rd5 44.Qxd5 Rxd5 45.exd5 Qd6 46.Rd2 Qxd7 47.d6 Qc6 48.Kg2 Qc1 49.Re2 Qd1 50.Re7 Qxd6 51.Rxf7+ Kg8 52.Rb7 Qd2+ 53.Kh3 Qd5 0-1 (53) leva1958 (2603)-SAMF64 (2589) Blitz 2022;

C2d) 10...Nbd7 11.h4 *(11.Qd2 Ne5 12.Nc1 a6 13.Be2 b5 14.0-0 h5 15.Kh1 Bd7 16.Bg5 Qb6 17.Nd3 Nh7 18.Bh6 Nxd3 19.Bxd3 c4 20.Bc2 b4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Ne2 Rac8 23.f4 c3 24.bxc3 bxc3 25.Nxc3 Qc5 26.Rf3 Rc7 27.Bb3 Rfc8 28.Ne2 Nf6 29.e5 Ne4 30.Qe3 Bf5 31.Qxc5 Rxc5 32.Re3 Nd2 33.h3 Nxb3 34.axb3 a5 35.Rd1 dxe5 36.fxe5 Rd8 37.Nc3 Bc2 38.Rd2 Bxb3 39.d6* 1-0 (39) Dreev,A (2655)-Dvirnyy,D (2485) Chess.com INT 2020 *)* 11...a6 12.Ng3 h5 13.a4 Ne5 14.Be2 Bd7 *(14...Nh7 15.Nf1 Bf6 16.Bf2 Re8 17.Ne3 Rb8 18.f4 Nd7 19.Nc4 Nb6 20.Ne3 Bxc3+ 21.bxc3 Rxe4 22.f5 Qe7*

23.Qd2 Bxf5 24.0-0 Bd7 25.a5 Na8 26.Bf3 Rxh4 27.Bxh4 Qxh4 28.Rab1 Nc7 29.c4 Ne8 30.Rb6 Ng5 31.Qf2 Qd4 32.Rd1 Qc3 33.Qd2 Qa3 34.Rdb1 Nf6 35.Rxb7 Re8 36.R7b3 Qa4 37.Qc3 Nfe4 38.Bxe4 Nxe4 39.Qe1 Nf6 40.Rb8 Rxb8 41.Rxb8+ Kg7 42.Qc3 Qa2 43.Rb2 Qa1+ 44.Kh2 h4 45.Rc2 Qa4 46.Rf2 1-0 (45) borisov_maxim (2649)-Filip88 (2656) Blitz 2023*)* 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Qd2 b4 18.Rxa8 Qxa8 19.Nd1 Rc8 20.Bg5 Qa2 21.f4 Neg4 22.f5 gxf5 23.Qf4 Re8 24.Bxg4 Nxg4 25.Nxf5 Bxf5 26.Qxf5 Qa7 27.Kh1 Qb7 28.Nf2 Qc8 29.Nxg4 Qxf5 30.exf5 hxg4 31.f6 Bf8 32.Kh2 Kh7 33.Ra1 b3 34.Kg3 Re4 35.Ra7 Kg6 36.Bf4 Kxf6 37.h5 Re2 38.Ra8 Bg7 39.h6 Bxh6 40.Bxh6 Rxb2 41.Bf4 c4 42.Bxd6 Rd2 43.Kxg4 b2 44.Rb8 c3 45.Ba3 Rxg2+ 46.Kf4 Rf2+ 47.Ke3 Rd2 48.Ke4 Kg7 49.Bxb2 Rxb2 50.Ra8 ½-½ (50) TheAstroBot (2762)-RaspFish (2766) Rapid 2022]

8.a4 0-0 9.Qd2

[9.Qc1 Re8 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 Qc7

A) 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 c4 14.h4 Nbd7 15.Nh3 Rb8 16.h5 b5 17.axb5 *(17.Ng5 Nf8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rc1 Qa7 21.Kf1 b4 22.Nd1 Ba6 23.Qh4 c3 24.Bxa6 cxb2 25.Nxb2 Qxa6+ 26.Kg1 Rec8 27.Kh2 Qe2 28.Na4 Nh5 29.Rhe1 Qa2 30.Ra1 Qd2 31.Red1 Qe3 32.Ne6 b3 33.Re1 Qh6 34.Reb1 Nxe6 35.dxe6 g5 36.Qh3 Rc2 37.Rb2 g4 38.Qxg4+ Kh8 39.e7 Nf4+ 40.Kg1 Ne2+ 41.Kf2 Qd2 42.f4 Ng3+ 43.Kxg3 Qxg2+ 44.Kh4 Qh2+ 45.Qh3 Qxf4+ 46.Qg4 Rh2+ 47.Rxh2 Qxh2+ 48.Qh3 Qf4+ 49.Qg4 Qf6+ 50.Qg5 Qxa1 51.Kh3 Qf1+ 52.Kg4 Qg2+ 53.Kf4 Qf2+ 54.Kg4 Qg1+ 55.Kf4 Qf1+ 56.Kg4 Qg1+ 57.Kf4 Qxg5+ 58.Kxg5 Kg7 59.Kf4 Kf7 60.e8Q+ Kxe8 61.Nb2 Rc8 62.Nd3 Rc3 63.Nb2 Rc2 64.Nd3 b2 65.Nxb2 Rxb2 66.Ke3 d5 67.e5 d4+ 68.Kxd4 h5 69.Kc4 h4 70.Kd3 h3 71.Kc3 Rb1 72.Kc2 Rb4 73.Kd2 h2 74.Kc3 Re4 75.e6 h1Q 76.Kd3 Qf3+ 77.Kd2 Re2+ 78.Kd1 Qf1#* 0-1 (79) expositor (2640)-Nikitosikbot (2878) Blitz 2023*)* 17...axb5 18.Nd1 Nxh5 19.Ng5 Nf8 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.f4 Bg4 22.Bxg4 hxg4 23.Ne3 Qc5 24.Ke2 Qd4 25.Nxg4 Rxe4+ 26.Nxe4 Qxe4+ 27.Kf2 ½-½ (27) Dronov,A (2661)-Lecroq,M (2571) ICCF 2021 Qd4+ 28.Kg3 c3 29.Qxd6 cxb2 30.Rd1 Qxd1 31.Nh6+ Kg7 32.Nf5+ Kg8 33.Nh6+ Kg7 34.Nf5+ Kg8 35.Ne7+ Kg7 36.Nf5+ ½-½ (37) M-Z_Bot (2629)-StockFish16_2023 (2495) Classical 2023;

B) 12.Be3 b6 13.Qd2 c4 14.Bd1 Nfd7 15.Nge2 Nc5 16.0-0 Nbd7 17.Bc2 Ne5 18.h3 f5 19.Rab1 Rb8 20.Nd4 fxe4 21.Nxe4 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Bg5 Nxe4 24.Bxe4 b4 25.Nc6 Nxc6 26.dxc6

Rb5 27.Bf4 Bf5 28.Bxd6 Qb6+ 29.Kh1 Bxe4 30.fxe4 Qxc6 31.Bxb4 Rxe4 32.Bc3 Bxc3 33.bxc3 Rxb1 34.Rxb1 Kg7 35.Qd8 ½-½ (35) RaspFish (2925)-KQRBNPkqrbnp (2941) Rapid 2023]

9...Re8

[9...exd5 10.cxd5

A) 10...Re8

A1) 11.Nge2 Nbd7 *(11...Qc7 12.Ng3 h5 13.Be2 Nh7 14.Be3 h4 15.Nf1 f5 16.Bf2 h3 17.g3 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Ne3 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Rxe4 21.Bd3 Ng5 22.Bxe4 Nxe4 23.Qd3 Nxf2 24.Kxf2 Nd7 25.Rhf1 Ne5 26.Qe4 Qb6 27.Kg1 Bh6 28.Kh1 Qxb2 29.Rab1 Qe2 30.Rbe1 Qd2 31.Ng4 Nxg4 32.Re2 Qg5 33.Qe6+ Kh8 34.Qxd6 Rd8 35.Qxc5 Qxd5+ 36.Qxd5 Rxd5 37.Re4* 0-1 (37) VanuatuLover (2692)-Kyojuro-rengoku1 (2554) Blitz 2025*; 11...Qa5 12.Nd1 Qxd2+ 13.Bxd2 Nbd7 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Nxb6 16.Ne3 Bd7 17.Kf2 Bb5 18.Nf4 Nfd7 19.Bc3 Bd4 20.Bxd4 cxd4 21.Nc2 g5 22.Bxb5 axb5 23.Nd3 Nc5 24.Nxc5 dxc5 25.b4 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 d3 27.bxc5 dxc2 28.cxb6 b4 29.b7 Kg7 30.d6 b3 31.d7 Rb8 32.Ra8 c1Q 33.Rxb8 Qd2+ 34.Kf1 b2 35.Rg8+ Kh6 36.b8Q Qc1+ 37.Kf2 Qd2+ 38.Kg3 Qe1+ 39.Kg4 b1Q 40.Qf8#* 1-0 (40) Consent_to_treatment (2680)-Soham0705 (2666) Blitz 2021*; 11...h6 12.Bxh6 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxh6 15.Qxh6 Bxh6 16.Nxd6 Rd8 17.Nc4 Nd7 18.Nc3 b6 19.Bh3 Rb8 20.f4 b5 21.Na5 Re8+ 22.Kf2 Nf6 23.Bxc8 Rbxc8 24.axb5 axb5 25.Nxb5 Rb8 26.Nc7 Rxb2+ 27.Kf3 Ree2 28.Rhf1 Red2 29.Rad1 Rxh2 30.d6 Ra2 31.Nc4 Rhc2 32.Rc1 Rxc1 33.Rxc1 Bf8 34.Nb5 Nd7 35.Ne5 Nb6 36.d7 Rd2 37.Ke3 Rd5 38.Nc7 Rd6 39.Ne8 Rd4 40.Nf6+ Kg7 41.Ne8+ Kg8 42.g4* 1-0 (42) Surrender-at-20 (2631)-Uncle-Rich (2566) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Ng3 *(12.Nd1 Rb8 13.Nec3 Qa5 14.Ra3 Ne5 15.Be2 c4 16.0-0 Qb4 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6+ 19.Be3 Qb4 20.Bd4 Nfd7 21.f4 Nd3 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Bxd3 cxd3 24.Qxd3 Nc5 25.Qg3 Nxe4 26.Nxe4 Rxe4 27.Re3 Bf5 28.Rxe4 Qxe4 29.Qc3+ Kg8 30.Ne3 Re8 31.Re1 Qxf4 32.Nxf5 Rxe1+ 33.Qxe1 Qxf5 34.Qe8+ Kg7 35.Qc6 Qb1+ 36.Kf2 Qxb2+ 37.Kf1 Qa3 38.g4 a5 39.g5 Qa1+ 40.Ke2 Qe5+ 41.Kd3 a4 42.h4 a3 43.Qa8 Qb2* 0-1 (43) DodoP47 (2885)-NoRolex (2890) Blitz 2022 *)*

A1a) 12...Ne5 13.Be2 c4 14.0-0 Bd7 *(14...Qc7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6+ 17.Be3 Qc7 18.Bd4 Rb8 19.Kh1 h5 20.Rfc1 h4 21.Nf1 Nh5 22.f4 Nd3 23.Bxg7 Nxc1 24.Rxc1 Nxg7 25.Ne3 Rb4 26.Na2 Ra4 27.b3 Rxa2 28.Qxa2 cxb3 29.Qb2 Qb8 30.Bd3 a5 31.Ra1 Qb4 32.Nc4 Ba6 33.Rc1 a4 34.e5 dxe5*

35.fxe5 a3 36.Nxa3 Bxd3 37.e6 fxe6 38.dxe6 Nxe6 39.Rd1 Nf4 40.Qf2 Qe4 41.h3 Nxh3 42.Qd2 Nf4 43.Kh2 g5 44.Qa5 Qxg2# 0-1 (44) Biriyani (2608)-Akbar2001 (2613) Blitz 2021*)*
15.a5 b5 16.Na2 h6 17.Be3 h5 18.Nb4 h4 19.Nh1 Nh7 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.Nf2 Nf6 23.Bb6 Qd7 24.Rae1 h3 25.g3 Bf3 26.Bd4 Bg2 27.Qc3 Nh5 28.Bxg7 Nxg7 29.Qf6 Nh5 30.Qg5 Kg7 31.f5 Qe7 32.Qd2 Bxf1 33.Nc6 Qc7 34.Rxf1 Nf6 35.Qf4 Re5 36.fxg6 fxg6 37.Nxh3 Rf8 38.Nxe5 dxe5 39.Qh4 Qc5+ 40.Kg2 Nh7 41.Rxf8 Qxf8 42.Nf2 Nf6 43.Qg5 Qd6 44.Qe3 Qc7 45.Qa3 Ne8 46.Ng4 Nd6 47.Qe3 b4 48.Qh6+ Kg8 49.Nf6+ 1-0 (49) Nakamura,H (2816)-Caruana,F (2789) Saint Louis USA 2025;

A1b) 12...Qa5 13.Be2

A1b1) 13...Ne5 14.0-0

A1b11) 14...Qb4 15.a5 *(15.Kh1 Bd7 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 Qd4 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Qxd4 exd4 22.Bxf6 dxc3 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.bxc3 Re3 25.c4 Rf8 26.Rfb1 Bc8 27.Kg1 Rf4 28.d6 Rd3 29.Rd1 Rfd4 30.Rxd3 Rxd3 31.Re1 Rxd6 32.Re7+ Kf6 33.Rc7 Be6 34.Ne4+ Ke5 35.Nxd6 Kxd6 36.Rxh7 Bxc4 37.Rxb7 Bd5 38.Rb6+ Ke5 39.Kf2 c4 40.Ke3 a5 41.Rxg6* 1-0 (41) Itinerant69 (2642)-realNomenNescio (2666) Blitz 2023*)*
15...Bd7 16.Qc2 h6 17.Be3 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Qd2 *(19.Ra3 Nxd5 20.Bxh6 Bxh6 21.exd5 Be3+ 22.Kh1 Bf5 23.Qd1 Kg7 24.Nxf5+ gxf5 25.Ra4 Qxa4 26.Nxa4 Rh8 27.g3 f4 28.Kg2* 1-0 (28) Iestri (2616)-aryamannkid (2537) Blitz 2024 *)* 19...h5 20.Rfc1 Bb5 21.Nge2 Nd7 22.Nxb5 Qxb5 23.Nc3 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Ne5 25.Rcb1 Qd7 26.Qe2 Rac8 27.Rb6 Rc7 28.h3 f5 29.Bf4 fxe4 30.Qxe4 Kg7 31.Rab1 Nf7 32.Qd3 Qe7 33.c4 Qf6 34.Bd2 Ree7 35.Bc3 Ne5 36.Qe4 Kf7 37.f4 Nd7 38.Bxf6 Rxe4 39.Rxb7 Rxb7 40.Rxb7 Kxf6 41.Rxd7 Rxc4 42.Rxd6+ Kf5 43.Rxa6 Rxf4 44.Rc6 Rd4 45.Rxc5 Ke5 46.a6 Ra4 47.Rc6 Kxd5 48.Rxg6 h4 49.Kh2 Kc5 50.Rg5+ Kb6 51.Rg4 Rxg4 52.hxg4 Kxa6 53.Kh3 1-0 (53) Iestri (2649)-aryamannkid (2566) Blitz 2024;

A1b12) 14...Bd7 15.Rfe1 Qb4 16.a5 Nc4 17.Bxc4

Qxc4 18.Bf4 Bf8 19.Nge2 Nh5 20.Be3 Bg7 21.b3 Qb4 22.Qc2 Rac8 23.Reb1 c4 24.bxc4 Qxc4 25.Rxb7 Bxc3 26.Rc1 Ba4 27.Qxc3 Qxe2 28.Qxc8 Qxe3+ 0-1 (28) AM0R_FATI (2624)-Partake (2624) Blitz 2024;

A1b13) 14...c4 15.Be3 Bd7 16.Bd4 Rac8 17.h3 Qb4 18.a5 Nd3 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Qxd3 Nxe4 21.Bxg7 Nxg3 22.Bd4 Nxf1 23.Rxf1 Qxa5 24.Ne4 Rxe4 25.fxe4 f5 26.Qg3 Qb4 27.Bc3 Qxe4 28.Qxd6 Rxc3 29.bxc3 Bb5 30.Rf4 Qe3+ 31.Kh2 Bd3 32.Rf3 Qe4 33.Qb8+ Kg7 34.Qxb7+ Kh6 35.Qc7 g5 36.Qd6+ Kh5 37.Rg3 f4 38.Rg4 h6 39.Qf6 Qxd5 40.c4 Qxc4 41.h4 Qd5 42.hxg5 hxg5 43.Rh4+ Kxh4 0-1 (43) AgressiveMode (2698)-rodp92 (2586) Blitz 2021;

A1b2) 13...b5 14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 c4 *(15...Ne5 16.h3 c4 17.Nf2 c3 18.bxc3 bxc3 19.Qc2 h6 20.Be3 h5 21.Bd4 h4 22.Ngh1 Nh5 23.Bxc3 Nxf3+ 24.Bxf3 Qxc3 25.Qxc3 Bxc3 26.Rac1 Bd4 27.Bxh5 gxh5 28.Rfd1 Rxe4 29.Kf1 Bxf2 30.Nxf2 Rxa4 31.Rc6 Bf5 32.Rxd6 a5 33.Rf6 Bg6 34.d6 Rb4 35.d7 Rd8 36.Ra6 a4 37.Kg1 Kf8 38.Rd2 Rc4 39.Kh2 Bc2 40.Rd5 Bb3 41.Rxh5 Rxd7 42.Ra8+ Ke7 43.Ng4 Rd2 44.Re5+ Kd7 45.Ra7+ Rc7 46.Ra6 Rcc2 47.Nf6+ Kc7 48.Rg5 Kb7 49.Raa5 Kb6 50.Rab5+ Kc6 51.Ra5 Ra2 52.Nh5 Bd5 53.Nf4 Be4 54.Ra6+ Kb7 55.Raa5 a3 56.Rgb5+ Kc6 57.Rg5 Rf2 58.Rac5+ Kd6 59.Rcf5 Bxf5 60.Rxf5 Rab2 61.Rf6+ Ke5 62.Rxf7 Rxf4 63.Ra7 Rff2 64.Ra5+ Kd6 65.Ra4 Rxg2+ 66.Kh1 Rh2+ 67.Kg1 Rhc2 68.Kh1 Rc1#* 0-1 (68) VanuatuLover (2647)-DJT45-47 (2548) Blitz 2025 *)* 16.Bxc4 *(16.Rc1 c3 17.bxc3 b3 18.Nb2 Ne5 19.Be3 h5 20.Nh1 Bb7 21.Nf2 Nfd7 22.f4 Ng4 23.Nxg4 hxg4 24.Bxg4 Nf6 25.Bd4 Nxg4 26.Bxg7 Rxe4 27.Bd4 Qxd5 28.Rce1 Rae8 29.Nd3 Rxe1 30.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 31.Nxe1 Ne5 32.fxe5 dxe5 33.Nf3 exd4 34.Nxd4 Qc4 35.Qb2 Bd5 36.a5 Qd3 37.h3 Bc4 38.Kh2 Bd5 39.Kg1 Qd1+ 40.Kh2 Qf1 41.Qd2 Qc4 42.Qb2 Qc7+ 43.Kg1 Qxa5 44.h4 Qb6 45.h5 gxh5 46.Kh2 Qd6+ 47.Kg1 a5 48.Qe2 a4 49.Nf5 Qb6+ 50.Kh1 b2 51.Ne7+ Kf8 52.Nxd5*

b1Q+ 53.Qd1 Qxd1+ 0-1 (53) mate-in-three (2608)-Prosovich (2724) Rapid 2021*)* 16...Qc5+ 17.Ne3 h6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Rac1 Qd4 20.Rf2 Nc5 21.b3 Bd7 22.Qe1 Bg5 23.Nc2 Qe5 24.Rd1 a5 25.Nd4 f5 26.Nc6 Qc3 27.f4 Bf6 28.e5 dxe5 29.Qxc3 bxc3 30.fxe5 Bxe5 31.Nxe5 Rxe5 32.Rc1 g5 33.Re2 Rae8 34.Rxc3 f4 35.Nh5 Kf7 36.d6+ Kg6 37.Rxe5 Rxe5 38.g4 Bxg4 39.Ng3 fxg3 40.Rxg3 Bd7 0-1 (40) Nakamura,H (2802)-Firouzja,A (2767) Paris FRA 2024;

A1c) 12...Qc7 13.Be2 c4 14.0-0 Rb8 15.Be3 h5 16.Rfc1 h4 17.Nh1 h3 *(17...b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b4 Ne5 20.Ra7 Qd8 21.Nf2 h3 22.g3 Bd7 23.Rca1 Rf8 24.Bd4 Kh7 25.f4 Neg4 26.Bxg4 Nxg4 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Nxg4 Bxg4 29.Qd4+ Qf6 30.Qxf6+ Kxf6 31.R1a6 Rfd8 32.e5+ Kf5 33.Rxf7#* 1-0 (33) alexkaspi (2624)-melonovich (2586) Blitz 2022*)* 18.g3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Ra7 Qd8 21.Nf2 Ne5 22.Bd4 Nfd7 23.Qe3 Nc5 24.Bxc5 dxc5 25.Qxc5 b4 26.Ncd1 Bd7 27.Qc7 Qxc7 28.Rxc7 Bb5 29.f4 c3 30.Bxb5 cxb2 31.Rb1 Nf3+ 32.Kh1 Rxb5 33.d6 Nd2 34.d7 Rd8 35.Rxb2 Bxb2 36.Nxb2 Kf8 37.Nfd3 Nxe4 38.Ne5 Ke7 39.Nbd3 Kd6 40.Rc6+ Ke7 41.Rc4 Nf6 42.Nc6+ Kxd7 43.Nxd8 Rd5 44.Nxf7 Ng4 45.Nfe5+ Nxe5 46.Nxe5+ Kd6 47.Rc6+ Ke7 48.Kg1 b3 49.Rb6 Rd1+ 50.Kf2 Rd2+ 51.Kf3 Rxh2 52.Nxg6+ 1-0 (52) Nakamura,H (2787)-Kasparov,G (2812) Saint Louis USA 2016;

A1d) 12...h5 13.Be2

A1d1) 13...Qc7 14.0-0 Nh7 *(14...c4 15.f4 Nc5 16.e5 dxe5 17.Bxc4 Ng4 18.h3 exf4 19.Bxf4 Ne5 20.Qf2 h4 21.Nge2 Rf8 22.Rad1 Ncd7 23.Ba2 Qa5 24.d6 b5 25.Nd5 Bb7 26.Ne7+* 1-0 (26) gg-gm-gmg (2663)-Rivuza (2579) Blitz 2020 *)*

A1d11) 15.Bh6 Bd4+ *(15...h4 16.Nh1 Ne5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nf2 f5 19.f4 Nf7 20.Bd3 c4 21.Bc2 Bd7 22.Qd4+ Kg8 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Rae1 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.b4 cxb3 27.Bxb3 Qc5 28.Qd3 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Ra3 30.Rb1 b4 31.Ncd1 Nf6 32.Qe3 Kg7 33.Qxc5 dxc5 34.Ne3 Nd6 35.Nd3 Nfe4 36.Ne5 Bc8 37.N3c4 Nxc4 38.Nxc4 Ra6 39.Re1 Bb7 40.d6 Bc8 41.Rd1 Bd7 42.Ne5 Ra7 43.Bd5 Kf6 44.Bc6 Bxc6 45.Nxc6 Rd7 46.Ne5 Rxd6 47.Rxd6+ Nxd6 48.Nd7+ Ke6 49.Nxc5+*

Kd5 50.Nb3 Kc4 51.Na5+ Kc3 52.g3 h3 53.Kf2 Ne4+ 54.Kf3 Nf6 0-1 (54) nastroyani (2662)-Corchov (2552) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Be3 Bg7 17.Nh1 f5 18.Nf2 Rb8 19.Kh1 Ndf6 20.exf5 Bxf5 21.g4 Bd7 22.g5 Rxe3 23.Qxe3 Ne8 24.Nfe4 Bf5 25.Ng3 Bh3 26.Bd3 Bxf1 27.Rxf1 Bd4 28.Qe6+ Qf7 29.f4 Ng7 30.Qxg6 Nf8 31.Qxf7+ Kxf7 32.f5 Re8 33.Nge4 Be5 34.f6 Nge6 35.dxe6+ Kxe6 36.Bc4+ Kd7 37.Bf7 Rd8 38.g6 Kc6 39.g7 Nd7 40.g8Q Rxg8 41.Bxg8 b5 42.axb5+ axb5 43.Bd5+ Kb6 44.f7 b4 45.Na4+ Kb5 46.b3 Bg7 47.Nxd6+ Ka5 48.Nf5 Bf8 49.Ra1 c4 50.Bxc4 h4 51.h3 Ne5 52.Nc5+ Kb6 53.Ne6 Nxf7 54.Nxf8 Ne5 55.Ne6 Nf3 56.Ra6+ Kb7 57.Nc5+ Kc8 58.Ra7 Kd8 59.Ne7 Ne5 60.Be6 Nd7 61.Rxd7+ Ke8 62.Ne4 Kf8 63.Nf5 Ke8 64.Nf6+ Kf8 65.Rf7# 1-0 (65) brianthegreat (2666)-symbiote (2672) Blitz 2022;

A1d12) 15.Be3 h4 16.Nh1 h3 17.g4 Ne5 18.Ng3 f5 19.gxf5 gxf5 20.exf5 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxe3 22.Rae1 Re5 23.f4 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 Bd7 25.Re6 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Nxb5 Ra1+ 28.Nf1 Bxb5 29.Bxb5 Qb6 30.Bc4 Bd4+ 31.Kh1 Qxb2 32.Qxb2 Bxb2 33.Rxd6 Rc1 34.Rg6+ Kf7 35.Be2 Nf6 36.d6 c4 37.Rg3 Ne4 38.Bxc4+ Rxc4 39.d7 0-1 (39) EZKIMO_SE (2654)-Masterclass2 (2735) Blitz 2022;

A1d13) 15.Bh4 Rb8 16.Nh1 *(16.f4 c4 17.e5 Nc5 18.Bxc4 dxe5 19.f5 Ne4 20.Ncxe4 Qxc4 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Kh1 Bd7 23.Nf6+ Nxf6 24.Bxf6 Qd4 25.Qc2 Qg4 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Qc7 Rbc8 28.Qd6 h4 29.h3 Qxg3 30.Qxd7+ Kh6 31.Rf7 Rcd8 32.Rh7+ Kg5 33.Qxb7 e4 34.Rf1 e3 35.Qf7 Qe5 36.Rg7 Rd6 37.g3 hxg3 38.h4+ Kxh4 39.Rh7+ Kg5 40.Qf3 Qe4 41.Re1 Qxf3+* Normal 0-1 (41) licg (2637) - BlitzWithIncrement (2672) Blitz 2024*)* 16...c4 17.Rac1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b4 Qa7+ 20.Bf2 Qa3 21.Bd4 Qxb4 22.Nf2 Bxd4 23.Qxd4 Qc5 24.Qd2 b4 25.Na4 Qb5 26.Ra1 Nc5 27.Nxc5 Qxc5 28.Kh1 c3 29.Qd1 b3 30.Nd3 Qd4 31.Qb1 Nf6 32.Ra3

Nxd5 33.Rxb3 Rxb3 34.Qxb3 Ba6 35.Qa4 Qxa4 36.Bd1 Qd4 37.Ba4 Qxd3 38.Re1 Rb8 39.exd5 Rb1 40.Bd1 Rxd1 41.h4 Rxe1+ 42.Kh2 c2 43.Kg3 c1Q 44.Kh3 Qf4 45.g3 Rh1+ 0-1 (45) MerugaMentality (2673)-TheRedKing89 (2571) Blitz 2022;

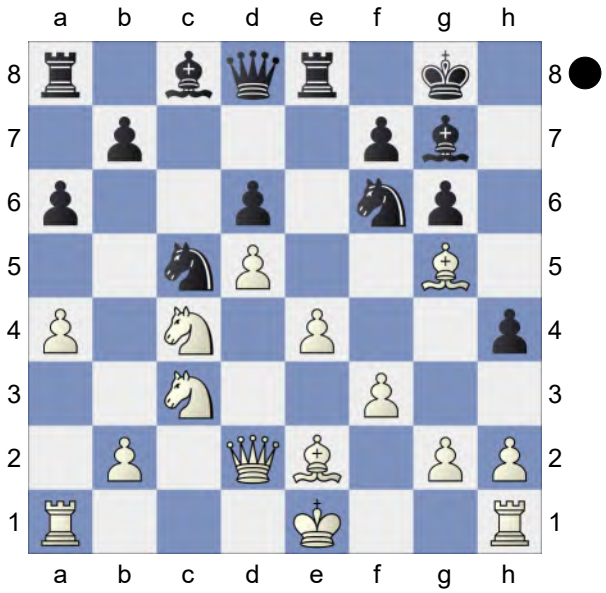
A1d2) 13...Qa5 14.Bh6 h4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nf1 Ne5 17.Ne3 b5 18.0-0 b4 19.Ncd1 Ra7 20.Nf2 Rae7 21.f4 Ned7 22.Nc4 Qc7 23.e5 1-0 (23) Lakridstrollet (2613)-Coronavirus95 (2605) Blitz 2022;

A1d3) 13...h4 14.Nf1 c4 Kitty Kat: 'White has an edge.' 15.Ne3 Nc5

A1d31) 16.Qc2 h3 17.g3 Nb3 18.Ra3 Nd4 19.Qd1 Nxe2 20.Qxe2 Bd7 21.Qxc4 Rc8 *(21...Qb8 22.Ned1 Rc8 23.Qb4 a5 24.Qb6 Rc4 25.Rb3 Rxa4 26.Bf4 Qe8 27.Kd2 Rc4 28.Qxb7 g5 29.Bxd6 g4 30.Qxa8 Qxa8 31.Rb8+ Qxb8 32.Bxb8 gxf3 33.Ke3 Ng4+ 34.Kxf3 Rb4 35.Bd6 Rb3 36.e5 Bxe5 37.Bxe5 Nxe5+ 38.Ke4 f6 39.Kd4 Kf7 40.Kc5 Bg4 41.Rf1 Bf3 42.g4 Rb4 43.Ne3 Ke7 44.Ra1 Nd7+ 45.Kc6 Kd8 46.Na4 Ne5+ 47.Kd6 Rb3 48.Nc2 Bxg4 49.Nd4 Rd3 50.Ne6+ Ke8 51.Nac5 Nf7+ 52.Kc6 Ne5+ 53.Kd6 Nf7+ 54.Kc6 Rd2 55.b4 Ne5+ 56.Kd6 Nc4+ 57.Kc7 Rxd5 58.Rc1 Bxe6 59.Rxc4 axb4 60.Nxe6 Rd2 61.Rxb4 Rxh2 62.Kd6 f5 63.Rb7 Rd2+ 64.Ke5 Rd7 65.Rb8+ Ke7 66.Rh8 h2 67.Rxh2 f4 68.Rh7+ Ke8 69.Rh8+ Ke7 70.Nxf4 Rd1 71.Rh7+ Kd8 72.Ne6+ Kc8 73.Re7 Ra1 74.Kd5 Rb1 75.Rc7+ Kb8 76.Rh7 Ra1 77.Kc5 Rb1 78.Kc6 Ra1 79.Rh8+ Ka7 80.Rh7+ Kb8 81.Rb7+ Kc8 82.Rc7+ Kb8 83.Nc5 Rc1 84.Re7 Rc2 85.Re8+ Ka7 86.Re7+ Ka8 87.Kb6 Rb2+ 88.Kc6 Rc2 89.Re8+ Ka7 90.Re1 Kb8 91.Rf1 Rc4 92.Rf8+ Ka7 93.Rf7+ Ka8 94.Kb6 Rb4+ 95.Kc7 Rc4 96.Rf8+ Ka7 97.Kc6 Rc1 98.Rf7+ Ka8 99.Rg7 Rc2 100.Rg4 Kb8 101.Rg8+ Ka7 102.Rg1 Kb8 103.Rg8+ Ka7 104.Rg7+ Ka8 105.Kb6 Rb2+ 106.Kc7 Rc2 107.Rg8+ Ka7 108.Kc6 Rc1 109.Rg7+ Ka8 110.Kb6 Rb1+ 111.Kc6 Rc1 112.Rg8+ Ka7 113.Rg3 Kb8 114.Ra3 Rc2 115.Rf3 Rc1 116.Rf2*

Rc4 117.Rh2 Rc1 118.Rh8+ Ka7 119.Rh7+ Ka8 120.Kd7 ½-½ (120) Shineshou90_BOT (2856)-Nikitosikbot (2882) Rapid 2023)
22.Qd3 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Nc2 b4 25.Nxb4 Qb6 26.Rb3 Ra8 27.Rf1 Reb8 28.Be3 Qb7 29.Bf4 Bf8 30.Qd4 Bg7 31.Qd3 Ne8 32.Bd2 f5 33.exf5 Bxf5 34.Qc4 Nf6 35.Ne2 Ra4 36.Nd4 Nd7 37.Nxf5 gxf5 38.Ra3 Rxb4 39.Qxb4 Qxb4 40.Bxb4 Rxb4 41.Rf2 Nc5 42.Re2 Bxb2 43.Ra7 Be5 44.Rea2 Rb1+ 45.Kd2 f4 46.gxf4 Bxf4+ 47.Kc3 Be5+ 48.Kc4 Rc1+ 49.Kb5 Nd3 50.Re7 Rc8 51.Kb6 Nb4 52.Ra5 Bxh2 53.Kb7 Rd8 54.Ra4 Nxd5 55.Rg4+ Kf8 56.Rh7 Nf6 57.Rh8+ Kf7 58.Rgh4 Rd7+ 59.Kc6 Ke6 60.R8h6 Ra7 61.Re4+ Kf5 62.Rxh3 Be5 63.Re3 Ra5 64.Kb6 Rc5 65.Ra3 Nd5+ 66.Kb7 Rc7+ 67.Kb8 Rc4 68.Ka8 Ke6 69.Rh7 Nf6 70.Rh8 d5 71.Ra6+ Kf5 72.Rf8 d4 73.Rd8 Rc7 74.Ra7 Rxa7+ 75.Kxa7 Kf4 76.Kb6 Ke3 77.f4 Bxf4 78.Kc5 d3 79.Kc4 d2 80.Rd3+ Ke2 81.Kd4 d1Q 82.Rxd1 Kxd1 83.Kc3 Ke2 84.Kd4 Kd2 85.Kc4 Ke3 86.Kc3 Ke4 87.Kc2 Nd5 88.Kd1 Kf3 89.Ke1 Nc3 90.Kf1 Be3 91.Ke1 Ne4 92.Kd1 Bd2 93.Kc2 Ke2 94.Kb3 Kd3 95.Ka4 Kc4 96.Ka3 Nc5 97.Ka2 Nd3 98.Ka3 Bb4+ 99.Ka2 Kc3 100.Kb1 Kb3 101.Ka1 Kc2 102.Ka2 Nc1+ 103.Ka1 Bc3# 0 - 1 (1 0 3) Shineshou90_BOT (2858)-TheMatrix2029 (2865) Blitz 2023;

A1d32) 16.Nxc4 Kitty Kat: 'Threatens to win with Ra3.' Kitty Kat: ' Threatens to win with Ra3.' Kitty Kat: '

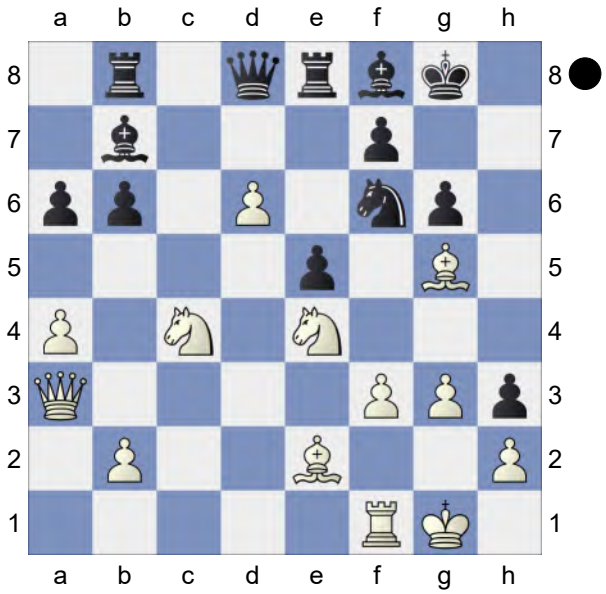


And now Qf4 would win.' 16...Nb3 17.Qd1 Nxa1 18.Qxa1 h3 19.g3 Kitty Kat: 'White has compensation.' Kitty Kat: ' White has compensation.' b6 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' 20.Qa3

Bf8 21.0-0 *(21.b4 Be7 22.Be3 Rb8 23.Kf2 Nd7 24.Rd1 Ne5 25.b5 Bf8 26.Bd4 axb5 27.Nxb5 Nxc4 28.Bxc4 Bd7 29.Ba1 Rc8 30.Qb2 Re5 31.Be2 Bxb5 32.Bxb5 Rc5 33.Qd2 Qc7 34.Bc6 Bg7 35.Bxe5 Bxe5 36.f4 Bc3 37.Qd3 Bf6 38.Qb1 Rc3 39.Rd3 Rc4 40.Kf3 Kg7 41.Re3 Qc8 42.Qd1 Kg8 43.Qb1 Kg7 44.Qd1 Kh7 45.Re2 Rc3+ 46.Re3 Rc5 47.Rd3 Rc4 48.Qb1 Kh6 49.Ra3 Kh5 50.Ke3 Kh6* ½ - ½ (5 0) ShashChess_MsP (2898)-TheMatrix2029 (2863) Blitz 2023*)* 21...Rb8 22.e5 -0.63/21 *(22.Be3= 0.05/17* Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Kitty Kat: ' should be considered.'*)* 22...dxe5 Kitty Kat: '=' '=' ' ∓ ' ' ∓ ' 23.d6

A1d321) 23...Bb7 Kitty Kat: ' Prevents Ne4. aiming for ...Re6.' 24.Ne4 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Kitty Kat: '

(Diagram)



' Nxe4 25.Bxd8 Nxd6 Kitty Kat: '!' '!'

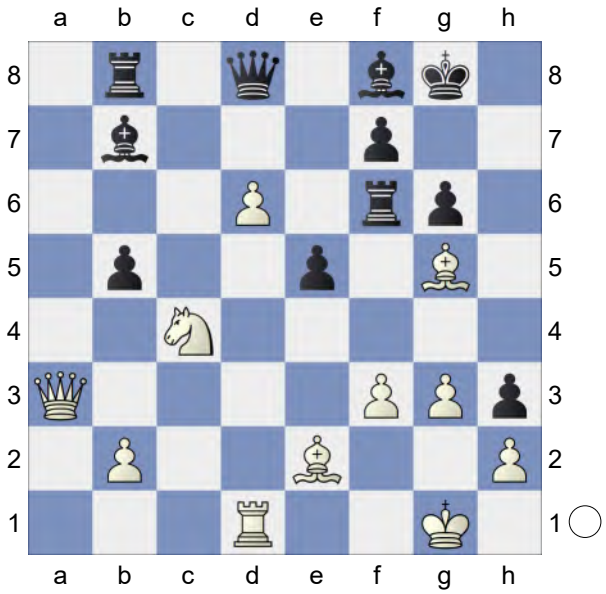
A1d3211) 26.Qb3= -0.02/19 remains equal. Nxc4 27.Bxc4 *(27.Bxb6 Nd2=)* 27...Bc5+ 28.Kh1 Rexd8 29.Bxf7+ Kg7 30.Be6;

A1d3212) 26.Nxd6 -0.72/21 26...Rbxd8 Kitty Kat: ' ∓ ' ' ∓ ' 27.Rd1 Re6 28.Qe3 Rdxd6 29.Rxd6 Rxd6 30.Kf1 *(* Avoid the trap *30.Qxe5? Re6 31.Qc7 Rxe2-+)* 30...Re6 *(30...e4!? 31.fxe4 Rf6+ 32.Bf3 a5=)* 31.Bc4 Kitty Kat: '⇄' '⇄' Kitty Kat: ' White is not holding back' Rf6 32.Be2 Re6 33.Bc4 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Rf6 34.Be2 Re6

½-½ (34) PetersBot (3021)-RaspFish (3037) Rapid 2024 Kitty Kat: ' Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=0.01 (flawless) ';

A1d322) 23...Be6 24.Ne4 Nxe4 25.Bxd8 Nxd6 26.Nxd6 Rexd8 27.Rd1 Rbc8 28.g4 Rc6 29.Qe3 Rdxd6 30.Rxd6 Bxd6 31.Kf1 a5 *(31...Kh7 32.Bxa6 Rc2 33.Qd3 Rc1+ 34.Kf2 Be7 35.Kg3 Rg1+ 36.Kxh3 f5 37.Qe2 e4 38.Bc4 Bd7 39.Bd5 e3 40.Bc4 Bf6 41.b3 Be5 42.Bb5 Be6 43.Bc4 Bc8 44.Ba6 Be6 45.Bc4 Bc8 46.Ba6 Bd7 47.Bb5 Be6 48.Bc4* ½-½ (48) PetersBot (2963)-AndScacs1 (2935) Blitz 2024*)* 32.Bd3 e4 *(32...Kg7 33.Bf5 Bc4+ 34.Bd3 Be6 35.Bf5 Bc4+ 36.Bd3 Be6* ½-½ (36) PetersBot (2990)-ToromBot (3073) Rapid 2024*)* 33.Bxe4 Bc5 34.Qh6 Rd6 35.Ke1 Bc4 36.Qxh3 Bb4+ 37.Kf2 Rd2+ 38.Ke3 Rxb2 39.Qh4 Bc5+ 40.Kf4 Bd6+ 41.Ke3 Bc5+ 42.Kf4 Bd6+ 43.Ke3 Bc5+ ½-½ (43) PetersBot (3016)-ToromBot (3062) Rapid 2024;

A1d323) 23...Re6 24.Ne4 Bb7 25.Nxf6+ Rxf6 26.Rd1 Kitty Kat: 'Strongly threatening Qe3.' Kitty Kat: ' Strongly threatening Qe3.' b5 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' 27.axb5 axb5 Kitty Kat: '

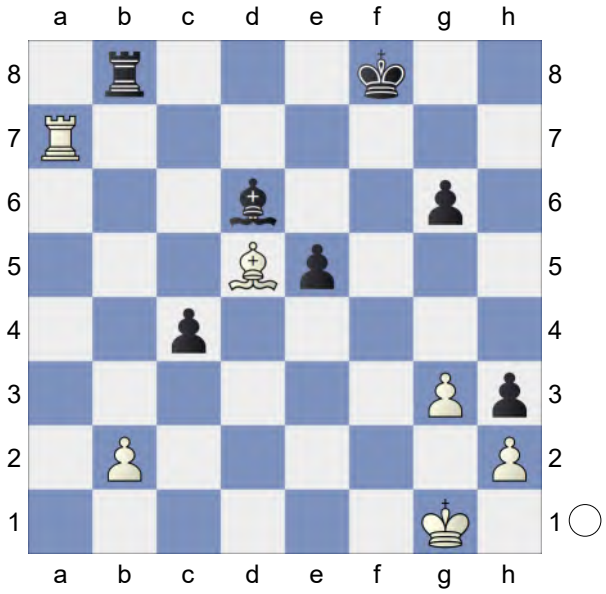


' 28.Qa7 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Bxf3

A1d3231) Don't play Kitty Kat: ' Don't play' 29.Bxf6 Qxf6 30.Qf2 *(30.Qxb8? Bxe2 31.d7 Qf3-+)* 30...bxc4∓;

A1d3232) 29.Bxf3 Kitty Kat: 'Chess con chili.' Kitty Kat: ' Chess con chili.' 29...bxc4 30.Bd5 Bxd6 31.Bxf6 Qxf6

Kitty Kat: 'The position is equal.' 32.Rf1 Qe7 33.Rxf7 Qxa7+ 34.Rxa7+ Kitty Kat: '=' '=' Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KRB-KRB' Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KRB-KRB' *(34.Kh1* with more complications. Kitty Kat: ' with more complications.' *Qd4 35.Be6 Qe4+ 36.Rf3+)* 34...Kf8 Kitty Kat: '



White must now prevent ...Bc5+.' 35.Ra8 Kitty Kat: '!' '!' Rxa8 36.Bxa8 Kitty Kat: 'KB-KB' Kitty Kat: ' KB-KB' Bc5+ 37.Kf1 Bd4 38.Bd5

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38...Bxb2 39.Bxc4 Kg7 40.Be6 *(40.Be2 Kf6 41.Bg4 Kg5 42.Bxh3 e4 43.Bd7 Bd4 44.Bc6 Kg4 45.Bxe4 g5 46.h3+ Kxg3 47.h4 gxh4 48.Bb1 h3 49.Ba2 Be3 50.Bb1 Bc1 51.Ba2 Kh2 52.Bb1 Ba3 53.Ba2 Bf8 54.Bb1 Bd6 55.Ba2 Bb8 56.Bb1 Ba7 57.Ba2 Kg3 58.Bb1 Bd4 59.Ba2 Kf4 60.Bb1 Bb2 61.Ba2 Bg7 62.Bb1 Kg3 63.Ba2 Bf8 64.Bb1 Kg4 65.Ba2 Kg3 66.Bb1 Bg7 67.Ba2 Bf8* ½ - ½ (6 7) PetersBot (2960)-RaspFish (2977) Blitz 2024*)* 40...Kf6 41.Bxh3 e4 42.Bd7 Kg5 *(42...Bd4 43.Kg2 Ke5 44.Ba4 Bc5 45.Kh3 Kd4 46.Kg4 Bd6 47.Bc2 Bc5 48.Bxe4 Kxe4 49.h3 g5 50.Kxg5 Bd4 51.g4 Bg7 52.h4 Kf3 53.h5 Bd4 54.h6 Kg3 55.h7 Ba1 56.h8Q Bxh8 57.Kf5 Bg7 58.g5 Kh3 59.g6 Kh2 60.Ke4 Ba1*

61.g7 Bxg7 ½ - ½ (6 1) PetersBot (3004)-RaspFish (2997) Blitz 2024*)* 43.h4+ Kh5 44.Ke2 Bd4 45.Be8 Kg4 46.Bxg6 Kxg3 47.Bxe4 Bg7 48.h5 Bf8 49.h6 Kf4 50.h7 Bg7 51.h8Q Bxh8 52.Bb1 Bf6 53.Ba2 Ke4 54.Bb1+ Kf4 55.Ba2 Bg5 56.Bb1 Bd8 57.Ba2 Be7 58.Bb1 Bg5 59.Ba2 Bh6 60.Bb1 Kg3 61.Ba2 Bc1 62.Bb1 Be3 63.Kxe3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) ½-½ (63) PetersBot (3020)-RaspFish (3039) Rapid 2024 [Kitty Kat] Kitty Kat: '

Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) ';

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38...Ke7 39.Bxc4 Bxb2 40.Ba6 Kf6 41.Bc8 e4 42.Bxh3 Bd4 43.Bd7 *(43.Kg2 Bc5 44.Bg4 Bd4 45.Bc8 Bc5 46.Bg4 Ke5 47.Kh3 Kd4 48.Bd7 Ke3 49.Be8 Kd2 50.Bxg6 e3 51.Bh5 e2 52.Bxe2 Kxe2 53.g4 Kf3 54.g5 Bf8 55.g6 Bg7 56.Kh4 Ba1 57.h3 Bb2 58.g7 Bf6+ 59.Kh5 Bxg7 60.h4 Kg3 61.Kg5 Bf8 62.h5 Bd6 63.h6 Kf3 64.h7 Be5 65.h8B* ½ - ½ (6 5) PetersBot (3005)-RaspFish (3045) Rapid 2024*)* 43...Bc5 44.Bc6 Kf5 45.Bd7+ Ke5 46.Be8 Kf5 47.Bd7+ *(47.Kg2 Bd4 48.Bd7+ Kf6 49.Bb5 Be3 50.Bd7 Bd4 51.Be8 Bc5 52.Bb5 Kf5 53.Bd7+ Kf6 54.Bc6 Kf5 55.Bd7+ Kf6 56.Bc6 Ke5 57.Kh3 g5 58.Bb5 Kd4 59.Kg4 Ke3 60.Kxg5 Ba3 61.h3 Bc1 62.g4 Kf2+ 63.Kh4 e3 64.g5 e2 65.Bxe2 Kxe2 66.g6 Bb2 67.g7 Bxg7 68.Kg3 Ke3 69.h4*

Ba1 70.h5 Bb2 71.h6 Ke2 72.h7 Kd2 73.h8B ½ - ½ (71) PetersBot (3021)-RaspFish (3045) Rapid 2024*)* 47...Kf6 48.Bc6 Ke5 49.Be8 g5 50.Bd7 Kd4 51.Bc6 Ke3 52.Kg2 Bd4 53.h4 gxh4 54.gxh4 Ba1 55.Bxe4 Bf6 56.h5 Bd4 57.h6 Kf4 58.h7 Be5 59.h8Q Bxh8 60.Bb1 Bd4 61.Ba2 Bf2 62.Kxf2 ½-½ (62) PetersBot (3022)-RaspFish (3028) Rapid 2024;

A2) 11.h4 h5 *(11...Nbd7 12.Nh3 Ne5 13.Nf2 Qa5 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Be2 b5 16.0-0 b4 17.Ncd1 Nh5 18.Kh2 Qd8 19.Bg5 Qc7 20.f4 Nd7 21.Bxh5 gxh5 22.Ne3 Nf8 23.e5 Ng6 24.Ne4 dxe5 25.d6 Qc6 26.Nd5 Bb7 27.Nef6+ Bxf6 28.Nxf6+ Kh8 29.Nxe8* 1-0 (29) gogotaniye (2740)-ThunderWarrior (2721) Blitz 2023 *)* 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.Ng3 Ne5 14.Be2 c4 15.0-0 Qc7 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Kh1 Nh7 18.f4 Qe7 19.fxe5 Qxh4+ 20.Kg1 Qxg3 21.Bf4 Qh4 22.exd6 Bd7 23.Qe3 Nf6 24.e5 Ng4 25.Bxg4 Bxg4 26.Bg5 Rxe5 27.Qxe5 Bxe5 28.Bxh4 Bxd6 29.Ne4 1-0 (29) gogotaniye (2755)-AlphaZ2023 (2729) Blitz 2023;

A3) 11.Be2 h6 12.Bxh6 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Qh4+ 14.g3 Qxh6 15.Nf6+ Kf8 16.Qxh6 Bxh6 17.Nxe8 Kxe8 18.f4 Bg7 19.0-0-0 b5 20.h4 bxa4 21.h5 Nd7 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Bd3 Rb8 24.Bxg6+ Kf8 25.Rh2 Nf6 26.Nh3 Bg4 27.Rdd2 c4 28.Ng5 a3 29.bxa3 c3 30.Rd3 Nd7 31.Ne6+ Kg8 32.Rh4 Bxe6 33.dxe6 Nc5 34.Rxd6 Bf6 35.Rh2 Nb3+ 36.Kc2 Na1+ 37.Kd3 Kg7 38.Bf5 Rb3 39.Kc4 Rxa3 40.Rh7+ Kg8 41.e7 Ra4+ 42.Kd3 Bxe7 43.Rxe7 c2 44.Rd8# 1-0 (44) WhiteBishop4761 (2673)-Laniso172030 (2628) Blitz 2023;

A4) 11.Ra3 h6 12.Be3 Nh7 13.Be2 h5 14.a5 *(14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Bd1 Qh4+ 16.Qf2 Qe7 17.Nge2 Nd7 18.0-0 Ne5 19.Nc1 Bd7 20.a5 Nc4 21.Ra2 Bd4* 0-1 (21) WhiteBishop4761 (2631)-BrittaBagels (2882) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...b6 15.axb6 Qxb6 16.Ra2 h4 17.Bf2 Qd8 18.Nh3 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Nd7 20.0-0 Be5 21.Be3 Qf6 22.Bd3 Bd4 23.Kh1 Rab8 24.f4 Rb6 25.Bf2 Bxf2 26.Rxf2 Reb8 27.e5 dxe5 28.f5 g5 29.Bc4 Rb4 30.Ne4 Qd8 31.b3 Nb6 32.Rc2 a5 33.f6 Nxc4 34.bxc4 Qc8 35.Nxg5 Rb1+ 36.Kg2 Qf8 37.Nxh7 Kxh7 38.Kf3 e4+ 39.Kxe4 Qe8+ 40.Kf4 Qh8 41.Qd3+ Kh6 42.Qf5 Rg1 43.Rce2 Rg6 44.Ke3 Qe8+ 45.Qe4 Rb3+ 46.Kd2 Qxe4 47.Rxe4 Rb2+ 48.Ke3 Rb3+ 49.Kd2 Rb2+ 50.Ke3 Rxf2 51.Kxf2 Rxf6+ 52.Ke3 Kg5

53.Rg4+ Kf5 54.Rxh4 a4 55.Rf4+ Ke5 56.Rxf6 Kxf6 57.Kd2 Ke7 58.h4 a3 59.Kc2 a2 60.Kb2 f5 61.h5 f4 62.h6 f3 63.h7 f2 64.h8Q a1Q+ 65.Kxa1 f1Q+ 66.Kb2 Qe2+ 67.Ka3 Qd3+ 68.Ka4 Qxc4+ 69.Ka3 Qxd5 70.h3 Kf7 71.h4 Qf5 72.h5 Qc2 73.h6 Qg2 74.h7 Qg7 75.Qxg7+ Kxg7 76.h8Q+ Kxh8 77.Ka2 ½-½ (77) PetersBot (3029)-CruelKen (3061) Blitz 2025;

B) 10...h6 11.Be3

B1) 11...Re8

B1a) 12.Nge2

B1a1) 12...Nbd7

B1a11) 13.Ng3 h5 14.Be2 *(14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Be2 b5 16.0-0 b4 17.Nd1 Nh7 18.Bh6 Bd4+ 19.Be3 Bh8 20.Re1 Ne5 21.Nf2 Nf6 22.Bg5 Bd7 23.h3 Nh7 24.Be3 h4 25.Nf1 f5 26.f4 Nf7 27.Bf3 Nf6 28.exf5 Bxf5 29.Nh2 c4 30.Nhg4 c3 31.bxc3 bxc3 32.Qa2 Rab8 33.Bc1 Rxe1+ 0-1 (32) bodoque50 (2624)-tizpa96 (2611) Blitz 2022; 14.Bd3 Ne5 15.0-0 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Bd7 17.Rab1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Nxb5 Qb6 20.Nc3 Qb4 21.Nge2 Rab8 22.Qd2 Bb5 23.Rfc1 Nd7 24.Nxb5 Qxb5 25.b3 Ne5 26.Nc3 Qd3 27.Qf2 Nxf3+ 28.gxf3 Bxc3 29.Rd1 Qb5 30.Kh1 Be5 31.Rg1 Qd3 32.Rgd1 Qc3 33.Bd2 Qd4 34.Be3 Qb4 35.Rg1 c4 36.f4 Bg7 37.f5 cxb3 38.Rbe1 Qxe4+ 39.Rg2 b2 40.fxg6 fxg6* 0-1 (39) MaLeKkoNihli (2602)-Boyechko,O (2556) Blitz 2021*)* 14...h4 15.Nf1 Ne5 *(15...Nh7 16.Bf2 f5 17.Ne3 f4 18.Nc4 Qf6 19.g3 Bh6 20.gxh4 Ne5 21.Nxe5 Qxe5 22.Rg1 Kf7 23.Rb1 Bg7 24.Bd3 Bd7 25.Ne2 Bh6 26.b4 b6 27.a5 Rab8 28.axb6 Rxb6 29.bxc5 Rxb1+ 30.Bxb1 Rb8 31.Bc2 Qa1+ 32.Qd1 Qa5+ 33.Qd2 Qa1+ 34.Qd1 Qa5+ 35.Qd2 Qa1+ 36.Qd1 Qa5+ 37.Qd2* ½-½ (37) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Gelfand,B (2743) Beijing CHN 2014*; 15...Nh5 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Be3 Ne5 18.Bf2 Bg5 19.Ne3 Nf4 20.g3 Ng2+ 21.Kf1 Nxe3+ 22.Bxe3 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Qf6 24.f4 Bh3+ 25.Kf2 Rab8 26.gxh4 Ng4+ 27.Bxg4 Bxg4 28.Rag1 Qxh4+ 29.Qg3 Qxg3+ 30.Rxg3 Bh5 31.e5 dxe5 32.Ne4 exf4 33.Nf6+ Kh8 34.Rh3 Re2+ 35.Kf1 Re5 36.Nd7 Rxd5 37.Nxb8 Rd1+ 38.Kf2 Rxh1 39.Nd7 Kg7 40.Nxc5 Bg4 41.Rb3 Rxh2+ 42.Kg1 Rc2*

43.Nxb7 f3 44.Rb4 f2+ 45.Kg2 Bh3+ 0-1 (44) OUT-knock123 (2712)-RatasticBaby (2697) Blitz 2022 *(* 16.Bg5 *(16.g3 h3 17.g4 Rb8 18.Ng3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.0-0 b4 21.Nd1 c4 22.Nf2 c3 23.bxc3 bxc3 24.Qd1 Rb2 25.Bd4 Rd2 26.Bxc3 Rxd1 27.Rfxd1 Nfxg4 28.fxg4 Nf3+ 29.Bxf3 Bxc3 30.Ra3 Be5 31.Nxh3 Qh4 32.Kg2 Bxg4 33.Bxg4 Qxg4 34.Nf2 Qh4 35.Rdd3 Rb8 36.Rf3 Rb2 37.Ra8+ Kg7 38.Ra7 Bd4 39.Raxf7+ Kh6 40.R7f4 Qd8 41.Kh3 Rxf2 42.Rxf2 Bxf2 43.Rxf2 Qa5 44.Rf6 Qe1 45.Rxd6 Kg5 46.Re6 Qb4 47.Re5+ Kf6 48.Re6+ Kf7 49.Kg4 Qe1 50.h4 Qg1 51.Rc6 Qd1+ 52.Kh3 Qd2 53.Re6 Qe3 54.Kg4 Kg7 55.h5 gxh5+ 56.Nxh5+ Kf7 57.Nf4 Qg1+ 58.Kf5 Qg3 59.Rf6+ Ke7 60.Ng6+ Kd7 61.Ne5+ Kc7 62.Ke6 Kb6 63.Kd7+ Ka5 64.Re6 Qh3 65.Nc6+ Ka4 66.Kd6 Kb3 67.e5 Qd3 68.Rf6 Qc4 69.Rf3+ Kb2 70.e6 Ka1 71.Rf1+ Kb2 72.Rf3 Kc1 73.e7 Kd2 74.Rf2+ Qe2 75.Rxe2+* 1-0 (74) casuallychess (2643)-jaoso78 (2555) Blitz 2021 *)* 16...h3 17.g3 Rb8 *(17...Qb6 18.Ne3 Nh7 19.Bf4 Bd7 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Nc4 Qd8 22.Nxe5 Rxe5 23.f4 Re7 24.0-0 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Bf3 b4 27.Rxa8 Qxa8 28.Nd1 Nf6 29.Nf2 Qa2 30.Re1 Qb3 31.Re3 Qc4 32.e5 dxe5 33.fxe5 Qd4 34.Qe2 Nxd5 35.Rd3 Bb5 36.Rxd4 Bxe2 37.Rxd5 Bxf3 38.Rxc5 Bg2 39.Ng4 Kg7 40.Kf2 Rd7 41.Ke3 Rd1 42.Kf4 Rf1+ 43.Ke3 Rf3+ 44.Kd4 Rb3 45.Rc8 Rxb2 46.Nf6 Bf1 47.g4 Kh6 48.Ke3 Kg5 49.Rc1 Rb3+ 50.Kd4 Bg2 51.Rc5 Kh4 52.e6 Rb1 53.exf7 Rd1+ 54.Ke5 Re1+ 55.Kd6 Rf1 56.Ke7 Rd1 57.f8Q Re1+ 58.Kf7* 1-0 (58) Violet_Pride (2711)-Tal-Baron (2868) Blitz 2023*)* 18.Ne3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.f4 Ned7 21.Bf3 c4 22.Ncd1 Nc5 23.Qc2 Nd3+ 24.Kf1 Qb6 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Ra3 Bg7 27.b3 b4 28.Nxc4 bxa3 29.Nxb6 Rxb6 30.Ke2 Ba6 31.Ke3 Reb8 32.Nf2 Rxb3 33.Nxd3 Rxd3+ 34.Kf2 Rb2 35.Ke1 Rxc2 0-1 (35) VanuatuLover (2723)-Combinatroni (2593) Blitz 2024;

B1a12) 13.Bxh6 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxh6 16.Qxh6 Bxh6 17.Nxd6 Re5 18.f4 Rxd5 19.Nxc8 Rxc8 20.Bg2 Rd6 21.0-0 c4 22.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Nc5 24.Rd4 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Rd6 Bg7 27.Bd5 Kf8 28.Rc6 Rxc6 29.Bxc6 b4 30.Bd5 Bxb2 31.Bxc4 b3 32.Kf2 Bg7 33.Ke3 Ke7 34.Kd2 Ne4+ 35.Kd3 b2 36.Ba2 f5 37.Kc2 Kd6 38.Ng1 Nc3 39.Kxb2 Ne2+ 40.Kc2 Nxg1 41.Bf7 g5 42.fxg5 Nh3 43.g6 Ke5 44.Kd3 Kf6 45.Ke2 Bf8 46.Be8 Bd6 47.Kf3 Ng5+ 48.Kg2 Be5 49.Bb5 Kxg6 50.Bd3 Kf6 51.Bc2 Bd6 52.Bd3 Nf7 53.Bc2 Ne5 54.Bb1 Kg5 55.Bc2 Bc7 56.Bb1 Ng4 57.Bd3 Bd6 58.Be2 Bc5 59.Bd3 Kf6 60.Be2 Ne3+ 61.Kf3 Nc2 62.Ba6 Ke5 63.Bb7 Nd4+ 64.Kg2 Ne6 65.Bc8 Ng5 66.Ba6 Ke4 67.Bb7+ Ke3 68.Bc8 Ke4 69.Bb7+ Ke5 70.Ba6 Ba7 71.Bc8 Ne4 72.Kf3 Nd2+ 73.Kg2 Nb3 74.Bb7 Nd2 75.Bc8 Nc4 76.Kf3 Nb6 77.Ba6 Nd7 78.Bd3 Nf8 79.Bc2 Ne6 80.Bd3 Nd4+ 81.Kg2 Kd5 82.Kf2 Bb8 83.Ke3 Kc5 84.Ba6 Bd6 85.Bd3 Kd5 86.Kf2 Ba3 87.Ke3 Bc1+ 88.Kf2 Kc5 89.Ba6 Kb4 90.Bd3 Kc3 91.Ba6 Bh6 92.Bc8 Kd2 93.Bd7 Be3+ 94.Kf1 Bg5 95.Kf2 Be7 96.Bc8 Bd6 97.Bd7 Be5 98.Bc8 f4 99.gxf4 ½-½ (99) Shankland,S (2642)-Gopal,G (2580) Al-Ain UAE 2014;

B1a13) 13.Nd1 Ne5 14.Nec3 Bd7 15.Be2 Rc8 16.0-0 c4 17.a5 h5 18.Nf2 h4 19.h3 Nh5 20.f4 Nd3 21.Nxd3 cxd3 22.Bxh5 gxh5 23.Qxd3 f5 24.Bd4 fxe4 25.Nxe4 Bf5 26.Bxg7 Rxe4 27.Bc3 Qd7 28.Qd2 Rce8 29.Rae1 Qb5 30.Rxe4 Rxe4 31.Qf2 Qxd5 32.Qxh4 Re2 33.Rf2 Rxf2 34.Qxf2 Kf7 35.Qh4 Ke6 36.Qxh5 Qe4 37.Qh6+ Kd5 38.Qg5 Kc6 39.Qg7 Be6 40.Qg5 Bd5 41.h4 Qe3+ 42.Kh2 Qe4 43.h5 Be6 44.h6 Bf5 45.Qg7 b6 46.Qg5 bxa5 47.Qg3 a4 48.Bb4 a3 49.Bxa3 Bg6 50.Bb4 Bf5 51.Bc3 Kb5 52.Qg5 Kc4 53.h7 a5 54.h8Q Qe5 55.Qxe5 Be4 56.Qgf6 Bd5 57.Qfe6 Kc5 58.Q6xd6+ Kb5 59.Qexd5+ Ka4 60.Q6c6# 1-0 (60) IsraeliViper (2603)-MassterofMayhem (2602) Blitz 2022;

B1a14) 13.Nf4 Ne5 14.h4 h5 15.Kf2 Bd7 16.g3 b5 17.axb5 axb5

18.Bxb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Neg4+ 20.fxg4 Nxe4+ 0 - 1 (2 0) Bardiya___Daneshvar (2784)-Stas-2444 (2587) Blitz 2022;

B1a2) 12...h5

B1a21) 13.Nf4 Nbd7 14.Be2 *(14.Nd3 Rb8 15.Be2 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Bxa1 19.Bg5 Nf6 20.e5 Rxe5 21.Nxf6+ Kh8 22.Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Nxh5 Qf8 24.Bf6+ Bxf6 25.Nxf6 Kg7 26.Qb2 Qd8 27.Ne4+ f6 28.0-0 Bf5 29.Ng3 Be6 30.Rd1 c4 31.Ne4 d5 32.Nc5 Bf7 33.Qd4 Qd6 34.f4 Ra8 35.Bf3 Ra2 36.Bxd5 Bxd5 37.Qxd5 Qxd5 38.Rxd5 c3 39.Nd3 Rd2 40.Kf1 c2 41.Rc5 Rxd3 42.Rxc2 Rd4 43.g3 Rxb4 44.Rc7+ Kh6 45.Kg2 Rb2+ 46.Kh3 f5 47.Rc6 b4 48.Rb6 b3 49.Rb5 Kg7 50.Rb6 Kf7 51.g4 fxg4+ 52.Kxg4 Rb1 53.h3 b2 54.Kh4 Ke7 55.Rb8 Ke6 56.Rb5 Kf6 57.Rb3 Kf5 58.Rb4 Ke6 59.Rb5 Kd6 60.Rb8 Kd5 61.Rb4 Kc5 62.Rb8 Kd4 63.Rb7 Ke3 64.Rb3+ Kxf4 65.Rb4+ Kf5 66.Rb3 Kf6 67.Rb6+ Kg7 68.Rb3 Kh6 69.Rb6 Rg1 70.Rb7 g5#* 0-1 (70) Beginner741 (2613)-CrazySage (2709) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Ne5 15.b3 Bd7 16.0-0 Rb8 17.Nd3 Nxd3 18.Bxd3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Bf4 Qc7 21.Rfc1 b4 22.Ne2 Ra8 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.Be3 Qb6 25.h3 h4 26.Bf2 Ra3 27.Bc4 Bb5 28.e5 Nd7 29.e6 Ne5 30.Bxh4 fxe6 31.dxe6 Nxc4 32.bxc4 Be8 33.Nf4 Bh6 34.e7 Qc6 35.Rd1 b3 36.Qb2 Qa4 37.Nd5 Ra2 38.Qf6 b2 39.Qe6+ Kh7 40.Nf6+ Kg7 41.Qg8# 1-0 (40) Biriyani (2689)-positionaloldman (2637) Blitz 2022;

B1a22) 13.Nd1 Nbd7 14.Nec3 Ne5 15.Nf2 Rb8 16.h3 h4 17.f4 Ned7 18.Be2 Nh7 19.0-0 f5 20.Bd3 *(20.exf5 gxf5 21.Bh5 Re7 22.a5 Ndf6 23.Bf3 b5 24.axb6 Rxb6 25.Rfe1 Nf8 26.Nfd1 Ng6 27.Na4 Rb4 28.Ndc3 Qe8 29.Bf2 Rxf4 30.Rxe7 Qxe7 31.Re1 Qf7 32.Nb6 Bd7 33.Nxd7 Qxd7 34.Re6 Rb4 35.Qe2 Nf4 36.Qe3 Nxe6 37.dxe6 Qe7 38.Nd5 Nxd5 39.Bxd5 Rxb2 40.Qf4 Be5 41.Bxh4 Bxf4 42.Bxe7 Bg3 43.Kf1 Kg7 44.Bd8 Rb1+ 45.Ke2 Re1+ 46.Kf3 Be5 47.Bh4 Rb1 48.e7 Rb8 49.Bc6 Kf7 50.Bd5+ Kg6 51.Bc6*

Kf7 52.Bd5+ Kg7 53.Bc6 Kf7 ½-½ (52) alexkaspi (2611)-Cadlag (2580) Blitz 2022*)* 20...fxe4 21.Nfxe4 Ndf6 22.Bf2 Nh5 23.Rae1 Bf5 24.Ng5 Nxg5 25.Rxe8+ Qxe8 26.fxg5 Qd7 27.Bxh4 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Rf8 29.Ne4 Bxh3 30.Nf6+ Rxf6 31.gxf6 Kf7 32.Qh6 Bxg2+ 33.Kh2 Qh3# 0-1 (32) xxxDEADMANNxxx (2621)-HighBerserker (2651) Blitz 2021;

B1a23) 13.Nc1 Nh7 14.Be2 f5 15.0-0 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5 17.Bd3 Nd7 18.Nf2 Qf6 19.Bxf5 gxf5 20.Ncd3 c4 21.Nf4 Qxb2 22.Rac1 b5 23.Rc2 Qe5 24.Ne6 Nc5 25.f4 Qf6 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.Nc7 c3 28.Qd3 c4 29.Qf3 b4 30.d6 Rad8 31.Nxe8 Rxe8 32.Qc6 Qe6 33.Rcc1 b3 34.Rce1 Qxe1 35.d7 Qxf1+ 36.Kxf1 Rd8 37.Qc8 c2 38.Qxd8+ Nf8 39.Qe8 c1Q+ 40.Ke2 Qc2+ 41.Kf3 Qc3+ 42.Ke2 Qc2+ 43.Kf3 Qc3+ 44.Ke2 Qc2+ 45.Kf3 Qc3+ 46.Ke2 Qc2+ 47.Kf3 ½-½ (47) Nakamura,H (2787)-Izoria,Z (2589) Chess.com INT 2016;

B1b) 12.Nd1 Kh7 13.Ne2 Nbd7 14.Nec3 Ne5 15.Be2 Rb8 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.0-0 g5 19.f4 gxf4 20.Bxf4 Ng6 21.Qc2 Kg8 22.Bg3 h5 23.h3 Nh7 24.Bxh5 Qg5 25.Bxg6 Qxg6 26.Bf4 Nf6 27.Ne3 Nxe4 28.Nc4 Rxb2 29.Nxb2 Bxc3 30.Ra3 Bxh3 31.Rxc3 Nxc3 32.Qxg6+ fxg6 33.gxh3 Ne2+ 34.Kg2 Nxf4+ 35.Rxf4 Re5 36.Nc4 Rxd5 37.Rf6 Kg7 38.Rxd6 Rxd6 39.Nxd6 a5 40.Nb7 a4 41.Nxc5 a3 42.Kf3 a2 43.Nb3 g5 44.Kg4 Kg6 45.Na1 Kh6 46.h4 gxh4 47.Kxh4 ½-½ (47) Navara,D (2689)-Shankland,S (2711) Prague CZE 2023;

B1c) 12.Bc4 h5 *(12...Nbd7 13.Be2 Ne5 14.Bxh6 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Qh4+ 16.g3 Qxh6 17.Qxh6 Bxh6 18.Nf6+ Kf8 19.Nxe8 Kxe8 20.h4 Bd7 21.h5 g5 22.Nh3 g4 23.fxg4 Nxg4 24.Bxg4 Bxg4 25.Nf4 Kd7 26.Kf2 Bg7 27.Kg2 Bf5 28.Kf3 Bxb2 29.Rab1 Bxb1 30.Rxb1 Be5 31.Rxb7+ Ke8 32.g4 Rc8 33.g5 c4 34.g6 fxg6 35.hxg6 Kf8 36.Ne6+ Kg8 37.Ke2 c3 38.Kd1 a5 39.Kc2 Ra8 40.Rb5 Bf6 41.Rb6 Be5 42.Rb7 Bf6 43.Rc7 Be5 44.Kd3 Bf6 45.Ke4 Be5 46.Kf5 Rb8 47.Kg5 Ra8 48.Kh6 Re8 49.g7* 1-0 (49) Ding,L (2799)-Carlsen,M (2864) chess24.com INT 2022*)* 13.Nge2 Nbd7 14.0-0 Ne5 15.b3 Rb8 16.h3 Bd7 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Rxb6 19.Bh6 Bh8 20.Bxa6 Rxb3 21.Ra2 Bc8 22.Bb5 Bd7 23.Ba6 Qb6 24.f4 Neg4

25.hxg4 c4+ 26.Kh1 Nxg4 27.Bg5 Nf2+ 28.Kh2 Ng4+ 29.Kh1 Nf2+ 30.Kh2 Ng4+ 31.Kh1 ½-½ (31) RaspFish (2883)-EmanBot (2862) Rapid 2023;

B2) 11...Nbd7

B2a) 12.Nge2 h5 *(12...Nh7 13.Ng3 Qh4 14.Be2 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Re8 17.0-0-0 Ndf6 18.Bd3 Qg4 19.Rhe1 Bd7 20.Qc2 Ne4 21.Ngxe4 fxe4 22.Nxe4 c4 23.Be2 Qg6 24.Bf3 Bf5 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Nf6 27.Re3 Rac8 28.Qe2 Kh8 29.Nxd6 Rxe3 30.Qxe3 Rf8 31.Qe7 Nh7 32.Qe5+ Kg8 33.Nxf5 Rxf5 34.Be4 Rxe5 35.Bxg6 Re1+ 36.Kd2 Rg1 37.Bxh7+ Kxh7 38.d6 Rxg2+ 39.Kc3 Rg8 40.d7 Rd8 41.Kxc4 Kg6 42.Kc5 Kf6 43.Kd6* 1-0 (43) Xiong,J (2646)-Khlebovich,A (2423) chess.com INT 2024*; 12...Ne5 13.Nc1 Bd7 14.Be2 b5 15.0-0 b4 16.Nd1 g5 17.b3 Nh5 18.Nb2 Qe7 19.Ra2 a5 20.Nc4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 Rae8 22.Bf2 Nf4 23.Re1 Be5 24.Nd3 Bc3 25.Qc1 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 Bxe1 27.Bxe1 f5 28.Bf2 fxe4 29.Bxe4 Bf5 30.Re2 Bxe4 31.Rxe4 Qh7 32.Re6 Rxe6 33.dxe6 Qf5 34.h4 Qxe6 35.hxg5 h5 36.Qd2 Qxb3 37.Qxd6 Qb1+ 38.Kh2 Qf5 39.Kg1 b3 40.Qb6 c4 41.Bd4 c3 42.Bxc3 Qxg5 43.Qxb3+ Kh7 44.Qb7+ Kg8 45.Qc7 Qc1+ 46.Kf2 Qc2+ 47.Kg3 Qg6+ 48.Kh2 Rf7 49.Qxa5 Qf5 50.Qxf5 Rxf5 51.a5 Rf4 52.Be5 Ra4 53.Bc7 Kf7 54.Kh3 Kg6 55.Kg3 Kf5 56.Kf2 Ke6 57.Ke3 Kd7 58.Bb6 Ra2 59.g4 hxg4 60.fxg4 Ke6 61.Kf4 Kf6 62.Bd8+ Kg6 63.g5 Ra4+ 64.Ke5 Rxa5+ 65.Bxa5 Kxg5* ½-½ (65) Beginner741 (2632)-rfwkkk (2628) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Bg5 *(13.Nd1 Nh7 14.Nec3 f5 15.Nf2 Ne5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Be2 Qe7 18.0-0 Rae8 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Qxh6 g5 21.Nfe4 Ng6 22.g3 h4 23.Rae1 Bxe4 24.Nxe4 Ne5 25.Qxd6 Qxd6 26.Nxd6 Rd8 27.Nxb7 Rxd5 28.f4 gxf4 29.gxf4 Nd3 30.Bxd3 Rxd3 31.Nxc5 Rd2 32.b4 a5 33.b5 Rc8 34.Ne4 Ra2 35.Rc1 Rxc1 36.Rxc1 Rxa4 37.Rc8+ Kg7 38.Rc7+ Kg6 39.Nc5 Rb4 40.Rc6+ Kf5 41.b6 Nf6 42.b7 a4 43.Ra6 Nd7 44.Nxd7 Rxb7 45.Nc5 Rb1+ 46.Kf2 Rb2+ 47.Ke3 Rxh2 48.Rxa4 Rh3+ 49.Kf2 Rc3 50.Nb7 h3 51.Nd6+ Kg4 52.f5+ Kh5 53.Rf4 Kg5 54.Rd4 h2 55.Kg2 Rc2+ 56.Kh1 Kf6 57.Re4 Rc6 58.Re6+* 1-0 (58) Violet_Pride (2700)-Kivurawnuru (2858) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...Qc7 14.Ng3 c4 15.Be2 Rb8 16.0-0 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Bh6 Nc5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Bd1 Nd3 21.Bc2 Qc5+ 22.Kh1 h4 23.Nf5+ Bxf5 24.Bxd3 Bd7 25.Be2 Nh5 26.Rfd1 Ng3+

27.hxg3 hxg3 28.Qd4+ Qxd4 29.Rxd4 Rh8+ 30.Kg1 Rh4 31.Bd1 Rbh8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 R8h2 34.f4 Rxg2+ 35.Kf3 Rxb2 36.Ne2 Rxe2 0-1 (36) Aronian,L (2729)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2718) Zagreb CRO 2024;

B2b) 12.Nh3

B2b1) 12...Ne5 13.Nf2

B2b11) 13...h5 14.Be2 *(14.Bh6 Bd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Qxb6 18.Be2 Bb5 19.0-0 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.Rfb1 Bb3 22.Ra3 c4 23.Kf1 Nd7 24.Nfd1 f5 25.exf5 Rxf5 26.Ne3 Re5 27.Re1 Rae8 28.Nf5+ gxf5 29.Qg5+ Kf7 30.Qxh5+ Ke7 31.Qg5+ Kf7 32.Qh5+ Ke7 33.Qg5+ Kf7 34.Qh5+ Ke7 35.Qh4+ Kf7 36.Rxe5 Rxe5 37.Qh7+ Ke8 38.Qh8+ Ke7 39.Ra1 Bc2 40.Qh4+ Nf6 41.Qxc4 Qe3 42.Ne2 Bd3 43.Qc7+ Nd7 44.Qc1 Bxe2+ 45.Ke1 Qd4 46.Qg5+ Nf6 47.Qg7+ Ke8 48.Qh8+ Kd7 49.Qg7+ Kc8 50.Qf8+ Ne8 51.Qxf5+ Rxf5 52.Kxe2 Re5+ 53.Kf1 Qd3+ 54.Kf2 Qe3+ 55.Kf1 Qe2+ 56.Kg1 Nf6 57.Rc1+ Kd7 58.Rf1 Nxd5 59.h3 Nf4 60.Rf2 Qe1+ 61.Rf1 Qe3+ 62.Rf2 Qc1+ 63.Kh2 Re1* 0-1 (62) basheriyti1995 (2661)-valhalla_SK (2596) Blitz 2021 *)*

B2b111) 14...Nh7 15.h3 f5 16.f4 Nf7 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Bxh5 Nf6 19.Bf3 Re8 20.0-0 b5 21.axb5 Qb6 22.b4 Nd7 23.bxc5 Nxc5 24.Rab1 axb5 25.Nxb5 Ba6 26.Nd4 Qc7 27.Rfe1 Ne4 28.Bxe4 fxe4 29.Ne6 Qc3 30.Nxe4 Qxd2 31.Nxd2 Bh8 32.Nf3 Bc4 33.Rbd1 Ra5 34.Bb6 Rb5 35.Bd4 Rxd5 36.Bxh8 Rxd1 37.Rxd1 Kxh8 38.Neg5 Nxg5 39.Nxg5 d5 40.Nf7+ Kg7 41.Ne5 Bb3 42.Rd3 Rb8 0-1 (42) Clovis1088 (2700)-tough-guy (2574) Blitz 2022;

B2b112) 14...Bd7 15.0-0 Rb8 *(15...Qa5 16.h3 Qb4 17.Qc2 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Nd3 Nh7 20.Rfc1 f5 21.b3 Qxc3 22.Qxc3 Bxc3 23.Rxc3 fxe4 24.fxe4 Rae8 25.e5 Bf5 26.Bh6 Bxd3 27.Bxf8 Kxf8 28.Rxd3 Rxe5 29.Rf1+ Kg7 30.Rdf3 Rxd5 31.Rf7+ Kh6 32.Rxb7 h4 33.Rf4 g5 34.Rff7* 1-0 (34) TELluR229 (2600)-

TheNeapolitanLegend (2762) Blitz 2022 *)*

B2b1121) 16.h3 h4 *(16...b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.e5 Ne8 20.Nfe4 Qc7 21.Rad1 Bf5 22.Qe2 dxe5 23.Bxc5 exf4 24.Bxf8 Kxf8 25.d6 Qb6+ 26.Kh1 Be5 27.d7 Nf6 28.Nxf6 Bxf6 29.Nd5 Qxb2 30.Qxc4 Be6 31.Qxf4 Be5 32.Qf2 Qxf2 33.Rxf2 Bxd7 34.Nf6 Be6 35.Nd7+ Bxd7 36.Re2 Bxa4 37.Rde1 Bf6 38.Rf1 Bb5 39.Rxf6 Bxe2 40.Kh2 Bb5 41.Rd6 Re8 42.Rd2 Re6 43.g4 Kg7 44.gxh5 gxh5 45.Rg2+ Rg6 46.Rf2 f5 47.Rd2 Kf6 48.Rd6+ Kg5 49.Rd2 f4 50.Rd5+ Kh6 51.Rd2 f3 52.Rf2 Bc6 53.Rc2 Rg2+ 54.Rxg2 fxg2 55.Kg1 a5 56.h4 a4 57.Kf2 a3 58.Ke3 a2 59.Kd4 a1Q+ 60.Kc5 g1Q+ 61.Kd6 Qgd4+ 62.Kc7 Qa5+ 63.Kc8 Qdd8#* 0-1 (63) mancillador (2603)-Kovalchuk94 (2616) Blitz 2020*)* 17.f4 Nh5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Bxh5 gxh5 20.Nd3 Bg3 21.Bf4 b5 22.Bxg3 hxg3 23.Qf4 h4 24.Qxd6 bxa4 25.Nxc5 Bb5 26.Qxd8 Rfxd8 27.Nxb5 Rxb5 28.Nxa4 Re8 29.d6 Rb4 30.d7 Rd8 31.Rfd1 Kf8 32.Nc5 Ke7 33.b3 Rb5 34.Rd5 a5 35.Rad1 f6 36.e5 fxe5 37.Rxe5+ Kf7 38.Rf1+ Kg7 39.Re8 1-0 (38) Superfm1 (2659)-BigH (2537) Blitz 2024;

B2b1122) 16.Rab1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.b4 c4 19.h3 Bc8 20.f4 Ned7 21.g4 hxg4 22.hxg4 g5 23.fxg5 Nh7 24.Nh3 Ne5 25.Rf5 f6 26.Rbf1 Bxf5 27.exf5 fxg5 28.Nxg5 Nxg5 29.Bxg5 Bf6 30.Bh6 Rf7 31.Ne4 Bh4 32.g5 Rc8 33.f6 c3 34.Qf4 Ng6 35.Qf5 Kh7 36.Bh5 Qg8 37.Nxd6 Rd8 38.Bxg6+ Qxg6 39.Nxf7 Qxf5 40.Rxf5 c2 41.Rf1 Rxd5 42.Rc1 Rd1+ 43.Kg2 Rxc1 44.Ne5 Rg1+ 45.Kxg1 c1Q+ 46.Kg2 Qd2+ 47.Kf3 Qc3+

48.Ke4 Qxb4+ 49.Kf5 1-0 (49) miki_train (2686)-Rafi-2020 (2577) Blitz 2022;

B2b113) 14...Re8

B2b1131) 15.0-0 h4 *(15...Bd7 16.h3 b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Qe2 Rb8 20.Qxc4 Rxb2 21.Qxa6 Rb3 22.Bd2 Rb2 23.Rfd1 h4 24.Qxd6 Nh5 25.Qxc5 Qb8 26.e5 Rc8 27.Qe3 Bf8 28.Nfe4 Bf5 29.Nb5 Bxe4 30.Qxe4 Ng3 31.Qf3 Rcc2 32.Qd3 Qb6+ 33.Kh2 Qf2 34.d6 Rxd2 35.Rxd2 Rxd2 36.Qxd2 Qxd2 37.a5 Qxf4 38.Kg1 Qxe5 39.a6 Qxa1+* 0-1 (38) ChessTheory64 (2620) - Hayk_Yeritsyann (2567) Blitz 2022*)* 16.Bg5 Bd7 17.Qc2 Qc8 18.Bxh4 Nh5 19.g3 Bh3 20.Rfe1 f6 21.g4 Nf4 22.Bg3 Bh6 23.Bxf4 Bxf4 24.Nxh3 Be3+ 25.Kh1 Kg7 26.Bd1 Bd4 27.Qg2 g5 28.Ng1 Nd3 29.Rf1 Nf4 30.Qc2 Rh8 31.Nce2 Rxh2+ 32.Kxh2 Qh8+ 33.Kg3 Qh4# 0 - 1 (3 2) ChessTheory64 (2636) - ACA-CoachElo (2609) Blitz 2022;

B2b1132) 15.h3 Nh7 *(15...h4 16.f4 Ned7 17.0-0 Rb8 18.Rab1 Nf8 19.b4 cxb4 20.Rxb4 N8h7 21.Bb6 Qe7 22.Bd4 Nd7 23.Rfb1 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Nc5 25.a5 Bd7 26.Rb6 Rbc8 27.Bf3 g5 28.Qd2 Rcd8 29.Re1 Bc8 30.e5 gxf4 31.e6 f5 32.Qxf4 Qg5 33.Qd4 Qf6 34.Ne2 Kg7 35.Rc1 Qxd4 36.Nxd4 Kf6 37.Rf1 Ke5 38.Rb4 Ng5 39.Re1+ Kf6 40.Bh5 Rh8 41.Bd1 Nge4 42.Nxe4+ Nxe4 43.Bc2 Ng3 44.Nxf5 Nxf5 45.Rf4 Rh5 46.Ref1 Ke5 47.Rxf5+ Rxf5 48.Rxf5+ Kd4 49.Kf2 Re8 50.Bb3 Kc3 51.Bd1 Kd4 52.Bf3 Kc5 53.Rf7 Kb4 54.Rh7 Kxa5 55.Bh5 Rf8+ 56.Rf7 Re8 57.Rc7 Kb6 58.Rc1 Rf8+ 59.Ke3 Bxe6 60.dxe6 Rf6 61.Bg4 Rf8 62.Kd4 Re8 63.Kd5 a5 64.Kxd6*

a4 65.e7 Ka5 66.Bd7 Rxe7 67.Kxe7 b5 68.Kd6 b4 69.Bxa4 Kxa4 70.Rc4 Kb3 71.Rxb4+ Kxb4 72.Ke5 Kc4 73.Kf4 Kd5 74.Kg4 Ke5 75.Kxh4 Kf5 76.Kh5 Kf4 77.Kh6 Kg3 78.Kg5 Kxg2 79.h4 Kf3 80.h5 Ke4 81.h6 Kf3 82.h7 Kf2 83.h8Q Ke1 ½-½ (83) lestri (2638)-NeilKeating (2575) Blitz 2023*; 15...Qa5 16.0-0 h4 17.Bg5 Qb4 18.a5 Bd7 19.Bxh4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.Bg3 Nh5 22.Bxd6 f5 23.g4 fxe4 24.gxh5 e3 25.Qc2 exf2+ 26.Rxf2 Bf5 27.Qd2 Bd4 28.hxg6 Be3 29.Qd1 Qh4 30.Qf1 Bxh3 31.Qe2 Rad8 32.Bh2 Bd4 33.Qd2 Rd6 34.Kh1 Rxg6 35.Rg1 Rxg1+ 36.Bxg1 Bxf2 37.Qxf2 Qxf2 38.Bxf2 Bf5 39.Bxc5 Kf7 40.Kg2 Rg8+ 41.Kf2 Rh8 42.b4 Rh2+ 43.Ke3 Rc2 44.Kd4 Rd2+ 45.Ke5 Bg6 46.d6 Rd3 47.Nd5 Rxf3 48.Nb6 Ke8 49.d7+ Kd8 50.Ke6 Bf5+ 51.Ke5 Bxd7 52.Bd4 Rf5+ 53.Kd6 Rb5 54.Bc5* 1-0 (54) Clovis1088 (2629) - kirill_kopyonkin (2605) Blitz 2024*)*
16.0-0 Qa5 17.f4 Nd7 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 gxf5 20.Bh6 Ndf6 21.Nd3 Bd7 22.Rf3 f4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nxf4 exf4 25.Qxf4 Qb4 26.Qg3+ Kh8 27.Raf1 Qd4+ 28.Kh1 Rg8 29.Qd6 Rg6 30.Bd3 Rg7 31.Bxh7 Nxh7 32.Qxd7 Ng5 33.Rf5 Rag8 34.Qxb7 1-0 (34) Clovis1088 (2681)-windycamel (2560) Blitz 2022;

B2b114) 14...h4 15.h3 Nh7 16.f4 Nd7 17.0-0 f5 18.Bd3 Ndf6 19.e5 Nh5 20.e6 Ng3 21.Rfe1 Qe7 22.a5 Rb8 23.Na4 g5 24.fxg5 f4 25.Bxf4 Bd4 26.g6 Nf6 27.Bh6 Ng4 28.Bxf8 Nxf2 29.Bxe7 Nfe4+ 30.Kh2 Nxd2 31.Bxd6 1-0 (31) WhiteBishop4761 (2642)-kemelgallo (2707) Blitz 2022;

B2b115) 14...Rb8 15.h3 *(15.Rb1 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4*

c4 18.0-0 h4 19.Ra1 h3 20.g3 Nh7 21.f4 Nd7 22.Bd4 Re8 23.Ra5 Ndf6 24.Bf3 Bd7 25.Rfa1 Nh5 26.Bxh5 gxh5 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Qd4+ Kg8 29.Ra7 Bg4 30.R1a5 Re7 31.Rxe7 Qxe7 32.Ra7 Qd8 33.Kf1 Qc8 34.Ke1 Bf3 35.Kd2 Ra8 36.Qb6 Rxa7 37.Qxa7 Nf6 38.Qb6 Ng4 39.Nxg4 Qxg4 40.Qxd6 Bg2 41.Qc5 h4 42.Qe3 Kf8 43.gxh4 Qxh4 44.d6 Qf6 45.e5 Qe6 46.Nxb5 c3+ 47.Nxc3 Qb3 48.Qc5 Qb2+ 49.Ke3 Qc1+ 50.Kd4 Qxf4+ 51.Kd3 Qf5+ 52.Kc4 Bf1+ 53.Kb3 Qe6+ 54.Kb2 Kg7 55.Ne4 Bd3 56.Qg1+ Kf8 57.Qd4 Bf1 58.Nc5 Qh6 59.d7 Kg7 60.d8Q 1-0 (60) Beginner741 (2638)-rfwkkk (2623) Blitz 2021*)* 15...b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 Qb6 18.f4 Ned7 19.0-0 Ba6 20.Na7 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Rfe8 22.Nc6 Qxb2 23.Qf3 Rb3 24.Rae1 Nb6 25.Bc1 Qc2 26.Re3 Rxe3 27.Bxe3 Nxe4 28.Rc1 Qa4 29.f5 Nxd5 0-1 (29) VanuatuLover (2714)-kaumandur01 (2741) Blitz 2025;

B2b12) 13...Rb8 14.Be2 Bd7 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bxh6 b4 18.Ncd1 Bb5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Bxb5 Rxb5 21.Ne3 Rh8 22.f4 Ned7 23.Nc4 Nb6 24.Na5 Nh5 25.Nc6 Qh4 26.Nh3 Nd7 27.Ra7 Ndf6 28.e5 Ng4 29.e6 Nh6 30.b3 Qf6 31.Ng5 Rf8 32.g4 Nxg4 33.Nxf7 c4 34.Nxd6+ Kh8 35.Nxb5 c3 36.Qd4 1-0 (36) OnkelKonkel (2672)-j_Villanueva (2687) Blitz 2022;

B2b13) 13...Bd7 14.Bxh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 b5 16.Be2 c4 17.h4 Nh5 18.g4 Ng3 19.Rh3 Nxe2 20.Nxe2 Qf6 21.h5 Qg7 22.Qxg7+ Kxg7 23.h6+ Kh7 24.a5 b4 25.Nd4 c3 26.bxc3 bxc3 27.Rc1 Rfc8 28.Ke2 Rc4 29.Ke3 Rb8 30.Nd3 Bxg4 31.fxg4 Nxg4+ 32.Kf4 Rxd4 33.Kxg4 Rxe4+ 34.Kf3 Rd4 35.Rxc3 Rxd5 36.Ke4 Rxa5 37.Rc7 Rf8 38.Rf3 Ra4+ 39.Kd5 Ra5+ 40.Kxd6 Kxh6 41.Ne5 Rd8+ 42.Ke7 Rdd5 43.Nxf7+ Kh5 44.Rc6 Rf5 45.Rxf5+ gxf5 46.Kf6 Kg4 47.Ne5+ Kf4 48.Rc4+ Kg3 49.Kxf5 Ra3 50.Rh4 Kf2

51.Rh2+ Kg1 52.Rh4 a5 53.Rg4+ Kf1 54.Nc4 Ra1 55.Rf4+ Ke2 56.Nxa5 Rxa5+ 57.Kg4 ½-½ (57) gg-gm-gmg (2670)-black_knight22 (2786) Blitz 2020;

B2b14) 13...Kh7 14.Be2 Bd7 15.a5 *(15.0-0 Qe8 16.h3 Rb8 17.f4* 1-0 (17) lestri (2698)-Ocinitram (2749) Blitz 2023 *)* 15...b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.0-0 Qb4 18.Bxa6 Rfb8 19.Rfb1 Nh5 20.Bf1 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Rxb2 23.Ra6 Rc2 24.Ncd1 f5 25.f4 Nc4 26.exf5 gxf5 27.g4 Nf6 28.Ra7 Nxe3 29.Nxe3 Rc1 30.g5 Nxd5 31.Nd3 Rxf1+ 32.Kxf1 Nxe3+ 33.Ke2 Nd5 34.Rxd7 c4 35.g6+ Kg8 36.Rd8+ Bf8 37.Nc5 Nxf4+ 38.Kf3 Nxg6 39.Ne6 Kf7 40.Nxf8 Nxf8 41.Rxd6 Ng6 42.Rb6 h5 43.Ke3 h4 44.Kd4 Kg7 45.Rc6 Kh6 46.Rxc4 Kg5 47.Rc6 Nf4 48.Ke3 Ng2+ 49.Kf2 Nf4 50.Rc7 Ne6 51.Re7 Nf4 52.Kf3 Kf6 53.Rc7 Ng6 54.Rc5 Ne7 55.Ke2 Kg5 56.Rc7 Nd5 57.Rg7+ Kf4 58.Kf2 Ne3 59.Rg8 Ng4+ 60.Kg2 Ne5 61.Kh3 Nf3 62.Re8 Kg5 63.Rh8 Kg6 64.Kg2 Kg7 65.Re8 Kf7 66.Re2 Ng5 67.Rb2 Kg6 68.Rb4 Ne4 69.Rd4 Kg5 70.Kf3 Nf6 71.Rd2 Ne8 72.Rd7 Kf6 73.Rh7 Kg5 74.Re7 Nd6 75.Rg7+ Kf6 76.Rg8 Nb5 77.Kf4 Nd4 78.Rf8+ Kg7 79.Ra8 Kf6 80.Ra6+ Ne6+ 81.Ke3 Ke5 82.Kf2 f4 83.Ra5+ Ke4 84.Rh5 Nd8 85.Rxh4 Nf7 86.Rg4 Ne5 87.Rg8 Nd7 88.h4 Nf6 89.Rg5 Nh7 90.Rb5 Nf8 91.Rb7 Ng6 92.h5 Ne5 93.Rg7 Nd3+ 94.Kf1 Ne5 95.h6 Kf5 96.h7 Nc6 97.h8Q Ke4 98.Qa8 Kd5 99.Rg6 Kc5 100.Qxc6+ Kd4 101.Ke2 Ke5 102.Qc5+ Ke4 103.Re6# 1-0 (103) AKS-Mantissa (2789)-InanisBot (2544) Rapid 2024;

B2b2) 12...Rb8 13.Nf2 Kh7 14.Be2 Re8 *(14...Ne8 15.0-0 Nc7 16.Rab1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.b4 cxb4 19.Rxb4 Ba6 20.Bd4 Nc5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Ng4 h5 23.Qd4+ f6 24.Ne3 Qe7 25.f4 Bc8 26.f5 Qe5 27.fxg6 Qxd4 28.Rxd4 b4 29.Na2 b3 30.Nb4 b2 31.Rb1 Re8 32.Rxb2 Rxe4 33.Rxe4 Nxe4 34.Bxh5 f5 35.Rc2 Ne8 36.Bf3 f4 37.Nf1 Bf5 38.Rc4 Ng5 39.Rxf4 Nxf3+ 40.gxf3 Bxg6 41.Rc4 Nf6 42.Ne3 Re8 43.Kf2 Rh8 44.h4 Rb8 45.Ng2 Bf7 46.Ne3 Bg6 47.Ke2 Rb5 48.Kd2 Kf8 49.Kc3 Bf7 50.Rf4 Rxb4 51.Kxb4* 1-0 (51)

Nakamura,H (2793)-Vachier-Lagrave,M (2803) Chess.com INT 2017; *14...Ne5 15.0-0 g5 16.h3 Qe7 17.Rab1 Nh5 18.b4 Ng3 19.Rfe1 c4 20.b5 Bd7 21.Bd1 f5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Bc2 Qd7 24.Ne2 Nxe2+ 25.Rxe2 c3 26.Qd1 Nc4 27.Bc1 Rbe8 28.bxa6 bxa6 29.Rb4 Nb2 30.Bxf5+ Qxf5 31.Qe1 Rxe2 32.Qxe2 Qxd5 33.Bxb2 cxb2 34.Rxb2 Bxb2 35.Qxb2 Rf7 36.Ne4 Qe5 37.Qb3 Kg7 38.Qd3 d5 39.Nf2 Rc7 40.Ng4 Rc1+ 41.Kf2 Qe1#* 0-1 (41) VanuatuLover (2713)-kaumandur01 (2742) Blitz 2025*)* 15.0-0 Ne5 16.h3 Qc7 17.f4 Ned7 18.Bd3 c4 19.Bc2 Nc5 20.e5 Nh5 21.e6 fxe6 22.dxe6 Bxe6 23.Nd5 Qf7 24.Nc3 Ng3 25.Rfe1 Nb3 26.Bxb3 cxb3 27.Bd4 Rbd8 28.Bxg7 Qxg7 29.Kh2 Nf5 30.Re2 Nd4 31.Re4 Nc2 32.Rd1 d5 33.Re5 Bf5 34.Rxe8 Rxe8 35.Nxd5 Qxb2 36.Nc3 Rc8 37.Nfe4 Qa3 38.Nd6 Rd8 39.Qe2 Rd7 40.Qe8 Qc5 41.Nxf5 Rc7 42.Rd7+ 1-0 (42) TemurKuybokarov (2854)-dhonimessi (2694) Blitz 2022;

B3) 11...Ne8 12.h4 h5 *(12...Kh7 13.h5 g5 14.g4 Nd7 15.Nce2 Rb8 16.Ng3 Ne5 17.Be2 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Nh3 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Ra2 Rxb2 22.Rxb2 c3 23.Qc2 cxb2 24.0-0 Ba6 25.Rb1 Be5 26.Nf5 Qa5 27.Kg2 Qa3 28.Nf2 Nc7 29.Ne7 Qc3 30.Qxc3 Bxc3 31.Nd1 Bg7 32.Nf5 Bd3 33.Rxb2 Bxb2 34.Nxb2 Bb5 35.Nxd6 Ra8 36.Bxc5 Ra2 37.Bd4 Ba6 38.Kg3 Nb5 39.Nxb5 Bxb5 40.Nd1 Rd2 41.Nc3 Bf1 42.Bf2 Rd3 43.Nb5 Be2 44.Nd4 Kg7 45.Nxe2* 1-0 (45) Iestri (2672)-abrakadabra02 (2754) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Bg5 Qa5 14.Nh3 b5 15.Nf2 Nf6 16.Be2 Nbd7 17.0-0 b4 18.Ncd1 Qc7 19.Ne3 Ne5 20.Rfc1 Nh7 21.Bf4 Qe7 22.Bg3 f5 23.f4 Ng4 24.Bxg4 hxg4 25.e5 dxe5 26.d6 Qe6 27.Rxc5 Bb7 28.Rc7 Rab8 29.Rac1 Rfd8 30.Re7 Qxe7 31.dxe7 Rxd2 32.Rc7 Nf6 33.fxe5 Ne8 34.Rc5 Rc8 35.Rxc8 Bxc8 36.Nc4 Rc2 37.Nd6 Bd7 38.Nd3 Nxd6 39.exd6 Kf7 40.Be5 Rd2 41.Bxg7 Rxd3 42.Be5 Bxa4 43.Kf2 Bd7 44.Ke2 Rd5 45.Bf4 a5 46.b3 a4 47.bxa4 b3 48.Be5 Rxe5+ 0-1 (48) Rikikits (2848)-EvilGenius94 (2768) Blitz 2022;

B4) 11...Nh7 12.a5 h5 13.Ra3 Nd7 14.Nh3 Rb8 15.Be2 b5 16.axb6 Qxb6 17.Ra2 Ne5 18.Nf2 a5 19.0-0 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Qxa6 21.Rfa1 Nc4 22.Qe2 Ra8 23.Bc1 Rfb8 24.Nfd1 Nf8 25.Ra4 Rb4 26.b3 Nb6 27.Qxa6 Rxa6 28.Rxa5 Rxa5 29.Rxa5 Rxb3 30.Rb5 c4 31.Kf1 Nfd7 32.Bf4 Ne5

33.Be3 Nbd7 34.Ke2 Ra3 35.Rb4 Rb3 36.Ra4 Nb6 37.Ra6 Ned7 38.Kd2 f5 39.Kc2 fxe4 40.fxe4 Be5 41.h3 Kf8 42.Nb1 Rb4 43.Nd2 Ke8 44.Nf3 Bf6 45.g4 ½-½ (45) Ding, L (2760)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2749) Sharjah UAE 2017;

B5) 11...Kh7 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.Ng3 Rb8 14.Be2 Ne8 15.0-0 Nc7 16.a5 *(16.f4 b5 17.e5 dxe5 18.f5 c4 19.d6 Ne8 20.axb5 axb5 21.Bf3 b4 22.Nce4 Nef6 23.Ra7 Ng8 24.Qc2 Kh8 25.Be2 Rb7 26.Rxb7 Bxb7 27.Bxc4 Ngf6 28.Nxf6 Qxf6 29.Qd2 e4 30.fxg6 Qxg6 31.Qxb4 Bc6 32.Nf5 Rb8 33.Qa5 Rxb2 34.Qd8+ Kh7 35.Nh4 Qxd6 36.Rxf7 Rb1+ 37.Bf1 Bb5 38.Qe8 Ne5 39.Rxg7+ Kxg7 40.Nf5+ Kf6 41.Qxb5 Qd1 42.Qa6+ Kxf5 43.h3 h5 44.Qc8+ Nd7 45.Qc4 Ne5 46.Qc8+ Nd7 47.Qc4 Qd3 48.Qf7+ Nf6 49.g4+ hxg4 50.hxg4+ Ke5 51.Qe7+ Kd5 52.Qf7+ Ke5 53.Qe7+ Kd5 54.Qf7+ Ke5 55.Qe7+* ½-½ (55) Socko,B (2635)-Leniart, A (2458) Warsaw POL 2012*)* 16...b5 17.axb6 Nxb6 18.Rab1 Qf6 19.Rfc1 Nba8 20.f4 Qh4 21.e5 dxe5 22.d6 Ne6 23.f5 Nd4 24.fxg6+ fxg6 25.Nge4 Nxe2+ 26.Qxe2 Nb6 27.Bxc5 Nd7 28.Bf2 Qd8 29.Nd5 Bb7 30.Qd3 Rc8 31.Be3 Qh4 32.Rc7 Bxd5 33.Qxd5 Rcd8 34.b4 Nf6 35.Nxf6+ Qxf6 36.Rd1 Kh8 37.d7 Qf5 38.h3 Kh7 39.Bc5 Rf7 40.Bb6 Qf6 41.Rb7 Rff8 42.Bxd8 Rxd8 43.Rc7 Qf4 44.Rc8 Qxb4 45.Rxd8 Qb6+ 46.Kh1 Qxd8 47.Qe6 Bf8 48.Rc1 1-0 (48) mate-in-three (2648)-Gontrandlachance (2619) Rapid 2021;

B6) 11...h5 12.Bd3 Re8 *(12...Nbd7 13.Nge2 Ne5 14.0-0 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Nd7 16.f4 Rb8 17.Rab1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b4 cxb4 20.Rxb4 Nc5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Rxb5 Rxb5 23.Qxb5 Bg4 24.e5 Qa8 25.d6 h4 26.h3 Be6 27.Qxc5 Rc8 28.Qe3 Qa6 29.Kh2 Bh6 30.Rc1 Bc4 31.Nd4 Qb6 32.Ne4 Kg7 33.d7 Rb8 34.Rxc4* 1-0 (33) MaLeKkoNihli (2613)-alina0220 (2556) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Nge2 Nbd7 14.b3 Rb8 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Ra3 h4 18.h3 Nh5 19.0-0 Bf6 20.f4 Rb4 21.Bf2 a5 22.Na2 Rbxe4 23.Bxe4 Rxe4 24.Nac3 Rb4 25.Na2 Rb8 26.Re1 Kg7 27.Nac3 Rb4 28.Na2 Rb7 29.Nac3 Rb4 30.Na2 Rb8 31.Nac3 Rb4 ½-½ (31) PetersBot (3020)-ArasanX (3034) Rapid 2024;

C) 10...Nbd7 11.Nh3 Qa5 *(11...Ne5 12.Nf2 Re8 13.Be2 Bd7 14.h3 b5 15.0-0 b4 16.Ncd1 Bc8 17.Ne3 a5 18.f4 Ned7 19.Bf3 Ba6 20.Rfe1 h6 21.Bh4 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Qxh4 23.Nxd6 Rxe3 24.Rxe3 Bd4 25.Kh1 Rf8 26.Re4 Nf6 27.Rxd4 cxd4 28.Qxd4* 1-0 (28) VanuatuLover (2699)-giantgooga2 (2495) Blitz 2025*; 11...Re8 12.Nf2 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Qxb6 15.Na4 Qb3*

16.Ra3 Qxd5 17.Rd3 Qa2 18.Nc3 Qa1+ 19.Ncd1 d5 20.Ra3 Qxa3 21.bxa3 dxe4 22.Be2 exf3 23.gxf3 Ne5 24.0-0 Bb7 25.Nd3 Rbd8 26.Qc2 Rxd3 27.Bxd3 Nxf3+ 28.Rxf3 Bxf3 29.Nf2 Ng4 30.Nxg4 Bxg4 31.Qxc5 h6 32.Be3 a5 33.Kf2 a4 34.Bc4 Be6 35.Bxe6 Rxe6 36.Qc8+ Kh7 37.Qd7 Rf6+ 38.Ke2 Rf5 39.Qxa4 h5 40.Qc4 Be5 41.h3 Rf6 42.a4 Re6 43.a5 Bb8 44.Kf3 Kg7 45.a6 Be5 46.Qxe6 fxe6 47.a7 1-0 (47) Consent_to_treatment (2697)-Koshechka22 (2741) Blitz 2021 *)* 12.Ra3 Ne5 *(12...Re8 13.Nf2 Qc7 14.Be2 Rb8 15.0-0 c4 16.Rc1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.b4 Nh5 19.Be3 f5 20.Ra5 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 f4 22.Bd4 Ne5 23.Ra7 Rb7 24.Rca1 Bd7 25.Rxb7 Qxb7 26.Ra7 Qb8 27.Qa1 Qd8 28.Qa6 Bc8 29.Qxb5 Ng3 30.hxg3 fxg3 31.Nh1 Bd7 32.Qb7 Qh4 33.Nxg3 Qxg3 34.Bxe5 Qe1+ 35.Bf1 Qe3+ 36.Kh1 Rxe5 37.Ra8+ Be8 38.Rxe8+ Rxe8 39.Qd7 Re5 40.Qd8+ Kg7 41.Qd7+ Kh6 42.g4 Qxf3+ 43.Bg2 Qg3 44.Qd8 c3 45.Qf8+ Kg5 46.Qf1 c2 47.Qc1+ Qf4 48.Qxc2 Kxg4 49.Qe2+ Kg3 50.Qe1+ Qf2 51.Qxf2+ Kxf2 52.b5 Rh5+ 53.Bh3 Rxh3#* 0-1 (53) mate-in-three (2636)-ihmelnyk (2689) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Nf2 Qb4 14.Qc2 Bd7 15.Bd2 Nc4 16.Rb3 Nxd2 17.Rxb4 cxb4 18.Qxd2 bxc3 19.bxc3 Bxa4 20.c4 Nd7 21.Qb4 Nc5 22.Nd3 a5 23.Qa3 Bd7 24.Nxc5 dxc5 25.Be2 Rfb8 26.Kf2 Bd4+ 27.Kg3 b5 28.cxb5 Bxb5 29.Bxb5 Rxb5 30.Qa4 Rb4 31.Qc6 Rab8 32.Re1 R4b6 33.Qa4 Bc3 34.Re2 Rb4 35.Qc6 Be5+ 36.Kh3 c4 37.g3 c3 38.f4 Rb2 39.Re1 Bd4 40.d6 c2 41.d7 Rb1 42.Qxc2 Rxe1 43.Qc8+ Rxc8 44.dxc8Q+ Kg7 45.e5 Re2 46.Qc4 Rd2 47.Qc7 Bg1 48.e6 Rxh2+ 49.Kg4 h5+ 50.Kg5 1-0 (50) Nakamura,H (2802)-Firouzja,A (2767) Paris FRA 2024;

D) 10...Qa5

D1) 11.Ra3 Qb4 *(11...Re8 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.Nc1 Qc7 14.Be2 Rb8 15.0-0 Ne5 16.N1a2 Bd7 17.Rc1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.b5 Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Rxb5 23.Rxc4 Reb8 24.Rc2 Nd7 25.Nc3 Rb3 26.Rxb3 Rxb3 27.h4 Qa5 28.Ne2 Rb1+ 29.Kh2 Qa1 30.Ng3 Be5 31.f4 Bd4 32.Ra2 Qc3 33.Qxc3 Bxc3 34.Ra7 Nf6 35.Bxf6 Bxf6 36.h5 Kg7 37.Rd7 c4 38.Rxd6 Bb2 39.Rc6 c3 40.Ne2 Re1 41.Nxc3 Bxc3 42.Rxc3 Rxe4 43.Rd3 Kf8 44.hxg6 hxg6 45.Kg3 Ke7 46.Kf3 Ra4 47.Rb3 Rd4 48.Rb5 Kd6 49.Rb7 Kxd5 50.Rxf7 Ke6 51.Rf8 Ke7 52.Ra8 Rb4 53.Ra6 Kf7 54.Kg4 Rb2 55.g3 Rb3 56.Ra7+ Kf6 57.Ra6+ Kf7 58.Ra5 Kf6 59.Rd5 Kf7 60.Rd1 Kf6 61.Rf1 Rc3 62.Rf3 Rc1 63.Re3 Rc6 64.Rd3 Rc4 65.Rd6+ Kf7 66.Kg5 Rc5+ 67.Kg4 Rc3 68.Rd5 Kf6 69.Re5 Rb3 70.Re2 Rc3 71.Rf2 Rc5 72.Rf3 Rc2 73.Re3 Rc5 74.Rd3 Rc4 75.Re3 Rd4*

76.Rb3 Rc4 77.Rb6+ Kf7 78.Rb7+ Kf6 79.Rb6+ Kg7 80.Rb7+ Kh6 81.Rb6 Rc5 82.Rd6 Rf5 83.Re6 Ra5 84.Re5 Ra4 85.Re6 Kg7 86.Re5 Kf6 87.Re3 Ra6 88.Kf3 Ra1 89.g4 Rf1+ 90.Ke4 Rd1 91.g5+ Kf7 92.Rd3 Rf1 93.Re3 Ke6 94.Rd3 Re1+ 95.Re3 Rc1 96.Kf3+ Kf7 97.Re5 Rf1+ 98.Ke4 Rd1 99.Ke3 Rf1 0-1 (99) roedors (2622)-SouthAfricanWolf (2638) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.Nc1 Ne5 14.N1a2 Qd4 15.Qe2 Ned7 16.Nc1 Nh5 17.g4 Bf6 18.Bxf6 Nhxf6 19.Qd2 Ne5 20.Be2 h5 21.g5 Nh7 22.Nb3 Qb4 23.Rg1 Bd7 24.Na2 Nc4 25.Nxb4 Nxd2 26.Kxd2 cxb4 27.Raa1 a5 28.Ke3 Rfc8 29.Bd3 Rcb8 30.h4 Nf8 31.Rgc1 Be8 32.Rc7 b6 33.Nd2 Rd8 34.Nc4 Rab8 35.b3 Nh7 36.f4 Nf8 37.Rc1 Kg7 38.Rb1 Kh7 39.Bf1 Kg7 40.Bh3 Kg8 41.Kd4 Kg7 42.Rc1 Bd7 43.Bxd7 Rxd7 44.Rc6 Ra7 45.Nxb6 Nd7 46.Nc8 Nc5 47.Nxa7 Nxb3+ 48.Kd3 Nxc1+ 49.Rxc1 Rb7 50.Nb5 Rd7 51.Rc6 Kf8 52.Nxd6 Ra7 53.Rc8+ Ke7 54.e5 b3 55.Rb8 Rc7 56.Ne4 Rd7 57.d6+ Ke6 58.Nc5+ Kf5 59.Nxd7 Kg4 60.Nf6+ Kxh4 61.Rxb3 Kg3 62.d7 Kxf4 63.d8Q h4 64.Kc2 Kxg5 65.Qd2+ Kf5 66.Rf3+ Kxe5 67.Qd5# 1-0 (67) expositor (2624)-Cheng-4 (2506) Rapid 2022;

D2) 11.Nge2 b5 12.Ng3 c4 *(12...Nbd7 13.Be2 c4 14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 Bb7 16.Nh1 Rac8 17.Nhf2 c3 18.bxc3 bxc3 19.Qc2 Ne5 20.Ra3 Nfd7 21.Ne3 Rfe8 22.Rc1 h6 23.Bh4 Nb6 24.Rb3 Ba8 25.Nfd1 Nec4 26.Nxc4 Nxc4 27.Be1 Nd2 28.Ra3 Qc5+* 0-1 (28) VanuatuLover (2674)-sibuna1 (2501) Blitz 2025*)* 13.Nd1 Qxd2+ 14.Bxd2 Bb7 15.Nc3 b4 16.Nd1 a5 17.Bxc4 Nfd7 18.Kf2 Ba6 19.Rc1 Nc5 20.Ke3 Nxa4 21.b3 Nc5 22.Ne2 f5 23.Nd4 f4+ 0-1 (23) Grancanarias (2754)-TheNorwigenChampion (2692) Blitz 2022;

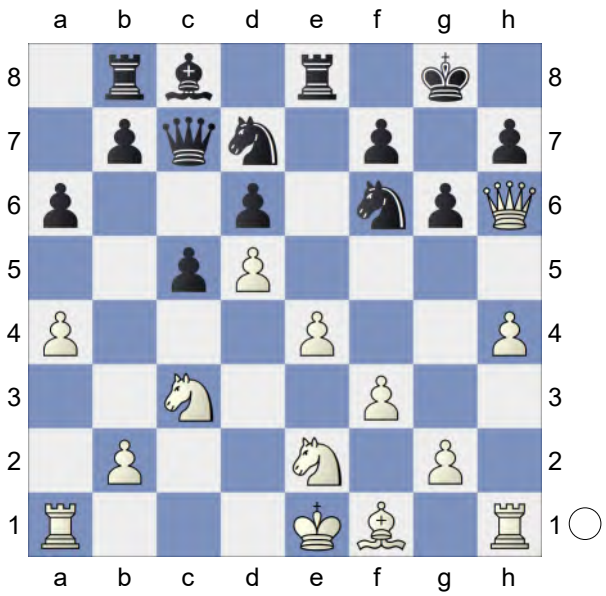
E) 10...Qc7

E1) 11.Be3 Re8 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.Nc1 Nh5 14.g4 Nhf6 15.Be2 Ne5 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Rb8 18.Qh4 Ned7 19.Qf2 c4 20.Qd4 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.b4 cxb3 23.Nxb3 Ne5 24.0-0 Bd7 25.g5 b4 26.Nd1 Nh5 27.f4 Bg4 28.Bxg4 Nxg4 29.h3 Qc2 30.hxg4 Qxb3 31.gxh5 Qg3+ 32.Kh1 Qh3+ 33.Kg1 Qg3+ 34.Kh1 Qh3+ 35.Kg1 Normal ½-½ (35) RaspFish (2920)-KQRBNPkqrbnp (2929) Rapid 2024;

E2) 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6

E2a) 12...Re8 White is slightly better. 13.h4 Nbd7 14.Nge2 Rb8

(Diagram)



15.h5! Ne5 16.Ng3 Qe7 17.Be2 c4 18.a5 0.07/22 *(18.Qe3± 0.61/21)* 18...b5= 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.Ra2 Bd7 21.0-0 Reb8 22.Rfa1 Bc8 *(22...Rxb2* feels hotter. *23.Rxb2 Rxb2 24.Rxa6 Ne8)* 23.Nd1 Nfd7 0.43/23 *(23...Rb3= 0.02/22)* 24.hxg6± fxg6 25.Rc1 Rb4 0.61/24 *(25...Nc5!= 0.24/23)* 26.Rc2 0.00/26 *(26.Nf1!± 0.61/24)* 26...Nc5= 27.Ne3 Qf6

E2a1) 28.Bxc4 Nf7 29.Qh2 *(29.Nh5? Qe5-+)* 29...Rxb2 30.Rcxb2 Rxb2 31.Rxb2 Qxb2;

E2a2) 28.Nxc4? Nxc4 29.Nh5 *(29.Rxc4? Rxc4* Remove Defender *30.Bxc4 Qd4+ 31.Kh2 Qxc4-+)* 29...Qd4+ *(29...gxh5? 30.Qxf6 h4 31.Rxc4+-)* 30.Kh2 Ne3-+ *(30...gxh5? 31.Rxc4 Qe5+ 32.Kg1∓)*;

E2a3) 28.Nh5! Pin 28...Qe7 ...c4-c3 would now be deadly. 29.Ng3 Qf6

E2a31) 30.Bxc4 Nf7 31.Qh1 *(31.Nh5? Qe5-+)* 31...Rxb2 32.Rcxb2 Rxb2 33.Rxb2 Qxb2-+;

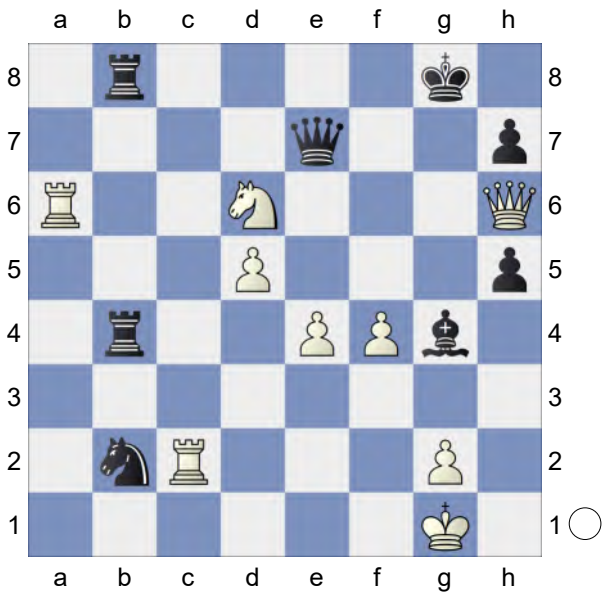
E2a32) 30.Nxc4? Nxc4 31.Bxc4 *(31.Rxc4? Rxc4* Remove Defender *32.Bxc4 Qd4+ 33.Kh2 Qxc4-+)* 31...Qd4+ *(31...Rxb2 32.Qe3=)* 32.Kh2 Rxc4-+;

E2a33) 30.Nh5! Pin 30...Qe7 Strongly threatening ...c4-c3. 31.f4 Deflection Ned3 32.Nxc4 gxh5

E2a331) 33.Ra3!± 0.44/24 Nf2 34.Kxf2 *(34.Nxd6 Nfxe4 35.Nxe4 Nxe4∓)*;

E2a332) 33.Nxd6 0.00/27 33...Bg4 And now ...Rb8-b6 would win. 34.Bxd3 Nxd3 35.Rxa6 Hoping for f4-f5. Nxb2? 3.61/25 *(35...Rxb2=* 0.00/27 *36.Rxb2 Nxb2)*

(Diagram)



E2a3321)
Only move: 36.f5!+- 3.61/25 Rxe4 37.Nxe4 Bxf5 38.Rxb2 *(38.Nf6+ Kh8+-)*;

E2a3322) 36.Qg5+? 0.00/26 Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=0.30 ½-½ (36) Praggnanandhaa,R (2746)-Erigaisi,A (2797) London 2024 Mega2024 Update 51 [Kitty Kat];

E2b) 12...Nbd7 13.Nh3 *(13.Nge2 Rb8 14.h4 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.h5 Ne5 17.Ng3 c4 18.Nd1 Qe7 19.Ne3 Kh8 20.Ra7 Qxa7 21.Qxf8+ Ng8 22.Kf2 Qc7 23.h6 f6 24.Be2 Bb7 25.Qg7+ Qxg7 26.hxg7+ Kxg7 27.Rb1 h5 28.b3 h4 29.Nef5+ gxf5 30.Nxf5+ Kf8 31.bxc4 bxc4 32.f4 Nd7 33.Bxc4 Ne7 34.Nxd6 Ba6 35.Rxb8+ Nxb8 36.Ke3 Bxc4 37.Nxc4 Nd7 38.d6 Ng6 39.Kf3 Nc5 40.Kg4 Nd3 41.e5 fxe5 42.f5 Nh8 43.Kxh4 e4 44.f6 Nf7 45.d7 e3 46.Nxe3 Nde5 47.d8R+ Nxd8 48.Kg5 Kf7 49.Kf5 Ng6 50.g4 Ne6 51.Nd5 Nd4+ 52.Ke4 Ne6 53.Kf5 Nh4+ 54.Ke4 Ng2 55.Ne3 Nh4 56.Ke5 Nf8 57.g5 Ne6 58.Ng2 Nf3+ 59.Kf5 Nfxg5 60.Nf4 Nxf4 61.Kxg5 Nd5 62.Kf5 Nxf6 ½-½ (62) bot_bigbrain (2661)-triskaidekaphobia123 (2663) Rapid 2021)* 13...Rb8 14.Be2 c4 15.0-0 Re8 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Rfb1 Nc5 19.Nf2 Rb4 20.Na2 Rb7 21.Nc3 Rb4 22.Na2 Rb7 23.Nc3 Rb4 ½-½ (23) BRAINLEARN11_NNUE (2899)-QalatTOP (2878) Blitz 2023;

E3) 11.Rc1 Nbd7 *(11...Re8 12.Nge2 h5 13.Be3 Nbd7 14.Nf4 Ne5 15.Be2 c4 16.0-0 Qa5 17.Ra1 Nfd7 18.Nb1 Qc7 19.a5 Nc5 20.Qc2 Bd7 21.Nd2 Bb5 22.b4 cxb3 23.Nxb3 Rac8 24.Nd4 Bxe2 25.Nfxe2 b6 26.axb6 Qxb6 27.Rfb1 Qa7 28.Qd1 Rb8 29.h3 Rxb1 30.Rxb1 Qa8 31.Qc2 Rb8 32.Rxb8+ Qxb8 33.Nc6 Nxc6 34.dxc6 Qb6 35.Nd4 Kf8 36.Qc4 Be5 37.g4 hxg4 38.hxg4 Ke7 39.Bg5+ Ke8 40.Be3 Qb1+ 41.Kg2 Qb2+ 42.Kg1 Kd8 43.Nc2 Qb5 44.Na3 Qxc4 45.Nxc4 Nd3*

46.Bb6+ Kc8 47.Ne3 Nb4 48.f4 Bxf4 49.Nd5 Nxc6 50.Nxf4 Ne5 51.Kf1 Nxg4 52.Nd5 Kd7 53.Bd4 Kc6 54.Ne7+ Kb5 55.Nc8 Kc6 56.Ne7+ Kc7 57.Nd5+ Kd7 58.Ke2 Ne5 59.Ke3 Nc4+ 60.Kd3 Ne5+ 61.Ke3 a5 62.Bc3 Ke6 63.Nb6 Nc6 64.Nd5 a4 65.Bb2 Na7 66.Kd3 Nc6 67.Ke3 Na5 68.Kd3 f5 69.Nf4+ Kd7 70.exf5 gxf5 71.Ba3 Nc6 72.Kc4 Ne5+ 73.Kd5 Ng4 74.Bxd6 a3 75.Bxa3 Nf2 76.Ng6 f4 77.Ne5+ Kc7 78.Bb4 f3 79.Ba5+ Kb7 80.Bd8 Nd1 81.Nxf3 Nb2 82.Ne5 Nd1 83.Kc5 Nf2 84.Kd5 Nd1 85.Kd4 Nb2 86.Kc5 Nd1 87.Nc4 Nf2 88.Ba5 Ne4+ 89.Kb5 Ka7 90.Kc6 Ka6 91.Bd8 Nc3 92.Na3 Nb5 93.Nc2 Na7+ 94.Kc5 Nc8 95.Nb4+ Kb7 96.Nd5 Na7 97.Bh4 Nc6 98.Kd6 Nd4 99.Bf2 Nc2 100.Kc5 Ka6 101.Kc4 Na3+ 102.Kb4 Nb5 103.Kc5 Na3 104.Be1 Nb5 105.Bd2 Na7 106.Nb4+ Ka5 107.Nc6+ Ka6 108.Nd8 Nb5 109.Nc6 Na7 110.Nd8 Nb5 111.Bb4 Na7 112.Be1 Nb5 113.Nf7 Nc7 114.Bf2 Nb5 115.Nh6 Na3 116.Be1 Nc2 117.Bd2 Na1 118.Kc4 Nc2 119.Nf7 Na3+ 120.Kc5 Nb5 121.Bb4 Nc7 122.Be1 Nb5 123.Bb4 Nc7 124.Bd2 Nb5 125.Bf4 Na3 126.Ne5 Nc2 127.Bc1 Ka5 128.Kc4 Ka4 129.Bd2 Na1 130.Nd3 Nb3 131.Ne1 ½-½ (131) Chessbot232456 (2645)-RaspFish (2659) Blitz 2022 *)* 12.Nh3 Qa5 13.Nf2 Rb8 14.Be2 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.0-0 c4 17.Be3 Qb4 18.Bd4 Nc5 19.Bd1 Nh5 20.Bxg7 *(20.h3 f5 21.Bxg7 Nxg7 22.Ra1 fxe4 23.fxe4 Nd7 24.Bg4 Ne5 25.Qe3 h5 26.Bxc8 Rfxc8 27.Ra7 Qc5 28.Qxc5 Rxc5 29.Ne2 b4 30.Nd4 c3 31.b3 Ne8 32.Rfa1 g5 33.Nc2 Rcc8 34.Kf1 Nc7 35.Ke2 Nb5 36.R7a2 Na3 37.Nd3 Nxc2 38.Rxc2 Nxd3 39.Kxd3 Ra8 40.Ra4 Rxa4 41.bxa4 Kg7 42.Rc1 Kf6 43.Rf1+ Ke7 44.Kc2 Rc4 45.Kd3 Rc7 46.Kc2 Rc4 47.Kd3 Rc8 48.Kc2 Rc4* ½-½ (48) Shineshou90_BOT (2850)-Nikitosikbot (2877) Blitz 2023*)* 20...Nxg7 21.h3 Qa5 22.Bc2 f5 23.Rfe1 Bd7 24.exf5 Bxf5 25.Ng4 Bxc2 26.Nh6+ Kh8 27.Rxc2 b4 28.Ne4 Nd3 29.Ng5 Nxe1 30.Ngf7+ Rxf7 31.Nxf7+ Kg8 32.Nh6+ Kh8 33.Rxc4 Qa7+ 34.Kh1 Qa6 35.Nf7+ Kg8 36.Nh6+ Kh8 37.Rf4 Qf1+ 38.Kh2 Nh5 39.Qd4+ Ng7 40.Nf7+ Kg8 41.Nh6+ Kh8 42.Nf7+ Kg8 43.Nh6+ Kh8 ½-½ (43) Shineshou90_BOT (2859)-Nikitosikbot (2849) Rapid 2023;

E4) 11.Be2 Nbd7 12.Nh3 c4 13.Nf2 Rb8 14.0-0 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rac1 Nc5 17.Qf4 Nfd7 18.Bh6 Ne5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.b4 cxb3 21.Nxb5 Qe7 22.Nxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxc5 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Qxc5 25.Kh1 b2 26.Nd3 Qd4 27.Rb1 Ba6 28.e5 Bxd3 29.Bxd3 Qxe5 0-1 (29) Dr-

CRO (2677)-piotr35 (2715) Blitz 2020;

E5) 11.Nge2 Nbd7 12.Nc1 *(12.Ng3 c4 13.Ra3 Rb8 14.a5 Nc5 15.Qf4 Nfd7 16.Bxc4 Ne5 17.0-0 Nxc4 18.Ra2 Nd3 19.Qh4 Ncxb2 20.Nce2 Qc5+* 0-1 (20) VanuatuLover (2699)-ChorcheT (2480) Blitz 2025 *)*

E5a) 12...Rb8 13.Be2 Nh5 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.Kh1 c4 17.N1a2 f4 18.Be7 Re8 19.Bh4 Ne5 20.Ne4 Bf5 21.a5 b5 22.Nb4 Ra8 23.Bf2 Qd7 *(23...Ng6 24.Rae1 Bxe4 25.fxe4 Nf6 26.Bb6 Nxe4 27.Qd1 Qf7 28.Bg4 Ng5 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Nc6 Bxb2 31.h4 Nxh4 32.Rxf4 Bg7 33.Bh5 Ng6 34.Bxg6 hxg6 35.Bd4 Nf7 36.Bxg7 Kxg7 37.Qd4+ Ne5 38.Re4 Qf8 39.Nxe5 Qf1+ 40.Kh2 Rh8+ 41.Kg3 dxe5 42.Qxe5+ Qf6 43.Qc7+ Kh6 44.Rh4+ Kg5 45.Rxh8 Qc3+ 46.Kf2 Qd2+ 47.Kg3 Qc3+ 48.Kf2 Qd2+ 49.Kg3 Qc3+* ½-½ (49) PetersBot (2994)-Fipsi_x (3052) Blitz 2024*)* 24.Rae1 Bxe4 25.fxe4 f3 26.Bxf3 Nxf3 27.gxf3 Qh3 28.Qe3 Bxb2 29.Rg1+ Kh8 30.Nc6 Rf8 31.Bg3 Rf6 32.e5 Rg6 33.Bf2 Rag8 34.Rg4 dxe5 35.Nxe5 Rxg4 36.Nxg4 Nf6 37.Qe2 Bc3 38.Rg1 Qh5 39.Nxf6 Rxg1+ 40.Kxg1 Bxf6 41.Qe6 Qxf3 42.Be3 Qd1+ 43.Kf2 Qc2+ 44.Kf3 Qg6 45.d6 Kg7 46.Qd7+ Kf8 47.Qc8+ Kf7 48.Qb7+ Kf8 49.Bh6+ Qxh6 50.Qa8+ Kf7 51.Qd5+ Ke8 52.Qc6+ Kd8 53.Qc7+ Ke8 54.d7+ Kf8 55.d8Q+ Bxd8 56.Qxd8+ Kf7 57.Qd7+ Kg8 58.Qd5+ Kf8 59.Qd8+ Kf7 60.Qd7+ Kg8 61.Qd5+ Kf8 62.Qd8+ ½-½ (62) PetersBot (3031)-RaspFish (3048) Blitz 2025;

E5b) 12...Nh5 13.Be2 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Bh6 Ne5 16.Nd3

E5b1) 16...Ng6 17.a5 Rb8 18.0-0

E5b11) 18...b5 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.Be3 *(20.Rfe1 f4 21.Bxg7 Qxg7 22.Bf1 Bf5 23.Ne4 c4 24.Ndf2 Ne5 25.Ra3 Bxe4 26.Nxe4 Rfb8 27.Rea1 Rxb2 28.Qe1 Qg6 29.Kh1 Nd3 30.Qc3 Nc5 31.Qxc4 R2b4 32.Qc3 Nxe4 33.fxe4 Qg5 34.Qh3 Rxe4 35.Qd7 Rd8 36.Qc7 Ree8 37.Rf3 Qg7 38.Qxg7+ Kxg7 39.Rxa6 Re1 40.Kg1 Rd7 41.Kf2 Re5 42.Bc4 Re4 43.Bd3 Re5 44.Bc4 Re4 45.Bd3 Re5 46.Bc4* ½-½ (46) PetersBot (2977)-Fipsi_x (3064) Blitz 2024*)* 20...f4 21.Bf2 Ne5 22.Ra2 Kh8 23.Rfa1 Nc4 24.Qc1 Ne3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Bxe3 Nxe2+ 27.Nxe2 Re8 28.b4 Kg8 29.bxc5 Rb3 30.Bd4 Rxe2 31.Rxe2 Bxd4+ 32.Kf1 Bxa1 33.Qg5+ Bg7 34.Re7 Rb1+ 35.Ke2

Rb2+ 36.Kf1 Rb1+ 37.Ke2 Rb2+ 38.Kf1 Rb1+ ½-½ (38) PetersBot (2992)-SolistaBot (3060) Blitz 2024;

E5b12) 18...f4 19.Bxg7 Qxg7 20.Ne4 b5 21.axb6 Rxb6 22.Qa5 Rb3 23.Qa4 Rb6 24.Qa5 Rb3 25.Ra3 Rxa3 26.Qxa3 Nh4 27.Rf2 Ng3 28.hxg3 fxg3 29.Rf1 Qh6 30.Nxg3 Qg7 31.Kh2 Qh6 32.Kg1 Qg7 33.Kh2 Qh6 34.Kg1 ½-½ (34) PetersBot (2993)-SolistaBot (3048) Blitz 2024;

E5b2) 16...Re8 17.0-0-0 b5 18.Bxg7 Nc4 19.Qg5 Qxg7 20.Qxh5 Bd7 21.f4 b4 22.Nxb4 cxb4 23.Bxc4 Rac8 24.Rd3 Kh8 25.b3 bxc3 26.Qg5 Bxa4 27.Qxg7+ Kxg7 28.Rd4 Bb5 29.Kc2 Re3 30.Rhd1 h5 31.R1d3 Re2+ 32.Kxc3 h4 33.Rd2 Re3+ 34.R2d3 Re2 35.Rd2 Re3+ 36.Kb2 Kf6 37.Rd1 Rb8 38.Bxb5 Rxb5 39.R4d3 Re4 40.g3 a5 41.Rc3 a4 42.Rd2 h3 43.Kc2 Reb4 44.bxa4 Rxa4 45.Kd1 Rb1+ 46.Ke2 Rg1 47.Ke3 Re1+ 48.Kf2 Rh1 49.Ke3 Re1+ 50.Kf3 Rf1+ 51.Rf2 Rxf2+ 52.Kxf2 Ra2+ 53.Kf3 Rxh2 54.g4 fxg4+ 55.Kxg4 Rd2 56.Rxh3 Rxd5 57.Rh1 Rd2 58.f5 d5 59.Ra1 d4 60.Rb1 d3 61.Ra1 Rb2 62.Rc1 d2 63.Ra1 d1Q+ 64.Rxd1 Ke5 65.f6 Ke6 66.f7 Ke7 67.f8Q+ Kxf8 68.Ra1 Rb4+ 69.Kf3 Ke8 70.Rc1 Rd4 71.Ra1 Rd7 72.Rb1 Ke7 73.Ra1 Kd8 74.Rb1 Rd6 75.Ra1 Kc7 76.Rb1 Rb6 77.Rxb6 Kxb6 ½-½ (77) PetersBot (3054)-RaspFish (3034) Blitz 2025]

10.Nge2 exd5 11.Nxd5 Be6 12.Nec3 Nc6 13.Be2 Bxd5 14.Nxd5 h6 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.0-0 Bg7 17.Rad1 Rb8 18.Nc3 Re6 19.Bd3 g5 20.Nd5 Qa5 21.Qxa5 Nxa5 22.Rb1 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nc6 24.g3 Kg7 25.f4 a5 26.Nc7 Re7 27.Nd5 Re6 28.Nc7 Re7 29.Nd5 Re6 ½-½ (29) PetersBot (3089)-CruelKen (3122) Rapid 2025

7.Bd3 Nbd7

[7...0-0 8.Nge2 exd5 *(8...Nbd7 9.Ng3 Ne5 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 h5 12.Bg5 a6 13.a4 Qb6 14.Qd2 Nh7 15.a5 Qb4 16.Be7 c4 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.Nf1 Bd7 19.Ne3 Bh6 20.0-0 Rc8 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxg4 hxg4 23.Kh1 Nf6 24.Qd4 Bg7 25.e5 Nh5 26.Qe4 Qxb2 27.Rac1 Qb4 28.e6 Nf6 29.Qc2 fxe6 30.dxe6 Bxe6 31.f5 gxf5 32.Nxf5 Bxf5 33.Qxf5 Qc5 34.Qxg4 Re8 35.Ne4 Qe5 36.Nxf6 Bxf6 37.Rxc4 d5 38.Rcf4* 1-0 (38) papasi (2640)-GoksuRiver (2777) Blitz 2021*)* 9.exd5 Re8 *(9...Nbd7 10.f4 Re8 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Rf3 f5 13.h3 Ngf6 14.Be3 a6 15.Qc2 Nf8 16.Re1 Bd7 17.a4 a5 18.Bd2 b6 19.Ng3 Rxe1+ 20.Bxe1 Qe7 21.Qe2 Qxe2 22.Ngxe2 Re8 23.Bh4 h6 24.Kf2 N8h7 25.Re3 Rxe3 26.Kxe3 Kf7 27.Ng1 Bf8 28.Nf3 Be7 29.Ke2 Nh5 30.Ke3*

Bxh4 31.Nxh4 N7f6 32.g4 Ng7 33.Nb5 Nfe8 34.gxf5 Nxf5+ 35.Nxf5 gxf5 36.Kf3 Bxb5 37.axb5 Kf6 38.Kg3 Ng7 39.Be2 Kg6 40.b3 Nh5+ 41.Bxh5+ Kxh5 42.h4 Kg6 43.Kh3 h5 44.Kg3 Kf6 45.Kf2 Kg6 46.Ke2 Kf6 47.Kd1 Kg6 48.Kc1 Kf6 49.Kb2 Ke7 50.Ka3 Kd7 51.Ka4 Kc7 52.Ka3 Kd7 53.Ka2 Kc7 54.Ka1 Kd7 55.Kb1 Kc7 56.Ka1 Kd7 57.Kb1 ½-½ (57) Tony23Man (2618)-JFDRR (2673) Blitz 2024*)*
10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Ne5 12.Be2 h5 13.Bg5 a6 14.Nge4 Nxe4 15.Bxd8 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Rxd8 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.Qd2 b5 20.Rae1 bxc4 21.Re7 Rd7 22.Rxd7 Bxd7 23.Re1 Kf8 24.Qb2 Bb5 25.a4 Bxa4 26.Qb7 Re8 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.Qxa6 Ke7 29.Qxc4 Bd7 30.Kf2 Bh8 31.h3 h4 32.Qe4+ Kf8 33.c4 Bd4+ 34.Kf3 Bf5 35.Qe1 Bd3 36.Qxh4 Bxc4 37.Qd8+ Kg7 38.Qxd6 Bd3 39.Qb6 Bc4 40.d6 Bd5+ 41.Kg3 Be6 42.Qc7 1-0 (42) Superfm1 (2643)-Punisher00 (2629) Blitz 2024]

8.f4 exd5 9.cxd5 0-0 10.Nf3 Re8 11.0-0 b5 12.e5 dxe5 13.fxe5 Nxe5 14.Bxb5 Bd7 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Bxb5 17.Bxe5 Bxf1 18.Qxf1 Ng4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qf4 Nf6 21.Rf1 Qe7 22.d6 Qe6 23.Rd1 Rd8 24.h3 h5 25.b3 a6 26.Kh2 Rd7 27.Rd2 h4 28.Qxh4 Rxd6 29.Rxd6 Qxd6+ 30.Qg3 Qd4 31.Ne2 Qb2 32.Qe3 Qxa2 33.Nf4 Qxb3 34.Qxb3 1-0 (34) Garoy (2725)-Micheliavelli (2671) Blitz 2023

7.dxe6 Bxe6 8.Bf4 Nh5 9.Bxd6 Nc6 10.Nb5 Qa5+ 11.Kf2 0-0-0 12.Ne2 a6 13.Nbc3 Rxd6 14.Qxd6 Rd8 15.Qxd8+ Kxd8 16.g4 Nf6 17.Bg2 Bxc4 18.Rhd1+ Nd7 19.Rac1 Nd4 20.b3 Bxe2 21.Nxe2 Qxa2 0-1 (21) Biriyani (2611)-lolmangodddd (2571) Blitz 2021

[140] **7...exd5** 8.cxd5 Nbd7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'A rare move order.'

[8...0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'is the most common continuation']

9.Ng3

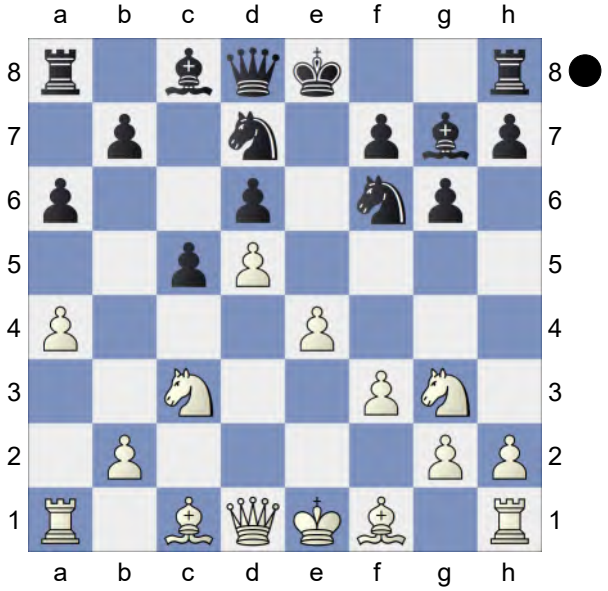
[9.h3 b5 10.Nxb5 0-0 11.Nxd6 Nh5 12.g4 f5 13.gxh5 Qh4+ 14.Kd2 fxe4 15.Kc2 exf3 16.Nc3 Bxc3 17.Nxc8 Be5 18.Bb5 Rf7 19.d6 Rxc8 20.Qd5 Qf2+ 21.Bd2 Qd4 22.Bc4 Qxb2+ 23.Kd3 Qa3+ 24.Kc2 Qb2+ 25.Kd3 Qa3+ 26.Kc2 Kh8 27.Qxf7 Qb2+ 28.Kd3 Qd4+ 29.Kc2 Qb2+ 30.Kd3 Qa3+ 0-1 (30) hjgjghjghjghj (2781)-RaspFish (2810) Rapid 2022]

[9.a4 Nh5 10.g4 Ne5 11.gxh5 Nxf3+ 12.Kf2 Bg4 13.h4 gxh5 14.Bh3 Qxh4+ 15.Ng3 Bd4+ 16.Kg2 Be5 17.Nce2 Nd4 18.Bxg4 Qxg4 19.Nf4 Qxd1 20.Rxd1 Nb3 21.Be3 Nxa1 22.Rxa1 Rb8 23.Nfxh5 Bxb2 24.Rb1 Be5 25.Kf3 Kd8 26.Bf4 Rg8 27.Nf5 Bxf4 28.Kxf4 Kc7 29.Nf6 Rg2 30.Nxh7 Rf2+ 31.Ke3 Rg2 32.Kf3 Rg6 33.Ne7 Rh6 34.Ng5 Rbh8 35.Nf5 Rf6 36.Kf4 Rh4+ 37.Kg3 Rh5 38.Nf3 Rg6+ 39.Kf4 Rg2 40.a5 Rf2 41.Kg3 Re2 42.Kg4 Rh7 43.Kf4 f6 44.Rc1 Rb2 45.Kg3 Kd7 46.N3h4 Rh5 47.Ne3 Rb3 48.Re1 Rb4 49.Ng4 Rb3+ 50.Nf3 Rh8 51.Rg1 Kc8 52.Kf4 b6 53.Nd2 Rc3 54.Kf5 Rc2 55.Nb1 Rg8 56.Na3 Rc3 57.Nb5 Rf3+ 58.Ke6 Rf4 59.Nxd6+ Kb8 60.axb6 Rfxg4 61.Rb1 Rg1 62.bxa7+ Kxa7 63.Rb7+ Ka6 64.Rc7 R8g6 65.Rc6+ Ka7 66.Kf7 Rg7+ 67.Kxf6 R7g6+ 68.Ke7 Rg7+ 69.Kd8 Rg8+ 70.Kd7

R8g7+ 71.Kc8 Rg8+ 72.Kd7 R8g7+ 73.Ke6 R7g6+ 74.Kf7 Rg7+ 75.Kf8 Rg8+ 76.Kf7 R8g7+ 77.Ke8 Rg8+ 78.Ke7 R8g7+ 79.Nf7 Rf1 80.Rf6 Rxf6 81.Kxf6 Rg8 82.Nd6 Kb6 83.e5 c4 84.Nxc4+ Kc5 85.Ne3 Rh8 86.d6 Rh6+ 87.Ke7 Rh7+ 88.Ke6 Rh6+ 89.Kd7 Rh7+ 90.Ke6 Rh6+ 91.Ke7 Rh7+ 92.Kd8 Kc6 93.Nc4 Kd5 94.d7 Ke6 95.Nb6 Kxe5 96.Kc7 Rxd7+ 97.Kxd7 ½-½ (97) LeelaChess (2640)-mrohBOT (2621) Blitz 2019]

9...h5 Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'Black is playing energetically, trying to exploit White's somewhat passive play in the opening.''Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black goes for a well-known line without the insertion of ...a7-a6 a2-a4. At first glance, this concept has no obvious merits, and the drawback is that White can make use of the b5 square.'

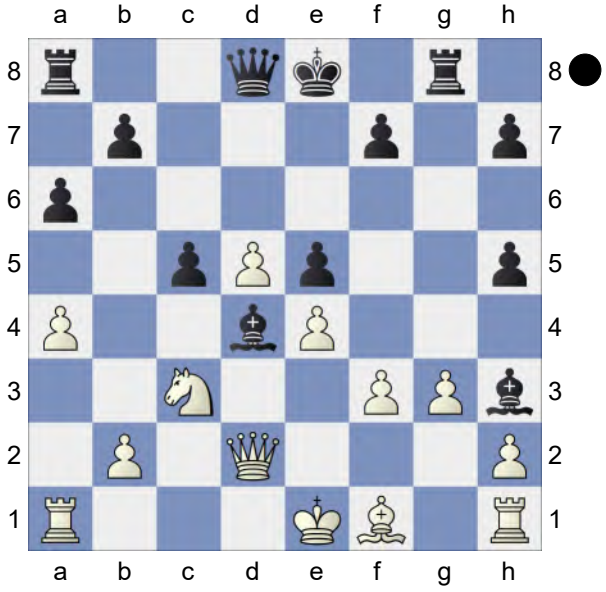
[9...a6 10.a4 Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram



' Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to a well-known position, usually arising after 8...a6'

A) 10...Nh5 Pikula,Dejan: 'N!?' 11.Nxh5 gxh5

A1) 12.Be2 Bd4 Berkes,Ferenc: '!' 13.Bf4 Rg8 14.g3 *(14.Bxd6? Qb6-+)* 14...Ne5 15.Qd2 Pikula,Dejan: '- 13... ♖g8' Bh3 16.Bxe5 dxe5 *(16...Bxe5 17.f4 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Bg2 19.Rg1 Bxe4 20.Bxh5∞)* 17.Bf1 Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram

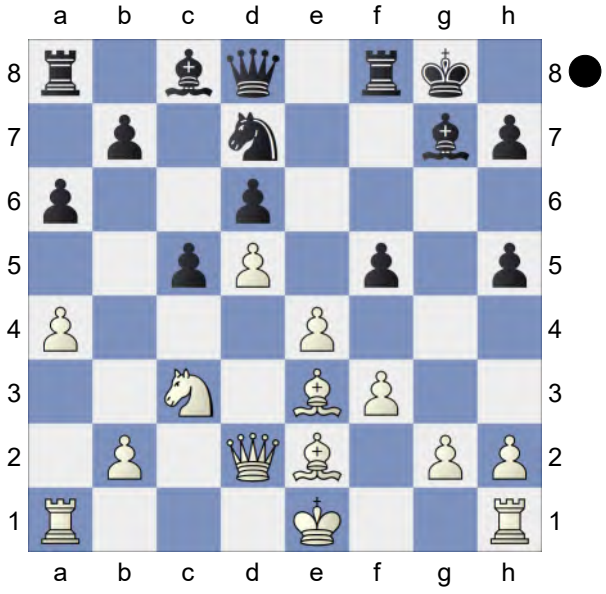


' Bd7 Pikula,Dejan: '!' Berkes,Ferenc: '!' *(17...Bxf1 18.Rxf1 h4 19.Ne2±)* 18.Ne2 h4 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Kf2 Rc8 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Rhg1 h5 Berkes,Ferenc: ' ∓' Berkes,Ferenc: '- 130/28' 23.Ke2 Rg6 24.a5 Kf8 25.Rac1 Rxc1 26.Qxc1 Kg7 27.gxh4 *(27.Qe1?! hxg3 28.hxg3 Qg5∓)* 27...Qxh4 Pikula,Dejan: '=' 28.Rxg6+ Kxg6 29.Qg1+ Qg5 30.Qxg5+ Kxg5 31.b3 Kf6 32.h4 Bb5 33.Bxb5 axb5 34.b4 Ke7 35.Ke1 Kd6 36.Kd1 Ke7 37.Ke1 Kd6 38.Kd1 Ke7 39.Ke1 Kd6 40.Kd1 Ke7 ½-½ (40) Vitiugov,N (2721)-

Grischuk,A (2752) Novosibirsk RUS 2016;

A2) 12.Be3

A2a) 12...0-0 13.Qd2N *(13.Be2)* 13...f5 14.Be2 Diagram



A2a1) 14...Ne5?! 15.0-0↑;

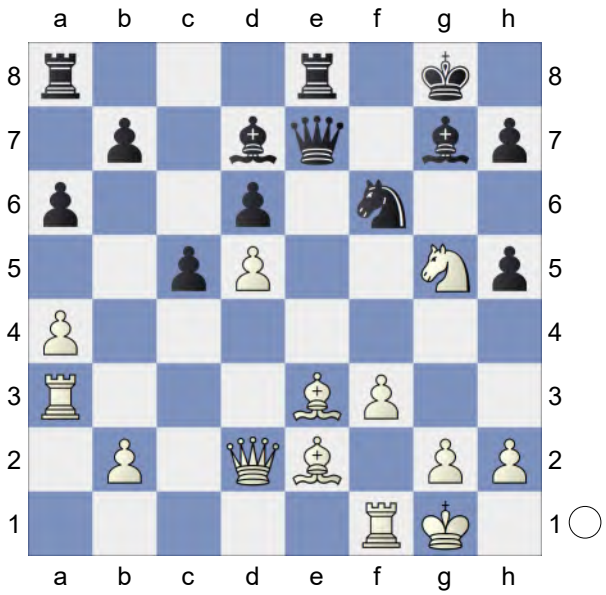
A2a2) 14...Nf6?! 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxc5 Re8 17.a5↑;

A2a3) 14...Qf6 15.exf5 *(15.0-0?! f4 16.Bf2 b6 17.Kh1 Ne5 18.Rab1 Kh8 19.Rfc1 a5⇄)* 15...Qxf5 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Bh6 *(17.Ne4 Qg6)* 17...Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qg6 19.Qxg6+ hxg6 20.Ne4 Nf7 21.g4 Kg7∞;

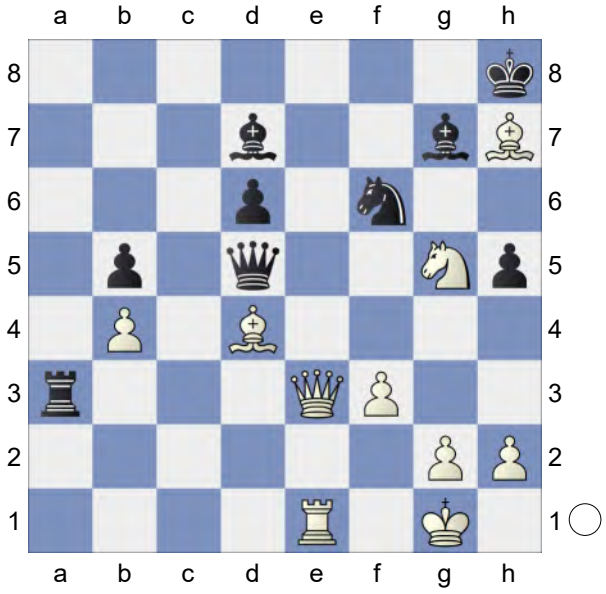
A2a4) 14...fxe4 15.Nxe4 Nf6 16.Ng5! *(16.0-0 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Bg4=)*

A2a41) 16...Qe7 17.0-0 *(17.Ra3 h6 18.Ne6 Bxe6 19.dxe6 Qxe6 20.0-0⩲)* 17...h6 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 Qxe4 21.Bd3 Qe5 22.Bxh6 Bd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Re1 Qf6 25.Qe3 Rf8 26.a5±;

A2a42) 16...Re8?! 17.0-0 Qe7 18.Ra3 Bd7 Diagram



19.Re1!± b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.Bd3 Qe5 23.Bxc5 Qxd5 24.Bxh7+ Kh8 25.Bd4! Ra4 26.b4 Ra2 27.Qe3 Ra3 Diagram



28.Qf4!+- Nxh7 29.Bxg7+ Kxg7 30.Re7+

Kg6 31.Nxh7 Ra1+ 32.Kf2 Ra2+ 33.Kg3 h4+ 34.Qxh4 Qd2 35.Nf8+ Kf5 36.Rf7+ Ke5 37.Qe4# # 1-0 (37) Korobov,A (2686)-Erdos,V (2612) Skopje 140/29 2019 140 Games Section [Berkes,Ferenc];

A2b) 12...f5 13.Be2 *(13.exf5 Ne5 14.Be2 Bxf5 15.0-0 0-0∞)* 13...Ne5 14.0-0 0-0

A2b1) 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxg4 hxg4 17.e5 dxe5 *(17...b6 18.e6 Bb7 19.Qd3 Qe7 20.Rfd1±)* 18.Bxc5 Rf7 19.d6 b6 20.Be3 Bb7 21.Qd2±;

A2b2) 15.Qd2 Berkes,Ferenc: '↑' 15...fxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5∞;

A3) 12.Bd3

A3a) 12...Ne5 13.Bc2 Qh4+! 14.g3

A3a1) 14...Qe7 15.h3! c4 *(15...f5? 16.f4)* 16.f4 Nd3+ 17.Bxd3 cxd3 18.Kf2! 0-0 19.Qxd3 f5 20.e5! dxe5 21.d6 Qe6 22.fxe5 f4 23.Bxf4 Bxe5 24.Rad1↑;

A3a2) 14...Qh3 15.Kf2 h4 16.Ne2∞;

A3b) 12...0-0 13.0-0 f5 *(13...Ne5 14.Be2 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Be3 Qf6 17.Qd2 Rae8 18.Kh1 Kh8 19.Ne4 Qg6 20.Ng3 Bd7 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bd3 Qh6 23.Bg1 h4 24.Ne4 h3 25.Ng5 hxg2+ 26.Qxg2 Nf6 27.Rae1 Rxe1 28.Rxe1 Nxd5 29.Qxd5 Bc6 30.Qxc6 bxc6* 0-1 (30) Minarque (2636)-Feanor_64 (2752) Blitz 2022*)* 14.exf5 Ne5 15.Bc2 Bxf5 16.Bxf5 Rxf5 17.Ne4 c4 18.Qc2 Berkes,Ferenc: ' ±!' Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Rff8 20.Ng5 Nd3 21.Ne6 Rae8 22.Nxg7 Nf2+ 23.Kg1 Nd3+ 24.Kh1 Nf2+ ½-½ (24) Aronian,L (2801)-Svidler,P (2763) Palma de Mallorca ESP 2017;

B) 10...h5 Pikula,Dejan: '- 130/(8' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was seen in a number of games.' 11.Be2 *(11.Bg5 Qb6 12.Qd2 Nh7 13.a5 Qc7 14.Bh6 Kf8 15.Bd3 Ne5 16.0-0 h4 17.Nge2 h3 18.Bxg7+ Kxg7 19.f4 hxg2 20.Kxg2 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf6 22.f5 Qe7 23.Nf4 Bd7 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.e5 Bf5 26.exf6+ Qxf6 27.Qg3 Rae8 28.Rae1 Kf7 29.Ne6* 1-0 (29) AnythingButAverage (2902)-Tactic_Trainer2023 (2887) Blitz 2024 *)* 11...Nh7 12.Be3 0-0

B1) 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 f5

B1a) 15.exf5 gxf5 *(15...Qe7 16.Bd2 Bd4+ 17.Nf2 gxf5 18.Kh1 Kh8 19.Nh3 Ne5 20.Re1 Qg7 21.Bf4 Bd7 22.Bf1 Rae8 23.Ne2 Bxb2 24.Ra2 Nc4 25.Neg1 b5 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.Qc2 Qc3 28.Qf2 Qf6 29.Bxc4 Bd4 30.Qf1 bxc4 31.Qxc4 Re1 32.Qxa6 Bxg1 33.Bd2 Rd1 34.Qe2 Qe5 35.Qxe5+ dxe5 36.Nxg1 Nf6 37.Bc3 Nxd5 38.Bxe5+ Kh7 39.a5 Re1 40.Re2 Rd1 41.Rb2 Bc6 42.a6 h3 43.Rb8 Nb4 44.Rc8 Bd5 45.a7 Nd3 46.Bg3 f4* ½-½ (46) Neto,H (2602)-Schwetlick,T (2466)

ICCF 2015) 16.Nf2 (*16.f4 Qe7 17.Qd2 Ndf6 18.Rae1 Qf7 19.Nf2 Bd7 20.a5 Rab8 21.Bd3 b5 22.axb6 Rxb6 23.Qc2 Rfb8 24.Na4 Rb4 25.b3 Nxd5 26.Bd2 Rxb3 27.Bc4 Bxa4 28.Qa2 Rb2 29.Qxa4 Rxd2 30.Rd1 Rxd1 31.Rxd1 Bd4 32.Rxd4 cxd4 33.Qc6 Rb1+ 34.Nd1 Rxd1+ 35.Kf2 Nhf6* Normal 0-1 (35) MothToTheFlame (2633)-UltrabulletPremover (2536) Blitz 2024) 16...f4 17.Bd2 Ne5 18.Nd3 Qg5 19.Ne4 Qh6 20.h3 Nxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxb2 22.Rb1 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Ng5 24.Re1 Nxe4 25.Rxe4 Be5 26.Rb6 Qg5 27.Re1 Rf7 28.Qb1 Rg7 29.Re2 Rb8 30.Bxa6 Ra8 31.Bxb7 Bxb7 32.Rxb7 Rxa4 33.Rb8+ Kf7 34.Rb7+ Kg8 35.Rxg7+ Kxg7 36.Qb7+ Kh6 37.Re1 Ra1 38.Rxa1 Bxa1 39.Qf7 Be5 40.Qe6+ Qg6 41.Qe7 Qb1+ 42.Kh2 1-0 (42) Poirot_Hercule (2643)-SirJohn13 (2758) Blitz 2023;

B1b) 15.Qd2

B1b1) 15...Ne5 16.Nf2 Qf6 (*16...Bd7 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.f4 Nf7 20.e5 dxe5 21.Nd3 exf4 22.Rxf4 Rfe8 23.Bxc5 Qf6 24.Rb4 Nd6 25.Rb6 Nc4 26.Rxf6 Nxd2 27.Rxg6 Nf8 28.Rg5 Nh7 29.Rxg7+ Kxg7 30.Bd4+ Nf6 31.Nc5 Bb5 32.Bh5 Rec8 33.Ne6+ Kh6 34.Bf7 Nde4 35.Nf4 Bd7 36.Nd3 Rcb8 37.Ne5 Rb4 38.Rd1 Be8 39.Be6 Bh5 40.Be3+ Kg7 41.Rc1 f4 42.Nd3 fxe3 43.Nxb4 Rb8 44.Nd3 Nd6 45.Re1 Nc4 46.d6 Nxd6 47.Rxe3 Bg6 48.b3 Nf5 49.Bxf5 Bxf5 50.Nc5 a5 51.Re7+ Kg6 52.Ra7 Re8 53.Ra6 Re5 54.Rc6 Kg5 55.h3 Nh5 56.Kf2 Ng3 57.N5a4 Bc2 58.Nc5 Bf5 59.Kf3 Re1 60.Ra6 Rf1+ 61.Ke3 Re1+ 62.Kd4 Rg1 63.N3e4+ Bxe4 64.Nxe4+ Kf4 65.Nd6 Rxg2 66.Rxa5 Rh2 67.b4 Rxh3 68.b5 Ne2+ 69.Kc4 Rc3+ 70.Kb4 h3 71.Ra8 Rc1 72.Rf8+ Kg4 73.Rg8+ Kf3 74.Rh8 Kg2 75.Rg8+ Kf3 76.Rh8 Kg2 77.Rg8+* ½-½ (77) Cheparinov,I (2681)-Mikhalevski,V (2559) Jerusalem ISR 2015) 17.exf5 (*17.f4 Ng4 18.Nxg4 fxg4 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxc5 Re8 21.d6 Bf5 22.Nd5 Qd8 23.Nc7 Rc8 24.Nxe8 Qxe8 25.Rac1 Qd7 26.b4 Nf6 27.fxe5 Ne4 28.Qd5+ Kh7 29.Bxg4 Bxg4 30.Qxe4 Bh6 31.h3 Bxc1 32.hxg4 Bg5 33.e6 Qxa4 34.d7 Rxc5 35.e7 Qxd7 36.e8Q* 1-0 (36) Outrunner (2619)-Isocascutchimo (2550) Blitz 2021) 17...gxf5 18.Nh3 Bd7 (*18...Ng6 19.f4 Re8 20.Bf2 Bd7 21.a5 Rab8 22.Kh1 Bh6 23.Bh5 Nhf8 24.Rg1 Re7 25.g3 hxg3 26.Rxg3 Rg7 27.Rag1 Be8 28.b4 Rc8 29.bxc5 dxc5*

30.Bf3 Qd6 31.Be3 Rcc7 32.Be2 Rge7 33.Bc4 Bg7 34.Ng5 Bb5 35.Nxb5 axb5 36.Bxb5 c4 37.Ne6 c3 38.Qd3 Nxe6 39.Rxg6 c2 40.Rxe6 Rxe6 41.dxe6 Qxd3 42.Bxd3 Rc3 43.e7 1-0 (43) Svetushkin,D (2603)-Pavlidis,A (2362) Rio (Achaia) GRE 2013*)* 19.Kh1 Rae8 20.Rae1 Ng6 21.f4 Re7 22.Bh5 Rfe8 23.Bf2 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.Bxg6 Qxg6 26.Bxh4 Rxe1 27.Rxe1 b4 28.Nd1 Nf6 29.Ng5 Ne4 30.Nxe4 fxe4 31.Ne3 Bh6 32.Bg3 Qf6 33.Nc4 Bf5 34.b3 Bf8 35.Qf2 Qd4 36.Ne3 Bd7 37.f5 Bg7 38.Bxd6 Bh6 39.f6 Bxe3 40.f7+ Kh7 41.Qh4+ Bh6 42.fxe8Q Bxe8 43.Bf4 Qg7 44.Bxh6 Qxh6 45.Qe7+ 1-0 (45) AryaCross (2699)-joseag1303 (2550) Blitz 2022;

B1b2) 15...Qf6 16.f4 fxe4 17.g4 hxg3 18.hxg3 Rb8 19.g4 Qh4 20.Rf2 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Ra7 Rb7 23.Rxb7 Bxb7 24.Nxb5 Ba6 25.g5 Bd4 26.Nxd4 cxd4 27.Bxa6 Qg4+ 28.Kh2 Rf7 29.Qe2 Qh4+ 30.Kg1 dxe3 31.Qxe3 Nc5 32.Be2 Nd3 33.Bxd3 exd3 34.Qxd3 Rxf4 35.Qxg6+ Kh8 36.Qe8+ Kg7 37.Qd7+ Kh8 38.Qd8+ Kg7 39.Qe7+ Kh8 40.Qd8+ Kg7 41.Qc7+ Kg8 42.Qc8+ Kg7 43.Qd7+ Kh8 44.Qe8+ Kg7 45.Qe7+ Kh8 46.Rxf4 Qxf4 47.g6 Qc1+ 48.Kg2 Qc2+ 49.Kf3 Qxg6 50.Qd8+ Kg7 51.Qe7+ Kh8 52.Nf2 Qf6+ 53.Qxf6+ Nxf6 54.Ke3 Nxd5+ 55.Kd4 Nc7 56.Ne4 Kg8 57.Nxd6 Ne6+ 58.Kd5 Ng7 59.Nf5 Nh5 60.b4 Nf4+ 61.Kc6 Nd3 62.b5 Nb2 63.Nd6 Na4 64.Ne4 Nb2 65.Kd7 Nc4 66.Ke7 Kg7 67.Nd6 Nb6 68.Ne8+ Kh7 69.Kf7 Nc4 70.Nf6+ Kh8 71.Ke6 Nb2 72.Kd5 Na4 73.Kc4 Nb6+ 74.Kc5 Na4+ 75.Kb4 Nb6 76.Ne4 Kg8 77.Kc5 Na4+ 78.Kc6 Nb2 79.Kd7 Na4 80.Ke6 Kf8 81.Kd6 Kg7 82.Nc3 Nb6 83.Nd5 Na4 84.Nc3 Nb6 85.Kc6 Nc4 86.Kc5 Ne5 87.Kd5 Nd7 88.Na4 Kf7 89.Kc6 Ne5+ 90.Kb7 Nc4 91.Nb6 Nb2 92.Nd5 Kg7 93.Kc7 Kh6 94.b6 Na4 95.b7 Nc5 96.b8Q Na6+ 97.Kb7 Nxb8 98.Kxb8 ½-½ (98) dymdyryryryrym (2836)-ArasanX (2747) Rapid 2023;

B2) 13.Qd2 h4 14.Nf1 f5 15.exf5 *(15.Bh6 - 40/109)* 15...gxf5 Arsovic,Zoran: 'Diagram

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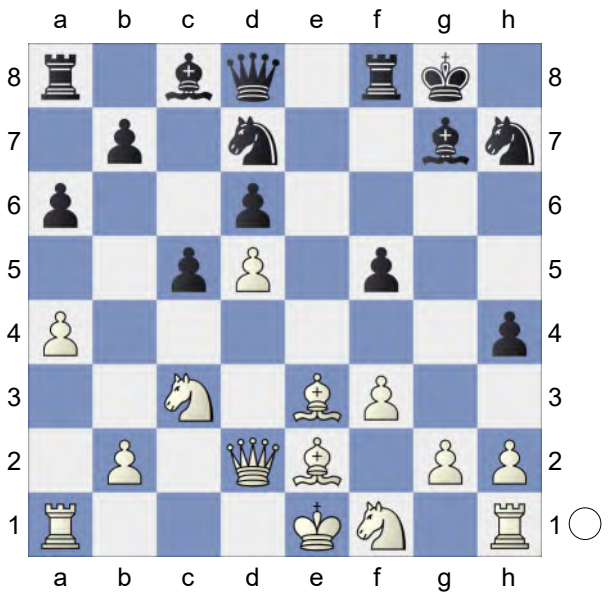

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B2a) 16.Bh6 Arsovic,Zoran: '!'
B2a1) 16...Ne5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 Ng6 *(18...Ng4 19.h3 Ngf6 20.Ne3 Bd7 21.0-0 Qe7 22.Rae1±)* 19.g3 Qe7 20.Ne3±;
B2a2) 16...Re8 Arsovic,Zoran: 'N' 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ne3 Arsovic,Zoran: ' ±' Qf6 Arsovic,Zoran: 'Diagram *(18...Ne5 19.f4 Ng6 20.0-0 Bd7 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Kh1±)*

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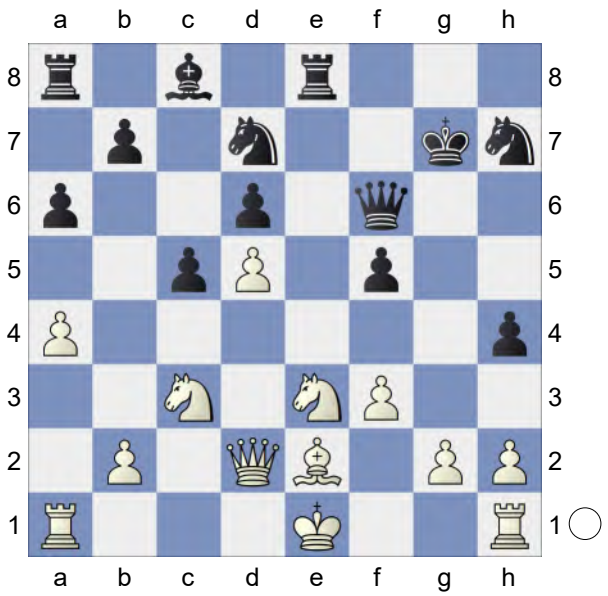


' 19.g4 Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Vidit-Bai, 2017, Yermolinsky,A: 'Vidit-Bai, 2017, favoured White.'' Arsovic,Zoran: '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'favoured White.' hxg3 *(19...Ne5 20.gxf5 Bxf5 21.0-0-0±)* 20.hxg3± Ndf8 *(20...Ne5 21.f4 Nf7 22.Nc4 Rb8 23.a5±)* 21.Nc4 Bd7 22.Nb6 Rad8 23.0-0-0 Re7 24.Nxd7 *(24.Bd3 Ng5 25.Rdf1 Be8 26.g4±)* 24...Rdxd7 *(24...Nxd7 25.Rh5 Qe5 26.Qh6+ Kh8 27.f4 Qf6 28.Bd3 Rf8 29.Rdh1+-)* 25.Rh5 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Bxb5 Ra7 28.Bd3+- Ra1+ 29.Kc2 Rxd1 30.Nxd1 Qd4 31.Rh4 *(31.Qh6+ Kg8 32.Qxd6 Rd7 33.Qf4+-)* 31...Qe5 32.Rf4 Qxd5 *(32...Rf7 33.Ne3+-)* 33.Rxf5 Qe6 34.Qc3+ Nf6 35.g4 c4 36.Bxc4 d5 37.Rxd5 Rc7 38.g5 Qxd5 39.gxf6+ Kg6

40.Bxd5 1-0 (40) Vidit,S (2687)-Bai,J (2586) Chengdu 133/34 2017 [Arsovic,Zoran];

B2b) 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.g3 Re8 18.0-0-0 b5 19.gxh4 b4 20.Nb1 c4 21.Rg1 Qc7 22.Bh6 Nd3+ 23.Bxd3 cxd3+ 24.Nc3 bxc3 25.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 26.bxc3 Ra7 27.Rxd3 f4 28.Bxf4 Bf5 29.Re3 Rb8 30.Nd2 Rab7 31.Rg3 Nf6 32.Bxd6 Rc8 33.Re5 Rxc3+ 34.Kd1 Bc2+ 35.Ke2 Kf7 36.h5 Bxa4 37.Rg6 Nxh5 38.Ree6 Bb5+ 39.Kf2 Bd4+ 40.Kg2 Rc2 0-1 (40) bushidonaruto (2922)-retired93 (2931) Blitz 2024]

10.Be2

[10.Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Ne5]

10...h4

[10...Nh7

A) 11.Be3 h4 Marin,Mihail: '?!' 12.Nf1 0-0

A1) 13.Qd2 Re8 14.Bh6 Bd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Li Chao does well by keeping his best minor piece on the board.'' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Li Chao does well by keeping his best minor piece on the board.' 15.Ne3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Yermolinsky,Alex : '!?' a6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Great timing." Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Great timing.' (Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Aronian was inviting' 'Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Aronian was inviting' *15...g5* Marin,Mihail: 'is another way to develop White's initiative.' *16.Nf5* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M'' *Ne5 17.Ng7 Re7 18.Nh5 f6 19.Nb5* Yermolinsky,Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'with great complications that might turn out to be favourable for White.'' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'with great complications that might turn out to be favourable for White.') 16.Nc2 (Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Now, as the b5-square is covered,''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Now, as the b5-square is covered,' *16.a4 g5* Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'White has the right to castle, but Black's development is also delayed, while the alignment of the black Royal pair on the e-file is dangerous.'Marin,Mihail: 'Safer would be' *17.Nf5* Marin,Mihail: ', when after' *Ne5 18.Ng7 Re7* Marin,Mihail: ' ± 'Marin,Mihail: 'White's control on the light squares would offer him the more pleasant position. ' *19.Nh5 f6* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'looks fine for Black, who plans to answer'' Marin,Mihail: '!?' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'looks fine for Black, who plans to answer' *20.f4* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'with''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'with' *Ng4* Yermolinsky,Alex : '!') 16...Be5 17.Bf4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Marin,Mihail: ' ∓' Marin,Mihail: 'Steiner,H-Lasker,Ed/New York 1931/HCL (0-1, 35).' Marin,Mihail: 'with more than

enough compensation for the pawn.' *(17.a4 g5* Yermolinsky, Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'again traps the white bishop.''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'again traps the white bishop.'*)* Marin,Mihail: 'White should have completed his development as soon as possible with' 17...b5 Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky, A: 'Black has achieved this all-important advance." Marin,Mihail: '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Black has achieved this all-important advance.' Marin,Mihail: ', when the exposed position of the enemy queen could tell. In case of' 18.0-0 Bxf4 19.Qxf4 Ne5 20.Qh6 g5 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (45) Aronian,L (2809)-Li,C (2735) Geneva 2017 CBM 180 [Yermolinsky,A]' 21.g3 *(* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky, A: 'The logical''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'The logical' *21.f4* Yermolinsky, Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'is a double-edged proposition. Black will be happy to sac the h4-pawn, " Yermolinsky,Alex : 'is a double-edged proposition. Black will be happy to sac the h4-pawn,' *gxf4 22.Rxf4 Qg5 23.Qxg5+ Nxg5 24.Rxh4* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'to keep full control over the critical e5-square, along with clear queenside prospects.''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'to keep full control over the critical e5-square, along with clear queenside prospects.'*)* 21...hxg3 22.hxg3 Qf6 23.Qh2 Ng6 24.Ne3 Bd7 25.Kg2 Kg7 26.Rh1 Rh8 27.Qg1 Qe5 28.Qf2 Nf6 29.Raf1 Nh5 30.Rfg1 Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'White is 100% on the defensive, and Li Chao decided to strike while the iron was hot.' 'Yermolinsky,Alex : 'White is 100% on the defensive, and Li Chao decided to strike while the iron was hot.' Nhf4+ Yermolinsky,Alex : '!?' *(* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky, A: 'Something has to be said in favour of' 'Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Something has to be said in favour of' *30...Rae8* Yermolinsky, Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'as there isn't much White can do with his position.''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'as there isn't much White can do with his position.'*)* 31.gxf4 Bh3+ 32.Rxh3 Nxf4+ 33.Kf1 Nxh3 34.Qg3 Nxg1 35.Qxe5+ dxe5 36.Kxg1 c4 37.Nf5+ Kf6 38.d6 Ke6 39.a4 Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'In the endgame two rooks are usually worth more than three minor pieces, and here Black also has an extra pawn." Yermolinsky,Alex : 'In the endgame two rooks are usually worth more than three minor pieces, and here Black also has an extra pawn.'

A1a) Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'He needed to stay cool:''Yermolinsky,Alex : 'He needed to stay cool:' 39...Rhb8 Yermolinsky,Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'is only a temporary inconvenience.'' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'is only a

temporary inconvenience.' 40.axb5 Yermolinsky,Alex : '?' *(40.Kf2 Kd7 41.Ke3 Kc6* Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'liberating the rook from its defensive duty. " Yermolinsky,Alex : 'liberating the rook from its defensive duty.' *)* 40...axb5 41.Nxb5 Ra1+ 42.Kf2 Rc1 Yermolinsky,Alex : '!' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'this one is very easy to miss. Black keeps his c-pawn alive and because of that he can bury the white bishop." Yermolinsky,Alex : 'this one is very easy to miss. Black keeps his c-pawn alive and because of that he can bury the white bishop.' 43.Na3 Rxb2 Yermolinsky,Alex : '-+';

A1b) 39...Kd7 40.axb5 axb5 41.Nxb5 Ra2 *(41...Ra4 42.Nc3 Rb4 43.Nd5 Rxb2 44.Bxc4)* 42.Bxc4 Rxb2 43.Nc7 Rhh2 44.Bb5+ Kd8 45.Ne3 ½-½ (45) C 06/32 (2809)-Preuss,S (2735) Predeal ROU 2017 Inf 43 [Grob v1, g32 FSZ#108] Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Yermolinsky,A: 'Somewhat surprisingly the players agreed to a draw here. Despite his inaccuracy on move 39, Li could have still gone on.'' Yermolinsky,Alex : 'Somewhat surprisingly the players agreed to a draw here. Despite his inaccuracy on move 39, Li could have still gone on.';

A2) 13.Bf2 b5 14.Nxb5 Rb8 15.Nd2 h3 16.g3 Ne5 17.Rb1 Nxf3+ 18.Nxf3 Rxb5 19.0-0 Rxb2 20.Rxb2 Bxb2 21.e5 Bg4 22.e6 fxe6 23.Nh4 Bf5 24.dxe6 Bxe6 25.Qc2 Bg7 26.Qxg6 Rf6 27.Qb1 Nf8 28.a4 Rxf2 29.Rxf2 Bd4 30.Nf3 Bxf2+ 31.Kxf2 Qe7 32.Qe4 a5 33.g4 d5 34.Qe5 Ng6 35.Qb8+ Qf8 36.Qxf8+ Kxf8 37.Kg3 Bd7 38.Bd3 Ne7 39.Bc2 Nc6 40.Kxh3 c4 41.Kg3 d4 42.Be4 d3 43.Kf2 Nb4 44.Ne5 Bxa4 45.Nxc4 Bb3 46.Nxa5 d2 47.Bf3 d1Q 48.Bxd1 Bxd1 49.h3 Nd3+ 50.Ke3 Ne5 51.Kf4 Ng6+ 52.Kg5 Kg7 53.Nc4 ½-½ (54) David,A (2605)-Romero Holmes, A (2523) Paleochora GRE 2012;

A3) 13.Nd2 f5 was played in the 2018 game Giri-Carlsen, analyzed in the Archives. *(13...g5 14.g3 h3 15.Nc4 Nb6 16.Qd2 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 g4 18.0-0 gxf3 19.Rxf3 Qe7 20.Raf1 Bd7 21.g4 Bxg4 22.Rg3 Bh5 23.Ne2 Bxe2 24.Bh6 Bh5 25.Bxg7 Bg6 26.Qh6 b5 27.Bc3 f6 28.Rxg6+ Kh8 29.Rfxf6* 1-0 (29) Navara,D (2679)-Langheinrich,F (2352) Zagreb CRO 2023*)* 14.exf5 has been the hot move at the elite level since mid-2017 - see Carlsen-Caruana from this month's Update, as well as earlier games in the Archives *(14.0-0 f4 15.Bf2 Ne5 16.Nc4 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Ng5 18.Kh1 Nf7 19.h3 Ne5 20.Qe2 Rb8 21.a4 a6 22.Rfb1 Bd7 23.a5 g5 24.Ra3 Qc8 25.Kh2 Nxc4 26.Qxc4 b6 27.axb6 Rxb6*

28.b3 Qb7 29.Qd3 Rb8 30.e5 Bxe5 31.Qg6+ Bg7 32.Qxg5 Bb5 33.Nxb5 Rxb5 34.Re1 Qf7 35.Bxh4 Rxb3 36.Rxb3 Rxb3 37.Re7 Qf8 38.Qg6 Rb8 39.Qe6+ Kh8 40.Rf7 Qg8 41.Bf6 Rf8 42.Bxg7+ Qxg7 43.Rxg7 Kxg7 44.Qxd6 Rf7 45.Qxa6 c4 46.Qxc4 Kg8 47.d6 Kg7 48.Qe6 Kg8 49.d7 Kg7 50.d8Q Rf8 51.Qg5+ Kh7 52.Qeh6# 1-0 (52) Magnus1389C (2619)-WalkThePlank95 (2565) Rapid 2023 *)* 14...Qe7 15.Bf2 *(15.fxg6 Qxe3 16.gxh7+ Kh8 17.Nc4 Bxc3+ 18.bxc3 Qxc3+ 19.Kf2 b5 20.Nxd6 Nf6* Krasenkow, Michal: '→' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (38) Sanikidze,T (2518)-Rodshtein,M (2698) Chartres 2017' *)* 15...Ne5 16.0-0 g5 17.Nc4 Bxf5 18.Qd2 Nxc4 19.Bxc4 Be5 20.Rae1 Qg7 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (46) Cheparinov,I (2710)-Bai,J (2585) China 2017' 21.Re2 Rae8 22.Rfe1 h3 23.Nb5 Bf4 24.Qc3 Qxc3 25.Nxc3 Rxe2 26.Nxe2 Be5 27.Bg3 Re8 28.Nc3 Bd4+ 29.Kf1 Rxe1+ 30.Bxe1 hxg2+ 31.Kxg2 Be5 32.Bg3 Bxg3 33.Kxg3 a6 34.f4 Kf7 35.fxg5 Nxg5 36.Kf4 Kf6 37.h4 Nh3+ 38.Kg3 Ke5 39.a4 Nf4 40.a5 Nh5+ 41.Kf3 Nf6 42.Ke3 Ng4+ 43.Kf3 Nf6 44.Ke3 Ng4+ 45.Kd2 Nf6 46.Ke3 ½-½ (46) Cheparinov,I (2710)-Bai,J (2556) China CHN 2017;

B) 11.Bf4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Qe7 12.Qd2 h4 13.Nf1 g5 14.Be3 Ne5 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'A slightly careless move - Black underestimated his opponent's ideas.''Marin,Mihail: 'Black has achieved an active version of the hanging pawns, but the evaluation of such positions is far from one-sided. White's structure is flexible and solid, which entitles him to hope for a favourable course of the game in the long run. Besides, Black's kingside contains chronic weaknesses on the light squares. White's main concern for the time being should be the activation of his queen's knight, which does not put any kind of pressure on Black's position and stands in the way of his own pieces at the same time. R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Black has achieved an active version of the hanging pawns, but the evaluation of such positions is far from one-sided. White's structure is flexible and solid, which entitles him to hope for a favourable course of the game in the long run. Besides, Black's kingside contains chronic weaknesses on the light squares. White's main concern for the time being should be the activation of his queen's knight, which does not put any kind of pressure on Black's position and stands in the way of his own pieces at the same time.''' 15.g3 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!' R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: '!?'" *(15.Bf2 f5)* 15...Bd7 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '?!' '?!' R.Scherbakov: 'A bit too optimistic.' R.Scherbakov: 'A bit too optimistic. Marin,M: '!?"'

(15...g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'D.Fernandez' *16.f4* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Black has achieved acceptable play." *Nf3+* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M'' *17.Bxf3* Marin,Mihail: 'Nikolic,P (2626)-Motylev,A (2662)/Germany 2006/CBM 116 (0-1, 46)' *gxf3* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin, M" Marin,Mihail: 'is entirely possible, but justifies the delay of the decision on the kingside by allowing' *18.e5; 15...Bh3 16.f4 Ng6 17.e5 gxf4* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin, M" *18.Bb5+* Marin,Mihail: '!?' *Kf8 19.gxf4)*

B1) 16.f4 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'and after'' Ng6 *(16...gxf4 17.gxf4)* 17.e5 gxf4 18.gxf4 dxe5 19.f5 Bxf5 20.d6 Qd8 21.0-0-0;

B2) 16.gxh4 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Otherwise Black would prevent the knight's manoeuvre by ...h5-h4." Marin,Mihail: 'The only way to question the viability of Black's plan. This self-disruption of the structure might look like a strategic concession, but Aronian correctly anticipated that his knights will get additional possibilities on the kingside. Besides, the apparently doomed h-pawn could play an important part in certain cases. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'The only way to question the viability of Black's plan. This self-disruption of the structure might look like a strategic concession, but Aronian correctly anticipated that his knights will get additional possibilities on the kingside. Besides, the apparently doomed h-pawn could play an important part in certain cases.'" 16...gxh4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(16...g4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!!' *17.f4* Marin,Mihail: 'etc.'Marin,Mihail: 'One possible justification for the previous move would be' *17...Nf3+* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M" Marin,Mihail: '.' *18.Bxf3* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M''Marin,Mihail: 'is likely to more or less transpose to Nikolic-Motylev or Endzelins-Unzicker. 'Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'In the game Nikolic - Motylev, GER-chT Solingen 2006 White included'' *18...gxf3* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' Krasenkow, Michal: 'D.Fernandez' Marin,Mihail: 'is aimed to force Black take a decision on the queenside before White proceeds with his kingside development. R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'is aimed to force Black take a decision on the queenside before White proceeds with his kingside development.'") *)* 17.Rg1 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'Starting a series of tricky knight manoeuvres.'' *(17.f4 Ng4 18.e5)* 17...f5 *(17...Ng6* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov' *18.f4 Bd4* Marin,Mihail: 'could have been met with' *19.Bxd4* Marin,Mihail: '!?' *cxd4 20.Qxd4 Qf6 21.Qxf6*

Marin,Mihail: 'with good play.' Marin,Mihail: 'or' *21...Nxf6)* 18.f4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '!' '!'' Ng4 19.e5 Krasenkow,Michal: '±!' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (42) Aronian,L (2794)-Grischuk,A (2767) Berlin 2018 CBM 184 [Fernandez,D]' dxe5 Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '?!' '?!' R.Scherbakov: 'A questionable decision.'' *(19...0-0-0 20.e6* Marin,Mihail: '±' *)* 20.d6

B2a) 20...Qf6 21.Nd5 *(21.Nb5 exf4* Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: 'Black will need some effort to complete his development, while the weakness of the f5-square will always be there. However, his pair of bishops offers him counter-chances.' *22.Bxf4 0-0)* 21...Qxd6 22.0-0-0 Rd8 23.h3 Bc6;

B2b) 20...Qe6 Marin,Mihail: 'Black has managed to stabilize the kingside position, but White will open a new front on the opposite wing. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Black has managed to stabilize the kingside position, but White will open a new front on the opposite wing.''' 21.Nb5 Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'This makes play double-edged.'' Rc8 *(21...0-0* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'with complicated and unclear play.'' Marin,Mihail: 'White would consolidate his g4-pawn with R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'White would consolidate his g4-pawn with''' *22.Nc7* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M' 'Marin,Mihail: ', followed by ♘g3-f5 anyway. However, the final evaluation of the resulting position would be uncertain, because the other knight would remain passive for a while.' Marin,Mihail: 'A creative solution to the aforementioned task. Aronian intends to transfer his knight to f5 or, eventually, h5. The standard manoeuvre would be' *22...Qf7* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M' 'Marin,Mihail: 'followed by ♘c3, increasing the pressure against the d5-pawn.' *23.h3* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: '(R.Scherbakov) looked more natural, placing the rook on the open file' Marin,Mihail: 'but perhaps the most accurate option was' *23...Nxe3* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: '(R.Scherbakov) , taking care of the only vulnerable point in the position – the f5-square – and so avoiding unnecessary problems.' *24.Nxe3* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M" *)*

B2b1) 22.Bxg4 fxg4 23.Nc7+ Rxc7 24.f5 Marin,Mihail: '↑' *(* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Although the rook has already left the f-file" Marin,Mihail: 'Ambitious

and... risky. Black intends to deny the knight's access to g3 with ...h4. After the more restrained R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Ambitious and... risky. Black intends to deny the knight's access to g3 with ...h4. After the more restrained''' *24.dxc7* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'was still worthy of consideration, intending to meet'' *exf4* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'with'') Marin,Mihail: 'White could also have considered' 24...Qxf5 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: '(R. Scherbakov) and if' 25.dxc7 Marin,Mihail: 'then' Nf6 Marin,Mihail: 'with the initiative.';

B2b2) 22.Nc7+ Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: '!' '!' R.Scherbakov: 'The point of White's idea - he wants to get the d4-square for the knight, which immediately gives him control over the key f5-square.' R. Scherbakov: 'The point of White's idea - he wants to get the d4-square for the knight, which immediately gives him control over the key f5-square. Marin,M: '!?''' Marin,Mihail: 'Fighting for the d4-square. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Fighting for the d4-square.''' 22...Rxc7 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!' R. Scherbakov: 'Pushing the knight back.' R.Scherbakov: 'Pushing the knight back. Marin,M: '!?'''Marin,Mihail: 'As you can see, neither of the players is concerned about the material balance. Pawns are sacrificed nonchalantly for the sake of achieving certain strategic advantages. R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'As you can see, neither of the players is concerned about the material balance. Pawns are sacrificed nonchalantly for the sake of achieving certain strategic advantages.''' 23.dxc7 exf4

B2b21) 24.0-0-0 fxe3 Marin,Mihail: '↑' Marin, Mihail: 'White's initiative looked rather annoying.' Marin,Mihail: 'White had a simple option' 25.Nxe3 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov' *(25.Qxd7+ Qxd7 26.Bb5* Marin,Mihail: ' ∞' Marin, Mihail: 'with unclear play' *Bxb2+* Marin,Mihail: '?!') 25...Bh6 Marin,Mihail: 'and here' *(25...Qxe3* Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Marin, Mihail: 'Black's active pieces gave him excellent compensation for a couple of pawns.' Marin,Mihail: 'or' *26.Qxe3+ Nxe3 27.Rxg7*

Nxd1 28.Bb5 Marin,Mihail: '!?'*; 25...Bd4 26.Nxf5)* 26.Bb5 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin, Mihail: ', getting more good squares for his knights:' 0-0 *(26...Bxb5 27.Qd8+* Marin,Mihail: 'Grischuk was worried about leaving the d5-pawn unprotected after' *27...Kf7* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: '(R. Scherbakov) but it still seemed more precise. Then in case of' *28.Qxh8 Bxe3+ 29.Kb1 Bxg1 30.Qxh7+ Kf6 31.Qh8+ Kg5 32.c8Q Qxc8 33.Qxc8)* 27.Bxd7 Qxe3 28.Bxf5 Marin,Mihail: 'with a certain advantage. ' Qxd2+ 29.Rxd2 Marin,Mihail: '↑';

B2b22) 24.Rd1 Ng5 *(24...fxe3 25.Qxd7+ Qxd7 26.Bb5 Qxb5 27.c8Q+* Marin,Mihail: '-Black's position remained dangerous but he could still believe in Wilhelm Steinitz's idea "the king can defend itself!"' *Kf7 28.Qxf5+ Ngf6* Marin,Mihail: '!?' *29.Qg6+* Marin,Mihail: '↑' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'In case of'' *29...Ke6* Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: '!?'" Marin,Mihail: 'looks like a positional concession, but Black's queenside majority could be dangerous after simplifications. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'looks like a positional concession, but Black's queenside majority could be dangerous after simplifications.'" *30.Rg4* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov'*)* 25.c8Q+ Marin,Mihail: 'Black's achievements in the centre are impressive, but the white knights exert irritating pressure on the kingside. One important element is the h5-pawn, which deprives the queen of the g6-square and is ready to advance to h6 at the most appropriate moment. R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Black's achievements in the centre are impressive, but the white knights exert irritating pressure on the kingside. One important element is the h5-pawn, which deprives the queen of the g6-square and is ready to advance to h6 at the most appropriate moment. '" Bxc8 Marin,Mihail: '?' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'This is wrong but Black's task was actually rather difficult.'' 26.Qd8+ Kf7 27.Qc7+ *(27.Qxg5 fxe3*

Marin,Mihail: '!!' Marin, Mihail: 'with Qd3-h7 checkmate to follow' Marin,Mihail: 'The only way seemed to be' *28.Rxg4* Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov' *fxg4* *29.Qf4+* Marin,Mihail: '!' *Qf6* Marin,Mihail: '!?' *30.Bc4+)*

B2b221) 27...Qe7 28.Bc4+ Marin,Mihail: '∓' Kf6

B2b2211) 29.Qxf4 Marin,Mihail: '-+' Nh3 30.Qd6+ Marin,Mihail: '!?' *(30.Rd6+ Be6* Marin,Mihail: '?' Marin,Mihail: '(R. Scherbakov) could have been met with' *31.Rxe6+ Qxe6* *32.Qxg4* Marin,Mihail: '→!' Marin,Mihail: 'and Black was unable to defend his K-side. For example,' *Qxe3+ 33.Nxe3* Marin,Mihail: '!!' *fxg4)* 30...Qxd6 31.Rxd6+ Marin,Mihail: '!' Ke5;

B2b2212) 29.Qxe7+ Marin,Mihail: '!?' 29...Kxe7 30.Bxc5+ Marin,Mihail: '!' Ke8 Marin,Mihail: '?';

B2b222) 27...Kg6 28.Rd6 Be5 Marin,Mihail: '!!' Marin, Mihail: 'and White gets everything back, maintaining a decisive attack.' *(28...fxe3* *29.Bxg4* Marin,Mihail: '!' *fxg4* *30.Rxg4* Marin,Mihail: '!' *)* 29.Rxe6+ Bxe6 Marin,Mihail: '↑' 30.Qxb7 fxe3 Marin,Mihail: '+-!';

B2b223) 27...Kg8 28.Rd6 Qf7 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: '!?''' Marin,Mihail: 'Interesting, but not enough. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Interesting, but not enough.''' 29.Qd8+ *(29.Qxc8+ Kh7* Marin,Mihail: '+-' Marin, Mihail: 'and so on.' Marin,Mihail: 'Or' *30.Qxc5* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov' *Ne4* Marin,Mihail: '+-' Marin,Mihail: 'Black gives up the control of the d4-square too easily. In order to release White's pressure over the central pawns, he should have aimed to exchange rooks, for which' *31.Rxg4* Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M'' Marin,Mihail: 'strongly comes into

consideration.' *Nxc5 32.Rxh4+ Kg8 33.Rd8+ Bf8 34.Rxh8+ Kxh8 35.Bxc5)* 29...Qf8 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Black was counting on his strong pieces and central pawns but White has a clear-cut solution.'' 30.Bxf4 Ne6 31.Bc4 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Simplest. By returning the exchange, Aronian calms down the position, depriving Black of his main trump: the two connected passed pawns. Although there remain certain technical difficulties, White will convert his advantage quite confidently. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'Simplest. By returning the exchange, Aronian calms down the position, depriving Black of his main trump: the two connected passed pawns. Although there remain certain technical difficulties, White will convert his advantage quite confidently.''' *(31.Qxf8+ Kxf8 32.Bd2 Bd4)* 31...Qxd8 32.Rxd8+ Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!'' Kh7 *(32...Kf7* Marin,Mihail: '(R.Scherbakov) was lost:' *33.Rxc8 Rxc8 34.h3)* 33.Rxh8+ Bxh8 34.Bd6 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!' R. Scherbakov: 'Two extra pawns and full control over the light squares secure White's decisive advantage.'' *(34.Bb8* Marin,Mihail: '+-') 34...Ng5 Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'This attempt to use Black's only trump - the passed d-pawn - is refuted.'' 35.Rg2 Ne4 *(35...b6)* 36.Bb8 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!'' Bd4 37.h3 Ne5 38.Bd5 *(38.Bxe5 Bxe5 39.Rg8* Marin,Mihail: '+-' Marin,Mihail: 'Or' *39...Bd7* Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov' *40.Rd8)* 38...Nd3+ 39.Ke2 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!'' Nc1+ *(39...Nxb2 40.Bg8+ Kh8 41.Bf7 Bd7)* 40.Kd1 Nd3 41.Nd2 Marin,Mihail: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' '!'' Nf6 42.Bf3 ½-½ (42) Aronian,L (2794)-Grischuk,A (2767) Berlin GER 2018 Marin,

Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Black resigned in view of the mate on the very next move." Marin, Mihail: '(R.Scherbakov) was met by' Nf2+ 43.Ke1 Nxh3 44.Rh2 Ng5 45.Rxh4+ Kg6;

C) 11.a4 0-0 12.Ra3 Qe7 13.Nf1 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Ne3 Ne5 16.0-0 Bd7 17.g3 Rae8 18.Ng2 Ng6 19.Bb5 Bxb5 20.axb5 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 h4 22.gxh4 Nxh4 23.Nf4 Ng5 24.Nce2 Kf7 25.Nxd4 cxd4 26.Ne6 Nxe6 27.dxe6+ Qxe6 28.Qxd4 Qe2 29.Rg1 Ng6 30.Qd5+ Qe6 31.Qxe6+ Rxe6 32.Bg5 Re2 33.Rxa7 Rb8 34.Raa1 Rxb2 35.Rad1 Ne5 36.Bf4 Nxf3 37.Rg2 Rxb5 38.Rf2 Rb3 39.Kg2 Rg8+ 40.Kh1 Ne5 41.Bxe5 dxe5 42.Rxf5+ Ke6 43.Rff1 b5 44.Rb1 Rxb1 45.Rxb1 Rb8 46.Kg2 b4 47.Kf3 Kd5 48.h4 b3 49.Rd1+ Kc4 50.Ke4 b2 51.Rb1 Kb3 52.Kxe5 Rf8 53.Kd4 0-1 (53) Aravindh,C (2724)-Salem, A (2627) Biel SUI 2025;

D) 11.0-0

D1) 11...h4 12.Nh1 0-0 13.Nf2 *(13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Qd2 g5 15.Be3 f5 16.f4 gxf4 17.Bxf4 Ng6 18.Be3 f4 19.Bf2 Be5 20.Bf3 Ng5 21.Qd3 Bd7 22.a4 Kh7 23.Bh5 Rg8 24.Rfe1 Qf6 25.Kf1 h3 26.g3 Raf8 27.Re2 Kh6 28.g4 f3 29.Re3 Nf4 30.Qd2 Nxh5 31.gxh5 Bxh2 32.Bh4 Bf4* 0-1 (32) rdm89 (2643)-SilentAndCalm (2602) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Bd4 14.Nb5 Qb6 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Bh6 Re8 17.Qd2 Ne5 18.Kh1 f5 19.Rad1 Nf7 20.Bd3 g5 21.f4 Nxh6 22.fxg5 Ng4 23.Nxg4 fxg4 24.e5 Nf8 25.e6 Re7 26.Rxf8+ Kxf8 27.Qf4+ Kg8 28.Qf6 Qd8 29.Rf1 Qe8 30.Bg6 Qd8 31.Bf7+ Kf8 32.Qh8# 1-0 (32) Restrictor (2670)-Darcy95 (2687) Blitz 2020;

D2) 11...Bd4+ 12.Rf2 *(12.Kh1 h4 13.Nb5 hxg3 14.Nxd4 cxd4 15.Qxd4 Qf6 16.Be3 Ne5 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.e5 Qh4 20.Bg1 Bf5 21.Rae1 0-0 22.e6 Nf6 23.e7 Rfe8 24.Qb4 Ng4 25.h3 Nf2+ 26.Bxf2 gxf2 27.Re2 Bxh3 28.Rexf2 Bg4+ 29.Kg1 Rxe7 30.Qxd6 Rae8 31.Qa3* 1-0 (31) licg (2628)-dataanalystboi789 (2617) Blitz 2023 *)* 12...Ne5 13.Nf1 Bxf2+ 14.Kxf2 f5 15.f4 Nf7 16.Bf3 0-0 17.Bd2 Nf6 18.Kg1 fxe4 19.Nxe4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Qf6 21.Qf3 Bf5 22.Bc3 Bxe4 23.Qxe4 Qf5 24.Qxf5 gxf5 25.Ne3 Nh6 26.Nc4 Rad8 27.Re1 Rfe8 28.Rxe8+ Rxe8 29.Nxd6 Rd8 30.Nxb7 Rxd5 31.Kf2 Ng4+ 32.Kg3 c4 33.h3 Ne3 34.Be5 Rd2 35.Nd6 Rc2 36.Kf3 Nxg2 37.Nxf5 Ne1+ 38.Ke4 Nd3 39.Ne3 Re2 40.Bc3 Nxb2 41.Kf3 Rh2 42.Kg3 Re2 43.Kf3 Na4 44.Kxe2 Nxc3+ 45.Kf3 Nxa2 46.Nxc4 Nb4 47.Ke4 Kf7 48.Kf5 Nc6 49.Kg5 a5 50.Kxh5 Kf6 51.Kg4 a4 52.h4 Nd4 53.Na3 Nf5 54.Nc2 Nh6+ 55.Kf3 Kf5 56.Ne3+ Kg6 57.Nc4 Kh5 58.Ke4 Kxh4 59.Ke5 Kg4 60.Ne3+ Kf3

61.Nc4 Ng4+ 62.Kd4 Kxf4 63.Kc3 Ne3 64.Nb2 a3 65.Kb3 Nc2 66.Nc4 Ke4 67.Kxc2 a2 68.Kb2 a1Q+ 69.Kxa1 ½-½ (69) kyart2 (2713)-Chesser22 (2791) Blitz 2020;

E) 11.f4 0-0 12.Bf3 a6 13.a4 Qh4 14.0-0 Bd4+ 15.Kh1 Ndf6 16.Qe1 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Be3 f5 19.Qf2 Bxc3 20.bxc3 fxe4 21.Rab1 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Rxb5 Bd7 24.Rb6 Qe7 25.h3 Rfb8 26.Rxb8+ Rxb8 27.Re1 Nf6 28.c4 h4 29.Nf1 Nh5 30.Qc2 Ng3+ 31.Nxg3 hxg3 32.Bc1 Qf6 33.Qd2 Qd4 34.f5 Qf2 35.Rg1 Qxd2 36.Bxd2 Bxf5 37.Bf4 Rb3 38.Re1 e3 39.Bxg3 e2 40.Bxd6 Bd3 41.Bxc5 ½-½ (41) Ponkratov, P (2628)-Antipov,M (2591) Sochi RUS 2020;

F) 11.Nf1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'A new move, which is rather passive.' 11...0-0 *(11...a6 12.a4 Qh4+ 13.g3 Qe7 14.Ne3 Bd4 15.Nc2 Bg7 16.0-0 h4 17.Be3 0-0 18.Qd2 b6 19.Rae1 Ne5 20.Kg2 f5 21.Bf4 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Bf5 23.Ng5 Qd7 24.Ne6 Bxe6 25.dxe6 Qxe6 26.Ne3 Nf6 27.Bxe5 Qxe5 28.Nc4 Qd5 29.Qc2 Rae8 30.Nxb6 Qg5 31.f4 Qh6 32.Bxa6 Ng4 33.Qb3+ Kh7 34.Nd7 h3+ 35.Kh1 Nf2+ 36.Kg1 Bd4 37.Rxe8 Rxe8 38.Qf7+ Qg7 39.Qxe8 Ng4+ 40.Kh1 Nf2+ 41.Rxf2 Bxf2 42.Bd3* 1-0 (42) Sarana,A (2713)-Kuybokarov,T (2562) Bajina Basta SRB 2024*)* 12.Ne3 David Cummings: 'the pawn sac' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was White's idea.' Qh4+ 13.g3 Qe7

F1) 14.a4 Ne5 Black's next few moves appear to be rather defensive minded, keeping it tight at the back. Black could also try a more active approach with: 15.0-0 Bh3 16.Re1 Rae8 Here: *(16...Qd7* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?' *)*

F1a) 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 *(18.Nxg4 hxg4 19.Bxg4 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Bxg4* and Black held comfortably, Ding,L (2816)-Giri,A (2780) Shenzhen 2018 1/2-1/2 (35) *21.Qxg4!?* is more ambitious, Black is already fine. *Bxc3* and now after *22.bxc3 Nf6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∓ *')* 18...hxg4 19.Nxg4 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Bxg4 21.Qxg4 Nf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞';

F1b) 17.Bd2 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! ' 17...a6 Black initiates some exchanges to ease the slight congestion in his setup. Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *(17...Nf6* (an improvement over Harikrishna's play in the next line) Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' *)*

F1b1) 18.f4 Krasenkow, Michal: ' ! 'Krasenkow, Michal: 'was already strong here. If' Ng4 *(18...Nd7 19.Bxh5* when White had opened the position to his favour, Aronian,L (2809)-Harikrishna, P (2737) Geneva 2017 0-1 (38) Krasenkow,Michal: ' ± !' *)* 19.Nxg4 was better for White in Savchenko-Rublevsky in the Archives

hxg4 20.Bxg4 with a further split: Bd4+ 21.Kh1 Bxg4 22.Qxg4 Nf6 Krasenkow, Michal: 'then' 23.Qh4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: ', and Black can't regain the pawn. ';

F1b2) 18.Ra3 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!'

F1b21) 18...Qd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '±';

F1b22) 18...Rb8 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Rxb6 21.Na4 Rbb8 22.Qc2 *(22.Bc3 Rfe8 23.f4 Ng4 24.Nxg4 Bxg4 25.Bxg4 hxg4 26.Ra1 Qd7 27.Qd2 Qb5 28.e5 c4 29.exd6 Rxe1+ 30.Qxe1 Nf6 31.Be5 Nd7 32.Bxg7 Kxg7 33.Qd2 a5 34.Qd4+ Kg8 35.Ra2 Qb4 36.Nc3 Rb6 37.f5 gxf5 38.Qf2 Rxd6 39.Qxf5 Nf6 40.Ra4 Qxb2 41.Rxc4 Qb6+ 42.Kg2 Qe3 43.Qf2 Qd3 44.Qd4 Qc2+ 45.Qf2 Qd3 46.Qd4 Qxd4 47.Rxd4 Kh7 48.Kf2 a4 49.Rxa4 Nxd5 50.Nxd5 Rxd5 51.Rxg4 f6 52.Kf3 Rd1 53.Ra4 f5 54.Kf4 Rh1 55.Ra2 Kg6 56.Ra6+ Kf7 57.Rh6 Kg7 58.Rh5 Rf1+ 59.Kg5 Rf2 60.Rh4 f4 61.gxf4 Rf1 62.Rg4 Ra1 63.Rg2 Rb1 64.h3 Ra1 65.h4 Rb1 66.f5 Ra1 67.Rg4 Rb1 68.Rg3 Ra1 69.Rg2 Rb1 70.h5 Ra1 71.h6+ Kh7 72.Rd2 Rg1+ 73.Kh5 Rh1+ 74.Kg5 Rg1+ 75.Kf6 Ra1 76.Rh2 Rb1 77.Kf7 Ra1 78.Kf6 Rb1 79.Rh3 Ra1 80.Rb3 Rc1 81.Rf3 Ra1 82.Rh3 Rb1 83.Rd3 Ra1 84.Rd2 Rb1 85.Rd8 Ra1 86.Rc8 Rb1 87.Kg5 Rg1+ 88.Kf6 Ra1 89.Rc2 Rb1 90.Rd2 Ra1 91.Re2 Rb1 92.Rh2 Ra1 93.Kf7 Rb1 94.Rh4 Ra1 95.Kf6 Rb1 96.Rh2 Ra1 97.Rd2 Rb1 98.Rd3 Ra1 99.Rb3 Rc1 100.Rh3 Ra1 101.Rd3 Rb1 102.Re3 Ra1 103.Rh3 Rb1 104.Re3 Ra1 105.Re8 Rb1 106.Kg5 Rg1+ 107.Kf6 Ra1 108.Rb8 Rc1 109.Kg5 Rg1+ 110.Kf6 Ra1 111.Re8 Rb1 112.Ra8 Rc1 113.Kf7 Kxh6 114.Ra6+ Kg5 115.f6 Kh6 116.Re6 Rc8 117.Re1 Rc7+ 118.Re7 Rc1 119.Re4 Rc6 120.Rf4 Ra6 121.Rf1 Ra7+ 122.Kf8 Ra8+ 123.Ke7 Ra7+ 124.Ke6 Ra6+ 125.Kd5 Ra5+ 126.Ke6 Ra6+ 127.Kd5 Ra5+ 128.Kd6 Ra6+ 129.Ke5 Ra5+ 130.Kd4 Ra4+ 131.Ke5 Ra5+ 132.Kd4 Ra4+ 133.Kc5 Ra5+ 134.Kd6 Ra6+ 135.Ke7 Ra7+ 136.Kf8 Ra8+ 137.Kf7 Ra7+ 138.Ke8 Ra8+*

139.Kf7 Ra7+ ½ - ½ (139) chesssevigcom (2640)-RaspFish (2648) Blitz 2022 *)* 22...f5 23.exf5 Ng5 24.Qd1 Nd7 25.Kh1 Bd4 26.Nc4 Bxf5 27.Bd3 Qf6 28.Bxg5 Qxg5 29.Nxd6 Bxd3 30.Qxd3 Kh8 31.Ne4 Qxd5 32.Qd2 Kg8 33.Nac3 Qf5 34.Ne2 Rxb2 35.Qc1 Bg7 36.Nf4 g5 37.Nd6 Qc2 38.Qxc2 Rxc2 39.Ne6 Rb8 40.Nxg7 Kxg7 41.Rae3 Nf6 42.Re7+ Kg6 43.R7e6 Rbb2 44.Ne8 Rxh2+ 45.Kg1 Rhg2+ 46.Kh1 Rh2+ 47.Kg1 Rbg2+ 48.Kf1 Rf2+ 49.Kg1 Rhg2+ 50.Kh1 Rh2+ 51.Kg1 Kf7 52.Rxf6+ Kg8 53.Ree6 Rhg2+ 54.Kh1 Rh2+ 55.Kg1 Rfg2+ 56.Kf1 Rf2+ 57.Kg1 ½-½ (57) HansNiemannBot (2799)-VariantsStockfish (2718) Rapid 2022;

F1b23) 18...Qc7 19.f4 *(19.Kh1* and now: Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲!?' *)*

F1b231) 19...Ng4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'was possible here:' 20.Nxg4 hxg4 21.Bxg4 Bd4+ 22.Kh1 Bxg4 of Gelfand-Edouard 23.Qxg4 Nf6 24.Qf3 *(24.Qh4 Qb6* Krasenkow,Michal: '∓!' *)* 24...Qd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱';

F1b232) 19...Nd7 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' 20.Bxh5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!'Krasenkow,Michal: 'White wins a pawn in a better version.' c4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'The only chance of counterplay.' 21.Bf3 *(21.Qe2* and White soon got a central predominance, Pantsulaia,L (2589)-El Debs,F (2542) Batumi 2018 1-0 (45) Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *Nc5* was called for *22.Qxc4 gxh5 23.b4 Bxc3 24.Qxc3 Rxe4 25.bxc5* which is covered in Huebner-Ruck in the Archives *Qxc5* which is covered in many games in the Archives, including the line Krasenkow,Michal: '⩲' *)* 21...Nc5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 22.Qc2 The position is approximately level, but still contains a lot of play. Black has the two bishops but White has some pressure on the queenside. Note that White's knight definitely helps to create dynamic chances against

Black's pawn chain, something missing from the Carlsen-Caruana match games (particularly game 4) where only bishops remained on the board. *(22.Nxc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *Nd3 23.Ne3 f5* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞!?' *)*

F1b2321) 22...Nd3 Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' 23.Re2 f5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 24.exf5 with chances for both sides, Carlsen, M (2872)-Aronian, L (2812) Zuerich 2014 1/2-1/2 (40) Bxf5 when a recent game saw Krasenkow, Michal: '!' *(24...gxf5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *25.Ncd1)* 25.Nxf5 gxf5 26.Nd1 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' Rxe2 27.Bxe2 Nxb2 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 28.Nxb2 Qb6+ 29.Be3 Qxb2 30.Qxb2 Bxb2 31.Ra2 c3 Krasenkow,Michal: ', and Black should not lose.';

F1b2322) 22...Nb3 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'But this is wrong.' 23.Rxb3 cxb3 24.Qxb3 Krasenkow,Michal: '±' Krasenkow, Michal: 'White has two pawns for the exchange and has kept his pawn centre. ' Kh8 Black should probably take the chance to play *(24...f5 25.e5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *)* 25.Ncd1 A space gaining move that also specifically discourages ...f7-f5 f5 *(25...Bd7* Krasenkow,Michal: 'may be more stubborn.') 26.Nf2 White's queenside pressure starts to become tangible. fxe4?! Black seeks further exchanges, but in trading his most active piece, he is only helping White. 27.Bxe4 Bf5 28.Rc1 Now Black has to deal with more direct threats to his queenside pawns. *(28.Qd3* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' *)* 28...Qd7 29.Bf3 White could squeeze more out of the position with: Nf6 30.Rc4 White wants to play

31 Nc4 without trading queens. Qe7 31.Nxf5 gxf5 32.Kg2 Rc8?! Trading the light-squared bishops leaves White with a positional advantage - good knight against (soon to be) bad bishop. Instead: 33.Rb4 Rc7 34.a5 Nd7 35.Bd1 White's queen soon becomes very active. Qf7 36.Rxb7 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Premature.' *(36.Nh3* for example *Nc5 37.Qf3* Krasenkow, Michal: '+-' *)* 36...Rxb7 37.Qxb7 Rb8 38.Qc6 Black's b4-bishop is now locked out of the position and Black faces a very tough defence. Rxb2 39.Bc2 Bd4 Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(39...Rb5* was balanced in Wadsworth,M (2273) -Oblitas Guerrero,C (2397) Barcelona 2017 1/2-1/2 (77) Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' *)*

F1b23221) 40.Bc3 Bxc3 *(40...Rxc2* with a dynamically balanced position *41.Bxd4+ Kg8 42.Qxc2 Qxd5+ 43.Kg1 Qxd4 44.Qc8+ Nf8 45.Qxa6* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 41.Qxc3+ Qg7 42.Qd3 Krasenkow, Michal: '±';

F1b23222) 40.Nd3 Qe7 Black has to deal with White's idea of h5-h6, but: *(40...Rb5* Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *41.Qxd6 Qxd5+ 42.Qxd5 Rxd5* Krasenkow,Michal: '±' *)* 41.Kf1 Rb8 But this is a concession. 42.Ne1 White gets in his thematic squeezing move. Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(42.Qc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '±' *)* 42...Nc5 43.Nf3 Bf6 44.Bxf5 Rb3 45.Qc8+! White finally decides the time is right to trade off the bishop and penetrate with his rook. Kg7 46.Ng5 Bxg5 47.fxg5 Rf3+ Krasenkow,Michal: '?' *(47...Qe5* can be met by Krasenkow,Michal:

'!' Krasenkow, Michal: ', and White has nothing better than a perpetual, immediately or after' *48.Bf4 Qa1+ 49.Kg2* and Black is fine *Rb2+!* lining up on the b-file before playing b5xc6. Now *50.Kh3 Qf1+ 51.Kh4 Rxh2+* gives White an edge *52.Bh3 Qd3* is awkward to meet Krasenkow, Michal: 'as' *53.Qc7+* makes a nuisance of the queen, and after *Kg8 54.Qd8+* the onus is on White to find a way of making progress *Kg7* ousting the knight from its central post *55.Qf6+* allows *Kg8 56.Bxd6* Krasenkow,Michal: '?' Krasenkow, Michal: 'loses to' *Qh7+* and White attacks the a7- and d4-pawns, although the computer find chances for Black after *57.Qh6!? Ne4* for example Krasenkow,Michal: '!' *)* 48.Kg2 Qe2+ Pushing the b-pawn, but leaving the h6-pawn alive doesn't help, for example: 49.Kh3 Rxf5 50.Qxf5 Qxd2 51.Qf6+ Kg8 52.Qg6+ Kh8 53.Qxd6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Four passed pawns are stronger than the knight.' Nd3 *(53...Qd4! 54.Qf8+ Kh7 55.Qf7+ Kh8 56.g6 Qg7* and White wins easily *57.Qe8+* was more tenacious *Qg8?!* would severely weaken the light squares *58.Qe7* leaves Black fully in the game. Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 54.Qh6+ This should be a technical win, since White will end up with two connected passed pawns on the kingside. Kg8 55.Qe6+ Kg7 56.Qe7+ Kg8 57.d6 Nf2+ 58.Kh4 Qd4+ 59.Kh5 Qd1+ 60.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' Nxg4 *(60...Qxg4+*

61.Kg6 Krasenkow, Michal: '+-') 61.Qe8+ Kg7 62.Qd7+ Kh8 Or: 63.Qxg4 Qxd6 64.Qc8+ Kg7 65.Qc3+ Kh7 66.Qc2+ Kg7 67.h4 Krasenkow, Michal: '+-' Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has finally got an easily winning endgame.' Qe6 68.Qc7+ Black can't hold the g5-pawn, and he soon gives up. Kh8 69.Qd8+ Kh7 70.Qc7+ Kh8 71.Qb6 Qc4 *(71...Qf7+* etc. *72.Kg4 Qd7+ 73.Kf4* Krasenkow, Michal: '+-') 72.Qd8+ Kg7 73.Qe7+ Kg8 74.Kh6 Qc6+ and White will eventually work his king around to help the passed pawns. 75.g6? would spoil the win because of Qc1+ 76.Qg5 Qd1 77.Qf4 1-0 (77) Ding,L (2816)-Yu,Y (2764) Shenzhen 2018 [David Cummings];

F2) 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 Bd4 16.Qd2 gxf5 17.Nb5 Bh8 18.Nc4 Rf6 19.Bd3 Nb6 20.Re1 Qd8 21.Nxb6 axb6 22.Qf4 Bd7 23.Nxd6 Ra4 24.Qe5 Rg6 25.Qxh8+ Kxh8 26.Nf7+ Kg8 27.Nxd8 Rd6 28.Bc2 Ra8 29.Nxb7 Rf6 30.Re7 Be8 31.Bf4 1-0 (31) Poirot_Hercule (2729)-TemurKuybokarov (2844) Blitz 2023;

F3) 14.h4

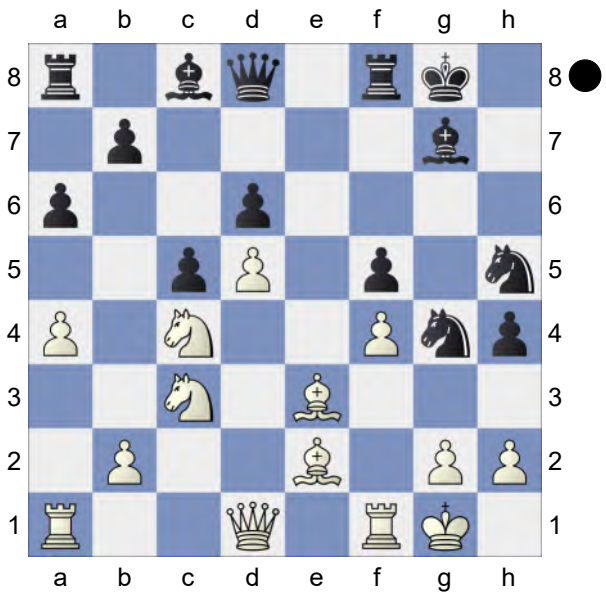
F3a) 14...a6 15.a4 Be5 16.g4 hxg4 17.Nxg4 Bd4 18.Bh6 *(18.Qc2 Rb8 19.Nh6+ Kg7 20.Qd2 Ndf6 21.Bd3 Nd7 22.Be2 Ne5 23.f4 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Kxh6 25.h5 Kg7 26.Be2 Bd7 27.Kd1 Nf6 28.f5 Rh8 29.Qg5 Rbg8 30.fxg6 fxg6 31.Kc2 Qe5 32.Qxg6+ Kf8 33.Bh6+ Rxh6 34.Qxh6+ Ke8 35.Rhf1 Bxc3 36.bxc3 Nxe4 37.Qe3 Rg2 38.Rae1 Qxd5 39.Kc1 Kd8 40.Rf8+ Kc7 41.h6 Be6 42.Rf3 Bg8 43.Qd3 Qg5+ 44.Qe3 Qd5 45.Qd3 Qe6 46.Re3 Bh7 47.Bf3 Qb3 48.Bxg2 Qa3+ 49.Kc2 Qa2+ 50.Kc1 Qa3+ 51.Kc2 Qa2+ 52.Kc1 Qa3+* ½-½ (52) RaspFish (2882)-Mate-AI (2894) Rapid 2023*)* 18...f5 19.Bxf8 Ndxf8 20.Nf2 Nf6 21.Qd2 Qe5 22.Bd3 *(22.Nd3 Qg3+ 23.Kd1 fxe4 24.Qe1 Qxe1+ 25.Nxe1 exf3 26.Bxf3 N8d7 27.Ne4 Nxe4 28.Bxe4 Ne5 29.Nd3 Nc4 30.Kc2 Ne3+ 31.Kb1 Kg7 32.Nf4 Kf6 33.Ng2 Nxg2 34.Bxg2 Bf5+ 35.Ka2 Rh8 36.Raf1 Kg7 37.h5 Re8*

38.hxg6 Re2 39.Rxf5 Rxb2+ 40.Ka3 Rxg2 41.Rf7+ Kxg6 42.Rxb7 c4 43.Rc7 Bc5+ 44.Rxc5 dxc5 45.Rc1 Rg3+ 46.Kb2 Rb3+ 47.Kc2 Rd3 48.Re1 Kf5 49.d6 Rxd6 50.Kc3 Rd3+ 51.Kxc4 Rd4+ 52.Kxc5 Rh4 53.a5 Re4 54.Rxe4 Kxe4 55.Kb4 Kf5 56.Ka3 Kf6 57.Ka2 Kg7 58.Ka1 Kg6 59.Kb1 Kh7 60.Ka1 Kh6 61.Kb1 Kg5 62.Ka1 Kh6 63.Kb1 Kh7 64.Ka1 Kg7 65.Kb1 Kh8 66.Ka1 Kh7 67.Kb1 Kg7 68.Ka1 Kf6 69.Kb1 Kf5 70.Ka1 Kg4 71.Kb1 Kg5 72.Ka1 Kf4 73.Kb1 Ke4 74.Ka1 Ke3 75.Kb1 Kd3 76.Ka1 Kd2 77.Kb1 Ke3 78.Ka1 Kf2 79.Kb1 Kf1 80.Ka1 Ke1 81.Kb1 Kd1 82.Ka1 Kc2 83.Ka2 Kd1 84.Ka1 Kc1 85.Ka2 Kc2 86.Ka1 Kd1 87.Kb1 Ke2 88.Ka1 Kf3 89.Kb1 Kf4 90.Ka1 Ke3 91.Kb1 Kd4 92.Ka1 Kc5 93.Kb1 Kd4 94.Ka1 Kc3 95.Kb1 Kb3 96.Ka1 Ka3 97.Kb1 Ka4 98.Ka1 Kb3 99.Kb1 Kb4 100.Ka1 Kb3 101.Kb1 Ka4 102.Ka1 Ka3 103.Kb1 Kb3 104.Ka1 Kc3 ½-½ (104) PetersBot (2981)-Fipsi_x (3051) Blitz 2024*)* 22...Qg3 23.Rf1 fxe4 24.Qg5 Qxf3 25.Ncxe4 *(25.Nfxe4 Qxd3 26.Rd1 Bxc3+ 27.Nxc3 Qh3 28.Qxf6 Bf5 29.Qxd6 Nd7 30.Qe7 Nf6 31.Rxf5 Re8 32.Re5 Rxe7 33.Rxe7 b5 34.d6 Qg3+ 35.Ke2 Qh2+ 36.Ke1 Qg3+ 37.Ke2 Qh2+ 38.Ke1 Qg3+* ½-½ (38) PetersBot (2944)-Fipsi_x (3056) Blitz 2024*)* 25...Nxe4 26.Nxe4 Qxd3 27.Rxf8+ Kxf8 28.Qd8+ Kg7 29.Qe7+ Kh6 30.Qg5+ Kh7 31.Qe7+ Kh6 32.Qg5+ Kh7 33.Qe7+ Kh6 ½-½ (33) PetersBot (2985)-Fipsi_x (3044) Blitz 2024;

F3b) 14...Be5 15.Kf2 a6 16.a4 Bd4 17.Kg2 f5 18.Nc4 Ne5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Bf4 Rae8 21.Qd2 Nf6 22.Rae1 Kh7 23.a5 Qc7 24.Rhf1 Qd7 25.Kh2 Qd8 26.Nb6 Nfd7 27.Bh6 Rg8 28.Bg5 Qc7 29.Nca4 Nxb6 30.Nxb6 Qg7 31.Kg2 Rh8 32.Bf4 Rhf8 33.Nc4 Qd7 34.Kh2 Qd8 35.Bg5 Qd7 36.Bf4 Qd8 37.Kg2 Qd7 38.Rh1 Qd8 39.Nb6 Qf6 40.Rhf1 Qg7 41.Bc4 Rf7 42.Bxe5 Rxe5 43.Bd3 Rfe7 44.Bxf5 gxf5 45.Rxe5 Qxe5 46.Kh3 Kg8 47.Qg5+ Rg7 48.Nd7 Qe2 49.Qd8+ Kh7 50.Nf8+ Kh8 51.Ng6+ Kh7 52.Re1 Qxe1 53.Nf8+ Kg8 54.Ng6+ Kh7 55.Nf8+ Kg8 56.Ng6+ Kh7 ½-½ (56) PetersBot (3003)-ArasanX (2964) Blitz 2024]

11.Nf1 a6

[11...Nh5 12.Be3 *(12.g4* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?'*)* 12...a6 13.a4 Krasenkow, Michal: '0-1 (45) Garriga Cazorla,P (2386)-Lagno,K (2530) Caleta 2017' Krasenkow,Michal: 'transposed to the 8...a6 9.a4 Nbd7 line.' f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Nd2 Ne5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Nc4 0-0 18.0-0 ChessBase: 'Diagramm (Diagram)



Schwarz hätte hier den Le3 schlagen können, doch Kasparov konnte der Gelegenheit nicht widerstehen, seinen Springer nach g3 zu stellen.' Ng3 ChessBase: '!?' 19.hxg3 hxg3 20.Bxg4 fxg4 21.Ne4 ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'Stark verteidigt von Nakamura, der sich bereit macht, seinen Springer für den Bg3 zu geben. ' Qh4 22.Nxg3 Qxg3 23.Qe1 ChessBase: '!' 'ChessBase: 'Der Damentausch ist unvermeidbar und Weiß sollte danach deutlichen Vorteil haben.' Qxe1 24.Raxe1 Bd7 *(24...Rf6* ChessBase: 'war am besten. ' *)* 25.Nxd6 Bxa4 26.Bxc5 b6 27.Ba3 *(27.Bxb6 Rfb8 28.Bc5 Rxb2 29.f5* ChessBase: '+-'*)* 27...Bb3 28.Kh2 *(28.f5* ChessBase: '!?' *g3 29.Rf4* ChessBase: '+-'*)* 28...Bxd5 29.Kg3 b5 30.Rd1 Ba2 31.Kxg4 Rab8 32.Bc5 b4 33.Rd2 a5 34.Ra1 b3 35.Re1 Rxf4+ ChessBase: '!' ChessBase: 'Kasparov ist hellwach!' 36.Kxf4 Bh6+ 37.Kg4 Bxd2 38.Re7 Bb4 39.Bxb4 Rxb4+ 40.Kg5 Bb1 41.Ra7 a4 42.Ne8 Kf8 43.Nf6 Rd4 44.g4 Rd2 45.Rxa4 Rxb2 46.Rb4 Kf7 47.Nd5 Rd2 48.Rb7+ Kf8 49.Rb8+ Kf7 ½-½ (49) Osnos,V (2787)-10. ♔ b1 b5 11. c5_13795_15163 (2812) corr ICCF 2016 Nimzo How to play [FS 106]]

12.a4 Rb8

[12...Nh5 13.g4 hxg3 14.hxg3

A) 14...Rb8 15.g4 Nhf6 16.Rxh8+ Bxh8 17.Bf4 Ne5 *(17...Qe7 18.Ne3 Ne5 19.Ra3 Bd7 20.a5 Kf8 21.Rb3 c4 22.Nxc4 Nxc4 23.Bxc4 Nxg4 24.fxg4 Qh4+ 25.Kd2 Qf2+ 26.Ne2 Kg8 27.Qg1 Qh4 28.Qg3 Qd8 29.Rb6 Rc8 30.Bd3 Rc5 31.b4 Rc8 32.g5 Ba4 33.Bxd6 Qe8 34.e5 Bg7 35.Rxb7 Bb3 36.Qf3* 1-0 (36) W-B-Yeats (2621)-kemelgallo (2667) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Qd2 Nfd7 19.g5 Qa5 20.Ra3 Qb4 21.Ne3 c4 22.a5 b5 23.axb6 Rxb6 24.Ncd1 Nc5 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Qxb4 Rxb4 27.Nxc4 Bf4 28.Nde3 Ke7 29.Nc2 Rb3 30.Rxb3 Nxb3 31.Nb6 Bb7 32.Bc4 Nd2 33.Be2 Bxg5 34.Nd4 Be3 35.Nc6+ Bxc6 36.dxc6 Nxf3+ 37.Bxf3 Bxb6 38.b4 Kd8 39.Be2 Kc7 40.Bxa6 Kxc6 41.Bc4 f6 42.Bf7 g5 43.Bc4 Bd4 44.Ke2 Bc3 45.b5+ Kc5 46.Bd3 Ba5 47.Kf3 Kd4 48.Bb1 Kc4 49.Kg4 Kxb5 50.Kf5 Bc3 51.Ba2 Kc5 52.Bd5 Kd4 53.Kg4 Ke3 54.Bb7 ½-½ (54) rhungaski (2654)-cutemouse83 (2877) Blitz 2021;

B) 14...Ke7

B1) 15.Bg5+ Nhf6 16.Rxh8 *(16.Rg1 Kf8 17.Qd2 Qa5 18.Nd1 Qc7 19.Nde3 Rb8 20.a5 b5 21.axb6 Nxb6 22.g4 Nfd7 23.Rc1 Na4 24.b4 Qa7 25.bxc5 Ndxc5 26.Nc4 Nb3 27.Qf4 Kg8 28.Qxd6 Nxc1*

29.Bxc1 Rb1 30.Qd8+ Bf8 31.Nfe3 Rxc1+ 32.Kf2 Rxg1 33.Kxg1 Nb2 34.Qb6 Qxb6 35.Nxb6 Bc5 36.Nxc8 Bxe3+ 37.Kg2 Bc5 38.d6 Kg7 39.d7 1-0 (39) cubanito2002 (2665)-Mapwright (2621) Blitz 2020*)* 16...Qxh8 17.Qd2 Kf8 18.0-0-0 Qh3 19.f4 b5 20.a5 b4 21.e5 bxc3 22.Qe3 cxb2+ 23.Kxb2 dxe5 24.Ka2 Qf5 25.d6 Qc2+ 0-1 (25) cubanito2002 (2666)-Mapwright (2620) Blitz 2020;

B2) 15.Be3 Nhf6 16.Rxh8 Qxh8 17.Qd2 Qh3 18.a5 Rb8 19.Na4 Nh5 20.Bf2 Kf8 21.Ra3 b5 22.axb6 Nxb6 23.Rb3 Nd7 24.Rxb8 Nxb8 25.Qa5 Qd7 26.Nb6 Qc7 27.b3 Nd7 28.Nc4 Qxa5+ 29.Nxa5 Bc3+ 30.Kd1 Bxa5 31.f4 Nhf6 32.Bd3 Bb6 33.Ne3 c4 34.bxc4 Nc5 35.Nc2 Nxd3 36.Bxb6 Nxe4 37.Bc7 Bg4# 0-1 (37) cubanito2002 (2675)-Mapwright (2611) Blitz 2020]

[12...Ne5 13.Ne3 Nh5 14.Ng4 Nxg4 15.fxg4 Nf6 16.e5 dxe5 17.0-0 h3 18.Bg5 hxg2 19.Kxg2 Qb6 20.h3 Nh7 21.Be3 0-0 22.a5 Qc7 23.d6 Qd8 24.Bxc5 Bd7 25.Nd5 Bc6 26.Bf3 Kh8 27.Ne7 Bxf3+ 28.Qxf3 Qd7 29.b4 f5 30.Nxg6+ Kg8 31.gxf5 Nf6 32.Rae1 e4 33.Qb3+ Kh7 34.Rf4 Bh6 35.Rff1 Qc6 36.Kh2 Rfd8 37.Ne5 Qd5 38.Qxd5 Nxd5 39.Rxe4 Rg8 40.f6 Rg5 41.f7 Rf8 42.Nd7 1-0 (42) rhungaski (2661)-cutemouse83 (2870) Blitz 2021]

13.a5

[13.Bg5 h3 14.gxh3 c4 *(14...Rxh3 15.Ng3 Kf8 16.Qd2 Qe8 17.0-0 Nh7 18.Be3 Kg8 19.f4 Rh4 20.e5 dxe5 21.f5 Ndf6 22.a5 Bd7 23.Rae1 b6 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.axb6 Rxb6 26.Bxc5 Qb8 27.b4 Bh6 28.Qc2 Bf4 29.Qxg6+ Kh8 30.Rf2 Rh6 31.Qd3 Ng5 32.Kh1 Bxg3 33.Qxg3 Nfe4 34.Nxe4 Nxe4 35.Qe3 Nxf2+ 36.Qxf2 Rbf6 37.Qe3 Qe8 38.Rg1 Rhg6 39.Rg3 Kh7 40.Kg1 Bb5 41.Bf3 Rxg3+ 42.hxg3 Qf7 43.Be4+ Kg8 44.Qg5+ Qg7 45.Qh4 Qh6 46.Qxh6 Rxh6 47.Bf5 Kf7 48.Kg2 Rh8 49.Bb6 Ke8 50.Bc7 Rf8 51.Bg6+ Kd7 52.Bxe5 Bf1+ 53.Kg1 Bc4 54.Be4 Rf1+ 55.Kg2 Rd1 56.Bf5+ Ke8 57.d6 Bb5 58.Be4 Kd7 59.Bf5+ Ke8 60.Be4 Kd7 61.Bf5+ Kd8 62.Bf6+ Ke8 63.Be7 Bd3 64.Bg4 Rd2+ 65.Kf3 Bc2 66.Bc8 Rd4 67.Bxa6 Rxb4 68.Kf2 Bf5 69.Ke3 Re4+ 70.Kf2 Rxe7 71.Bb5+ Bd7 72.dxe7 Bxb5* ½-½ (72) ttBOT (2773)-TheMatrix2025 (2852) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.Bxc4 Ne5 16.Be2 Bxh3 17.Qd4 Qa5 18.Nd2 Nh7 19.Qa7 0-0 20.Bf4 b5 21.Rg1 Nf6 22.Ra2 b4 23.Nd1 b3 24.Ra1 Nh5 25.Be3 Bd7 26.Rc1 Ra8 27.Qc7 Qb4 28.Qc3 Nxf3+ 29.Bxf3 Bxc3 30.Rxc3 Ng7 31.Rxb3 Qa5 32.Bb6 Qxa4 33.Ra3 Qb4 34.Rb3 Qa4 35.Ra3 Qb4 36.Rb3 Qxb3 37.Nxb3 Rfb8 38.Nc5 dxc5 39.Ba5 Rb3 40.Kf2 Kf8 41.Bc3 a5 42.Ne3 a4 43.Bd1 Rbb8 44.Nc4 Ne8 45.h4 Bb5 46.Na3 Nd6 47.Bc2 Bd7 48.Rh1 Ke7 49.h5 gxh5 50.Rxh5 Nb5 51.Nxb5 Bxb5 52.Bd1 Ra6 53.Rh7 Rg8 54.Bh5 Be8 55.Be5 Kd8 56.Be2 Rb6 57.Bc3 Kc8 58.Bf3 Ra6 59.Be2 Rag6 60.Be5 Kb7 61.Bh5 Ra6 62.Bf3 Rg5 63.Bf4 Rg8 64.Be5 Rb6 65.Bc3 Ka6 66.Be2+ Bb5 67.Bd1 Rb7 68.Rh6+ Ka7 69.Rh5

Re7 70.Bf3 Rb7 71.Bd1 Bd7 72.Rh7 Be8 73.Be2 Rb3 74.Rh1 Rb8 75.Rh4 Rb3 76.Bd1 Rb6 77.Bf3 Ra6 78.Rh1 Kb7 79.Be5 Rag6 80.Bc3 Ka6 81.e5 Rb6 82.Be4 Ka7 83.Bd3 Kb8 84.Bh7 Rf8 85.Ke3 a3 86.bxa3 Rb3 87.Rb1 Rxb1 88.Bxb1 Rg8 89.Be4 Rg3+ 90.Bf3 Rh3 91.Kf4 Kb7 92.Be1 Kb6 93.Bf2 Rh2 94.Kg3 Rh8 95.Bg4 Bb5 96.d6 Ra8 97.Kf4 Rxa3 98.Kg5 Rc3 99.Kf6 Rc4 100.Kg5 Rc3 101.Kf6 Rc4 102.Kg5 Ra4 103.Be3 Re4 104.Bf4 Rd4 105.Bg3 Be8 106.Bf2 Rd2 107.Be3 Rd3 108.Bc1 Rg3 109.Kh4 Rc3 110.Bf4 Rc4 111.Kg5 Bc6 112.Be3 Re4 113.Bf4 Rd4 114.Be3 Rd3 115.Bc1 Rc3 116.Bf4 Rc4 117.Bh5 Bd5 118.Bh2 Kc6 119.Be2 Rc2 120.Bb5+ Kxb5 121.d7 Rg2+ 122.Kf6 Rg8 123.Ke7 Be6 124.Bf4 Kc6 125.d8Q Rxd8 126.Kxd8 Kd5 127.Kc7 c4 0-1 (127) PetersBot (2961)-Fipsi_x (3050) Blitz 2024]

[13.Ne3 Nh5 14.a5 Ne5 15.0-0 Nf4 16.Kh1 0-0 17.Rf2 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.Nc4 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 Be5 21.Ne2 g5 22.Nxf4 gxf4 23.Rc2 Kg7 24.Bd2 f5 25.Bc3 Bxc3 26.bxc3 a5 27.Qe1 fxe4 28.Qxh4 Qd8 29.Qxd8 Rxd8 30.fxe4 Re8 31.Bd3 Kf6 32.Rf2 Ke5 33.Bc2 Bd7 34.h3 Ra8 35.Ba4 Bxa4 36.Rxa4 Rf8 37.Kh2 Rf7 38.Rf3 Rb8 39.Rxa5 Rb2 40.Ra8 Kxe4 41.Rg8 Kxd5 42.h4 Ke4 43.Kh3 Rbb7 44.Re8+ Rbe7 45.Rd8 d5 46.Rf1 Rd7 47.Re8+ Kd3 48.Rf3+ Kc4 49.h5 Rd6 50.g4 d4 51.cxd4 cxd4 52.Rc8+ Kd5 53.g5 Ke4 54.Kg4 d3 55.g6 Re7 56.Rc4+ Ke5 57.Rcxf4 Ke6 58.Rf6+ 1-0 (58) Duda,J (2731)-Giri,A (2764) chess24.com INT 2022]

13...0-0 14.g4 Re8

[14...b5 15.axb6 c4 16.Bxc4 Qxb6 17.Ra3 *(17.Ne3 Bh6 18.Nc2 Bxc1 19.Qxc1 a5 20.Qe3 Nc5 21.0-0 Nfd7 22.Bb5 Ne5 23.b4 axb4 24.Nxb4 Nb3 25.Qxb6 Rxb6 26.Rad1 Nxf3+ 27.Rxf3 Bxg4 28.Rff1 Bxd1 29.Rxd1 Rfb8 30.Nc6* ½-½ (30) Offringa,T (2607)-Morozov, D (2463) ICCF email 2021*)* 17...Nc5 18.Ne3 a5 19.Na4 Qa7 20.Nxc5 Qxc5 21.0-0 Nd7 22.b3 Ne5 23.Kh1 Bd7 24.Be2 Bb5 25.f4 Bxe2 26.Qxe2 Nd7 27.Nc4 a4 28.Be3 Bd4 29.Bxd4 Qxd4 30.Rd1 Qc5 31.Rxa4 Rxb3 32.e5 dxe5 33.fxe5 h3 34.e6 fxe6 35.Ra5 Qc7 36.dxe6 Qb7+ 37.Kg1 Rb1 38.Ne3 Rb2 39.Rd2 Rb1+ 40.Rd1 Rb2 41.Rd2 Rxd2 42.Qxd2 Qb1+ 43.Qd1 Qb4 44.Rd5 Qf4 45.Qe2 Nf6 46.e7 Re8 47.Rd8 Kf7 48.Qf2 Qe5 49.Rxe8 Kxe8 50.Qf3 Kxe7 51.Qxh3 Qd4 52.Kg2 Qb2+ 53.Kg1 Qd4 54.Kf1 Qa1+ 55.Kg2 Qb2+ 56.Kf3 Qb7+ 57.Ke2 Qb2+ 58.Kf3 Qb7+ 59.Kf2 Qb2+ 60.Kg3 Qb8+ 61.Kf2 Qb2+ 62.Ke1 Qb1+ 63.Ke2 Qb5+ 64.Ke1 Qb1+ 65.Ke2 Qb2+ 66.Kf3 ½-½ (66) PetersBot (3012)-RemstalBot (3043) Blitz 2024]

[14...Nh7 15.Ne3 Ng5 16.0-0 Nh3+ 17.Kh1 g5 18.Bd3 Ne5 19.Ne2 b5 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.gxf5 c4 22.Bb1 Bh6 23.f4 Nxf4 24.Nxf4 gxf4 25.Qh5 Qf6 26.Rg1+ Kh7 27.Bxf4 Rg8 28.Bc2 b4 29.Raf1 b3 30.Bb1 Rbf8 31.Bc1 Re8 32.Bd2 Rb8 33.Re1 Rbd8 34.Rd1 Rb8 35.Rdf1 Ra8 36.Bf4 Rab8 37.Be3 Rbc8 38.Bc1 Rb8 39.Rd1 Ra8 40.Rdf1 Rab8 41.Be3 Rbc8 42.Bf4 Rb8 43.Re1 Rbc8

44.Bd2 Rb8 45.Be3 Rbe8 46.Bf4 Rb8 47.Bc1 Ra8 48.Bf4 Rab8 49.Rd1 Rbc8 50.Bd2 Rb8 51.Rdf1 Ra8 52.Rc1 Rac8 53.Rce1 Rce8 54.Be3 Ref8 55.Bc1 Rb8 56.Bd2 Rbc8 57.Be3 Rb8 58.Bd2 ½-½ (58) Nikitosikbot (2907)-FantacticEman (2898) Blitz 2023]

15.Ne3 b5 16.axb6 Nxb6 17.0-0 Nfd7 18.h3 c4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 20.Nxc4 Rb4 21.Na5 Ne5 22.Kh1

[22.Ra2 Bd7 23.Be3 Qc7 24.Qe2 Reb8 25.Rfa1 Rc8 26.Kh1 Qb8 27.Rc1 Bf6 28.Rf1 Nc4 29.Nxc4 Rcxc4 30.Rxa6 Rxc3 31.bxc3 Bb5 32.Qa2 Bxa6 33.Qxa6 Rb2 34.Qd3 Qb3 35.Rf2 Bxc3 36.Rxb2 Qxb2 37.Kg1 Ba5 38.Qf1 Bd2 39.Qe2 Bxe3+ 40.Qxe3 Qa1+ 41.Kf2 Qe5 42.f4 Qb2+ 43.Kf1 Qb1+ 44.Kf2 Qb2+ 45.Kf1 Qb1+ 46.Kg2 Qc2+ 47.Kg1 Qb1+ 48.Kg2 Qc2+ 49.Kg1 g5 50.fxg5 Qd1+ 51.Kf2 Qc2+ 52.Ke1 Qb1+ 53.Ke2 Qc2+ 54.Ke1 Qb1+ 55.Kd2 Qb2+ 56.Kd3 Qb3+ 57.Ke2 Qc2+ 58.Kf1 Qb1+ 59.Kf2 Qb2+ 60.Kf3 Qb1 61.e5 Qh1+ 62.Kf4 Qxd5 63.g6 fxg6 64.Qc3 Qf7+ 65.Kg5 Qg7 66.Kf4 Kh7 67.Qd4 dxe5+ 68.Qxe5 Qf8+ 69.Ke4 Qb4+ 70.Kd5 Qb3+ 71.Kc6 Qf3+ 72.Kc5 Qa3+ 73.Kc4 Qxh3 74.Qc7+ Kh6 75.g5+ Kh5 76.Qh7+ Kxg5 77.Qe7+ Kh5 78.Qh7+ Kg5 79.Qe7+ Kh6 80.Qf8+ Kh5 81.Qh8+ Kg4 82.Qd4+ Kh5 83.Qh8+ Kg5 84.Qd8+ Kf4 85.Qd4+ Kg5 86.Qd8+ Kf4 87.Qd4+ Kf3 88.Qd1+ Kg2 89.Qc2+ Kf1 90.Qxg6 Ke1 91.Qb1+ Ke2 92.Qa1 Qf1 93.Qb2+ Ke3+ 94.Kb4 Qh1 95.Qa2 h3 96.Qb3+ Kd2 97.Qa2+ Ke3 98.Qb3+ Kf4 99.Qf7+ Kg5 100.Qc7 Qe1+ 101.Ka4 Qd1+ 102.Ka5 Qd4 103.Qh2 Qg7 104.Qxh3 Qf7 105.Qh1 Qf4 106.Qa1 Qd2+ 107.Ka4 Kg6 108.Qb1+ Kg7 109.Qa1+ Kf7 110.Qb1 Qc3 111.Qd1 Kg8 112.Qb1 Kh8 113.Qd1 Qb2 114.Qe1 Kg8 115.Qd1 Qh8 116.Qb1 Kf7 117.Qc1 Qh5 118.Qa1 Kg6 119.Qb1+ Kg5 120.Qa1 Qe2 121.Qb1 Kg4 122.Qc1 Qe4+ 123.Ka3 Qe7+ 124.Ka2 Kf3 125.Qa1 Kg4 126.Qb1 Qh4 127.Qa1 Kf5 128.Qb1+ Kf4 129.Qa1 Qg5 130.Qb1 Kg4 131.Qa1 Qa5+ 132.Kb1 Qd5 133.Qa2 Qf3 134.Qa1 Qf5+ 135.Kc1 Qe4 136.Qg7+ Kf5 137.Qh7+ Kf4 138.Qxe4+ Kxe4 ½-½ (138) PetersBot (2994)-RemstalBot (3037) Blitz 2024]

22...Bd7 23.Ra2 Qc7 24.Qe2 Rb5 25.Nc6 Rb7 26.Nxe5 Bxe5 27.Bg5 f6 28.Be3 g5 29.Rc1 Ra8 30.Bg1 a5 31.Bh2 a4 32.Bxe5 dxe5 33.Raa1 Qa5 34.Nd1 Rb3 35.Kg2 Rc8 36.Rxc8+ Bxc8 37.Ra3 Ba6 38.Qf2 Rxa3 39.bxa3 Kf8 40.Kg1 Kf7 41.Ne3 Bb5 42.Nf5 Kg8 43.Qe3 Qc7 44.Qd2 Qc5+ 45.Kg2 Qxa3 46.d6 Bd7 47.Qd5+ Kh8 48.Qa8+ Kh7 49.Qf8 Qb2+ 50.Kg1 Qb1+ 51.Kg2 Qc2+ 52.Kg1 Qc1+ 53.Kf2 Qd2+ 54.Kg1 Qe1+ 55.Kg2 Qe2+ 56.Kg1 Qe1+ 57.Kg2 Qd2+ 58.Kg1 Qd1+ 59.Kg2 Qc2+ 60.Kg1 Qc1+ 61.Kf2 Qb2+ 62.Ke1 Qa1+ 63.Kf2 Qb2+ 64.Ke1 Qa1+ 65.Kf2 Qa2+ 66.Ke1 Qb1+ 67.Kf2 Qa2+ 68.Ke1 Qb1+ 69.Kf2 Qb6+ 70.Kf1 Qb5+ 71.Kg1 Qb6+ 72.Kg2 Qb2+ 73.Kg1 Qc1+ ½-½ (73) PetersBot (3014)-RemstalBot (3031) Blitz 2024

7...a6 8.a4 White is slightly better. 8...Qe7 0.68/22

[⌓8...exd5 0.31/25 9.cxd5 0-0 *(9...Nbd7 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 h5 12.Nf4 Ne5 13.Be2 0-0 14.0-0 Rb8 15.Qc2 Bd7 16.a5 Ne8 17.Na4 Qxa5 18.b4 Bxa4 19.Rxa4 Qd8 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Qxc5 Nd6 22.Qb4 Re8 23.Rc1 Qf6 24.Ne6 fxe6 25.Qxd6 Nf7 26.Qc5 b6 27.Qc7 exd5 28.Rxa6 dxe4 29.Rc6 Rbc8 30.Qxc8 Rxc8 31.Rxf6 Bxf6 32.fxe4 Nd6 33.Rxb6 Be5 34.Rb3 Nxe4 35.Bd3 Nc5 36.Bc4+ Kg7 37.Rb5 Bd6 38.Rb6 Be5 39.Rb5 Bd6 40.Bd4+ Kf8 41.Rb1 Nd7 42.Be6 Rc7 43.Rf1+* ½-½ (43) Cheparinov,I (2689)-Topalov,V (2739) Caleta ENG 2017 *)*]

9.dxe6 0.29/23

[9.g4± 0.68/22 might be stronger.]

9...fxe6= 10.Bf4 e5 11.Bg5 Nc6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nec3 Nd4 14.Bd3 0-0 15.0-0 Be6 16.Ne2 Nxe2+ 1.04/25

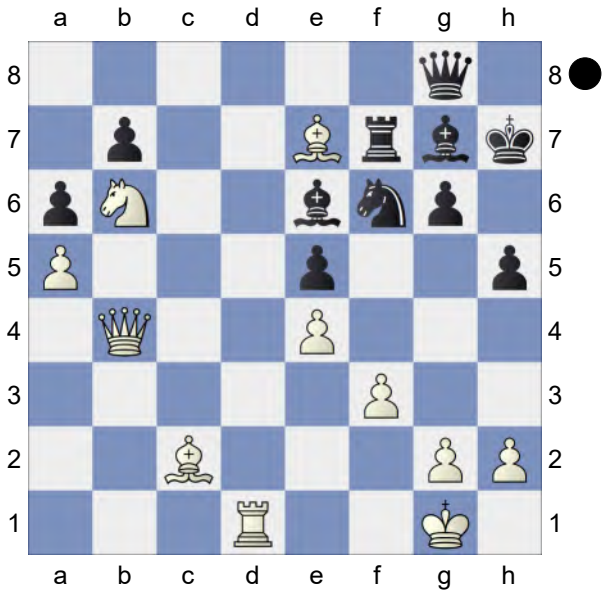
[16...Rf7± 0.48/19]

17.Bxe2± Rf7 18.Qd2 Qf8 19.Nb6 Rd8 20.Rad1 h6 21.Be3 Rc7 22.b4 cxb4 23.Qxb4 Rc6 24.a5 h5 25.Nd5 Rd7 26.Bd3 Rf7 27.Bc2 Kh7 28.Bf2 Rc8 1.92/19

[28...Nd7± 1.34/19]

29.Nb6+- Rd8 30.c5 dxc5 31.Bxc5 Qg8 32.Rxd8 Qxd8 33.Rd1 Qg8 34.Be7

(Diagram)



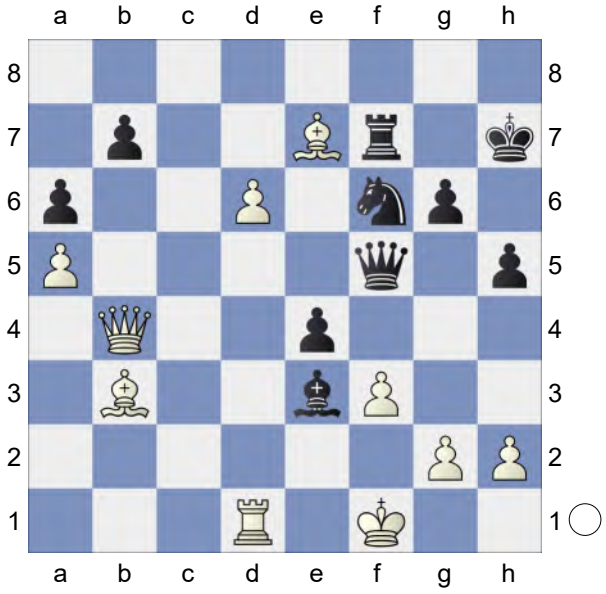
Rd1-d8 would now be deadly.

34...Bh6 35.Nd5 Wards off Bh6-e3+

35...Bxd5 36.exd5 Qc8 37.Bb3↑ Threatens to win with d5-d6. White has strong initiative. A strong pair of Bishops. 37...e4? 3.77/17 This move loses the game for Black. 38.d6

[38.fxe4? too greedy. Be3+ 39.Kh1 Ng4-+]

38...Be3+ 39.Kf1 Qf5



Strongly threatening ...e4xf3!

40.Qc4

[Weaker is 40.Bxf7 exf3=]
40...Rg7 41.Qe6 Qb5+ 42.Bc4 Qb2 43.Be2 Active counter play!
[43.Bxf6? Qf2#]
43...Ng8 5.51/23
[43...Nd7 3.63/18 is a better defense. 44.Qxd7 Qe5]
44.Bf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.22 (precise) 1-0 (44) Aronian,L (2739)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2737) Chennai IND 2024 The Week in Chess 1566 [Kitty Kat]

141 Mikhail Golubev: 'The most common line is' **8...exd5** 9.cxd5 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Damit sind wir bei der Vier-Bauern-Variante in Benoni.
Dermed er vi i firebondevarianten i Benoni.' 9...Nbd7 Krasenkow, Michal: 'leads to a common line 8...0-0 9.Ng3 Nbd7.'
[9...h5
A) 10.Bd3 Na6 *(10...Nbd7 11.0-0 Ne5 12.Be2 Nh7 13.f4 Ng4 14.e5 dxe5 15.f5 Nxh2 16.fxg6 fxg6 17.Rxf8+ Bxf8 18.Nxh5 Qh4 19.d6 Be6 20.Qd3 Bf7 21.Ng3 c4 22.Qe3 Bxd6 23.Nge4 Bc7 24.Qg3 Bb6+ 25.Kh1 Qxg3 26.Nxg3 Nf6 27.Kxh2 Kg7 28.Nge4 Rh8+ 29.Kg3 Nxe4+ 30.Nxe4 Bd5 31.Bf3 Rh1 32.Nc3 Bxf3 33.Kxf3 Bd4 34.Ne2 Kf7 35.a4 a6 36.Ra3 Ke6 37.a5 Kd5 38.b3 1-0 (38) sjakk98765 (2720)-Nakigraw (2781) Blitz 2022)* 11.0-0 h4 12.Nge2 Nh5 13.Be3 Nc7 14.Qc1 Rb8 15.Rb1 f5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 b6 18.a4 Na6 19.Bxa6 Bxa6 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.axb5 h3 22.g3 Rc8 23.Rc4 fxe4 24.fxe4 Rxf1+ 25.Kxf1 Rxc4 26.Qxc4 Qf6+ 27.Nf4 Nxf4 28.gxf4 Kh7 29.Qc8 Qb2 30.Qxh3+ Kg8 31.Qe6+ Kh7 32.h4 Qxb5+ 33.Kf2 Qb2+ 34.Kg3 Qa3 35.Kf2 Qb2+ 36.Kg3 Qa3 37.Kf2 Qb2+ ½-½ (37) chessisinmyblood (2753)-adnan_nn (2800) Blitz 2021;
B) 10.Be2 Nh7 11.Be3 *(11.Bf4 h4 12.Nf1 f5 13.Qd2 Na6 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qg5 16.Qxg5 Nxg5 17.Ne3 fxe4 18.fxe4 Re8 19.Bxa6 bxa6 20.Nc4 Nxe4 21.0-0 Nxc3 22.bxc3 Rd8 23.Rf6 Bf5 24.Re1 Kg7 25.Rxd6 Bd3 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Ne3 c4 28.h3 a5 29.Ng4 Rxd5 30.Re7+ Kf8 31.Rxa7 Rf5 32.Ne3 Re5 33.Kf2 g5 34.a3 Rb5 35.a4 Rb3 36.Rxa5 Rxc3 37.Rxg5 Ra3 38.Rg4 c3 39.Rxh4 c2 40.Rh8+ Kg7 41.Rc8 Rxa4 42.Rc3 Ra2 43.Ke1 Be4 44.g4 Ra1+ 45.Kd2 Rh1 46.Nxc2 Rh2+ 47.Kc1 Bxc2 48.Rxc2 Rxh3 49.Kd2 Rg3 50.Rc4 Kg6 51.Ke2 Kg5 52.Kf2 Rxg4 53.Rxg4+ Kxg4 ½-½ (53) GoksuRiver (2704)-Leelenstein14 (2592) Blitz 2020)* 11...h4 *(11...Qe7 12.0-0 f5 13.Qd2 h4 14.Nh1 a6 15.Rae1 b5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nf2 Nd7 18.Kh1 Ne5 19.Nh3 Bd7 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Bxg4 Qd6 23.Bf3 b4 24.Nd1 Rad8 25.Qf2 c4 26.Qxh4 c3 27.bxc3 bxc3 28.Ne3 Bb5 29.Rg1 Qf6 30.Ng5 Nxg5 31.fxg5 Qd4 32.Qh3 Bd3 33.g6 Rf6 34.d6 Be4 35.Bxe4 Qxe4 36.Rgf1 Qd3 37.Rd1 Qe2 38.Nxf5 Kf8 39.Qxc3* 1-0 (39) Basso,P (2600)-Abdumalik,Z (2471) Caleta ENG

2020 *)* 12.Nf1 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.f4 Nd7 15.Nd2 Ndf6 16.0-0 Ng4 17.Bxg4 fxg4 18.Nc4 Bf5 19.Qd2 a6 20.a4 Qf6 21.a5 Rae8 22.Rae1 Qg6 23.Rd1 Bc2 24.f5 Bxf5 25.Bf4 Rf6 26.Rde1 Ref8 27.Re3 h3 28.g3 Ng5 29.Bxg5 Qxg5 30.Rf4 Bh6 31.Qf2 Qg6 32.Ne2 Bd3 33.Nxd6 Bxe2 34.Rxe2 0-1 (34) penguingim1 (2716)-Abdisalimov,A (2392) Blitz 2020;

C) 10.Bg5

C1) 10...Qa5

C1a) 11.Qd2 a6 12.Be2 b5 13.0-0 b4 14.Nd1 Re8 *(14...Nbd7 15.Ne3 Nh7 16.Nc4 Qc7 17.Be7 Bd4+ 18.Kh1 Ne5 19.Bxf8 Kxf8 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Bc4 Kg7 22.Ne2 Nf6 23.Rac1 Qd6 24.Bd3 Bd7 25.Nxd4 exd4 26.f4 Ng4 27.Rce1 Bb5 28.h3 Ne3 29.Rxe3 dxe3 30.Qxe3 Bxd3 31.Qxd3 Rc8 32.e5 Qb6 33.d6 Qb5 34.Qxb5 axb5 35.Rd1 Kf8 36.d7 Rd8 37.Rd5 c4 38.Rxb5 c3 39.bxc3 bxc3 40.Rc5 Rxd7 41.Rxc3 Rd2 42.a3 h4 43.Kg1 Ra2 44.g3 Kg7 45.gxh4 Kh6 46.Rf3 Kh5 47.f5 gxf5 48.Rxf5+ Kxh4 49.Rxf7 Rxa3 50.e6 Re3 51.e7 Kxh3 52.Kf2 Re6 53.Kf3 Kh4 54.Kf4 Kh5 55.Kf5 Re1 56.Rh7#* 1-0 (56) BackyardProfessor (2662)-Anstrain (2600) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.Ne3 Nh7 16.Nc4 Qc7 17.Bh4 Nd7 18.f4 Nb6 19.Kh1 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 a5 21.e5 Ba6 22.exd6 Qxd6 23.Bxa6 Rxa6 24.f5 c4 25.Rae1 Rd8 26.Bxd8 Qxd8 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.Ne4 Nf6 29.Nxf6+ Rxf6 30.Rxf6 Bxf6 31.d6 c3 32.bxc3 bxc3 33.Qd5+ Kg7 34.d7 Qc7 35.Qd3 Bg5 36.Re2 a4 37.Rc2 Bf6 38.d8Q Bxd8 39.Qxc3+ Qxc3 40.Rxc3 Be7 41.a3 Kf6 42.Rc4 Bxa3 43.Rxa4 Be7 44.Rc4 Bd6 45.Rc2 Bf4 46.Kg1 h4 47.h3 Bg3 48.Kf1 g5 49.Ke2 Kf5 50.Kf3 Be5 51.Rc4 Bf4 52.Ra4 Kg6 53.Kg4 Be5 54.Ra6+ Bf6 55.Rc6 Kf7 56.Kf5 Be7 57.Rc7 Ke8 58.Ke6 Bd8 59.Rc8 g4 60.hxg4 h3 61.gxh3 Kf8 62.Rxd8+ 1-0 (62) BackyardProfessor (2675)-Anstrain (2591) Blitz 2021;

C1b) 11.Be2 Nbd7 12.0-0 *(12.Qd2 Re8 13.0-0 Nh7 14.Bh4 b5 15.f4 b4 16.Nd1 Ba6 17.Ne3 Nhf6 18.Bd3 c4 19.Bc2 c3 20.bxc3 bxc3 21.Qf2 Bxf1 22.Rxf1 Qc5 23.h3 Rab8 24.e5 dxe5 25.f5 e4 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Kh1 Rb2 28.Qf4 Rxc2 29.Nxc2 Qxd5 30.Ne3 Qxa2 31.Qc7 Qe6 32.Qxa7 Nd5 33.Nxd5 Qxd5 34.Qe3 Qd3 35.Qf4 Rf8 36.Qc1 Rxf1+ 37.Nxf1 Ne5 38.Ne3 Bh6 39.Qa1 Qxe3 40.Qa8+ Kg7 41.Qd8 Qc1+ 42.Kh2 Bf4+ 43.g3 Qd2+* 0-1 (43) h16 (2662)-tiger_nad (2711) Blitz 2021*)* 12...c4 13.Kh1 b5 14.a4 b4 15.Nb5 Qb6 16.Bxc4 Nh7 17.Bf4 Ne5 18.Be2 h4 19.a5

Qd8 20.Rc1 hxg3 21.Bxg3 a6 22.Nd4 Qxa5 23.f4 Nd7 24.Nc6 Qa2 25.f5 Qxb2 26.fxg6 Nhf6 27.Bxd6 fxg6 28.Bxf8 Bxf8 29.e5 Ne4 30.e6 Ndf6 31.e7 Bg4 32.Bxg4 Nxg4 33.Rc2 Nef2+ 34.Kg1 Nxd1 35.Rxb2 Nxb2 36.d6 Bxe7 37.Nxe7+ Kg7 38.Nc6 Nf6 39.Nxb4 a5 40.Nc6 a4 41.Nd4 a3 42.Ne6+ Kf7 43.Ng5+ Kg7 44.Ne6+ Kg8 45.Nc7 Rf8 46.Ne6 Rf7 47.Rxf6 a2 48.Rxf7 Kxf7 49.d7 a1Q+ 50.Kf2 Nd3+ 51.Ke3 Qe5+ 52.Kd2 Qa5+ 53.Ke3 Qb6+ 54.Kd2 Qa5+ 55.Ke3 Qa7+ 0-1 (55) Beast_in_White (2691)-Laniso172030 (2655) Blitz 2023;

C2) 10...a6 11.Qd2 b5 12.Qf4 Qe7 13.Be2 Nbd7 14.0-0 Qe5 15.Qh4 Nh7 16.Be3 Bf6 17.Qh3 Nb6 18.f4 Qe7 19.f5 b4 20.Nd1 h4 21.Nh1 Qxe4 22.Nhf2 Qxf5 23.Ng4 Qc2 24.Nxf6+ Nxf6 25.Qxh4 Nbxd5 26.Bf3 Be6 27.Bh6 Rfe8 28.Ne3 Nxe3 29.Bxe3 Nh7 30.Bxa8 Rxa8 31.Rae1 Qxb2 32.Bf4 Bxa2 33.Bxd6 Bd5 34.Qg3 c4 35.Be5 Qc2 36.Rf2 Qa4 37.Ref1 Qd7 38.Bd4 Be6 39.Qe5 f6 40.Rxf6 Nxf6 41.Qxf6 Qxd4+ 42.Qxd4 Re8 43.Qf6 Kh7 44.Qh4+ Kg8 45.Re1 b3 46.Qf6 Bf7 47.Rxe8+ Bxe8 48.Qxa6 Bf7 49.Qf6 Kf8 50.Kf2 Ke8 51.Ke3 Bd5 52.g4 Kd7 53.Kd2 Normal 1-0 (53) licg (2663)-pbkttc (2500) Blitz 2024;

C3) 10...Qe8 11.Qd2 a6 12.Bd3 b5 13.0-0 Nbd7 14.Rae1 Nh7 15.Bh4 c4 16.Bb1 b4 17.Nd1 Qe5 18.Ne2 a5 19.f4 Qe8 20.Nd4 Ndf6 21.h3 Ba6 22.Rf2 Bb7 23.f5 g5 24.Bxg5 Nxg5 25.Qxg5 Rc8 26.Nf3 c3 27.g4 cxb2 28.Nxb2 Qd8 29.Qh4 Re8 30.g5 Nxd5 31.Qxh5 Rc3 32.Qh4 Ne7 33.Nd3 Bc6 34.Kh2 Bb7 35.g6 Nxg6 36.fxg6 Qxh4 37.gxf7+ Kxf7 38.Nxh4+ Ke6 39.Nf5 Bh8 40.Nf4+ Kd7 41.Ng6 Rg8 42.Nxh8 Rxh8 43.h4 Ke6 44.Rg1 Bc8 45.Rd1 Rc5 46.Kg3 Ke5 47.Ne7 Ke6 48.Ng6 Rg8 49.e5 Rxe5 50.Rc1 a4 51.Kh2 Rc5 52.Rxc5 dxc5 53.h5 Ba6 54.h6 Bc4 55.h7 Kd7 56.Rf8 Rh8 57.Rxh8 Bf1 58.Rb8 Bd3 59.h8Q Bxg6 60.Qf6 Bxb1 61.Rb7+ Kc8 62.Qc6+ Kd8 63.Qd7# 1-0 (63) AILc0 (2826)-AKS-Mantissa (2678) Blitz 2024]

[9...Nh5 10.Nxh5 gxh5

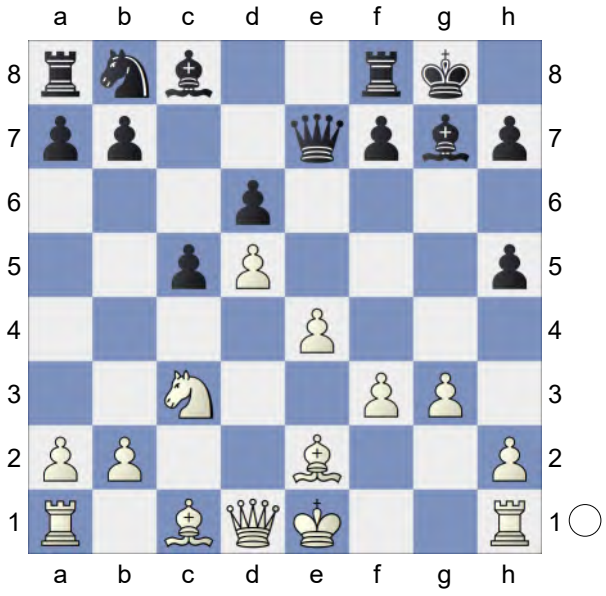
A) 11.Be2

A1) 11...f5 12.0-0 a6 *(12...f4 13.g3 fxg3 14.hxg3 h4 15.Kg2 hxg3 16.Rh1 Be5 17.Bh6 Rf7 18.Qd2 Nd7 19.f4 Bg7 20.Bh5 Re7 21.Bf3 Qf8 22.Bg5 Bf6 23.Rh5 Bxg5 24.Rxg5+ Rg7 25.Rxg7+ Qxg7 26.Rh1 b5 27.Rh3 Kh8 28.Rxg3 Qf6 29.Ne2 Nb6 30.Qc3 Qxc3 31.Nxc3 Bd7 32.e5 b4 33.Nd1 Rf8 34.e6 Be8 35.Rg4 Bh5 36.Rg5 Bg6 37.Ne3 Rxf4 38.Rxg6* 1-0 (38) Artemiev,V (2701)-Tomashevsky,E (2696) Sochi RUS 2022*)* 13.a4 f4

14.g3 Be5 *(14...fxg3 15.hxg3 Qd7 16.Be3 Qh3 17.Rf2±; 14...Bh3 15.Re1 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 fxg3 17.hxg3 Bf2 18.Kh2 Bxe1 19.Qxe1 Bc8 20.e5 dxe5 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.Ne4 Bf5 23.Bc4 Bxe4 24.d6 Nc6 25.Qxe4 Qxd6 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.Qxh7+ Ke6 28.Be3 Rf8 29.f4 Qe7 30.Qc2 Qg7 31.Bxc5 Rd8 32.Rd1 Qg4 33.Qb3+* 1-0 (33) Sjugirov,S (2654)-Belyakov,B (2458) Khanty-Mansiysk RUS 2018*)* 15.gxf4 Bxf4 16.Bxf4 Rxf4 17.Kh1±;

A2) 11...Qh4+N 12.g3 Qe7

Diagram



13.Qd2!? a6 *(⌓13...h6±)* 14.Qg5 Qxg5 15.Bxg5 Re8 16.Bf4 Bf8 17.a4 Nd7 18.h3 Ne5 19.g4± Bd7 20.Kf2 *(20.gxh5 f5 21.Kd2 Kh8 22.a5±)* 20...Rac8 21.Rhg1 hxg4 *(21...h4 22.Nd1 c4 23.Ne3 Bg7 24.Nf5 Bxf5 25.gxf5±)* 22.hxg4 Ng6 23.Bg3 Rb8 24.Nd1! b5 25.axb5 Bxb5 *(25...axb5 26.Ra7 Bc8 27.Ne3±)* 26.Bxb5 axb5 27.Ne3± Bg7?! *(27...Ne5 28.Ke2 Ra8 29.Nf5 f6 30.Bh4 Kf7 31.g5 fxg5 32.Bxg5±)* 28.Bxd6 Bxb2 29.Rab1 Bd4 30.Bxb8 Rxb8 31.Rgd1 Nf4

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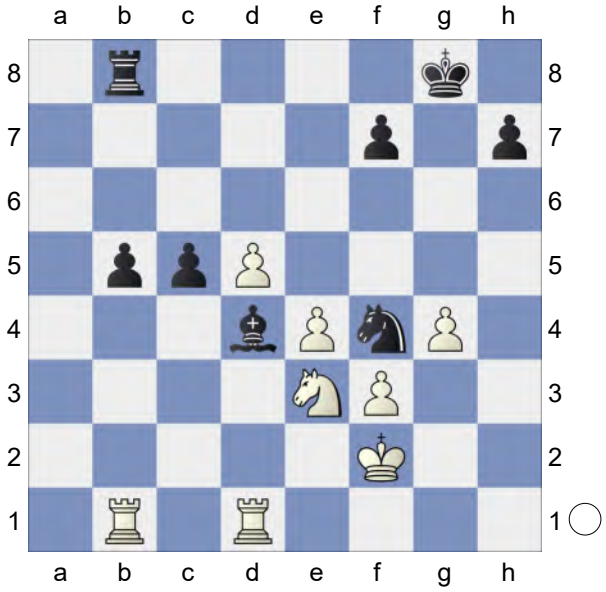


32.Rxd4!+- cxd4 33.Nf5 Nd3+ *(33...d3 34.Ke3 Ng6 35.Kxd3+-)* 34.Ke2 Nf4+ 35.Kd2 Ra8 36.Nxd4 Ra3 37.Rb3 *(37.Kc2 Rd3 38.Rd1+-)* 37...Rxb3 38.Nxb3 h5 39.gxh5 Nxh5 40.Kc3 Kf8 41.Nd4 Ke7 42.Nxb5 Nf4 43.Kd4 f6 44.Ke3 Ng2+ 45.Kf2 Nf4 46.Kg3 Nd3 47.Kg4 Ne5+ 48.Kf4 Nc4 49.Kf5 Kf7 50.Nd4 Ne3+ 51.Kf4 Nc4 52.Nc6 Nd6 53.Ke3 Nb5 54.Kd3 Ke8 55.f4 Kd7 56.e5 fxe5 57.fxe5 Nc7 58.Kc4 1-0 (58) So,W (2794)-Salem,A (2650) Douglas 2016 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Goran];

B) 11.Be3 f5 12.Bd3 *(12.Qd2 Qf6 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.0-0-0 Nd7 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Ne5 17.Qe4 Rae8 18.Rhe1 b5 19.Qc2 Nc4 20.Bg1 Nxb2 21.Qxb2 b4*

22.Na4 Qf4+ 23.Qd2 Qc4+ 24.Qc2 Qb5 25.Re6 c4 26.Rde1 Rc8 27.Re7 Qxd5 28.Qe4 Qg5+ 29.f4 Qf6 30.Qe6+ Qxe6 31.R1xe6 Rxf4 32.Be3 Rf7 33.Rxf7 Kxf7 34.Re4 d5 35.Rf4+ Ke6 36.Rf3 Be5 37.Nc5+ Kd6 38.Nb7+ Kc6 39.Rf7 Rc7 40.Na5+ Kb5 41.Rxc7 Bxc7 42.Nb7 Kc6 43.Nc5 a5 44.Ne6 Bb6 45.Nd4+ Kd7 46.Kd2 Bc5 47.Ke2 c3 48.Nb3 Bxe3 49.Kxe3 a4 50.Nd4 Kd6 51.Kd3 Kc5 52.Nc2 b3 53.axb3 a3 54.Nxa3 d4 55.Nc2 Kd5 56.Nxd4 Ke5 57.Nc2 h4 58.Kxc3 h3 59.b4 Kf4 60.gxh3 Kf3 61.b5 Kg2 62.b6 Kxh2 63.b7 Kxh3 64.b8Q Kh4 65.Qf4+ Kh5 66.Ne3 Kg6 67.Qg4+ Kf6 68.Qf4+ 1-0 (68) cubanito2002 (2672)-StumpSpice (2661) Blitz 2020*; 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Kf2 Re8 14.g3 Nd7 15.Bf4 Ne5 16.Be2 Qb6 17.Qd2 c4+ 18.Be3 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 Rxe3 20.Na4 Rxd3+ 21.Nxb6 Rxd2+ 22.Ke1 Rxb2 23.Nxa8 Bc3+ 24.Kd1 Rd2+ 25.Kc1 Rxd5 26.g4 hxg4 27.fxg4 Be4 28.Nc7 Rd2 29.Nb5 Rc2+ 30.Kd1 Bxa1 31.Re1 d5 32.Nd6 Rxa2 33.Nxe4 dxe4 34.Rxe4 c3 35.Re7 c2+ 36.Kc1 Bb2+* 0-1 (36) MrAble (2624)-Ligole (2416) Rapid 2021*)*
12...Nd7 *(12...h4 13.0-0 h3 14.g3 Be5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Bxf5 Rxf5 17.f4 Bg7 18.Qd3 Rf8 19.Ne4 Re8 20.Ng5 Rxe3 21.Qxh7+ Kf8 22.Rae1 Qe7 23.Rxe3 Qxe3+ 24.Kh1 Nd7 25.Ne6+ Ke8 26.Qg6+ Ke7 27.Qxg7+ Ke8 28.Qh8+ Ke7 29.Qh7+ Ke8 30.Nc7+ Kd8 31.Nxa8 Qe2 32.Qg8+ Ke7 33.Qe6+* 1-0 (33) XThepunisherX (2659)-King_of_Soul (2550) Blitz 2023*)*
13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Be2 Ng6 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.0-0-0 Rb8 17.g4 hxg4 18.fxg4 Bd7 19.h4 b5 20.h5 Ne5 21.Ne4 Nf3 22.Bxf3 Rxf3 23.h6 Bh8 24.Rdf1 Qf8 25.Qg2 Rxf1+ 26.Rxf1 Qe7 27.Bg5 Qe8 28.Bf6 c4 29.Qf3 Qg6 30.Bxh8 Kxh8 31.Qc3+ Kg8 32.Nf6+ 1-0 (32) FeegLood (2787)-Riquelme93 (2657) Blitz 2021;
C) 11.Bd3 Arsovic,Goran: '- 82/(69)' 11...Qb6 *(11...Nd7 12.0-0 a6 13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Bxe5 Bxe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qh4 17.Qd2 f5 18.Rae1 Bxc3 19.Qxc3 fxe4 20.Bxe4 b5 21.Bd3 Ra7 22.Re3 Rg7 23.Qd2 Kh8 24.h3 Qf6 25.Bb1 Bd7 26.Kh2 Re8 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.Re1 Bf7 29.a3 Rg8 30.Re4 h4 31.Kg1 Re8 32.Rxe8+ Bxe8 33.Be4 a5 34.Kh2 Kg7 35.Bf3 Bf7 36.Be2 b4 37.axb4 axb4 38.Kg1 Qd4+ 39.Qxd4+ cxd4 40.Kf2 Kf6 41.g3 hxg3+ 42.Kxg3 Bg6 43.Bg4 h6 44.Bd7 Bf5 45.Ba4 Be4 46.Bc6 d3 47.Kf2 d2 48.Ba4 Bxd5 49.Ke3 Be6 50.Kxd2 Bxh3 51.Ke3 h5 52.Bc6 Be6 53.Kf2 h4 54.Bb7 d5 55.Ba6 d4 56.Bd3 Bf5 57.Bf1 d3 58.Bg2 h3 59.Bc6 Ke7 60.Kf3 Kd6 61.Be8 d2 62.Ba4 h2 63.Kg2 Bg4 64.Kxh2 d1Q 65.Bxd1 Bxd1 66.f5 Bc2 67.f6 Ke6 68.Kg3 Bg6 69.Kg4 Bc2 70.f7 Ke7 71.Kf4 Bb3 72.f8Q+ Kxf8 73.Ke5 Ke7 74.Kd4 Kd6 75.Ke4 Kc5 76.Kd3 Bd5 77.Kd2 Kc4 78.Kc1 Kd3 79.Kd1 Be4 80.Ke1 Bf3 81.Kf2 b3 82.Kxf3*

Kc2 83.Ke2 Kb1 84.Kd2 Kxb2 85.Kd1 Kb1 86.Kd2 b2 87.Kc3 Ka1 88.Kc4 Ka2 89.Kd4 Kb3 90.Ke3 Ka3 91.Kf3 Ka2 92.Ke3 Kb3 93.Kf3 b1Q 94.Kf4 Qe1 95.Kg4 Qe5 96.Kf3 Qg5 97.Ke2 Qf5 98.Ke1 Kc3 99.Ke2 Qf4 100.Ke1 Kd3 101.Kd1 Qf1# 0-1 (101) expositor (2604)-ArasanX (2760) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Qe2 Na6 13.Be3 Nb4 14.Bb1 f5 15.a3 fxe4 16.axb4 exf3 17.gxf3 Qxb4 18.Be4 Bf5 19.Rg1 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Kh8 21.Qd2 Rae8 22.Rxg7 Kxg7 23.Bh6+ Kh8 24.Bxf8 Rxf8 25.0-0-0 b5 26.Qh6 Rf7 27.Qxd6 Qc4 28.Qe5+ Kg8 29.Rg1+ 1-0 (29) gg-gm-gmg (2800)-Bendzalo (2639) Blitz 2021]

[9...Re8 10.Be2

A) 10...Nbd7 11.0-0

A1) 11...h5 12.Bg5 Qb6 13.Qd2 Nh7

A1a) 14.Be3 Ne5 *(14...h4 15.Nh1 f5 16.Nf2 Ndf6 17.b4 Qxb4 18.Rab1 Qa5 19.Nb5 Qd8 20.Bf4 fxe4 21.fxe4 Bf8 22.e5 dxe5 23.Be3 a6 24.Nc3 b5 25.Nfe4 Bf5 26.Bd3 Nxd5 27.Nxd5 Qxd5 28.Qc2 Rad8 29.Rbd1 c4 30.Nf6+ Nxf6 31.Bxf5 Qc6 32.Bxg6 Rxd1 33.Qxd1 Re7 34.Bg5 Qb6+ 35.Kh1 Bg7 36.Bxh4 Rd7 37.Qf3 Qd6 38.h3 e4 39.Qf5 e3 40.Re1 Re7 41.Bg5 Re5 42.Qf4 Qd2 43.Rxe3 Qxe3 44.Qxe3 Rxe3 45.Bxe3 Nd5 46.Bc1 c3 47.Be4 Nb6 48.Bb7 a5 49.g4 b4 50.h4 Kf7 51.g5 Bd4 52.h5 a4 53.g6+ Kg7 54.Be4 b3 55.h6+ Kh8 56.g7+ Bxg7 57.hxg7+ Kxg7 58.axb3 axb3 59.Be3 c2 60.Kg2 Nc4 61.Bc1 Kf6 62.Kf3 Ke5 63.Ke2 Kxe4* 0-1 (63) Itinerant69 (2637)-alitaptap0220 (2632) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.f4 Ng4 16.Bxg4 Bxg4 17.e5 dxe5 18.f5 h4 19.fxg6 Qxg6 20.Nge4 b6 21.Kh1 f5 22.Nf2 f4 23.Nxg4 Qxg4 24.Bg1 Ng5 25.h3 Qf5 26.d6 Rad8 27.Nd5 Kh7 28.Nc7 Rf8 29.Bf2 Ne4 30.Qd5 Rxd6 31.Qb7 Rd7 32.Qc6 Rf6 33.Ne6 Qxe6 34.Qxe4+ Qf5 35.Qa8 Rh6 36.Rae1 a5 37.a4 Rd2 38.b3 Rd3 39.Qb7 f3 40.Rg1 fxg2+ 41.Rxg2 Rxh3+ 42.Kg1 Rg6 43.Kf1 Rxb3 44.Rxg6 Kxg6 45.Qg2+ Kh7 46.Kg1 Qf3 47.Qh2 Qg4+ 48.Kf1 Rf3 49.Re2 e4 0-1 (49) Itinerant69 (2714)-GolfeDuMorbihan (2696) Blitz 2023;

A1b) 14.Bh6 h4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nh1 Ne5 17.Nf2 f6 18.f4 Nf7 19.Rae1 Bd7 20.Bd3 Nf8 21.Kh1 Re7 22.Ncd1 Rae8 23.Ne3 Bb5 24.Bxb5 Qxb5 25.b3 Qd7 26.a4 b6 27.Nc4 Qc7 28.h3 a6 29.e5 fxe5 30.fxe5 Nxe5 31.Nxe5 Rxe5 32.Rxe5 Rxe5 33.Ng4 Rf5 34.Qh6+ Kf7 35.Rxf5+ gxf5 36.Qh5+ Kg7 37.Qg5+ Kh8 38.Qxf5 Qg7 39.Nf6 Nh7 40.Nxh7 Qxh7 41.Qf8+ Qg8 42.Qf6+ Qg7 43.Qxh4+ Kg8 44.Qd8+ Kh7 45.Qxd6 Qc3 46.Qe7+ Kh8 47.Qf8+ Kh7 48.Qf7+ Kh8 49.Qh5+ Kg7 50.Qg4+ Kh7

51.Qf5+ Kg7 52.Qf3 Qxf3 53.gxf3 b5 54.axb5 axb5 55.d6 Kf6 56.Kg2 c4 57.bxc4 b4 58.c5 Ke6 59.f4 b3 60.f5+ Kd7 61.f6 Ke8 62.f7+ Kxf7 63.c6 Ke6 64.c7 Kd7 65.h4 b2 66.h5 b1Q 67.Kg3 Qf5 68.Kh4 Qf4+ 69.Kh3 Qg5 70.h6 Qxh6+ 71.Kg4 Qxd6 0-1 (71) Rory_Sutherland (2722)-BENED7707 (2681) Blitz 2024;

A2) 11...Rb8 12.Nb5 Nf8 13.Nxa7 Qb6 14.Nxc8 Rexc8 15.Bc4 Qa7 16.Qe2 N6d7 17.Be3 Qa5 18.a4 Qb4 19.Rfb1 Bd4 20.Nf1 Ne5 21.Bb5 Bxe3+ 22.Nxe3 b6 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Qxc4 Qxc4 25.Bxc4 Nd7 26.Bb5 Ne5 27.f4 Ng4 28.Re1 c4 29.Bc6 Nh6 30.Rac1 Kf8 31.Rxc4 Ke7 32.h3 Ng8 33.e5 f6 34.exd6+ Kxd6 35.Re6+ Kc7 36.d6+ Kd8 37.Re8# 1-0 (37) MrAble (2601)-Rousseau12 (2507) Rapid 2022;

A3) 11...a6 12.a4

A3a) 12...Qc7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 h5 15.Qd2

A3a1) 15...h4 16.Nh1 Nh5 *(16...h3 17.g3 Ne5 18.Nf2 Rb8 19.Rfb1 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.b4 Bd7 22.f4 Neg4 23.Nxg4 Nxg4 24.Bxg4 Bxg4 25.bxc5 dxc5 26.e5 b4 27.Ne4 Bf3 28.Nxc5 Rb5 29.d6 Qc6 30.Ra6 Qd5 31.Qxd5 Bxd5 32.Ra7 Rd8 33.Na6 b3 34.Nc7 Be4 35.Nxb5 Bxb1 36.Bb6 b2 37.Bxd8 Bf5 38.Nc3 Bf8 39.Be7 Bg7 40.d7 Bxd7 41.Rxd7 g5 42.Rb7 gxf4 43.gxf4 Bh6 44.Bg5* 1-0 (43) Malek_Koniahli (2611)-Dom_Perignon_64 (2740) Blitz 2024*)* 17.Nf2 Ne5 18.Rfc1 f5 19.b4 b6 20.a5 f4 21.Bxf4 Nxf4 22.Qxf4 Qe7 23.Na4 Kh7 24.Qe3 b5 25.Nb6 Rb8 26.f4 Bh6 27.bxc5 dxc5 28.Qxc5 Qxc5 29.Rxc5 Bxf4 30.Kh1 Be3 31.Rc7+ Kh6 32.Nxc8 Rbxc8 33.Rxc8 Rxc8 34.Ng4+ Nxg4 35.Bxg4 Rc2 36.Rd1 b4 37.d6 b3 38.d7 Bg5 39.Be6 b2 40.Ba2 Rc1 41.Rg1 h3 42.gxh3 Be3 43.Kg2 Rxg1+ 44.Kf3 Bg5 45.e5 Ra1 46.h4 Rxa2 47.hxg5+ Kh5 48.d8Q b1Q 49.Qh8+ Kxg5 50.h4+ Kf5 51.Qf6# 1-0 (50) Malek_Koniahli (2653)-tandilensis (2653) Blitz 2024;

A3a2) 15...Rb8 16.Nh1 c4 17.Rac1 Nc5 18.Bxc4 h4 19.Nf2 h3 20.g4 Ncd7 21.Be2 Qd8 22.Nxh3 Ne5 23.Nf2 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.g5 b4 26.Na4 Nh7 27.f4 Bd7 28.Qd1 Bxa4 29.Qxa4 Nd7 30.Qc2 b3 31.Qd2 Nb6 32.Rc6 Na4 33.Bd4 Bxd4 34.Qxd4 Nc5 35.Ng4 Rxe4 36.Nh6+ Kf8 37.Qh8+ Ke7 38.Qxh7 Qf8 39.Rc7+ Nd7 40.Bg4 Rc8 41.Rxd7+ 1-0 (41) penguingim1 (2706)-theredking89 (2613) Blitz 2020;

A3b) 12...Rb8 13.Bf4 *(13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nh7 15.Qd2 h5 16.h3 h4 17.Nh1 f5 18.Nf2 Qf6 19.f4 Qf7 20.Bd3 Nhf8 21.Rae1 Bd4 22.Bxd4 cxd4 23.Ne2 fxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxe4 25.Bxe4 Nc5 26.Bf3 d3 27.Nd4 a5 28.f5 Qf6 29.Ne6 gxf5 30.Nxc5 dxc5 31.Qxd3 Bd7 32.d6 b5 33.Re7 bxa4 34.Bd5+ Kh8 35.Qf3 Qh6 36.Qc3+* Normal 1-0 (36) licg (2641)-Sadzin (2539) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Ne5 14.Qd2 Bd7 15.Bg5 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Rae1 Qc7 20.e5 dxe5 21.d6 Qb7 22.fxe5 Ng4 23.Nd5 Qxb2 24.Ne7+ Kf8 25.e6 Qxd2 26.Rxf7# 1-0 (26) unitedff (2661)-TheBerzerKing (2591) Blitz 2024;

A3c) 12...Ne5 13.h3 h5 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.Qd2 Qb4 16.a5 Bd7 17.Kh2 Rab8 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.f5 Nh7 21.Bf4 Bxc3 22.bxc3 h4 23.Nh1 Rxe4 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.Bxd6 Rbe8 26.Qh6 Bf5 27.Rad1 Re2 28.Nf2 Qxc3 29.Ng4 Qc2 30.Qxh4 Rxg2+ 31.Kh1 Be4 32.Nh6+ Kh8 33.Rf8+ Rxf8 34.Be5+ Rf6 35.Bxf6+ Nxf6 36.Ng4+ Kg8 37.Nxf6+ Kg7 38.Qxe4 Rh2+ 39.Kg1 Qf2# 0-1 (39) penguingim1 (2784)-MahammadMuradli2003 (2720) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...b6 11.0-0 Bb7 12.Bf4 a6 13.a4 Qe7 14.Qb3 Nbd7 15.Rfe1 Rec8 16.Nf1 Rab8 17.Bg5 h6 18.Bh4 Ne5 19.Ne3 Qc7 20.f4 c4 21.Qc2 Ned7 22.Bxc4 Qc5 23.Bf2 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.Bxb5 Qc7 26.Ra7 Nc5 27.Nc4 Ng4 28.Na5 Nxf2 29.Qxf2 Qb6 30.Rxb7 Rxb7 31.Nxb7 Qxb7 32.e5 Qc7 33.Bc6 Nd3 34.Qe3 Nxe1 35.Qxe1 dxe5 36.fxe5 Bxe5 37.g3 Bd4+ 38.Kg2 Qb6 39.Qe2 Kg7 40.Nb5 Bf6 41.Nd6 Rxc6 42.dxc6 Qxc6+ 43.Ne4 Kh7 44.b4 Bd4 45.Qd3 f5 46.Qxd4 fxe4 47.Qa7+ Kg8 48.Qb8+ Kf7 49.Qe5 Qc2+ 50.Kh3 Qe2 51.Qf4+ Ke6 52.Qxh6 Kd5 53.Qxg6 Qf1+ 54.Kh4 Qf3 55.Qg4 Kc4 56.Qxf3 exf3 57.Kh3 Kd3 58.b5 Ke2 59.b6 f2 60.b7 f1Q+ 61.Kh4 Qf8 62.b8Q Qxb8 63.g4 Qf8 64.h3 Qg8 65.g5 Kf3 66.Kh5 Kf4 67.g6 Kf5 68.g7 Kf6 69.Kh4 Qxg7 70.Kh5 Qg5# 0-1 (70) Duhless1981 (2772)-MrCamalion12 (2589) Blitz 2024;

C) 10...Bd7 11.0-0 Na6 12.Bg5 h6 13.Be3 Qa5 14.Qd2 Kh7 15.f4 b5 16.e5 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.h3 Bd7 19.Rae1 b4 20.Nce4 dxe5 21.f5 Rad8 22.fxg6+ fxg6 23.Bxh6 Rf8 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Nh5+ Kh7 26.Nef6+ Rxf6 27.Nxf6+ Kg7 28.Nh5+ Kh7 29.Rf7+ Kg8 30.Qh6 Kxf7 31.Qg7+ Ke8 32.Nf6# 1-0 (32) penguingim1 (2632)-AnotherOneBadPlayer (2428) Rapid 2022;

D) 10...Na6 11.0-0 Nc7

D1) 12.a4 Rb8 *(12...a6 13.Bg5 Bh6 14.Bxh6* 1-0 (14) Itinerant69 (2665)-Elgranconejo (2567) Blitz 2023*; 12...b6 13.a5 Rb8 14.axb6 axb6 15.Nb5 Nxb5*

16.Bxb5 Bd7 17.Qa4 Qc7 18.Bf4 Bxb5 19.Qxb5 Nd7 20.Ra6 Ra8 21.Rfa1 Rxa6 22.Rxa6 c4 23.Be3 Rb8 24.Ne2 Qc8 25.Ra7 Ne5 26.Nd4 Ra8 27.Qxb6 Rxa7 28.Qxa7 c3 29.Nc6 cxb2 30.Qb6 Qa8 31.Kf2 Nxc6 32.dxc6 Qa2 33.Qd8+ Bf8 34.Bh6 b1Q+ 35.Kg3 Qe1+ 36.Kh3 Qe6+ 37.g4 Qf1+ 38.Kg3 Qg1+ 39.Kh3 Qe7 40.c7 Qf1+ 41.Kg3 Qe5+ 42.f4 Qc3+ 43.Kh4 Qfh3+ 44.Kg5 Qxh6# 0-1 (44) AM0R_FATI (2602)-Takacsbl (2610) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.f4 h5 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re8 17.Nb5 Nxb5 18.Bxb5 Bg4 19.Qd2 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 Nxd5 21.Bxb8 Rxb8 22.Bc4 Ne3 23.Bxf7+ Kh7 24.Rf2 Nd1 25.Rd2 Nxb2 26.Rb1 Nxa4 27.h3 Nc3 28.Re1 Rf8 29.Re7 Bc8 30.Rd6 h4 31.Bxg6+ Kg8 32.Nh5 Bd4+ 33.Rxd4 cxd4 34.Rg7+ Kh8 35.Rh7+ Kg8 36.Rg7+ Kh8 37.Rh7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+ ½-½ (38) MothToTheFlame (2681)-Goldenpawn1211 (2656) Blitz 2023;

D2) 12.Bg5 h6 13.Be3 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Bd7 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.Bf4 Bf8 18.Rab1 Bb5 19.Kh1 Bxe2 20.Ngxe2 b5 21.axb6 Rxb6 22.b3 Qb8 23.Qc2 Nb5 24.Nxb5 Rxb5 25.Nc3 Rb7 26.Na4 Nd7 27.Rfc1 a5 28.Bd2 Qa7 29.Nb2 Ne5 30.Bc3 Bg7 31.f4 Ng4 32.Bxg7 Kxg7 33.Nc4 Rd7 34.h3 Nf6 35.Re1 Kg8 36.Ra1 Qb8 37.Nxa5 Qb5 38.Nc4 Qb4 39.Re3 Qb8 40.Rae1 Rde7 41.Qd3 Nh5 42.g3 Rd7 43.e5 dxe5 44.fxe5 Qb7 45.Nd6 Rxd6 46.exd6 Rxe3 47.Rxe3 Qd7 48.Kg2 Qxd6 49.Qe4 Nf6 50.Qe5 Qxd5+ 51.Qxd5 Nxd5 52.Re5 Nb4 53.Rxc5 Kf8 54.Rc4 Nd5 55.b4 Ne3+ 56.Kf3 Nxc4 57.Ke4 Ke7 58.Kd5 Ne3+ 59.Ke4 Nf5 60.g4 Nd6+ 61.Kd5 Kd7 62.Ke5 Ne8 63.h4 Kc7 64.Kd5 Kb6 65.g5 hxg5 66.hxg5 Kb5 67.Ke5 Kxb4 68.Kd5 Kb5 69.Kd4 Kc6 70.Ke5 Kd7 71.Kf4 Ke7 72.Kg4 Ke6 73.Kf4 Kd5 74.Ke3 Ke5 75.Kf3 Kf5 76.Kg3 Kxg5 77.Kg2 f5 78.Kg1 f4 79.Kf1 Kf5 80.Ke1 g5 81.Kd1 g4 82.Kc2 g3 83.Kb3 Kg4 84.Kb4 g2 85.Kb5 g1Q 86.Kc6 f3 87.Kd7 f2 88.Kxe8 f1Q 89.Ke7 Qff2 90.Kd7 Qge1 91.Kc7 Qfd2 92.Kb7 Qec1 93.Ka7 Qdb2 94.Ka8 Qca1# 0-1 (94) Fastchess2345 (2791)-Lance5500 (2689) Blitz 2024]

[9...a6 10.Be2 b5 11.0-0 Nbd7 *(11...b4 12.Nb1 a5 13.Nd2 Nbd7 14.Nc4 Nb6 15.Bf4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Qe7 17.e5 dxe5 18.d6 Qe8 19.Be3 Nd7 20.Ne4 Nb6 21.Be2 Na4 22.Nxc5 Nxc5 23.Bxc5 Be6 24.d7 Qxd7 25.Qxd7 Bxd7 26.Bxf8 Bxf8 27.Rfd1 Be6 28.Kf1 Bc5 29.b3 Bd4 30.Rac1 a4 31.Bc4 axb3 32.axb3 Ra2 33.Bxe6 fxe6 34.Rc4 Rf2+ 35.Ke1 Rxg2 36.f4 Bc3+ 37.Kf1 Rxh2 38.Rd7* 1-0 (38) Queen_Annes_Revenge (2642)-Krpokapetan (2558) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Bg5 h6 13.Be3 h5 14.Qd2 Nh7

15.a3 c4 16.f4 h4 17.Nh1 f5 18.Nf2 fxe4 19.Ncxe4 Ndf6 20.Ng5 Re8 21.Bf3 Bf5 22.Ne6 Bxe6 23.dxe6 d5 24.Rad1 Rxe6 25.Bd4 Ne4 26.Qc2 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 Nhf6 28.Nxe4 Nxe4 29.Rfd1 Qb6 30.g3 Rae8 31.Kg2 Kg7 32.gxh4 Qc7 33.Bxe4 Rxe4 34.Qc3 Kh7 35.Rxe4 Rxe4 36.Rxd5 Qc6 37.Qd2 ½-½ (37) Topalov,V (2739)-Krysa,L (2491) Caleta ENG 2017]

[9...b6 10.Bg5 Ba6 11.Bxa6 Nxa6 12.Qd2 Nc7 13.a4 a6 14.0-0 b5 15.f4 b4 16.Nd1 h6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 e4 20.Kh1 Qd4 21.Qxd4 Bxd4 22.d6 Nd5 23.Nxe4 Rfe8 24.Nd2 Re2 25.Nc4 Rc2 26.Na5 Rd8 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.Rb1 Rxd6 29.b3 Rf6 30.Rxf6 Nxf6 31.Nc4 Ne4 32.h3 Nd2 33.Nxd2 Rxd2 34.Kh2 Kf7 35.Kg3 Ke6 36.Kf3 Kd5 37.Ne3+ Bxe3 38.Kxe3 Rxg2 39.Rd1+ Kc6 40.Kf3 Rc2 41.Ke4 Rc3 42.Ke5 Rxb3 43.Rd6+ Kb7 44.Rxg6 Rd3 45.Rxh6 b3 46.a5 c4 47.h4 Kc7 48.Rb6 c3 49.Rxb3 c2 50.Rxd3 c1Q 51.Rg3 Qa1+ 52.Kf4 Qxa5 53.Rg7+ Kd6 54.Rg6+ Ke7 55.Rg5 Qd2+ 0-1 (55) penguingim1 (2733)-Gannikus21 (2557) Blitz 2025]

[9...Na6 10.h4 h5 11.Bg5 Nc7 12.Qd2 Re8 13.Be2 a6 14.a4 Rb8 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.f4 b4 18.Na4 Qd7 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ne4 Bg7 22.Bc4 exf4 23.Naxc5 Qd8 24.Qxf4 Bf5 25.d6 Be5 26.Qf2 Bxd6 27.Rad1 Bxc5 28.Qxc5 Qxh4 29.Nd6 Ne6 30.Qe5 Re7 31.Nxf5 gxf5 32.Qxb8+ Kg7 33.Qe5+ Kg8 34.Bxe6 1-0 (34) brianthegreat (2704)-jokechess (2748) Blitz 2022]

10.Be2 a6

[10...h5

A) Schipkov,Boris: 'Too soft is' 11.0-0 a6 *(11...Nh7 12.Nh1 a6 13.a4 f5 14.exf5 gxf5 15.Nf2 Ne5 16.Nh3 Qf6 17.Nf4 Qf7 18.Qb3 Re8 19.Bd2 Nf6 20.Rad1 Kh8 21.Bc1 h4 22.Rfe1 Bd7 23.Qb6 Bf8 24.Bf1 Rab8 25.Nh3 Qg6 26.Kh1 Nh5 27.Bg5 f4 28.Bxf4 Nxf3 29.gxf3 Bxh3 30.Bxh3 Nxf4 31.Rg1 Qc2 32.Bg4 Nd3 33.Rdf1 Nf2+ 34.Rxf2 Qxf2 35.Qc7 Re1 36.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 37.Kg2 Re8 38.Qf7 h3+ 39.Kxh3 Qe7 40.Qxe7 Rxe7 41.Ne4 Re5 42.Be6 b5 43.Kg4 c4 44.axb5 axb5 45.h4 b4 46.h5 c3 47.bxc3 Rxe4+ 48.fxe4 bxc3 49.e5 c2 50.exd6 Bxd6* 0-1 (50) Bologan,V (2681)-Grischuk,A (2764) Beijing CHN 2012 *)* 12.a4 h4 13.Nh1 Nh5 14.Be3 Bd4 *(14...f5* Schipkov, Boris: '!?'*)* 15.Bxd4 cxd4 16.Qxd4 Qg5 17.Rad1 f5 18.exf5 Nf4 19.g3 Rxf5 20.Bd3 Nh3+ 21.Kg2 Nf4+ 22.Kg1 Nh3+ 23.Kg2 Nf4+ Schipkov,Boris: '½,Spassky,B (2565)-Polgar,J (2595)/Budapest m/ 1993/';

B) Schipkov,Boris: 'More enterprising is' 11.Bg5 Schipkov, Boris: '!?'Schipkov,Boris: 'a recent high-level encounter featured' 11...Qb6

B1) 12.Qd2 Nh7

B1a) 13.Be3 h4 14.Nf1 Ne5 15.g4 *(15.g3 Bh3 16.gxh4 Bg2 17.Rg1 Bxf3 18.h5 Rae8 19.Ng3 Nf6 20.0-0-0 Nfg4 21.Bf4 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 c4 23.h3 Nd3+ 24.Rxd3 cxd3 25.Qxg4 Qxg1+ 26.Kd2*

Qf2+ 27.Kxd3 Qxb2 28.Bd2 Rc8 29.Nge2 Rxc3+ 30.Nxc3 Rc8 31.Qxc8+ Kh7 32.hxg6+ fxg6 33.Qd7 Qb4 34.h4 b5 35.h5 Qc4+ 36.Ke3 b4 37.Ne2 b3 38.hxg6+ Kxg6 39.Qf5+ Kh6 40.Kf3# 1-0 (40) gg-gm-gmg (2711)-Clazby (2564) Blitz 2021*)* 15...Qd8 16.h3 b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.0-0-0 Rb8 20.Nh2 Qa5 Schipkov,Boris: 'Thaler,A-Pavlovic,M (2461)/Biel/2000/' 21.e5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' dxe5 22.Nf3 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄';

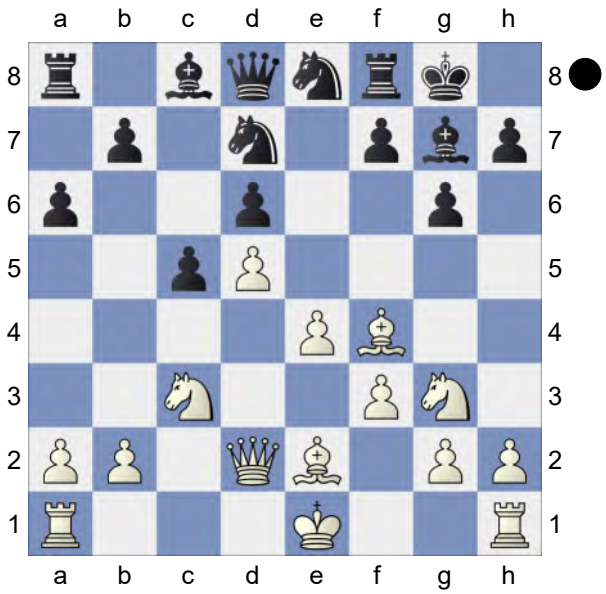
B1b) 13.Bh4 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' 13...c4 *(13...g5 14.Bxg5 Nxg5 15.Nxh5 Nh7 16.Nxg7 Kxg7 17.g4 Qd8 18.h4 a6 19.0-0-0 b5 20.g5 b4 21.Nb1 Qe7 22.Rdg1 Rg8 23.h5 Kf8 24.g6* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sandipan,C (2585)-Caspi,I (2417)/Zuerich/2009/'*; 13...Re8 14.0-0 Bf6 15.Bxf6 Nhxf6 16.Nh1 a6 17.Nf2 Rb8 18.f4 c4 19.Kh1 Qc5 20.Rad1 b5 21.e5 dxe5 22.Nfe4 Qb6 23.f5 Kg7 24.d6 Bb7 25.Nxf6 Nxf6 26.Qg5 Nh7 27.Qg3 Rbd8 28.Bxh5 Rxd6 29.Rxd6 Qxd6 30.Rd1 Qc6 31.fxg6 fxg6 32.Bxg6 Qxg2+ 33.Qxg2 Bxg2+ 34.Kxg2 Kxg6 35.Rd6+ Kf5 36.Rxa6 Rd8 37.Nxb5 Rd2+ 38.Kg3 Ng5 39.Nc3 Rxb2 40.h4 Ne4+ 41.Nxe4 Kxe4 42.Rc6 Kd5 43.Rc8 Rxa2 44.h5 Ra1 45.Kg4 Rh1 46.Kg5 e4 47.Rd8+ Ke5 48.Re8+ Kd4 49.Rd8+ Ke3 50.Rc8 Kd3 51.Rd8+ Ke3 52.Rc8 Kd4 53.Rd8+ Kc5 54.Rc8+ Kb5 55.Rb8+ Ka4 56.Re8 Re1 57.h6 c3 58.h7 c2 59.Rc8 Rh1 60.Rxc2 Rxh7 61.Rc4+* ½-½ (61) Sandipan,C (2637)-Leon Hoyos,M (2556) Tromso NOR 2010 *)* 14.Bxc4 Ne5 15.Be2 Bd7 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg4 hxg4 18.Nge2 Nf6 19.Bf2 Qb4 20.Ng3 Qc4 21.Qe2 Qxe2+ 22.Kxe2 b5 23.a3 a5 24.e5 dxe5 25.fxe5 Rfe8 26.Bd4 Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '=' Schipkov,Boris: 'Gupta,A (2580)-Atabayev,M (2355)/Dubai/2011/';

B2) 12.Qb3 Schipkov,Boris: 'N' 12...Qc7 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 13.0-0 Nh7 14.Be3 a6 15.a4 h4 16.Nh1 f5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Bd2 *(18.f4 Re8 19.Bf2 Bd4* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄!?' *)* 18...f4 19.Nf2 Ne5 20.Nce4 Nf6 21.Nxf6+ Rxf6 22.Ne4 Rf8 23.Kh1 Bd7 24.a5 Rae8 25.Rae1 Bc8 Schipkov,Boris: '∞' Schipkov,Boris: 'Tomashevsky,E (2738)-Grischuk,A (2761)/Moscow Tal mem/2012/']

[10...Ne5 11.0-0 Rb8 12.a4 a6 13.h3 Re8 *(13...h5 14.f4 Ned7 15.e5 dxe5 16.f5 e4 17.Bf4 Ra8 18.Ngxe4 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 Nf6 20.Bg5 Bxf5 21.Ng3 Qxd5 22.Nxf5 gxf5 23.Qxd5 Nxd5 24.Rxf5 Bxb2 25.Rb1 Bd4+ 26.Kh2 Nc3 27.Rb2 Nxe2 28.Rxe2 Rfe8 29.Rc2 Re5 30.Rxe5 Bxe5+ 31.g3 Bd4 32.Kg2 b5 33.Kf3 Kg7 34.Be7 Rc8 35.g4 hxg4+ 36.hxg4 b4* 0-1 (36) Surrender-at-20 (2661)-sotirakis (2603) Blitz 2022*)*

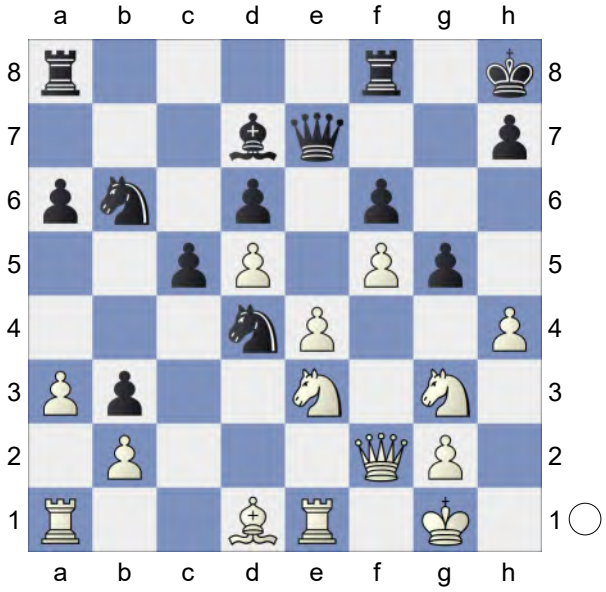
14.Bg5 h6 15.Be3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 c4 18.Na3 Rxb2 19.Bd4 Rb8 20.Nxc4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 Rb4 22.Rc1 h5 23.Qd2 Ra4 24.Ne2 Bd7 25.Bb3 Ra8 26.Rc3 h4 27.Rfc1 Nh5 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.Qd4+ Qf6 30.Rc7 Rec8 31.Qxf6+ Nxf6 32.Nd4 Rxc7 33.Rxc7 Ra1+ 34.Kf2 Rb1 35.Rc2 Nh5 36.Ba2 Ra1 37.Ne2 Bb5 38.Nc1 Nf4 39.Ke3 g5 40.Kd4 Rxc1 41.Rxc1 Ne2+ 42.Ke3 Nxc1 43.Bb1 Kf6 44.f4 gxf4+ 45.Kxf4 Bf1 46.g3 Ne2+ 47.Kf3 Nxg3 0-1 (47) penguingim1 (2694)-LSGeneraal (2637) Blitz 2020]

[10...Ne8 11.Bf4 a6 12.Qd2 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '



(Die meisten von uns würden hier wahrscheinlich 12.a4 spielen fast auf Automatisch. Der Fernschach Weltmeister glaubt eindeutig, dass es nichts zu Befürchten gibt nach b7-b5 in diesem Stellungstyp. (Hinweis Norwegische Fernschachzeitschrift NFSF)

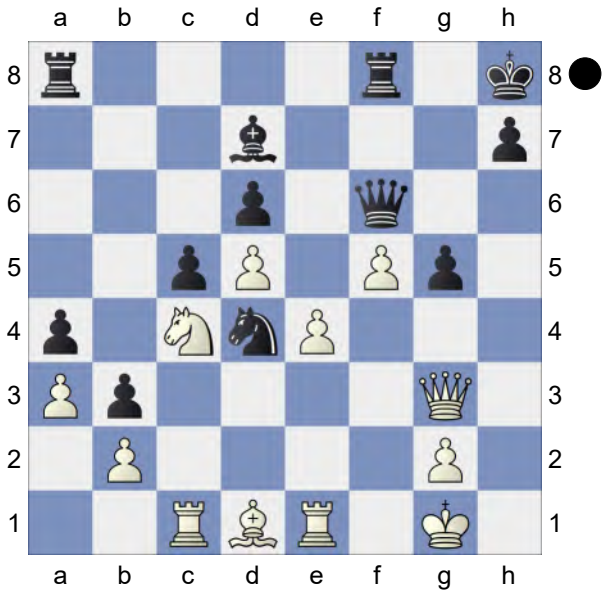
(De fleste av oss ville vel her spilt 12. a4 nærmest på autopilot. Verdensmesteren mener tydeligvis at det ikke er noe farlig å la svart så spille b7-b5 i denne stillingstypen. Red. anm.)' b5 13.0-0 Nb6 14.Rfe1 b4 15.Nd1 Nc7 16.Bg5 f6 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Nb5 19.Ne3 Bd7 20.f4 Qe7 21.f5 Qg7 22.Qf4 g5 23.Qf2 Nd4 24.a3 b3 25.Bd1 Qe7 26.h4 Kh8 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '?!' '?!' Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): ' (Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Schwarz sollte es versuchen mit Svart burde prøve' *26...gxh4 27.Nh5 h3 28.Qg3+ Kh8 29.Qxh3 Na4 30.Nf4 Rg8* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '=' '=')



' 27.hxg5 fxg5 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Jetzt hat Schwarz große Probleme beim Blocken der weißen Zentrumsbauern. Es wäre besser gewesen einen Isolani in der f-Linie zu halten, um sicherzustellen, dass das der Freibauer f5 zurückgehalten werden

kann (siehe 26.Zug)
Nå får svart store problemer med å blokkere hvits sentrale bønder. Det hadde vært bedre å
beholde en isolani i f-linja for å sikre at ebonden holdes tilbake.' 28.Rc1 Qe5 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Der Versuch, die Dame als Blockadefigur einzusetzen(wie die Fortsetzung zeigt), ist diese Figur dafür ungeeignet.
Forsøker å bruke dama som blokadebrikke.Som fortsettelsen viser, er denne brikka dårlig egnet til akkurat det.' 29.Ngf1 *(29.Ng4 Qf4 30.Qxf4 gxf4 31.Ne2 Nxe2+ 32.Bxe2* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Bringt nichts.
gir ingenting.'*)* 29...a5 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Der b-Bauer muss gedeckt werden
b-bonden må garderes' 30.Nd2 a4 31.Ndc4 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Damit ist die Blockade gebrochen.
Dermed blir blokaden brutt.' Nxc4 32.Nxc4 Qf6 33.Qg3 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '!' '!' Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): ' *(* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Abwarten(!), oder sofort:
Velger (!) å avvente, eller:' *33.e5 dxe5 34.Nxe5 Bxf5 35.Rxc5 Nc2 36.Bxc2 bxc2 37.g4 Bg6 38.Qxf6+ Rxf6 39.Nxg6+ hxg6* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Dies ist ein Doppelturm-Endspiel, das Schwarz halten sollte.
Dette er et dobbelt tårnsluttspill som svart bør holde.' *)*

(Diagram)



' 33...Ra6 34.Bg4 Kg8 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Schwarz glaubt, eine Festung zu haben und spielt Wartezüge.
Svart mener å ha en festning, og spiller ventetrekk.' 35.Rc3 Nc2 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '?' '?' 36.e5 Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '!' '!' Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'Jetzt geht die Post ab.
Nå går toget.' dxe5 37.Rxe5 Nd4 38.Qe3 Kh8 39.d6 Nb5 40.Re7 Nxc3 *(40...Bxf5* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): 'wäre auch nicht besser gewesen: Jetzt folgt eins
lange Variante die erzwungen scheint.
hadde vært bedre: Nå følger en lang variant som hele veien ser ut til å være eneste mulige trekk for begge spillerne' *41.Bxf5 Nxc3 42.g4 Nd5 43.Rxh7+ Kg8 44.Qxc5* Morten , Lilleøren(Bellmann Übersetzt): '+-' '+-' *)* 41.Rxd7 Qd4 42.bxc3 Qxe3+ 43.Nxe3 b2 44.Rb7 Rxd6 45.Rxb2 Rd3 46.Nd1 Rfd8 47.Nf2 Rxc3 48.Ne4 Rxa3 49.Rb7 Rb3 50.Ra7

Rf8 51.Nxc5 Rbb8 52.Rxa4 1-0 (52) Fernandez,A (2676)-Haubt Georg (2505) Regensburg 2015 CYB 12 [Maccioni/González,JA]]

[10...Rb8 11.Nb5 Qb6 12.a4 a5 13.Nf1 Re8 14.Ne3 Ne5 15.f4 Nxe4 16.fxe5 Bxe5 17.Nc4 Qd8 18.Nxe5 Qh4+ 19.g3 Nxg3 20.Nf3 Qh3 21.hxg3 Qxh1+ 22.Kf2 Rxe2+ 23.Qxe2 Bh3 24.Nh4 Qh2+ 0-1 (24) MrAble (2627)-Professor_check (2464) Rapid 2023]

11.a4 'N' 11...h5 Perunovic,Milos: '- 84/(39)'

[11...Rb8 12.0-0 *(12.Bg5 h6 13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Qd2 h5 15.0-0 Nh7 16.Bh6 h4 17.Nh1 f5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.f4 Nf7 20.Nf2 Nf6 21.Bd3 Re8 22.Rae1 Bd7 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Rxe8 Nxe8 25.Nh3 Qf6 26.Kh1 Nc7 27.Ng5 Re8 28.Nf3 b5 29.axb5 axb5 30.Bb1 Nh8 31.g3 hxg3 32.hxg3 b4 33.Nd1 Ng6 34.Kg2 Bc8 35.Bd3 Nxd5 36.Bb5 Ndxf4+ 37.gxf4 Re4 38.Kf2 Rxf4 39.Rg1 Qh4+ 40.Ke2 Qe7+ 41.Kf2 Qh4+ 42.Ke2 Qe7+ 43.Kf2 Qh4+* ½-½ (43) So,W (2757)-Shankland,S (2674) Saint Louis USA 2024*)* 12...Ne8

A) 13.Be3 Nc7

A1) 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.Kh1 h5 18.Rfe1 h4 19.Nf1 h3 20.g4 Qh4 21.Ng3 Rb4 22.Rg1 Nb5 23.Nf5 gxf5 24.gxf5 Nxc3 25.Qxc3 Ne5 26.Qa3 Rxe4 27.Bg5 Qf2 0-1 Chapter Part9 Complete Games-4. ♗g2 ♗b7 5. 0-0 c5 La 72/57 Havana 1998;

A2) 14.f4 b5 15.e5 *(15.axb5 Nxb5 16.Nxb5 axb5 17.e5 dxe5 18.f5 c4 19.Ne4 Nf6 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Bh6 Bxf5 22.Bxf8 Qxf8 23.g4 Qc5+ 24.Kg2 Be4+ 25.Bf3 Bd3 26.Re1 Bh4 27.Rxe5 Qf2+ 28.Kh1 Bf6 29.Re1 Bxb2 30.Ra2 c3 31.Rg1 Bc4 32.Rxb2 cxb2 33.Rg2 Qxf3 34.Qxf3 b1Q+ 35.Rg1 Qa2* 0-1 (35) povadingo (2697)-Mr_BaronMunchausen (2841) Blitz 2024*)* 15...bxa4 16.Nge4 dxe5 17.f5 gxf5 18.Rxf5 Nb6 19.Rg5 f5 20.Qe1 fxe4 21.Rxg7+ Kxg7 22.Qg3+ Kh8 23.Qxe5+ Qf6 24.Qxc7 Nd7 25.Rf1 Rb7 26.Qc6 Qxc6 27.dxc6 Rxf1+ 28.Bxf1 Rxb2 29.Nxa4 Rb3 30.cxd7 Bxd7 31.Bxc5 Bxa4 32.Bd4+ Kg8 33.Bc4+ Kf8 34.Bxb3 Bxb3 35.Kf2 a5 36.Ke3 Bd5 37.g4 a4 38.h4 Kf7 39.Bb2 h6 40.Kd4 ½-½ (40) Vachier Lagrave,M (2758)-Radjabov,T (2738) Skopje MKD 2015;

A3) 14.Qd2 b5 15.h3 h5 16.Bg5 Bd4+ 17.Kh1 f6 18.Bh4 g5 19.Nf5 Nb6 20.Bf2 Bxf5 21.exf5 Be5 22.axb5 axb5 23.h4 Qd7 24.hxg5 Qxf5 25.Ra7 Rf7 26.gxf6 Qxf6 27.Nxb5 Nxb5 28.Rxf7 Kxf7 29.f4 Bd4 30.Bxb5 Kf8 31.Bxd4 cxd4 32.Qa5 Nxd5 33.Bd3 Ne3 34.Rc1 Qf7 35.b4 Qg7 36.Bf1 Re8 37.Kg1 h4 38.Qg5 Qxg5 39.fxg5 Re5 40.g6 Nxf1 41.Kxf1 d3 42.Rd1 Rd5 43.Ke1 Rb5 44.Rxd3 Rxb4 45.Rxd6 h3 46.gxh3 Rb1+ 47.Kf2 Ra1 48.h4 Ra5 49.Rd8+ Kg7 50.Rd6 Ra2+ 51.Kf3 Rh2 52.Kf4 Rxh4+ 53.Kg5 Rh1

54.Rd7+ Kf8 55.Rf7+ Kg8 56.Rd7 Ra1 57.Rd5 Rb1 58.Kh6 Rh1+ 59.Rh5 Rxh5+ 60.Kxh5 Kg7 61.Kg5 Kg8 62.Kf5 Kg7 63.Kg5 Kg8 64.Kf6 *(64.Kh6)* 64...Kf8 65.Ke6 *(65.g7+ Kg8* ½-½ (158) Vitiugov,N (2733)-Ezat,M (2430) Ningbo CHN 2011 *)* 65...Kg7 66.Kf5 Kg8 67.Ke4 Kg7 68.Kf5 Kg8 69.Kg4 *(69.Kf4)* 69...Kg7 70.Kh5 Kg8 71.Kg5 Kg7 72.Kh5 Kg8 73.Kg4 Kg7 74.Kf5 ½-½ (74) Vaxim 2000 (2807)-Iwantedtoplaychess (2855) Rapid 2023;

B) 13.f4 48 Nc7 1:27

B1) 14.Kh1 b5 15.e5 bxa4 *(15...dxe5 16.f5 bxa4 17.Nce4 Nb6 18.f6 Bh8 19.d6* King's Indian - ...c5 lines-King's Indian with ...c5 - Ea*)* 16.Nce4 Bb7 17.Nxd6 Bxd5 18.Qxa4 King's Indian - ...c5 lines-King's Indian with ...c5 - Ea;

B2) 14.e5 2:29 14...dxe5 23 15.f5 14 b5N 6 *(15...Nf6 16.fxg6 fxg6 17.Bg5 Nce8 18.Nge4 Nd6 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Nxd6 Qxd6 21.Ne4 Qd8 22.d6 Bf5 23.Qd5+ Kg7 24.Nxc5 Qb6 25.Kh1 Qxb2 26.Bd3 b6 27.Bxf5* ½-½ (27) Filgueira,H (2275)-Garcia,R Buenos Aires 1995*)* 16.d6 12:25 Ne8 39 17.axb5 5 axb5 11:26 18.Nce4 25 c4 7:53 19.Bg5 1:24 Nef6 6:10 20.Kh1 7:49 Bb7 2:07 21.Bf3 43 Bxe4 6:37 22.Nxe4 15 Qb6 3:21 23.Qe1 14:59 Nxe4 11:43 24.Bxe4 5 Bf6 9:50 25.Bh6 4:18 Bg7 2:56 26.Bg5 4:06 Bf6 23 27.Bh6 19:27 Bg7 54 28.Bg5 8:13 ½-½ (28) Aronian,L (2780)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2767) Wijk aan Zee 2017 CBM 177 [ChessBase II];

C) 13.Re1 h5 *(13...Bd4+ 14.Kh1 Qh4 15.Rf1 Ne5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Qe1 Nf6 19.e5 Nd7 20.Nce4 dxe5 21.f5 f6 22.Be3 Kh8 23.Bxd4 cxd4 24.Rc1 gxf5 25.Nxf5 Qxe1 26.Rcxe1 Bxf5 27.Rxf5 Rbc8 28.d6 Kg7 29.g4 Kf7 30.Ng5+ Kg6 31.Ne6 Rh8 32.Nc7 h5 33.Nd5 hxg4 34.Ne7+ Kf7 35.Nxc8 Rxc8 36.Kg2 d3 37.Rf2 Rc4 38.Rd2 Rd4 39.Kf2 f5 40.Rc1 f4 41.Rc7 Ke6 42.Rxb7 e4* 0-1 (42) Ding,L (2811)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2776) chess.com INT 2019*; 13...Nc7 14.Bf4 Qe7 15.Qd2 Re8 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Rxb6 18.Ra5 Rb4 19.Nf1 Nb5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.Rxb5 Rd4 22.Qa5 f5 23.Qc7 Be5 24.Bxe5 Qxe5 25.Ra5 Rb4 26.Ra8 Nb6 27.Raa1 fxe4 28.fxe4 Rxe4 29.Qxb6 Rxe2 30.Rxe2 Qxe2 31.Qxd6 Qxb2 32.Rd1 c4 33.Qc6 Rf8 34.Qxc4 Qf2+ 35.Kh1 Bg4 36.d6+ Rf7 37.Rb1 Be2 38.Qc8+ Rf8 39.Qe6+ Kg7 40.Qe5+ Kg8 41.Ne3 Bf3 42.h3 Bc6 43.Nd5 Re8 44.Nf6+ Kf8 45.Nxh7+ Kg8 46.Nf6+ Kf8 47.Qg5 Re6 48.d7 Re1+ 49.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 50.Kh2 Ke7 51.Qc5+* 1-0 (51) Ding,L (2805)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2773) Abidjan CIV 2019*)* 14.Be3 Nc7 15.Qd2 b5 16.Bg5 f6 17.Bh6 bxa4 18.Rxa4 Nb5 19.Bxb5 axb5 20.Raa1 h4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nge2 Ne5 23.Nf4 Qb6 24.Ne6+ Bxe6 25.dxe6 c4+

26.Kf1 Rfe8 27.Nd5 Qc5 28.e7 Nd3 29.Re2 Ra8 30.Rb1 Qd4 31.Qc3 Qxc3 32.bxc3 Kf7 33.g3 h3 34.Rd2 Rxe7 35.Nxe7 ½-½ (35) CruelKen (3058)-ToromBot (3104) Rapid 2024]

[11...Ne8

A) 12.h4 Rb8 13.h5 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Ne5 16.Nc3 f5 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Nxf5 gxf5 20.f4 Ng6 21.Bd3 Bxc3+ 22.bxc3 Qf6 23.Bd2 Rb7 24.Ra8 c4 25.Bc2 Re7+ 26.Kf1 Ng7 27.Rxf8+ Nxf8 28.g4 Nd7 29.g5 Qf7 30.Qf3 Nf8 31.Be3 Qe8 32.Bd4 Re1+ 33.Kf2 Rxh1 34.Qxh1 Ng6 35.Bxg7 Kxg7 36.Qh6+ Kg8 37.Bxf5 Nxf4 38.Be6+ Nxe6 39.Qxe6+ Qxe6 40.dxe6 Kg7 41.Ke3 1-0 (41) Duda,J (2756)-Giri,A (2774) chess.com INT 2021;

B) 12.0-0 Nc7 *(12...Bd4+ 13.Kh1 Qh4 14.Bd2 Ng7 15.Qc1 Qe7 16.Bh6 f5 17.Qd2 Ne5 18.Rae1 Qc7 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 Nf7 21.Bxg7 Bxg7 22.Nh5 Bd4 23.Bf3 Nh6 24.h3 Qa5 25.Re6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Kh8 27.Qe2 Bxc3 28.bxc3 Qxc3 29.Rd1 Rae8 30.Bxb7 Re7 31.Rxd6 Ng8 32.Bxa6 Nf6 33.Nxf6 Qxf6 34.Bc4 Rg7 35.a5 Rfg8 36.e7 Qxe7 37.Qxe7 Rxe7 38.Bxg8 Kxg8 39.Rc6 Re4 40.Rxc5 Rxf4 41.g3 Ra4 42.Rxf5 Ra2 43.Kg1 Kg7 44.g4* 1-0 (44) Neto,H (2603)-Castro Salguero,R (2411) ICCF 2015 *)* 13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Qd2 Rb8 15.Bh6 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 Nd7 19.e5 dxe5 20.f5 Nf6 21.d6 Nce8 22.Rad1 b4 23.Nce4 Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Bxf5 25.Nxc5 Qb6 26.Qe3 f6 27.Kh1 Nxd6 28.Rxf5 Nxf5 29.Rd7+ Rf7 30.Rxf7+ Kxf7 31.Qb3+ Ke7 32.Na6 Rc8 33.g4 Rc1+ 34.Kg2 Nd4 35.Qg8 Qc6+ 36.Kh3 Nxe2 37.Qg7+ Ke6 38.Qg8+ Kd6 39.Qf8+ Kd5 40.Nxb4+ Ke4 41.Nxc6 Nf4+ 42.Kg3 Rxc6 43.Qa8 Kd5 44.b4 Kd6 45.b5 Rc3+ 46.Kf2 e4 47.Qxe4 Nd3+ 48.Ke2 Ne5 49.Qd4+ 1-0 (49) papasi (2648)-lukas_111111 (2624) Blitz 2020;

C) 12.Bf4 Perunovic,Milos: '!?' 12...Rb8 13.0-0 Kitty Kat: 'N' 'N' 'N' *(13.Qd2 Qe7 14.0-0 Nc7 15.Rab1 b5 16.b4 cxb4 17.Rxb4 a5 18.Nxb5 axb4 19.Bxd6 Bc3 20.Qd1 Qg5 21.Bxc7 Qe3+ 22.Kh1 Ra8 23.f4 Ba6 24.e5 h5 25.Rf3 Qd2 26.Qxd2 Bxd2 27.Ne4 Rfc8 28.d6 Bc1 29.Rf1 Be3 30.Bc4 Kg7 31.e6 Nb6 32.d7 Nxc4 33.e7 Bxb5 34.axb5 Rxc7 35.d8Q Rcc8 36.Qd5* 1-0 (36) Cheparinov,I (2670)-Baron,T (2531) Douglas ENG 2019 *)*

C1) 13...f5 0.78/20 Kitty Kat: 'N' 'N' 14.Qd2 0.36/19 *(14.exf5± 0.78/20 Ne5 15.Kh1)* 14...Ne5 0.84/22 *(14...Qf6± 0.36/19)* 15.Kh1

C1a) 15...fxe4± 0.61/17 should be considered. 16.Ngxe4 *(16.Ncxe4 b5=)* 16...Bf5;

C1b) 15...Bd7 1.05/22 16.exf5± gxf5 17.Nh5 Bh8 18.Bh6 Rf7

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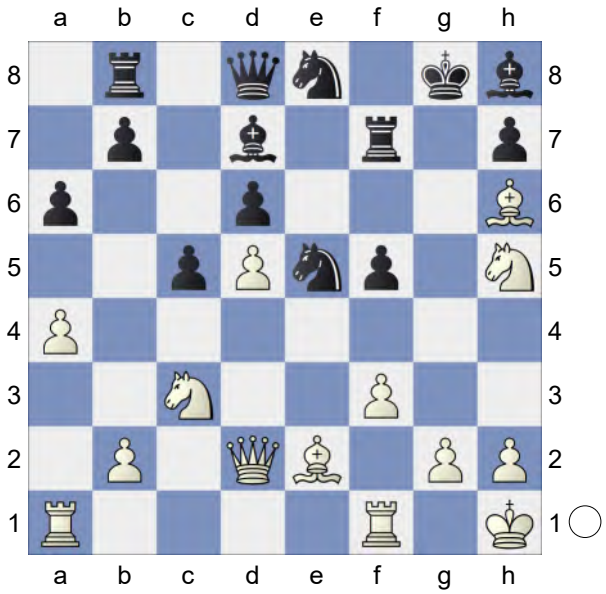
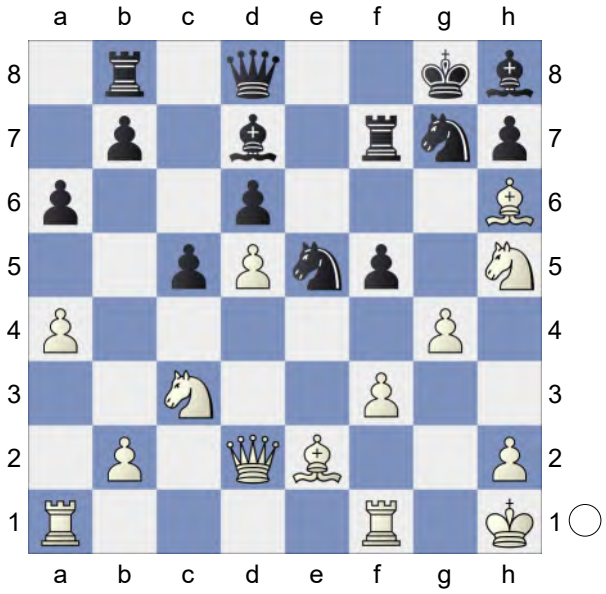


19.g4! Ng7 *(19...Ng6 20.Bg5)*



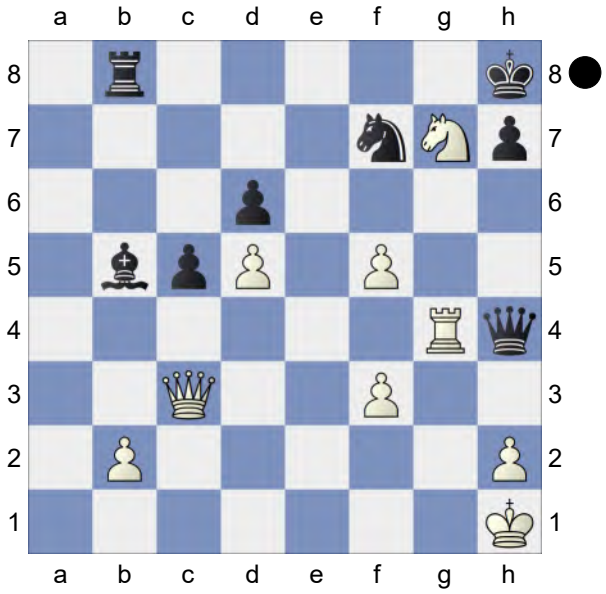
20.Rg1! *(20.Bg5?! Qf8±)* 20...b5 2.52/23 *(20...Ng6± 1.48/18* might work better.) 21.axb5 axb5

C1b1) White should play 22.Bg5+- 2.15/22 Qf8 23.gxf5 Bxf5 *(23...b4? 24.Ne4+-)* 24.Ne4 Bxe4 25.fxe4;

C1b2) 22.Ra7? 0.37/18 22...b4± 23.gxf5 bxc3 24.Qxc3 Strongly threatening f6.

C1b21) 24...Qb6 25.Rxd7 Nxd7 26.Nxg7± *(26.Bxg7 Rxg7* Remove Defender *27.Rxg7+ Kf8+-* Pin *)*;

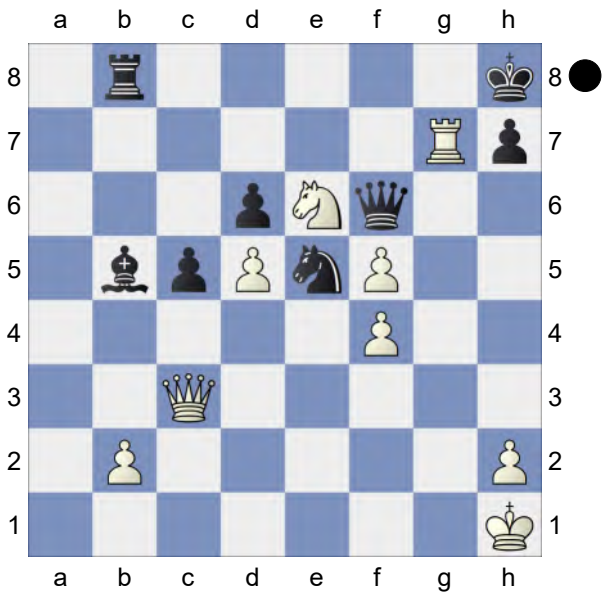
C1b22) 24...Qh4 25.Bxg7 Bxg7 26.Nxg7 Kh8!→ Black attacks. Chess con chili. 27.Bb5? -3.87/20 Bxb5-+ *(27...Rxb5 28.Ra8+)* 28.Rxf7 Threatens to win with Ne6. Nxf7 29.Rg4



Qe7 30.Ne6+ Ne5

C1b221) 31.f4 -3.15/17 was called for. Qb7 32.fxe5 Qxd5+ 33.Kg1 Qd1+ *(33...Qxe5 34.Qxe5+ dxe5 35.Nxc5±)* 34.Kf2 Qxg4 35.exd6+ Kg8 36.Qg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kxg3;

C1b222) 31.Rg7 -4.57/21 31...Qf6 32.f4 (Diagram)



Bc4! 33.Qd2 *(33.fxe5 Bxd5+)* 33...Qxf5 (→ ...Qe4+) 34.fxe5 Qf3+ 35.Rg2

C1b2221) 35...Rxb2 -#5/16 36.h3 Qxh3+ *(36...Rxd2* leads to mate. *37.Nf4 Rxg2* Deflection *38.Nxg2 Bxd5 39.exd6 Qxg2#)* 37.Kg1 Rb1+ *(37...Rxd2* gets mated. *38.Rxd2 Qe3+ 39.Rf2 Qe1+ 40.Kg2 Bxd5+ 41.Kg3 Qg1+ 42.Rg2 Qxg2+ 43.Kf4 Qf3+ 44.Kg5 Bxe6 45.exd6 Qf5+ 46.Kh6 Qg6#)* 38.Qc1 Rxc1+ 39.Kf2 Rf1#;

C1b2222) 35...Bxd5 -6.35/18 Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.84/ Black=0.11 (very precise) 0-1 (35) Abdusattorov,N (2777)-Mahdavi,R (2394) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat];

C2) 13...Qf6 14.Be3 Nc7 15.Qd2 b5 16.axb5 Nxb5 17.Nxb5 axb5 18.Ra2 c4 19.Rd1 Nc5 20.Bg5 Qe5 21.Bf4 Qe7 22.Bg5 Qc7 23.Bh6 Nb3 24.Qe3 Bd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Ra7 Rb7 27.Rxb7 Qxb7 28.h4 h6 29.h5 g5 30.f4 gxf4 31.Qxf4 Qb6+ 32.Kh2 Qd8 33.Bg4 Qh4+ 34.Kg1 Qxg4 35.Qxd6 Qxd1+ 36.Kh2 Qg4 37.e5 Qh4+ 38.Kg1 Qxg3 39.Qf6+ Kg8 40.Kh1 Nd4 41.e6 fxe6 42.Qxd4 Rf1+ 43.Qg1 Qh4# 0-1 (43) papasi (2645)-Khem (2608) Blitz 2020;

C3) 13...c4 0.25/20 Kitty Kat: '=' '=' '='

C3a) 14.Be3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.f4 Nef6 17.Bd4 b4 18.Nb1 Re8 *(18...h5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞') 19.Nd2 c3 20.bxc3 bxc3 21.Bxc3 h5 Perunovic,Milos: '⩱';

C3b) 14.Bxc4 Qb6+ 15.Rf2 *(15.Kh1 Qxb2 16.Nge2 Qb4* Perunovic,Milos: '!' *17.Qb3 Qxb3 18.Bxb3 Nc5 19.Bc2 f5* Perunovic,Milos: '↑') 15...Bd4 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram

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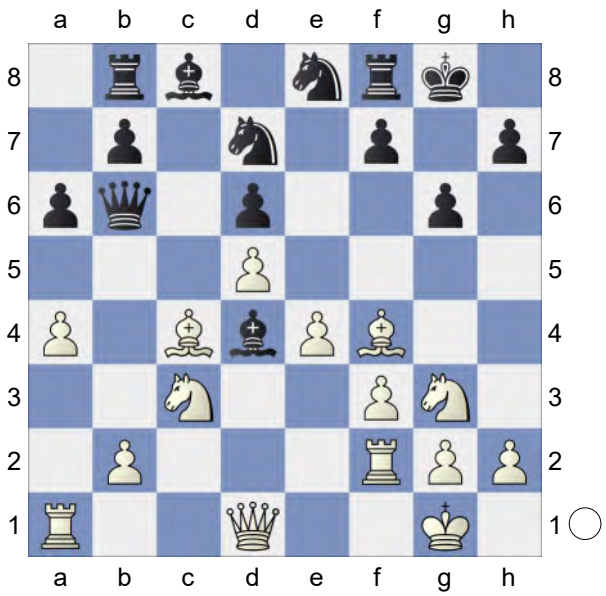

' Kitty Kat: 'Pin'

C3b1) 16.Nh1

C3b11) 16...Bxf2+ 17.Nxf2 Qxb2 18.Qe1 *(18.Bd2* Perunovic,Milos: '!?' *)* 18...Qb4 19.Bf1 Nc5 20.Bd2 Qa5 *(20...Qb6 21.a5 Qc7 22.Bh6 Ng7 23.e5* Perunovic,Milos: '!' *dxe5 24.Rc1* Perunovic,Milos: '→' *)* 21.Bh6 f6 *(21...Ng7 22.e5* Perunovic,Milos: '↑' *)* 22.Bxf8 Kxf8 23.Rb1 Perunovic,Milos: '∞';

C3b12) 16...Qxb2 17.Qxd4 Qxa1+ 18.Bf1 *(18.Rf1 Qa3 19.Bh6 Qc5 20.Qxc5 Nxc5 21.Bxf8 Kxf8 22.Rb1 b6* Perunovic,Milos: '=' *)* 18...Qa3 19.Bh6 Qc5 20.Qxc5 Nxc5 21.Bxf8 Kxf8 22.Rb2 b6 Perunovic,Milos: '=';

C3b2) 16.Qd2 Perunovic,Milos: 'N' 16...Ne5 17.Bf1 Bxf2+ 18.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 19.Kxf2 Perunovic,Milos: '⩲' Bd7 Kitty Kat: '½-½ Carlsen,M (2835)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2763) Tata Steel-A 81st 2019 (2)' 20.Be3 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 *(21...Bxf5 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.h3 Nf6 24.Rd1 g5 25.Rd4* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞' *)* 22.Bd4 Nf6 23.Kg1 Rbc8 *(23...Kf7 24.Ra3 Rg8 25.a5 f4 26.Nce4* Perunovic,Milos: '!' *Nxe4 27.Nxe4 Ke7* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞' *)* 24.Ra3 Nc4 25.Rb3 b5 26.axb5 Nd2

C3b21) 27.Ra3 Nxf1 28.Kxf1 f4 29.Nge2 *(29.bxa6* Perunovic,Milos: '!?' *fxg3 30.hxg3* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' *)* 29...Bxb5 *(29...axb5 30.Ra7* Perunovic,Milos: '↑' *)* 30.Nxb5 axb5 31.Nxf4 Ne8 32.Ne6 Rf5 33.Ra7 Rxd5 Perunovic,Milos: '∞';

C3b22) 27.Rb4 Nxf1 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram

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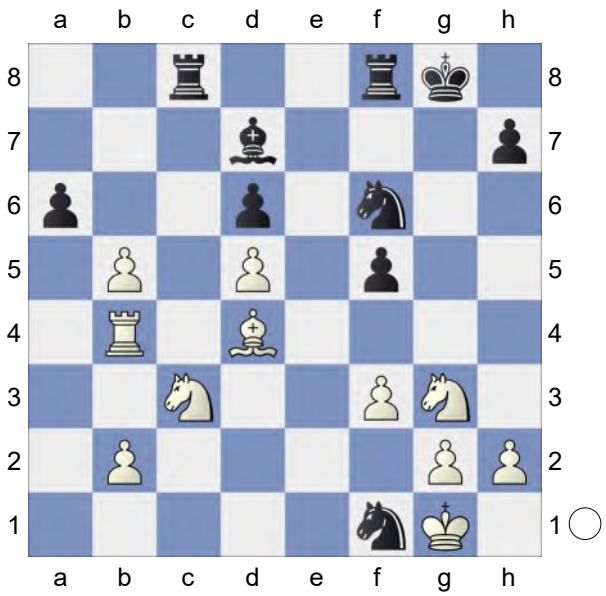

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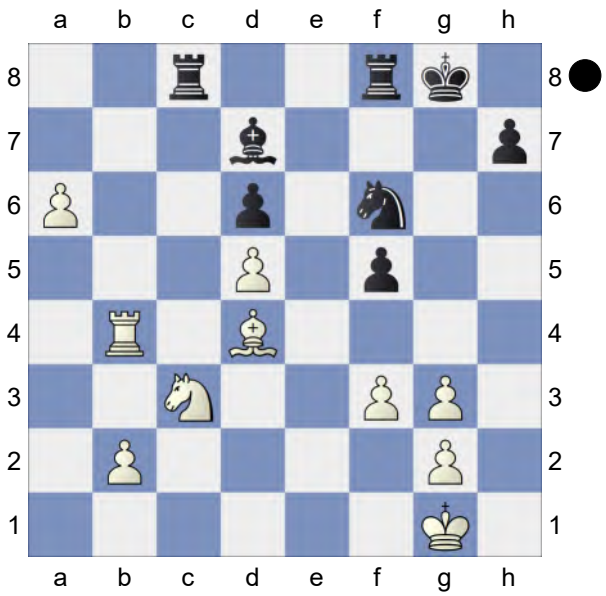
C3b221) 28.Nxf1 Bxb5 *(28...axb5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞') 29.Ne3 Bd3 30.Rb6 f4 31.Ned1 Perunovic,Milos: '∞';

C3b222) 28.bxa6 Perunovic,Milos: '!?' 28...Nxg3 29.hxg3 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram



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C3b2221)
Vorgänger: 29...Kf7 Perunovic,Milos: '?!' 30.a7

C3b22211)
30...Kg6 Perunovic,Milos: '?' 31.Rb6 Ne8 *(31...Ra8 32.Rxd6 Bc8 33.Nb5* Perunovic,Milos: '+-') 32.Rb8 Nc7 33.Rb7 ½-½ (29) Zhao,S (2112)-Li,R (2302) Fuling 2022 Perunovic,Milos: '+-';

C3b22212)
30...Ra8 31.Rb7 Rfd8 32.b4 Kg6 33.b5 Perunovic, Milos: '±';

C3b2222) 29...Ra8 30.a7 Bc8 31.Bxf6 *(31.Rb8* Perunovic, Milos: '?!' *Ba6 32.Rxa8 Rxa8 33.Bxf6 Rxa7* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∓') 31...Rxf6 32.Rb8 Rxa7 33.Rxc8+ Rf8 34.Rc4 Perunovic, Milos: '∞';

C3b2223) 29...Rb8 30.Rxb8 Rxb8 31.Bxf6 Ra8 32.Nd1 1-0 (32) Carlsen,M (2852)-Sarana,A (2668) Chess.com INT 2023]

[11...Nh5 12.Nxh5 gxh5 13.Qd2 f5 14.Qg5 Qxg5 15.Bxg5 Nf6 16.Bf4

Ne8 17.0-0 Bd7 18.Ra3 Rc8 19.Bc4 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Kg7 21.Rb3 Rc7 22.Rb6 Bc8 23.Rxd6 Nxd6 24.Bxd6 Rd7 25.Bxf8+ Kxf8 26.exf5 1-0 Ladron de Guevara Pinto,P (2425)-8.e5 b5 9. ♕b3_63585 (2419) Zadar 2004 (3)]

[11...Ne5 Recently 11...Rb8 got a lot of attention .11...Tb8 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit.

A) 12.0-0 Bd7 *(12...h5 13.Nh1 Bd7 14.Nf2 Be8 15.f4 Ned7 16.Be3 Rb8 17.Qd2 Nh7 18.Rab1 Qa5 19.Bd3 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Qxa4 21.e5 Qb4 22.e6 Qxc3 23.bxc3 fxe6 24.dxe6 Ndf6 25.Ne4 Nxe4 26.Bxe4 b5 27.e7 Rf7 28.Bd5 Kg7 29.Bxf7 Kxf7 30.Rfe1 Nf6 31.Rbd1 Rb6 32.h3 a5 33.Bf2 a4 34.Ra1 Nd5 35.c4 bxc4 36.Rxa4 Bxa4 37.Bh4 Be8 38.g4 hxg4 39.hxg4 c3 40.f5 gxf5 41.gxf5 c2 42.Bg5 Rb1 43.Kf2 Rxe1 44.Kxe1 Nxe7 45.Kd2 Ba4 46.f6 Nd5 47.Bh4 Nxf6 48.Bg3 d5 49.Bd6 Ne4+ 50.Kc1 Nxd6 51.Kb2 d4 52.Kc1 d3 53.Kd2 c4 54.Kc1 Ke6 55.Kb2 Kd5 56.Kc1 Ke4 57.Kd2 Kd4 58.Kc1 Ke3 59.Kb2 Kd2 60.Ka2 c1Q* ½-½ (60) MrAble (2606)-Rousseau12 (2483) Rapid 2022 *)* 13.f4 *(13.h3 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.Nxb5 Bxb5 17.Bxb5 Rb8 18.Be2 Qa2 19.Kh2 Nc4 20.Qc2 Nxb2 21.e5 dxe5 22.Rd1 Qa4 23.Qb1 e4 24.Bxb2 Rxb2 25.Qxb2 Ng4+ 26.hxg4 Bxb2 27.Nxe4 Be5+ 28.Kg1 Bd4+ 29.Kf1 Kg7 30.d6 Qa3 31.Bd3 c4 32.Bxc4 Qe3 33.Rd3 Qg1+ 34.Ke2 Qxg2+ 35.Kd1 Bb6 36.d7 h5 37.gxh5 gxh5 38.Nd2 h4 39.d8Q Bxd8 40.Rxd8 h3 41.Bf1 Qg5 42.Rd3 h2 43.f4 Qg4+* 0-1 (43) penguingim1 (2643)-Orgasm_donor (2598) Blitz 2016*)* 13...Neg4 14.h3 Nh6 'N' *(14...Nh5 15.Nxh5 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Nf2+ 17.Rxf2 Bxf2 18.e5 gxh5 19.Ne4 Bh4 20.Nxd6 Qe7* 1-0 (31) Gasanov,E (2427)-Gromova,I (2137) Chigorin Memorial 13th 2005 (6)*)* 15.f5 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Rxa8 Qxa8 18.Bxb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 Qa6 20.Nc3 Nd7 *(20...Qc4 21.Bf4 Rb8 22.Qc1 Nhg4 23.hxg4 Nxg4 24.Nce2 Qd3 25.Rf3 Bd4+ 26.Kh1 Nf2+ 27.Kh2 Ng4+ 28.Kh3 Nf2+ 29.Kh4 Qa6 30.Nxd4 Qa5 31.Nc6 Qe1* 1-0 (31) Paravyan,D (2619)-Sanhueza,C (2185) Chess.com INT 2025 *)* 21.f6 Nxf6 22.Bxh6 Bxh6 23.Rxf6 Rb8 24.Nf5 Bf8 25.Nxd6 Rxb2 26.e5 Bg7 27.Qf3 Qa1+ 28.Kh2 Rf2 29.Qxf2 Qxc3 30.Qf4 1-0 (30) BackyardProfessor (2746)-kirill_kopyonkin (2652) Blitz 2021;

B) 12.f4 Ned7 13.0-0 h5 14.e5 dxe5 15.f5 h4 16.Nge4 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf6 18.Nxf6+ Qxf6 19.fxg6 Qxg6 20.Qe1 h3 21.g3 Bg4 22.a5 Qe4 23.Rf2 Rad8 24.Qf1 Rxd5 25.Bc4 Rd1 0-1 (25) BestBrazilian (2766)-kirill_kopyonkin (2580) Blitz 2020]

[11...Qc7 12.0-0 Rb8 *(12...c4 13.a5 Nc5 14.Bxc4 Ncxe4 15.Ncxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Qxc4 17.Bf4 Bf5 18.Nxd6 Qxf4* 0-1 (18) AM0R_FATI (2601)-BadApp_le (2614) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Be3 *(13.Nh1 h6 14.Nf2 g5 15.h4 gxh4 16.f4 c4 17.Bf3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Re1 Nc5 20.e5*

Ne8 21.Nce4 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 dxe5 23.d6 Qd8 24.fxe5 Bxe5 25.Bxh6 Ng7 26.Qd5 Re8 27.Ra7 Re6 28.Bg5 Qb6+ 29.Be3 Bb7 30.Qxe6 Qxa7 31.Qxe5 Qa5 32.Bd4 Qxe1+ 33.Kh2 f6 34.Qxf6 Qg3+ 35.Nxg3 hxg3+ 36.Kxg3 Nh5+ 37.Bxh5 1-0 (37) Itinerant69 (2669)-yut123 (2576) Blitz 2023*; 13.f4 c4 14.Be3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.e5 dxe5 17.d6 Qd8 18.f5 b4 19.Nce4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bb7 21.Ng5 Bh6 22.Qc1 c3 23.bxc3 bxc3 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.Nxf7 Bxe3+ 26.Qxe3 Qb6 27.Qxb6 Nxb6 28.Nxe5 Rxf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rd8 30.d7 Nxd7 31.Bc4+ Kg7 32.Rf7+ Kh6 33.Ng4+ Kg5 34.Ne3 Ne5 35.h4+ Kxh4 36.Rxb7 Nxc4 37.Rb4 Rd4 38.Kf2 c2 39.Nxc2 Rd2+ 40.Kf3 Rxc2 41.g3+ Kg5 42.Rb8 Ne5+ 43.Ke4 Ng4 44.Rb5+ Kh6 45.Kf4 Nf6 46.g4 Rc4+ 47.Kf3 Nxg4 48.Rb8 Ne5+ 49.Kg3 Kg5 50.Kh3 Rc3+ 51.Kg2 Kf4 52.Kf2 Rc2+ 53.Ke1 Ra2 54.Kd1 Nd3* 0-1 (54) unitedff (2622)-viennadragon (2560) Blitz 2024*)* 13...c4 *(13...b6 14.f4 Ne8 15.Kh1 Qd8 16.Qd2 Nc7 17.e5 dxe5 18.f5 Ne8 19.Nce4 Ndf6 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.Nxf6+ Nxf6 22.d6 Nh7 23.Bc4 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.Bd5 c4 26.Ra7 Nf6 27.Bg5 Qb6 28.Rxf7 Rxf7 29.Bxf6 Bf5 30.Nxf5 Bxf6 31.Nh6+ Kg7 32.Nxf7 g5 33.Nxg5 Rh8 34.Ne6+ Kg6 35.Rxf6+* 1-0 (35) Matlakov,M (2695)-Djuric,S (2402) Wroclaw POL 2014*)* 14.Rc1 *(14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Nxb6 16.Qd2 Nfd7 17.Bh6 Qc5+ 18.Kh1 Ne5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.f5 h5 23.h3 h4 24.f6+ Kh7 25.Qg5 Rh8 26.Nf5 Bxf5 27.exf5 Nd7 28.fxg6+ fxg6 29.Qxh4+ Kg8 30.Qg5 Kf7 31.Rae1 Ne5 32.Rxe5 dxe5 33.Qxe5 Rbe8 34.Qf4 Rh5 35.Ne4 Rxe4 36.Qxe4 Rxd5 37.Re1 Kxf6 38.Qe6+ Kg7 39.Qe8 Rf5 40.Re7+ Kh6 41.Qh8+ Kg5 42.h4+ Kg4 43.Re4+ Kg3 44.Qb8+ Kf2 45.Qh2 Kf1 46.Rf4+ Ke2 47.g4+* 1-0 (47) alexkaspi (2615)-windycamel (2561) Blitz 2022*)* 14...b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.b4 Ne5 17.Bd4 h5 18.Qd2 h4 19.Nh1 Nfd7 20.f4 Nd3 21.Bxg7 Nxc1 22.Bd4 Nb3 23.Qe3 Nxd4 24.Qxd4 Qb6 25.Qxb6 Rxb6 26.Nf2 Bb7 27.Ng4 Ra8 28.e5 Ra3 29.Ne4 Kf8 30.Nxd6 Rxd6 31.Rd1 0-1 (31) Rish1756 (2723)-Pblu35 (2700) Blitz 2021]

[11...h6 12.Be3 Nh7 13.0-0 Qh4 14.f4 Ndf6 15.e5 Ng4 16.Bxg4 Bxg4 17.Qc2 dxe5 18.f5 gxf5 19.Nxf5 Bxf5 20.Qxf5 Qc4 21.Rf3 Rad8 22.Rg3 Kh8 23.Rf1 e4 24.Rxg7 Kxg7 25.Rf4 Qd3 26.Rxe4 Kh8 27.Bxc5 Qd2 28.Bxf8 Qc1+ 29.Qf1 Qxf1+ 30.Kxf1 Nxf8 31.Re7 Rd7 32.Rxd7 Nxd7 33.Ke2 Kg7 34.Ke3 f5 35.Kd4 Kf6 36.a5 Ne5 37.Na4 f4 38.Ke4 Nc4 39.b4 Ne3 40.Nc5 Nxg2 41.Nxb7 Ne3 42.Nc5 Ke7 43.Nd3 1-0 (43) Xiong,J (2709)-Balakrishnan,P (2507) Philadelphia USA 2021]

[11...b6 12.0-0 h5 13.Bg5 Qc7 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Bh6 h4 16.Nh1 Kh7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nf2 Rb8 19.f4 Neg4 20.Nxg4 Nxg4 21.e5 Nh6 22.exd6 Qxd6 23.Ne4 Qd7 24.Qc3+ f6 25.Bf3 Nf5 26.Ng5 Nd4 27.Ne6+ Nxe6 28.dxe6 Qxe6 29.Rfe1 Qf7 30.Rad1 Bb7 31.Rd6 Bxf3 32.Qxf3 Rfd8 33.Rde6 Rd7 34.f5 g5 35.Qc6 Rbb7 36.h3 Rdc7 37.Qd6 Rd7

38.Qc6 Rdc7 39.Qe4 b5 40.axb5 axb5 41.Rd1 Rd7 42.Rdd6 Rxd6 43.Rxd6 c4 44.Rd8 Rd7 45.Rb8 Rd1+ 46.Kf2 Rd2+ 47.Kf1 Rd1+ 48.Kf2 Rd7 49.Rxb5 Re7 50.Qd5 Qxd5 51.Rxd5 Rb7 52.Rd2 Rb5 53.Ke3 Rxf5 54.Kd4 Rf4+ 55.Kc5 Kg6 56.Rc2 f5 57.Rxc4 Rf2 58.b4 Rxg2 59.b5 Rb2 60.Rb4 Rxb4 61.Kxb4 g4 62.b6 gxh3 63.b7 h2 64.b8Q h1Q 65.Qg8+ Kf6 66.Qf8+ Kg5 67.Qg7+ Kf4 68.Qd4+ Qe4 0-1 (68) Bandhawk (2661)-O_Hto_I_O (2440) Rapid 2024]

12.0-0

[12.Nf1 Ne5 *(12...Re8 13.Ne3 Ne5 14.0-0 Nh7 15.f4 Nd7 16.e5 dxe5 17.f5 Rb8 18.d6 Ndf6 19.fxg6 fxg6 20.Bc4+ Kh8 21.Bf7 Rf8 22.Bxg6 Ng4 23.Bxh5 Nxe3 24.Bxe3 Qh4 25.Rxf8+ Bxf8 26.Bxc5 Bd7 27.Qf3 Bc6 28.Qf5 Bg7 29.d7 Bxd7 30.Qxd7 Qxh5 31.Ne4 Qh4 32.Nd6 Rf8 33.Nf7+ Kg8 34.Bxf8 Nxf8 35.Qd5 Kh7 36.Rf1 Ng6 37.Nd6 Qxa4 38.Qe4 Qd4+ 39.Qxd4 exd4 40.Nxb7 Ne5 41.Nc5 a5 42.Rd1 Nc4 43.Nd3 Kg6 44.h4 Ne3 45.Rc1 Kf5 46.Kf2 Ke4 47.Nc5+ Kd5 48.Kf3 Nc4 49.g4 Ne5+ 50.Ke2 d3+ 51.Kd2 Nf3+ 52.Kxd3 Ne5+ 53.Ke3 Nc4+ 54.Kf4 Bxb2* 0-1 (54) Poirot_Hercule (2705)-Yhwach_Almighty2003 (2555) Blitz 2023 *)* 13.Ne3 Nh7 14.0-0 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Ng4 17.h3 Re8 18.hxg4 hxg4 19.Qe1 Bd4 20.Ncd1 Nf6 21.Ra3 Ne4 22.Bd3 g3 23.Bxe4 Qh4 24.Qxg3+ Qxg3 25.Bf3 Bd7 26.Nf2 b5 27.Re1 b4 28.Rd3 Bxa4 29.Rdd1 Bxd1 0-1 (29) BestBrazilian (2783)-kirill_kopyonkin (2562) Blitz 2020]

12...h4 13.Nh1 Nh5

[13...Nh7 14.Nf2 f5 15.exf5 gxf5 16.Nh3 Ne5 17.Nf4 Qf6 18.Nh5 Qg6 19.Nxg7 Kxg7 20.f4 Ng4 21.b3 Nhf6 22.h3 Nh6 23.Bb2 Kh7 24.a5 Bd7 25.Na4 Bb5 26.Nb6 Bxe2 27.Qxe2 Rae8 28.Qf2 Ne4 29.Qxh4 Rg8 30.g4 fxg4 31.f5 Qf7 32.Kh2 Ng5 33.Bc1 Re2+ 34.Kh1 Qe7 35.Ra4 Rh2+ 36.Kxh2 Nf3+ 37.Rxf3 Qxh4 38.Nd7 Qe7 39.Re3 Qxd7 40.Re6 Nxf5 41.hxg4 Rxg4 42.Rxg4 Qf7 43.Kg2 Qh5 44.Rf4 Nh4+ 45.Kf2 Ng6 46.Rf7+ Kg8 47.Rff6 Qh2+ 48.Ke1 Nh4 49.Bg5 Qh1+ 50.Ke2 Qg2+ 51.Kd3 Qxg5 52.Re8+ Kg7 53.Rxd6 Qg6+ 54.Rxg6+ Nxg6 55.Rb8 1-0 (55) Poirot_Hercule (2696)-crackcubano (2659) Blitz 2023]

[13...Rb8 14.Nf2 Re8 15.Bg5 Ne5 16.Bxh4 c4 17.f4 Ned7 18.a5 b5 19.e5 dxe5 20.fxe5 Rxe5 21.Ng4 Re8 22.d6 Bb7 23.Bf3 b4 24.Nd5 Bxd5 25.Bxd5 Rb5 26.Bxc4 Rh5 27.Nxf6+ Bxf6 28.Bxf6 Nxf6 29.Qd4 Ree5 30.Rxf6 Qxf6 31.Rf1 Rhf5 32.d7 Rd5 33.Qxf6 Rxf6 34.Rxf6 Rxd7 35.Rxg6+ 1-0 (35) MothToTheFlame (2646)-Liochess13 (2722) Blitz 2023]

14.g4 hxg3 15.hxg3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.f4 Nhf6 18.Nf2 Qe8 19.Kg2 Qg6 20.Re1 Re8 21.Bf3 Rxe1 22.Qxe1 Nf8 23.Qe7 Ne8 24.Qd8 Nd7 25.Qe7 Nf8 26.Nh3 Bd7 27.Ng5 Rb8 28.Bd2 b5 29.axb5 axb5 30.Qe2 Nf6 31.Qe7 Ng4 32.Ne6 Re8 33.Qxg7+ Qxg7 34.Nxg7 Kxg7 35.Ra7 Kf6 36.Nd1 b4 37.Bc1 Re1 38.Bd2 Re8 39.Bxg4 fxg4 40.Ne3 Rd8 41.b3 Kg6

[41...Ng6 42.Bc1 Ne7 43.Bb2+ Kg6 44.Kf2 Nf5 45.Nxg4 Bb5 46.Ne3

Re8 47.Bc1 Nd4 48.Bb2 Nf5 49.Bc1 Nd4 50.g4 Nxb3 51.Bb2 Nd4 52.Bxd4 ½-½ (50) micpilar_bot (3026)-RaspFish (3035) Blitz 2025]
42.Ra6 Bb5 43.Rb6 Bd3 44.Bc1 Nh7 45.Bb2 Nf6 46.Bxf6 Kxf6 47.Kf2 Kg6 48.Ke1 Be4 49.Kd2 Kf7 50.Rb7+ Kf8 51.Ra7 Re8 52.Rd7 Ra8 53.Rxd6 Ra2+ 54.Ke1 Ra1+ 55.Ke2 Ra2+ 56.Kd1 Ra1+ 57.Kd2 Ra2+ 58.Kd1 Ra1+ 59.Ke2 Ra2+ 60.Ke1 Ra1+ 61.Kf2 Ra2+ 62.Ke1 ½-½ (62) PetersBot (3093)-ToromBot (3093) Rapid 2024

8...h5 9.Bg5

[9.Be2 h4 10.Nf1 exd5 11.cxd5

A) 11...Nh5 12.g4 hxg3 *(12...Nf6 13.Bg5 h3 14.Qd2 Nbd7 15.Bh6 Ne5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Ne3 a6 18.a4 Bd7 19.Rg1 b5 20.Nf5+ Bxf5 21.gxf5 Nh7 22.f4 Qh4+ 23.Kd1 Nc4 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.f5 g5 27.Qe1 Qf4 28.Qg3 Qxg3 29.Rxg3 Rab8 30.Kc2 Rb3 31.Rxh3 Rfb8 32.Rb1 Nf6 33.Rg3 Kh6 34.Re3 Kh5 35.Rh3+ Kg4 36.Rh6 Nd7 37.Rxd6 Ne5 38.Rg1+ Kf4 39.Rf1+ Nf3 40.Ne2+ Ke3 41.Nc3 Rxb2+ 42.Kc1 R2b3 43.Nd1+ Kxe4 44.Re6+ Kxd5 45.Ne3+ Kd4 46.Nc2+ Kd5 47.Ne3+ Rxe3 48.Rxe3 Ne5 49.Kc2 Nd3 50.Rxd3+ cxd3+ 51.Kxd3 c4+ 52.Kc2 Rh8 53.Rf2 g4 54.f6 Ke6 55.f7 Rf8 56.Kc3 Rxf7 57.Rxf7 Kxf7 58.Kxc4 Kg6 59.Kc5 Kg5 60.Kb6 Kh4 61.Kxa6 Kh3 62.Kb7 Kxh2 63.a5 g3 64.a6 g2 65.a7 g1Q 66.a8Q Qg2+ 67.Ka7 Qxa8+ 68.Kxa8* ½-½ (68) Bandhawk (2632)-DMV86 (2542) Rapid 2024 *)*

A1) 13.hxg3 Qf6 14.f4 Re8 *(14...Qe7 15.Qd3 f5 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.Qf3 Bxc3+ 18.bxc3 Qxe4+ 19.Qxe4 fxe4 20.Rxh5 Nd7 21.Ne3 Nf6 22.Rh4 Kg7 23.c4 Rh8 24.Rxh8 Kxh8 25.Bb2 Kg7 26.f5 Kf7 27.g4 Nh7 28.Ke2 Ng5 29.Rh1 Bd7 30.Rh6 Rg8 31.Rxd6 Ke7 32.Rh6 b5 33.d6+ Ke8 34.Nd5 Kf7 35.Rf6+ Ke8 36.Nc7+ Kd8 37.cxb5 Nf3 38.Rg6 Rf8 39.Bg7 Nd4+ 40.Ke3 Nxf5+ 41.gxf5 Rxf5 42.Kxe4 Rf2 43.Rf6* 1-0 (43) MrAble (2625)-dadice (2477) Rapid 2023*)* 15.Bxh5 gxh5 16.Qxh5 b5 17.Bd2 b4 18.0-0-0 Ba6 19.Ne3 Qg6 20.Nf5 Qxh5 21.Rxh5 bxc3 22.Bxc3 f6 23.Rdh1 Bf8 24.Rh8+ Kf7 25.R1h7+ 1-0 (25) MrAble (2633)-Ribery (2516) Rapid 2023;

A2) 13.Nxg3 Qh4 14.Be3 a6 15.Bf2 Qg5 16.h4 Qe5 17.Nxh5 gxh5 18.Qd2 Kh7 19.f4 Qf6 20.0-0-0 b5 21.Be3 b4 22.Na4 Nd7 23.Rdg1 Bh6 24.Rg5 Re8 1-0 (24) Poirot_Hercule (2720)-Jotto_1 (2702) Blitz 2023;

B) 11...Nbd7 12.Bg5 h3 13.g4 Ne5 14.Nd2 Qb6 15.Qc2 Bd7 16.Be3 Be8 17.g5 Nh7 18.f4 Nd7 19.Nc4 Qc7 20.Nb5 Qd8 21.Nbxd6 Bd4 22.Bxd4 cxd4 23.Qd2 f6 24.gxf6 Qxf6 25.0-0 b5 26.e5 Qh4 27.Nxe8 bxc4 28.Nc7 g5 29.Nxa8 gxf4 30.Bxc4 Nxe5 31.Kh1 f3 32.Bd3 Ng5 33.Rae1 Ng4 34.Nc7 f2 35.Re4 Nxe4 36.Bxe4 Ne3 37.Qxd4 Qh6 38.d6 Nxf1 39.Bd5+ Kh7 40.Be4+ Kg8 41.Bd5+ Kh7 42.Qd3+ Kg7

43.Qxf1 Qxd6 44.Ne6+ Kh6 45.Qxh3+ Kg6 46.Qg4+ Kf6 47.Qg5+ Kf7 48.Qg7+ Ke8 49.Nc7+ Kd8 50.Ne6+ Ke8 51.Qxf8+ Qxf8 52.Bg2 f1Q+ 53.Bxf1 Qxf1# 0-1 (53) Poirot_Hercule (2719)-MOTAR0 (2810) Blitz 2023;

C) 11...Nh7 12.Ne3 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.f4 Qe7 15.0-0 Bd4 *(15...Nd7 16.Nc4 Rb8 17.Nb5 Rf6 18.Re1 Ndf8 19.Bh5 Qd7 20.Nxa7 Rh6 21.Nb6 Bd4+ 22.Be3 Bxe3+ 23.Rxe3 Qd8 24.Nbxc8 Rxc8 25.Nxc8 Qxc8 26.Re8 Qd7 27.Qe2 Qg7 28.Re1 Qd4+ 29.Kh1 h3 30.gxh3 Qxd5+ 31.Bf3 Qf7 32.Qg2+ Kh8 33.Bd5 Qg6 34.Qf3 Qf6 35.Rg1 Rg6 36.Rxg6 Qxg6 37.Qc3+ Qg7 38.Qxg7+ Kxg7 39.Re7+ Kh6 40.Rxb7 Ng6 41.Rb6 Nxf4 42.Rxd6+ Kg5 43.Bg2 Nf6 44.h4+ Kg6 45.a4 Kg7 46.h3 Ne4 47.Rd7+ Kf6 48.a5 Nxg2 49.Kxg2 f4 50.Kf3 Ng3 51.a6 Nf5 52.a7 Nxh4+ 53.Kg4 Ng6 54.Rd6+ Ke5 55.Rxg6 Kd4 56.a8Q Kd3 57.Qd5+ Kc2 58.Qxc5+ Kb1 59.b4 Ka2 60.b5 f3 61.Rf6 f2 62.Rxf2+ Ka1 63.Qc1#* 1-0 (63) MrAble (2673)-bijiy (2619) Rapid 2023 *)* 16.Rf3 Nd7 17.Kh1 Ndf6 18.Nb5 Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Ne4 20.Nc3 Nf2+ 21.Kg1 Qxe3 22.Bxe3 Nxd1 23.Rxd1 Bd7 24.Bf2 h3 25.gxh3 Rae8 26.Bb5 Rf7 27.Bh4 a6 28.Bxd7 Rxd7 29.Kf2 Rg7 30.a4 b6 31.Ra1 Kf7 32.Ra3 Nf6 33.Rb3 Rb8 34.Bg5 Nd7 35.h4 Kg6 36.Ne2 b5 37.h5+ Kxh5 38.Rh3+ Kg6 39.Rh6+ Kf7 40.Rxd6 Nb6 41.axb5 axb5 42.Rf6+ Kg8 43.Rxf5 Rd7 44.Nc3 Rf8 45.Re5 Nc4 46.Re7 Rxe7 47.Bxe7 Rxf4+ 48.Kg3 Rd4 49.Bf6 Rd3+ 50.Kf4 Nxb2 51.Nxb5 Nc4 52.Ke4 Re3+ 53.Kf5 Nd6+ 54.Nxd6 1-0 (54) Poirot_Hercule (2700)-TargetPractice22 (2569) Blitz 2023;

D) 11...Re8 12.Be3 Nbd7 *(12...Nh5 13.Qd2 Nd7 14.g4 hxg3 15.hxg3 a6 16.a4 Ne5 17.g4 Nf6 18.Bh6 Bh8 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.Bh6 Bh8 21.Ng3 Rb8 22.Be3 b5 23.g5 Nh7 24.f4 Nc4 25.Bxc4 bxc4 26.Qh2 Bg7 27.Qxh7+ Kf8 28.Qh2 Qa5 29.0-0 Rb3 30.Rae1 Qb4 31.Re2 Bg4 32.Ref2 Ke7 33.f5 Be5 34.Bf4 Bd4 35.f6+ Kd7 36.Qh4 Bf3 37.Qh7 Rf8 38.Qg7 Qb8 39.Nce2 Rxb2 40.Nxd4 Rxf2 41.Rxf2 cxd4 42.Rxf3 c3 43.e5 dxe5 44.Bxe5 Qxe5 45.Qxf8 c2 46.Qc5 Qe1+ 47.Nf1 c1Q 48.Qa7+ Qc7 49.Qxa6 d3 50.Qxd3 Qa7+ 51.Re3 Qh4 52.Qb5+ Kd6 53.Qc6#* 1-0 (53) rdm89 (2621)-ThePatrick27 (2564) Blitz 2023*)* 13.Nd2 a6 14.a4 Rb8 *(14...Ne5 15.0-0 Bd7 16.h3 b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Qf3 Qe7 20.f5 Bxf5 21.Bg5 Nxe4 22.Bxe7 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nxd2 24.Qf4 Nxf1 25.Rxf1 Rxe7 26.Qxd6 Rae8 27.Qxa6 Bd3 28.d6 Re1* 0-1 (28) Beginner741 (2619)-VictorAntonBologan (2606) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.0-0 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nxb5 Nxd5 18.Bf2 Nf4 19.Nxd6 Qg5 20.g4 hxg3 21.hxg3 Be5 22.Nxe8 Nh3+ 23.Kg2 Nxf2 24.Rxf2 Bxg3 25.Kf1 Ne5 26.Nc4

Bh3+ 27.Ke1 Nxc4 28.Bxc4 Qe3+ 29.Qe2 Bxf2+ 30.Kd1 Rxe8 31.Qxe3 Bxe3 32.Ra7 Be6 33.Bxe6 Rxe6 34.Ke2 Bd4 35.b3 g5 36.Kd3 Bg1 37.Kc4 Kg7 38.Kd5 Rf6 39.e5 Rf5 40.Ke4 Rf4+ 41.Kd5 Rd4+ 42.Kc6 Kg6 43.Ra1 Be3 44.Re1 Rd3 45.Kb5 Rxb3+ 46.Kc4 Ra3 47.Kd5 Bd4 48.Ke4 Re3+ 49.Rxe3 Bxe3 50.Kxe3 Kf5 0-1 (50) nastroyani (2654)-Tayka (2733) Blitz 2022;

E) 11...Na6 12.Bg5 Qb6 13.Rb1 Nh5 14.Ne3 Bd4 15.Nc4 Qc7 16.Nb5 Qd7 17.Nxd4 cxd4 18.Qxd4 f6 19.Bxh4 Nf4 20.Kf2 Nxg2 21.Bg3 f5 22.Bxd6 Re8 23.Rhg1 Nh4 24.Qf6 Qh7 25.Ne5 Rxe5 26.Qf8# 1-0 (26) MothToTheFlame (2649)-GolfeDuMorbihan (2676) Blitz 2023;

F) 11...a6 12.a4 *(12.Ne3 b5 13.a4 b4 14.Nb1 Nbd7 15.Nc4 Nb6 16.Nbd2 h3 17.g3 a5 18.Nxb6 Qxb6 19.Nc4 Qc7 20.Bf4 Ne8 21.Qd2 Ba6 22.Rc1 Bxc4 23.Bxc4 Bd4 24.b3 Nf6 25.Kd1 Qe7 26.Bg5 Qe5 27.Re1 Nd7 28.f4 Qe8 29.Bb5 f6 30.Bh4 Qf7 31.g4 Nb6 32.Qd3 Kg7 33.g5 fxg5 34.Bxg5 Rh8 35.Kc2 Bf6 36.Qg3 Bxg5 37.Qxg5 Raf8 38.Rf1 Qf6 39.Qxf6+ Kxf6 40.Kd3 Rh4 41.Rf3 Ke7 42.Rcf1 Nd7 43.Bxd7 Kxd7 44.f5 gxf5 45.Rxf5 Rxf5 46.Rxf5 Rg4 47.Rh5 Rg2 48.Rxh3 Rb2 49.Kc4 Rc2+ 50.Kb5 Rc3 51.Rh7+ Ke8 52.Kc6 Rxb3 53.e5 dxe5 54.d6 Rd3 55.d7+ Kf8 56.Rh8+ Ke7 57.Re8+ Kf6 58.d8Q+ Rxd8 59.Rxd8 c4 60.Kd5 c3 61.Rc8 Kf5 62.h4 e4 63.Kd4 Kf4 64.h5 e3 65.h6 e2 66.Rf8+ Kg5 67.h7 e1Q 68.h8Q Qd2+ 69.Kc4 Qe2+ 70.Kc5 Qe7+ 71.Kc6 Qe6+ 72.Kb5 Qd5+ 73.Kb6 Qd6+ 74.Kxa5 Qc5+ 75.Ka6 Qc6+ 76.Ka7 Qc7+ 77.Ka8 Qc6+ 78.Kb8 Qb6+ 79.Kc8 Qc6+ 80.Kd8 Qd6+ 81.Ke8 Qe6+ 82.Kd8 Qd6+ 83.Kc8 Qc6+ 84.Kb8 Qb6+ 85.Ka8 Qa6+ 86.Kb8 Qb6+* ½-½ (86) Romvid (2667)-Dmitry_Morozov (2583) Blitz 2022 *)*

F1) 12...Nh5 13.g4 *(13.f4 f5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Ne3 Nxf4 16.Nxf5 Rxf5 17.0-0 Qf6 18.Bg4 Qd4+ 19.Kh1 Nd3 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.Qe2 Ne5 22.Rxf5 Nbd7 23.Be3 Qc4 24.Qd1 Re8 25.Bf4 h3 26.Bxe5 Nxe5 27.Qf1 Qxf1+ 28.Raxf1 hxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Nc4 30.Nd1 Re2+ 31.R1f2 Re1 32.Rf1 Rxd1 33.Rxd1 Ne3+ 34.Kf3 Nxf5 35.Ke4 Nd4 36.b4 cxb4 37.a5 b3 38.Rg1 b2 39.Kd3 Nb5 40.Kc2 Na3+* 0-1 (40) MothToTheFlame (2683)-abrakadabra02 (2745) Blitz 2023 *)* 13...Nf6 *(13...hxg3 14.hxg3 Nd7 15.g4 Nhf6 16.Ng3 Ne5 17.Bg5 Qb6 18.Qd2 Re8 19.Bh6 Bh8 20.0-0-0 Bd7 21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.gxf5 c4 23.Be3 Qb3 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.Rdg1 Kf7 26.f4 Nd3+ 27.Bxd3 cxd3 28.Qg2 Ke7 29.e5 Nxd5 30.Nxd5+ Kd7 31.Rh7+ Kd8 32.Bb6+ Kc8 33.Rc7+ Kb8 34.Rc3 Qa2 35.Bc7+ Ka7 36.Qf2+* 1-0 (36) Fastchess2345 (2670)-chesschampion9999 (2546) Blitz

2024 *)* 14.Bg5 Qa5 *(14...Qb6 15.Qd2 Nh7 16.Bxh4 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.Rg1 Kh8 19.Rxg7 Kxg7 20.0-0-0 f4 21.Qc2 Nd7 22.Nd2 Ne5 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Bxc4 Kh8 25.Ne2 Qc7 26.Rg1 Rg8 27.Qc3+ Rg7 28.Nxf4 Kg8 29.Ng6 Bh3 30.e5 Re8 31.Rg3 Bf5 32.exd6 Qxd6 33.Ne7+ Rexe7 34.Bxe7 Qxe7 35.d6+ Be6 36.dxe7* 1-0 (36) nastroyani (2691)-aryamannkid (2596) Blitz 2022*; 14...h3 15.Ng3 Qb6 16.Qd2 Nbd7 17.0-0 Ne5 18.Kh1 Nh7 19.Be3 Bd7 20.Rg1 Qc7 21.Nf5 gxf5 22.gxf5 Kh8 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6 Rg8 25.f6 Ng6 26.e5 Bf5 27.Rg5 Qd7 28.Qxh7+ Kxh7 29.Rh5#* 1-0 (29) ikica77 (2687)-painkiller3 (2519) Blitz 2024 *)* 15.Bxh4 Re8 16.Ne3 Nbd7 17.Nc4 Qc7 18.Bg3 Ne5 19.Nxe5 dxe5 20.Bf2 Bd7 21.Qd2 c4 22.a5 Kh7 23.h4 Ng8 24.h5 1-0 (24) BestBrazilian (2778)-kirill_kopyonkin (2567) Blitz 2020;

F2) 12...Nbd7

F2a) 13.Bg5 h3 *(13...Qc7 14.Bxh4 c4 15.Bf2 Rb8 16.a5 Nc5 17.Ne3 Nb3 18.Nxc4 Nxa1 19.Qxa1 Nd7 20.0-0 Nc5 21.Qa3 Re8 22.Nxd6 Qxd6 23.Qxc5 Qd8 24.Bg3 Ra8 25.Rd1 Bd7 26.Qb6 Qxb6+ 27.axb6 Rec8 28.Bc7 a5 29.d6 Bxc3 30.bxc3 a4 31.Bc4 a3 32.Ba2 Kf8 33.Kf2 Ke8 34.Ke3 Ra5 35.Bd5 a2 36.Ra1 Bc6 37.Bxc6+ bxc6 38.b7 Kd7 39.bxc8Q+ Kxc8 40.Kd4 Kd7 41.Kc4* 1-0 (41) unitedff (2616)-thebiggreek (2667) Blitz 2024*)* 14.g4 *(14.gxh3 Qc7 15.Ng3 Nh7 16.Be3 Qd8 17.0-0 Qh4 18.Qd2 Ndf6 19.Kh1 Bxh3 20.Rg1 Rfe8 21.a5 Rac8 22.Nd1 Nd7 23.Nf2 Ne5 24.Nxh3 Qxh3 25.Rg2 Nf6 26.Rag1 Kh7 27.Bg5 Rh8 28.f4 Ned7 29.e5 dxe5 30.Bxf6 Bxf6 31.f5 Qh4 32.fxg6+ fxg6 33.Ne4 Rcg8 34.Bg4 Bd8 35.Qe3 Nb8 36.Be6 Qf4 37.Qe2 c4 38.Rg3 c3 39.bxc3 Nd7 40.Bxd7 Bh4 41.Rg4 Qh6 42.Be6 Bd8 43.R4g3 Rf8 44.Qg2 Rfg8 45.Bxg8+ Rxg8 46.Rh3 Bh4 47.Qg4 g5 48.Rxh4 Qxh4 49.Qxh4+ gxh4 50.Nf6+ Kh6 51.Nxg8+ Kh7 52.d6 e4 53.d7 Kh8 54.Nf6 b6 55.d8Q#* 1-0 (55) Correspondence-ai (2746)-Cheng-4 (2447) Classical 2024*)* 14...Qc7 15.Ne3 Re8 16.Nc4 Rb8 17.a5 b5 18.axb6 Nxb6 19.Na5 Bd7 20.0-0 Nh7 21.Bf4 c4 22.Kh1 f5 23.gxf5 gxf5 24.Rg1 Kh8 25.Nc6 Bxc6 26.dxc6 Be5 27.Bxe5+ dxe5 28.Rxa6 Rbd8 29.Nd5 Nxd5 30.exd5 e4 31.Qd4+ Qe5 32.Qxe5+ Rxe5 33.c7 1-0 (33) Depresionante (2750)-vaynebot (2832) Blitz 2022;

F2b) 13.Ne3 Nh5 *(13...Ne5 14.0-0 Bh6 15.f4 Ned7 16.Nc4 Nb6 17.e5 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Bg4 19.Qe1 Nh5*

20.e6 Qf6 21.Be3 fxe6 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.dxe6 Bxe6 24.Qc3 Bg7 25.Qd3 Rad8 26.Bxe6+ Qxe6 27.Ng5 Qf5 28.Qb3+ d5 29.Bxc5 Rfe8 30.Qxb7 Nxf4 31.Qf7+ Qxf7 32.Nxf7 Ne2+ 33.Kh1 Rd7 34.Nd6 Re6 35.Rae1 Bxb2 36.Rf2 Nd4 37.Rxe6 Nxe6 38.Rxb2 Nxc5 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.Ne8+ Kh6 41.Nf6 Rf7 42.Ng4+ Kg5 43.h3 Ne4 44.Rd8 Rf1+ 45.Kh2 Ng3 46.Rxd5+ Rf5 47.Rd6 Nf1+ 48.Kg1 Ng3 49.Rxa6 Rf1+ 50.Kh2 Rh1# 0-1 (50) MothToTheFlame (2686)-Ragadingdong_Reborn (2688) Blitz 2023*)* 14.0-0 *(14.Nc4 Ne5 15.f4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Re8 17.Be3 Bxc3+ 18.bxc3 Rxe4 19.Qd3 Qe7 20.Kd2 Bf5 21.Rae1 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Bxb5 Ra2+ 24.Kc1 Nxf4* 0-1 (24) brianthegreat (2673)-Kivurawnuru (2881) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nf4 15.Nc4 Qf6 16.g3 hxg3 17.hxg3 Nh5 18.Kg2 Qe7 19.f4 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Qxe4+ 21.Kf2 Ndf6 22.Nxd6 Qxd5 23.Qxd5 Nxd5 24.Nxc8 Raxc8 25.Bf3 Rfd8 26.Ra3 b5 27.axb5 axb5 28.Rd1 Nhf6 29.Bb2 c4 30.Ra5 Nc7 31.Ra7 Rxd1 32.Bxd1 Rd8 33.Be2 Ncd5 34.Kf3 Re8 35.Bf1 Re3+ 36.Kf2 Ne4+ 37.Kg1 Rxg3+ 38.Kh2 Nxf4 39.Re7 Re3 40.Bc1 Re1 41.Bxf4 Rxf1 42.Rxe4 Kg7 43.Kg3 f6 44.Re7+ Kf8 45.Rb7 g5 46.Bd6+ Ke8 47.Rxb5 Rc1 48.Bb4 Kd7 49.Kg4 Ke6 50.Rb6+ Kd5 51.Kf5 Rf1+ 52.Kg6 g4 53.Rxf6 Rg1 54.Rf5+ Ke4 55.Rg5 Kd3 56.Bc5 g3 57.Bxg1 g2 58.Bd4 Ke2 59.Rxg2+ Kd3 60.Rg5 Ke4 61.Rc5 Kd3 62.Kf6 Ke4 63.Rxc4 Kd3 64.Rc5 Kc2 65.Ke6 Kb3 66.Kd7 Ka4 67.Kc6 Kb3 68.Kb7 Kc2 69.Be5 Kd3 70.Rc6 Kc2 71.c4 Kd3 72.c5 Ke4 73.Bd6 Kd5 74.Bc7 Kc4 75.Bb6 Kd5 76.Rc8 Kc4 77.Kb8 Kd5 78.c6 Kc4 79.c7 Kb5 80.Ba7 Ka6 81.Rd8 Kb5 82.Kb7 Ka5 83.c8Q Kb5 84.Qc5+ Ka4 85.Rd4+ Kb3 86.Qc4+ Kb2 87.Rd2+ Kb1 88.Qa2+ Kc1 89.Qc2# 1-0 (89) Duhless1981 (2762)-Soham0705 (2705) Blitz 2024;

F3) 12...Re8 13.Bg5 h3 14.g4 Qb6 15.Qd2 Nbd7 16.Ng3 *(16.Ne3 Ne5 17.Bh4 c4 18.g5 Nh5 19.Bf2 Qc7 20.Nc2 Bd7 21.Nd4 Rac8 22.a5 Nd3+ 23.Bxd3 cxd3 24.Be3 Qc4 25.Qf2 Qb4 26.0-0 Rc4 27.Na2 Qxa5 28.Nc3 Qd8 29.Nb3 Be5 30.Nd2 Rc8 31.f4 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Rxc3 33.f5 Qe7 34.Kh1 Rc2 35.Bd4 Rxd2* 0-1 (35) gg-gm-gmg (2621)-DmitryMaximov (2642) Blitz 2020 *)* 16...Ne5 17.Be3 Qc7 18.g5 Nh7 19.0-0 Bd7 20.a5 b5 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.Rfb1 Qb4 23.Nd1 a5 24.Nf2 f6 25.f4 Nf7 26.Qxb4 axb4 27.gxf6 Nxf6 28.Bc4 Ng4 29.Nxg4 Bxg4 30.Rxa8 Rxa8 31.Rf1 Bxb2

32.e5 dxe5 33.d6 Kg7 34.Bxc5 Ra1 35.Rxa1 Bxa1 36.Bxb4 exf4 37.Ne4 Bd4+ 38.Kf1 Bf3 39.d7 Bxe4 40.Bxf7 Bg2+ 41.Ke1 Bb6 42.Bc4 f3 43.Bc5 Bd8 44.Kf2 Kf6 45.Be3 g5 46.Bb5 g4 47.Kg3 Ke6 48.Bc4+ Kd6 49.Kxg4 Kxd7 50.Kg3 Bc7+ 51.Kf2 Bxh2 52.Bd5 Kd6 53.Bxf3 Bxf3 54.Kxf3 Be5 55.Bg1 h2 56.Kg2 hxg1Q+ 57.Kxg1 ½-½ (57) Cheparinov,I (2686)-Kubicka,A (2256) Chess.com INT 2020;

F4) 12...h3 13.g3 Nbd7 14.Ne3 Rb8 15.0-0 Re8 16.Nc4 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Rxe5 18.Bf4 Re7 19.Qd2 Qc7 20.g4 c4 21.e5 Ne8 22.exd6 Nxd6 23.Kh1 b5 24.axb5 axb5 25.Rae1 b4 26.Ne4 c3 27.bxc3 bxc3 28.Qc2 Be5 29.Bxe5 Rxe5 30.Nxd6 Qxd6 31.Qxc3 Bb7 32.Bc4 Rxe1 33.Rxe1 Bxd5 34.Qd3 Rb2 35.Re8+ Kh7 36.Rh8+ Kxh8 37.Qd4+ Kh7 38.Qxb2 Bxf3+ 39.Kg1 Qc5+ 40.Qf2 Qxc4 41.Qxf3 Qd4+ 42.Kf1 Qa1+ 43.Kf2 Qb2+ 44.Kg3 Kg7 45.Kxh3 g5 46.Kg3 Qd2 47.h3 Qd4 48.Qf2 Qe5+ 49.Kg2 Qe4+ 50.Qf3 Qc2+ 51.Kg3 Qc7+ 52.Kg2 Qe5 53.Qf2 Kg6 54.Qf3 Qb2+ 55.Qf2 Qb5 56.Qf3 Qc4 57.Qf2 Qe4+ 58.Qf3 Qd4 59.Qf2 Qxf2+ 60.Kxf2 Kf6 61.Kf3 Ke5 62.Ke3 f6 63.Kf3 Kd4 64.Kf2 Ke4 65.Kg3 Ke3 66.h4 gxh4+ 67.Kxh4 Kf4 68.Kh5 f5 69.g5 Ke5 70.g6 Kf6 71.g7 f4 72.g8Q f3 0-1 (72) povadingo (2636)-notkevich (2719) Blitz 2024;

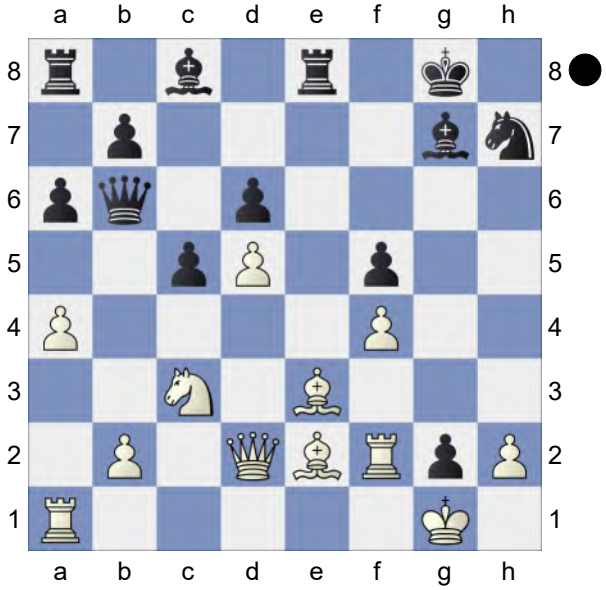
F5) 12...Nh7

F5a) 13.Ne3 Nd7 *(13...b6 14.0-0 Ra7 15.Nc4 f5 16.Bf4 Bd4+ 17.Kh1 Rf6 18.e5 dxe5 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.Nxe5 f4 21.Bc4 Kg7 22.Ne4 Rf5 23.Ng4 Rf8 24.Qd2 Bxg4 25.fxg4 g5 26.d6 Nd7 27.Rfe1 Ndf6 28.Nf2 Re8 29.Be6 Rae7 30.d7* ½-½ (30) Ganguly,S (2676)-Konguvel,P (2379) Pardubice CZE 2016*; 13...f5 14.0-0 Nd7 15.exf5 gxf5 16.f4 Bd4 17.Kh1 Ndf6 18.Bd3 Ne8 19.Ne2 Bh8 20.Qc2 Ng7 21.Ng1 Qf6 22.Bd2 Qg6 23.Bc3 Bd7 24.Nf3 Qh5 25.Qf2 Rae8 26.Rae1 h3 27.gxh3 b5 28.b3 Nf6 29.Rg1 Re7 30.Rg5 Qxh3 31.Rg3 Qh5 32.Reg1 Ng4 33.Nxg4 fxg4 34.Qb2 Rxf4 35.Bf6 Re3 36.Ng5 Rxd3 37.Rxd3 Qg6 38.Re3 Rxf6* 0-1 (38) gg-gm-gmg (2620)-DmitryMaximov (2643) Blitz 2020 *)* 14.g4 *(14.Nc4 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.Be3 f5 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Qd2 Re8 19.0-0 Qe7 20.Ne4 Qg7 21.Bh6 Qd7 22.Bd3 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Rxa8 Rxa8 25.Bb1 Ra4 26.Kh1 Rb4 27.Nc3 Nf6 28.Bg5 Nh5 29.Be4 Qh7 30.Ra1 Ng3+ 31.Kg1 Nxe4 32.fxe4 Bd7 33.Ra8+ Kg7 34.Ra7 Kg8 35.Ra8+ Kg7 36.Bf4 Bd4+ 37.Kh1 h3 38.Ra7 Kg8 39.Ra8+ Kg7 40.Bxd6 Qh5 41.Bf8+ Kh7 42.Ra7 Qg4*

43.Qh6+ Kg8 44.Qxh3 Qxh3 45.gxh3 Bxh3 46.Ra8 Kf7 47.Nd1 Bg4 48.d6 Bf3# 0-1 (48) Sjugirov,S (2650)-Tsydypov,Z (2529) Sochi RUS 2017 *)* 14...h3 15.0-0 Rb8 16.a5 b5 17.axb6 Qxb6 18.Nc4 Qc7 19.Bf4 Ne5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Bxe5 dxe5 22.Qd2 Qd6 23.Ra5 Kg7 24.Rfa1 Rb4 25.Bxa6 Bxa6 26.Rxa6 Qb8 27.R1a2 Rd4 28.Qe3 Qb3 29.Qc1 c4 30.R2a3 Qb4 31.R3a4 Qc5 32.Rc6 Rd1# 0-1 (32) Poirot_Hercule (2741)-crackcubano (2695) Blitz 2023;

F5b) 13.Be3

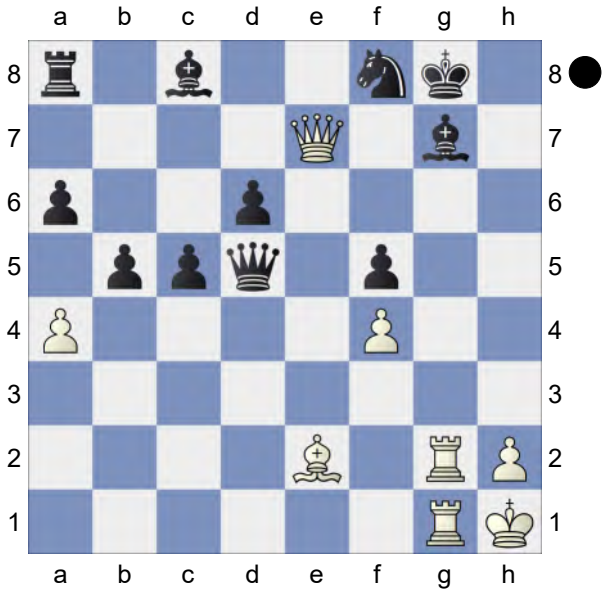
F5b1) 13...f5 14.exf5 gxf5 *(14...Bxf5 15.Qd2 Nd7 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.Ne3 Bd7 18.Nc2 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.0-0 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 b4 22.Ne4 h3 23.Ra7 Qb6 24.Ra6 Qd8 25.Rxd6 Qe7 26.Bxe5 Bxe5 27.Rxg6+ Kh8 28.d6 Qf7 29.Rh6 Qg7 30.Rxh7+ Qxh7 31.g3 Bxb2 32.Nxc5 Ra8 33.Nxb4 Ra1+ 34.Kf2 Bg7 35.Nxd7 Qb1 36.Bd1 Qxd1 37.Qxd1 Rxd1 38.Nc5 Bd4+ 39.Ke2 Rh1 40.d7 Bf6 41.Nd5 Rxh2+ 42.Kd3 Bd8 43.Nf4* 1-0 (43) nastroyani (2625)-Premier09 (2610) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.Nd2 Nd7 16.f4 *(16.0-0 h3 17.g3 f4 18.Bxf4 Rxf4 19.gxf4 Ndf6 20.Kh1 Nh5 21.Rg1 Bf5 22.Nde4 Kh8 23.Rxg7 Kxg7 24.Ng3 Bg6 25.Qd2 Qh4 26.Rg1 Kh8 27.f5 Nxg3+ 28.hxg3* 1-0 (28) OnkelKonkel (2662)-ChicagoUS_239 (2655) Blitz 2022*)* 16...h3 *(16...Re8 - 42/98)* 17.0-0 hxg2 18.Rf2 Re8 19.Nc4 Nb6 20.Nxb6N *(20.Qd2)* 20...Qxb6 21.Qd2 Diagram



F5b11) ⌓21...Nf6 22.h3 *(22.Rxg2 Ng4 23.Bf2 Bd7∓)* 22...Qb4 23.Rxg2 Bd7↑;

F5b12) 21...Rxe3? 22.Qxe3 Qxb2 23.Qe8+ Nf8 24.Rd1 *(24.Rb1? Qxc3 25.Rxg2 Be6! 26.Qxa8 Qe3+ 27.Kh1 Bxd5∓)* 24...Qxc3 25.Rxg2 Qf6 26.Kh1! *(26.Rd3!? b5 27.Rdg3 Ra7 28.Qxc8 Qa1+ 29.Bf1 Qd4+ 30.Kh1 Qxf4 31.Be2±)* 26...Qf7 27.Qd8? *(27.Qe3 Ra7 28.Rdg1 b6 29.Rxg7+ Qxg7 30.Qe8 Qxg1+*

31.Kxg1 Rg7+ 32.Kf2+-) 27...b5! 28.Rdg1 Qxd5 Arsovic,Zoran: '=' 29.Qe7 Diagram



Ne6? *(29...Ng6! 30.Qd8+ Nf8=; 29...Ra7! 30.Qxa7 Qb7 31.Qxb7 Bxb7 32.axb5 axb5 33.Bxb5 Ng6 34.Rb1 Kh7 35.Be8 Bxg2+ 36.Kxg2 Nxf4+ 37.Kf3 Ne6=)* 30.Bh5+- Bb7 31.Bf7+ Kh7 32.Bxe6 1-0 (32) Wojtaszek,R (2744)-Erdos,V (2585) Novi Sad 2016 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Zoran];

F5b2) 13...Nd7 14.Nd2

F5b21) 14...f5 15.0-0 *(15.Nc4 Ne5 16.exf5 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Re8 18.Kf2 Rxe3 19.Kxe3 Bd4+ 20.Ke2 Qg5 21.Kf1 Bxf5 22.Bd3 h3 23.g3 Qe3 24.Ne4 Bxe4* 0-1 (24) runittwice (2626)-Ernst_Gruenfeld (2752) Blitz 2018*)* 15...f4 16.Bf2 h3 17.gxh3 Ng5 18.Kh1 Nxh3 19.Nc4 Ne5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Qe1 Kg7 22.a5 Rh8 23.Rg1 Nxg1 24.Qxg1 Bd7 25.Na4 Bxa4 26.Rxa4 Qd7 27.Ra3 Rh6 28.Qg2 Rah8 29.Bg1 Bd4 30.Rb3 Bxg1 31.Kxg1 Rxh2 32.Qxh2 Rxh2 33.Kxh2 Kf6 34.Rb6 Ke5 35.b4 cxb4 36.Rxb4 Qc7 37.Kg2 Qc2 38.Kf1 Qc1+ 0-1 (38) Minarque (2676)-elconceto (2882) Blitz 2022;

F5b22) 14...Ne5 15.f4 Nd7 16.0-0 Re8 17.Bf2 *(17.Bd3 Nhf6 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 e4 20.Ndxe4 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 c4 22.Bc2 Nf6 23.Nxf6+ Bxf6 24.Bd4 g5 25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.Qg4 Bd7 27.Rad1 b5 28.axb5 axb5 29.g3 hxg3 30.h4 Kf8 31.hxg5 Qxb2 32.Rd2 Ra3 33.Qh4 Rae3 34.f6* 1-0 (34) alexkaspi (2647)-Krokodiller (2601) Blitz 2022 *)* 17...h3 18.g4 Rb8 19.a5 g5 20.f5 Ne5 21.Be3 b5 22.axb6 Rxb6 23.Ra2 Bd7 24.Bxa6 Qb8 25.Qc2 Nxg4 26.Bf2 Nxf2 27.Kxf2 Nf6 28.Kg3 g4 29.Bd3 Rb4 30.Nc4 Qd8 31.b3 Bh6 32.Qd1 Nh5+ 33.Kxg4 Rxc4 34.bxc4 Qg5+ 35.Kxh3 Bg7

36.Ne2 Qe3+ 37.Kg2 Rxe4 38.Ng1 Nf4+ 39.Rxf4 Rxf4 40.Re2 Qd4 41.Qc2 Rg4+ 0-1 (41) penguingim1 (2830)-nesIraCsungaM77 (2843) Blitz 2022]

9...Qb6 10.Qd2

[10.Qb3 Qc7 11.0-0-0 a6 12.e5 dxe5 13.Kb1 Re8 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nge4 Bd8 16.g4 f5 17.gxh5 fxe4 18.Nxe4 exd5 19.cxd5 b5 20.Rg1 Kh8 21.d6 Qh7 22.d7 Bxd7 23.hxg6 Qg7 24.Nd6 Bf6 25.Bh3 c4 26.Qe3 Re7 27.Bxd7 Rxd7 28.f4 Nc6 29.Qh3+ Kg8 30.Qe6+ Kf8 31.fxe5 Re7 32.Qxf6+ Qxf6 33.exf6 Rd7 34.g7+ Kg8 35.f7+ Rxf7 36.Nxf7 Kxf7 37.g8Q+ Rxg8 38.Rdf1+ Ke6 39.Rxg8 Na5 40.Rd8 Ke7 41.Rd2 Nc6 42.Re1+ Ne5 43.Rxe5+ Kf6 44.Re1 c3 45.Rf2+ Kg5 46.Rg1+ Kh6 47.bxc3 b4 48.Rf3 bxc3 49.Rh3# 1-0 (49) Correspondence-ai (2745)-Cheng-4 (2445) Classical 2024]

[10.Na4 Qa5+ 11.Bd2 Qc7 12.Nc3 a6 13.Bd3 b5 14.0-0 exd5 15.exd5 bxc4 16.Bxc4 Nbd7 17.Re1 Ne5 18.b3 h4 19.Nf1 h3 20.g4 Nfxg4 21.fxg4 Bxg4 22.Be2 f5 23.Bf4 c4 24.Rc1 Rae8 25.Bxe5 Qc5+ 26.Kh1 Qf2 27.Ne3 Bxe5 0-1 (27) gg-gm-gmg (2668)-Gevorg_Harutjunyan (2584) Blitz 2020]

10...exd5 11.cxd5 Nh7

[11...Re8 12.Be2 Nh7 13.Bh4 g5 14.Bxg5 Nxg5 15.Qxg5 Qxb2 16.Rc1 Kf8 17.Nb5 c4 18.Nxh5 Re7 19.Nxd6 f6 20.Qe3 Qb4+ 21.Kf2 Qxd6 22.Rxc4 Nd7 23.Rhc1 Nb6 24.Rc5 Bd7 25.g3 f5 26.Nxg7 Kxg7 27.Qg5+ Kf8 28.Bd3 Rae8 29.Qh5 Qf6 30.Kg2 Na4 31.R5c2 b6 32.Bc4 Nc5 33.d6 Rg7 34.Qh8+ 1-0 (34) penguingim1 (2879)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2813) Blitz 2022]

12.Bh6

[12.Bf4 Nd7 13.Be2 Ne5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.h3 Qb4 16.Be3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.f4 h4 19.Nh1 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Qxe4 21.Nf2 Qc4 22.Rae1 Rfe8 23.Ng4 f5 24.Nh2 Nf6 25.Nf3 Ne4 26.Qb2 b6 27.Nxh4 Kh7 28.Nf3 Qxc3 29.Ng5+ Kg8 30.Qxc3 Nxc3 31.Bd2 Nxd5 32.Kf2 Bb5 33.Rxe8+ Rxe8 34.Re1 Rxe1 35.Kxe1 Bc4 36.a3 b5 37.g4 b4 38.axb4 cxb4 39.gxf5 b3 40.Bc1 gxf5 41.Nf3 Nc3 42.Nd4 Na4 43.Nxf5 b2 44.Bxb2 Nxb2 45.Nxd6 Bd3 46.Kd2 Nc4+ 47.Kxd3 Nxd6 48.Kc3 Kf7 49.Kb4 Kf6 50.h4 Kg6 51.Ka5 Nc8 52.Ka6 Kh6 53.f5 Kg7 54.Kb5 Kf6 55.Ka6 Kxf5 56.h5 Kg5 57.Kb7 a5 0-1 (57) fireheart92 (2698)-alina0220 (2555) Blitz 2020]

[12.Be3 h4 13.Nge2 Nd7 14.Nd1 h3 15.Nec3 Ne5 16.Bh6 hxg2 17.Bxg2 Nc4 18.Qc1 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Nxb2 20.h4 Nd3+ 21.Kd2 Ne5 22.h5 g5 23.Rb1 Qa6 24.Bf1 Qa5 25.Be2 Kh8 26.Qxd6 Nd7 27.f4 gxf4 28.Rg1 Qd8 29.e5 Rg8 30.Nf2 Nb6 31.Rxg8+ Qxg8 32.Qxc5 Bf5 33.Rb4 f3 34.Bxf3 Rc8 35.Qd4 Qg5+ 36.Ke2 Kg8 37.d6 Qc1 38.Nfd1 Qc2+ 39.Qd2 Qxd2+ 40.Kxd2 Nc4+ 41.Ke2 Nxe5 42.Bxb7 Rd8 43.Rd4 Ng5 44.Ne3 Be6 45.Nb5 a5 46.a4 Kg7 47.Nc7 Kh6 48.Nxe6 Nxe6 49.Re4 f6 50.Bd5 Nc5 51.Rh4 Kg5 52.Rh1 Rxd6 53.h6 Rd8 54.h7 Rh8 55.Bg8 Ng6 56.Rg1+ Kh6 57.Nf5+ Kh5

58.Rh1+ Kg5 59.Nh6 Ne4 60.Rh2 Nd6 61.Nf7+ Nxf7 62.Bxf7 Nf8 63.Bg8 Kg6 64.Ke3 Nxh7 65.Kf4 Kg7 66.Rg2+ Kf8 67.Bxh7 Rxh7 68.Kf5 Rh6 69.Rg4 Kf7 70.Rc4 Rh5+ 71.Kg4 Rg5+ 72.Kf4 Kg6 73.Rc8 Rh5 74.Rg8+ Kf7 75.Rg4 Rc5 76.Kf3 Ke6 77.Re4+ Kf5 78.Rd4 Ke5 79.Rh4 Rc3+ 80.Ke2 Ra3 81.Rc4 Kd5 82.Rf4 Ke5 83.Rc4 Kd6 84.Rf4 Ke6 85.Rc4 f5 86.Kf2 Kd5 87.Rf4 Kc5 88.Rxf5+ Kb4 89.Ke2 Rc3 90.Kd2 Rc4 91.Kd3 Rc3+ 92.Kd2 Rc6 93.Rf4+ Ka3 94.Kd3 Rb6 95.Kc2 Rb4 96.Rf3+ Kxa4 97.Rd3 Rb5 98.Rd4+ Ka3 99.Rd3+ Ka2 100.Rd4 Rc5+ 101.Kd2 Kb3 102.Rd3+ Kb2 103.Rd8 a4 104.Rb8+ Ka2 105.Rb4 a3 106.Rb6 Ka1 107.Rb7 a2 108.Rb6 Rh5 109.Kc2 Rh2+ 110.Kc1 Rh1+ 111.Kc2 Rb1 112.Rh6 Rb2+ 113.Kc1 Rb1+ 114.Kc2 Rb2+ 115.Kc1 Rb1+ 116.Kc2 ½-½ (116) alexkaspi (2639)-Dmitry_Morozov (2560) Blitz 2022]

12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Qxb2 14.Rc1 Nd7 15.Be2 Ndf6 16.0-0 Bd7 17.Qf4 Qb4 18.Qxd6 Qd4+ 19.Kh1 h4 20.Rfd1 Qf2 21.Nf1 Rad8 22.Qf4 h3 23.Qg3 hxg2+ 24.Qxg2 Qxg2+ 25.Kxg2 Nh5 26.Ne3 Kg7 27.Kf2 Rh8 28.Ng2 Bh3 29.Ne3 b6 30.Bc4 Ng5 31.Rd2 Nf4 32.Rg1 Bd7 33.Rxg5 Nh3+ 34.Kg3 Nxg5 35.h4 Nh7 36.e5 Bc8 37.f4 Nf8 38.Ne4 a6 39.Rf2 b5 40.Be2 c4 41.Bg4 Bxg4 42.Kxg4 Nd7 43.d6 f5+ 44.exf6+ Nxf6+ 45.Nxf6 Kxf6 46.f5 Rxd6 47.fxg6+ Kxg6 48.Nf5 Rf6 49.h5+ Rxh5 0-1 (49) C9C9C9C9C9 (2882)-Gevorg_Harutjunyan (2814) Blitz 2021

8...Re8 9.Be2 a6 10.a4 exd5 11.cxd5 h5

[11...b6 12.0-0 Nbd7 13.Nh1 *(13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nf8 15.Qd2 Bb7 16.Bxh6 Qe7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 N8d7 19.Rae1 Rab8 20.Bf3 b5 21.e5 dxe5 22.d6 Qe6 23.Bxb7 Rxb7 24.axb5 axb5 25.fxe5 Nxe5 26.Qg5 Qxd6 27.Nf5+* 1-0 (27) gg-gm-gmg (2688)-gross-maestro7777 (2647) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Rb8 14.Nf2 Qc7 15.Bc4 Ne5 16.Qe2 Nxc4 17.Qxc4 Nd7 18.Nd3 Ne5 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.b3 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Nxb5 Qb6 23.Nc3 Qxb3 24.Qxb3 Rxb3 25.Bd2 Bxc3 26.Bxc3 Rxc3 27.Rfb1 f5 28.Rb6 fxe4 29.fxe4 Bg4 30.h3 Be2 31.Rb7 Bd3 32.Raa7 Rc1+ 33.Kh2 Rf1 34.Rg7+ Kf8 35.Rxh7 Kg8 36.Rhg7+ Kf8 37.Rh7 Kg8 38.Rag7+ Kf8 39.Ra7 ½-½ (39) cbkawk (2744)-sammstructure210 (2510) Rapid 2021]

[11...Qa5 12.Ra3 h5 13.0-0 h4 14.Nh1 h3 15.g4 Qd8 16.Bg5 Qe7 17.Qd2 Qe5 18.Nf2 Nh7 19.Bf4 Qd4 20.Qc1 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Bxd6 fxe4 23.Ncxe4 Qxd5 24.Bc4 1-0 (24) Killerkaz (2671)-BlindfoldKnight (2656) Rapid 2022]

12.0-0 h4 13.Nh1 Nh7 14.Nf2 Nd7

[14...f5 15.Kh1 Qf6 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Nh3 Nd7 18.Nf4 Qd4 19.Bd3 Ne5 20.Nce2 Qb4 21.Bd2 Qxb2 22.Rb1 Qa2 23.Nc3 Qa3 24.Rb3 1-0 (24) anand68 (2774)-Eraschenkov, D (2349) Blitz 2021]

15.Be3

[15.Bf4 Ne5 16.Qd2 b6 17.Be3 g5 18.f4 gxf4 19.Bxf4 Ng6 20.Bh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Qg5 22.Qxg5 Nxg5 23.Bg4 Ne5 24.Bf5 Kg7 25.Rad1 Rb8 26.Nh3 Nxh3+ 27.gxh3 Rg8

28.Kh1 f6 29.Rf4 Bxf5 30.exf5 Rh8 31.Ne4 Rbd8 32.b3 Kf7 33.Rd2 Rh5 34.Rf1 Ke7 35.Rg2 Kf7 36.Rfg1 Rh7 37.Rg6 Ke7 38.Rxf6 Rf7 39.Re6+ Kf8 40.Nxd6 Re7 41.f6 Rxe6 42.dxe6 Rxd6 43.e7+ Kf7 44.Rg7+ Kxf6 45.e8Q Rd1+ 46.Kg2 Rd2+ 47.Kf1 1-0 (47) unitedff (2646)-silence404 (2852) Blitz 2024]

15...Rb8

[15...f5 16.Qd2

A) 16...Ne5

A1) 17.Rab1 Qf6 18.Nh3 *(18.b4 cxb4 19.Rxb4 Nxf3+ 20.Bxf3 Qxc3 21.Qxc3 Bxc3 22.Rb6 Be5 23.exf5 Bxf5 24.Ng4 Bxg4 25.Bxg4 Bxh2+ 26.Kxh2 Rxe3 27.Be6+ Kh8 28.Rxb7 Ng5 29.Rf4 Nxe6 30.Rxh4+ Kg8 31.dxe6 Rxe6 32.Rhh7 Rf6 33.Rbg7+ Kf8 34.Rc7 Kg8 35.g4 Rb8 36.Kh3 Rb1 37.Rhg7+ Kh8 38.Kh4 Rb4 39.Kg5 Rf1 40.Rgd7 Kg8 41.Rg7+ Kh8 42.Rh7+ Kg8 43.Rcg7+ Kf8 44.Ra7 Kg8 45.Rhg7+ Kh8 46.Rgd7 Kg8 47.Rxd6 Rff4 48.Rxg6+ Kh8 49.Rh6+ Kg8 50.Rg6+ Kf8 51.Kh5 Rxa4 52.Rgg7 Ra1 53.Rgb7 Kg8 54.g5 Rh1+ 55.Kg6 a5 56.Rg7+ Kh8 57.Ra8+ 1-0 (57) MaLeKkoNihli (2614)-Winterkg (2627) Blitz 2022)* 18...Rb8 19.Ng5 Nf7 20.Nxf7 Kxf7 21.Rfc1 Kg8 22.b4 cxb4 23.Rxb4 Bd7 24.Bd4 Qf7 25.Rcb1 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Bxb5 Bxb5 28.Nxb5 Rbd8 29.Bxg7 Qxg7 30.Nd4 fxe4 31.Ne6 Qa7+ 32.Kh1 e3 33.Qb2 Rd7 34.Rg4 g5 35.f4 Ree7 36.fxg5 Rb7 37.Qc2 Rxb1+ 38.Qxb1 Rb7 39.Qg6+ Kh8 40.Qe8+ 1-0 (40) Superfm1 (2628)-TheBigGreek (2534) Rapid 2021;

A2) 17.f4 Nf7 *(17...Ng4 18.Nxg4 fxg4 19.Bd3 Rb8 20.Rae1 Bd7 21.e5 Bf5 22.e6 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Bxf5 gxf5 25.Qd3 b4 26.Nd1 Qf6 27.Kh1 Nf8 28.Qc4 Ng6 29.b3 Ne7 30.Bc1 Qd4 31.Ne3 Ra8 32.Rd1 Qf6 33.Rf2 Ra1 34.Bb2 Rxd1+ 35.Nxd1 Qg6 36.Rd2 Ra8 37.Qb5 Bxb2 38.Nxb2 Qf6 39.Nd1 Kg7 40.g3 h3 41.Kg1 Ra1 42.Qd7 Kh6 43.Qe8 Ng6 44.Kf2 Rb1 45.Ne3 Rxb3 46.Qf7 Qxf7 47.exf7 Kg7 48.Nxf5+ Kxf7 49.Nxd6+ Kf8 50.Nc4 Rf3+ 51.Ke2 Rc3 52.d6 Ke8 53.d7+ Kd8 54.Na5 1-0 (54) rdm89 (2633)-Gbeto (2809) Blitz 2022)* 18.exf5 *(18.Rae1 Nf6 19.Bd3 fxe4 20.Nfxe4 Bf5 21.Ng5 Ng4 22.Bxf5 gxf5 23.Ne6 Qf6 24.h3 Nxe3 25.Rxe3 Nd8 26.Rfe1 Nxe6 27.dxe6 Qd4 28.Qe2 Qxf4 29.Nd5 Qd4 30.Kh1 Qxd5 31.Qh5 Re7 32.Rd1 Qc4 33.Qxf5 Rf8 34.Qg5 Rxe6 35.Rxe6 Qxe6 36.Qxh4 Qe2 37.Re1 Rf1+ 38.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 39.Kh2 Be5+ 40.g3 Qf2+ 41.Kh1 Qxg3 42.Qd8+ Kh7 43.Qe7+ Kg6 44.Qe6+ Kh5 45.Qf5+ Kh4 46.Qh7+ Kg5 47.Qg8+ Kf4 48.Qc4+ Ke3 49.Qb3+ Kd2 50.Qd5+ Kc1 51.Qc4+ Kxb2 52.Qe2+ Ka3* 0-1 (52) OnkelKonkel (2645)-chess6699 (2683) Blitz 2022*)*

18...Bxf5 19.Rae1 Qd7 20.a5 Re7 21.Bd1 Rae8 22.Bb3 Nh6 23.h3 Qd8 24.Na4 Kh8 25.Nb6 Nf6 26.Ba4 Rf8 27.b4 Nh5 28.Nh1 cxb4 29.Qxb4 Bd3 30.Rf3 Be4 31.Rff1 Bd3 32.Rf3 Nf5 33.Bf2 Be2 34.Ra3 Nfg3 35.Nxg3 Rxf4 36.Qd2 hxg3 37.Be3 Qf8 38.Bxf4 Nxf4 39.Rxg3 Re4 40.Kh1 Nh5 41.Rxg6 Qf5 42.Qg5 Qf2 43.Rc1 Bg4 44.Rxg7 Re1+ 45.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 46.Kh2 Qg3+ 47.Kh1 Qe1+ 48.Kh2 Qg3+ ½-½ (49) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Bacrot,E (2718) Beijing CHN 2014;

B) 16...Qf6 17.exf5 gxf5 18.Kh1 Ne5 19.Rg1 Bd7 20.g3 Kh8 21.gxh4 Qxh4 22.Rg3 f4 23.Bxf4 Rf8 24.Rag1 Rxf4 25.Rxg7 Raf8 26.Nd3 Nxf3 27.Bxf3 Rxf3 28.Rxd7 Qh3 29.Ne4 Qxd7 30.Ng3 Qg7 31.Ne1 Rf2 32.Qe3 Qxb2 33.Ng2 Qd4 34.Qe7 Qe5 35.Qxb7 c4 0-1 (35) anand68 (2751)-Eraschenkov,D (2349) Blitz 2021]

16.Qd2 Ne5 17.f4 Nd7 18.Qc2 Ndf6 19.Rae1 Bd7 20.e5 dxe5 21.fxe5 Bf5 22.Qd2 Nd7 23.e6 fxe6 24.Nfe4 Ndf6 25.Nxc5 exd5 26.Bd3 Ne4 27.N3xe4 dxe4 28.Bc4+ Kh8 29.Qxd8 Rexd8 30.Be6 Bxb2 31.Bxf5 gxf5 32.Rxf5 Re8 33.Rb1 Ba3 34.Bd4+ Kg8 35.Rb6 Nf8 36.Rg5+ Kf7 37.Rg7# 1-0 (37) LEstate17 (2802)-Asphyxiated-D-Pawn (2668) Blitz 2022

8...Na6!? 9.Be2 exd5 10.cxd5 Nc7 11.a4

[11.0-0

A) 11...Bd7 12.a4 Na6 *(12...a6 13.Bf4 Qe7 14.a5 Nb5 15.Nxb5 axb5 16.Re1 h5 17.Qd2 h4 18.Nf1 Nh5 19.Bg5 Bf6 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Ne3 Nf4 22.Bf1 Qg5 23.Kh1 Ra6 24.b4 c4 25.Nd1 Rfa8 26.Rb1 b6 27.axb6 Rxb6 28.Nc3 Rba6 29.Red1 Qe5 30.Qb2 Ra3 31.Ra1 Rxa1 32.Rxa1 Rxa1 33.Qxa1 Kg7 34.Qb2 f6 35.Qd2 g5 36.Kg1 Qe8 37.g3 hxg3 38.hxg3 Ng6 39.f4 gxf4 40.gxf4 f5 41.exf5 Bxf5 42.Bg2 Qa8 43.Nxb5 Qa1+ 44.Kh2 Kf7 45.Qd4 Qxd4 46.Nxd4 Bd7 47.b5 Ne7 48.b6 Bc8 49.Kg3 Bb7 50.Nc6 c3 51.Be4 c2 52.Bxc2 Nxd5 53.Nd8+ Ke7 54.Nxb7 Nxb6 55.Na5 d5 56.Bd3 Na4 57.Nb3 Nc5 58.Nxc5* 1-0 (58) papasi (2625)-JanisPastel (2569) Blitz 2020*)* 13.f4 Nb4 14.e5 Ne8 15.Be3 b6 16.Nce4 dxe5 17.f5 Nf6 18.fxg6 Nfxd5 19.gxf7+ Kh8 20.Bg5 Qc7 21.Bc4 Be6 22.Qh5 Bxf7 23.Qh4 Bg6 24.Nh5 Bxh5 25.Qxh5 Nf4 26.Qg4 Nc2 27.Rad1 Ne3 28.Rd7 Nxg4 29.Rxc7 Ne3 30.Rc1 Nxc4 31.Rxc4 Ne6 32.Re7 Nxg5 33.Nxg5 Bf6 34.Nf7+ Kg7 35.Rg4+ Bg5 36.Nxg5+ Kf6 37.Rxh7 Rg8 38.Rf7+ Kg6 39.Rf3 Kh5 40.Rfg3 1-0 (40) MrAble (2636)-Rousseau12 (2460) Rapid 2022;

B) 11...Rb8 12.a4 b6 13.f4 Re8 14.f5 a6 15.Bg5 h6 16.Be3 g5 17.Qd2 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Bd3 c4 20.Bc2 b4 21.Nce2 Ng4 22.Ba7 Rb7 23.Bd4 Nb5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.h3 Qb6+ 26.Kh1 Ne3 27.f6+ Kg8 28.Rf3 Nxc2 29.Qxc2 Nd4 30.Nxd4 Qxd4 31.Rd1 Qc5 32.Qc1 Re5 33.Rdf1 c3 34.bxc3

b3 35.R1f2 Bd7 36.c4 Rb4 37.Rc3 Qxf2 0-1 (37) jisoostar2023 (2730)-McManow (2687) Blitz 2024]

[11.Bg5 b5 12.0-0 b4 13.Nb5 h6 14.Nxc7 Qxc7 15.Be3 h5 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.Rac1 a5 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 dxe5 20.f5 Nf6 21.Rxc5 Qd6 22.Bd3 e4 23.fxg6+ fxg6 24.Nxe4 Nxe4 25.Bxe4 Rxf1+ 26.Kxf1 Ba6+ 27.Kg1 Re8 28.Rc6 Rf8 29.Bf3 1-0 (29) Bandhawk (2629)-Latinceadam34 (2564) Rapid 2024]

11...a6

[11...b6 12.0-0 Ba6 13.Nb5 Qd7 14.Qb3 Bxb5 15.axb5 a6 16.bxa6 b5 17.a7 h5 18.Ra5 h4 19.Nh1 Rfe8 20.Bxb5 Nxb5 21.Rxb5 Qxa7 22.Nf2 Reb8 23.Bg5 Rxb5 24.Qxb5 Rb8 25.Qc6 Ne8 26.b3 Qb6 27.Bxh4 Qxc6 28.dxc6 Rxb3 29.Bd8 Rb8 30.c7 Rc8 31.Ng4 Nxc7 32.Bxc7 Rxc7 33.Rc1 Bd4+ 34.Kf1 Rb7 35.Rc2 Kg7 36.Ke2 Rb1 37.g3 Rb3 38.Nf2 Re3+ 39.Kd1 Rxf3 40.Nh3 Re3 41.Re2 Kf6 42.Rxe3 Bxe3 43.Ke2 Bh6 44.Kd3 Ke5 45.Nf2 f5 46.exf5 gxf5 47.Kc4 d5+ 48.Kd3 c4+ 49.Kc3 Be3 50.Nd1 Bd4+ 51.Kd2 Ke4 52.Ke2 c3 53.Nxc3+ Bxc3 54.h4 d4 55.h5 d3+ 56.Kd1 Ke3 57.h6 Bh8 58.h7 d2 0-1 (58) lordplayer64 (2635)-soadvija (2661) Rapid 2022]

12.Bg5 This move was recently tried by Korchnoi. Frankly speaking, I could not expect to see this position again this year, and in a super tournament like the Tal Memorial.

[12.0-0 Rb8 13.a5 *(13.Rb1 b5 14.b4 cxb4 15.Rxb4 a5 16.Rxb5 Nxb5 17.Nxb5 Bd7 18.Be3 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Nd7 20.f4 Qe7 21.e5 dxe5 22.d6 Qd8 23.f5 e4 24.Nxe4 Re8 25.fxg6 Rxe4 26.gxf7+ Kh8 27.Qf3 Re6 28.Qg3 Nf8 29.Bf4 Ng6 30.d7 Rf6 31.Bxb8 Qb6+ 32.Kh1 Qxb5 33.d8Q+ Nf8 34.Qxf8+ Bxf8 35.Qg8#* 1-0 (35) cubanito2002 (2677)-BMorchiashvili (2706) Blitz 2020 *)* 13...b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.f4 *(15.Qc2 Nd7 16.Be3 Rb4 17.Ra2 Qh4 18.Bf2 Be5 19.Qd2 f5 20.exf5 gxf5 21.Bd3 Bf4 22.Qc2 Ne5 23.Nce2 Nxd5 24.Nxf4 Nxf4 25.Bxa6 Bxa6 26.Rxa6 Qf6 27.Rd1 Rxb2 28.Qc1 Nxf3+ 29.gxf3 Nh3+ 30.Kg2 Rxf2+ 31.Kxh3 f4 32.Rdxd6 Qg7 33.Rh6 Rxf3 34.Qc4+ Kh8 35.Rag6 Qd7+ 36.Qe6 Qxe6+ 37.Rxe6 fxg3 38.hxg3 Rg8 39.Re7 Rfxg3+ 40.Kh4 R8g4+ 41.Kh5 Rg5+ 42.Kh4 R5g4+ 43.Kh5 Rh3+ 44.Kxg4 Rxh6 45.Re8+ Kg7 46.Re7+ Kf6 47.Rc7 Rg6+ 48.Kf4 Rg1 49.Rc6+ Kg7 50.Rxc5 Kh6 51.Ke3 Kg6 52.Kf2 Rg5 53.Rc6+ Kh5 54.Rc7 Rg4 55.Rxh7+ Kg5 56.Rf7 Rf4+ 57.Rxf4 Kxf4* ½-½ (57) lukas_111111 (2609)-morchiashvilib (2598) Blitz 2021*)* 15...Re8 16.Kh1 Nb5 17.Na4 Rb8 18.e5 dxe5 19.fxe5 Nxd5 20.Nxc5 Bxe5 21.Bc4 Nd4 22.Nge4 Bf5 23.Bg5 f6 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.Bxd5+ Kh8 26.Nxf6 Qxf6 27.Nd7 Qg7 28.Nxb8 Rxb8 29.Rxa6 h5 30.Ra4 Ne6 31.Rxf5 1-0 (31) brianthegreat (2701)-jokechess (2750) Blitz 2022]

12...Bd7

[In Korchnoi-Hendriks, London Staunton Mem 2009, there was 12...h6 13.Be3 Nh7 14.Qd2 h5 15.Bh6 Bd7 , the game is available in the PGN Archive.]

13.h4N b5 14.h5?!

[More cautious would have been 14.Qd2 , preventing ... h6 and liberating the d1 square for the knight.]
14...h6 15.Be3 b4 16.Nb1 g5
[A principal alternative was 16...Nxh5!? 17.Nxh5 gxh5 and it seems that Black is doing well: 18.Rxh5 *(18.Qc1 Qf6* , etc.) 18...f5! with the idea of 19.Bxh6 Bxh6 20.Rxh6 Qg5]
17.Bf2?!
[After 17.Nd2?! the piece sacrifice Nfxd5 18.exd5 Nxd5 gives Black rich play.]
[An important option was 17.Qb3!? . Also in this case possible is the sacrifice Nfxd5!? 18.exd5 Qf6 , but it is already less clear whether it is good.]
17...Nfe8! 18.Ra2
[Or 18.Qb3 f5 19.exf5 Qf6]
18...f5 19.b3
[After 19.Nd2 f4! 20.Ngf1 Black could have tried the immediate ...g4 or prepare it by ...Qe7, ...Nf6.]
[Maybe 19.exf5 was somewhat better than Morozevich's move]
19...fxe4 20.Nxe4
[If 20.fxe4 , interesting is the exchange sacrifice Rxf2!? *(a simple 20...Be5* is okay *)* 21.Kxf2 Qf6+ 22.Ke1 (the only move) Qf4 23.Qd3 Be5]
20...Bf5! 21.Ng3 Kh8 22.Bc4
[In the line 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.Bc4 Nf6 24.Rd2 Black wins a pawn by Nxh5!]
22...Bh7 23.0-0 Nf6 24.Re2 Qd7 25.Rfe1 Rae8 Black is about to win the d5 pawn and has the better prospects. Ivanchuk won the game convincingly after 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.Rxe8+ Qxe8 28.Nd2 Nfxd5 29.Nde4 Qc6! (An important consolidating move). 30.Bd3?! Nf4 31.Bc2 Nce6-+ 32.Nd2 Nd3 33.Nge4 Nef4 34.g3 Nh3+ 35.Kg2 Nhxf2 36.Nxf2 Nxf2 37.Kxf2 Bg8 38.Qe2 d5 39.Qe7 Bd4+ 40.Kf1 Qe6 41.Qf8 Qh3+ 42.Ke2 Qg2+ 43.Kd1 Qg1+ 44.Ke2 Qf2+ 45.Kd1 Bg7 46.Qd6 a5 47.Qb6 Qg1+ 48.Ke2 Qg2+ 49.Kd1 c4! 0-1 (49) Morozevich,A (2750)-Ivanchuk,V (2739) Moscow RUS 2009 [Mikhail Golubev]

8...e5 9.h4 h6 10.h5 g5 11.Bd3 Na6 12.Nf1 Nc7 13.g4 a6 14.a3 Rb8 15.b4 b5 16.bxc5 dxc5 17.Be3 Nd7 18.Ng3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nb5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.Be2 Re8 22.0-0 Bf8 23.a4 b4 24.Bb5 Qf6 25.Qd3 Rd8 26.a5 Rxb5 27.Qxb5 Ba6 28.Qc6 Bxf1 29.Qxf6 Nxf6 30.Kxf1 c4 31.a6 b3 32.a7 b2 33.Rb1 c3 34.Ne2 Bb4 35.Bb6 Rc8 36.d6 Nd7 37.Bc7 f6 38.Kg2 Kf7 39.Nc1 bxc1Q 40.Rxc1 Ke6 41.Rb1 Bc5 42.Bb8 Bxa7 43.Bxa7 c2 44.Rc1 Kxd6 45.Be3 Ke6 46.Kf2 Nb6 47.Ke2 Nc4 48.Rxc2 Rc6 49.Bc1 Na5 50.Rxc6+ Nxc6 51.Ba3 1-0 (51) Violet_Pride (2620)-speedytiger301 (2592) Blitz 2020

[142] **9...h5** Nadanian,Ashot S: 'A popular idea in this King's Indian Sämisch line. The early march / thrust of the h-pawn has the goal to attack the knight on g3 and thus try to clutter White's pieces on the kingside. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'A popular idea in this King's Indian Sämisch line. The early march / thrust of the h-pawn has the goal to attack the knight on g3 and thus try to clutter White's pieces on the kingside.'''
10.Bg5
[10.Be2 h4 11.Nf1 Nh7 12.Be3

(12.Ne3 Bd4 13.0-0 e5 14.Kh1 f5 15.f4 exf4 16.Rxf4 g5 17.Rxf5 Bxf5 18.Nxf5 Be5 19.Bh5 Qf6 20.Bd2 Nd7 21.Qe2 b5 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Qxb5 Ra7 24.Rf1 Rb8 25.Qd3 Rxb2 26.Nb5 Rxa4 27.Nfxd6 Rxd2 28.Rxf6 Rxd3 29.Bf7+ Kh8 30.Rf1 Rb4 31.Be8 Ndf6 32.Nf7+ Kg7 33.Nxe5 Rxb5 34.Bxb5 Rb3 35.Bc4 Re3 36.d6 Rxe4 37.Rf5 Nf8 38.Bf1 g4 39.g3 h3 40.Nc6 N8d7 41.Ne7 Re1 42.Kg1 c4 43.Nd5 Rd1 44.Nxf6 Nxf6 45.Rf4 c3 46.Rc4 Nd5 47.d7 Ne3 48.Kf2 Nxc4 49.Bxc4 Rxd7 50.Bb3 Re7 51.Bc2 Kf6 52.Kf1 Kg5 53.Kf2 Rc7 54.Kf1 Rc6 55.Kf2 Rc5 56.Kf1 Kf6 57.Kf2 Ke5 58.Kf1 Kd4 59.Ke2 Rb5 60.Kf2 Rb2 61.Ke1 Rxc2 62.Kd1 Rd2+ 63.Ke1 Kd3 64.Kf1 c2 65.Ke1 c1Q# 0-1 (65) MrAble (2667)-Fletschersteinchen (2732) Rapid 2023) 12...f5 13.Qc2 f4 14.Bf2 Be5 15.Nd2 a5 16.Ndb1 Na6 17.Na3 Nb4 18.Qd2 Qg5 19.Rg1 Nf6 20.0-0-0 Nh5 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'was Pantzar,M (2257)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2803) chess.com (rapid) 2017. It's level now but eventually to 550 rating points counted for something. Vigorito,D: 'was Pantzar,M (2257)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2803) chess.com (rapid) 2017. It's level now but eventually to 550 rating points counted for something."]

[10.Bd3 exd5 11.cxd5 Nbd7 *(11...h4 12.Nge2 Nbd7 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Bc2 Rb8 15.a5 Ne5 16.g4 hxg3 17.hxg3 Nc4 18.Kg2 Nxa5 19.Rh1 Nc4 20.g4 Nf6 21.Qe1 b5 22.Qh4 Re8 23.Ng3 b4 24.Nd1 Qe7 25.Nf2 Qe5 26.g5 Nh5 27.Nxh5 gxh5 28.Rb1 b3 29.Bd3 Nb6 30.Bf4 Qe7 31.Qxh5 c4 32.Be2 Bd7 33.Qh7+ Kf8 34.Rh6 Rbd8 35.Rbh1 Bc8 36.Bf1 Bxb2 37.Bd2 Bg7 38.f4 Qb7 39.f5 Bxf5 40.Qxf5 Re5 41.Qf3 b2 42.Rh7 b1Q 43.Rxg7 Nxd5 44.Rhh7 Ke8 45.g6 Kd7 46.Rxf7+ Ne7 47.Rxe7+ 1-0 (47) Aleksandrov,A (2606)-Andersen,M (2457) St Petersburg RUS 2015)* 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Bc2 Rb8 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Qxb6 16.Ra2 h4 17.Nge2 h3 18.g4 c4+ 19.Kh1 Nfxg4 20.fxg4 Bxg4 21.Qe1 f5 22.exf5 Nd3 23.Qg3 Bxf5 24.Bg5 Be4+ 25.Nxe4 Rxf1+ 26.Ng1 Bd4 27.Be3 Bxe3 28.Qxg6+ Kf8 29.Ra1 Nc1 30.Rxc1 Bxc1 31.Nf6 Rxg1+ 32.Qxg1 Qxg1+ 33.Kxg1 Rxb2 34.Bf5 Be3+ 35.Kf1 c3 36.Ng4 Bd4 37.Bd3 c2 38.Bxc2 Rxc2 39.Nh6 Rxh2 40.Nf5 Rd2 41.Ke1 1-0 (41) kflorian (2606)-Meysonn (2640) Blitz 2020]

10...exd5

[10...Qe8 11.Be2 Nh7 12.Be3 exd5 13.Nxd5 Qd8 14.0-0 Be6 15.Bd3 Nd7 16.h3 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Qe7 18.Qd2 Rab8 19.Ne2 Ne5 20.Nc3 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Rfe8 22.Kh1 Nf8 23.Rae1 Nd7 24.Qe2 h4 25.Bg1 Bd4 26.Be3 Bg7 27.Bf2 Bh6 28.Rb1 Bg7 29.Be1 b5 30.axb5 axb5 31.Nxb5 Nf6 32.Bxh4 Nh5 33.Be1 Nf4 34.Qd2 Nxg2 35.Nxd6 ½-½ (35) micpilar_bot (3062)-ToromBot (3096) Rapid 2025]

[10...Qc7 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito, D: 'Unpinning. The queen looks odd to me here, but this has been played by good players.' Vigorito,D: 'Unpinning. The queen looks odd to me here, but this has been played by good players. " Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Getting rid of the pin, Black wants to play 11...♘h7, in

order to again threaten to advance the h-pawn. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Getting rid of the pin, Black wants to play 11...♘h7, in order to again threaten to advance the h-pawn.'" Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'Obviously it's not the most critical system, but wanted to point out a beautiful idea:' 11.Qd2 exd5 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'This queen manoeuvre has recently become popular. The idea is obvious - Black is going to build a battery along the long diagonal in order to neutralise White's Catalan bishop.'' Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'This queen manoeuvre has recently become popular. The idea is obvious - Black is going to build a battery along the long diagonal in order to neutralise White's Catalan bishop.'' R.Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'This queen manoeuvre has recently become popular. The idea is obvious - Black is going to build a battery along the long diagonal in order to neutralise White's Catalan bishop." Lukacs,Peter: 'Now Black's task is easier.' Marin,Mihail: 'If asked which line he consideres to be the safest against the Catalan, Kramnik would probably refuse to answer. The best way to find out hisopinion is to play this opening against him and here is what he decided to answer today.'If asked which line he consideres to be the safest against the Catalan, Kramnik would probably refuse to answer. The best way to find out hisopinion is to play this opening against him and here is what he decided to answer today. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'If asked which line he consideres to be the safest against the Catalan, Kramnik would probably refuse to answer. The best way to find out hisopinion is to play this opening against him and here is what he decided to answer today.'" ' 12.cxd5 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'A common reaction.'"

A) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'A couple of high level games have seen" 12...Nbd7 Nadanian,Ashot S: '(Mekhitarian,K)'Nadanian,Ashot S: 'there were some strong precedents in this position:' 13.Be2

A1) 13...Nh7

A1a) 14.Bh6 h4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nf1 h3 *(16...Re8 17.Ne3 Ndf6 18.0-0 Qe7 19.Nc4 Rb8 20.Qf4 Rd8 21.a5 Nh5 22.Qd2 g5 23.Rfe1 Nf4 24.Bf1 f6 25.Ne2 Nxe2+ 26.Rxe2 Nf8 27.f4 gxf4 28.Qxf4 Ng6 29.Qe3 Rh8 30.Rf2 Bd7 31.Be2 Rbe8 32.Raf1 Ref8 33.Qc3 Ne5 34.Nxe5 Qxe5 35.Qxe5 fxe5 36.Rxf8 Rxf8 37.Rc1 Rb8 38.b4 b6 39.axb6 Rxb6 40.bxc5 dxc5 41.Rxc5 Kf6 42.Ra5 Bb5 43.Bf3 Ke7 44.Ra3 Kd6 45.Kf2 Rb8 46.Ke3 Kc5 47.Rc3+ Kb4 48.Rc1 Ka3 49.d6 Kb2 50.Rc5 Rd8 51.Rd5 Bc4 52.Rd2+ Kc3 53.Be2 Bxe2 54.Kxe2 a5 55.Rd5 a4 56.Rxe5 Rxd6 57.Ra5 Kb3 58.e5 Rd4 59.Ke3 Rb4 60.e6 Rb6 61.Re5 Rb8 62.Ke4 a3 63.Ra5 a2 64.g4 hxg3 65.hxg3 Kb2 66.Kf5 a1Q 67.Rxa1 Kxa1 68.e7 Ra8*

69.g4 Kb2 70.g5 Kc3 71.g6 Kd4 72.Ke6 Ke4 73.g7 1-0 (73) papasi (2618)-Creep30 (2716) Blitz 2020*)* 17.g4 Qd8 18.Ng3 0-1 (18) penguingim1 (2654)-Huseynli,M (1261) Classical 2017;

A1b) 14.Bh4 Rb8 *(14...f5 15.exf5 Ne5 16.fxg6 Nxg6 17.Bg5 h4 18.Nh5 Bd4 19.Be3 Rf5 20.g4 hxg3 21.hxg3 Bxe3 22.Qxe3 Qf7 23.Ne4 Bd7 24.Nxd6 Qf8 25.Nxf5 Qxf5 26.Qh6 Qf7 27.Bd3 Nhf8 28.Nf4 Re8+ 29.Kf2 Qf6 30.Rae1 Qd4+ 31.Kg2 Qxb2+ 32.Kf1 Rxe1+ 33.Kxe1 Qc1+ 34.Kf2 Qb2+ 35.Ne2 Qf6 36.Bxg6 Qxg6 37.Qh8+ Kf7 38.Rh6 Qg7 39.Qxg7+ Kxg7 40.Rb6 Bc8 41.Nc3 Nd7 42.Rd6 Kf7 43.Ne4 Ke7 44.Rh6 b5 45.d6+ Kf7 46.axb5 axb5 47.Rh7+ Ke6 48.Re7+ Kd5 49.Re8 Bb7 50.Rd8 Bc6 51.Rc8 b4 52.Rc7 b3 53.Ra7 c4 54.Ra3 b2 55.Nc3+ Kd4 56.Nb1 Bd5 57.Rc3 Nc5 58.Rc2* 1-0 (58) slowchessplayer2001 (2690)-FightFightFightOK (2606) Blitz 2022*)* 15.0-0 c4 16.f4 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 Nc5 20.d6 Qd7 21.Qd5 g5 22.Qxc5 gxh4 23.Nxh5 Nf6 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Qxe5 Bb7 26.Qf4 1-0 (26) penguingim1 (2761)-KillerBateman (2662) Blitz 2016;

A2) 13...Rb8 14.0-0 c4 *(14...Nh7 15.Bh6 c4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qd4+ Nhf6 18.Bxc4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Nxb5 Qb6 21.Qxb6 Rxb6 22.b3 Ne5 23.Rfc1 Bd7 24.Nd4 Rfb8 25.Nf1 h4 26.h3 Nh5 27.Ne3 Nf4 28.Rc2 R8b7 29.Kf2 Kf6 30.Ke1 Ke7 31.Kd2 Kf6 32.Ke1 Kg5 33.Kf2 Kf6 34.Rd1 Ra7 35.Ne2 Nxe2 36.Kxe2 g5 37.Rdd2 Ng6 38.Ra2 Rbb7 39.Rxa7 Rxa7 40.Rb2 Ke5 41.b4 Nf4+ 42.Kf2 Rb7 43.b5 Kd4 44.Bf1 Kc5 45.Rc2+ Kd4 46.Rc4+ Ke5 47.Rb4 Rb6 48.Nc4+* 1-0 (48) gg-gm-gmg (2664)-Donatella1954 (2609) Blitz 2020*; 14...Kh7 15.Bc4 Ne5 16.b3 Bd7 17.f4 Nxc4 18.bxc4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.cxb5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Rxb5 22.e5 dxe5 23.d6 Qb8 24.fxe5 Nd7 25.Be7 Bxe5 26.Bxf8 Qxf8 27.Ra7 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Qxd6 29.Qd3 Rb8 30.Rxf7+ Kg8 31.Raxd7 Qe6 32.Rfe7 Qf6 33.Qc4+ Kh8 34.Rh7#* 1-0 (34) MrAble (2606)-WirksworthTriathlete (2467) Rapid 2023*)* 15.Be3 Nadanian, Ashot S: '!' '!?'An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. *(15.Rab1 Re8 16.b4 cxb3 17.Rxb3 Nc5 18.Rb4 Bd7* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: ' ∞' '∞' '∞' '∞' Vigorito, D: 'Giri,A (2758) -Bacrot,E (2729) Bilbao 2014' Vigorito,D: 'Giri,A (2758) -Bacrot,E (2729) Bilbao 2014'' *19.Rfb1 Rec8 20.Be3 h4 21.Nh1 Nh5* Nadanian,Ashot S: '↑' Nadanian, Ashot S: '½-½ (57) Giri,A (2758)-Bacrot,E (2729) Bilbao 2014'*)*

15...h4 16.Nh1

A2a) 16...Nc5 Nadanian, Ashot S: '⇄!' 17.Bxc4 Ncxe4 18.fxe4 'N' *(Predecessor: 18.Nxe4 Qxc4 19.Nhf2 Nxd5 20.Bh6 Qb4 21.Qg5 Bf5 22.Qxh4 f6 23.Bc1 Rbe8 24.Ra3 Rc8 25.Bd2 Qxb2 26.Rd3 Qa2 27.Rd1 Rc6 28.Qg3 Nb6 29.h4 ½-½ (29) Gupta,A (2198)-Opperman,R (2359) ICCF email 2020)* 18...Qxc4? 19.Nf2 h3 20.gxh3 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Rac1 Ba6 23.Rfe1 b4 24.Na4!± Qb5? 25.b3 Rbc8 26.Bd4! Rfe8 27.Rxc8!!+- Rxc8 28.Qb2 Ne8 29.Bxg7 Nxg7□ 30.Ng4! Nh5 31.Nh6+ Kf8 32.Qf2 Rc7 33.Qd4 f6 34.Ng4! Qd3 35.Qxd3 Bxd3 36.Nf2 Bc2 37.Rc1 Nf4 38.Kf1 Rc8 39.Ke1 Ke7 40.Kd2 1-0 (40) Bruzon Batista,L (2650)-Gonzalez Zamora,J (2522) Morella 2006 CI1-130 [Bruzon Batista,Lazaro];

A2b) 16...h3 17.Nf2 hxg2 18.Kxg2 Nh5 19.f4 Nhf6 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: '∞' '∞' '∞' '∞' Vigorito,D: 'Anand, V (2811)-Nakamura,H (2758) Moscow 2011"

A2b1) 20.Bf3 Nadanian, Ashot S: '?!' Re8 Nadanian,Ashot S: '∞' Nadanian,Ashot S: '½-½ (33) Anand,V (2811)-Nakamura,H (2758) Moscow 2011' *(20...Nc5* Nadanian,Ashot S: '⇄!' *)*;

A2b2) 20.Rac1 Nadanian, Ashot S: 'N!' 20...b5 *(20...Nc5 21.Bxc4* Nadanian,Ashot S: '± *')* 21.b4 Nadanian,Ashot S: '±!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'a typical move stopping the queenside expansion and at the same time, removing the important c5-square: 1-0 (46) Morley,P (2351)-Kazoks,A (2368) ICCF 2015';

B) 12...Nh7 Marin,Mihail: '*' 13.Bh6 *(13.Bh4* Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'is also possible. ' *)* 13...h4 Lukacs,Peter: '=' Lukacs,Peter: 'Shaposhnikov-Devyatkin, playchess.com 2003' 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'A rare but very interesting continuation, which possibly solves all the problems.'' Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?' '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'A rare but very interesting continuation, which possibly solves all the problems.'' R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'A rare but very interesting continuation, which possibly solves all the problems.''Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and now'

B1) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Before this game White automatically played Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Before this game White automatically played''' 15.Nge2 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'is normal. Both sides are losing some time.' Vigorito,D: 'is normal. Both sides are losing some time. " Nadanian,Ashot S: 'which has a significant disadvantage -

blocking the f1-bishop. Vigorito, D: 'Nadanian,A: 'which has a significant disadvantage - blocking the f1-bishop.'"

B1a) 15...f5 Nadanian,Ashot S: '?!' 16.Nf4 Qf7 17.Bc4 Ng5 18.0-0 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'White clearly had the initiative in Neverov,V (2498)-Hesham,A (2387) Abu Dhabi 2014 Vigorito,D: 'White clearly had the initiative in Neverov,V (2498)-Hesham,A (2387) Abu Dhabi 2014'' Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov';

B1b) 15...Nd7 16.Nf4 Ne5 17.Be2 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov' Bd7 18.0-0 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov' Rae8 Marin,Mihail: '- in all cases Black achieves good play - in all cases Black achieves good play' *(18...Rab8 19.a5 b5* Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Marin,Mihail: 'Black gets excellent compensation for the exchange. Black gets excellent compensation for the exchange.'Marin,Mihail: 'Both' *20.axb6* Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov' Marin,Mihail: 'and' *20...Rxb6* Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) (R.Scherbakov) are the other Black options.' *21.Rxa6 Rxa6 22.Bxa6 Qb6 23.Be2 Rb8* Nadanian,Ashot S: '⇄' *)* Marin,Mihail: 'An attempt to prevent the typical ...c7-c5 by' 19.Rab1 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) (R.Scherbakov) can be met by the concrete' *(19.a5)* 19...Qb6 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: ', attacking two pawns. Then after' 20.Kh1 Qb4 Nadanian, Ashot S: '⇄' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Gromova,I (2226)-Kashlinskaya,A (2332) Rijeka 2010';

B1c) 15...Qe7 Nadanian, Ashot S: '(Mekhitarian,K) Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '(Mekhitarian,K)'" 16.Nf4 Nd7 17.Be2 Ne5 18.0-0 f5 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'here at least White didn't have time to play ♗c4 Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian, A: 'here at least White didn't have time to play ♗c4''' *(18...Bd7* Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito, D: 'Nadanian,A: '!?''' Marin, Mihail: 'are harmless for Black. In the latter variation after are harmless for Black. In the latter variation after' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'since White is not threatening to expand the kingside for now, Black has time to develop, and supporting ...b5 once more may be useful just in case, so White has to be watching it Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'since White is not threatening to expand the kingside for now, Black has time to develop, and supporting ...b5 once more may be useful just in case, so White has to be watching it'" *19.a5* Marin,Mihail: 'a draw was agreed in the game Sosonko - Karpov, Tilburg 1982 a draw was agreed in the

game Sosonko - Karpov, Tilburg 1982'Marin,Mihail: 'Other continuations do not impress much: Other continuations do not impress much:' *19...Rae8* Nadanian, Ashot S: ' ∞' Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov') 19.Rad1 Nf6 20.Ne6+ Marin,Mihail: 'and Black did not have serious problems in the games Sosonko - Karpov, Tilburg 1983 and Aronian - Asrian, Stepanakert 2005. Yet, perhaps Kramnik did not want to keep defending in a slightly worse position without any risk for his opponent. and Black did not have serious problems in the games Sosonko - Karpov, Tilburg 1983 and Aronian - Asrian, Stepanakert 2005. Yet, perhaps Kramnik did not want to keep defending in a slightly worse position without any risk for his opponent.'Marin,Mihail: 'in the ending after' 20...Bxe6 21.dxe6 Marin,Mihail: 'White seems to be slightly better but Black is certainly able to maintain the balance with accurate play White seems to be slightly better but Black is certainly able to maintain the balance with accurate play' Marin,Mihail: 'both' 21...Qxe6 22.Qxd6 Marin,Mihail: 'or' 22...Qxd6 23.Rxd6 fxe4 24.fxe4 Nadanian,Ashot S: '=' Nadanian,Ashot S: '1-0 (49) Dreev,A (2658)-Gladyszev,O (2455) France 2007 Vigorito, D: 'Dreev,A (2658)-Gladyszev, O (2455) France 2007' Vigorito,D: 'Dreev,A (2658)-Gladyszev,O (2455) France 2007 Nadanian,A: '=' Nadanian,A: '1-0 (49) Dreev,A (2658)-Gladyszev,O (2455) France 2007'' Nfd7 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'should be ok for Black';

B2) 15.Bc4 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'N!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' Vigorito,D: 'An amazing move in a must-win game. Objectively this is risky of course, but in a fast time control it is certainly dangerous.' Vigorito, D: 'An amazing move in a must-win game. Objectively this is risky of course, but in a fast time control it is certainly dangerous. Nadanian,A: 'N!'' Vigorito,D: 'An amazing move in a must-win game. Objectively this is risky of course, but in a fast time control it is certainly dangerous.'' Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'A new and very interesting idea.

Mekhitarian,K: 'What a moment to have such an important novelty! White plans on re-routing the knight without closing in the bishop on f1. Naturally Black is not forced to accept the sacrifice on g3, but Vachier-Lagrave is a principled player and it is admirable that he goes for the most objective move (which involves a great deal of risk as well) to avoid a worse position. I'm not saying he should

do it, but the human instinct would avoid complications when your opponent seems to be well prepared, not to mention the importance of the game. Maybe that's why he is one of the best.' Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'A new and very interesting idea. Mekhitarian,K: 'What a moment to have such an important novelty! White plans on re-routing the knight without closing in the bishop on f1. Naturally Black is not forced to accept the sacrifice on g3, but Vachier-Lagrave is a principled player and it is admirable that he goes for the most objective move (which involves a great deal of risk as well) to avoid a worse position. I'm not saying he should do it, but the human instinct would avoid complications when your opponent seems to be well prepared, not to mention the importance of the game. Maybe that's why he is one of the best. '''' Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'was played in the beautiful game Aronian-MVL 2017 which I can recommend to the readers.' 15...hxg3 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!?'' Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: '!?' '!?'''Nadanian, Ashot S: 'A principled and correct decision. Otherwise White has good play for "free of charge". Although Levon thinks, that 15...♕e7 is safer and more justified from a practical point of view. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'A principled and correct decision. Otherwise White has good play for "free of charge". Although Levon thinks, that 15...♕e7 is safer and more justified from a practical point of view.'" 16.hxg3

B2a) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'The engines recommend closing the queen's diagonal with'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'White has also compensation after other moves: Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian, A: 'White has also compensation after other moves:'" 16...g5 Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'although the position is still dangerous after' Vigorito,D: 'although the position is still dangerous after" 17.Bd3 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'' *(17.e5 Bf5 18.g4 Bg6 19.e6; 17.0-0-0)*;

B2b) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'or' 16...f6 17.0-0-0;

B2c) 16...Rh8 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!'' Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!' '!'" Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Somewhere around that moment, Levon realised that he did not remember the analysis well enough and decided to just make natural moves. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian, A: 'Somewhere around that moment, Levon realised that he did not remember the analysis well enough and decided to just make natural moves.'" Marin,Mihail: 'White is not sufficiently well developed to maintain the blockade on c5. After a short

phase of simplifications, the game will end in a draw, hopefully just in time to allow Kramnik watch his favourite match from the Champion's League.'White is not sufficiently well developed to maintain the blockade on c5. After a short phase of simplifications, the game will end in a draw, hopefully just in time to allow Kramnik watch his favourite match from the Champion's League. R. Scherbakov: 'Marin,M: 'White is not sufficiently well developed to maintain the blockade on c5. After a short phase of simplifications, the game will end in a draw, hopefully just in time to allow Kramnik watch his favourite match from the Champion's League.''' '17.e5 Nadanian, Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '!''' Marin,Mihail: 'N' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Only this move is a novelty but the fact that it does not promise any advantage for White shows that Black has won the opening dispute.'''R. Scherbakov: 'Only this move is a novelty but the fact that it does not promise any advantage for White shows that Black has won the opening dispute.' R. Scherbakov: 'Only this move is a novelty but the fact that it does not promise any advantage for White shows that Black has won the opening dispute. Marin,M: 'N''' R.Scherbakov: 'Only this move is a novelty but the fact that it does not promise any advantage for White shows that Black has won the opening dispute.''Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Very energetic. If White manages to open his bishop, then his attack will become decisive. With 17.e5 White also frees the e4-square for his knight. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Very energetic. If White manages to open his bishop, then his attack will become decisive. With 17.e5 White also frees the e4-square for his knight.''' *(* Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Or'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'After' *17.Qh6+ Kg8* Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: 'Black has defended this endgame but perhaps he also had some other options earlier. Black has defended this endgame but perhaps he also had some other options earlier.' Marin,Mihail: 'Black often played' *18.e5* Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R.Scherbakov' *Qe7 19.e6* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: ' ∞''∞''∞''∞" *Nd7* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'is the same as before'' *20.0-0-0 Ndf8* Nadanian, Ashot S: 'White has not enough compensation for the sacrificed piece. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'White has not enough compensation for the

sacrificed piece.''') 17...Qe7 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '!'" Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Black's bishop on c4 might face problems but he has a concrete way to rescue it.'''R.Scherbakov: 'Black's bishop on c4 might face problems but he has a concrete way to rescue it.' R. Scherbakov: 'Black's bishop on c4 might face problems but he has a concrete way to rescue it. Marin,M: '!'" R. Scherbakov: 'Black's bishop on c4 might face problems but he has a concrete way to rescue it.''Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Black's queen rushes to the epicentre of events. Other moves are bad: Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Black's queen rushes to the epicentre of events. Other moves are bad:'" *(17...Nd7 18.e6* Nadanian,Ashot S: '→' *; 17...dxe5* Nadanian,Ashot S: '?' *18.d6 Qd7 19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.Qxg6+* Nadanian,Ashot S: '+-' *)*

B2c1) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'An alternative was' 18.e6 Nd7 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'This opens the position more than'' 19.0-0-0 Ndf6 *(19...Ndf8 20.Ne4)* 20.Qh6+ Marin,Mihail: 'do not promise much for White' Kg8 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) (R.Scherbakov) seems harmless for Black but in the game Bareev - Onischuk, RUS-chT Sochi 2007 White managed to get some edge after (R. Scherbakov) seems harmless for Black but in the game Bareev - Onischuk, RUS-chT Sochi 2007 White managed to get some edge after' 21.g4 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'with an unclear position.';

B2c2) 18.Qh6+;

B2c3) 18.0-0-0

B2c31) 18...Qxe5 Nadanian,Ashot S: '??' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'is a fatal blunder:' 19.Rde1 Qd4 20.Qh6+ Marin,Mihail: '!?' Kf6 21.Rh4;

B2c32) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'More violent was'' 18...b5 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Mekhitarian,K Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Mekhitarian, K'" Nadanian,Ashot S: 'trying to initiate counterplay was possible Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'trying to initiate counterplay was possible''' 19.exd6 *(19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.exd6* Marin,Mihail: ', Medvegy - Borriss, Eppingen 2007' Marin,Mihail: 'and' *20...Qxd6 21.Rde1 Qf8* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'forces queens off' *)*

B2c321) 19...Qxd6 20.Ne4 Qd8 21.Qc3+ f6 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'the computer says Black defends, but this looks way too dangerous to be even considered in a rapid game Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'the computer says Black defends, but this looks way too dangerous to be even considered in a rapid game'" 22.Qe3 Marin,Mihail: '⇄' Marin, Mihail: 'gave Black sufficient counter chances gave Black sufficient counter chances' Marin,Mihail: 'in the game Luczak - Inkiov, Lodz 1980 Black played' 22...bxc4 Nadanian,Ashot S: '?' Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: ', which deserves attention as well. The game continued' *(22...g5 23.Bd3* Nadanian, Ashot S: ' ∞') 23.Qh6+ Kf7 24.Qxh7+ Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'and here Black could have thought about' Rxh7 Marin,Mihail: '!?' Marin, Mihail: ', cutting the c5-pawn and intending to get it back by ...Bf6-e7. Yet, it looked somewhat risky and White would be able to get better chances after swapping the light-squared bishops , cutting the c5-pawn and intending to get it back by ...Bf6-e7. Yet, it looked somewhat risky and White would be able to get better chances after swapping the light-squared bishops' Marin,Mihail: 'both' 25.Rxh7+ Nadanian, Ashot S: 'would be winning for White Vigorito,D: 'would be winning for White";

B2c322) 19...Qd8 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'with complex play, looks more logical than ...♕xd6 allowing ♘e4' 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.Bd3 Qf8 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' 22.Qh4 Nadanian, Ashot S: '→' Marin, Mihail: ' ±' Marin,Mihail: 'and White has obtained a small advantage.' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'madness continues over the board.';

B2c33) 18...Nd7 19.exd6 *(19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.e6 Ndf8)*

B2c331) Nadanian, Ashot S: '"Houdini" suggests Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '"Houdini"

suggests'''19...Qf8 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian, A: '!?'" Marin,Mihail: ' ±!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'a typical computer move. After Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'a typical computer move. After'" 20.Ne4 *(20.g4* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: ' ⩱!?' ' ⩱!?' '⩱!?' '⩱!?" Marin,Mihail: '!?' *Nhf6* Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Black is OK'*)* 20...Nhf6 21.Qc3 Qe8 Marin,Mihail: ' ±' Marin,Mihail: 'Black can deviate from the natural course of the game with' 22.Nxf6 Marin,Mihail: ', keeping the c5-square well defended, but after' Nxf6 23.g4 Rxh1 24.Rxh1 Qxa4 25.g5 Qa1+ Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: 'followed by the exchange of the light-squared bishops I prefer White anyway.' Marin,Mihail: 'Fighting for the queenside light squares with' 26.Kd2 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin, M'" Marin,Mihail: 'also makes sense.' Qxh1 27.Qxf6+ Marin,Mihail: '±' Marin,Mihail: '—e4, Δaxb5.' Marin,Mihail: 'Black usually plays' 27...Kg8 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) (R. Scherbakov) The game Gelfand - Onischuk, WchT 2005 continued (R. Scherbakov) The game Gelfand - Onischuk, WchT 2005 continued' 28.Qd8+ Kh7 29.Qf6 Qxg2+ 30.Be2 Nadanian, Ashot S: 'White gives perpetual check.';

B2c332) 19...Qxd6 20.Ne4 Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Now beside the h-file Black has a second weakness - the a1-h8 diagonal. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian, A: 'Now beside the h-file Black has a second weakness - the a1-h8 diagonal.'"

B2c3321) Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'If'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Now Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Now'" 20...Qf8 Nadanian, Ashot S: '?!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '?!'" Marin,Mihail: 'found himself under pressure.' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'is not so good, since after Vigorito, D: 'Nadanian,A: 'is

not so good, since after''' Marin,Mihail: 'For instance' 21.d6 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M''' Marin,Mihail: 'and only after' *(21.a5* Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'is also possible Vigorito,D: 'is also possible'') 21...Nhf6 Marin,Mihail: 'exchange on f6:' 22.Qc3 Nadanian, Ashot S: 'the pin is very dangerous and White threatens to push his g-pawn. i.e. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'the pin is very dangerous and White threatens to push his g-pawn. i.e.''' Marin,Mihail: 'when the inserton of the moves ♖d1 and ...a4 clearly favours White.' b5 23.g4 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'keeps the pressure";

B2c3322) 20...Qe5

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Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Even'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Black holds position after Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Black holds position after''' 21.Rde1 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'looks good.'' Marin, Mihail: '!?' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'In the game Shirov - Onischuk, Foros 2007 Black preferred to capture with the knight:'' R. Scherbakov: 'In the game Shirov - Onischuk, Foros 2007 Black preferred to capture with the knight:" 21...Nhf8 Marin,Mihail: '?!' Marin,Mihail: 'Shirov,A (2699)-Onischuk,A (2663)/ Foros 2007/CBM 119/[Marin,M] (½-½, 42) Marin,M: 'Shirov,A (2699)-Onischuk,A (2663)/ Foros 2007/CBM 1'Shirov,A (2699)-Onischuk,A (2663)/ Foros 2007/CBM 119/[Marin,M] (½-½, 42) R. Scherbakov: 'but after' R. Scherbakov: 'but after Marin,M: '?!' Marin,M: 'Shirov,A (2699)-Onischuk,A

(2663)/Foros 2007/ CBM 119/[Marin,M] (½-½, 42)''' 19/ [Marin,M] (½-½, 42) R.Scherbakov: 'but after''' 22.Rxh8 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R. Scherbakov' Kxh8 23.Ng5 *(23.d6* Nadanian,Ashot S: '↑' *)* 23...Qd4 24.Nxf7+ Kg8; **B2c33222)** 21.d6 g5 Nadanian,Ashot S: '?' Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '?''' Marin,Mihail: ' □' Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: '!' R.Scherbakov: 'Just in time securing an escape route for the light-squared bishop - White was already going to trap it by b2-b3.''' R. Scherbakov: '!' '!' R. Scherbakov: 'Just in time securing an escape route for the light-squared bishop - White was already going to trap it by b2-b3.' R. Scherbakov: 'Just in time securing an escape route for the light-squared bishop - White was already going to trap it by b2-b3. Marin,M: ' □''' R. Scherbakov: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'Just in time securing an escape route for the light-squared bishop - White was already going to trap it by b2-b3.'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'A big mistake. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'A big mistake.''' *(* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'better was' Vigorito,D: 'better was" Nadanian, Ashot S: 'Black should have played Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Black should have played''' *21...Ndf8* Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '!''' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'and it seems White has nothing better than a draw after Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'and it seems White has nothing better than a draw after''' *22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.d7 Bxd7*

24.Rxd7 Nxd7 25.Qxg6+ Qg7 26.Bxf7+ Kf8 27.Qd6+ Kxf7 Marin,Mihail: 'but White's play could be improved. but White's play could be improved.' *28.Qxd7+* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'when White seems to only have perpetual here'' Marin,Mihail: '??' *Kf8* Nadanian, Ashot S: '=' Marin, Mihail: '!' *)*

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22.Bxf7 Kxf7 23.Rde1 Kg8 24.Rxh7 Marin,Mihail: '?' Rxh7 25.Nxg5 Qf5 Marin,Mihail: '+-' 26.g4 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin, M''' Qg6 27.Nxh7 Qxh7 Marin,Mihail: '∞' 28.Re8+ Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin,M''' Nf8 Nadanian,Ashot S: '∞' Marin,Mihail: '±!';

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Nadanian,Ashot S: 'A natural move. The engine, with time, comes up with' Marin,Mihail: 'R.Scherbakov: 'In the game Sigurjonsson - Speelman, Brighton 1981 White achieved nothing after'' 22.Rde1 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Qd4 23.Rxh7+ Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Rxh7 24.Qxg5+ Kh8 25.Qd8+ Kg7 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'with comfortable play.'' R. Scherbakov: 'with comfortable play.'' 26.Bxf7 Nadanian, Ashot S: '!' Marin, Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin, M''' Nf6 *(26...Kxf7 27.Ng5+)* 27.Qe7 Bf5 Marin,Mihail: 'Δ...♗a3, ...c5 ½-½ Sigurjonsson,G (2440)-Speelman,J (2520)/Brighton 1981/MCD' 28.Be8+ Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Kh8 Marin,Mihail: 'Ü 100/(382) R. Scherbakov' 29.Qxf6+ Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M' Qxf6 Marin,Mihail: 'let White get a slight

but comfortable edge without risk. In the game Pelletier - Onischuk, Biel 2007 Black held the position after let White get a slight but comfortable edge without risk. In the game Pelletier - Onischuk, Biel 2007 Black held the position after' 30.Nxf6 Nadanian, Ashot S: '±';

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22.Rhe1

Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Here a draw was agreed - Black had no problems after 21...Qe6.''' 22...b5 Marin,Mihail: 'Marin, M: 'R.Scherbakov: 'Marin, M''' *(* Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Unfortunately for White, in case of'' R.Scherbakov: 'Unfortunately for White, in case of'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Other moves also lose: Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Other moves also lose:''' *22...Qf5* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'may be a better try'' Marin, Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Black had''' *23.Qc3+ Qe5* Marin,Mihail: 'Marin,M: 'R. Scherbakov: 'Marin, M''' *24.Qc2* Nadanian,Ashot S: '+-' Marin,Mihail: '!'*; 22...Nb6 23.Bxf7* Marin,Mihail: '!' *Kxf7 24.d7* Nadanian,Ashot S: '+-' *)* 23.Bd5 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: '!''' *(23.Nc3 Qd4 24.Qc2 Qxc4 25.Re4 Qxe4 26.Qxe4 Rb8* Nadanian,Ashot S: '∞' *)*

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Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Another chance to survive was'

23...Ra7

Nadanian,Ashot S: '!?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'with the idea to use the rook for defending the f7-square. In order to win now White should have found a series of a difficult and precise moves:' 24.f4 Qd4 25.Qe2

Marin,Mihail: 'and

so on' Qxa4 26.Qh5 Nb6 27.Nc3 Qa5 Marin,Mihail: ' ∞' *(27...Qa1+ 28.Kc2 Qa5 29.fxg5 Bf5+ 30.Be4)* 28.Ba2 Nadanian,Ashot S: '!' Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) (R. Scherbakov) could be well met by' Bg4 29.Qxg4 b4 Marin,Mihail: '!' Marin,Mihail: 'with a good play.' Marin,Mihail: 'or' 30.Ne4 Qxa2 31.Nxg5 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'and White wins.';

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23...Rb8 24.f4 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: '!' '!' '!' '!"

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Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Black was obliged to play Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Black was obliged to play'" 24...Qf5 25.Qc3+ *(25.fxg5 Bb7 26.Qc3+ Kg8* Marin,Mihail: '↑' Marin,Mihail: 'could be a problem only for White. For example,' *27.Rf1 Qxf1 28.Rxf1 Bxd5)* 25...Ndf6 26.d7 Marin,Mihail: '∓' Marin,Mihail: 'White had some other ideas but none of them could bother Black: White had some other ideas but none of them could bother Black:' 26...b4 Marin,Mihail: '(Marin,M) R. Scherbakov' 27.dxc8Q Rbxc8 28.Qc4 Nadanian, Ashot S: ' ±' Marin, Mihail: '!';

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24...Qd4 Nadanian,Ashot S: '?' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'After this it's over.'' Nadanian,Ashot S: 'The famous American grandmaster Robert Byrne once noted, that in order to lose the game, it is usually necessary to make two mistakes: the first that puts you in a quandary, and the second - the fateful one, which deprives you of the chance to get out of the a band of difficulties. If we apply this observation to the

current game, then we can state, that the move 21...g5? put Black in a difficult position and 24...♕d4? became a fatal mistake. Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'The famous American grandmaster Robert Byrne once noted, that in order to lose the game, it is usually necessary to make two mistakes: the first that puts you in a quandary, and the second - the fateful one, which deprives you of the chance to get out of the a band of difficulties. If we apply this observation to the current game, then we can state, that the move 21...g5? put Black in a difficult position and 24...♕d4? became a fatal mistake.''' 25.Qe2 *(25.Qc2* Nadanian,Ashot S: 'also wins.') 25...Qb4 *(25...Qxa4* Marin,Mihail: '!' *26.Qh5* Nadanian, Ashot S: '+-') Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Vigorito,D: 'Black is quickly mated after" 26.Qh5 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'Black resigns. It is symbolic that the last decisive move in this game was made possible due to a serious weakening of the position after 21... g5? A nice Tal-like attack by Levon! Vigorito,D: 'Nadanian,A: 'Black resigns. It is symbolic that the last decisive move in this game was made possible due to a serious weakening of the position after 21... g5? A nice Tal-like attack by Levon!''' Rf8 Marin,Mihail: '∓' 27.Rh1 1-0 (27) C 06/32 (2802)-4.d4 ♘f6 5. ♗c4_43147 (2804) 6: San Diego (rapid) 2017 C B M 1 4 5 [Naiditsch,Arkadij] Marin,Mihail: '?'] [10...Qa5 11.Qd2 exd5 12.cxd5 Re8 *(12...b5 13.Be2 b4 14.Nd1 Nh7 15.Be7 h4 16.Nf1 Re8 17.Bxd6 f5 18.e5 Bxe5 19.Bxe5 Rxe5 20.Nfe3 Qd8 21.f4 Re8 22.Bf3 Bb7 23.0-0 Nf6 24.b3 Nbd7 25.a5 Ne4 26.Bxe4 Rxe4 27.Nb2 Nf6 28.Rad1*

Rd4 29.Qc2 Rc8 30.Nxf5 gxf5 31.Qxf5 Nh7 32.Qe6+ Kh8 33.Nc4 Qxd5 34.Qxd5 Bxd5 0-1 (34) h16 (2643)-PradeepShyamBabu (2806) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Ra3 Nbd7 14.Be2 Ne5 15.0-0 Qb4 16.Qc2 Bd7 17.Kh1 c4 18.a5 Bb5 19.Bd2 Qc5 20.Na4 Qc7 21.Rc1 h4 22.Nf1 h3 23.g4 Nexg4 24.fxg4 Nxe4 25.Be3 Bxa4 26.Rxa4 Nc5 27.Rxc4 Qxa5 28.b4 Qb5 29.Rxc5 1-0 (29) RenierChess (2708)-workforthefuture (2491) Blitz 2025]

11.cxd5 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'reaches a well known Benoni (ECO A65)position where Black can try lots of different moves. Vigorito,D: 'reaches a well known Benoni (ECO A65)position where Black can try lots of different moves."

[11.Nxd5 Nc6 Nadanian,Ashot S: 'and ...Be6 is not really a problem']

11...Nbd7

[11...Qc7 12.Be2 Nh7 13.Be3 h4 14.Nf1 Nd7 15.Nd2 f5 16.0-0 f4 17.Bf2 b6 18.Bxh4 g5 19.Be1 Rf6 20.g4 Rh6 21.Qc2 Ne5 22.Nd1 Rb8 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Qxc4 Nf8 25.h4 Qd7 26.h5 Rxh5 27.gxh5 Qh3 28.Rf2 b5 29.axb5 Qg3+ 30.Kh1 axb5 31.Qc1 Qh4+ 32.Kg1 Qg3+ 33.Kh1 Qh4+ 34.Kg1 Qg3+ 35.Kh1 ½-½ (35) micpilar_bot (3040)-MadMadChess (2963) Blitz 2025]

[11...Qe8 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'I must confess that I didn't expect this line from Peter, so I only barely remembered my file. The good thing was that Peter was spending quite a lot of time for the next moves, so I was able to figure out some important details of my old preparation.'

A) 12.Be2 Nh7 13.Be3 *(13.Bf4 Be5 14.Qd2 Nd7 15.0-0 h4 16.Nh1 f5 17.Nf2 Qe7 18.Bxe5 Nxe5 19.f4 Ng4 20.Bxg4 fxg4 21.e5 g3 22.Nfe4 gxh2+ 23.Kxh2 dxe5 24.d6 Qe6 25.Nxc5 Qg4 26.Qd5+ Kh8 27.Qxe5+ Nf6 28.N3e4 Kg7 29.Nxf6 Rxf6 30.Ne4 Qf5 31.Qxf6+ Qxf6 32.Nxf6 Kxf6 33.Rfe1 Bd7 34.Re7 Rd8 35.a5 Bc6 36.Rd1 Kf5 37.Rd4 g5 38.Re5+ Kf6 39.Rxg5* 1-0 (39) nastroyani (2640)-Koshechka22 (2650) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Nd7 14.0-0 f5 15.Qd2 h4 16.Nh1 Qf7 *(16...Ne5 17.Nf2 Bd7 18.a5 Qe7 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.f4 Nf7 21.Rae1 Rae8 22.Bf3 Qc7 23.g4 hxg3 24.hxg3 Qxa5 25.Kg2 Re7 26.g4 Bd7 27.Be4 Nf6 28.Bxg6 Nxg4 29.Nxg4 Bxg4 30.Rh1 Qb4 31.Bh7+ Kh8 32.Bf5+ Kg8 33.Bxg4 Rfe8 34.Be6 Kf8 35.f5 Ne5 36.Qe2 Ng4 37.Bg5 Rxe6 38.fxe6* 1-0 (38) alexkaspi (2621)-damngenius (2581) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Bh6 Ne5 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.Nf2 Bd7 20.a5 Rae8 21.Ra3 Nf7 22.Rb3 Bc8 23.exf5 gxf5 24.Rd1 f4 25.Nce4 h3 26.g3 fxg3 27.hxg3 Nhg5 28.Kh2 Nxe4 29.Nxe4 Nh6 30.Rf1 Qg6 31.Rc3 Ng4+ 32.fxg4 Qxe4 33.Bd3 Qg2+ 34.Qxg2 hxg2 35.Rxf8+ Kxf8 36.Bf5 Bxf5 37.gxf5 Re2 38.Rb3 Ke7 39.g4 Re4 40.Rg3 Kf6 41.Kxg2 Kg5 42.Kf1 Ra4 43.Kf2 Rb4 44.b3 b6 45.axb6 Rxb6 46.Ke2 Rb8 47.Kd2 Kf4 48.Re3 Kxg4 49.f6 Rf8 50.Re6 Kf5 51.Rxd6 Rxf6 52.Rd7 Ke5 53.Kc3 Rf4 54.Rc7 Kxd5 55.Ra7 Rf3+ 56.Kb2 Rf2+ 57.Kc3 Rf3+ 58.Kb2

Rf2+ 59.Kc3 Rf6 60.Ra8 Rf3+ 61.Kb2 Rf2+ 62.Kc3 Rf6 63.Rb8 Kc6 64.Kc4 Rf4+ 65.Kc3 Rf3+ 66.Kc4 Rf4+ 67.Kc3 Rf2 68.Rg8 Rf3+ 69.Kc4 ½-½ (69) sirynka-bot (3008)-karpen-b (2977) Blitz 2024;

B) 12.Qd2 Nh7 13.Bh4 Nd7 14.Be2 Rb8 15.0-0 Ne5 16.Nh1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Ra7 b4 19.Nd1 Bd7 20.b3 Ra8 21.Rxa8 Qxa8 22.Be7 Qa3 23.Bxd6 Qxb3 24.Bxc5 Rc8 25.Qxb4 Qc2 26.Nc3 Nd3 27.Bxd3 Qxd3 28.e5 Bxe5 29.Ne4 Nf6 30.Nhf2 Qxd5 31.Nxf6+ Bxf6 32.Ne4 Bg7 33.Bf2 Bf5 34.Nd6 Bf8 35.Bg3 Rd8 0-1 (35) AM0R_FATI (2608)-Cruise97 (2702) Blitz 2024;

C) 12.Bd3

C1) Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'An alternative was' 12...Nbd7 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!?'

C1a) 13.0-0?! Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'would be too soft:' Nh7 14.Be3 *(14.Bf4* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '?' *Ne5* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!' Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'explains the idea of 12...Nd7'*)* 14...Ne5 was a remarkable ♖ manoeuvre! 15.Be2 h4 16.Nh1 f5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '∞';

C1b) 13.f4 Ng4= 14.h3 c4= Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!' Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'leads to a big mess and was already played in the game Matlakov-Adhiban, rapid 2017.';

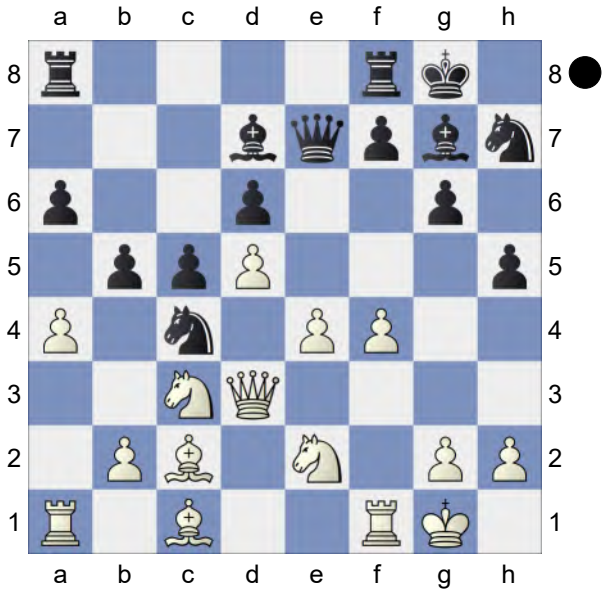
C2) 12...Nh7 13.Bf4 Qe7

C2a) 14.Nge2 Nd7 15.0-0

C2a1) 15...Ne5 16.Bc2 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'I considered this position to be a bit more pleasant for White as it's not that simple for Black to find a good plan, while White can simply improve the position with moves like a5 or h3 followed by Bc1 and f4.'

C2a11) 16...Bd7 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: '- 125/(27)"

C2a111) 17.Bc1 b5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Qd3 Diagram



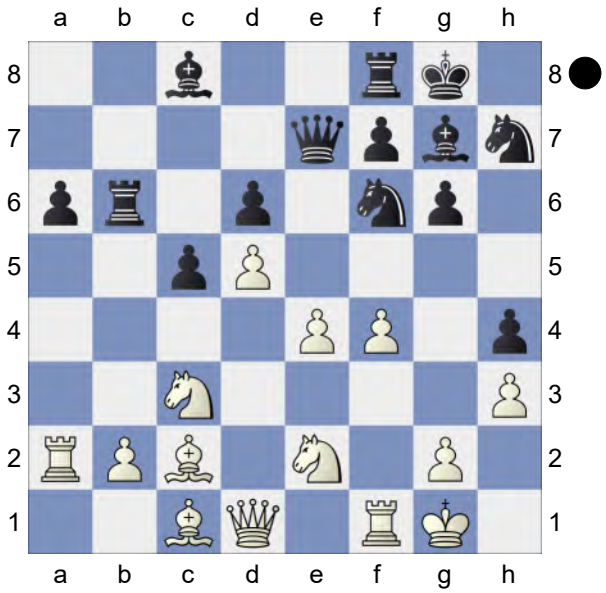
C2a1111) 19...f5! 20.Rb1 *(20.e5 dxe5 21.d6 Qf7∓; 20.Re1 Nf6 21.Qg3 b4 22.e5 Ng4∓)* 20...fxe4 *(20...Nf6 21.b3 fxe4 22.Qg3 Nb6 23.Qxg6 Qe8∓)* 21.Nxe4 Nf6 22.Nxf6+ Qxf6 23.b3 Bf5 24.Qd1 Nb6∓;

C2a1112) 19...b4

20.Qxc4 bxc3
21.Rb1 cxb2
22.Bxb2 Bxb2
23.Rxb2 Rfb8
24.Rfb1 Rxb2
25.Rxb2 Bg4
26.Nc3 Qf6∞
Aronian,L (2770)-Erdos,V (2613) Tsaghkadzor (wtc) 125/(27) 2015 [Arsovic,Goran];

C2a112) 17.a5= Rae8 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'looked also logical to play on the kingside but White is also prepared for that.' 18.h3 f5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'is something I considered during the game but now White has a strong idea:' *(18...h4* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'allows another positional idea:' *19.Ba4* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!' *)* 19.Bc1 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!';

C2a12) 16...Rb8 17.a5 b5 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: 'N'' *(17...b6* Perunovic, Milos *)* 18.axb6 Rxb6 Securing the king's place for the middlegame, but in the ⊥ the ♔ is a bit far from the ⊞. 19.Bc1 h4 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'here I had my first long thought, mainly choosing between 20.h3 or 20.f4. After all I decided that' *(19...Rb4* Perunovic, Milos *)* 20.f4 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'is more forcing' *(20.h3* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!?' *g5* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '!?' Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'was bothering me as the position after' *21.f4 gxf4± 22.Nxf4 Bh6!* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'during the game felt rather unclear even though engines are claiming White is much better.' *)* 20...Ng4 21.h3 Ngf6 22.Ra2 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Perunovic, Milos: 'Diagram



" The ♘ belongs to e5.

C2a121) ⌓22...Nh5 Perunovic,Milos

C2a1211) 23.Qe1 f5↑;

C2a1212) 23.Bd3 N7f6 *(23...Re8 24.Rf3 g5∞)* 24.Qe1

Re8∞;

C2a1213) 23.e5 dxe5 24.f5 Bxf5 25.Bxf5 gxf5 26.Rxf5 Nf4 27.Nxf4 exf4 28.Rxf4 *(28.Bxf4? Bxc3 29.bxc3 Qe4-+)* 28...Re8∞;

C2a1214) 23.Be3 f5 *(23...Rb4∞)* 24.e5 dxe5 25.b4! exf4 26.Bxc5 Rd6∞;

C2a122) 22...Bd7 Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: '∞' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'here I spent quite a lot of time trying to figure out what is exactly my plan and I decided to attack f4 pawn.'

C2a1221) 23.e5= dxe5 24.f5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'A typical idea in this kind of positions, but here Black shouldn't be afraid of this.' gxf5 *(24...g5* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!?' *25.Ne4 Nxe4= 26.Bxe4 Rb4 27.Nc3 Qd6* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'would be also highly unclear'*)* 25.Bxf5= Bxf5 26.Rxf5 Qd6;

C2a1222) 23.Qe1 Nh5 24.Be3 If White wants more he usually keeps one pair of rooks.

C2a12221) 24...f5 Perunovic,Milos 25.e5 *(25.Bf2 g5 26.exf5 Bxf5 27.Bxf5 Rxf5 28.fxg5 Nxg5 29.Bxh4 Rxf1+ 30.Kxf1 Qe5⩱)* 25...Rfb8 26.e6 Bb5 27.Nxb5 Rxb5 28.Rxa6 *(28.b3 Qb7∞)* 28...Rxb2 29.Bd3 R2b3 30.Nc1 *(30.Qd1 N7f6∞)* 30...R3b4∞;

C2a12222) 24...Rfb8 25.b3

C2a122221) 25...Qd8 26.Bf2 Perunovic,Milos Qc8 27.Bxh4 *(27.Kh2 g5⇄)* 27...Bxh3

C2a1222211) 28.gxh3 Qxh3 29.Qf2 *(29.e5? dxe5 30.Be4 exf4 31.Bg2 Qg4∓)* 29...Bxc3 30.Nxc3 c4! 31.b4 Qxc3 32.Qf3 Qxf3 33.Rxf3 N7f6∞;

C2a1222212) 28.f5! Bg4 29.fxg6 fxg6 30.e5 Bxe5 31.Bxg6 Rxb3 32.Ra4∞;

C2a122222) 25...Ng3

Perunovic,Milos 26.Nxg3 hxg3 27.Rf3 Nf6 28.Qxg3 Nh5 29.Qe1 f5 30.Bf2±;

C2a122223)

25...Rxb3

Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'A very strong, practical decision. Instead of being slightly worse, Peter changes the character of the position, and now all 3 results are possible.' 26.Bxb3 Rxb3

C2a1222231)

27.e5 dxe5± - 27...♕c6 28.fxe5 Qxe5 29.Qf2 Bf5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'must be fine for black';

C2a1222232)

⌓27.Rxa6 Ng3 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and white cannot keep control any longer.' 28.Nxg3 *(28.Ra8+* Perunovic,Milos *Nf8 29.Nxg3 Rxc3 30.e5 Rxe3 31.Qxe3 hxg3∞)* 28...Bxc3 29.Ra8+ Kg7 30.Qd1 Rb4 31.Qc2 Bd4 32.Bxd4+ Rxd4 33.Ne2 Rxe4 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: ' ⩲ ' 34.Nc3 Perunovic, Milos Re3∞;

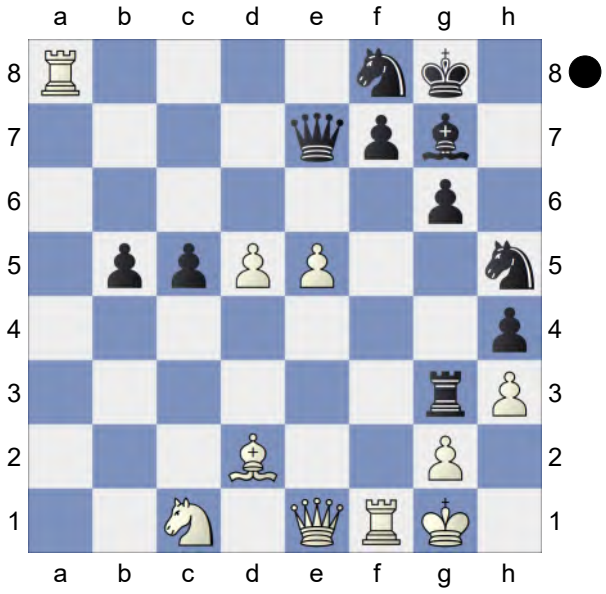
C2a1222233)

27.Rf3= Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!?' Bb5 28.Bf2± Bxe2 29.Nxe2 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' Rb4 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' 30.e5! dxe5 31.Rc2 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and according to an engine white is better but for me it looks nothing more than unclear.';

C2a1222234)

27.Bd2± Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!?' Now a typical CK ⊥ has arisen with a bit better chances for White. Black's » pawns may become targets. Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Maybe not the best move but the practical one. We were approaching time trouble so I wanted

to keep some control.'
C2a12222341)
27...Bb5
Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'is the only move which I expected during the game.' 28.Nxb5 axb5+-
and the black ♔ is cut off the 8-th rank. 29.e5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' *(29.f5 Perunovic,Milos Ng5∞)* 29...dxe5+-
C2a122223411)
30.Nc1 Perunovic, Milos Rg3 31.Ra8+ Nf8 32.fxe5 Diagram



Bxe5! 33.Bh6 Kh7 34.Bxf8 Bd4+ 35.Kh2 *(35.Kh1? Qd7!-+)* 35...Rxg2+ 36.Kxg2 Qg5+ 37.Kh1 *(37.Kh2 Be5+ 38.Kh1 Ng3+ 39.Kg2 Nf5+ 40.Kh1 Ng3+=)* 37...Qxd5+ 38.Kh2 Be5+=;
C2a122223412)
30.f5 Perunovic, Milos g5∞;
C2a122223413)
30.Ra8+ Nf8+- 31.f5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and I thought that White has a huge initiative which is only partly true because after' gxf5+- Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' 32.Rxf5 Ng3 33.Nxg3 hxg3! Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: '∞'' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Black is also having some counterplay:' 34.Rg5 Qb7± Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: ' □ ' 35.Re8 Qxd5 36.Rexe5 Qd4+± 37.Re3 *(37.Be3± Qxe5?* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!!' *38.Rxe5+- Bxe5 39.Bxc5 Ne6* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and it's even White who

should be careful. ' *)* 37...Ne6 38.Rg4 Rxe3± 39.Bxe3!± Qe5 40.Qxg3 Qxg3 41.Rxg3 Kh7 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: ' ⩲' *(41...c4* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '?' *42.Bh6)*;

C2a12222342)

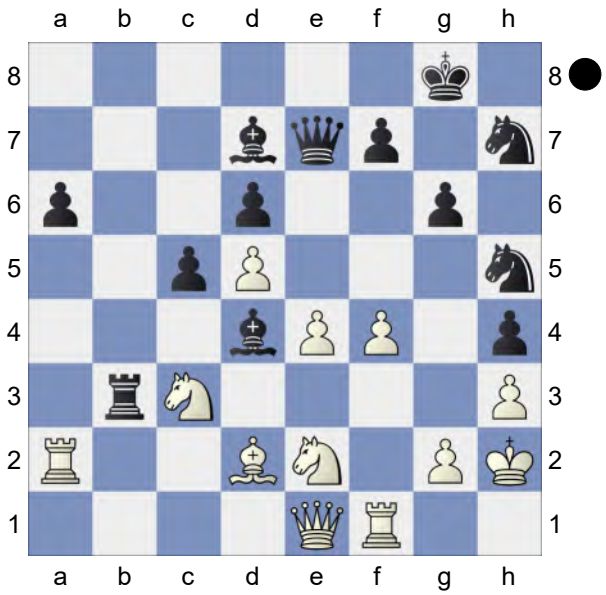
27...Bc8±

Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!?' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'simply protecting the pawn was also interesting. It's not easy to understand but Black has a decent positional compensation, so it's not necessary to force things.' 28.Qd1!? Rb4 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '⩲';

C2a12222343)

27...Bd4+

Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '?!' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: '?" Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Funnily this is the move we both thought it's a decisive mistake. Not the best one but not the losing one either.' 28.Kh2 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram



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C2a122223431)

28...Rb6

Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!'

C2a1222234311)

29.Nxd4 cxd4 30.Ne2 Bb5 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '⩲';

C2a1222234312)

29.Na4 Perunovic, Milos Rb8 30.e5 Bb5 31.Nxd4 *(31.Nac3 Ng3⩱)* 31...cxd4 32.Bb4 Bxf1 33.Bxd6 Qb7 34.Bxb8 Ng3 35.Bd6 Qxd5⩲;

C2a1222234313)

29.Qa1 Ng3 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!'

and everything is well-defended. 30.Rb1 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '!' *(30.Nxg3* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '?' *hxg3+ 31.Kxg3 Bb5 32.Re1! Nf6* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: ' ∓' *)* 30...Rxb1 31.Qxb1 Nf6 32.Rxa6 Nfxe4 33.Nxe4 Qxe4 34.Qxe4 Nxe4 35.Be1 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: ' ±' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Practically speaking it's closer to a draw than anything else.';

C2a122223432)

28...N7f6

Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '??' Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Perunovic,Milos: '?" Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'Only this loses. First of all the a6 pawn is lost and also now the bishop on d4 is rather stuck doing nothing.'

C2a1222234321)

29.Rxa6

Perunovic,Milos Ng3 30.Ra8+ Kh7 31.Nxg3 hxg3+ 32.Kh1 Bxh3!

C2a12222343211)

33.gxh3 Rb2! 34.Ra3 *(34.Rf3 Nh5↑)* 34...g2+ 35.Kxg2 Bxc3 36.Rxc3 Qxe4+ 37.Kg1 *(37.Qxe4 Nxe4 38.Ra3 Rxd2+ 39.Kf3 f5=)* 37...Qxd5⩲;

C2a12222343212)

33.Qxg3! Bd7 34.f5±;

C2a1222234322)

29.Rf3 Rb4 Black is losing precious time. *(29...Rb6* Perunovic,Milos *30.Be3 Bxe3 31.Rxe3±)* 30.Rxa6 Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '+-' White strengthens his position step by step. Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'The rest normally would be easy but given that we were short of time and the stake was quite high it was neccessary not to allow many tricks.' Rc4

C2a12222343221)

31.Ra8+

Perunovic,Milos Kg7 32.Nxd4 cxd4 33.e5 Ne8 34.Ne4

dxe5 35.f5! △gxf5 *(⍙35...Bxf5 36.Bg5 f6 37.Rxf5! gxf5 38.Qxh4)* 36.Rxe8 Bxe8 37.Rxf5 f6 38.Qxh4;

C2a12222343222) 31.Ra7 Qd8?! 32.Qa1! Nxe4 *(32...Kg7* Perunovic,Milos *33.Qa6 Rb4 34.Qxd6)* 33.Ra8! White has additional chances on the », because some of the pawns are fixed on the colour of the ♗. *(33.Rxd7 Qxd7 34.Qa8+ Kg7 35.Nxe4* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'was also winning but as usual in such situations one should just calculate one way and play it.') 33...Bc8 34.Qa6! White is happy to go for the ⊥, this is the main idea of the entire variation. Nxd2 *(34...Bxa6 35.Rxd8+* worsening the enemy ♔'s position. *Kg7 36.Nxe4* Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: '+-') 35.Rxc8 Nxf3+? Now White crashes through. 36.gxf3!+- winning the important e6 ♙. Qxc8 37.Qxc8++- Kg7 38.Nxd4 Rxd4 *(38...Rxc3 39.Nb5 Rc2+ 40.Kg1* fixing the target ✕ b7. Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'is also hopeless.') 39.Qd8 Rd2+ 40.Kg1 Nxf4 41.Qxd6 Nxh3+ 42.Kf1 1-0 (42) Anand,V (2782)-Leitao,R (2573) Sao Paulo 2004 CBM 103 [Lukacs, Peter] Wojtaszek, Radoslaw: 'and Peter resigned. I considered it be quite a good game, especially since it gave me a qualification to the semi-finals.';

C2a2) 15...Rb8 16.Rb1 Nhf6 17.Be3 h4 18.h3 Nh5 19.b4 cxb4 20.Rxb4 Ng3 21.Re1 Nc5 22.Qd2 Bd7 23.Bc2 Nxe2+ 24.Nxe2 b5 25.axb5 Rxb5 26.Bg5 Bf6 27.Bxf6 Qxf6 28.Rc4 Rb2 29.Nd4 Re8 30.Nc6 Nb3 31.Qe3 Bxc6 32.dxc6 Na5 33.Rc3 Rc8 34.e5 dxe5 35.Be4 Kg7 36.Rd1 Rxc6 37.Bxc6 Nxc6 38.Rc5 a5 39.Ra1

Qd6 40.Kh1 Rb6 41.Rc4 Ne7 42.Re1 Rc6 43.Rxc6 Nxc6 44.Qg5 Qf6 45.Qe3 g5 46.Rc1 Ne7 47.Rc5 Ng6 48.Rxa5 Qf5 49.Qc1 Nf4 50.Qe3 Kf6 51.Qb6+ Kg7 52.Qc7 Qb1+ 53.Kh2 Ng6 54.Ra4 Qf5 55.Qc5 Qe6 56.Qe3 Qf5 57.Qc3 Kh6 58.Re4 Qd7 59.Qc5 Qf5 60.Qe3 Qf6 61.Rb4 Qf5 62.Kh1 Kh7 63.Qd2 Kg7 64.Rb5 Qf6 65.Ra5 Qb6 66.Rd5 Qf6 67.Qe3 Kh7 68.Kg1 Qc6 69.Rd1 Qf6 70.Rd5 Kg7 71.Kh2 Kh6 72.Kh1 Qf5 73.Ra5 Kg7 74.Kh2 Qf6 75.Kg1 Qf5 76.Kh1 Qf6 77.Kh2 Kh7 78.Qd2 Qf5 79.Rb5 Kg7 80.Ra5 Kf6 81.Qc3 Qd7 82.Qc2 Kg7 83.Ra6 Qd4 84.Ra4 Qd7 85.Rg4 Kh6 86.Rc4 Kg7 87.Rc6 Qd4 88.Rc7 Qf4+ 89.Kh1 Qb4 90.Kh2 Qf4+ 91.Kh1 Qe3 92.Qe4 Qd2 93.Rc6 Qd1+ 94.Kh2 Qd2 95.Kh1 Qd1+ 96.Kh2 Qd2 97.Ra6 Qc3 98.Ra1 ½-½ (98) variantstop (2940)-RaspFish (2821) Blitz 2023;

C2b) 14.0-0 h4 *(14...Nd7* Wojtaszek,Radoslaw: 'would lead to the same as White doesn't really have any other ideas than improving the knight from g3.' *15.Bc2 - 117/27)* 15.Nh1 Nd7 16.Nf2 Ne5 17.h3 Bd7 18.Bh2 g5 19.Qd2 Rfb8 20.f4 gxf4 21.Bxf4 Ng6 22.Bh2 b5 23.e5 Nxe5 24.Qe2 f5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.Bxb5 Bxb5 28.Nxb5 Qd7 29.Nc3 Re8 30.Qh5 Nc4 31.Nd3 Re3 32.Nf4 Nxb2 33.Nce2 Nf6 34.Qxh4 Qe7 35.Qf2 Nd3 36.Nxd3 Rxe2 37.Qxf5 Qe4 38.Qxe4 Nxe4 39.Re1 c4 40.Rxe2 cxd3 41.Ra2 d2 42.Rxd2 Nxd2 43.Bxd6 Ne4 44.Bh2 Nf6 45.Be5 Nxd5 46.Bxg7 Kxg7 47.g3 Kh6 48.g4 Ne7 49.h4 Kg6 50.g5 Nd5 51.h5+ Kf7 52.g6+ Kg7 53.h6+ Kh8 54.g7+ Kh7 55.g8Q+ Kxg8 56.h7+ Kg7 57.h8Q+ Kxh8 ½-½ (57) PetersBot (3024)-RaspFish (3031) Blitz 2025]

[11...Re8 12.Be2 Nbd7 *(12...Qe7 13.0-0 Qf8 14.f4 Nh7 15.Bh4 Nd7 16.Kh1 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Ndxf6 18.e5 h4 19.Nge4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 dxe5 21.d6 Bf5 22.Nxc5 b6 23.Nb7 Reb8 24.fxe5 Rxb7 25.Bf3 Rd7 26.Bc6 Rc8 27.Bxd7 Bxd7 28.h3 Qd8 29.Rc1 Nf8 30.Qb3 Be6 31.Qe3 Nd7 32.Rxc8 Qxc8 33.Rc1 Qa8 34.Kh2 Kg7 35.Qf4 Qd5 36.Re1 a5 37.Re4 Bf5 38.Re1 Qc5 39.Re2 Qb4 40.Qxb4 axb4 41.Kg1 g5 42.Rd2 b3 43.Rd5 Be6 44.Rb5 Kg6 45.Kf2 Kf5 46.g3 hxg3+ 47.Kxg3 Ke4* 0-1 (47) Ponkratov,P (2631)-Mikhalevski,V (2565) chess.com INT 2020 *)* 13.0-0

A) 13...Ne5 14.Qd2 Qc7 15.h3 *(15.f4 Neg4 16.h3 Nh7 17.hxg4 Bd4+ 18.Rf2 Nxg5 19.fxg5 hxg4 20.Bd3 Kg7 21.Nge2 Bxf2+ 22.Kxf2 Qe7 23.Rh1 Bd7 24.Ng3 Rh8 25.Rh6 Rxh6 26.gxh6+ Kh7 27.Qf4 f6 28.e5 dxe5 29.Qc4 f5*

30.Bc2 Rf8 31.Qd3 e4 32.Qc4 Qe5 33.Qxc5 Rc8 34.Qb6 Qf4+ 35.Kg1 Qxg3 36.Qxb7 Rc7 37.Qb8 Qe1+ 38.Kh2 g3+ 0-1 (38) retardedplatypus123 (2625)-Tandilensis (2568) Blitz 2021 *)* 15...Nh7 16.Be3 h4 17.Nh1 f5 18.f4 *(18.Nf2 Qf7 19.f4 Nd7 20.Bd3 Ndf6 21.exf5 gxf5 22.Rfe1 Bd7 23.a5 Nh5 24.Qc2 Ng3 25.Qb3 Rab8 26.Qb6 Qf6 27.Nh1 Ne4 28.Bxe4 fxe4 29.Nf2 Bf5 30.Rac1 Kh8 31.b4 cxb4 32.Qxb4 Rbc8 33.Ne2 Qe7 34.Nd4 Rxc1 35.Rxc1 Bc8 36.Qb6 Nf6 37.Rc7 Qd8 38.Rxg7 Qxb6 39.axb6 Kxg7 40.Ne6+ Bxe6 41.dxe6 Rxe6 42.Kf1 Kg6 43.Bd4 Nd5 44.Nd1 e3 45.Ke1 e2 46.Nc3 Nxf4* 0-1 (46) alexkaspi (2609)-Fleetw00dMac (2564) Blitz 2022*)* 18...Nf7 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Nf2 Rab8 21.Rae1 Nf6 22.Bd3 Nh6 23.Kh1 Bxd3 24.Qxd3 Nf5 25.Kh2 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Nce4 c4 28.Qc2 Nxe4 29.Nxe4 Bxb2 30.Bb6 Qxb6 31.Qxb2 Qd4 32.Qb1 b4 33.Nxd6 Rxe1 34.Qxe1 Nxd6 35.Qe6+ Nf7 36.f5 Qg7 37.fxg6 Rf8 38.Kh1 c3 39.d6 c2 40.d7 b3 41.gxf7+ Kh8 42.Qf5 Qd4 43.Qh5+ Kg7 44.Qg5+ Kh7 45.Qh5+ Kg7 46.Qg5+ Kh7 47.Qh5+ Kg7 ½-½ (47) Depresionante (2758)-IMAndrasToth (2575) Blitz 2022;

B) 13...Nf8 14.Qd2 N8h7 15.Bh6 h4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nh1 Rb8 18.Nf2 Bd7 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Qxb6 21.Rxa6 Qxb2 22.Qxb2 Rxb2 23.Rxd6 Rc2 24.Nfd1 h3 25.g3 Ng5 26.Kf2 Bb5 27.Re1 Bd3 28.Rc6 c4 29.Ke3 Nfxe4 30.fxe4 Nxe4 31.Bxd3 Nxc3+ 32.Kf3 Rxe1 33.Bxc2 Nxd1 34.d6 Re3+ 35.Kf4 g5+ 36.Kxg5 Re5+ 37.Kf4 Rd5 38.Be4 Rd4 39.Ke5 Rd2 40.Bf5 Ne3 41.Bxh3 Nd5 42.Rxc4 Nf6 43.Bf5 Re2+ 44.Kf4 Rxh2 45.Rd4 Rh8 46.d7 Rd8 47.Ke5 Ng8 48.g4 Kf8 49.Kd6 Nf6 50.Rc4 Ne8+ 51.Ke5 Ng7 52.Rc8 Ke7 53.Rxd8 Kxd8 54.Kf6 Nxf5 55.gxf5 Kxd7 56.Kxf7 1-0 (56) C9C9C9C9C9 (2908)-muisback (2891) Blitz 2021]

[11...Qa5]

[11...Qb6 12.Qd2 Nh7 Schipkov, Boris: 'allows White to flick in' *(12...Re8 13.Be2 Nh7 14.a5 Qc7 15.Bh6 Bd4 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Qxe3 h4 18.Nf1 b5 19.axb6 Qxb6 20.Nd2 Nd7 21.Nc4 Qc7 22.0-0 Ne5 23.Na5 Rb8 24.f4 Ng4 25.Bxg4 Bxg4 26.Rf2 f5 27.Nc6 Rb3 28.e5 Nf6 29.Rxa6 Ne4 30.exd6 Qd7 31.Nxe4 Rxe3 32.Nf6+ Kh8 33.Nxd7 h3 34.Nde5* 1-0 (34) povadingo (2703)-Ronaldinho123 (2595) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 13.Bh4 Nd7 14.Be2 g5 *(14...c4 15.Bxc4 Ne5 16.Be2 Bd7 17.f4 Bh6 18.Nf1 Rac8 19.Bf2 Qb4 20.Be3 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Ng3 h4 23.Nge2 Nf6 24.Bd4 Bg7 25.e5 Ng4 26.h3 Nh6 27.0-0 Nf5 28.Bf2 dxe5 29.fxe5 Bxe5 30.Rad1 Re8 31.Qg5 Bc7 32.Rd3 Qd6 33.g3 Bd8 34.Qf4 Qxf4 35.gxf4 Bxa4 36.Nxa4 Rxe2 37.b3 Rxf4 38.Bb6 Bxb6+ 39.Nxb6 Rxf1+ 40.Kxf1 Rb2 41.d6 Nxd6 42.Rxd6 Rxb3 43.Kg2 a5 44.Nc4 a4 45.Rd8+ Kg7 46.Ra8 b5 47.Nd6 a3 48.Ne8+ Kh6 49.Ra7 b4 50.Nd6*

1-0 (50) licg (2642)-Keru (2590) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Bxg5 Nxg5 16.Nxh5 Nh7 17.Nxg7 Kxg7 18.g4 Qb4 19.a5 b5 20.axb6 Nxb6 21.h4 Bd7 22.h5 f6 23.Rc1 Ng5 24.Qf4 Qxb2 25.Kf2 Nc4 26.Kg3 Ne5 27.Qe3 Qb4 28.Rhd1 Nh7 29.Rb1 Qa5 30.f4 Nf7 31.Rb7 Qd8 32.Kh2 Kh8 33.Rg1 Rg8 34.Nd1 Qc8 35.Qb3 Bxg4 36.Rxf7 Bxe2 37.Rg6 Bxh5 38.Rgxf6 Qg4 0-1 (38) Vidit,S (2648)-Darini,P (2496) Dubai UAE 2016;

B) 13.Bf4 h4 14.Nge2 Nd7 15.a5 Qc7 16.Nc1 Ne5 17.Nd3 Nc4 18.Qf2 b5 19.Be2 Nxb2 20.Rc1 b4 21.Nxb2 Bxc3+ 22.Rxc3 bxc3 23.Nc4 Rd8 24.Qxh4 Bb7 25.0-0 Rab8 26.Qg3 Qd7 27.Bxd6 Rbc8 28.Be5 Qb5 29.Bxc3 Qb3 30.Rc1 Rb8 31.h4 Re8 32.h5 Nf8 33.hxg6 Nxg6 34.Qd6 Rbd8 35.Qf6 Kf8 36.Nd6 Rxd6 37.Qxd6+ Re7 38.Qxc5 Nf4 39.Bf1 Qa2 40.Bf6 1-0 (40) fireheart92 (2633)-DmitryMaximov (2630) Blitz 2020;

C) 13.Be3 Nd7 14.a5 Qd8 15.Be2 h4 16.Nf1 Re8 17.Bh6 Bd4 18.Ne3 b5 19.axb6 Nxb6 20.Nc2 Qf6 21.Be3 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Ng5 23.0-0 Qf4 24.Nc4 Qxd2 25.Nxd2 f5 26.exf5 Bxf5 27.Bxa6 Reb8 28.Bb5 Nc8 29.Rxa8 Rxa8 30.Re1 Nb6 31.Bc6 Rd8 32.f4 Nf7 33.Nb5 Kg7 34.Nc7 c4 35.Ne6+ Bxe6 36.dxe6 Rc8 37.e7 1-0 (37) gg-gm-gmg (2616)-Leelenstein14 (2610) Blitz 2020;

D) 13.a5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 13...Qc7 14.Bh6 b6 *(14...Bxh6 15.Qxh6 b5 16.f4 Nd7 17.Be2 Kh8 18.e5 dxe5 19.f5 Ndf6 20.Nce4 Ng8 21.Qe3 gxf5 22.d6 Qa7 23.Nxc5 f4 24.Qxe5+ f6 25.Qxh5 fxg3 26.hxg3 Qg7 27.0-0-0 Ra7 28.g4 f5 29.g5 Qe5 30.d7 Qxc5+ 31.Kb1 Qe7 32.g6 Ngf6 33.dxc8Q Nxh5 34.Qc3+ Qf6 35.Rxh5 Qxc3 36.bxc3 Re8 37.Bf3* 1-0 (37) penguingim1 (2627)-Chess_Ark (2737) Rapid 2024*)* 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Be2 bxa5 17.0-0 Nd7 18.Rfc1 Nb6 19.Na4 Nxa4 20.Rxa4 Bd7 21.Rxa5 Schipkov,Boris: '↑' Schipkov,Boris: 'Gupta,A (2587)-Vorobiov,E (2592)/Kavala/2010/']

12.Be2

[12.Qd2 Qe8 13.Bh6 Rb8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Be2 h4 16.Nf1 Ne5 17.Ne3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.f4 b4 20.fxe5 Qxe5 21.Ncd1 Nxe4 22.Nc4 Nxd2 23.Nxe5 Nb3 24.Nc6 Nxa1 25.Nxb8 Re8 26.Kf2 Nb3 27.Nc6 Nd2 28.Bd3 c4 29.Re1 Rh8 30.Ke2 Rh5 31.Ne3 c3 32.bxc3 bxc3 33.Rc1 h3 34.g4 Rg5 35.Rxc3 1-0 (35) Violet_Pride (2733)-chessm3g1c (2752) Blitz 2023]

12...Qc7

[12...Qa5

A) 13.0-0

A1) 13...Re8 14.Qd2 *(14.Bd2 Qc7 15.Nh1 Rb8 16.Nf2 c4 17.Rc1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Na2 Nc5 20.Nb4 Nb3 21.Qxb3 cxb3 22.Rxc7 Nd7 23.Bc3 Bh6 24.Nd1 Nc5 25.Nc6 Ra8 26.Ne7+ Kf8 27.Nxc8 Rexc8 28.Rxc8+ Rxc8 29.Bxb5 Ra8 30.Bb4 Rb8 31.Bxc5 dxc5 32.Be2 Bg7 33.Nc3 Bd4+ 34.Kh1 Ke7 35.f4 f6 36.Rd1 Rb4 37.Bd3 c4 38.Bb1 Be3 39.g3 g5 40.fxg5*

Bxg5 41.Kg2 Kd6 42.Kf3 h4 43.e5+ Kxe5 44.Re1+ Kd6 45.Re6+ Kc5 46.Rc6+ Kd4 47.d6 Rb8 48.d7 Rd8 49.Bf5 Bc1 50.Ne2+ Ke5 51.Nxc1 Kxf5 52.Rxc4 hxg3 53.hxg3 Rxd7 54.Rc3 Rd1 55.Nxb3 Kg6 56.Re3 Rf1+ 57.Kg2 Rb1 58.Re2 Rd1 59.Nd2 Rxd2 60.Rxd2 Kg5 61.b4 f5 62.b5 f4 63.b6 f3+ 64.Kxf3 Kf5 65.Rd5+ 1-0 (65) unitedff (2640)-wuzhaobing (2648) Blitz 2024*)*
14...Nh7 15.Bh6 Bd4+ 16.Be3 Qb4 17.Rfd1 Bxe3+ 18.Qxe3 Ne5 19.f4 Ng4 20.Bxg4 Bxg4 21.Rd2 b5 22.e5 Rad8 23.axb5 axb5 24.h3 Bc8 25.Nge4 Bf5 26.Ra7 Bxe4 27.Nxe4 dxe5 28.f5 gxf5 29.Nf6+ Nxf6 30.Qg5+ Kf8 31.Qxf6 1-0 (31) anand68 (2812)-Keru (2629) Blitz 2021;

A2) 13...Nh7 14.Be3 Re8 15.Nh1 Ne5 16.Nf2 Qb4 17.Bd2 Qd4 18.a5 Bd7 19.Ra3 Rab8 20.Rb3 b5 21.axb6 c4 22.Ra3 Qxb6 23.Ra2 Bb5 24.Qc1 Nf6 25.Be3 Qc7 26.Nxb5 axb5 27.b4 Ra8 Bohmgren,U (2320)-Olsen,J (2610) Polska 151/189 1997 CCYB 11 [Murshed,N] 0-1 (44);

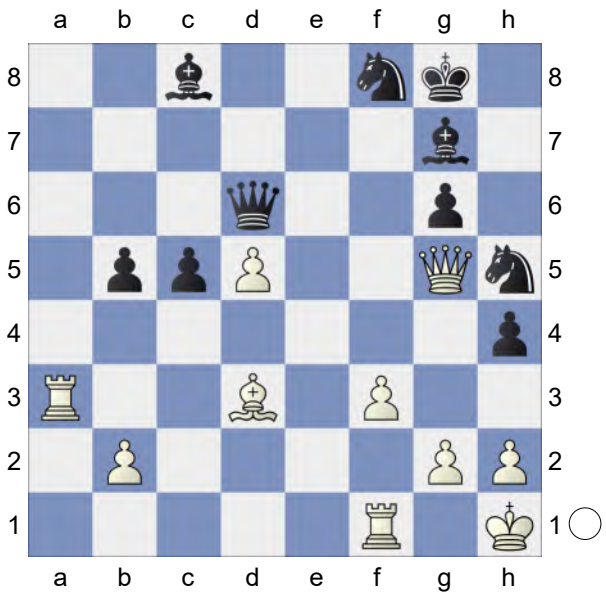
B) 13.Nf1 Re8 14.Nd2 Ne5 15.0-0 Nh7 16.Bh4 g5 17.f4 gxf4 18.Bxh5 Qb4 19.Rb1 Ng6 20.Bf2 b5 21.axb5 axb5 ½-½ (21) Dreev,A (2698)-Timofeev,A (2611) Russia 2004 Kitty Kat: '½-½ Bancroft,H (2645)-8. ♗g3 ♘e4 9. ♘d2 ♘g3 (2550) WT/M/454 corr ICCF 1989';

C) 13.Qd2 b5 *(13...Nh7 14.Bh6 h4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nf1 b5 17.Ne3 h3 18.g4 Ne5 19.0-0 b4 20.Ncd1 g5 21.b3 f6 22.Nb2 Qd8 23.Nbc4 a5 24.Nxe5 fxe5 25.Kf2 Nf6 26.Rg1 Nxe4+* 0-1 (26) Itinerant69 (2639)-Enialios (2691) Blitz 2023*; 13...Ne5 14.0-0 Qb4 15.a5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qxc4 17.Ra4 Qb3 18.Rfa1 b5 19.R4a3 Qb4 20.Nge2 Re8 21.Be3 Bb7 22.Nc1 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Qxd2 24.Bxd2 Bxd5 25.exd5 Bxb2 26.R3a2 Bxa1 27.Rxa1 Re5 28.Bf4 Rxd5 29.Ne2 Rd3 30.Bg5 Re8 31.Nf4 Rd4 32.g3 Kg7 33.Ng2 f6 34.Be3 Rd3 35.Bf4 d5 36.Bd6 c4 37.Nf4 Rd2 38.Bb4 Rb2 39.Bc3 Rc2 40.Nxd5 Rd8 41.Bxf6+ Kf7 42.Bxd8 Rd2 43.Nc7 Rxd8 44.Nxa6 c3 45.Nb4 Rd4 46.a6 Rxb4 47.a7 c2 48.a8Q Rb1+ 49.Kg2 c1Q 50.Ra7+ Kf6 51.Qh8+ Kg5 52.Qe5+ Kh6 53.Qh8+ Kg5 54.h4+ Kf5 55.Rf7+ Ke6 56.Qe8+ Kd5 57.Rd7+ Kc4 58.Qe4+ Kb3 59.Rd3+ Kb2* 0-1 (59) AM0R_FATI (2616)-death_domain (2626) Blitz 2024*)*
14.0-0 b4 15.Nd1 Re8 *(15...Nh7 16.Bh6 Bd4+ 17.Be3 Bg7 18.Nh1 Re8 19.Nhf2 Qd8 20.Bh6 Bd4 21.Ne3 a5 22.Nc4 Nb6 23.Nxb6 Qxb6 24.Kh1 Ba6 25.Bxa6 Qxa6 26.Nh3 Qc4 27.Be3 Bg7 28.Bh6 Bh8 29.Rab1 Qb3 30.Qf4 Rad8 31.Qh4 Qxa4 32.g4 hxg4 33.Qxg4 Qd7 34.Qg2 a4 35.Rg1 Bd4 36.Rgd1 a3 37.bxa3 bxa3 38.Nf4 Rb8 39.Rbc1 Rb2 40.Rc2 Qa4 41.Rdc1 Rxc2 42.Rxc2 Ra8 43.h4 Qxc2* 0-1 (43) penguingim1 (2737)-alireza2003 (2882) Blitz 2023*; 15...Qc7 16.Ne3 a5 17.Bb5 Nh7 18.Bh4 Nb6 19.f4 c4*

20.Rac1 c3 21.bxc3 bxc3 22.Qd3 Bd7 23.e5 Nxa4 24.Bxa4 Bxa4 25.Rxc3 Qa7 26.Ra1 Bd7 27.Be7 dxe5 28.Bxf8 Rxf8 29.f5 e4 30.Nxe4 Bxc3 31.Nxc3 Re8 32.Re1 Bxf5 33.Qd2 Nf6 34.Kh1 Be4 35.Nc4 Qc5 36.Qe2 Bxg2+ 0-1 (36) jblboxxx (2608)-datajunkie (2645) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Ne3 Nh7 17.Nc4 Qc7 18.Be3 Ne5 19.Rac1 Nxc4 20.Bxc4 f5 21.Bd3 h4 22.Nh1 Bf6 23.Nf2 Qg7 24.Bh6 Qf7 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Qf4 Be5 27.Qxh4 Bxb2 Meissner,B (2305)-Werner,B (2145) Pforzheim 1998 EXT 2003 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (40);

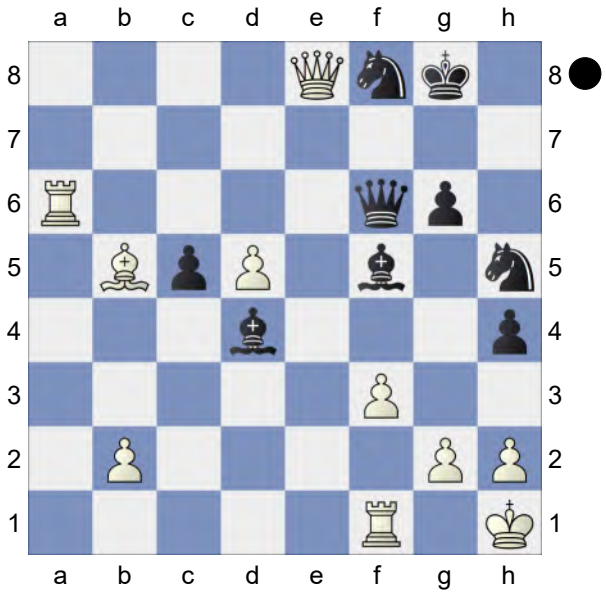
D) 13.Ra3N Nh7 14.Be7 White has an edge. Qc7 15.Bxf8 Ndxf8 16.Qd2 h4 17.Nf1 f5 1.24/18 *(⌓17...Rb8* 0.71/17 *18.Ne3 Qe7)* 18.exf5± Bxf5 19.Ne3 Bd7 20.0-0 Re8 21.Kh1 Nf6 22.Bd3 Bc8 2.37/19 *(22...c4±* 1.17/19 keeps fighting.*)* 23.Ne4 Nh5? 3.11/19 *(23...Qd8±* 1.52/18 *24.Nc4 Nxe4 25.fxe4 Qe7)* 24.Nc4+- Rd8 25.Qg5 b5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Ncxd6 Rxd6 28.Nxd6 Qxd6

(Diagram)



D1) 29.Bxg6!+- 2.63/21 Nf4 *(29...Nf6 30.Ra7)* 30.Be8;

D2) 29.Bxb5? 0.53/20 29...Bf6 1.16/21 *(29...Bxb2±* 0.53/20 *30.Ra7 Bf6)* 30.Qe3± Bd4 31.Qe4 0.72/20 *(* White should play *31.Qe8* 1.28/20 *Bb7 32.Bc4)* 31...Qf6? 2.93/19 *(31...h3±* 0.72/20 was necessary.*)* 32.Qe8+- Bf5 33.Ra6? -1.54/24 *(33.Ra8+-* 2.64/21 *)*



33...Qh8!∓ Chess con chili.

34.Qxf8+ Kxf8 35.Ra8+ Ke7 36.Rxh8 Bxh8 37.b3 Nf4 Black has strong compensation. 38.Bc4 Kd6 39.g3 hxg3 40.hxg3 Nxd5 41.Re1 Be5 42.Kg2 Bc2 -0.96/24 *(42...g5*-+ -2.15/24 *43.g4 Bg6)* 43.f4 Bd4 And now ...Ne3+ would win. &Nero is more active. 44.Re8 -2.82/23 *(44.Kf3∓* -1.14/22 *)* 44...Ne3+-+ 45.Kf3 Nxc4 46.bxc4 Bd3 47.Rg8 Ke7 *(*Inferior is *47...Bxc4 48.Rxg6+ Kd5 49.Rg5+ Ke6 50.Ke4=)* 48.g4 Kf7 49.Rc8 Bxc4 This bishop pair is nice. 50.Ke4 Prevents Bd3+. Be6? -1.02/25 *(50...Bb3*-+ -2.60/24 *51.Rb8 Bd1 52.Rb7+ Ke8)* 51.Rc7+∓ Ke8 52.Rc6 -2.02/25 *(52.f5∓* -0.89/26 was the only chance. *Bf7 53.fxg6 Bxg6+ 54.Kd5)* 52...Kd7 *(*Worse is *52...Bxg4 53.Rxg6 Bd1 54.f5∓)* 53.Ra6 Bxg4 54.Rxg6 Bd1 (-> ...Bc2+) Kitty Kat: '(→ ...Bc2+)' 55.Rh6 Bc2+ 56.Kd5 Ke7 57.Rh2 Bb3+ 58.Ke4? -3.25/25 *(58.Kc6∓* -1.51/26 *)* 58...Bg7 59.Rg2 Kf7 60.Rd2 c4 -1.27/25 *(60...Bf6*-+ -2.73/25 and Black stays clearly on top. ...Ke6 is the strong threat. *61.Rd6 c4)* 61.Rd7+ Kf8 White must now prevent ...Bb2. 62.Rc7? -3.29/25 *(62.Rb7∓* -1.34/24 might work better.*)* 62...Bf6? -1.29/24 *(62...Bb2*-+ -3.29/25 has better winning chances. aiming for ...Ke8. *63.Ke3 Ke8 64.Rc8+ Ke7 65.Rc7+ Ke6)* 63.Kf5 Ba1 64.Kg6? -7.49/24 *(64.Ra7∓* -1.22/24 *Bb2 65.Rb7)* 64...c3-+ Black is clearly winning. 65.f5 c2 66.f6 Ke8 Threatens to win with ...Kd8. 67.Kf5 Bb2 68.f7+ Kf8 69.Kg6 c1Q

Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.39 0-1 (69) Tang,A (3013)-Vestby-Ellingsen,M (2338) Chess.com INT 2019 [Kitty Kat]]

[12...Qb6 13.Qd2

A) 13...Re8 14.0-0 Nh7 15.Bf4 *(15.a5 Qc7 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.h3 b5 18.axb6 Qxb6 19.Ra2 a5 20.f4 Ba6 21.Bxa6 Qxa6 22.e5 h4 23.Nge4 dxe5 24.f5 Rab8 25.d6 Rb4 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Qd5+* 1-0 (27) penguingim1 (2705)-Naaas (2562) Blitz 2018*; 15.Be3 h4 16.Nh1 Ne5 17.Nf2 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.Nfe4 h3 20.Rf2 hxg2 21.Rxg2 Nf6 22.Ng5 Qb4 23.Ne6 Bxe6 24.dxe6 Rxe6 25.a5 Nc4 26.Bxc4 Qxc4 27.Rxg6 Ne4 28.Rxg7+ Kxg7 29.fxe4 Rg6+ 30.Kh1 Rf8 31.Rg1 Rf1 32.Qxd6 Rfxg1+ 33.Bxg1 Rxd6* 0-1 (33) Itinerant69 (2658)-BENED7707 (2691) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Ne5 16.a5 Qd8 17.Na4 Bd7 18.Nb6 Rb8 19.Be3 Bb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Ne2 Nf6 22.Nc3 Nfd7 23.Nxb5 Nxb6 24.axb6 Qxb6 25.Qe2 Ra8 26.h3 Ra6 27.Ra3 Rea8 28.Rfa1 Kh7 29.Kh1 Rxa3 30.Rxa3 Rxa3 31.bxa3 Qa6 32.a4 c4 33.Qc2 Qa5 34.Nxd6 Qe1+ 35.Bg1 Nd3 36.Qxc4 Nf2+ 37.Kh2 Be5+ 38.g3 Ng4+ 39.Kh1 Qxg3 40.Qf1 Ne3 0-1 (40) AnythingButAverage (2855)-silence404 (2959) Blitz 2024;

B) 13...Ne5 14.0-0 Nh7 15.Be3 h4 16.Nh1 f5 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4

fxg4 19.e5 Bf5 20.Nf2 dxe5 21.Nfe4 Bxe4 22.Nxe4 exf4 23.Bxc5 Qxb2 24.Qxb2 Bxb2 25.Rab1 Rfe8 26.Rxf4 Be5 27.Rxg4 b5 28.Rxg6+ Kh8 29.d6 bxa4 30.d7 Red8 31.Rd1 Nf8 32.Bxf8 Rxf8 33.Ng5 a3 34.Re6 Bf6 35.Rxf6 Rxf6 36.d8Q+ Rxd8 37.Rxd8+ Kg7 38.Rd2 Rb6 39.h3 Rb2 40.Rd7+ Kf6 41.Ne4+ Ke5 42.Nc3 a2 43.Nxa2 Rxa2 44.Rg7 a5 45.Rg4 Ra1+ 46.Kh2 a4 47.Rxh4 a3 48.Ra4 a2 49.h4 Kf5 50.Kg3 Kf6 51.Ra6+ Ke5 52.Ra5+ Kd6 0-1 (52) lukas_1111111 (2608)-Russian_monster (2619) Blitz 2021;

C) 13...Nh7

C1) 14.Be3 h4 15.Nf1

C1a) 15...f5 16.a5 *(16.exf5 gxf5 17.g3 h3 18.0-0-0 Qb4 19.Bh6 b5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Ne3 bxa4 22.Nc4 Ne5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Nb1 Bd7 25.Qc3 Rfe8 26.Na3 Nf6 27.Nc4 Qxc3+ 28.bxc3 Bb5 29.Rhe1 Rad8 30.Ne3 f4 31.Bxb5 axb5 32.gxf4 exf4 33.Nf5+ Kg6 34.Ne7+ Kf7 35.d6 b4 36.cxb4 cxb4 37.Re5 b3 38.Rf5 a3 39.Kb1 Rxe7* 0-1 (39) casuallychess (2628)-Kanan_Qarayev02 (2769) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Qd8 17.Bh6 h3 18.g3 fxe4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nxe4 Ne5 21.Qc3 Nf6 22.Nfd2 Nxd5 23.Qb3 Be6 24.Qxb7+ Rf7 25.Qb3 Rb8 26.Qa3 Nb4 27.Rc1 c4 28.0-0 Ned3 29.Rxc4 Bxc4 30.Nxc4 d5 31.Qc3+ Kh6 32.Ne5 Nxe5 33.Qe3+ Kg7 34.Ng5 Re7 35.Rc1 d4 36.Qf4 Ned3 37.Qh4 Qh8 38.Nh7 Rbe8 39.Bxd3 Nxd3 40.Qf6+ Kxh7 41.Qh4+ Kg7 42.Qxd4+ Kg8 43.Qxd3 Re1+ 44.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 45.Kf2 Qe5 46.Qxg6+ Kf8 47.Qh6+ Ke7 48.Qh7+ Kd6 49.Qd3+ Kc5 50.Qc2+ Kb5 51.Qd3+ Kxa5 52.Qd2+ Kb5 53.Qxe1 Qc5+ 54.Qe3 Qc2+ 55.Qe2+ Qc4 56.Qxc4+ Kxc4 57.g4 Kb3 58.g5 Kxb2 59.g6 a5 60.g7 1-0 (60) gg-gm-gmg (2673)-Sacrificeinutile22 (2574) Blitz 2020;

C1b) 15...Ne5 16.a5 Qb3 17.Ra3 Qb4 18.Ra4 Qb3 19.Bd1 Qxa4 20.Nxa4 h3 21.Rg1 hxg2 22.Rxg2 Nc4 23.Qf2 Nxe3 24.Qxe3 Bd7 25.Nb6 Rad8 26.Nxd7 Rxd7 27.Ba4 Re7 28.Kd1 Nf6 29.Ng3 Nxd5 30.Qd2 Nb4 31.Qxd6 Re6 32.Qd7 Be5 33.Nf5 Kh7 34.Bb3 Ree8 35.Kc1 Rd8 36.Qe7 Bf4+ 37.Kb1 gxf5 38.Qxc5 Nd3 1-0 (38) Itinerant69 (2742)-notkevich (2694) Blitz 2023;

C2) 14.a5 Qc7 15.Bh6 *(15.Bf4 Ne5 16.0-0 b5 17.axb6 Qxb6 18.Nh1 Bd7 19.Nf2 Bb5 20.Be3 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Bxc4 22.Rfc1 Rfb8 23.Rc2 Bb3 24.Rcc1 a5 25.f4 f5 26.e5 dxe5 27.fxe5 Bxe5 28.Nd3 Bd4 29.Nf4 Bxe3+ 30.Qxe3 c4 31.Qxb6 Rxb6 32.Re1 Kf7 33.Re6 Rxe6 34.dxe6+ Kg7 35.Nfd5 Nf6 36.Nc7 Rc8 37.N3b5 a4 38.Re1 Ne4 39.e7*

Kf7 40.e8Q+ Rxe8 41.Nxe8 Kxe8 42.Nd6+ Kd7 43.Nxe4 fxe4 44.Rxe4 Kd6 45.Re3 Kd5 46.Kf2 Bc2 47.h4 Bd3 48.Ke1 Kc5 49.Kd2 Kb4 50.Kc1 Kb3 51.Re5 Kb4 52.Re6 Kc5 53.Ra6 Kd4 54.Rxa4 Ke3 55.Ra5 Kf2 56.Rg5 Ke3 57.g3 Kd4 0-1 (57) AM0R_FATI (2637)-Mops2_2004 (2673) Blitz 2024*)*
15...h4 *(15...Ne5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Ng4 18.h3 Nh6 19.0-0 f5 20.e5 h4 21.Nh1 Re8 22.Bc4 dxe5 23.d6 Qc6 24.fxe5 Rxe5 25.Na4 Be6 26.Nb6 Rd8 27.Qc3 Kf6 28.Rfe1 Nf7 29.Bxe6 Kxe6 30.Nc4* 1-0 (30) penguingim1 (2699)-Amin_____tb (2649) Blitz 2020*)*
16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nf1 f5 *(17...Rb8 18.Ne3 b5 19.axb6 Rxb6 20.f4 Rb4 21.Nc4 Nb6 22.Na5 Nf6 23.Bd3 h3 24.0-0 hxg2 25.Qxg2 c4 26.Bc2 Rxb2 27.Nc6 Rh8 28.Rf2 Ng4 29.Re2 Rxh2 30.Qf3 Rxc2 31.Rxc2 Rxc2 32.Ne2 Nxd5 33.exd5 Qb6+ 34.Ncd4 Rxe2* 0-1 (34) penguingim1 (2606)-rasulovvugar (2592) Blitz 2020*)*
18.exf5 gxf5 19.f4 Ndf6 20.Ne3 Bd7 21.0-0 Rae8 22.Bd3 Kh8 23.Nxf5 c4 24.Bc2 Qc5+ 25.Nd4 Nxd5 26.Bxh7 Kxh7 27.Rae1 Rxe1 28.Rxe1 Rxf4 29.Nxd5 Rxd4 30.Nf6+ Kg6 31.Qf2 Bf5 32.Ng8 Rd2 33.Ne7+ Kf6 34.Qxc5 dxc5 35.Nxf5 Kxf5 36.Rf1+ Ke5 37.Re1+ Kd6 38.g3 h3 39.g4 Rxb2 40.Re3 Rg2+ 41.Kf1 Rxg4 42.Rxh3 Kc6 43.Rc3 Kb5 44.h3 Rd4 45.Kf2 Rd3 46.Rc1 Rxh3 47.Rb1+ Rb3 48.Rd1 Kxa5 0-1 (48) AnythingButAverage (2910)-tactic_trainer2023 (2881) Blitz 2024]
[12...Qe8 13.Qd2 Nh7 14.Bh6 Bxh6 *(14...h4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nf1 f5 17.exf5 Ne5 18.Ne3 Bxf5 19.0-0 g5 20.f4 gxf4 21.Rxf4 Qg6 22.Rxh4 Ng5 23.Nxf5+ Rxf5 24.Kh1 Raf8 25.Rg1 Qf6 26.Qe3 Ng6 27.Rg4 Qe5 28.Ne4 Nxe4 29.Rxe4 Qxb2 30.Qg3 R8f6 31.Bd3 Qf2 32.Re7+ Kf8 33.Qxf2 Rxf2 34.Rxb7 a5 35.Bxg6 Rxg6 36.Ra7 Rg4 37.Rxa5 c4 38.h3 Rd4 39.Ra7 c3 40.Rc7 c2 41.a5 Rd1 42.Kh2 Rxg1 43.Kxg1 Rd2 44.Kh2 Rxd5 45.Rxc2 Rxa5 46.h4 Ke7 47.Rf2 d5 48.h5 d4 49.g4 d3 50.h6 d2 51.Rxd2 Kf6 52.Kg3 Kg5 53.h7 Ra3+ 54.Kg2 Ra8 55.Rd7 Kg6 56.Kg3 Rh8 57.Kh4 Kh6 58.Ra7 Kg6 59.Rb7 Kh6 60.Rb5 Kxh7 61.Kh5 Kg7+ 62.Kg5 Ra8 63.Rb7+ Kg8 64.Rb6 Kg7 65.Rb7+ Kg8 66.Kh5 Rc8 67.g5 Rc6 68.Rb8+ Kg7 69.Rb7+ Kg8 70.Rb8+ Kg7 71.Rb7+ Kg8* ½-½ (71) Duda,J (2729)-Svidler,P (2714) chess24.com INT 2021*)*
15.Qxh6 Ne5 *(15...Qe5 16.0-0 Qg7 17.Qxg7+ Kxg7 18.Rab1 Ne5 19.b4 c4 20.f4 Nd3 21.Bxd3 cxd3 22.Rfd1 h4 23.Nf1 Re8 24.Rxd3 f5 25.Re1 fxe4 26.Rxe4 Bf5 27.Rxe8 Rxe8 28.Re3 Rc8 29.Nd2 h3 30.gxh3 Nf6 31.Kf2 Kf7 32.Nf3 Kf8 33.Ng5 Rc4 34.Ne6+ Bxe6 35.Rxe6 Kf7 36.Ne2 Rxb4 37.a5 Rb5 38.Nc3 Rxa5 39.Rxd6 Ra3 40.Rb6 Rxc3 41.Rxb7+ Kf8 42.Rb6 Ne4+ 43.Kg2 a5 44.Ra6 Ra3 45.h4 Kg7 46.Re6 Nc5 47.Rc6 Nd3 48.Rc7+ Kf6*

49.Kf3 Nb4+ 50.Kg4 Nxd5 51.Rc6+ Kf7 52.h5 gxh5+ 53.Kxh5 Nxf4+ 54.Kg5 Ne6+ 55.Kh5 Nd4 56.Rd6 Nf5 0-1 (56) Dreev,A (2655)-Albornoz Cabrera,C (2573) Chess.com INT 2020 *)* 16.0-0 Bd7 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.e5 f5 20.Rae1 dxe5 21.fxe5 Rd8 22.h3 f4 23.Rxf4 Rxf4 24.Qxf4 Bd7 25.e6 Bc8 26.Nge4 b5 27.Nd6 g5 28.Qe5 Qg6 29.e7 Re8 30.Nxc8 1-0 (30) GoksuRiver (2747)-Darcy95 (2692) Blitz 2020]

[12...Rb8 13.0-0 Re8 14.Qd2 Qc7 15.Rac1 *(15.h3 c4 16.Rac1 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Kh2 Nc5 19.Rce1 Nb3 20.Qc2 Nd4 21.Qd1 b4 22.Nb1 c3 23.bxc3 bxc3 24.Qc1 Nb3 25.Qc2 Nd4 26.Qxc3 Qd7 27.Qd2 Nh7 28.Bh6 Rb2 29.Qc1 Nb3 30.Qe3 Bd4 31.Qd3 h4 32.Nh1 Bh8 33.Nd2 Nc5 34.Qe3 Qe7 35.Nf2 Qe5+ 36.Bf4 Qc3 37.Nc4 Ra2 38.Nxd6 Rd8 39.Qxc3 Bxc3 40.Rc1 Bb4 41.Bc4* Time forfeit 1-0 (41) rdm89 (2645)-turbulency (2607) Blitz 2024 *)* 15...c4 16.b4 b5 17.a5 Ne5 18.Nh1 Nh7 19.Be3 f5 20.Nf2 Rf8 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.f4 Ng4 23.Bxg4 hxg4 24.Bd4 Nf6 25.Rfe1 Rbe8 26.Nh1 Qb7 27.Ng3 Bd3 28.Bxf6 Bxf6 29.Nge4 Bd4+ 30.Kh1 Qd7 31.Ng5 Qf5 32.Ne6 Ba7 33.Nxf8 Rxf8 34.Re6 Qxf4 35.Qxf4 Rxf4 36.Rce1 Bd4 37.Ne2 Bxe2 38.R6xe2 Be5 39.g3 Rd4 40.Rxe5 dxe5 41.Rxe5 c3 42.Re8+ Kf7 43.Rc8 Rc4 0-1 (43) povadingo (2676)-BigH (2518) Blitz 2024]

13.0-0 c4

[13...Nh7 14.Be3 h4 *(14...Ne5 15.Qd2 h4 16.Nh1 f5 17.Nf2 Qf7 18.f4 Nd7 19.a5 Re8 20.Kh1 Ndf6 21.Bf3 fxe4 22.Nfxe4 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 Qe7 24.Rae1 Bf5 25.Bf2 Qc7 26.Bxh4 b6 27.g4 Bd7 28.Rg1 bxa5 29.f5 Rab8 30.fxg6 Nf8 31.Nf6+ Bxf6 32.Bxf6 Nxg6 33.Qh6 Kf7 34.Qg7#* 1-0 (34) brianthegreat (2622)-Th3Hound (2566) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Nh1 Ne5 16.f4 Bh6 17.Qd2 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Bxg4 19.f5 Bg7 20.Rf4 Bh5 21.Rxh4 Rae8 22.Ng3 Bf6 23.Rf4 Bg5 24.Rf2 Bxe3 25.Qxe3 Nf6 26.h3 Qe7 27.Raf1 Kg7 28.fxg6 fxg6 29.Qg5 Qe5 30.Nxh5+ Nxh5 31.Qxe5+ dxe5 32.a5 Rxf2 33.Rxf2 Nf4 34.Na4 c4 35.Nb6 1-0 (35) So, W (2766)-Michelakos,P (2282) chess.com INT 2023]

14.Be3

[14.Qd2 Rb8 *(14...Nc5 15.Rad1 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Bh6 Qb6 18.Kh1 b4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nb1 h4 21.Nf5+ Bxf5 22.exf5 c3 23.bxc3 b3 24.Bc4 Ra4 25.Qd4 g5 26.Rfe1 Qc7 27.Qe3 Kh6 28.Bb5 Rf4 29.c4 Rxf5 30.g3 Re5 31.Qd4 Rxe1+ 32.Rxe1 Kg6 33.f4 g4 34.f5+ Kg7 35.Qf4 Nh7 36.Qxg4+ Kh8 37.Qxh4 Qa5 38.Qd4+ f6 39.Nc3 b2 40.Rb1 Qa1 41.Qd1 Nb3 42.Qxb3* 1-0 (42) Chepursias (2849)-Dr-BassemAmin (2732) Blitz 2020*)* 15.Rfc1 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 Ne5 18.Be3 h4 19.Nh1 h3 20.g3 Bd7 21.Ra2 Ra8 22.Rca1 Rxa2 23.Rxa2 Nh7 24.Ra7 Qc8 25.Nf2 f5 26.Bd4 fxe4 27.Ncxe4 Ehsani,Y (2106)-Kocharin,T (2225) Biel 2023 0-1 (38)]

14...Rb8 15.a5 b6 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Qc2 h4 18.Nh1 h3 19.Nf2 hxg2 20.Kxg2 Rb3 21.Ra4 Nb6 22.Ra2 Nbd7 23.Qd2 Ne5 24.Kh1 Re8 25.Rg1 Nfd7 26.f4 Nd3 27.Nxd3 Bxc3

28.bxc3 cxd3 29.Bxd3 Qxc3 30.Qxc3 Rxc3 31.Rd2 Nc5 32.Bxc5 Rxc5 33.f5 Kg7 34.fxg6 f5 35.exf5 Rxd5 36.f6+ Kxf6 37.Rf2+ Kg7 38.Rf7+ Kg8 39.Rg3 Ra5 40.Rh7 Re1+ 41.Rg1 Rxg1+ 42.Kxg1 Bf5 43.Bxf5 Rxf5 44.h4 a5 45.Kh2 a4 46.Ra7 Rh5 47.Kg3 Rh6 48.Rxa4 Rxg6+ 49.Kf2 Kh7 50.h5 Rf6+ 51.Ke1 Re6+ 52.Kd1 Kh8 53.h6 Re5 54.h7 Rd5+ 55.Kc1 Kg7 56.h8Q+ Kxh8 57.Ra1 Re5 58.Rb1 Re2 59.Rb2 Re8 60.Rb1 Kh7 61.Rb2 Kg6 62.Ra2 Re6 63.Rb2 Kh7 64.Rb1 Re8 65.Rb2 Kh6 66.Rb1 Rh8 67.Ra1 Rc8+ 68.Kb1 Kh7 69.Ra2 Rc3 70.Ra1 Kg8 71.Ra2 Kh8 72.Ra1 Kh7 73.Ra2 Rd3 74.Rb2 Rd1+ 75.Ka2 d5 76.Rb1 Rd2+ 77.Ka1 Kh6 78.Rc1 Kg5 79.Rb1 Rd4 80.Rc1 Rd3 81.Rb1 Ra3+ 82.Kb2 Ra8 83.Rc1 Ra5 84.Rd1 Ra8 85.Rxd5+ Kf6 86.Rd1 Ke5 87.Ra1 Rb8+ 88.Kc1 Ke6 89.Rb1 Rc8+ 90.Kd1 Rc5 91.Ra1 Rc8 92.Rb1 Rd8+ 93.Kc1 Kf6 94.Ra1 Rd4 95.Rb1 Kf7 96.Ra1 Rd5 97.Rb1 Re5 98.Ra1 Ke6 99.Rb1 Rf5 100.Ra1 Kd7 101.Rb1 Rh5 102.Ra1 Kd6 103.Rb1 Ke6 104.Ra1 Kd7 105.Rb1 Rd5 106.Ra1 Rb5 107.Rb1 Kc6 108.Rxb5 Kxb5 ½-½ (108) PetersBot (3094)-ToromBot (3098) Rapid 2025

9...Re8 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.0-0 Qc7 12.Rb1 Rb8 13.Bd2 b6 14.Kh1 Bb7 15.dxe6 Rxe6 16.Qc2 Ne5 17.Rbd1 Nc6 18.Nge2 Re7 19.Qc1 Ne5 20.Qc2 Nc6 21.b3 Rbe8 22.Qc1 Ne5 23.Bb1 Nc6 24.Bg5 Nb4 25.Nf4 Re5 26.Nd3 Nxd3 27.Rxd3 R5e6 28.Rfd1 Nd7 29.Qd2 Bf8 30.Bh6 Ne5 31.Bxf8 Kxf8 32.Rxd6 Rxd6 33.Qxd6+ Qxd6 34.Rxd6 Bc6 35.f4 1-0 (35) chessisinmyblood (2732)-Arm-Fighter (2567) Blitz 2021

9...Qb6 10.Be2 h5 11.Nf1 Nbd7 12.a5 Qc7 13.Bf4 exd5 14.cxd5 b5 15.axb6 Nxb6 16.Ne3 h4 17.Bg5 h3 18.g4 Nh7 19.Bf4 Qe7 20.0-0 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Kh1 fxe4 23.fxe4 Bxc3 24.Qd3 Bg7 25.Bg4 Bxg4 26.Nxg4 Nf6 27.Nh6+ Kh8 28.e5 dxe5 29.Nf5 Qb7 30.Qxh3+ Nh7 31.Bg3 Qxd5+ 32.Kg1 Qe6 33.Rad1 Rad8 34.Rde1 e4 35.Qh5 Rd5 36.Nxg7 Kxg7 37.Qe2 Rxf1+ 38.Rxf1 Ng5 39.Qxa6 e3 40.Qa7+ Rd7 41.Qb8 Nh3+ 42.Kg2 Rd2+ 43.Kf3 Ng5+ 0-1 (43) Maghsoodloo,P (2676)-Amartuvshin, G (2350) chess.com INT 2020

9...a5 10.Be2 Na6 11.dxe6 Bxe6 12.0-0 Nb4 13.Bf4 Ne8 14.Qd2 Nc6 15.Nb5 Nd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4+ 17.Be3 Bg7 18.Rab1 Qe7 19.b3 Nc7 20.Rfd1 Rfd8 21.Bf1 Na6 22.Ne2 Nb4 23.Nc3 Nc6 24.Nb5 Rd7 25.Bg5 Bf6 26.Bxf6 Qxf6 27.Qe3 Rad8 28.Rd3 Qe5 29.Rbd1 f5 30.exf5 Qxe3+ 31.Rxe3 Bxf5 32.Bd3 Kf7 33.Bxf5 gxf5 34.Red3 Ke6 35.f4 Nb4 36.Re3+ Kf6 37.Rde1 Kf7 38.g3 Nc2 39.Kf2 Nxe1 40.Rxe1 Re7 41.Rd1 Re6 42.Rd5 Kf6 43.Nc7 Re4 44.Nb5 Re6 45.Nc7 Re7 46.Nb5 Ke6 47.Kf3 h5 48.h3 Rf7 49.Rd3 Rf6 50.Nc3 Kd7 51.Nd5 Re6 52.Ne3 Rf8 53.Rd5 Ref6 54.Ng2 Kc6 55.Nh4 R6f7 56.Ng6 Re8 57.Nh4 Re1 58.Nxf5 Rf6 59.g4 hxg4+ 60.hxg4 Rf1+ 61.Kg3 Rg1+ 62.Kf3 Rf1+ 63.Ke3 Re6+ 64.Kd3 Rxf4 65.g5 Rg4 66.Kd2 Rxg5 67.Ne7+ Rxe7 68.Rxg5 Re5 69.Rg3 Rf5 70.Kc3 Rf2 71.Re3 Rg2 72.Rh3 Rf2 73.Rg3 d5 74.Rg6+ Kd7 75.cxd5 Rf3+ 76.Kc4 b6 77.Rg7+ Kd6 78.Rg6+ Ke5 79.Kb5 Rf4 80.Rxb6 Rb4+ 81.Kxa5 Rxb3 82.Rxb3 c4 83.Rc3 Kxd5 84.Rxc4 Kxc4 85.Kb6 Kb4 86.a5 Kc4 87.a6 Kd5 88.a7 Kd6

89.a8Q Kd7 90.Qc6+ 1-0 (90) papasi (2634)-Nasanjargal,U (2460) Blitz 2020

10.cxd5 h5 Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!?'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'has also been seen often.'

[10...Ne8 11.Bf4 h5 12.Be2 Nd7 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.0-0 Bd7 15.Bg5 f6 16.Be3 h4 17.Nh1 b5 18.f4 Nf7 19.f5 Nc7 20.Rae1 Ne5 21.b3 Rb8 22.g3 h3 23.g4 bxa4 24.bxa4 Qe8 25.Ra1 Rb4 26.Qc2 Na8 27.Rfb1 a5 28.Nf2 Nb6 29.Bf4 Qe7 30.Nxh3 Nbc4 31.Nf2 Rfb8 32.Bxc4 Nxc4 33.Nd3 g5 34.Bg3 Ne3 35.Qa2 Nxg4 36.Nxb4 cxb4 37.Qg2 Bxf5 38.exf5 Qe3+ 39.Kh1 Qxc3 40.Re1 b3 41.Bxd6 b2 42.Rab1 Qxe1+ 43.Rxe1 b1Q 44.Qg3 Qxf5 45.Bxb8 Qxd5+ 46.Qg2 Qd7 47.Rg1 Nh6 48.Qe4 f5 49.Qf3 Bf6 50.h4 Ng4 51.Rf1 Qxa4 52.Qxf5 Qc6+ 53.Qf3 Qxf3+ 54.Rxf3 Kh7 55.hxg5 Bd8 56.Kg2 Bxg5 57.Bh2 Nxh2 58.Kxh2 Kg6 59.Rf1 Bf6 60.Rb1 Bc3 61.Rc1 Bb4 62.Ra1 Kf5 63.Rxa5+ Bxa5 ½-½ (63) PetersBot (3061)-ArasanX (3068) Rapid 2024]

[10...Nh5!? Clearly an idea cooked at home. The idea of doubling the pawns on the h-file is not unheard of in the Benoni, Here Black tries to accelerate his development while at the same time it gives him the possibility to break with f5 quickly. 11.Nxh5 gxh5 12.Be2 *(12.Bd3* (Martinovic, Slobodan) - 71/73*)* 12...Qh4+ Martinovic,Slobodan: 'N!?' 'N!?' 'N!?' 13.g3 Qe7

A) 14.0-0 Martinovic,Slobodan Bh3 *(14...Nd7 15.Be3 f5 16.Qd2 Ne5 17.Bg5 Qe8∞)* 15.Re1 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Bf2 17.Bf1 Bxe1 18.Bxh3

A1) 18...Bf2? 19.Bh6 Re8 *(19...Bd4 20.Bxf8 Kxf8 21.Qd2±)* 20.f4**±**;

A2) 18...Bxc3 19.bxc3 Nd7 20.Bf5 b5**∞**;

B) 14.h4 Nd7 15.Kf2 Ne5 *(15...Bd4+* Martinovic,Slobodan *16.Kg2 Kh8 17.Bd3 Rg8 18.Ne2±)* 16.Kg2 f5 Black has no complaints from the opening. He has good development and he has achieved f5. *(16...Ng6!?* Was maybe even more ambitious, preparing f5 next move.*)* 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 hxg4 19.Re1 Bxc3 Martinovic,Slobodan: '!' '!' '!' 20.bxc3 fxe4

B1) 21.c4 Martinovic,Slobodan Rb8 22.Rb1 *(22.Bb2?! b5∓)* 22...b6 23.Re3 Bf5**∞**;

B2) 21.a5 Bf5 Black is up a pawn, but he will be unable to do anything with it. White on the other hand will triple down the b-file to attack the weak b7 pawn. Black will defend it, and no one will make progress. 22.Be3 Rad8 23.Rb1 Rd7 24.Rb6 Qf7 25.c4 Re8 26.Qb3 h5 27.Rb1 Ree7 Martinovic,Slobodan: '=' '=' '=' 28.Kf1 Kh7 29.Ke2 Kg8 30.Kd2 Kh7 31.Qd1 Kg8 32.R1b3 Kh7 33.Kc2 Kg8 34.Kb1 Kh7 35.Ka2 Qe8 36.Qc2 Qf7 37.Qc3 Qg7 38.Qc2 Qf7 39.Qc3 ½-½ (39) Giri,A (2768)-Gelfand,B (2748) Toshkent 2014 CBM 163 [Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro]]

[10...Nbd7 is far more common.

A) 11.h4 Re8 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 h5 15.Bg5

Qa5 16.Qd2 Nh7 17.Be3 b5 18.0-0 b4 19.Nd1 Qd8 20.Bf2 Bf6 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxg4 Bxg4 23.Ne3 Bxh4 24.Rae1 Nf6 25.Nc4 Bxg3 26.Bxg3 Nxe4 27.Qd3 Bf5 28.Qf3 Qf6 29.Rd1 Bg4 30.Qd3 Bxd1 31.Rxd1 Nxg3 32.Qxg3 Re4 33.b3 Rae8 34.f5 Rd4 35.Rf1 Rxd5 36.fxg6 Qxg6 37.Qf3 Rd3 38.Qf2 Rg3 39.Nxd6 Re6 40.Nf5 Rg5 41.Qxc5 Rxg2+ 42.Kh1 Ree2 43.Ne7+ Kh7 44.Qc7 Rh2+ 45.Qxh2 Qe4+ 46.Kg1 Qe3+ 47.Rf2 Re1+ 48.Kg2 Qg5+ 49.Qg3 Rg1+ 50.Kxg1 Qxg3+ 51.Kf1 Qd3+ 52.Kg1 Qd1+ 53.Kg2 Qg4+ 54.Kf1 Qd1+ 55.Kg2 Qxb3 56.a5 Qe6 57.Nf5 Qe4+ 58.Kh2 b3 59.Ng3 Qh4+ 60.Kg2 Qd4 61.Rxf7+ Kg6 62.Rf8 Qd5+ 63.Kh3 b2 64.Rb8 Qe6+ 65.Kh2 Qe5 66.Rb6+ Kf7 67.Kh3 Qb5 68.Ne4 b1Q 69.Nd6+ Ke6 70.Nxb5+ Kd5 71.Nc7+ Kc4 72.Rxb1 Kc5 73.Rb6 1-0 (73) ARM-777777 (2629)-Dondimi (2721) Blitz 2020;

B) 11.Bg5 Qb6 *(11...h6 12.Be3 Ne8 13.Qd2 h5 14.Bg5 Bf6 15.Bxf6 Qxf6 16.Be2 h4 17.Nf1 Nc7 18.Ne3 Ne5 19.0-0 Rb8 20.f4 Nd7 21.e5 Qe7 22.Ne4 Ne8 23.Bd3 dxe5 24.f5 Nd6 25.f6 Nxe4 26.fxe7 Nxd2 27.exf8Q+ Kxf8 28.Rf2 Nb3 29.Raf1 f5 30.d6 Nd4 31.Nd5 b5 32.axb5 axb5 33.g4 hxg3 34.hxg3 Bb7 35.Be4 Kg7 36.Bg2 Rd8 37.g4 f4 38.Nxf4 Bxg2 39.Nxg2 Nb6 40.Rf6 Nc4 41.g5 Rd7 42.Nh4 Ne2+ 43.Kh2 Nf4 44.R1xf4 exf4 45.Rxg6+ Kf7 46.Rf6+ Ke8 47.Nf5 Nxd6 48.Re6+ Kd8 49.Rxd6 Rxd6 50.Nxd6 Kd7 51.Ne4 c4 52.Nf2 b4 53.Kg2 c3 54.bxc3 b3 55.Nd3 Kc6 56.Nb2 Kd5 57.Kf3 Ke5 58.g6 Kf5 59.g7 Kg6* 0-1 (59) retardedplatypus123 (2607)-IsraeliViper (2568) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Qd2 Qb4 13.Be2 Ne5 14.a5 Bd7 15.0-0 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qxc4 17.Qf4 Ne8 18.Be7 Be5 19.Qd2 Nc7 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.Nge2 Nb5 22.Ra4 Qb3 23.Nc1 Bxc3 24.Nxb3 Bxd2 25.Nxd2 f5 26.Raa1 Nd4 27.Rf2 Bb5 28.Re1 Nc2 29.Rc1 Nb4 30.Rc3 Nd3 31.Rf1 Nxb2 32.Rb1 Na4 33.Rcc1 Kf7 34.Nc4 Ke7 35.Na3 fxe4 36.fxe4 Rf4 37.Nxb5 axb5 38.Rxb5 Rxe4 39.Rxb7+ Kf6 40.a6 Re8 41.a7 Ra8 42.Rc4 Nb2 43.Rxb2 Rxa7 44.Re2 Ra1+ 45.Kf2 Kf5 46.g3 Rd1 47.Rf4+ Kg5 48.h4+ Kh5 49.Re7 h6 50.Re6 Rxd5 51.Rff6 Rd2+ 52.Ke3 Rd4 53.Rxg6 c4 54.Rxh6+ Kg4 55.Kxd4 1-0 (55) nastroyani (2621)-ntbtdhs (2630) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.Bf4 Qe7 12.Be2 Rb8 13.0-0 Ne5 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.Ra2 Bd7 17.Re1 Rfb8 18.Bc1 Bb5 19.f4 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Ned7 21.e5 Ne8 22.e6 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Ndf6 24.f5 Nc7 25.Bg5 h6 26.Bxh6 Nfxd5 27.Nxd5 Nxd5 28.Qg4 Nf6 29.Qh4 Nd5 30.exf7+ Qxf7 31.fxg6 Qxg6 32.Nf5 Qxf5 0-1 (32) AM0R_FATI (2633)-Soham0705 (2738) Blitz 2024]

[10...Qa5 11.Be2 *(11.Bd2 Qb6 12.Qc2 h5 13.Be2 h4 14.Nf1 h3 15.g4 Nbd7 16.Ne3 Ne5 17.a5 Qc7 18.0-0 Rb8 19.Na4 Bh6 20.Nb6*

Ned7 21.Nec4 Bg7 22.Bf4 Ne8 23.Qd2 Nxb6 24.axb6 Qe7 25.Bh6 Bd7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Bd3 Bb5 28.Rae1 Bxc4 29.Bxc4 Nf6 30.Qc3 Qe5 31.Qxe5 dxe5 32.Kf2 Nd7 33.f4 exf4 34.e5 Nxb6 35.b3 Rbd8 36.Rd1 Rfe8 37.Rfe1 Nd7 38.e6 Nf6 39.Kf3 b5 40.g5 Nh7 41.Bf1 fxe6 42.d6 e5 43.Rd5 Nxg5+ 44.Kg4 Nf7 45.Red1 Nh6+ 46.Kf3 Nf5 47.Rxc5 Ne3 48.d7 Re7 49.Rc8 Rdxd7 50.Rxd7 Rxd7 51.Bxh3 Rd3 52.Ke4 Rxb3 53.Rc7+ Kh6 54.Kxe5 f3 55.Rf7 a5 0-1 (55) nissou-ach (2615)-Hou_Polgar_007 (2594) Blitz 2022 *)* 11...b5 12.0-0 b4 13.Nb1 Nbd7 14.Nd2 Qc7 15.a5 Bb7 16.Nc4 Ne5 17.Nxe5 dxe5 18.Be3 Rac8 19.b3 Rfd8 20.Qd2 Ne8 21.Rfc1 Bf8 22.Bg5 Be7 23.Nf1 Nd6 24.Bxe7 Qxe7 25.Ne3 f5 26.exf5 Nxf5 27.Nxf5 gxf5 28.Bc4 Rd6 29.Re1 Rcd8 30.Qb2 Bxd5 31.Rxe5 Qg7 32.Rd1 Kf8 33.Rxf5+ Kg8 34.Qxg7+ Kxg7 35.Rfxd5 1-0 (35) Depresionante (2721)-sotirakis (2590) Blitz 2022]

[10...b6 11.Be2 Ne8 12.Be3 Ra7 13.0-0 f5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Nxf5 Rxf5 16.Kh1 Re7 17.Bg1 Nd7 18.f4 Rf8 19.Bg4 Nc7 20.f5 Ne5 21.Bh3 Ref7 22.Qc2 Qg5 23.Ne4 Qd8 24.Ng3 Nxd5 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.Be6 Nf6 27.Ne4 Qe7 28.Ng5 Kh8 29.Bxf7 Nxf7 30.Qxg6 Ne5 31.Qf5 Bh6 32.Rae1 Bxg5 33.Qxg5 Qg7 34.Qh4+ Qh7 35.Qg5 Qg7 36.Be3 Neg4 37.Qh4+ Kg8 38.Bg5 d5 39.h3 Ne4 40.Rxf8+ Kxf8 41.Rf1+ Kg8 42.Qxg4 Nxg5 43.Rf5 Ne4 44.Qxg7+ Kxg7 45.Rxd5 Kf6 46.Rd7 b5 47.axb5 axb5 48.Rb7 b4 49.g4 Nf2+ 50.Kg2 Nd3 51.b3 Ke5 52.h4 Nf4+ 53.Kf3 Ne6 54.h5 Nd4+ 55.Kg3 Nxb3 56.h6 Nd2 57.h7 Ne4+ 58.Kh4 b3 59.h8Q+ Kd5 60.Qg8+ Kd4 61.Qxb3 c4 62.Rd7+ Nd6 63.Qb4 Ke4 64.Rxd6 Kf3 65.Qxc4 1-0 (65) nastroyani (2612)-cant_handle_h5 (2622) Blitz 2024]

11.Be2 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'The knight g3 goes to f1 and then e3, if Black plays ...h4.' 11...Nh7

[11...Ne8

A) 12.Be3 h4 12...Re8 is the modern continuation. 12...Te8 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. 12...Re8 is the modern continuation .12...Te8 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. 13.Nf1 f5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' *(13...Nd7* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'was more flexible, keeping all possibilities without committing himself with f5 yet.' *14.Qd2 h3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'An interesting move, now Black can consider f6 if White plays ♗g5 (no hanging pawn on h4 anymore).' *15.g4 Rb8 16.Bg5 f6 17.Be3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Nxb5 f5* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '⇄!' *)* 14.exf5 gxf5 *(14...Bxf5 15.Nd2 Nd7 16.Nde4 Ndf6 17.0-0 h3 18.g4 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Bd7 20.Bf4 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Rxa8 Qxa8 23.Nxb5 Bxb5 24.Bxb5 Bxb2 25.Bxe8 Qxe8 26.Qd3 Bd4+ 27.Be3 Rxf1+ 28.Kxf1 Qe5 29.Bxd4 Qxh2 30.Qf3 cxd4 31.Qf6 Qg2+ 32.Ke1 Qxe4+ 33.Kd2 Qxg4 34.Qd8+ Kh7 35.Qe7+ Kh6 36.Qxd6 Qg2+ 37.Kd3 h2 38.Qf4+ Kh5 39.Qe5+ Kg4 40.Qxd4+ Kg3 41.Qe5+ Kf2*

42.Qe3+ Kf1 43.Qc1+ Kf2 44.Qe3+ Kf1 45.Qc1+ Kf2 46.Qe3+ ½-½ (46) Depresionante (2726)-RenierChess (2743) Blitz 2022 *)* 15.Qd2 Nd7 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6

A1) 18.Ne3 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'I prefer this, keeping the option to open up the kingside:' Ng7 *(18...f4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' *19.Ne4 Qg7 20.Nc4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±'*)* 19.g3 Re8 *(19...Rb8 20.Ng2* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' *h3 21.Nf4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '±' *)* 20.0-0-0 b5 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!?' *(20...Ne5 21.g4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *f4 22.Ne4 Qf8 23.Ng2 Ng6 24.h3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '±' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'followed by ♗d3 and ♖he1. It is nice to notice Black's passive bishop on c8 and knight on g7'*)* 21.axb5 axb5 22.Bxb5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'looks reasonably safe for White. He maintains positional pluses and is a pawn up.';

A2) 18.f4 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±' 18...Ng7 19.Ne3 Re8 20.Rf1N *(20.g3* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!?'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'preparing O-O-O. ' *)* 20...Rb8 21.Rf3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'White simply goes for the pawn on h4.' Qg6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Sacrificing a pawn for activity, hard to say if it is correct or not, at the end Black had a bad position, but he missed good chances to keep the initiative.' *(21...Qh6* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'keeps an eye on f4.' *22.Kf2 Nf6 23.Kg1 Bd7* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Preparing b5.' *24.a5 Re7* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'followed by ♖be8, Black seems to have a good game.'*)* 22.Rh3 Nf6 23.Rxh4 Bd7 24.Kf2 b5 *(24...Ne4+* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' *25.Nxe4 Rxe4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Threatening the devastating ♖be8.' *26.Bf3 Qf6* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'Not only attacking the h4-rook, but also intending to play ...♖b4 now.' *27.Bxe4 Qxh4+ 28.g3 Qxh2+ 29.Bg2 Qh6* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and Black stays in the game, after a move like ...♕f6:' *30.Rh1 Qf6 31.b4 cxb4 32.Qxb4 b5* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∞'*)* 25.axb5 axb5 26.Kg1 Re7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' *(26...b4 27.Ncd1 Ne4 28.Qe1 Ra8* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Trying to exploit the a-file since White's other rook is totally far off the queenside, on h4.' *29.Rxa8 Rxa8 30.Rh3 Qf6 31.Qh4 Qxh4 32.Rxh4 Ra1* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '⇄' *)* 27.Rh3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' Ng4 *(27...b4 28.Ncd1 Ne4 29.Qe1* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ±' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Preparing ♕h4, and now with the

rook on e7, Black can not fight for the a-file.') 28.Ra7 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' b4 29.Ncd1 Rbe8 30.Rf3 Nh5

A2a) 31.Bd3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '- ♖xd7 is a serious threat now' Nxe3 *(31...Bc8 32.Rxe7 Rxe7 33.Nxg4 Qxg4 34.Ne3 Qh4 35.g3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ± 'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and White maintains his material advantage.') 32.Nxe3 Qf6 33.Bf1 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '±';

A2b) 31.Rxd7 Rxd7 32.Bb5 Rde7 33.Bxe8 Rxe8 34.h3 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' Ngf6 35.Nf2 Ng3 36.Qd1 *(36.Rxg3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?' *Qxg3 37.Nxf5 Qg6* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *38.Nxd6 Qb1+ 39.Kh2 Re1 40.Nb7 Qc1 41.Qxc1 Rxc1 42.Nd3 Rc2 43.Nbxc5 Nxd5* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'I guess both sides would be hoping for a draw here!') 36...Kh8 37.Kh2 Rg8 38.b3 *(38.Nh1* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!?'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Eliminating the strong g3-knight was a good defensive resource.') 38...Nge4 39.Qe1 Nxd5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' 40.g4 Nxe3 41.Rxe3 d5 42.Nd3 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ? ! ' *(42.Nxe4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'would guarantee material equality in this extremely unusual endgame, and apparently White could force a draw, something definitely better than what happened in the game:' *fxe4 43.Qh4+ Kg7 44.Qe7+ Qf7 45.Qg5+ Kh7 46.Qh4+ Kg7 47.Qg5+ Kh7* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '=') 42...fxg4 43.hxg4 Qxg4 44.Rh3+ Kg7 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'White is forced to play ♖h4 now, and defend a pawn down.' 45.Rh4 Qxh4+ 46.Qxh4 Rh8 47.Qxh8+ Kxh8 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ∓' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'After some middlegame madness, we have arrived at an endgame in which Black is a pawn up, but White has good counterplay with his passer on f4.' 48.Kh3 Kg7 49.Kg4 Kf6 50.f5 Ke7 51.Kh5 Kf7 52.Kg4 Nf6+ 53.Kg5 Nd7 54.f6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' Ke6 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'The only try.' *(54...Nxf6 55.Nxc5* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '=') 55.Kg6 c4 56.bxc4 dxc4 57.Nxb4 Nxf6 58.Kg5 Nd5

A2b1) 59.Na2 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'The logical explanation I could find to justify this is that the knight on a2 can not be bothered easily. For example:' Ke5 60.Kg4 Ke4 61.Kg3 Ke3 62.Kg2 Kd2 63.Kf3 Kd3 *(63...Nc3 64.Nb4)* 64.Nc1+

Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *(64.Kf2* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' *Kc2* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '-+' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'is winning now. Whenever Black plays ...♔c2, White has to be ready for ♔e4! counterattacking the black knight' *)* 64...Kc2 65.Ne2 Kd2 66.Nd4 Kd3 67.Nb5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '=';

A2b2) 59.Nc6 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '?' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'The losing move. It is very hard to blame Ding Liren because the drawing move is extremely hard to find for a human, mostly because it doesn't make sense at first sight.' 59...c3 Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '-+' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'Another thing is that here the pawn, already on c3, can create more direct threats than if it were still on c4.' 60.Kg4 Kd6 61.Na5 Kc5 *(61...Nb4* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'was the shortest path. But it is important to say that Grischuk doesn't allow White at any moment to obtain a drawn position, and goes on to win the game.' *62.Kf3 c2 63.Nb3 Kd5 64.Ke2 Kc4 65.Nc1 Kc3 66.Ke3 Kb2 67.Ne2 Na2 68.Kd4 Nc3* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '-+' *)* 62.Kf3 Kb5 63.Nb3 Kc4 64.Nc1 c2 65.Ke4 Nb4 66.Ne2 Nc6 67.Ke3 Kb3 68.Nc1+ Kc3 69.Ne2+ Kb2 70.Kd3 Nb4+ 71.Kd4 Na2 72.Nf4 Kb1 73.Ne2 Nc1 74.Nc3+ Ka1 75.Kc4 Na2 76.Ne2 Kb2 77.Kd4 Nc1 *(77...Nc3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!' *78.Nf4 Kb1 79.Nd3 Na4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '-+!' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'followed by ...♘b2.' *)* 78.Nf4 Nb3+ 79.Kd5 Kc3 Predecessor: Predecessor: 80.Ke4 Nc5+ *(80...Kd2* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!' *81.Nd3 Ke2 82.Nf4+ Kd1 83.Nd3 Kd2* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and c1=♕ next.'*)* 81.Kf3 Kd2 82.Ne2 Ne6 83.Kf2 Kd3 84.Nc1+ Kc3 85.Ke3 Kb2 86.Ne2 Nc7 87.Ke4 Nb5 88.Nf4 *(88.Kd3 Nc3* Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian, Krikor Sevag: 'winning.'*)* 88...Ka1 89.Nd3 1-0 Kurmann,O (2466)-Kenneskog,T (2307) Sitges Sunway op 8th 2021 (4) 1-0 Kurmann,O (2466)-Kenneskog,T (2307) Sitges Sunway op 8th 2021 (4) Kb1 90.Ke3 Nc3 91.Kd2 Ne4+ ½-½ (91) Ding,L (2811)-Maghsoodloo,P (2719) Wijk aan Zee 2023 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'White resigns, because Black will play ...♘c5, followed by c1=♕.';

B) 12.0-0 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?!' 12...Bd4+ Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'and White has to give up the exchange with ♖f2 -' 13.Rf2 *(13.Kh1* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '?' *h4* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '-+' *)* 13...h4 14.Nf1 Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f5 16.Bh6 Ng7 17.Qd2 Qf6 18.Rd1 f4 19.e5 Qxe5 20.Ne4 Nd7 21.Qc3 Nf5 22.Qxe5 Nxe5 23.Bxf4 Nf7 24.Nfd2 Kg7 25.Nc4 Bd7 26.Ncxd6 Bxa4 27.Ra1 Bb3 28.Nxf5+ gxf5 29.Nxc5 Bxd5 30.Rd1 Rad8 31.Bc7 Rc8 32.Rxd5 1-0 (32) Konevlad (3042)-FastforYou (2819) Blitz 2022]

[11...Qe8 12.Bf4 Qe7 13.Bg5 Qe8 14.Qd2 Nbd7 15.Bh6 Qe5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Bd3 *(17.Nf1* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '!'Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'quickly improving the knight to e3 and c4 would guarantee White a comfortable advantage -' *Qe7 18.Ne3* Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: ' ⩲' *)* 17...Rb8 18.Rd1 Re8 19.Be2 h4 20.Nf1 h3 21.g4 b5 Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: '∞' Mekhitarian,Krikor Sevag: 'with complicated play: 1-0 (49) So,W (2778)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2720) Dortmund 2015' 22.axb5 axb5 23.Ng3 b4 24.Na4 Ra8 25.b3 Ba6 26.Bxa6 Rxa6 27.0-0 Rea8 28.f4 Qe7 29.Qe2 Nh7 30.Rf3 Qh4 31.Kh1 c4 32.Qxc4 Qxg4 33.Qd3 Kf8 34.Rg1 Sagar,Shah: 'White has some pressure in this position. Nepo tries to drastically change the character of the position but in that process makes some extremely dubious decisions.' Rxa4 Sagar,Shah: '?'Sagar,Shah: 'What was the compensation that Nepomniachtchi was aiming for is quite unclear.' *(34...Qh4* Sagar,Shah: 'We can agree that Black's position is unpleasant, but still this would have been a better choice.' *)* 35.bxa4 Nc5 36.Qe3 *(36.Qf1* Sagar,Shah: 'was also very good.' *Rxa4 37.Ne2 Qd7 38.f5* Sagar,Shah: '+-' *)* 36...Rxa4 37.Nf5 Sagar,Shah: '!'

A) 37...Qh5 38.Rxh3 Sagar,Shah: '+-';

B) 37...Ra1 Sagar,Shah: 'would have been an interesting move' 38.Rfg3 Sagar,Shah: '!' *(38.Rxa1 Qg2#)* 38...Rxg1+ 39.Rxg1 Qh5 40.Nxd6 Sagar,Shah: '+-' Sagar,Shah: 'White is winning.';

C) 37...gxf5 Sagar,Shah: 'Nepo sacrifices his queen in return for two knights. That's just not enough.' 38.Rxg4 fxg4 39.Rf1 Nf6 40.e5 Nfe4 41.f5 Sagar,Shah: '!' Sagar,Shah: 'Opening up the c1-h6 diagonal for the queen. White is just winning.' Ra2 42.e6 g3 43.hxg3 Ke8 44.g4 h2 45.Qh3 f6 46.g5 Nxg5 47.Qh8+ Ke7 48.Qg7+ Ke8 49.Qxf6 1-0 (49) Sudgen,J (2778)-Panov Botvinnik Attack (2720) Magyarorszag 84/350 2015 MAINB [Asauskas,H]]

12.Nf1 Qh4+ 13.g3 Qe7 14.Ne3 Bh3 15.Qc2

[15.Bf1 Bxf1 16.Kxf1 Nd7 17.a5 b6 18.axb6 Nxb6 19.Kg2 Nf6 20.Ra5 Nfd7 21.Qe2 Rfb8 22.Rf1 c4 23.Nxc4 Nxc4 24.Qxc4 Nc5 25.b4 Nd7 26.Ne2 Ne5 27.Qb3 Qd8 28.Ra4 Qe8 29.Bf4 a5 30.Rb1 Rxb4 31.Rxb4 axb4 32.Qxb4 g5 33.Bxe5 Qxe5 34.f4 Qe7 35.e5 Re8 36.Qb7 Qxb7 37.Rxb7 gxf4 38.gxf4 dxe5 39.f5 e4 40.d6 Rd8 41.d7 Kf8

42.Ng3 Ke7 43.Nxe4 Be5 44.h4 f6 45.Nc5 Kd6 46.Ne6 Rxd7 47.Rxd7+ Kxd7 48.Ng7 Ke7 49.Nxh5 Ba1 50.Kf3 Bb2 51.Nf4 Ba1 52.Nd5+ Kf7 53.Ne3 Bb2 54.Ke4 Ba1 55.Kd5 Bb2 56.Ng4 Ba1 57.h5 Bb2 58.Kc4 Ba1 59.Nh2 Bb2 60.h6 Ba1 61.Kd5 Bb2 62.Ng4 Ba1 63.h7 Kg7 64.Nxf6 Bxf6 65.Kc4 Ba1 66.Kd3 Bb2 67.Ke3 Kf7 68.Kf2 Bd4+ 69.Ke1 Bg7 70.Ke2 Kf8 71.Kf1 Bh8 72.Ke2 Ke7 73.Kd2 Be5 74.Ke3 Ke8 75.h8R+ Bxh8 76.Kd2 Bf6 77.Ke2 Be7 78.f6 Bc5 79.Ke1 Bd4 80.Ke2 Bc3 81.Kd3 Bxf6 ½-½ (81) SolistaBot (3054)-RaspFish (3002) Blitz 2024]

15...f5

[15...Nd7 16.Ncd1 Ne5 17.Nf2 Bd7 18.0-0 b5 19.Bd2

A) 19...bxa4 20.Bc3 *(20.f4 Ng4 21.Nexg4 hxg4 22.Rfe1 Rab8 23.Bc3 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Rfe8 25.Bd1 f5 26.Qd3 Rb2 27.Bxa4 Bxa4 28.Rxa4 Nf6 29.e5 Qh7 30.Qf1 dxe5 31.fxe5 Nxd5 32.Rxa6 Kh8 33.Rd6 Nxc3 34.e6 Qb7 35.Nxg4 fxg4 36.e7 Ne2+ 37.Rxe2 Rb1 38.Rd1 Rxd1 39.Qxd1 Kh7 40.Qe1 c4 41.h4 gxh3 42.Kh2 c3 43.Qxc3 Rxe7 44.Rxe7+ Qxe7 45.Kxh3 g5 46.g4 Qe2 47.Qa1 Qc2 48.Qe1 Qa2 49.Qc1 Qe2 50.Qxg5 Qf2 51.Qc1 Qd4 52.g5 Qd5 53.g6+ Kg7 54.Qa1+ Kg8 55.g7 Qd6 56.Qb1 Qh6+ 57.Kg2 Qe6 58.Qa1 Qe2+ 59.Kg1 Qb5 60.Qc1 Qa5 61.Qb1 Qh5 62.Qa1 Qb5 63.Qc1 Qe8 64.Qa1 Qg6+ 65.Kf1 Kh7 66.g8Q+ Kxg8 67.Qc1 Kh7 68.Qa1 Qg8 69.Qb1+ Kh6 70.Qa1 Qg6 71.Qc1+ Kg7 72.Qa1+ Kh6 73.Qc1+ Qg5 74.Qxg5+ Kxg5 ½-½ (74) PetersBot (3001)-RaspFish (3071) Blitz 2024)* 20...f5 21.f4 Ng4 22.Bxg4 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 hxg4 24.Rfe1 fxe4 25.Nexg4 Qg7 26.Qxg7+ Kxg7 27.h3 Rab8 28.Nxe4 Rfd8 29.Nc3 Nf6 30.Nxf6 Kxf6 31.Ne4+ Kg7 32.Nxd6 Kf8 33.Re2 Bxh3 34.Ne4 Rxd5 35.Rh2 Bc8 36.Rh8+ Kg7 37.Re8 Kf7 38.Rh8 Kg7 39.Re8 Rxb2 40.Re1 Rd7 41.Rxc8 a3 42.Rxc5 a2 43.Ra5 Rc7 44.Nc5 Rxc5 45.Rxc5 Rb1 46.Rcc1 *(46.Rc7+ Kh6 47.Rcc1 a1Q 48.Rxb1 Qc3 49.Kf2 Qc2+ 50.Ke3 Qc5+ 51.Kf3 a5 52.Re5 Qc6+ 53.Kg4 a4 54.Rb2 Qc8+ 55.Kh4 Kg7 56.g4 Qd8+ 57.Kg3 Qd3+ 58.Kh4 Qd8+ 59.Kg3 Qc7 60.Rbe2 Kf7 61.g5 a3 62.Rf2 Qc3+ 63.Kg2 Qc8 64.Kg3 Qc1 65.Ree2 Qg1+ 66.Rg2 Qc1 67.Rgf2 Qg1+ 68.Rg2 Qc1 69.Rc2 Qe3+ 70.Kg4 Qe1 71.Ra2 Qd1+ 72.Rge2 Qg1+ 73.Kh4 Qh1+ 74.Rh2 Qe1+ 75.Rhf2 Qg1 76.Rad2 Qh1+ 77.Rh2 Qc1 78.Rhf2 Qg1 79.Rh2 Qc1 80.Rhf2 Qh1+ 81.Kg4 Qg1+ 82.Rg2 Qe1 83.Rdf2 Qd1+ 84.Kh3 Qh1+ 85.Kg4 Qd1+ 86.Kh3 Qh1+ 87.Rh2 Qe4 88.Kg4 Qe6+ 89.Kh4 Qe1 90.Kh3 Qe3+ 91.Kg4 Qe6+ 92.Kg3 Qe3+ 93.Kg2 Qe4+ 94.Kg3 Qe3+ 95.Kg2 Qe4+ 96.Kg3 Qe3+ ½-½ (96) PetersBot (3000)-RaspFish (3048) Blitz 2024)* 46...a1Q 47.Rxb1 Qc3 48.Rb7+ Kf8 49.Rb8+ Kf7 50.Kf2 a5 51.Rd8 Qb2+ 52.Kf3 Qc3+ 53.Re3 Qc6+ 54.Kf2 Qb6

55.Rde8 Qa7 56.Rd8 a4 57.Rdd3 Kf6 58.Ke2 Kf5 59.Kd2 Qa8 60.Re5+ Kf6 61.Ree3 Qc6 62.Rc3 Qg2+ 63.Kc1 Qa2 64.Ra3 Qc4+ 65.Kd2 Qb4+ 66.Kc1 Qc4+ 67.Kb1 Qb5+ 68.Kc2 Qc4+ 69.Kd1 Qf1+ 70.Kc2 Qg2+ 71.Kc3 Qc6+ 72.Kb2 Qg2+ 73.Kc3 Qc6+ 74.Kd2 Qg2+ 75.Ke1 Qh1+ 76.Kd2 Qg2+ 77.Ke1 Qh1+ 78.Kf2 Qh2+ 79.Kf3 Qh1+ 80.Ke2 Qg2+ 81.Kd3 Qd5+ 82.Kc2 Qg2+ 83.Kd3 Qd5+ 84.Ke2 Qg2+ 85.Ke1 ½-½ (85) PetersBot (3023)-RaspFish (3073) Blitz 2024;

B) 19...c4 20.axb5 axb5 21.Kg2 h4 22.Bc3 Rxa1 23.Rxa1 f5 24.f4 Nd3 25.Bxd3 cxd3 26.Qxd3 fxe4 27.Nxe4 g5 28.f5 Bxc3 29.Nxc3 b4 30.Qe4 h3+ 31.Kf3 Qf6 32.Qxb4 Bxf5 33.Ke2 Bc8 34.Qe4 g4 35.Nxg4 Qg7 36.Ne3 Ng5 37.Qc4 Re8 38.Ra4 Qg6 39.Qf4 Qc2+ 40.Ke1 Qg6 41.Ra8 Rf8 42.Qc4 Nf3+ 43.Kd1 Ne5 44.Qe2 Nd3 45.b4 Kg7 46.Ra7+ Kg8 47.Ra8 Kg7 48.Ra7+ Kg8 49.Rc7 Nxb4 50.Rc4 Nd3 51.Qc2 Bf5 52.Rd4 Ne5 53.Nxf5 Rxf5 54.Rf4 Rxf4 55.Qxg6+ Nxg6 56.gxf4 Nxf4 57.Kd2 Kg7 58.Ke3 Nh5 59.Ne4 Kg6 60.Nxd6 Ng3 61.Nc4 Kf5 62.d6 Ke6 63.d7 Kxd7 64.Nb2 Nf1+ 65.Ke2 Nxh2 66.Nd1 Kc8 67.Nb2 Kb8 68.Nd1 Kc7 69.Nb2 Nf1 70.Kxf1 Kc8 71.Nd1 Kd8 72.Nb2 Kc8 73.Nd1 Kb8 74.Nb2 Kc8 ½-½ (74) PetersBot (3030)-RaspFish (3031) Blitz 2024]

16.exf5 Nd7 17.fxg6 Ng5 18.f4 Bd4 19.g7 Rf7 20.fxg5 Bxe3 21.Bxe3 Qxe3 22.Qd2 Qf2+ 23.Kd1 Re8 24.Bxh5 Qxd2+ 25.Kxd2 Rf2+ 26.Kc1 Ne5 27.Nd1 Nd3+ 28.Kb1 Rd2 29.Bxe8 Bg2 30.Rg1 Be4 31.Bg6 Bxg6 32.Ka2 b5 33.axb5 Nb4+ 34.Kb3 Bc2+ 35.Ka3 axb5 36.Nc3 Bd3 37.Rad1 Nc2+ 38.Ka2 Nb4+ 39.Ka3 Nc2+ 40.Ka2 Nb4+ 41.Ka1 Nc2+ 42.Kb1 Nb4+ 43.Ka1 Nc2+ 44.Kb1 Ne3+ 45.Ka2 Nxd1 46.Rxd1 Bc4+ 47.Ka1 Rxh2 48.Ne4 b4 49.Nxd6 Bb3 50.Re1 Kxg7 51.Kb1 Bxd5 52.Ne8+ Kf8 53.Nf6 Bf7 54.Nd7+ Kg8 55.Ne5 b3 56.Nxf7 Kxf7 57.Rc1 Rg2 58.Rxc5 Rg1+ 59.Rc1 Rxg3 60.g6+ Kxg6 61.Rd1 Kf5 62.Rc1 Rg6 63.Rd1 Ke4 64.Rc1 Ra6 65.Rd1 Ra5 66.Rc1 Kf4 67.Rd1 Ra2 68.Rc1 Kf5 69.Rd1 Ra4 70.Rc1 Ke6 71.Rd1 Ke7 72.Rc1 Kd7 73.Rd1+ Ke8 74.Rc1 Ra8 75.Rd1 Ke7 76.Rc1 Ke8 77.Rd1 Rb8 78.Rc1 Kf7 79.Rd1 Ke8 80.Rc1 Kd8 81.Rd1+ Kc8 82.Rc1+ Kb7 83.Rd1 Kc8 84.Rc1+ Kd7 85.Rd1+ Ke8 ½-½ (85) PetersBot (3095)-ToromBot (3097) Rapid 2025

[143] **6.Bd3** Nbd7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Be2 Nb6 9.a4 a5 10.g4 h5 11.h3 Bd7 12.Bd3 Nh7 13.gxh5 e6 14.h4 gxh5 15.Nge2 Re8 16.Qc2 f5 17.dxe6 Bxe6 18.b3 Bf6 19.Bb2 Bxh4+ 20.Kd2 Bf7 21.Rag1+ Kf8 22.Kc1 Bf6 23.Ng3 Ng5 24.Nxh5 Bd4 25.Qg2 Bxg1 26.Qxg1 Nxf3 27.Qg7+ Ke7 28.Nb5 Nd7 29.exf5 Nde5 30.Be4 Rg8 31.Qf6+ Ke8 32.Nxd6+ Kf8 33.Qh6+ Ke7 34.Bxe5 Nxe5 35.Rd1 Rg1 36.Nc8+ Rxc8 37.Qf6+ Kf8 38.Qh8+ Rg8 39.Qh6+ Ke8 40.Nf6+ Ke7 41.Nxg8+ Ke8 42.Nf6+ Ke7 43.Nd5+ Kd7 44.Nc3+ Ke7 45.Qh4+ Ke8 46.Qh8+ Ke7 47.Qxe5+ Kf8 48.Rxd8+ Rxd8

49.f6 Rd7 50.Bf5 Be6 51.Bxe6 Ke8 52.Bd5+ Kf8 53.Qb8+ Rd8 54.Qxd8# 1-0 (54) Iwantedtoplaychess (2906)-InanisBot (2391) Rapid 2023

144 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Разумеется, актуальнее всего ''Vigorito, D: 'After' Vigorito, D: 'After' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'In Sadler-Tkachiev, Enghien les Bains 1999 White was somewhat better in complications after'''' Arsovic, Goran: 'Perhaps the very natural' 'Stohl,Igor: 'Instead of the provocative text-move, more natural is' Stohl,Igor: 'Instead of the provocative text-move, more natural is''Instead of the provocative text-move, more natural is Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Instead of the provocative text-move, more natural is''' ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'but' **7...e6** Сергей Шипов_17: ', например ,' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I'''is too slow, as White gets developed with Vigorito,D: 'is too slow, as White gets developed with Arsovic,Goran: 'is too slow, as White gets developed with''' 'Stohl,Igor: ', which has been Black's most usual choice in the past:' Stohl,Igor: ', which has been Black's most usual choice in the past:'', which has been Black's most usual choice in the past: Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: ', which has been Black's most usual choice in the past:''' ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'is normal.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'leads to a more common position' Schipkov,Boris: 'The Modern Benoni.' Schipkov,Boris: 'See the game Ivanisevic - Al Sayed, Qatar Masters op 2014.' 8.Be2 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi''' [Schipkov,Boris: 'See the game Matlakov-Li, Universiad Men 2013.' 8.Be3 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '½-½ Matlakov,M (2665)-Li,C (2686) Universiad Men 27th Kazan 2013 (9)''' Na6 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''' *(Schipkov, Boris: 'See the game Laznicka-Radjabov, Wch Blitz 2014.' 8...Re8 9.Qd2 a6 10.a4 h5 11.Na3 h4 12.Be2 h3 13.g3 e5 14.0-0 Nbd7 15.a5 Nf8 16.Na4 N6d7 17.b4 cxb4 18.Qxb4 Qe7 19.Rab1 f5 20.c5 f4 21.cxd6 Qf7 22.Bf2 g5 23.g4 Rb8 24.Nc4 Ng6 25.Ncb6 Nxb6 26.Nxb6 Bf8 27.Rbc1 Rd8 28.Bc5 Qf6 29.d7 Bxd7 30.Bxf8 Nxf8 31.Rc7 Be8 32.Rfc1 Nd7 33.Nc8 b6 34.axb6 Nxb6 35.Ne7+ Kh8 36.Qc3 Na4 37.Qa1 Qb6+ 38.Kh1 Nb2 39.Bf1 Qf2 40.Qa3 Ba4 41.Ng6+ Kg8 42.Nxe5 Rb3 43.Qe7 Rd7 44.Qe8+ Kg7 45.Qg6+ Kf8 46.Rc8+ Rd8 47.Rxd8+ Ke7 48.Qd6#* 1-0 (48) supertactic91 (2716)-sina_iran (2809) Blitz 2021*;* Schipkov,Boris: 'Another move is 8...exd5, see the game Matlakov-Li, Universiad Men 2013. ' *8...exd5)*

A) 9.Qd2 Re8 *(9...exd5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*; 9...Nc7* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 10.Be2 Nc7 11.0-0 exd5 12.cxd5 b6 *(12...b5 13.Bxb5 Nxb5 14.Nxb5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 13.a4 Bb7 14.Bg5 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!' Qe7 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(14...Qd7*

Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 15.Na3 Qf8 16.Rae1 h6 17.Bh4 Nd7 18.Nab5 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Na6 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' *(18...Nxb5 19.Nxb5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 19.Bg3 Be5 20.f4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Bxc3 21.bxc3 f5 22.exf5 *(22.Bc4 fxe4 23.f5* Schipkov,Boris: '+-') 22...gxf5 23.Bf3 c4 24.Re6 Rac8 25.Nxd6 Rxe6 26.dxe6 Bxf3 27.Nxc8 Ndc5 28.Bh4 Nc7 29.e7 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 Sipahioglu,I (2115)-Janczarski, M (2301)/Albena 2011/CBM 144 Extra';

B) 9.Nd2

B1) 9...Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' 10.g4 *(10.Be2* Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *Bd4 11.Bf2 Nf4 12.Bf1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓') 10...Nf6 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄';

B2) 9...exd5 10.cxd5 Nc7 11.Be2 *(11.a4* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 11...Re8 *(11...Nh5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?') 12.Bf2 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(12.Bg5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?') 12...Rb8 *(12...Nh5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *13.0-0 Nf4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓'*; 12...b5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?') 13.a4 b6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(13...Nh5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?') 14.0-0 a6 15.Nc4 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(15...b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Na5 Bd7 18.Qd2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 16.Qd2 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Qf6 17.e5 *(17.Be3* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *Qd8 18.g4 Nf6 19.Rfd1 Re7 20.e5* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *Rxe5 21.Nxe5 dxe5* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±') 17...Rxe5 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Rfe1 Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (51) Bennett,M (1852)-Ng,C (1972)/Adelaide 2013/CBM 157 Extra' Qf4 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

C) 9.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' 9...Nc7 10.a4 *(10.0-0 exd5 11.cxd5 b5 12.Nxb5 Nxb5 13.Bxb5 Rb8 14.Qe2 Nh5 15.Nd2 Qh4 16.a4 a6 17.Bc4 Rxb2 18.g3 Qh3 19.Rab1* Schipkov, Boris: '±' *)*

C1) 10...b6 11.0-0 Re8 12.Na3 *(12.Qd2* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 12...Bb7 13.Nc2 *(13.Bg5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 13...exd5 14.cxd5 Nfxd5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 15.exd5 *(15.Nxd5* Schipkov, Boris: '!?' *Bxd5 16.exd5 Rxe3 17.Nxe3 Bd4 18.Qb3 Qe7 19.Kh1 Bxe3 20.Bb5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 15...Rxe3 16.Nxe3 Bd4 17.Kh1 Bxe3 18.f4 Bd4 19.Bc4 Qh4 20.Qd2 a6 Schipkov,Boris: '=' Schipkov, Boris: '1/2 (48) Gupta,A (2631)-Deepan Chakkravarthy,J (2484)/ New Delhi 2015/CBM 164 Extra' 21.Ne2 Bg7 22.Ra3 Re8 23.Re3 Rxe3 24.Qxe3 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Qb3 Ba6 27.Nc3 Bxc3 28.bxc3 Qe7 29.f5 bxc4 30.Qb8+ Ne8 31.f6 Qe5 32.h3 Kf8 33.Rc1 h5 34.Rb1 Qxc3 35.Qa7 Qe3 36.Qxa6 c3 37.Qf1 Qd4 38.Rb8 Qe5 39.Rc8 h4 40.Qc1 g5 41.Rb8 Qxf6 42.Qe1 Qe5 43.Qxe5 dxe5 44.d6 c2 45.d7 c1Q+ 46.Kh2 Qf4+ 47.Kh1 Qf1+ 48.Kh2 Qf4+ ½-½ (48) Gupta,A (2631)-Deepan,C (2484) New Delhi IND 2015;

C2) 10...exd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.Na3 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

C3) 10...Nfe8 11.Qd2 *(11.0-0*

Schipkov,Boris: '!?') 11...f5 12.0-0 Nf6 *(12...fxe4 13.Nxe4 exd5 14.cxd5 Nf6 15.Nec3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *b6 16.Na3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲') 13.e5 *(13.Na3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *b6 14.Rae1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲') 13...dxe5 *(13...Nfe8 14.exd6 Qxd6 15.Na3* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' *)* 14.Bxc5 Сергей Шипов_17: 'с невероятно сложной борьбой , в которой преуспели черные, М . Садлер - В. Ткачев, Енгьен ле Áåí 1999.' Rf7 Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (44) Sadler,M (2667)-Tkachiev,V (2634)/Enghien les Bains 1999/CBM 070' 15.dxe6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(15.d6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*; 15.Rd1* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *exd5 16.Nxd5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲') 15...Nxe6 16.Qxd8+ Nxd8 17.Nb5 Nc6 18.N1c3 Be6 19.Bf2 Bf8 20.Rad1 a6 21.Na3 Nd4 Schipkov,Boris: '↑' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sadler,M (2667)-Tkachiev,V (2634)/Enghien les Bains/1999/']

[8.Bg5 Сергей Шипов_17: '!?"Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲!?' '!?' 'Stohl,I' 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is interesting.'

A) 8...Qb6 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.Be2 exd5 11.cxd5 a6 12.a4⩲ Qc7 13.Na3 Rb8 14.0-0 Re8 15.Kh1⩲ h5?! *(15...b6)* 16.Nc4?! *(16.Bh4!?; 16.Rae1!?)* 16...Ne5!? 17.Nxe5 Rxe5⩲ 1-0 (46) Giulian,P (2193)-Quinn,J (2135) Sibenik 2014;

B) 8...h6 9.Be3 exd5 *(9...a6 10.a4 b6 11.Be2 Ra7 12.Qd2 Kh7 13.0-0 Re8 14.Na3 Rae7 15.Rab1 Nbd7 16.Rfd1 Ne5 17.b4 exd5 18.cxd5 Neg4 19.Bf4 Nh5 20.fxg4 Nxf4 21.Qxf4 Bxc3 22.bxc5 Rxe4 23.Qxf7+ Bg7 24.Bd3 R8e7 25.Qf1 Rxa4 26.Rxb6 Bd4+ 27.Kh1 Bxc5 28.Rb3 Rxa3 29.Rxa3 Bxa3 30.Bxg6+ Kg7 31.Bb1 Qa5 32.h3 Qc3 33.Kh2 Qe5+ 34.Kh1 Qg3 35.Bf5 Bxf5 36.gxf5 Kf6 37.Qxa6 Re1+ 38.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 39.Kh2 Bc5* 0-1 (39) Postny,E (2658)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2705) Berlin GER 2015 *)* 10.cxd5

B1) 10...Re8

B1a) 11.Be2 Na6 12.0-0 Nc7 13.a4 Na6?! *(13...Nd7 14.Qd2⩲)* 14.Na3 Nb4 15.Nc4 *(15.Qd2!?)* 15...a6 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.a5! Bf8⩲ 1-0 (75) Meessen,R (2314)-Helbig,M (2326) Germany 2005;

B1b) 11.Qd2 Nbd7 12.Na3 a6 13.Nc4 Qe7 14.a4 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Bf4 Qe7 17.Be2 Nh5 18.Bxh6 Qh4+ 19.Kd1 Ng3 20.Bxg7 Nxh1 21.Bh6 Qxh2 22.Bf4 Qxg2 23.Bxd6 Ng3 24.Bxc5 Bd7 25.a5 Rac8 26.b4 f5 27.d6 Nxe2 28.Qxe2 Qh1+ 29.Qe1 Qxf3+ 30.Qe2 Qxc3 0-1 (30) Fastchess2345 (2689)-wallywally (2670) Blitz 2024;

B2) 10...Na6 11.Nd2 *(11.Be2!?⩲)* 11...Nc7 12.a4 a6 13.a5 *(13.Nc4!?⩲)* 13...Bd7 *(13...Re8!?)* 14.Nc4 Bb5 0-1 (53) Dankhazi,A (2186)-Zsirai,P (2199) Balatonlelle 2013 15.Qd2 Qe7 16.Be2⩲;

B3) 10...a6 11.a4 Nbd7
B3a) 12.Qd2 Ne5 *(12...Nh5!?)* 13.Na3 *(13.Be2!?; 13.Bxh6? Nxe4! 14.fxe4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxh6∓)* 13...Bd7 14.Nc4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4 b5 16.axb5 *(16.Bd3!?)* 16...axb5 17.Rxa8 Qxa8 18.Nxb5? *(18.Be2=)* 18...Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Qa1+-+ 20.Qd1 Qa5+ 0-1 (20) Lisboa Torres,E (1826)-Supi,L (2299) Americana 2012;
B3b) 12.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' 12...Nh7 *(12...Ne8 13.0-0 Nc7 14.Nd2 Rb8 15.Nc4 Ne5 16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.Qd2 Kh7 18.f4 Bg7 19.e5 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Ne4 dxe5 22.d6 Ne6 23.fxe5 c4 24.Nf6+ Bxf6 25.Rxf6 h5 26.Raf1 Rb7 27.Bh6 Qb6+ 28.Kh1 Qd4 29.Qxd4 Nxd4 30.Bxf8 Nxe2 31.Rxf7+ Kg8 32.Rxb7 Bxb7 33.d7* 1-0 (33) gmluke (2672)-lukas_111111 (2620) Blitz 2020*; 12...Nh5 13.0-0±)* 13.0-0 Re8 14.Qd2 h5 15.h3 *(15.Na3!?±)* 15...f5 Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (39) Gil Capape,J (2400)-Cortes Bueno,J Spain 1992' 16.Kh1 *(16.Na3±; 16.Re1±)* 16...Ndf6 17.Bd3 h4 18.Bf4 Nh5 19.Bh2 f4 *(19...Ng3+ 20.Bxg3 hxg3* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' *)* 20.Bxf4 Nxf4 21.Qxf4 g5 22.Qd2 Be5 23.Ne2 Qf6 Schipkov,Boris: ' ⩲' Schipkov, Boris: 'Gil Capape,J (2400)-Cortes Bueno,J/Spain/1992/']
8...exd5

[8...a6 9.a4
A) 9...e5
A1) 10.Bg5 h6 *(10...Nbd7 11.Qd2 Qa5 12.g4 Qb6 13.Na3 h6 14.a5 Qb4 15.Be3 Qxa5 16.Bxh6 Re8 17.h4 Qb6 18.0-0-0 Qb3 19.h5 b5 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qh6+ Kf7 23.cxb5 axb5 24.Ncxb5 Ba6 25.Nxd6+ Ke7 26.Nxe8 Bxe2 27.Qg7+ Kd8 28.Nxf6 Qe3+ 29.Rd2 Ra7 30.Rh8+* 1-0 (30) gg-gm-gmg (2617)-adabash (2585) Blitz 2020*)* 11.Be3 Nh5 12.Qd2 Nf4 13.Bf1 Kh7 14.g3 Nh5 15.Na3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Bd3 Qf6 18.0-0-0 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.axb5 Kh8 21.Nc4 Nd7 22.g4 e4 23.g5 hxg5 24.Bxg5 Qd4 25.Be2 Bb7 26.Nxd6 Bxd5 27.Qxd4 cxd4 28.Nxd5 d3 29.Bf1 Nc5 30.Kd2 Ra2 31.Ke3 Rxb2 32.Be7 f4+ 33.Nxf4 Rxf4 34.fxe4 Rxe4+ 35.Nxe4 Ne6 36.Bxd3 Nhf4 37.Bc4 Ng2+ 38.Kf3 Nd4+ 39.Rxd4 Bxd4 40.Rd1 Be5 41.Rd7 Ne1+ 42.Kg4 Ng2 43.Kf5 Bg7 44.Rd8+ Kh7 45.Bg8+ Kh6 46.Rd6+ Bf6 47.Rxf6+ Kg7 48.Rg6+ 1-0 (48) Ivanisevic,I (2653)-Mamedov,R (2657) Berlin GER 2015;
A2) 10.g4 h5 11.h3 Nh7 12.Be3 h4 13.a5 Bf6 14.Nd2 Bg5 15.Bf2 Nd7 16.Qa4 Bf4 17.b4 Qg5 18.Nb3 Be3 19.bxc5 dxc5 20.Nd1 Bd4 21.Nxd4 exd4 22.Qc2 Qf6 23.Ra3 g5 24.Nb2 Ne5 25.0-0 Rd8 26.Qd2 Nf8 27.f4 gxf4 28.Be1 Nfg6 29.Na4 f3

30.Nxc5 Nf4 31.Raxf3 Nxf3+ 32.Rxf3 Nxe2+ 33.Qxe2 Qd6 34.Nd3 b6 35.e5 Qh6 36.Bd2 Qg7 37.axb6 a5 38.Rf6 a4 39.Bh6 Qh7 40.Qd2 a3 41.Qg5+ Kh8 42.Rf1 a2 43.Qf6+ Kg8 44.Qxd8# 1-0 (44) anand68 (2777)-Beta99 (2636) Blitz 2021;

B) 9...Re8 10.0-0 Nh5 11.f4 Nf6 12.Bf3 exd5 13.cxd5 Nbd7 14.Na3 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Ncxb5 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 Rxe4 18.Nxd6 Rd4 19.Qf3 Ba6 20.Re1 Nf6 21.Nab5 Rxd5 22.Re8+ Nxe8 23.Qxd5 Nxd6 24.Nxd6 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Ra7 26.Bd2 Bc4 0-1 (26) schoberstein (2867)-NoRolex (2836) Blitz 2022]

[8...Nh5 Stohl,Igor

A) 9.g4? Qh4+ 10.Kd2 Nf4 11.Kc2 Nxe2 12.Qxe2 f5! *(12...Na6 13.a3∓)* 13.gxf5 exf5 14.Rg1 *(14.Bd2 Nd7 15.Be1 Qh5 16.Bg3 Ne5∓)* 14...f4?! *(14...fxe4! 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Bg5 Qh5 17.Nbd2 Nd7 18.Rae1 Rae8∓)* 15.Bd2 a6∓ 1-0 (38) Kotanjian,T (2524)-Nalbandian,T (2523) Yerevan 2007;

B) 9.0-0 Bd4+ 10.Kh1 Qh4 *(10...a6 11.Na3 Qh4 12.Qe1 Qxe1 13.Rxe1 Kg7 14.Nc2 Nd7 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Na4 Rb8 17.b3±)* 11.Qe1! O Schipkov,Boris: '±' 'O Sundararajan,Kidambi: 'O"]

9.cxd5 Arsovic,Goran: 'and 0-0.' 9...a6

[9...Nh5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'The best move in the position.

A)' 10.0-0

A) 10...Re8 11.g4! White forces the knight back and stops the ...f7-f5 advance. Nf6 12.Kh1 *(12.Bg5!? is more precise. h6 13.Be3 Nbd7 14.Nd2±)* with a small edge to White.) 12...Na6 *(12...h5!? 13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Na6⇄)* 13.Na3 *(13.Bg5!? h6 14.Bf4±)* 13...Nc7 *(13...Nd7!? 14.Nab5 Bf8 15.h4! Qxh4+ 16.Kg2 Ne5 17.Rh1 Qe7 18.Qg1 f6 19.Qh2⩱)* 14.Bf4± Bf8 15.Qd2 a6 16.Nc2 White has the better chances and is planning a4 and b4. b5 17.b4! cxb4?! *(17...Bb7 18.a4 a5 19.bxc5 b4 20.Nb5 Nxb5 21.c6 Bxc6 22.axb5 Bb7 23.Nd4±)* 18.Nxb4 Bb7 19.a4! White storms Black's weak queenside. bxa4 20.Nxa4± a5 *(20...Bg7)* 21.Nc6 Bxc6 22.dxc6 Ne6 23.Bg3 *(23.Be3!?)* 23...Qc7 24.Rfc1 h5?! *(24...Reb8±)* 25.g5 h4 26.Bf2 Nh5 27.Nb6+- White obtains a huge advantage. Nc5 28.Nxa8 Rxa8 29.Bc4 Qxc6 30.Bd5 Qc8 31.e5 Ra7 32.exd6 Bxd6 33.Qc2?! *(33.Bxc5! Bxc5 34.Qc2+-)* 33...Nf4 34.Bxc5 Rc7 35.Qe4? *(35.Bxf7+! Kxf7 36.Qb3+ Ne6 37.Be3+-)* 35...Nxd5 36.Qxd5 Rxc5? *(36...Bxc5! 37.Rxa5 Bd6 38.Rg1 Qh3 39.Ra2 Bf4±)* 37.Rxc5 Qxc5 38.Qxc5 Bxc5 39.Rxa5 Be3 40.Kg2+- Bf4 41.h3 Kg7 42.Kf1 Kg8 43.Ke2 Kg7 44.Kd3 Bc1 45.Rb5 Bf4 46.Ke4 Bd2 47.f4 Kg8 48.Rb7 Kg7 49.Rd7 Be1 50.f5 gxf5+ 51.Kxf5 Kg8 52.Rd1 Bf2 53.Kf6 Be3 54.Rd8+ Kh7 55.Rf8 1-0 (55) Ivanisevic,I (2643)-Al Sayed,M (2507) Doha 2014 CBM 166 [Schipkov,Boris];

B) 10...f5 0-1 (10) anand68 (2761)-Dmitry_Morozov (2612) Blitz 2021

Schipkov,Boris: '!'Schipkov,Boris: 'is better.'

B1) 11.f4 fxe4 12.Nxe4 *(12.Bxh5 gxh5 13.Nxe4 Bg4 14.Qb3 Na6∓)* 12...Nf6= with more or less equal play.;

B2) 11.exf5? Bd4+ 12.Kh1 Ng3+! 13.hxg3 Rxf5 14.f4 Qf8-+;

B3) 11.Be3

B3a) 11...fxe4= Schipkov, Boris: '=!' 12.fxe4 *(12.Nd2!? exf3 13.Bxf3 Nf6 14.Nc4 Bf5=)* 12...Rxf1+ 13.Qxf1 Nd7 14.Bxh5 gxh5 15.Nd2 Ne5=;

B3b) 11...f4 12.Bf2 Be5 *(12...Bf6?! 13.Nd2 a6 14.a4 Nd7 15.a5±* 1-0 (37) Anguix Garrido,J (2300)-Teran Alvarez,I Spain 1992*; 12...Qg5! 13.Re1 Nd7=)* 13.Nd2 Ng3 14.Re1 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 b6 16.a4 Nd7 17.Nc4 Ba6 18.Nb5 Qe7 19.Nc7 Bxc4 20.Qxc4 Rac8 21.Ne6 Rf7 22.Rab1 Nf8 23.b4 Nxe6 24.dxe6 Rf6 25.Red1 Qxe6 26.Rd5 Rf7 27.a5 g5 28.axb6 axb6 29.bxc5 bxc5 30.h3 h5 31.Rb6 g4 32.Rbxd6 Qxd6 33.Rxd6 Bxd6 34.Qe6 Rc6 35.Qe8+ 1-0 (35) AryaCross (2685)-Gettingold72 (2674) Blitz 2024]

[9...Na6 10.0-0 *(10.Bg5!?)* 10...Nc7 11.a4 *(11.Bg5!?±)* 11...b6 *(11...Nd7!?)* 12.Na3 *(12.Bg5!? h6 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Qd2 h5 15.Na3±)*

A) 12...Rb8 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nfe8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.f4?! *(16.Nc4!?; 16.Rae1!?)* 16...f5 17.exf5 gxf5?! *(17...Bxf5!=)* 18.Rae1 *(18.Bf3!? Nf6 19.h3±)* 18...Nf6 19.Kh1 *(19.Nab5!?)* 19...Ne4! 20.Nxe4 fxe4= 1/2 (31) Matsuura,E (2487)-Goncalves,I (2116) Maringa 2012;

B) 12...a6 13.Bg5 h6

B1) 14.Be3 Rb8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.Rab1 *(16.Nc4 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Na5 Bd7 19.Rfb1±)* 16...b5 *(16...Nd7 17.b4 Rb7 18.Nc4 Ne5 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.Bd3±)* 17.axb5 axb5 18.Naxb5 *(18.Ncxb5 Nxb5 19.Bxb5±)* 18...Nxb5 19.Nxb5 Ba6 20.Na3 *(20.Na7! Bxe2 21.Nc6 Qc7 22.Qxe2 Rb3 23.Rfd1 Nd7 24.Bf4±)* 20...Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Nd7± 1/2 (36) Plischki, S (2410)-Kulhanek,T (2333) Prague 2014;

B2) 14.Bf4 Rb8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.Nc4 Nfe8 17.Kh1 Qf6 18.Nxd6 Nxd6 19.e5 Qxf4 20.Qxf4 Nf5 21.e6 Rb7 22.g4 Nd4 23.e7 Re8 24.Qxf7 Bd7 25.Ne4 Nxd5 26.Bc4 Rxe7 27.Qxd5 Be6 28.Qxb7 Rxb7 29.Bxe6 Nxe6 30.Rad1 Nd4 31.f4 Re7 32.Rfe1 Kg8 33.Nd6 Rd7 34.Re8+ Bf8 35.Ne4 Kf7 36.Rb8 Re7 37.Nd6+ Ke6 38.Rxb6 Kd5 39.b4 Re2 40.bxc5 Kxc5 41.Rxa6 Bxd6 42.Rxd4 Kxd4 43.Rxd6+ Kc5 44.Rxg6 Ra2 45.Rxh6 Kd4 46.Re6 Kd5 47.f5 Ra1+ 48.Kg2 Rxa4 49.Kg3 Ra3+ 50.Kh4 Ra2 51.h3 Ra3 52.Kg5 Rxh3 53.Kg6 Rh8 54.g5 Rg8+ 55.Kf6 Rf8+ 56.Kg6 Rg8+ 57.Kh5 Kd4 58.Kg4 Rh8 59.g6 Rh1 60.Kg5 Rf1 61.Kf6 Kd5 62.g7 Rg1

63.Re8 Rf1 64.g8Q+ Kc5 65.Rd8 Kb4 66.Qd5 Rc1 67.Rb8+ Kc3 68.Qc6+ Kd2 69.Qxc1+ Kxc1 Time forfeit ½-½ (69) ENajer (2688)-GolfeDuMorbihan (2654) Blitz 2024]

10.a4 h5

[10...Nh5 11.0-0 f5 12.g4 Bd4+ 13.Kh1 Nf6 14.Bh6 Rf7 15.Nd2 fxg4 16.fxg4 Nbd7 17.g5 Ne8 18.Rxf7 Kxf7 19.Qf1+ Kg8 20.Bg4 Ng7 21.Nf3 Ne5 22.Bxc8 Rxc8 23.Nxd4 cxd4 24.Ne2 Qd7 25.Nxd4 Qg4 26.Qg2 Qxg2+ 27.Kxg2 Rc4 28.Ne6 Rc2+ 29.Kh3 Ne8 30.Rf1 Nf7 31.Nd8 Rc7 32.Ne6 Rc4 33.b3 Rc3+ 34.Kg2 Rxb3 35.Rc1 Ne5 36.Rc8 Kf7 37.a5 Rb2+ 38.Kg3 Rb3+ 39.Kg2 Rb2+ 40.Kg3 Rb3+ 41.Kf2 Rb2+ 42.Ke3 Rxh2 43.Nd8+ Ke7 44.Nxb7 Rb2 45.Nd8 Rb3+ 46.Kd2 Rb2+ 47.Kc3 Rb5 48.Nc6+ Nxc6 49.dxc6 Rxa5 50.Kd4 Rc5 51.Ra8 Rxc6 52.Ra7+ Nc7 53.Bg7 Ke6 54.e5 dxe5+ 55.Kd3 Kd5 56.Ra8 Nxa8 57.Bxe5 Nb6 58.Bd4 Nc4 59.Bc3 Re6 60.Bd4 Re4 61.Be3 Ne5+ 62.Kc2 Nf3 63.Kb3 Rxe3+ 64.Kb4 Re2 65.Ka5 Re5 66.Kb6 Rxg5 67.Kc7 Rg4 68.Kd8 Re4 0-1 (68) elconceto (2863)-Broetchen (2700) Blitz 2021]

[10...Nbd7 11.0-0 Re8 *(11...Ne5 12.Na3 h5 13.Bg5 Qb6 14.Qd2 Nh7 15.Be3 f5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg4 hxg4 18.Nc4 Qd8 19.e5 Re8 20.Nxd6 Re7 21.Nxc8 Rxc8 22.d6* 1-0 (22) rasulovvugar (2631)-SALVA-DALI-07 (2598) Blitz 2023*)* 12.Kh1 Rb8 13.Na3 Ne5 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bf2 Ng6 17.Nc4 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Na5 Bd7 20.Nc6 Bxc6 21.dxc6 c4 22.Ra7 Rc8 23.Nxb5 Rxc6 24.Nd4 Rc7 25.Rxc7 Qxc7 26.Nf5 Bf8 27.Qd4 Ne5 28.Rc1 Rc8 29.Bg3 Qc5 30.Qxc5 Rxc5 31.b3 c3 32.Be1 c2 33.Nd4 d5 34.exd5 Nxd5 35.Rxc2 Rxc2 36.Nxc2 f6 37.b4 Kf7 38.b5 Bc5 39.g3 Ke6 40.Kg2 Kd6 41.Bd2 Kc7 42.f4 gxf4 43.gxf4 Ng6 44.Kf3 f5 45.Bd3 Nge7 46.Ne3 Nxe3 47.Bxe3 Kb6 48.Bd2 Nc8 49.Bxf5 Nd6 50.Bd3 Nxb5 51.Bxb5 Kxb5 52.f5 Bf8 53.Kg4 Kc6 54.Kh5 Kd7 55.Bxh6 Bb4 56.Kg6 Ke8 57.f6 Bf8 58.f7+ 1-0 (58) MikeGScarn (2834)-Alexandr_KhleBovich (2796) Blitz 2023]

11.Na3

[11.0-0 Nbd7

A) 12.Bg5 Qc7 13.Na3 *(13.Nd2±)* 13...Nh7 14.Be3 *(14.Bh4!?±)* 14...Ne5 15.Qd2± f5 16.f4 Nf7

A1) 17.e5! dxe5 18.Nc4 Re8 19.Rae1 e4 *(19...exf4 20.Bxf4 Qd8 21.a5 Bd4+ 22.Kh1 g5 23.Be3 Bxe3 24.Nxe3±)* 20.d6 Qc6 21.Nd5 Be6 22.Nc7±;

A2) 17.Nc4?!

A2a) 17...fxe4! 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Nc3 *(19.Ng3 Nh6⇄)* 19...Nf6⇄;

A2b) 17...Re8?!

A2b1) 18.e5! dxe5 19.d6 Qd8 *(19...Qc6 20.fxe5 Nxe5 21.Nxe5 Bxe5 22.Bb5 axb5 23.axb5 Qxd6 24.Qxd6 Bxd6 25.Rxa8±)* 20.Bxc5±;

A2b2) 18.exf5?! Bxf5 19.a5 Nf6 20.h3± Nh6 *(20...Re7!?)* 21.Bf2 Ne4 22.Nxe4 Bxe4 23.Rae1 *(23.Bd1!? Nf5 24.Nb6*

Rad8 25.Rc1 Qf7 26.Ba4 Re7 27.Rfe1 Nd4 28.Bh4 Bf6 29.Bxf6 Qxf6 30.b4±) 23...Nf5 24.b4 Nd4? *(24...cxb4! 25.Qxb4 Rac8 26.Qd2 Qf7=)* 25.bxc5 Qxc5 26.Bd3! Bxd3 27.Qxd3± Qxd5?! *(27...Rac8 28.Rxe8+ Rxe8 29.Qxg6 Rf8 30.Nxd6 Ne2+ 31.Kh2 Qxd5 32.Ne8±)* 28.Nb6 Qf5 29.Qxf5 Nxf5 30.Nxa8 Rxa8+- 1-0 (69) Nielsen,P (2654)-Al Sayed,M (2505) Dubai 2014;

B) 12.Na3 Rb8 13.Kh1 Nh7 14.f4 Re8 15.Nc4 Qe7 16.e5 dxe5 17.f5 e4 18.d6 Qh4 19.Rf4 Qd8 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Rxe4 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Na5 Rxe4 24.Nxe4 Qh4 25.Qd5+ Kh8 26.Bd2 Nhf6 27.Nxf6 Nxf6 28.Qf7 Bg4 29.Be1 Qg5 30.Bxg4 Nxg4 31.Bc3 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Qe5 33.g3 Qxc3 34.Ra2 Qe1+ 35.Kg2 Qe4+ 36.Kh3 Rg8 37.d7 Qd4 38.Re2 Nh6 39.Qe7 Qg4+ 40.Kg2 Nf5 41.Qe5+ Kh7 42.Rd2 Nh4+ 43.Kf1 Rf8+ 44.Rf2 Qd1+ 45.Qe1 Rxf2+ 46.Kxf2 Qf3+ 47.Kg1 Qg2# 0-1 (47) ikica77 (2757)-Cadlag (2579) Blitz 2022]

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'Colin Crouch: 'My own personal reaction in such a position would be to charge the pawns forward, gaining tempi after' Colin Crouch: 'My own personal reaction in such a position would be to charge the pawns forward, gaining tempi after' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: 'My own personal reaction in such a position would be to charge the pawns forward, gaining tempi after''''Schipkov,Boris: 'See the game Anand-Gelfand, World Championship 2012.' **7...Nh5**

Сергей Шипов_17:

'Однако! Я, признаться, хотел написать об этой альтернативе черных, но посчитал, что это недостаточно солидное продолжение - не для матча на первенство мира. черные провоцируют сход белой пешечной лавины. То есть, прямо сейчас напрашивается выпад g2-g4, после чего трудно придумать что-то иное, кроме отступления на f6. È ∞òî ïîëó∞èòñÿ? ∞åðíûå потратят полтора темпа , создадут для белых предпосылки для атаки. Крайне рискованная стратегия претендента! Как несложно догадаться, это новинка. Прежде люди играли проще и надежнее .''Colin Crouch: '?!' Colin Crouch: 'It just cannot be good, but perhaps it is not quite as bad as it looks. "Knights on the edges get stuck in the hedges" and all that.

QUESTION: What should White do next? A kingside pawn rush, or develop his pieces?
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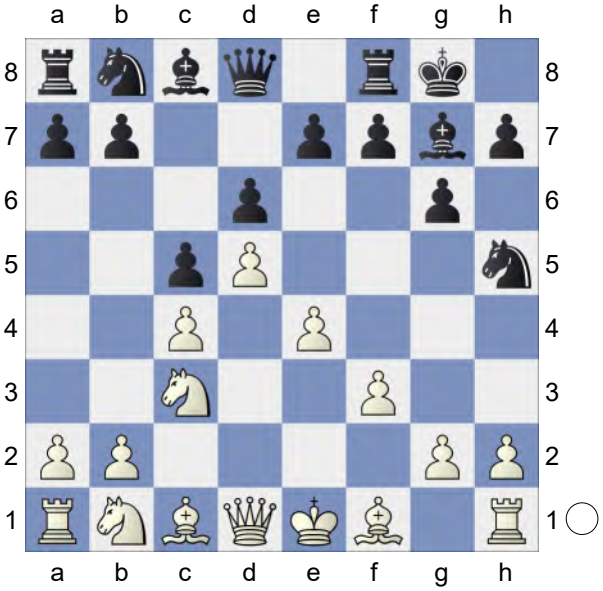

A typical King's Indian move which can be excellent or strategically bad depending upon the

circumstances. (As someone who lost more than a dozen rated games with an early ...Nf6-h5 move, and won much more, mainly in the King's Indian, I can state it firmly). Here the assessment is not obvious. Black is trying to use the factor that both of White's knights are on the queenside. So Black hopes that White's kingside may become vulnerable.''' ck suggestion of Houdini. Black wishes to create kingside play as both of White's knights are on the queenside. It is very unusual to be 'out of book' so early in a game between strong GM's this early nowadays, especially in a World Championship match!' Vigorito, D: 'an interesting idea which is a quick suggestion of Houdini. Black wishes to create kingside play as both of White's knights are on the queenside. It is very unusual to be 'out of book' so early in a game between strong GM's this early nowadays, especially in a World Championship match!'' Velickovic, Sasa: '* Velickovic,Sa: '{#}'' 'Both protagonists try to surprise each other and play rare moves. Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Both protagonists try to surprise each other and play rare moves.''' Krasenkow,Michal: ', played in the famous match game Anand-Gelfand, is rather experimental'

8.Bg5 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Виши не решился, но сделал вполне разумный ход. Белые не допускают e7-e6 и в свою очередь провоцируют пешечные уколы черных. То есть, пешки f7, g6 è h7 скоро могут покинут насиженные места. Борис âíî'Vigorito, D: '!?' '!?' Vigorito, D: 'An interesting probing move, which is not met in the best way.' Vigorito, D: '!?' Vigorito, D: 'An interesting probing move, which is not met in the best way.' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: '!?' 'Colin Crouch: '. Anand would never had accepted it.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'N!?''' Vigorito, D: 'An interesting probing move, which is not met in the best way.'' вь долго и упорно размышляет . Совершенно очевидно, что уже сейчас, на восьмом ходу гроссмейстеры играют самостоятельно, без аналитической домашней поддержки. Редкий случай для нынешних матчей на первенство мира!' 'Stohl,I: 'I suspect both players were more or less out of their preparation, as the position has an unforced character and can hardly be analysed at home in great detail. Therefore Anand proceeds with caution and opts for a reasonanble, but not too obvious move his opponent might not have taken into account.' Stohl,I: 'I suspect both players were more or less out of their preparation, as the position has an unforced character and can hardly be analysed at home in great detail. Therefore Anand proceeds with caution and opts for a reasonanble, but not too obvious move his opponent might not have taken into account.' Stohl, Igor: 'I suspect both players were more or less out of their preparation,

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'Возможно, ему не понравился грядущий подрыв h7-h5? Хотя, не

совсем понятно, чем плох ответ g4-g5. Другая версия такая: чемпиону не понравился план черных с e7-e6, Nf6-e8 è f7-f5. И все же мне трудно поверить в то, что черные здесь играют на равных. Например , можно продолжитьпутем'

A) 9.Be3 Сергей Шипов_17: '→ идеей расстави 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'" ть фигуры по известной схеме :' Schipkov,Boris: '!?' e6 *(9...Na6* (Stohl,Igor) (Schipkov,Boris) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) *10.Nd2 Nd7 11.Be2∞ Bd4!?* (0-1, 119) Vousatej/Rybka 2.3.2a mp - RJS/Rybka 2.3.2a mp, 3m blitz 2008... For me, it is an additional proof and argument why the classical chess cannot be as important form of chess as it was before. *)* 10.Nd2 *(10.a4 Nxd5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nxd5 f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Nbc3 fxe4 15.Bc4 exf3 16.Qc2 Qh4+ 17.Kd2 Qxc4 18.Rag1 Bf5 19.Ne7+ Kh8 20.Nxf5 Bxc3+ 21.bxc3 Qe2+ 22.Kc1 Qxc2+ 23.Kxc2 Rxf5 24.Bh6 Rf7 25.Rd1 Nc6 26.Rxd6 Ne5 27.Rhd1 Nc6 28.Rd7 Rxd7 29.Rxd7 b6 30.Rc7 Na5 31.Rf7 Kg8 32.Rxf3 Re8 33.Rf6 Nc4 34.Kb3 Ne5 35.h3 Nf7 36.Kc4 Nxh6 37.Rxh6 Kg7 38.Rc6 Re7 39.a5 bxa5 40.Rxc5 Re3 41.Rxa5 Rxh3 42.Rxa7+ Kf6 43.Kb4 Rh1 44.c4 h5 45.c5 Rb1+ 46.Ka5 h4 47.Rh7 Kg5 48.c6 Rc1 49.Kb6 Kg4 50.c7 h3 51.Rxh3 Kxh3 52.Kb7 Rxc7+ 53.Kxc7* ½-½ (53) supertactic91 (2666)-doreality (2738) Blitz 2021 *)*;

B) 9.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' e6 10.Be3 exd5 11.cxd5 Nfd7 *(11...Nbd7* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*; 11...Re8 12.a4 Nfd7 13.Na3 f5 14.gxf5 gxf5 15.Qd2 Kh8 16.0-0-0 Ne5 17.Rdg1 Bf6 18.f4 Ng6 19.Bh5 fxe4 20.Bxg6 hxg6 21.Rxg6 Bf5 22.Rg3 Nd7 23.Nc4 Nb6 24.Na3 Qd7 25.a5 Na4 26.Nxa4 Qxa4 27.Qg2 Re7 28.Rg1 Qe8 29.Nc4 Qa4 30.Rg8+ Kh7 31.Rxa8 Qxc4+ 32.Kb1 Qd3+ 33.Ka1 Qxe3 34.Rh8+ Bxh8 35.Qg8+ Kh6 36.Qxh8+ Rh7 37.Qf6+ Bg6 38.Qxg6#* 1-0 (38) supertactic91 (2660)-sina_iran (2754) Blitz 2021*; 11...a6 12.a4 Re8 13.Na3 Nbd7 14.h3 Rb8 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.f4 Ned7 17.Bf3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.Naxb5 Nb6 20.Na3 Nbxd5 21.exd5 Nd7 22.Kf2 Qh4+ 23.Kg2 Rxe3 24.Qxe3 Rxb2+ 25.Ne2 Bd4 26.Qe8+ Kg7 27.Rhf1 Ba6 28.Rae1 Nf6 29.Qd8 Bc3 30.g5 Nxd5 31.Qxd6 Nxf4+ 32.Kg1 Bd4+ 33.Kh2 Qxh3#* 0-1 (33) supertactic91 (2657)-chessm3g1c (2760) Blitz 2021*)* 12.h4 Schipkov,Boris: '!''Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'White attacks on the kingside.'''Schipkov,Boris: 'White attacks on the kingside.' f5 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.Qd2 Schipkov, Boris: ' ±' b5 15.Bh6 *(15.Nxb5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*; 15.Bg5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!?' *)* 15...a6 16.exf5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(16.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *Qxh4+ 17.Kd1 Rf7 18.exf5 Nf6 19.Ne4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 16...Ne5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ne4 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' *(18.f4* Schipkov,Boris:

'!?' *)* 18...Bxf5 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' 19.Ng5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(19.Nbc3* Schipkov,Boris: '=' *)* 19...Qe7 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 20.Nc3 Nc4 Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓' 21.Qf4 Nxb2 *(21...Nd7* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 22.Nce4 Bxe4 23.Qxe4 Qxe4 24.fxe4 Kh8 Schipkov,Boris: '∓' Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (51) Hammer,J (2633)-Stokke,K (2403) Norway 2013' 25.Bg4 Nd3+ 26.Ke2 Ne5 27.Bf5 h6 28.Ne6 Rg8 29.Nf4 Nbd7 30.h5 Rg5 31.Rh3 Nf6 32.Rah1 b4 33.Ng6+ Nxg6 34.hxg6 h5 35.Kf3 Kg7 36.Rg3 Rxg3+ 37.Kxg3 Rf8 38.Rd1 a5 39.Kf4 Re8 40.Be6 Rf8 41.Bf5 Ng4 42.Rh1 Ne5 43.Ke3 c4 44.Kd2 h4 45.Kc1 Rh8 46.Kb2 h3 47.Bxh3 Nd3+ 48.Kc2 Nf2 49.Rf1 Nxh3 50.Rf7+ Kxg6 51.Rc7 0-1 (51) Hammer,J (2633)-Stokke,K (2403) Haraldsheim NOR 2013;

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C2a) 18...b5 Schipkov,Boris: '?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' Vigorito, D: 'a thematic idea, but it does not work'' 19.axb5 axb5 20.Naxb5 Rxb5 21.Nxb5 *(21.gxf6 Qxf6 22.Bxb5 Ng4+ 23.Ke2)* 21...Neg4+ 22.fxg4 Nxe4+ 23.Kg2 Schipkov,Boris: '+- ''Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '+- '' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '+- '' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '+- ' '+-'" Ng3 24.Re1 '1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258) Wheeling 2012 1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258) Wheeling 2012 Stohl,I: '1-0,Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258)/Wheeling/2012/' Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: '1-0 (24) Ivanisevic, I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258) Wheeling USA 2012' Stohl,Igor: '1-0, Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258)/Wheeling/2012/ Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258) Wheeling 2012'' 1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258) Wheeling 2012 1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258) Wheeling 2012 Stohl, I: '1-0,Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258)/Wheeling/2012/ ' Vigorito, D: '!' Vigorito, D: '1-0 (24) Ivanisevic, I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258) Wheeling USA 2012' Stohl,Igor: '1-0,Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258)/ Wheeling/2012/ Schipkov, Boris: '1-0 (24) Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev,T (2258) Wheeling 2012'' Stohl,Igor: '1-0,Ivanisevic,I (2655)-Aliyev, T (2258)/Wheeling/2012/ Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (24)

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[8.Be2 (Stohl,Igor) Sundararajan,K Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi' e5!? 9.0-0 Nf4⇄]

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A) 9...f5 'Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?' '!?' '!?' Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' '!?' Stohl, Igor: '!?' '!?' '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?'" ' 10.exf5 gxf5 11.Be2 Schipkov, Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' *(11.Qd2* 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I'" *f4 12.Bf2 Nd7* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' *)* 11...f4 *(11...Qe8 12.f4 Nf6 13.Na3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 12.Bf2 Nd7 13.g4 Nhf6 14.Nd2 Schipkov, Boris: '!' Ne5 15.Qc2 a6 16.0-0-0 b5 17.Rhg1 Rb8 *(17...bxc4* Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *18.g5 Nd3+ 19.Bxd3 cxd3 20.Qxd3 hxg5 21.Rxg5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 18.g5 hxg5 19.Rxg5 Schipkov,Boris: '±';

B) 9...e6 10.Qd2 Сергей РЁРёР –ов_17: ', правда, пешка h6 пока вне опасности -' Re8 Сергей Шипов_17: ', →→→ Сергей Шипов: 'белые не обязаны были торопиться с резкими действиями. Куда сильнее неторопливое развитие , например , Bf1-e2 и 0-0. А еще есть интересная идея вывести коня b1 íà a3 и сделать длинную рокировку ...'' 11.Bxh6 Сергей Шипов_17: '?!' Сергей Шипов_17: 'сильно' Qh4+ 12.Kd1 Ng3 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qe1 Rh8 Сергей Шипов_17: '!']

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but' *Nd7* Schipkov,Boris: 'looks complicated and, again, about equal. ' *)*]

[Peter Leko suggested 8...f5!? Stohl,Igor: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan, K Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi"

A) 9.Qd2 f4 should be fine for Black: 10.Na3 *(10.Be2* Stohl,Igor *Nd7=)* 10...Nd7 11.Be2 Ne5;

B) 9.Nd2 Stohl,Igor Nd7 10.exf5 Rxf5 11.Nde4 Nhf6=;

C) 9.exf5 Rxf5 10.Qd2 *(10.Qc1* Stohl,Igor *Qb6↑)* 10...Qb6! 11.Be3 Bd4 with good play.]

9.Bxf6 'Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi: '!' '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

[Сергей Шипов_17: '→ удобной для черных игре вело ' 9.Qd2 Bxg5 10.Qxg5 Qb6 11.Qd2 e5 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: '- в отсутствие чернопольных слонов разумно ставить пешки на ч,рные поля.']

[Schipkov,Boris: 'Gelfand was tacitly making a draw offer with' 9.Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris" Bg7]

[9.Be3 Schipkov,Boris: '!?"Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''Schipkov,Boris: 'seems more to the point, leaving Black's kingside pieces looking rather awkward.']

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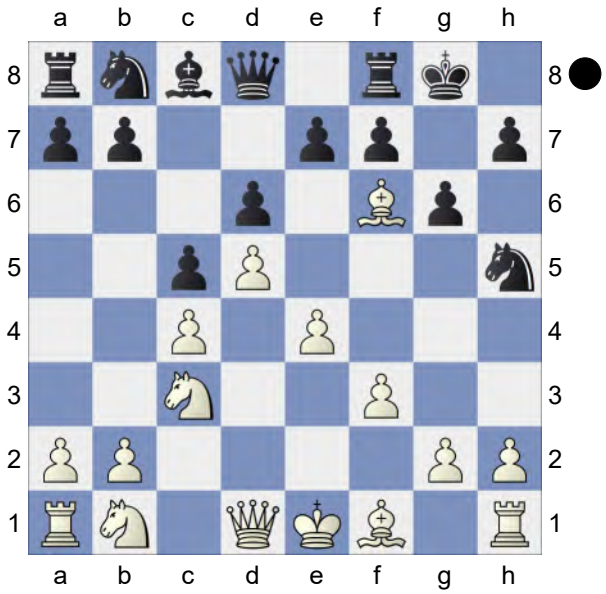

"" 9...exf6 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Никогда в жизни не видал такой картины. Пешки черных сдвоены на f6, íî èõ êîðîëåâñêèé êîíü æèâ. Жив и по-прежнему вызывает на себя огонь пешки g2.''Colin Crouch: 'This is part of Gelfand's "cunning plan". He wants to exchange his front f-pawn for one of the white pawns, while keeping the second f-pawn in place. Unfortunately, he is seriously behind in development. For example, Black would need at least four extra moves to bring the rook from a8 to e8, and even then it is not clear where the bishop, and even more so the knight on b8, will find good squares. White, too, has only one knight developed, but his other pieces are more balanced, and can get into play quickly as required.

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Сергей Шипов_17:
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Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'White is certainly somewhat better. In particular, because Black's kingside is weakened'''' сь по одной простой причине - вскоре ему пришлось бы уводить коня с f6 и, может быть , вновь на h5. Скажем, в случае ' Schipkov,Boris: '!?'Schipkov,Boris: ', which seems at least a very decent alternative:' 10.Qd2 Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'White can develop normally and enjoys a space advantage.' Vigorito, D: 'White can develop normally and enjoys a space advantage.'' *(10.Nd2 e5 11.Bd3* Сергей Шипов_17: 'трудно придумать что-то более натуральное, нежели ' *Nh5* Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' с идей f7-f5 è Qd8-g5. Здесь у черных неплохо, но человеку трудно преодолеть психологические барьеры. Хочется играть логично и последовательно ... ' *)* 10...e5 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄']

10.Qd2 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Психология индийского гроссмейстера прозрачна, как стекло. Он пока не верит в себя и потому старательно воздерживается от резких движений, предпочитая фехтовальным уколам методичную неумолимость катка . Пешка остается на g2. Белые планомерно завершают развитие . Кстати, и здесь можно будет подумать о схеме с Nb1-a3 è 0-0-0, после чего можно будет атаковать без малейших сомнений в правоте своего дела . ''Colin Crouch: 'Covering the c1-h6 diagonal is a good consistent plan. He also makes an escape square (d1) for the king, in case Black plays a later ...Qh4+. Anand was thinking quite a few moves ahead.' Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?' '!?' '!?' Colin Crouch: 'Covering the c1-h6 diagonal is a good consistent plan. He also makes an escape square (d1) for the king, in case Black plays a later ...Qh4+. Anand was thinking quite a few moves ahead.' Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?' '!?' '!?''Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: 'Covering the c1-h6 diagonal is a good consistent plan. He also makes an escape square (d1) for the king, in case Black plays a later ...Qh4+. Anand was thinking quite a few moves ahead.' Stohl,I: '!?' '!?' Stohl,Igor: '!?' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!?''' ' 'Stohl,I: 'Once again a safe choice.' Stohl,I: 'Once again a safe choice.' Stohl,Igor: 'Once again a safe choice. Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Once again a safe choice.''''

[Сергей Шипов_17: '→→ виду, явно сильнее было' Р →ергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' Стало быть, на ' 10.g4 Сергей Шипов_17: ''Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?'' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?'' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!?' '!?' Sundararajan, K: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi: '!' '!'''' и, скажем, в случае ' Сергей Шипов_17: 'приходится играть ' Schipkov,Boris: '!?' R.Scherbakov: ' ≌' R.Scherbakov: 'Black should carefully guard some possible ways of penetration into his camp. R. Scherbakov: 'Black should carefully guard some possible ways

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A) R.Scherbakov: 'The alternative R. Scherbakov: 'The alternative'' 10...Ng7 Сергей Шипов_17: '→ дальнейшим f6'Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'is awkward'''' -f5. И знаете ... я понимаю, почему Виши это не понравилось - его состояние не то, чтобы изобретать здесь атаку белых. Очень уж нестандартная игра. Хотя, на самом деле у белых заметный перевес. Сильно смотрится ' R.Scherbakov: 'does not promise too much - refer to the game Huebner - Van der Sterren/Germany 1994 for details. R. Scherbakov: 'does not promise too much - refer to the game Huebner - Van der Sterren/Germany 1994 for details.'' 11.Qe2 Сергей Шипов_17: ''(Stohl,Igor) Schipkov, Boris: 'Sundararajan,Kidambi'' ñ идеей N b 1 - d 2 и 0-0-0, а осложнения ' Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!' *(11.h4* Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' *Nd7* Schipkov, Boris: 'is no doubt also playable, with an edge for White, but Anand wants to keep his pieces, rather than his pawns, moving.'*)* 11...f5 Schipkov,Boris: '△' 12.gxf5 gxf5 Сергей Шипов_17: '?!' 13.Rg1 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' для черных крайне опасны.';

B) 10...Nf4 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''' 11.Qd2 g5 *(11...Qb6 12.Na3)* 12.h4 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Сергей Шип'Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K: ' ↑' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan,Kidambi: ' ↑' '↑'''' PsPl_17: 'у белых сильная атака.'

B1) 12...Kg7 (Stohl,Igor) (Schipkov,Boris) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net) 13.hxg5 fxg5 14.Qh2 h5! *(14...Rh8? 15.Qh6+ Kg8 16.e5±)* 15.gxh5 Nd7 with a playable position.;

B2) 12...Nd7 13.Qh2 h5 *(13...Ne5 14.Nd2 h5* Schipkov,Boris: '-13...h5'*)* 14.gxh5 *(14.hxg5 fxg5 15.gxh5 Ne5 16.Nd2 Qf6* Schipkov, Boris: ' ⩲ 'Schipkov,Boris: 'is a position Anand definitely wanted to avoid.'*)* 14...Ne5 15.Nd2 Kh8 Schipkov,Boris: ' ∞ 'Schipkov, Boris: 'is probably objectively unclear, Black's powerful knights are difficult to dislodge and in practice his position is easier to play.' *(15...b5* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *16.cxb5 a6* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' *)*]

10...f5 Сергей Шипов_17: ''Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram

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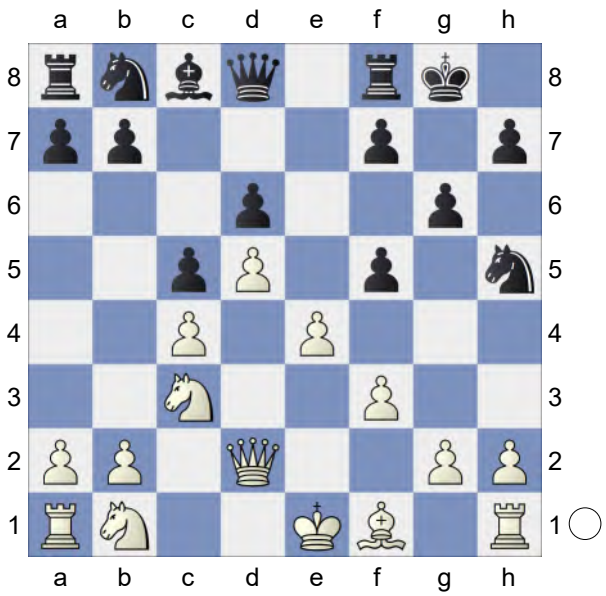

"" А вот израи льский шахматист , напротив, почувствовал кураж ! Он ход за ходом обостряет игру , завлекая соперника в осложнения. Гельфанд ку,т железо, пока горячо - пока Ананд не вернул себе игровой оптимизм . И вскрывает центр, пока соперник не эвакуировал короля .' 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: 'After"" 11.exf5 Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' Белые расчищают центр ."Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand now had a long think, recognizing that queen, rook and knight are not enough to attack the enemy king, if White has active defensive pieces. Black's other pieces are well out of play.' Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand now had a long think, recognizing that queen, rook and knight are not enough to attack the enemy king, if White has active defensive pieces. Black's other pieces are well out of play.' Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand now had a long think, recognizing that queen, rook and knight are not enough to attack the enemy king, if White has active defensive pieces. Black's other pieces are well out of play.' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'It turns that out Black still has a certain problem.""

[Сергей Шипов_17: '→→→→∞→→' 11.Bd3 Сергей Шипов_17: 'надо было считаться с ' f4 Сергей Шипов_17: '→Nb8-d7-e5.']

11...Bxf5

[Сергей Шипов_17: '→→→' Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' Изучал я также ' 11...Qh4+ Сергей Шипов_17: '→→ смотрелся, ведь после'

A) Сергей Шипов_17: 'надо смотреть и бойкое ' 12.Kd1 Bxf5 *(12...Ng3* Schipkov,Boris: '?''Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'" *13.Qf2 Nxf5 14.Qxh4 Nxh4* '. Pawns are level, neither king is under threat, and both sets of pieces are equally developed, in terms of getting off the back rank. There is, however, a horse kick at the end with . Pawns are level, neither king is under threat, and both sets of pieces are equally developed, in terms of getting off the back rank. There is, however, a horse kick at the end with Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '. Pawns are level, neither king is under threat, and both sets of pieces are equally developed, in terms of getting off the back rank. There is, however, a horse kick at the end with'" *15.Nb5* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±", winning a valuable central pawn. , winning a valuable central pawn. Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,

Boris: ', winning a valuable central pawn.'" *)*;

B) 12.Qf2 Сергей Шипов_17: 'размен ферзей пл 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'" ох для черных, так как потом не удастся взять на f5 слоном из-за g2-g4. А если'

B1) 12...Qe7+ Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' и белые не повторяют ходы путем Qf2-e2, Qe7-h4+, а просто развиваются , не боясь наскоков :' R. Scherbakov: 'and after' 13.Be2 *(13.Qe2* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Qh4+* Schipkov,Boris: '=*'; 13.Kd1* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Bxf5 14.g4 Bxb1 15.Rxb1 Nf4* Schipkov, Boris: 'is a line White wants to avoid, therefore he controls the f4-square.'*)* 13...Nf4 14.0-0 Сергей Шипов_17: '→→→ → перевесом.';

B2) 12...Qg5 Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' с угрозой вторжения на c1, то просто ' 13.Nd2]

[Сергей Шипов_17: 'Изучалось также ' 11...Re8+ Сергей Шипов_17: '!?' Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I'' R.Scherbakov: '⇄' R.Scherbakov: 'and it is unclear who is better.'

A) R.Scherbakov: 'The rook is untouchable:' 12.Kd1 Schipkov, Boris: '!' R.Scherbakov: '?' Nd7 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' R. Scherbakov: '!' *(12...Bxf5 13.g4)* 13.g4 Schipkov,Boris: '!' R. Scherbakov: ' □' Nhf6 14.fxg6 fxg6 R.Scherbakov: '↑' R.Scherbakov: 'with initiative.'R.Scherbakov: 'According to Nigel Short,' 15.Kc2 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R.Scherbakov: '!?';

B) 12.Kf2 Bxf5 Сергей Шипов_17: ', и здесь крайне сложно довести расчеты до ясной оценки. Вот первая прикидка :'Schipkov,Boris: 'After' 13.g4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' Schipkov,Boris: '(Stohl,Igor) (Schipkov,Boris) Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net)' Qh4+ *(13...Nd7!* Black has attacking prospects.*)* 14.Kg1 Re1 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' 15.Qf2 Qe7 16.gxf5 *(16.Ne4* Сергей Шипов_17: '!?' *)* 16...Qg5+ 17.Qg2 Qc1 Сергей Шипов_17: '→.. белым несладко! Значит, я был неправ, им надо играть осторожнее. Но сие осталось за бортом.']

[11...-- Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris"]

[Schipkov,Boris: '. Probably the best attempt to hold the position together is' 11...Qe7+ Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' 12.Kd1 R.Scherbakov: '+-' R.Scherbakov: 'and White has achieved technically winning position. R. Scherbakov: 'and White has achieved technically winning position.'' Bxf5 Schipkov, Boris: '. Then White could try to avoid simplification with' R.Scherbakov: ' ⌓' R.Scherbakov: 'In case of' 13.Na3 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' R.Scherbakov: ', which was tried in the game Kramnik - Karpov, Monte Carlo (blindfold) 1998, White can prevent ... b5-b4 by R. Scherbakov: ', which was tried in the game Kramnik - Karpov, Monte Carlo (blindfold) 1998, White can prevent ... b5-b4 by'' *(* Schipkov,Boris:

'or he could continue the thematic line with' *13.g4* R.Scherbakov: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'and strong passed d-pawn gives him clearly better chances. R. Scherbakov: 'and strong passed d-pawn gives him clearly better chances." *Bxb1* R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'comes into consideration although after' *14.Rxb1 Ng7* Schipkov,Boris: '.' *)*]

12.g4 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Молодец, Виши! Все же отважился начать войну. Поднял перчатку, взял в руки пистолет ... Ходом в партии белые вряд ли выиграют фигуру, ведь у черных есть в запасе размен на b1. Важнее то, что так они оттесняют активные легкие фигуры черных . Показания часов : 1.28 - 1. 18. Борис никак не может выбрать путь. Тут есть, над чем подумать . Вся хитрость в том, что на Qd8-h 4 + белые уже не станут закрываться ферзем, а ответят 'Vigorito, D: 'This may look highly risky, but White is in no danger and although this move does not win a piece, Black will be pushed back (or should be) and White will again enjoy his extra space.' Vigorito,'Stohl,I: '!" D: 'This may look highly risky, but White is in no danger and although this move does not win a piece, Black will be pushed back (or should be) and White will again enjoy his extra space.' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'The strongest continuation. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram 'The strongest continuation. The strongest continuation. Stohl,I: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK:' Stohl, Igor: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK: Schipkov,Boris: 'The strongest continuation.'' The strongest continuation. The strongest continuation. Stohl,I: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK:' Stohl,Igor: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK: Schipkov, Boris: 'The strongest continuation." Stohl,Igor: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK: Schipkov, Boris: 'The strongest continuation.' Schipkov,Boris: 'The strongest continuation. The strongest continuation. Stohl,I: 'Once the position becomes more concrete, Anand doesn't hesitate. After other moves Black is perfectly OK:""

[12.Na3 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''' R. Scherbakov: '?!' Qh4+ Schipkov, Boris: '!?' *(12...Re8+ 13.Kf2 Nf6* Schipkov,Boris: '=' Schipkov,Boris: '/ ∓' *)* 13.Kd1 R.Scherbakov: 'does not look like a play for a win:' Ng7 Schipkov,Boris: '↑']

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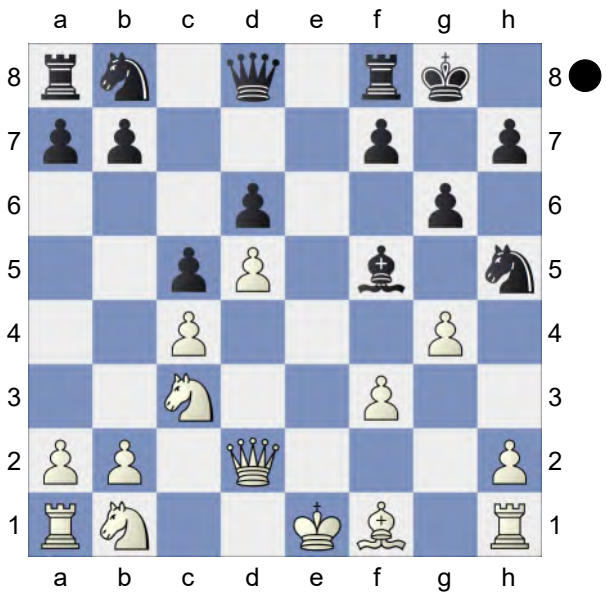

''' Vigorito, D: 'This may look highly risky, but White is in no danger and although this move does not win a piece, Black will be pushed back (or should be) and White will again enjoy his extra space." Ke1-d1, è â случае Kh5-g3 последует коварная связка Qd2-e1! ñ выигрышем фигуры. Похоже на то, что Гельфанд посеял ветер и пожинает бурю ...' Schipkov,Boris: '!' 12...Re8+ Сергей Шипов_17: 'Тоже шах ."Stohl,I: '?!' '?!' Stohl,I: 'Inaccurate, as it chases the king into a safer place.' Stohl,Igor: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vigorito, D: 'This does not change much as White is happy to walk to the queenside.' Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I: '?!' Stohl,I: 'Inaccurate, as it chases the king into a safer place. '' '?!' '?!' Stohl,I: 'Inaccurate, as it chases the king into a safer place.' Stohl,Igor: '?!' '?!' '?!' Vigorito, D: 'This does not change much as White is hap'Inaccurate, as it chases the king into a safer place. Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: '?!' '?!' Stohl, I: 'Inaccurate, as it chases the king into a safer place.' Stohl,Igor: '?!' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Possibly, an inaccuracy.'" py to walk to the queenside.' Vigorito, D: 'This does not change much as White is happy to walk to the queenside."

[Сергей Шипов_17: 'Итак, я считал здесь основным вариант' 12...Qh4+ Schipkov,Boris: 'ᓚ!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I' 13.Kd1 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' (Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' много хуже "Vigorito, D: 'when I was watching the game I thought White intended' Vigorito, D: 'when I was watching the game I thought White intended' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Not'"' *13.Qf2* 'Stohl,I Vigorito, D: '?!' '?!' Stohl,I Vigorito, D: '?!' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?!"" *Re8+* *14.Be2* Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'but then" *Qg5* Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Schipkov, Boris: '!"Δ Vigorito, D: 'threatens ... Qc1 and causes some trouble' Δ Vigorito, D: 'threatens ...Qc1 and causes some trouble' Stohl,Igor: 'Δ Schipkov,Boris: 'Δ Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '!!"' Vigorito, D: 'threatens ...Qc1 and causes some trouble" *15.gxf5* Schipkov,Boris: '?' *Qc1+* R.Scherbakov: '=' R. Scherbakov: 'and Black has nothing to worry about, Van Wely - Short, Wijk aan Zee 1997. R. Scherbakov: 'and Black has nothing to worry about, Van Wely - Short, Wijk aan Zee 1997." *16.Nd1* R.Scherbakov: '?!' *Nf4* Schipkov,Boris: '-+') 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'but then

after"" 13...Bxb1 'Stohl,Igor: 'transposes into the 11...♕h4+ line.' Stohl,Igor: 'transposes into 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'transposes into the 11...♕h4+ line.'" the 11...♕h4+ line.'' 14.Rxb1 Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I" R.Scherbakov: '↑' R. Scherbakov: 'with initiative, Akopian - Short, Groningen 1996.' Ng7 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'planning ...f5 the black rook is useful on f8.'''' R.Scherbakov: '?' R. Scherbakov: 'is bad due to' *(14...Ng3* Schipkov,Boris: '?''Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'" R. Scherbakov: '!'R.Scherbakov: 'This line is supposed to be almost harmless for Black but he should certainly know what to do. In the game Mamedyarov - Tregubov, Dubai 2002 he went wrong: R. Scherbakov: 'This line is supposed to be almost harmless for Black but he should certainly know what to do. In the game Mamedyarov - Tregubov, Dubai 2002 he went wrong:'' *15.Qe1* Schipkov,Boris: '+-' R.Scherbakov: '?!'*; 14...Nf6 15.Kc2 Nbd7* looks best to me.*)* 15.Kc2 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''' *(15.Qe1* 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris Sundararajan,K: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan,Kidambi: '!' '!"" *Qxe1+ 16.Kxe1* 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K: '±' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi: ' ± ' '±"" R.Scherbakov: '!' *Nd7 17.Ne4 Ne8 18.Kd2* Schipkov,Boris: '±' *)* 15...Nd7 R.Scherbakov: '±' R. Scherbakov: 'with a big advantage.' 16.Qe1 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'is Shipov's suggestion, the resulting endgame after' Qxe1 *(* Сергей Шипов_17: '→→ столь удачно ' *16...Qd8 17.Qg3* Сергей Шипов_17: '!' *)* 17.Rxe1 Schipkov,Boris: '=' Schipkov,Boris: '/±' R.Scherbakov: '△?' Schipkov,Boris: 'gives White a small, but riskless edge. ' f5 Сергей Шипов_17: '- →→→ окончание не выглядит плохим для черных. Конечно, полного равенства у них нет, ведь конь g7 ограничен, а пешка d6 слаба. Но жизнь продолжалась.']

['Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'The program "Houdini" likes most the immediate'''' 12...Bxb1 Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I" 13.Rxb1 Ng7 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'which is a bit strange, but maybe it is really the most flexible.'''' *(13...Nf6* 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I'" *14.h4* Schipkov,Boris: '↑' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: ' ± ' '±"*)* 14.h4 *(14.Kd1* (Stohl,Igor) Sundararajan,K Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan,Kidambi' *f5)* 14...h5 15.Kd1 'Stohl,Igor: 'Sundararajan,K: '±' Schipkov,Boris: 'Sundararajan, Kidambi: ' ± ' '±"" Nd7 16.Kc2 a6 Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris'' R.Scherbakov: 'Black is not worried about his h-pawn as White knight will be out of play after capturing it. R. Scherbakov: 'Black is not worried about his h-pawn as White knight will be out of play after capturing it.'' *(16...Ne5* 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'" *17.Be2* Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov, Boris: 'Anand'*)* R.Scherbakov: 'In the

game Van Wely - Short, Wijk aan Zee 1997 White has tried' 17.Be2 R.Scherbakov: 'but without much success:' b5 18.Rbg1 Schipkov, Boris: '±']

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13...Bxb1 Сергей Шипов_17: '→→→∞→ фигуру не спасти .' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Now this is forced.''

14.Rxb1 Сергей Шипов_17: '∞→→→, придется дерзкому коню черных возвращаться домой не солоно

хлебавши. Претендент сидит , думает, горюет... Активность черных в центре успеха не принесла, у них хуже. А чемпион , вероятно, сейчас в хорошем настроении. В принципе Ананд всегда держался за доской намного сдержаннее, чем Гельфанда - он менее темпераментный, его маска бесстрастия на лице выглядит убедительнее. Хотя , 'Colin Crouch: 'QUESTION: Does Black have to retreat his knight with highly uncomfortable play, or he can consider attacking with 14...Qf6 - ? What happens next? Clear analysis is required.
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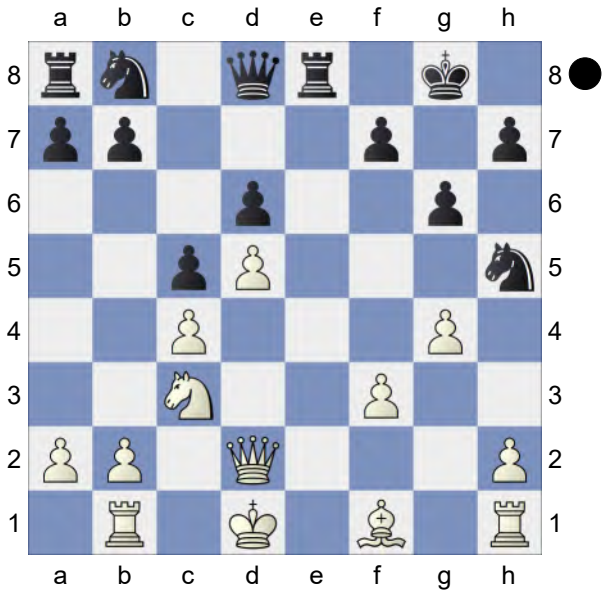

'''' накануне ясно были видны чувства Виши. Слишком горьким и болезненным было поражение ...
' 14...Qf6 Сергей Шипов_17: '∞→→ о-о? Борис продолжает азартную игру под девизом "Ни шагу назад!". Как будто это ему надо непременно отыгрываться , причем, иного шанса не представится. Столь резкой и провокационной, а вот сейчас и авантюрной игры я от него никак не ожидал. Ферзь черных идет есть ладью h1, и белые почти обязаны e, жертвовать, ведь защищая пешку f3 слоном они позволят коню h5 выйти на f4.' Schipkov,Boris: '?''Colin Crouch: 'He loses in three moves!
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[Сергей Шипов_17: 'Мирные продолжения ''Vigorito, D: 'Black had to play' Vigorito, D: 'Black had to play' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Black had to decide between''' Vigorito, D: 'Black had to play" 14...Nf6 Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: 'Stohl,I'' R.Scherbakov: '!' 15.Kc2 'Stohl,I: ' ↑' '↑' Stohl,Igor: ' ↑' '↑' ' ↑' Vigorito, D: 'with the idea h4 ± Stohl,I: '↑ ' ' ↑ ' ' ↑ ' Stohl,Igor: ' ↑ ' '↑' '↑"Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: ' ↑' '↑' Stohl, Igor: ' ↑'" Vigorito, D: 'with the idea h4±" *(15.h4* Schipkov,Boris: '±!?"Stohl,I: ' →' '→' Stohl,Igor: ' →' '→' ' →' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '±!?" Stohl,I: ' →' '→' '→' Stohl,Igor: '→' '→' ' →' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: '→Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!?' ' ±!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: ' →' '→' Stohl, Igor: ' → '" →→!?"" *)* 15...Na6 '(Stohl,Igor) Sundararajan,K Schipkov, Boris: 'Sundararajan,Kidambi'' *(15...Nbd7* Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'R. Scherbakov: '!' R. Scherbakov: '/\\ Kb5-c4-d3-e2'' *16.Be2 Re7* R.Scherbakov: '!!' R. Scherbakov: '(actually he was not going to capture on b4!) R. Scherbakov: '(actually he was not going to capture on b4!)'' *17.h4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±') 16.Rd1 *(16.a3* Δ h4-h5↑ Schipkov,Boris: 'Δ h4-h5↑ Sundararajan,Kidambi: 'Δ h4-h5↑" *)*]

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'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'though White would have had a strategic initiative in both cases ("hard for Black" as Gelfand put it).'''' 15.h4 Сергей Шипов_17: 'давали белым, может быть, не большой, но стойкий перевес .' Schipkov,Boris: '↑' R.Scherbakov: '=' R.Scherbakov: 'and Black is in time to promote his f-pawn. R. Scherbakov: 'and Black is in time to promote his f-pawn." Schipkov,Boris: 'Although White is better in both cases, the game is still far from over. Gelfand wants to avoid this an secure the f4-square for his knight...']

15.gxh5 Сергей Шипов_17: 'Только так и никак иначе .''Colin Crouch: '!' Stohl,I: '!' '!' Stohl,Igor: '!' '!' '!' Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: 'It was interesting that the Super GM commentators (Leko and Nepomniachtchi) considered this, but dismissed it. But of course they are commentating, not sitting at the board.' Colin Crouch: '!' Stohl,I: '!' '!' Stohl,Igor: '!' '!' '!' Vigorito, D: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: '!' '!' '!' Stohl,I: '!' '!' Stohl,Igor: '!''' '!' Vigorito, D: 'It was interesting that the Super GM commentators (Leko and Nepomniachtchi) considered this, but dismissed it. But of course they are commentating, not sitting at the board.' Vigorito, D: 'It was interesting that the Super GM commentators (Leko and Nepomniachtchi) considered this, but dismissed it. But of course they are commentating, not sitting at the board."

[Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'Gelfand's idea was''Schipkov,Boris: 'With the text-move possible, there was no need to calculate and evaluate the consequences of' 15.Kc2 'Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,I''' Nf4 16.Ne4 'leaves White better, but it is not so clear-cut. Black can, for instance, offer the exchange with leaves White better, but it is not so clear-cut. Black can, for instance, offer the exchange with Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'leaves White better, but it is not so clear-cut. Black can, for instance, offer the exchange with''' Rxe4 Schipkov,Boris: '!?". Vigorito, D: '!' '!' . Vigorito, D: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov, Boris: '.''' *(16...Qe5 17.Re1 Nd7* R.Scherbakov: 'Perhaps in normal game White would gain some winning chances but to beat Fritz here is an absolutely impossible task. A draw agreed. The game has not changed the assessment of this deep line. R. Scherbakov: 'Perhaps in normal game White would gain some winning chances but to beat Fritz here is an absolutely impossible task. A draw agreed. The game has not changed the assessment of this deep line.'' R.Scherbakov: 'In case of' *18.Bd3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ± ' R.Scherbakov: 'Black held balance by') 17.fxe4 Nd7 Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓ ' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'with good play on the dark squares for Black's knights."]

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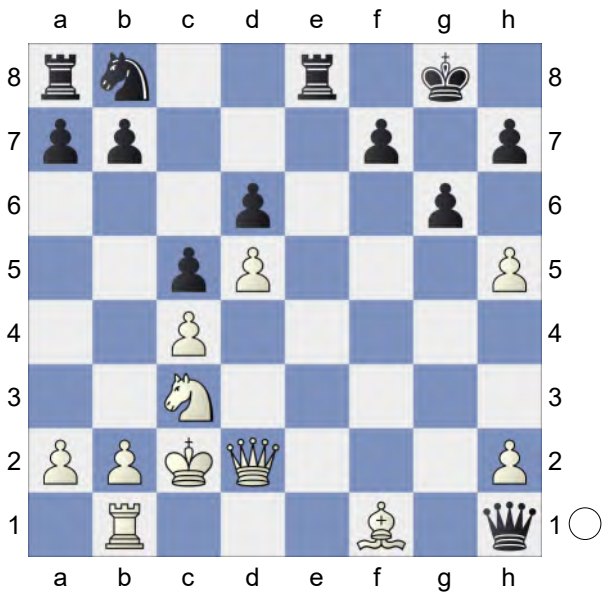

And now the move, which Gelfand missed when he went for ...Qf6."" À вернется ли обжора из похода ?' 'Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand presumably decided that it was hardly worth bothering trying to play on, with' Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand presumably decided that it was hardly worth bothering trying to play on, with' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: 'Gelfand presumably decided that it was hardly worth bothering trying to play on, with' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'After'''' 17.Qf2 Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' Вот именно . Ферзь черных стреножен . Óã'Vigorito, D: '!' '!' Vigorito, D: '!' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'White's threat is Bd3 +-. The only defence'''' рожает Bf1-d3 ñ поимкой. Нет сомнений в том, что Ананд видел эту возможность , еще играя g2-g4. А Гельфанд , видимо, обязан сейчас играть 17... Nc6, спасая ферзя ценой фигуры . Конечно, это буд 'Colin Crouch: '. The queen has been well and truly tagged.' Vigorito, D: 'This was the move that the commentators and Gelfand missed. It turns out that the queen is just trapped, and extricating it leads to a lost position. ' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!'' Colin Crouch: '. The queen has been well and truly tagged.' Vigorito, D: 'This was the move that the commentators and Gelfand missed. It turns out that the queen is just trapped, and extricating it leads to a lost position.' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!'' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: '!' '!' Schipkov, Boris: 'Colin Crouch: '. The queen has been well and truly tagged.' Threatening to trap Black's queen. Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '+-!'" Vigorito, D: 'This was the move that the commentators and Gelfand missed. It turns out that the queen is just trapped, and extricating it leads to a lost position. '' ет не сладкая позиция, но так удастся еще немного поиграть ... чЕРНЫЕ СДАЛИСЬ! Это была катастрофа Гельфанда . Представляю себе, в каком шоке сейчас его болельщики ... Присмотревшись, я понял, что сдача партии не была преждевременной. Вариант ' Schipkov,Boris: '!"Threatening to trap Black's queen. Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Threatening to trap Black's queen.''''Stohl,I: 'Resignation is hardly premature, as after' Stohl,I: 'Resignation is hardly premature, as after' Stohl,Igor: 'Resignation is hardly premature, as after Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I:

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[17...Na6 'Stohl,I Vigorito, D: 'could even be met by' Stohl,I Vigorito, D: 'could even be met by' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I''' 18.a3 Schipkov,Boris: '+-!?' *(18.Bd3 Nb4+ 19.Kd2 Nxd3 20.Kxd3* Schipkov, Boris: '+-'*; 18.Bh3* Schipkov,Boris: '+- ' *)*]

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[Schipkov,Boris: 'but not' 18.Bh3 Schipkov,Boris: '??' Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' Nd4+ Schipkov,Boris: 'and the queen escapes to f3']

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18...Qxc6 'Colin Crouch: ', as White can carry on with the presumed winning attack with' Colin Crouch: ', as White can carry on with the presumed winning attack with' Stohl, Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Colin Crouch: ', as White can carry on with the presumed winning attack with' Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'leads Black to a strategically dead position. Gelfand preferred to resign.'''' 19.Bg2 Сергей Шипов_17: ' "Stohl,I Vigorito, D: '(amongst others)' Stohl,I Vigorito, D: '(amongst others)' Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I'"

[19.Bd3 Re5 20.Rf1 'Stohl,I: '+-' '+-' Stohl,I: '→' Stohl,Igor: '+-' '+-' '+-' Stohl,I: '+-' '+-' '+-' Stohl,I: '→' Stohl, Igor: '+-' '+-' '+-"→ Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,I: '+-' '+-' Stohl,I: '→' Stohl,Igor: '+-'" ' Qc7 Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' 21.Nd5 R.Scherbakov: '!' Rxd5 22.cxd5 c4 23.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '+-']

19...Qc8

[19...Qd7 20.Nd5 Сергей Шипов_17: '!' Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Schipkov,Boris: 'Vigorito, D: 'and White's forces will overwhelm the Black position.' Vigorito, D: 'and White's forces will overwhelm the Black position.'' Qa4+ Schipkov, Boris: 'Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris'' 21.b3 Qxa2+ 22.Rb2 Qa1 Schipkov,Boris: '. The queen is however on a different corner, and this time it can be fully reactivated, if given the time, with ...Qe1. White must still be winning, but it would still need care. Perhaps the most convincing line would be' 23.Nf6+ Kg7 24.h6+ Kxh6 25.Bd5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Schipkov,Boris: ',

aiming for a big check with the queen on f7 if Black's king is forced to retreat. The most direct reply would be' R. Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'It's hard to believe but only this move is a novelty!' Qe1 Schipkov,Boris: ', but then' 26.Ng8+ Kh5 27.Bf3+ Kg5 R.Scherbakov: 'The point of White's idea - Black king is forced to retreat.' 28.Qg2+ R.Scherbakov: 'The knight looks much better than the bishop in this ending - the latter has nothing to attack. However, White should not take too much risk, trying to collect Black K-side pawns and allow his king to attack the pawns b2 and b4 - in that case the long-ranged bishop will be much more useful. R. Scherbakov: 'The knight looks much better than the bishop in this ending - the latter has nothing to attack. However, White should not take too much risk, trying to collect Black K-side pawns and allow his king to attack the pawns b2 and b4 - in that case the long-ranged bishop will be much more useful.'' Kf4 29.Rb1 Schipkov,Boris: '. White's checks have given himself the opportunity to bring the rook into play, and in view of mating threats with Rf1, he would be winning.
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20.Rf1 Schipkov,Boris: '+-'
[20.hxg6 R.Scherbakov: 'It is very important that White king cannot get the square c5.' hxg6 21.Rf1 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' R.Scherbakov: '!' R.Scherbakov: 'Computer's assistance helps to calculate deep lines very much but here it is not too difficult for human brains too. R. Scherbakov: 'Computer's assistance helps to calculate deep lines very

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20...Qf5+ 21.Qxf5 gxf5 22.Rxf5 1-0 (22) Buchicchio,G (2791)-Grankin,F (2727) Jugoslavija (ch) 7/562 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [Gabel, Andreas+Hungerkamp] Сергей РЁРёР →ов_17: ' совершенно безнадежен для черных. что ж , Ананду удалось на удивление быстро и легко отыграться . Кстати, Виши сейчас на пресс - конференции подтвердил, что он заранее видел случившуюся в реальности концовку партии. Ему , конечно, изрядно помог Борис , игравший партию слишком резко , нервно и импульсивно. Так действовать в матче на первенство мира нельзя! Не тот уровень... Судя по всему, мои робкие предположения во вступлении к данной партии оказались верными - Гельфанд просто не смог психологически освоиться в роли лидирующего в матче. Близость желанной вершины порою давит на человека намного сильнее, чем отдаление. Теперь ситуация резко изменилась. Счет сравнялся и некоторая психологическая инициатива переходит на сторону чемпиона ... Спасибо за внимание, дорогие зрители. Согласитесь, матч перестал быть скучным и размеренным. Дальше будет еще интереснее! Для вас работал гроссмейстер Сергей Шипов . Завтра мы все вместе отдохнем и встретимся в среду на девятой партии. Всего доброго!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Also interesting is queenside development with' **7...Na6** Schipkov,Boris: '!?"Stohl,I Stohl,I Stohl,Igor: 'Schipkov,Boris: 'Stohl, I'" 8.Be2 Nc7 9.Be3 a6 10.a4 Rb8 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Na3 Nfe8 13.Qd2 e6 14.a5 b5 15.axb6 Rxb6 16.Rfb1 Qb8 17.Ra2 Rb4 18.Bg5 f5 19.exf5 Rxf5 20.Bd3 Rf7 21.dxe6 Nxe6 22.Nd5 Nxg5 23.Qxg5 Nf6 Schipkov, Boris: '∓!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Laznicka, V (2596)-Polzin,R (2480)/Bundesliga/2007/'

7...a6 8.a4 Nbd7 [8...b6 9.Be2 Ra7 10.0-0 e6 11.Be3 Re8 12.Qd2 exd5 13.cxd5 Nbd7 14.Na3 Ne5 15.h3 Ned7 16.Bf4 Nf8 17.Nc4 Rd7 18.Bh2 Kh8 19.Rfe1 Ree7 20.e5 dxe5 21.Nxe5 Nxd5 22.Nxd7 Rxd7 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 24.Qc2 Bf5 25.Qb3 Ne6 26.Bc4 Nd4 27.Qe3 Rd7 28.Qe8+ Bf8 29.Be5+ Kg8 30.Bxf7+ 1-0 (30) mbchessmaster (2626)-Rousseau12 (2424) Rapid 2022]
9.Bg5 Rb8 10.Qd2 Ne5 11.Na3 Bd7 12.Be2 Qa5 13.0-0 Qb4 14.Rfb1 Bxa4 15.Nxa4 Qxa4 16.Nb5 Qb4 17.Qxb4 cxb4 18.Nd4 Rfc8 19.Rc1 h6 20.Be3 Nfd7 21.Ra4 Nc5 22.Raa1 Ned3 23.Rcb1 Ne5 24.b3 Ned7 25.Ra2 Ra8 26.Kf2 a5 27.Nb5 Ne5 28.Bd4 Ned3+ 29.Ke3 Bxd4+ 30.Nxd4 Ne5 31.f4 Ned7 32.h4 Kg7 33.g4 Ra6 34.h5 g5 35.Nf5+ Kf6 36.fxg5+ Kxg5 37.Bf3 Ne5 38.Nxe7 Re8 39.Nf5 Nxf3 40.Kxf3 Rxe4 41.Ne3 Ra8 42.Kf2 Rae8 43.Re2 Nd3+ 44.Kf3 Rf4+ 45.Kg3 Ne5 46.Rf1 Rxf1 47.Nxf1 f5 48.gxf5 Kxf5 49.Ne3+ Kg5 50.Ng4 b6 51.c5 bxc5 52.Re4 Kf5 53.Rf4+ Kg5 54.Re4 Rg8 55.Nxe5 dxe5 56.Rxe5+

Kf6+ 57.Kf4 Rg4+ 58.Kxg4 Kxe5 59.Kf3 Kxd5 60.Ke3 c4 61.Kd2 c3+ 62.Kc2 Kd4 0-1 (62) ElAsesinoFavorito (2717)-EleKtRoMaGnIt (2775) Blitz 2021

145 **8.Bg5** Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '-53/(563)'' GM Dejan Bojkov: '!?'

8...h6

[8...Na6 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲' 9.Nd2 Nc7 10.Be2 h6 11.Bh4 *(11.Be3 Nh5)* 11...Rb8 12.a3 Bd7 *(12...Qe8* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'*; 12...Qd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?'*)* 13.b4 b6 14.Qc2 Qe8 15.0-0 Nh5 16.Rfb1 Bf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' *(16...g5* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *17.Bf2 Nf4 18.Bf1* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' *g4* Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' *19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Rb3 Bd7 22.Re1 Qe7 23.Nf3* Krasenkow,Michal: '⩱' Krasenkow,Michal: '1/2 (61) Laznicka, V (2676)-Tissir,M (2366) Tromso 2014' *Ne8 24.Qd2 Bg4 25.Nd1 Nd6 26.Bg3 Ng6 27.Nf2 Bd7 28.Qc1 Rfc8 29.Rc3 Re8 30.Nd2 Kh7 31.Be2 Rg8 32.Qd1 Bf6 33.Bg4 Bg5 34.Bxd7 Qxd7 35.Nf1 Rg7 36.Nh3 Kg8 37.Qh5 f6 38.Qf3 Rf8 39.Ne3 f5 40.exf5 Bxe3+ 41.Qxe3 Nxf5 42.Qd2 Nd4 43.Qxh6 Qg4 44.Kh1 Nf4 45.Nf2 Qf5 46.Bxf4 exf4 47.Rh3 f3 48.gxf3 Nxf3 49.Qh8+ Kf7 50.Re7+ Kxe7 51.Qxg7+ Rf7 52.Qb2 Nd4 53.Kg1 Kd7 54.Re3 Qg5+ 55.Rg3 Qf4 56.Kg2 Nf5 57.Rg8 Nd4 58.Rg3 Nf5 59.Rg8 Nd4 60.Rg3 Nf5 61.Rg8* ½-½ (61) Laznicka,V (2676)-Tissir,M (2366) Tromso NOR 2014 *)*]

9.Bh4

[9.Be3 Nh5 *(9...Ne8 10.Nd2 f5 11.Bd3 f4 12.Bf2 g5 13.a3 a5 14.Na4* Krasenkow,Michal: '↑!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Arencibia Walter (2560)-Ubilava Elizbar (2555) Benasque 1991' *)*

A) 10.Nd2 f5 11.exf5 gxf5 12.Qc2 Nd7 13.0-0-0 e4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 14.g4 Krasenkow,Michal: '1-0 (44) Bulski, K (2538)-Czebe,A (2458) Slovakia 2014' *(14.fxe4 f4 15.Bf2 Ne5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩲'*)* 14...f4 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' 15.gxh5 fxe3 16.Ndxe4 Ne5 Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄';

B) 10.Qd2 Kh7 11.Na3 Na6 12.0-0-0 Nb4 13.Nab1 Bd7 14.g3 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ⩱' Krasenkow, Michal: '1-0 (40) Wallace,J (2345)-Dao,T (2480) Budapest 1995']

9...Na6

[9...Qe8 10.g4 Nh7 11.Bd3 f5 12.Nb5 fxg4 13.Nxd6 Qd7 14.Nxc8 g5 15.Bf2 Rxf3 16.Be2 Rf4 17.Nxa7 Rxa7 18.Bxc5 Ra5 19.Be3 Сергей Шипов_17: '-такую игру трудно назвать скучной , С. Слипак - А. Родригес Вила , Пинамар 2002']

10.g4 Bd7 11.Nb5 Qb6 12.Nd2 Rfb8 13.Qc2 Nc7 14.Nc3 Nce8 15.Bf2 Qd8 16.Be3 a6 17.a4 Nc7 18.Ndb1 Qe8 19.Qb3 b6 20.Be2 h5 21.Rg1 h4 22.Bg5 h3 23.Be3 Nh7 24.Na3 Qe7 25.g5 Ne8 26.0-0-0 Bh8 27.Qc2 Ng7 28.f4 exf4 29.Bxf4 Ne8 30.Rg3 Bd4 31.Qd2 b5 32.cxb5 axb5 33.axb5 Bxc3 34.Rxc3 Bxb5 35.Bxb5 Rxb5 36.Nxb5 Ra1+ 37.Kc2 Qxe4+ 38.Rd3 Qa4+ 39.b3 Ra2+ 40.Kc1 Ra1+ 41.Kb2 Ra2+ 42.Kc1 Ra1+ 43.Kc2 Ra2+ 44.Kb1 Ra1+ 45.Kb2 Ra2+ 46.Kb1 Ra1+ 47.Kc2 ½-½ (47)

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8.Be3 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'was not tested yet.' 8...Nh5 9.Nd2 f5 10.Be2 Nf4 11.g3 Ng2+ 12.Kf2 Nxe3 13.Kxe3 Qg5+ 14.Kf2 Bh6 15.Nf1 b5 16.cxb5 a6 17.Kg2 axb5 18.Nxb5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Qf6 20.Bf3 Ba6 21.Nc7 Ra7 22.Ne6 Rff7 23.a4 Bc8 24.Ra3 Bxe6 25.dxe6 Qxe6 26.Ne3 Bxe3 27.Rxe3 Nc6 28.Bg4 Qe8 29.Qxd6 Nd4 30.Qxc5 Rxa4 31.Qd5 Kg7 32.Rc1 Rb4 33.b3 Rfb7 34.Rc8 Qe7 35.Rf8 Qxf8 36.Qxe5+ Qf6 37.Qe8 Rxb3 38.e5 Qe7 39.Qa4 Rxe3 40.Qxd4 Qxe5 0-1 (40) Mikhail_Belous (2638)-MaLeKkoNihli (2668) Blitz 2023

[146] **8...Ne8** 9.h4 Bf6 [9...f5 10.Be3 *(10.h5* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!?'*)* 10...Nd7 11.Nd2 Bf6 12.g5 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' Be7 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Qc2 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Arencibia Rodriguez,W (2335)-Boudy Bueno,J (2390) Havana 1986' Ng7 15.Bh3 Rf7 16.0-0-0 Nf8 17.f4 Krasenkow,Michal: '↑' Krasenkow,Michal: '0-1 (37) Arencibia Rodriguez,W (2335)-Boudy Bueno,J (2390) Havana 1986'] 10.Qd2 Bxh4+ 11.Kd1 g5 12.Na3 Kg7 13.Nc2 Rg8 14.a3 a6 15.Bd3 Nf6 16.b4 b6 17.Ne3 Bg3 18.Ne2 Bf2 19.bxc5 bxc5 20.Nf1 Bh4 21.Neg3 Kf8 22.Ra2 a5 23.Qe3 a4 24.Rah2 Ke8 25.Qg1 Rg6 26.Bc2 h6 27.Ne2 Nbd7 28.Nc3 Nb6 29.Bd3 Rg7 30.Rb2 h5 31.Ne3 hxg4 32.fxg4 Bd7 33.Kc2 Nc8 34.Kb1 Ra6 35.Qf1 Kf8 36.Qf3 Rb6 37.Nb5 Rg6 38.Ka1 Ne7 39.Bd2 Qc8 40.Ng2 Bxg4 41.Qe3 Neg8 42.Nxh4 gxh4 43.Rxh4 Bd7 44.Be2 Qa6 45.Rh1 Rb8 46.Be1 Qb6 47.Bd1 Ke7 48.Bxa4 Ng4 49.Qc3 N8f6 50.Bc2 Ra8 51.a4 Rgg8 52.a5 Ra6 53.Ra2 Qb8 54.Ra3 Rg6 55.Qd2 Rg8 56.Bh4 Kf8 57.Be1 Ke7 58.Bh4 Kf8 59.Bg3 Qc8 60.Ka2 Qb8 61.Bd3 Rg6 62.Rh8+ Ng8 63.Be1 Kg7 64.Rh1 N4f6 65.Qe2 Kf8 66.Kb2 Ke7 67.Qd2 Bg4 68.Rh8 Qf8 69.Bc2 Qg7 70.Rh2 Nd7 71.Bh4+ Ngf6 72.Ra1 Kf8 73.Nc7 Ra7 74.Nb5 Ra6 75.Rg1 Ne8 76.Bf2 Ndf6 77.Be3 Kg8 78.Bh6 Qh7 79.Ra1 Qh8 80.Bg5 Qg7 81.Bh6 Qh8 82.Rg1 Bh5 83.Rxg6+ fxg6 84.Bg5 Qg7 85.Qe1 Qd7 86.Rg2 Ra8 87.Bd2 Kf7 88.Qe3 Kg8 89.Bd3 Qh7 90.Rg1 Bg4 91.Qf2 Qh3 92.Kc2 Qf3 93.Qh4 Qh3 94.Qxh3 Bxh3 95.Rxg6+ Kf7 96.Rg3 Bd7 97.Rg2 Ra6 98.Rh2 Ra8 99.Rh8 Kg7 100.Rh4 Kf7 101.Be2 Ra6 102.Kd3 Ra8 103.Bh5+ Nxh5 104.Rxh5 Kg7 105.Bc3 Ra6 106.Rh1 Kg8 107.Bd2 Kg7 108.Rg1+ Kf7 109.Rf1+ Kg8 110.Ra1 Kg7 111.Bg5 Bc8 112.Bd8 Bd7 113.Bb6 Kf7 114.Rh1 Kg7 115.Kc3 Ra8 116.Nc7 Nxc7 117.Bxc7 Ra6 118.Rb1 Be8 119.Rb7 Kf8 120.Rb6 Rxa5 121.Bxd6+ Kf7 122.Bxe5 Ra1 123.Rb7+ Kg6 124.Rc7 Re1 125.Kd3 Kg5 126.Bc3 Rh1 127.Rxc5 Kg4 128.Rc8 Ba4 129.Rg8+ Kf4 130.Rh8 Rb1 131.Rf8+ Kg4 132.Kd4 Rb7 133.e5 Bb3 134.d6 Rd7 135.Kc5 Rh7 136.e6 Rh5+ 137.Kb4 Kh3 138.Kxb3 Kg3 139.e7 Rh7 140.e8Q Rb7+ 141.Kc2 Rf7 142.Qxf7 Kh3 143.Rg8 Kh2 144.Qh5# 1-0 (144) Ethereal (3545)-Komododragon (3583) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

[147] **9.g5** Nh7 10.Rg1 Krasenkow, Michal: 'is met with the standard'

10...f6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'e.g.' 11.gxf6 Qxf6 12.Be2 Qh4+ 13.Kd2 Bh6+ 14.Kc2 Bxc1 15.Qxc1 Rf6 Krasenkow, Michal: 'with a satisfactory position for Black.'

148 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Both players came to the conclusion that Black is doing good after' **10.h4**

[10.Be3 h4 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Sticking to his original idea.' *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Li also considered' *10...f5 11.gxf5 gxf5 12.Qe2 f4 13.Bf2 Bf6 14.h4 Kh8* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'followed by the knight transfer from b8 to g6.'*)* 11.Qd2 Bf6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black fights for dark squares. Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'Black fights for dark squares.''' *(11...g5* Krasenkow, Michal: '!?'Krasenkow,Michal: 'was interesting. White will hardly break through on the queenside as there is an important difference from the structure with pawns on h5 and h6 (instead of h3 and h4): the f4-square is available for Black's knight, and White's knight can only control the corresponding f5-square from e3, where it obstructs his other pieces.'*)* 12.Rg1 *(12.Na3* Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was more appropriate but hardly dangerous for Black anyway:' *Bg5 13.0-0-0 a6 14.Kb1 Qf6* Krasenkow,Michal: '⇄' *)* 12...Bg5 13.Bxg5

A) 13...Nxg5 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'was another idea with equality after' Krasenkow,Michal: 'was more solid. Black certainly didn't like Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'was more solid. Black certainly didn't like'" 14.Qf2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'but then he had the following rearrangement:' *(14.Qe3 Kg7 15.Nd2 a6 16.0-0-0 Nd7* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞'*)* 14...Kg7 15.Nd2 Rh8 16.f4 *(16.0-0-0 Nd7* Krasenkow,Michal: '='*)* 16...exf4 17.Qxf4 f6 GM Dejan Bojkov: '(Harikrishna)' *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'But not the hasty' *17...Qf6* GM Dejan Bojkov: '?' *18.Qxf6+ Kxf6 19.Nb5;* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Or' *17...a6* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'which prepares Qd8-f6 (Li)' *)*;

B) 13...Qxg5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!'" GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Black can be happy with the opening outcome. In fact, he thought he is already better. Li managed to trade his "bad" bishop and if he can keep the white one blocked he can be quite optimistic about the future.' 14.Nb5 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'" GM Dejan Bojkov: 'White wants to make sure he can do something on the kingside.' *(14.Qxg5 Nxg5* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'is indeed pleasant advantage for Black.' *)* 14...Qe7 15.g5 a6 *(15...Nd7* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!?' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'at once makes sense too.'*)* 16.N5c3 Nd7 17.Qg2 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Both players are getting ready for the opening of the kingside.' Kg7 *(17...f6 18.gxf6 Rxf6 19.Qg4 g5 20.Qxh4 Rxf3* GM Dejan Bojkov: '=' *21.Nd2 Rf4 22.Qg3* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±'*)* 18.Nd2

B1) 18...Rh8 19.0-0-0 *(19.Qg4 Nhf8)* 19...Nhf8 Krasenkow, Michal: 'His position is constricted but very solid.';

B2) 18...f6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'This was unnecessary. Black had a good way to protect his h4-pawn: Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: 'This was unnecessary. Black had a good way to protect his h4-pawn:'" 19.gxf6+ Qxf6 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Black's plan is Rf8-f7,g6-g5 followed by Nd7-f8-g6 after which he will be in full command on the kingside. However, Harikrishna found a strong antidot.' *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'After' *19...Rxf6 20.Qg4* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'one of the black kingside pawns will drop.'*)* 20.Nd1 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'' GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Li Chao missed this idea. Now the knight comes to an excellent position from where it supports the demolition of the blockade.' Rf7 21.Nf2 *(21.Ne3 Ndf8 22.0-0-0 Kh8* Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' *)*

B2a) GM Dejan Bojkov: 'In case of' 21...g5 22.Nd3 *(22.Ng4 Qg6 23.0-0-0 Ndf6* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞ '*)* 22...Kh6 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Black did not like' 23.Be2 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'with the idea' Ndf8 *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Or' *23...Qg6 24.f4* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' *exf4 25.Nf3* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'and if' *Qxe4* GM Dejan Bojkov: '?' *26.Nxg5 Qxg2 27.Nxf7+* GM Dejan Bojkov: '+-'*)* 24.f4 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!!'

B2a1) 24...exf4 25.e5 dxe5 26.Ne4 f3 27.Qf2 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'with advantage. Rather than' *(27.Nxf6* GM Dejan Bojkov: '?' *fxg2 28.Nxh7 Nxh7* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'which is actually good for Black.' *)*;

B2a2) 24...gxf4 25.Qf3 Ng6 26.Qh5+ Kg7 27.Nf3 GM Dejan Bojkov: '+-' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'and there is no defense (Li Chao).';

B2b) 21...Ndf8 22.Nd3 Krasenkow,Michal: 'White has transferred his knight to an active position, and now Black needs to reckon with the breaks f3-f4 and b2-b4. Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'White has transferred his knight to an active position, and now Black needs to reckon with the breaks f3-f4 and b2-b4.'"

B2b1) 22...g5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'" Krasenkow,Michal: 'was a good way to solve his problems. If Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'was a good way to solve his problems. If''' 23.f4 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' *(23.b4 cxb4 24.Nxb4 Ng6 25.Nd3 Nf4; 23.0-0-0 Ng6 24.Kb1 Bd7* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞'*)* 23...exf4 24.e5 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' *(24.Nf3 Kh6 25.Be2 Ng6)* 24...dxe5 25.Ne4 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'and establish an attacking blockade himself.Indeed this seems unpleasant for

the second player, but is everything that bad? After' Krasenkow,Michal: 'then Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: 'then'''' *(25.Nxc5 Bf5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞') 25...Qh6 Krasenkow,Michal: '∞' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Black has many pieces ready to challenge the blockade in their turn and this should be good enough to keep the game unclear. For example:' *(25...Qg6 26.Qe2 Nd7 27.0-0-0 b5* Krasenkow,Michal: ' ∞!') 26.0-0-0 *(26.Ndxc5 g4* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' *27.hxg4 b6 28.Nd3 Ng5; 26.Nexc5 Bf5* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!') 26...f3 *(26...Bf5* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!?') 27.Qh2 g4+ 28.Rd2 g3 29.Nxg3 hxg3 30.Rxg3+ Kh8 31.Nxe5 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'and it's anyone's game.';

B2b2) 22...b5 Krasenkow, Michal: '?!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'White will break the blockade in case of:' 23.0-0-0 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!''

B2b21) GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Instead Harikrishna's recommendation' 23...bxc4 24.Nxc4 Bd7

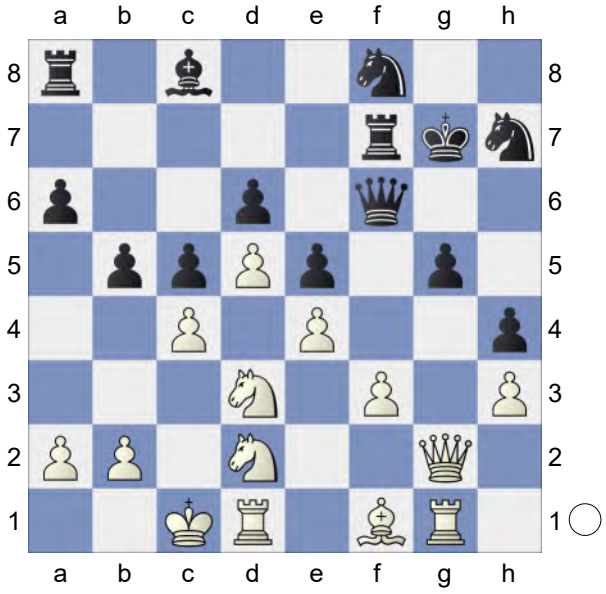
B2b211) 25.f4 exf4 26.e5 dxe5 27.Ncxe5 GM Dejan Bojkov: '?!' *(27.Ndxe5 f3)* 27...c4 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!';

B2b212) 25.Ne3 g5 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'keeps the game approximately even.' *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Or even' *25...Qxf3)*;

B2b22) 23...Bd7 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'is another option' 24.f4 exf4 25.e5 dxe5 26.Ne4 f3 27.Qh2 *(27.Qf2* GM Dejan Bojkov: '!?') 27...Qe7 *(27...Qf5* GM Dejan Bojkov: '?' *28.Nd6)* 28.d6 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'when anything can happen.';

B2b23) Krasenkow, Michal: 'It looks like Black had no better way to prevent f3-f4 and e4-e5 than' 23...Nd7;

B2b24) 23...g5 Krasenkow,Michal: '?!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram



' Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram {#} Krasenkow,M: '?!''

Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram [#]'' GM Dejan Bojkov: '?' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Only this move can be named a mistake.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'This was appropriate a move earlier but completely wrong now. Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'This was appropriate a move earlier but completely wrong now.''' 24.f4 Krasenkow,Michal: ' ±!' Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: '±!'" GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'This is very strong now. The white pieces get an access to the enemy king. ' Krasenkow,Michal: 'After White's castling this break is very powerful. Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: 'After White's castling this break is very powerful.''' exf4 25.e5 Krasenkow,Michal: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: '!'

B2b241) 25...dxe5 26.Ne4 Qh6 Krasenkow,Michal: 'was relatively better after all, e.g. Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'was relatively better after all, e.g.''' *(26...Qe7 27.d6)* 27.Nxe5 Krasenkow, Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '±''±''±''±''±'' Re7 28.Nc6 Bxh3 Krasenkow,Michal: '!?' 29.Qc2 Rxe4 30.Qxe4 Bd7 31.Qe7+ Kh8 32.Qxc5 Qf6 Krasenkow,Michal: '±';

B2b242) 25...Qf5 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Sadly, the pawn should be allowed to go to e6 as otherwise, Black's position will quickly deteriorate after' 26.e6 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'The pawn separates the flanks and this is the reason why Li Chao cannot hold on the kingside.'Krasenkow, Michal: 'This wedge tears down Black's position. Pikula,Dejan: 'Krasenkow,M: 'This wedge tears down Black's position.'"

B2b2421) 26...Re7 27.Qe4 GM Dejan Bojkov: '(Harikrishna)' *(27.Ne4; 27.Nf2 bxc4 28.Nxc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 27...Kf6 28.Nf2 GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'would win for White. ';

B2b2422) 26...bxc4 27.Nxc4 f3 28.Qd2 *(28.Qh2)* 28...Qxd5 29.Qc3+ Rf6 30.Nf4 GM Dejan Bojkov:

'(Svidler)' *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Or the simple' *30.e7* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'are two other winning lines.' *)*;

B2b2423)

GM Dejan Bojkov: 'PerhapsBlack's last chance was to sacrifice the piece at once with' 26...Nxe6 27.dxe6 Bb7 28.Qf2 Qxe6 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'although this should also be won for the Indian GM.';

B2b2424) 26...f3

B2b24241)

27.Nxf3 Qxf3 28.exf7 Qe3+ 29.Kb1 bxc4 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'followed by c4-c3 (Harikrishna)' *(29...Bxh3)*;

B2b24242) 27.Qh2 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Better than' 27...Bxe6 Krasenkow,Michal: '□' Krasenkow, Michal: 'Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: '□'" *(27...Re7 28.Qxd6* GM Dejan Bojkov: '+-' *)* 28.dxe6 Qxe6 *(28...Nxe6 29.Qxd6 Nd4 30.Qe5+* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)* 29.Nf2 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Black has 3 pawns for the piece but they are weak; besides, his king is under attack. The rest is easy. Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: 'Black has 3 pawns for the piece but they are weak; besides, his king is under attack. The rest is easy.''' *(29.Re1 Qh6 30.Nf2* Krasenkow, Michal: '+-' *)* 29...Qe3 *(* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'Maybe' *29...Rd8 30.Bd3* GM Dejan Bojkov: 'was a try for Black.' *)* 30.Ng4 Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-'" Qf4 31.Qxf4 Rxf4 32.Nxf3 Krasenkow, Michal: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: '!' GM Dejan Bojkov: 'A small tactic to get rid of Black's most dangerous pawn. The game is essentially over.' Krasenkow,Michal: 'A small tactical trick, winning a pawn. Pikula, Dejan: 'Krasenkow, M: 'A small tactical

trick, winning a pawn.'" bxc4 *(32...Rxf3 33.Bg2* Krasenkow,Michal: 'Pikula,Dejan: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-'' GM Dejan Bojkov: '+-'*)* 33.Ngh2 Ne6 34.Rxd6 **B2b242421)** 34...Re8 35.Rxa6 *(35.Ne5 Re7 36.Bxc4* Krasenkow,Michal: '+-' *)*; **B2b242422)** 34...Nd4 35.Rd7+ Kh8 36.Ne5 Nf8 37.Rf7 Re4 38.Rxg5 Rd8 39.Rxf8+ Rxf8 40.Ng6+ Kg7 41.Nxf8+ Kxf8 42.Rxc5 1-0 (42) Lihotsky,L (2763)-Lukas,W (2755) Lugano 2016 200 Traps In The Opening [The Chess World iii pp46-7]]

[10.gxh5 GM Dejan Bojkov: 'is not good on the account of' Qh4+ 11.Kd2 Qxh5 GM Dejan Bojkov: '∓']

10...Bf6 11.g5

[11.gxh5 Bxh4+ 12.Kd2 g5 13.Kc2]

11...Be7

[11...Bg7 12.Be3 f6 13.Rg1 fxg5 14.hxg5 Krasenkow,Michal: '±']

12.Qe2 f6 13.gxf6 Bxf6 14.Qf2 Bg7 15.Be3 Rf6 16.Nd2 Qf8 17.0-0-0 Bh6 18.Ne2 a6 19.Kb1 b6 20.Nc1 Ra7

[20...Kh8 21.Rg1 Ra7 22.a3 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Rg7 24.Qb3 Qd8 25.Nd3 Rf8 26.Ka2 Kg8 27.Rh1 Nf6 28.Re1 b5 29.cxb5 axb5 30.Qxb5 Nfd7 31.Qb3 Nb6 32.Rc1 Ba6 33.Qd1 Qf6 34.Nf2 Qe7 35.Qe1 Bxf1 36.Qxf1 N8d7 37.Nd1 Rf4 38.Qh3 Qd8 39.Qg3 Qa8 40.Ne3 Kh7 41.Rhg1 Rf6 42.Qf2 Na4 43.Qg2 Rgf7 44.Qg5 Qb8 45.Rc2 Qc8 46.Nd1 Nab6 47.Nf2 Qa6 48.Nh3 Nf8 49.Re1 Kg7 50.Qg2 Qa4 51.Rc3 Qa6 52.Rec1 Rc7 53.Qf2 Kg8 54.Ng5 Ra7 55.f4 exf4 56.Rf3 Qa4 57.Rxf4 Rxf4 58.Qxf4 Nxd5 59.Qxd6 Nb4+ 60.Kb1 Rd7 61.Qf6 Qa6 62.Qxa6 Nxa6 63.Ndf3 Rc7 64.Rd1 c4 65.Kc2 Nc5 66.Rd4 Nce6 67.Rd6 Nc5 68.e5 Kg7 69.Rd4 Na4 70.e6 Kf6 71.Rf4+ Kg7 72.Re4 Kf6 73.e7 Rxe7 74.Rxc4 Ra7 75.b3 Nb6 76.Rc6+ Ke7 77.Rxb6 Rxa3 78.Ne5 Kd8 79.Ne6+ Nxe6 80.Rxe6 Kc8 81.Rxg6 Ra2+ 82.Kd3 Rh2 83.Rh6 Rxh4 84.Rh7 Rf4 85.Rxh5 1-0 (85) Berserk (3476)-SlowChess Blitz 2.9 avx2 (3455) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

21.a3 Bxe3 22.Qxe3 Qd8 23.Nd3 Rg7 24.Ka2 Nf8 25.Qg5 Nh7 26.Qg3 Qf8 27.Rc1 b5 28.Be2 Bd7 29.Bd1 bxc4 30.Nxc4 Bb5 31.Nf2 Qd8 32.Nh3 Nd7 33.Rg1 Qe7 34.Rc3 Qf8 35.Rg2 Kh8 36.Ka1 Rgf7 37.Qe1 Qc8 38.Rh2 Rg7 39.Qg3 Qf8 40.Rc1 Qe7 41.Rh1 Qd8 42.Rc3 a5 43.Rg1 a4 44.Qf2 Qe7 45.Be2 Ba6 46.Qe1 Rf8 47.Rg2 Rf6 48.Bd1 Bb5 49.Ka2 Ba6 50.Qg3 Qf8 51.Rf2 Rgf7 52.Ka1 Qb8 53.Qh2 Qc7 54.Qg1 Qc8 55.Nd2 Bb5 56.Rg2 Ndf8 57.Rg3 Qe8 58.Nc4 Rg7 59.Qe1 Qd8 60.Rg1 Nd7 61.Qg3 Qf8 62.Rg2 Rg8 63.Rg1 Qe7 64.Rc2 Qf8 65.Be2 Ba6 66.Qf2 Rg7 67.Rc3 Qd8 68.Bd1 Bb5

69.Ka2 Qb8 70.Qe3 Qd8 71.Qe1 Qc8 72.Qg3 Qb8 73.Qf2 Rg8 74.Qe3 Qd8 75.Rc2 Qe7 76.Be2 Ba6 77.Rc3 Rf7 78.Qf2 Qf6 79.Qe1 Rfg7 80.Rg2 Rf8 81.Qg3 Kg8 82.Ka1 Kh8 83.Rc1 Kg8 84.Rf1 Rb8 85.Qe1 Bxc4 86.Bxc4 Qe7 87.Be2 Qf6 88.Bc4 Qe7 89.Qg3 Kh8 90.Rfg1 Qf6 91.Rf2 Nb6 92.Be2 Nd7 93.Bd1 c4 94.Rc2 Nc5 95.Rxc4 Rgb7 96.Rg2 Qg7 97.Qe1 Qf6 98.Rcc2 Kg8 99.Rc3 Nf8 100.Ng5 Qf4 101.Rd2 Nfd7 102.Qf2 Rb5 103.Ne6 Qf6 104.Qg1 R5b7 105.Rg2 Kh7 106.Ng5+ Kg7 107.Qe3 Kg8 108.Rc4 Nb6 109.Rxc5 dxc5 110.Ne6 Kh7 111.Nxc5 Rg7 112.Ne6 Rgb7 113.Ng5+ Kg8 114.Rc2 Nc8 115.Ne6 Nd6 116.Qh6 Nf7 117.Qc1 Nd6 118.Rg2 Nf7 119.Bxa4 Kh7 120.Qg1 Re7 121.Kb1 Reb7 122.Nc5 Nd6 123.Nxb7 Rxb7 124.Ka1 Rg7 125.Qf2 g5 126.hxg5 Rxg5 127.Ka2 Rxg2 128.Qxg2 Kh6 129.Bd7 Qf7 130.Qh3 Kg5 131.a4 Nc4 132.Qf5+ Qxf5 133.Bxf5 Kf4 134.Kb3 Nd6 135.a5 h4 136.Bd7 Kg5 137.a6 Ne8 138.a7 Nc7 139.d6 Na8 140.Bh3 Kf6 141.Kb4 Kf7 142.d7 Ke7 143.Kc5 Nc7 144.Kc6 Kd8 145.Kb7 Na8 146.Kxa8 Kc7 147.b4 Kd8 148.Kb7 Ke7 149.a8Q Kf7 150.Qh8 Kg6 151.d8Q Kf7 152.Qh7#

1-0 (152) Komododragon (3583)-Ethereal (3545) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

[149] **5.Nc3** e4 6.g4 h6 7.d6 Bg7 8.g5 hxg5 9.Bxg5 Qa5 10.Bg2 Nh7 11.Bd2 e3 12.Bxe3 Bxc3+ 13.bxc3 Qxc3+ 14.Bd2 Qf6 15.f4 Nc6 16.h4 Rg8 17.e4 Qxd6 18.Ne2 Qe7 19.Nc3 Nf6 20.Qa4 Kf8 21.e5 d6 22.0-0-0 dxe5 23.fxe5 Ng4 24.Nd5 Qxe5 25.Bc3 Qd6 26.Rd2 Nce5 27.Re1 Bf5 28.Bh3 Nf3 29.Nf6 Qxf6 30.Bxf6 Nxf6 31.Bxf5 gxf5 32.Qb5 Nxd2 33.Qxb7 Kg7 34.Qg2+ Kh7 35.Qxd2 Rg4 36.Qd6 Rxc4+ 37.Kb2 Kg7 38.Qe5 Rg4 39.Qxf5 Rh8 40.Rf1 Rg6 41.Qxc5 a6 42.Qc4 Rb8+ 43.Ka1 Rb5 44.h5 Rxh5 45.Qxa6 Rhg5 46.Qc6 Ng4 47.Qc3+ Ne5 48.Re1 Re6 49.a4 Rc6 50.Qd2 Nf3 51.Qb2+ Rf6 52.Rf1 Kg6 53.Qb8 Rg4 54.Qg8+ Kh5 55.Rh1+ Nh4 56.Qh8+ Kg5 57.Qg7+ Rg6 58.Qe5+ Nf5 59.Qb5 Kf6 60.Rf1 R4g5 61.a5 Rg8 62.a6 Kg6 63.a7 Ng3 64.Qa6+ Kh5 65.Rb1 Ra8 66.Rb8 Nf5 67.Qb7 Rg1+ 68.Kb2 Rxa7 69.Qxa7 Rg7 70.Qf2 Nh6 71.Kc3 Kg6 72.Rh8 Nf5 73.Kd3 f6 74.Ke4 Re7+ 75.Kf4 Ng7 76.Qc2+ Kf7 77.Rh6 Ne6+ 78.Kg4 Nf8 79.Qf5 Re6 80.Rh8 Re7 81.Qd5+ Ke8 82.Kf4 Re1 83.Qa8+ Kd7 84.Rxf8

1-0 (84) LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573)-Ethereal (3532) tcec-chess.com INT 2023

5.dxe6 dxe6 6.Qxd8+ Kxd8 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Bf4 Nbd7 9.0-0-0 Ke7 10.Bd6+ Kd8 11.e4 b6 12.Nh3 Ne8 13.Bg3 Bd4 14.Nb5 e5 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.f4 f6 17.Bh4 Kc7 18.fxe5 fxe5 19.Ng5 Nd6 20.Bg3 h6 21.Ne6+ Kc6 22.Nxd4+ exd4 23.Rxd4 Nb7 24.b4 b5 25.cxb5+ Kb6 26.a4 a5 27.bxa6 Rxa6 28.Bxa6 Kxa6 29.Kb2 Re8 30.Rc1 Ka7 31.Rc7 Nb6 32.a5 Na8 33.Rg7 Be6 34.b5 Rc8 35.a6 1-0 (35) MaLeKkoNihli (2669)-PierreMenard33 (2647) Blitz 2022

[150] **5...Nh5** 6.Ne2 d6 7.Nbc3 f5 8.Be3 Nd7 9.g3 Ndf6 10.Bh3 fxe4 11.Bxc8 Qxc8 12.Nxe4 Nxe4 13.fxe4 Qh3 14.Qa4+ Qd7 15.Qxd7+ Kxd7 16.a3 Nf6 17.Nc3 Ng4 18.Bg1 h5 19.h3 Nf6 20.Ke2 Bh6 21.Be3 Bxe3

22.Kxe3 Raf8 23.Raf1 Rf7 24.b4 b6 25.bxc5 bxc5 26.Rb1 Rc8 27.Rb7+ Ke8 28.Nb5 Rxb7 29.Nxd6+ Ke7 30.Nxb7 Nd7 31.Na5 Nb6 32.Rc1 Kd6 33.Nb3 Rb8 34.Nd2 a5 35.Rb1 Kc7 36.Rf1 Nd7 37.Rf7 Rb2 38.Rg7 Ra2 39.Rxg6 Rxa3+ 40.Ke2 a4 41.h4 Ra1 42.Ra6 a3 43.Nb3 Ra2+ 44.Kd3 Kd8 45.Nd2 Ra1 46.Kc2 a2 47.Nb3 Rg1 48.Rxa2 Rxg3 49.Kb1 Nb6 50.Rb2 Nxc4 51.Nxc5 Nxb2 52.Kxb2 Ke7 53.Nb3 Re3 54.Ka3 Rxe4 55.Nc5 Rxh4 56.Ne4 Rxe4 57.d6+ Kxd6 0-1 (57) supertactic91 (2733)-shahinlorpari (2754) Blitz 2021

151 **6.g3** Na6 7.Nc3 Bd7 8.Nh3 h5 9.a3 Nc7 10.Bg5 Bh6 11.Bxh6 Rxh6 12.Qd2 Rh8 13.f4 Qe7 14.Ng5 Nh7 15.Nf3 exf4 16.gxf4 Bg4 17.Be2 f5 18.0-0 0-0-0 19.Rae1 fxe4 20.Nxe4 Rhe8 21.Bd3 Bxf3 22.Rxf3 Nf6 23.Rg3 Nxe4 24.Rxe4 Qf6 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 26.Bxg6 h4 27.Rg4 Rf8 28.Kg2 Qe7 29.Kf3 b5 30.Qe3 Qf6 31.Qc3 Qe7 32.b3 h3 33.f5 Kb8 34.a4 b4 35.Qe3 Qf6 36.Kg3 Rh8 37.Re4 Qb2 38.Qf2 Qf6 39.Kg4 Kc8 40.a5 a6 41.Qg3 Kd8 42.Qe3 Qh4+ 43.Kf3 Qf6 44.Kg3 Qb2 45.Qf2 Qf6 46.Qe3 Kd7 47.Kg4 Qh4+ 48.Kf3 Qf6 49.Kg4 Qh4+ 50.Kf3 Qf6 51.Qe1 Qb2 52.Qf2 Qf6 53.Qg3 Kc8 54.Qg4 Qc3+ 55.Re3 Qf6 56.Kg3 Kb8 57.Re4 Qa1 58.Kf4 Qf6 59.Kg3 Qa1 60.Bh5 Kb7 61.Kh4 Qf6+ 62.Qg5 Qb2 63.Qf4 Qf6+ 64.Qg5 Qb2 65.Qf4 Qf6+ 66.Kg4 Qg7+ 67.Bg6 Qf6 68.Qf2 Kc8 69.Re3 Rh6 70.Re2 Rh8 71.Re3 Rh6 72.Qg3 Rh8 73.Re4 Kd7 74.Qe1 Kd8 75.Qe3 Qh4+ 76.Kf3 Qf6 77.Ke2 Kc8 78.Qg3 Qa1 79.Kf3 Qf6 80.Qg1 Kb7 81.Qe3 Qb2 82.Qf2 Qf6 83.Re1 Rh6 84.Kg3 Qh4+ 85.Kf3 Qf6 86.Kg3 Qg5+ 87.Kf3 Rh4 88.Re4 Rh8 89.Qg3 Qf6 90.Re6 Qc3+ ½-½ (90) Berserk (3589)-Stockfish dev-20241122-b7f173 (3677) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

6.Bd3 Nh5 7.Ne2 Be7 8.g3 Bh3 9.Rg1 f5 10.Nbc3 Nd7 11.Be3 Ndf6 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Qd2 Qd7 14.0-0-0 0-0-0 15.Rge1 Rhg8 16.Ng1 f4 17.Nxh3 Qxh3 18.Qc2 Ng7 19.gxf4 Nd7 20.fxe5 Nxe5 21.Bxc5 Bg5+ 22.Be3 Bxe3+ 23.Rxe3 Qh6 24.Qd2 Rdf8 25.Kb1 Kb8 26.Nb5 a6 27.Nd4 Qf4 28.Be2 Nf5 29.Nxf5 Rxf5 30.Qc3 Rc8 31.h3 Qh2 32.Qb4 Nd7 1-0 (32) Iturrizaga Bonelli,E (2627)-Fernandes,A (2395) Istanbul TUR 2012

152 **6...Nh5** 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Nge2 f5 10.exf5 gxf5 11.Ng3 f4 12.Nxh5 fxe3 13.Qxe3 Qh4+ 14.Ng3 e4 15.Qxe4 Rf4 16.Qe8+ Rf8 17.Qh5 Qf4 18.Be2 Bd7 19.0-0 Rf6 20.Nce4 Rg6 21.Rae1 Na6 22.Bd3 Nb4 23.Bb1 Re8 24.Ne2 Qe3+ 25.Kh1 Rh6 26.N2g3 Qf4 27.Nf6+ Qxf6 28.Rxe8+ Bxe8 29.Qxe8+ Bf8 30.Nf5 Rg6 31.Re1 Rg5 32.g4 Qxb2 1-0 (32) Laznicka,V (2665)-Langner,L (2362) Czech Republic CZE 2016

153 **10.Qd2**

[10.g4 hxg4 11.fxg4 f6 12.Nh3 Nf7 13.Nf2 g5 14.h5 Bd7 15.a3 0-0 16.0-0 a5 17.Qb3 Na6 18.Nfd1 Nh6 19.Ne3 b6 20.Rf2 Rb8 21.Raf1 Nc7 22.a4 Ne8 23.Rg2 Rf7 24.Kf2 Rh7 25.Qc2 Rb7 26.Ke1 Bc8 27.Qd1 Rbf7 28.Kd2 Rb7 29.Bd3 Bd7 30.Kc1 Bc8 31.Rgf2 Rbf7 32.Rg1 Kh8 33.Rgf1 Kg8 34.Rg2 Rh8 35.Kb1 Kh7 36.Rh2 Kg8 37.Rg2

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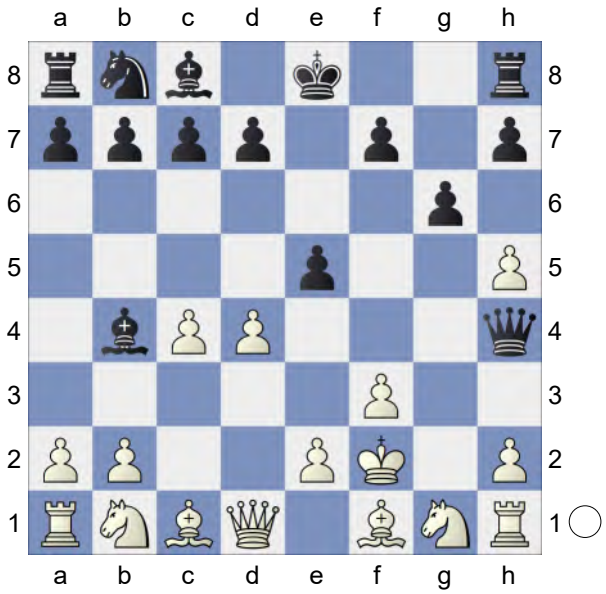
154 **4.g4** e5 5.Be3 [5.gxh5 '- 130/(186) Gledura, Benjamin: '?' '?' Gledura,Benjamin: 'Arsovic,Zoran: '- 130/(186)'"

A) 5...Bb4+ Arsovic,Zoran: '!' Arsovic,Zoran: 'Gledura,Benjamin'

A1) 6.Kf2 Qh4+ Arsovic,Zoran: 'Diagram



' 7.Kg2 *(7.Ke3 d5!-+* Khodashenas,Merrsad 2495 - Mosadeghpour, Masoud 2437, Iran 2016, when *8.cxd5 Bf5!* introduces a winning attack for Black, who has many threats here, even the funny ...Bc2 is deadly! *)*

A1a) 7...Be1!? 8.Nh3 *(not 8.Be3? gxh5-+)* but 8...d6∓ is still a clear advantage for Black;

A1b) 7...gxh5 Arsovic,Zoran: '!' 8.Nh3 *(8.f4 Be1 9.Kf3 d5-+)* 8...Rg8+ Arsovic,Zoran: '-+' 9.Ng5 Be1 10.Rg1 h6 11.Kh1 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Bf2 13.Rg3 Rxg5 0-1 (13) lordplayer64 (2625)-Drvitman (3060) Rapid 2022;

A2) 6.Nc3 Qh4+ 7.Kd2 exd4 Arsovic,Zoran: '-+' 8.Kc2 dxc3 9.bxc3 Qxc4 10.Bb2 Be7 11.e4 Qa4+ 12.Kd2 Bg5+ 13.Ke1 Bh4+ 14.Kd2 Qa5 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Qb3 Nc6 17.Ne2 d6 18.Kc2 Bf6 19.Nf4 Qb6 20.Rd1 Qf2+ 21.Be2 Be5 22.Rdf1 Qc5 23.Nd5 Nd4+ 24.Kb1 Nxb3 25.axb3 a5 26.f4 Bg7 27.b4 axb4 28.cxb4 Qa7 29.Bxg7 Qa2+ 30.Kc1 Qxe2 31.Bxh8 Ra2 32.Nxc7+ Kd7 0-1 (32) Elda64 (2700)-Yarebore (2777) Blitz 2021;

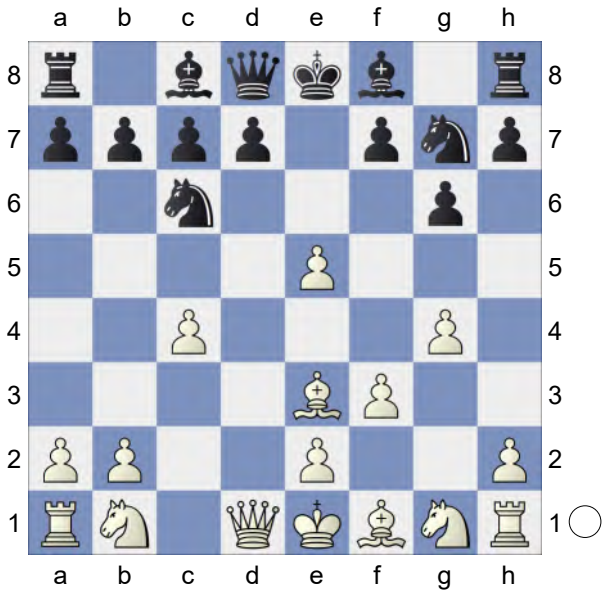
B) Arsovic,Zoran: 'not' 5...Qh4+ Arsovic,Zoran: '?' Arsovic,Zoran: 'Gledura,Benjamin' 6.Kd2 exd4 Arsovic,Zoran: 'Ponomariov, Ruslan 2714 - Aronian,Levon 2797, Beijing (blitz) 2014 because' *(6...Qxd4+ 7.Kc2 Qxc4+ 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.e4 Qc5 10.h6 d6 11.Bh3 Be6 12.a3 Nd4+ 13.Kb1 Bb3 14.Qf1 Bc4 15.Qd1 Nb3 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Nxa1 18.Kxa1 Be7 19.Ne2 0-0 20.Qd3 f5 21.Be3 Qa5 22.Rc1 Bf6 23.Kb1 Rae8 24.Qc2 Re7 25.Nc3 b5 26.Qb3 a6 27.Bf1 Rb8 28.Na2 Qa4 29.Qxa4 bxa4 30.Nb4 e4 31.Nc6 Rxb2+* 0-1 (31) AgressiveMode (2709)-dozer01 (2687) Blitz 2021*)* 7.e4 *(7.Qa4!±* stops the threat of ... Bb4 *)* 7...dxe3+ 8.Kc2 Bh6 9.Nc3 d6 10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Bd3 Na6 12.Nge2 0-0 13.a3 Re8 14.b4 Be6 15.Bb2 Bg7 16.Qe1 Qh8

17.h4 Qh5 18.Qg3 Bf5 19.Rad1 c6 20.Nf4 Bxd3+ 21.Rxd3 Qh8 22.h5 b5 23.Rdd1 g5 24.Qxg5 Qh7+ 25.Kc1 Re5 26.Qg4 Kf8 27.Ne4 bxc4 28.h6 Bh8 29.Qd7 Re7 30.Qxd6 Bxb2+ 31.Kxb2 e2 32.Nxe2 Qh8+ 33.N2c3 Nc7 34.Qf6 Qh7 35.Ng5 1-0 (35) Ponomariov,R (2714)-Aronian,L (2797) Beijing CHN 2014]

5...exd4

[5...Ng7 Gledura,Benjamin

A) 6.dxe5?! Nc6 Diagram

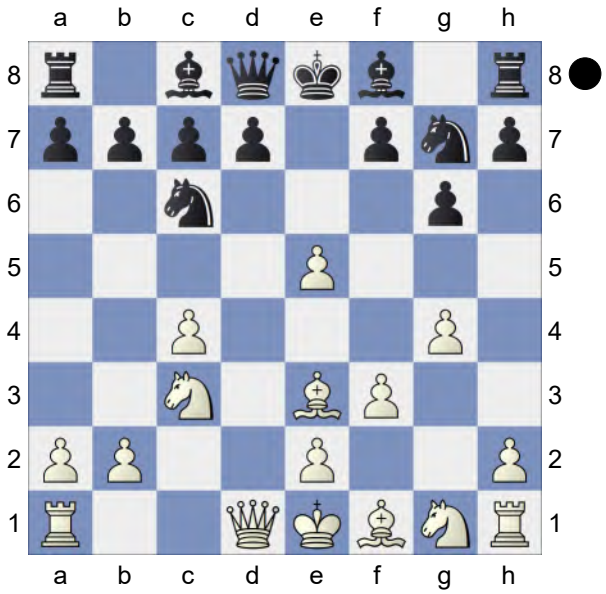


Here I think Black has more than enough compensation for the pawn and in fact stands better!

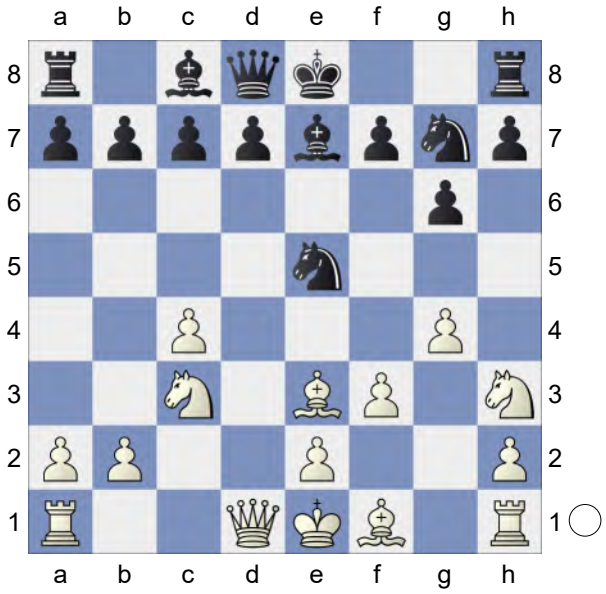
A1) 7.f4?! d6! or 8.g5 *(8.exd6 Bxg4 9.dxc7 Qxc7-+)* 8...Be6 9.exd6 Nf5!∓;

A2) 7.Nc3

(Diagram)

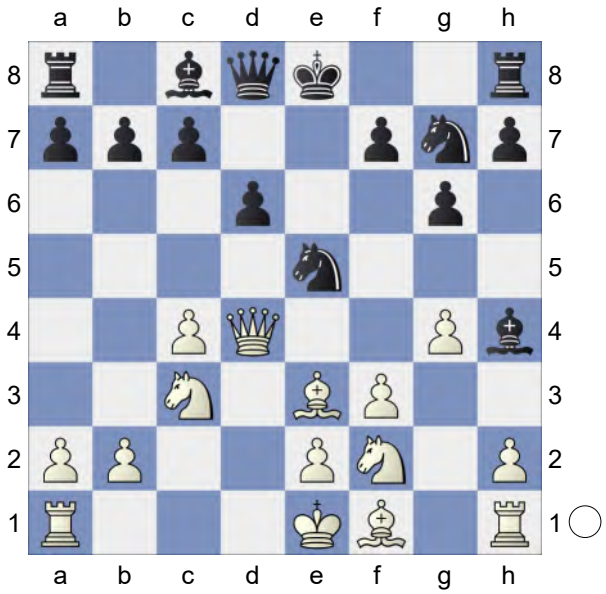


Be7 *(7...Nxe5 8.Bd4 d6∓)* 8.Nh3 Nxe5 Diagram



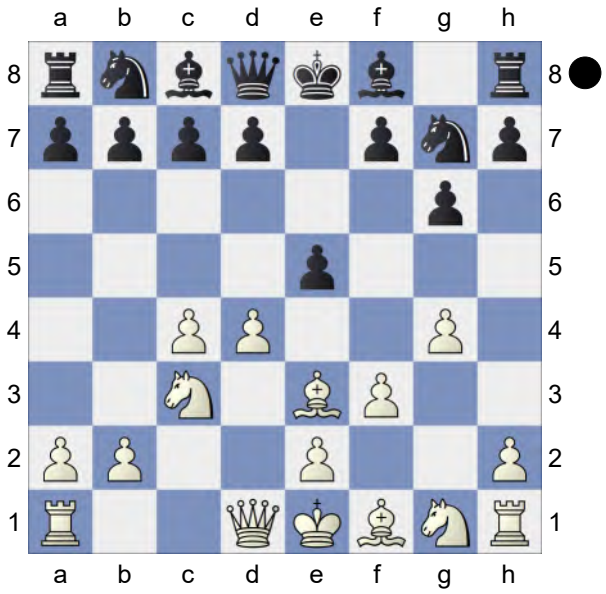
9.Qd4 *(⌓9.Qb3 Bh4+ 10.Nf2 d6 11.0-0-0 0-0↑)* 9...Bh4+ *(9...d6 10.Nd5 Bh4+ 11.Bf2 0-0 12.0-0-0 Be6∓)* 10.Nf2 d6 Diagram

(Diagram)

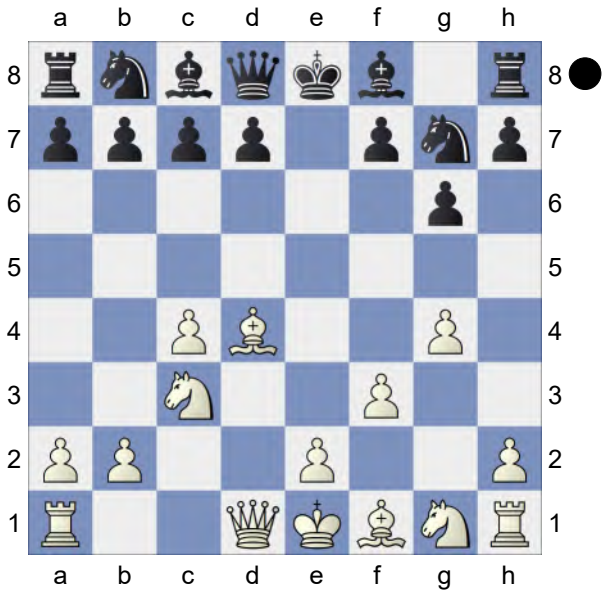


11.Nce4?! *(11.0-0-0 0-0 12.c5 f5! 13.cxd6 cxd6∓ 14.Qxd6?? Qxd6 15.Rxd6 Nc4-+)* 11...f5! 12.f4 Ne6 13.Qc3 fxe4 14.fxe5 0-0-+ Brendel, Oliver 2333 - Troff, Kayden W 2501, Atlantic City 2016.;

B) 6.Nc3 Diagram



B1) 6...exd4?! is the most human-like move, in order to follow up with ...Nc6. But unfortunately White has 7.Bxd4 Diagram

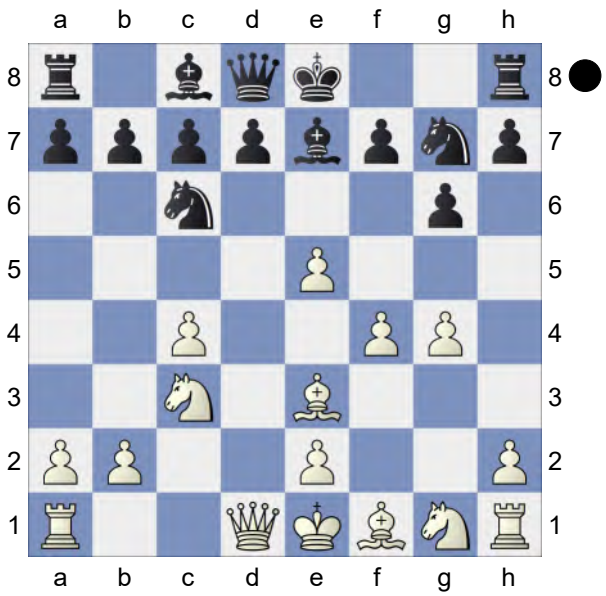


c5!? *(7...Nc6 8.Nd5! Nxd4 9.Qxd4* leaves Black with several problems: Engines say *f6! 10.0-0-0±* is not too bad, but I would not like to be Black here!*)* 8.Bf2 h5!?∞ Again a typical idea, but one which does not work well here. *(*Also *8...Nc6 9.Qd2 Ne6 10.0-0-0 Bg7 11.e3±* favours White*)* 9.Qc2 d6 10.0-0-0 hxg4 11.Kb1!⩲ and now White has very good compensation.;

B2) 6...Be7

B2a) 7.dxe5 Nc6 8.f4 Diagram *(8.Qd5 Bh4+!)*

(Diagram)



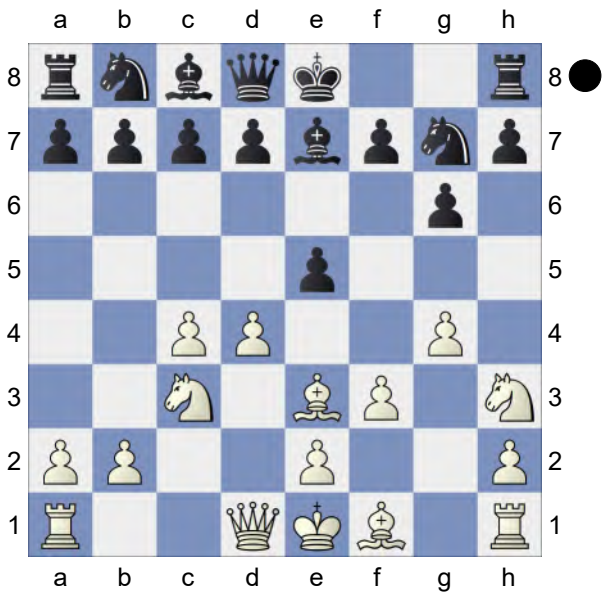
B2a1) 8...Bh4+ 9.Bf2 Bxf2+ 10.Kxf2 Qh4+ 11.Ke3 which probably no one would play with White, obviously it is a computer line! g5 *(11...d5!?; 11...d6!?)* 12.Nf3 gxf4+ 13.Kd2 Qd8∞;

B2a2) 8...d6! I think this is much better than 8...Bh4 9.g5 *(9.exd6 Bh4+ 10.Bf2 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qh4+∓)* 9...dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Bxd8∓ and this kind of position is pleasant for Black.;

B2b) 7.Bf2 h5! 8.gxh5 *(8.dxe5 Nc6)* 8...Bh4!↑;

B2c) 7.Nh3!

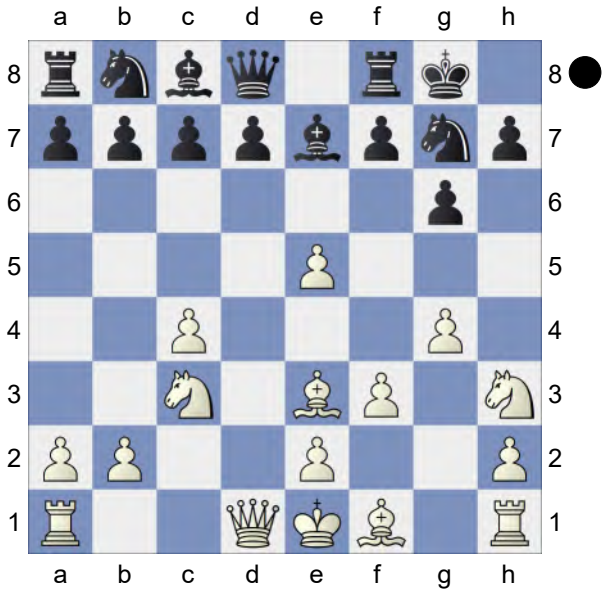
(Diagram)



B2c1) Now: 7...Bh4+ 8.Bf2 d6 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Qd5! Bxf2+ 11.Nxf2 Qe7 12.0-0-0 0-0 13.h4↑ Nc6 14.Qd2!±;

B2c2) 7...d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qxd8+ Bxd8 10.0-0-0 h5 11.Bg2 *(11.Rxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bg5+ Ke8 13.Bf6; 11.Nf2 Be6 12.b3 Nd7 13.h3 Bh4)* 11...Be6;

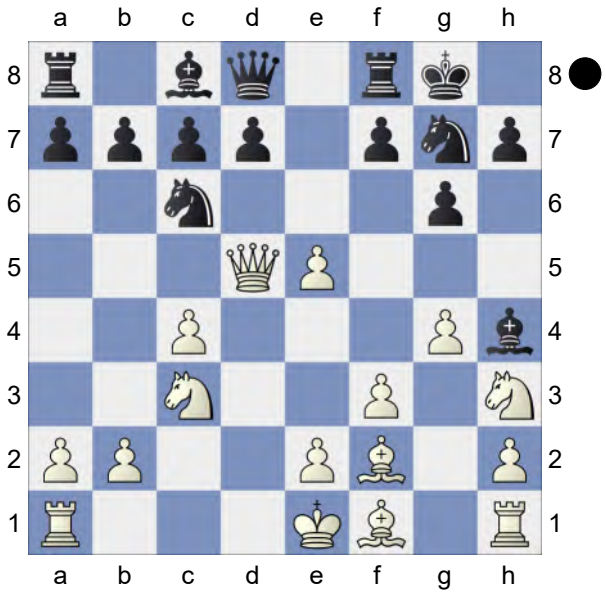
B2c3) 7...0-0 8.dxe5 Diagram



Nc6

B2c31) 9.f4 d6 10.exd6 Bxd6 11.Rg1 h5!⩱ This h5 move is a typical idea after 4.g4 and it works here too! I think Black has enough compensation: 12.g5 *(12.gxh5? Bxh3 13.Bxh3 Qh4+-+)* 12...Re8∓;

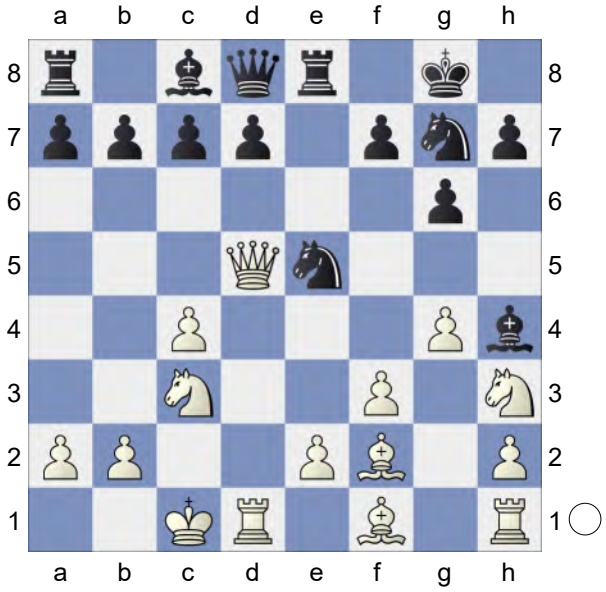
B2c32) 9.Qd5! Bh4+ 10.Bf2 Diagram



Re8 *(10...d6 11.exd6 Be6 12.Qd2 Bxf2+ 13.Nxf2 Bxc4)*

B2c321) 11.f4?! d6 12.exd6 Bxg4 13.dxc7 Qxc7! 14.Bxh4 Nb4→ You should definitely check this line with your engine, but again I think Black has enough compensation for the material sacrificed: 15.Qb5 *(15.Qd2 Nf5 16.Bf6 Ne3 17.Be5 Rxe5 18.fxe5 Nbc2+ 19.Kf2 Qxc4! 20.Rg1 Bxh3-+)* 15...Nc2+ 16.Kf2 Be6!! 17.Rd1 Ne3! 18.Rd3 Bxh3∓;

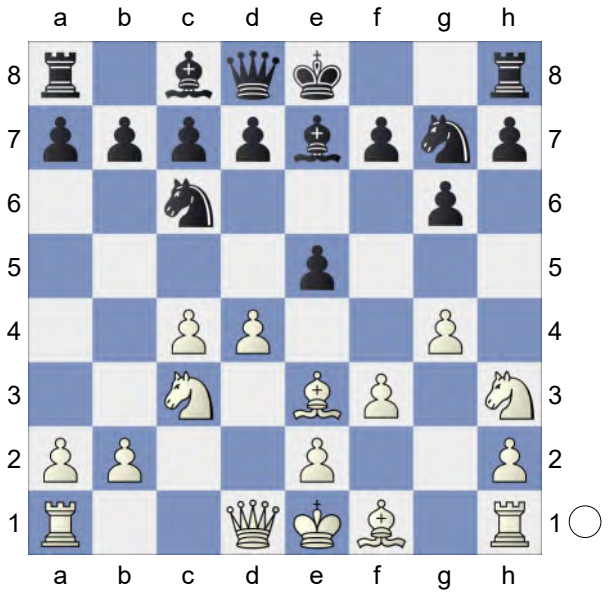
B2c322) 11.0-0-0! Nxe5 Diagram



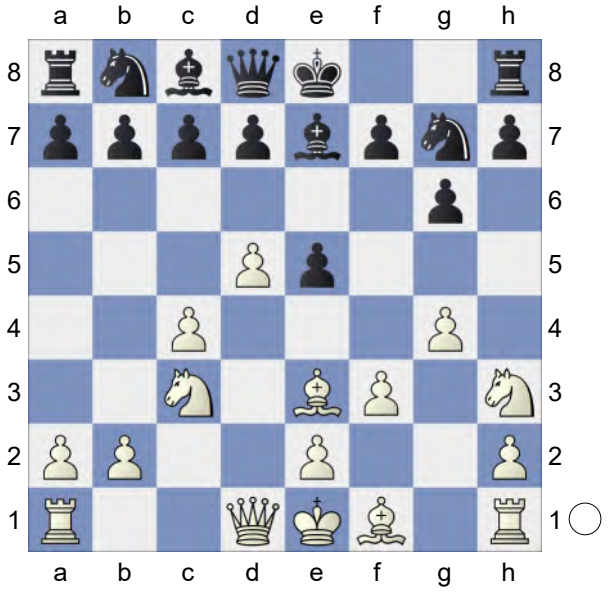
12.c5!↑ Here White has a pleasent position because of his space advantage. c6 *(12...d6 13.cxd6 cxd6 14.Qxd6; 12...Rb8 13.Bg3!±)* 13.Qb3±;

B2c4) 7...Nc6 Diagram

(Diagram)



If you play the King's Indian, then probably you will know that this kind of manoeuvre ...Nc6-d5-Nb8 is a typical idea for Black. However, I do not like it here! 8.d5 Nb8 Diagram

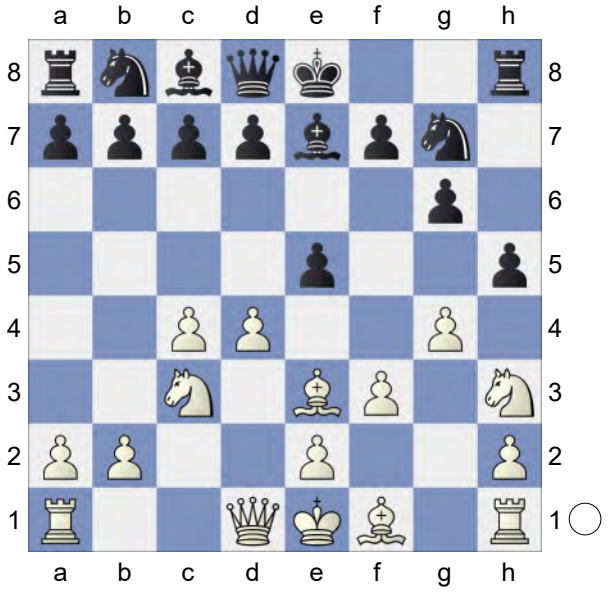


9.Qd2 *(I do not think that a human would play 9.Bh6!? when might follow Bh4+ 10.Kd2 0-0 11.Kc2 d6 12.e4 a5 13.Rc1 Na6 14.Kb1 Nc5 15.Qd2±)*

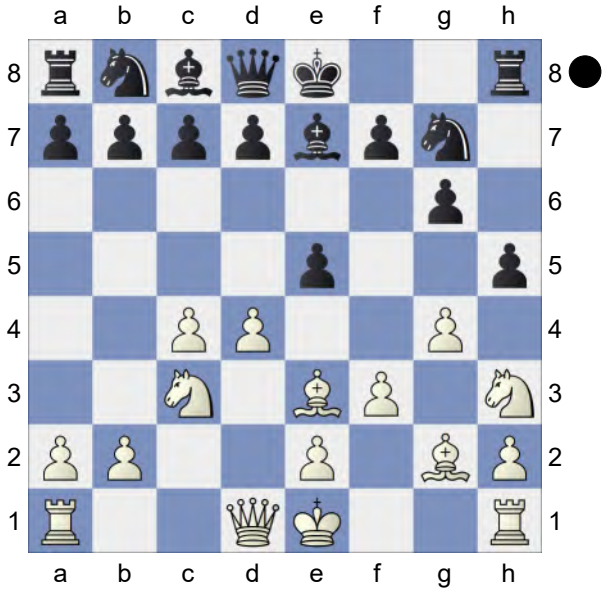
9...d6 10.Bh6 Bh4+ 11.Nf2 0-0 12.e4± *(12.Bg2 f5)*;

B2c5) 7...exd4 8.Qxd4 0-0 9.0-0-0 Nc6 10.Qd2±;

B2c6) After a lot of analysis I think I have found the best way to continue: 7...h5! Diagram

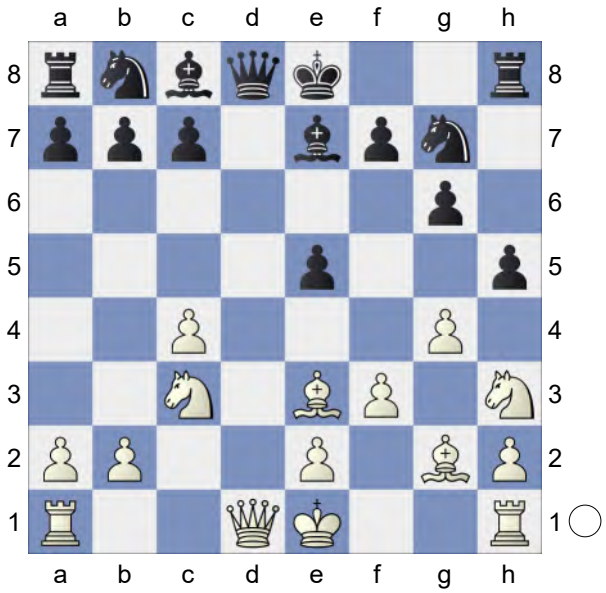


8.Bg2! Diagram *(8.gxh5?! Bh4+↑)*



B2c61) 8...exd4 9.Bxd4 hxg4 10.fxg4 0-0 11.Nd5 Nc6 12.Bc3 d6

13.Nf2 Ne5 14.0-0±;
B2c62) 8...hxg4 9.fxg4 d6 *(9...Nc6 10.d5 Nb8 11.d6 Bxd6 12.Ng5 Be7 13.h4)* 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Bxd8 12.0-0-0±;
B2c63) 8...d6! 9.dxe5 dxe5 Diagram



B2c631) 10.Nf2 Qxd1+ 11.Rxd1 Be6 12.f4 *(12.Nb5 Na6 13.b3 0-0=)* 12...c6=;
B2c632) 10.Qxd8+ Bxd8 Diagram

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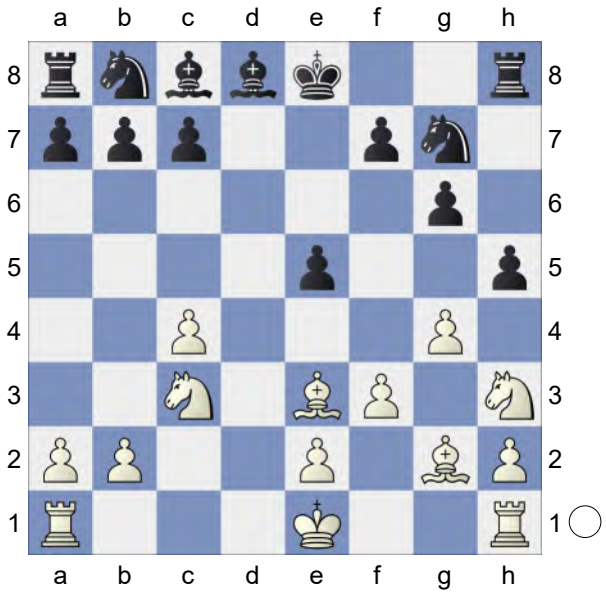
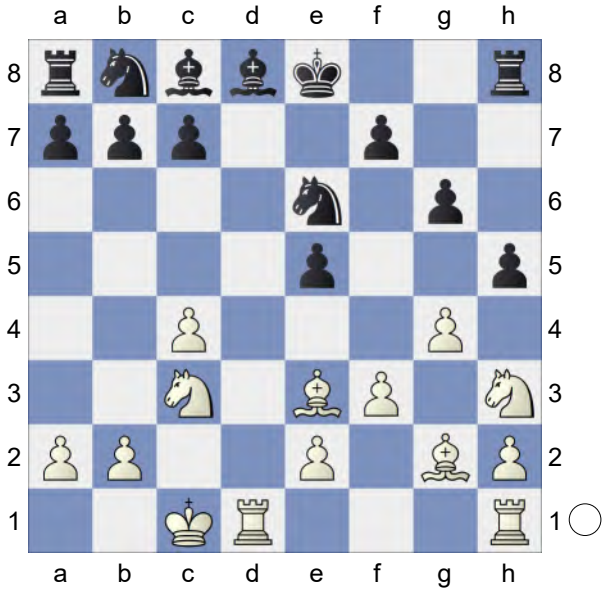
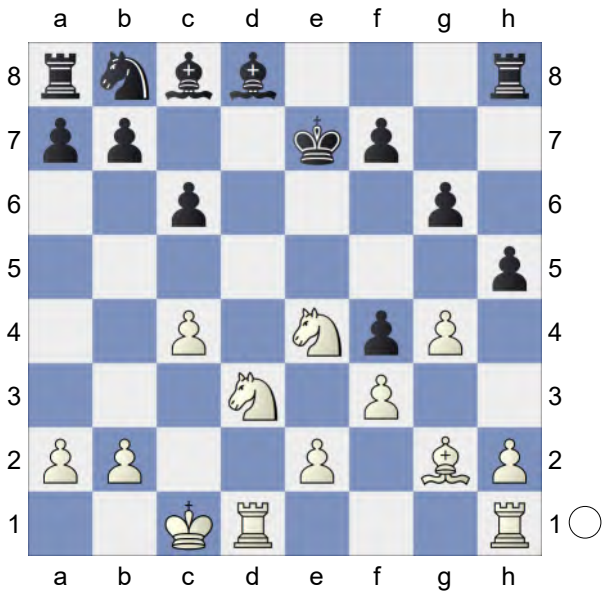


B2c6321) 11.Nf2 Be6 12.b3 Nd7 13.0-0-0 Bh4! *(13...Be7 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.cxd5 hxg4 16.fxg4 f5!?=)* 14.h3 0-0-0 15.Nfe4 f5=;
B2c6322) 11.0-0-0 Ne6 Diagram



And though Black has a solid position, it is very tricky to

play over the board! 12.Nf2 Nf4! 13.Bxf4 exf4 14.Nd3 c6! 15.Ne4 Ke7 Diagram



B2c63221) 16.gxh5 Rxh5 17.Nxf4 Rh4 18.Nd6 *(18.Nd3 Bc7⩱)* 18...Bd7 19.e3 Bb6⩱; **B2c63222)** 16.Nxf4 Bc7⩱ and Black has good compensation for the pawn.]

6.Bxd4 Ng7 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Be3 Bb4 9.Qd2 h5 10.a3 Bxc3 11.Qxc3 0-0 12.0-0-0 hxg4 13.fxg4 d6 14.h3 Re8 15.Nf3 Ne5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.Qxe5

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4.Nh3 Arsovic,Zoran: 'N' Arsovic, Zoran: '(Gledura,Benjamin) Diagram

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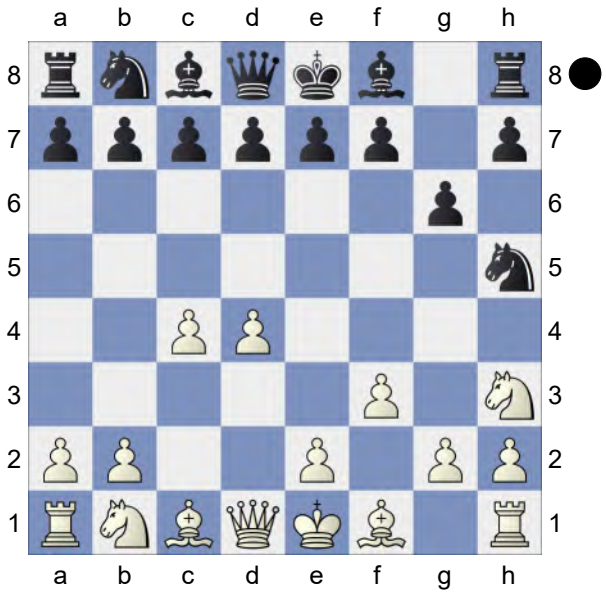


...is actually a novelty but in this 3. f3 system it is a typical way of preventing threats arising from ... Qh4. However Black should be fine here after' 4...d6

[4...d5 Arsovic,Zoran: '!' Arsovic, Zoran: 'Although black should be fine here' 5.Nf2 *(5.cxd5 Bxh3 6.gxh3 Qxd5 7.e4 Qd7 8.Be3 Bg7 9.Nc3 e5 10.dxe5 Bxe5 11.Qxd7+ Nxd7 12.0-0-0 c6 13.Kc2 Nf4 14.Ne2 g5 15.h4 h6 16.hxg5 hxg5 17.Nxf4 gxf4 18.Bf2 Nf8 19.h4 Ne6 20.Bh3 Ke7 21.Bg4 b6 22.h5 Bf6 23.Bh4 Bxh4 24.Rxh4 Rad8 25.Bxe6 Rxd1 26.Kxd1 Kxe6 27.h6 Kf6 28.Rxf4+ Kg6 29.Rg4+ Kf6 30.Rh4 Kg5 31.Rg4+ Kf6 32.Rh4 Kg5 33.Rh2 Rxh6 34.Rxh6 Kxh6 35.Ke2 Kg5 36.Ke3 f6 37.b4 c5 38.bxc5 bxc5 39.a4 a5 40.f4+ Kg4 41.f5 Kg5 42.Kf3 c4 43.Ke3 Kg4 44.Kd4 Kf4 45.Kxc4 Kxe4 46.Kb5 Kxf5 47.Kxa5 Ke5 48.Kb6 f5 49.a5 f4 50.a6 f3 51.a7 f2 52.a8Q f1Q 53.Qe8+ Kd4 54.Qd7+ Kc3 55.Qc6+ Kb2 56.Qb5+ Qxb5+ 57.Kxb5* ½-½ (57) Consent_to_treatment (2695)-

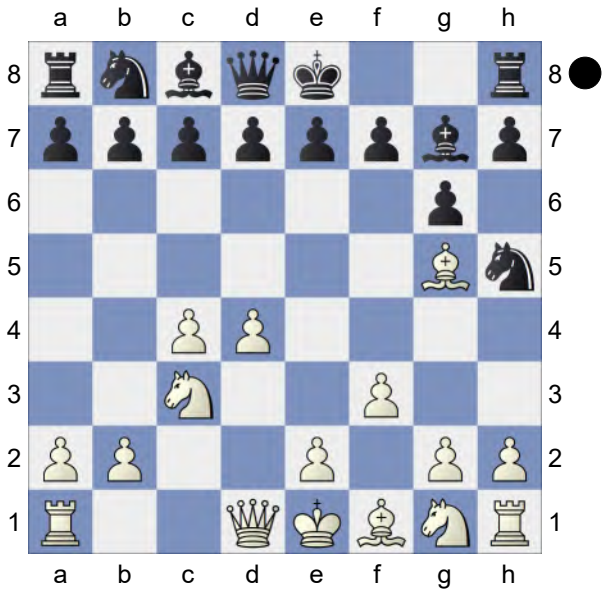
Alon7429 (2840) Blitz 2025) 5...dxc4 6.e4 *(6.e3 Be6!?∞)* 6...Bg7 7.g4 *(7.Be3 c5)* 7...Nf6 8.Bxc4 0-0 9.Nc3 Nc6 10.Be3 e5 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Be2 Be6 13.b3 Qe7 14.0-0 h5 15.h3 hxg4 16.hxg4 Rad8 17.Qc2 Nc6 18.Rad1 Nd7 19.Kg2 f5 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Nb4 22.Qd2 Rde8 23.d6 Qxe3 24.Bc4+ Kh7 25.Rh1+ Bh6 26.Rxh6+ Kxh6 27.Qxb4 Ne5 28.Bd5 fxg4 29.Rh1+ Kg7 30.Nxg4 Qe2+ 31.Kg3 Rxf3+ 0-1 (31) Lunaticxxx (2757)-venajalainen (2662) Blitz 2020]

[4...Bg7 5.g4 Nf6 6.e4 c5 7.dxc5 0-0 8.Nc3 b6 9.cxb6 Qxb6 10.Qb3 Qa5 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Be2 Rb8 13.Qc2 Rxb2 14.Qxb2 Nxe4 15.fxe4 Bxc3+ 16.Bd2 Bxb2 17.Bxa5 Bxa1 18.Bd2 Bd4 19.Nf2 Ba6 20.c5 Bxe2 21.Kxe2 Bxc5 22.Nd3 Bb6 23.Rb1 Nd4+ 24.Kd1 Rc8 25.a4 Nf3 26.Bb4 Nxh2 27.a5 Bd4 28.Bxe7 Nxg4 29.Rb4 Bc3 30.Rb7 Bxa5 31.Rxa7 Bd8 32.Bd6 Nf6 33.e5 Ne4 34.Rxd7 h5 35.Ke2 h4 36.Nf4 Ng3+ 37.Kf3 Nf5 38.Nd5 Bg5 39.Kg4 Bd8 40.Nf4 Kg7 41.Ba3 Rc3 42.Ne2 Rxa3 43.Rxd8 Ne3+ 44.Kf4 Nf5 45.Rd1 Ra4+ 46.Kf3 h3 47.Rh1 Rh4 48.Ng3 Rh8 49.Nxf5+ gxf5 50.Kf4 Kf8 51.Kxf5 Ke7 52.Ke4 h2 53.Kf4 Ke6 54.Ke4 Rh4+ 55.Kf3 Kxe5 56.Kg3 Rh7 57.Kg4 f5+ 58.Kg3 Rh8 59.Kf3 Kf6 60.Kf4 Rh4+ 61.Kg3 Rh7 62.Kf3 Kg5 63.Kg2 f4 64.Kf3 Kf5 65.Kg2 Kg5 66.Kf3 Kf5 67.Kg2 Kg5 ½-½ (67) Consent_to_treatment (2638)-chesscoach-20 (2482) Blitz 2024]

5.Nf2 Bg7 6.e4 e5 7.dxe5 Bxe5 8.Nc3 0-0 9.g3 c5 10.Be3 Nc6 11.Bg2 Re8 12.0-0 Be6 13.Qd3 Bd4 14.Bxd4 cxd4 15.Ne2 Qb6 16.b3 Nb4 17.Qxd4 Nc2 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.Rac1 Ne3 20.Rfe1 Rxa2 21.Nc3 Nxg2 22.Kxg2 Rb2 23.Rb1 Rxb1 24.Rxb1 Ra8 25.h4 Nf6 26.Nd3 Nd7 27.Kf2 Kg7 28.Ke3 f5 29.Nb5 fxe4 30.fxe4 Ra2 31.Nxd6 Rg2 32.Nf4 Rxg3+ 33.Kf2 Rg4 34.Nxe6+ Kf6 35.Nd4 Ke5 36.N4b5 Nc5 37.h5 Kf4 38.hxg6 hxg6 39.Rd1 Rg3 40.e5 Rf3+ 41.Kg2 Rg3+ 42.Kh2 Ne6 43.Rf1+ Kg4 44.Rg1 Rxg1 45.Kxg1 Kf4 46.Nf7 Kf5 47.Nbd6+ Kf4 48.Nxb7 g5 49.Nbd6 g4 50.b4 g3 51.c5 bxc5 52.b5 Kf3 53.b6 Nf4 54.Ng5+ Kg4 55.Nde4 Ne2+ 56.Kf1 Nd4 57.b7 Nc6 58.e6 c4 59.e7 c3 60.e8Q c2 61.Qc8+ Kf4 62.Qxc6 1-0 (62) Kraterrr (2823)-Igor232323 (2732) Blitz 2021

4.Bg5 c5

[4...Bg7 5.Nc3 Diagram



h6! is the most precise continuation. *(*On the other hand after *5...c5 6.d5 h6* , as played in Kavutskiy,Konstantin 2373 - Mikhalevski,Victor 2545, Calgary 2016, Diagram

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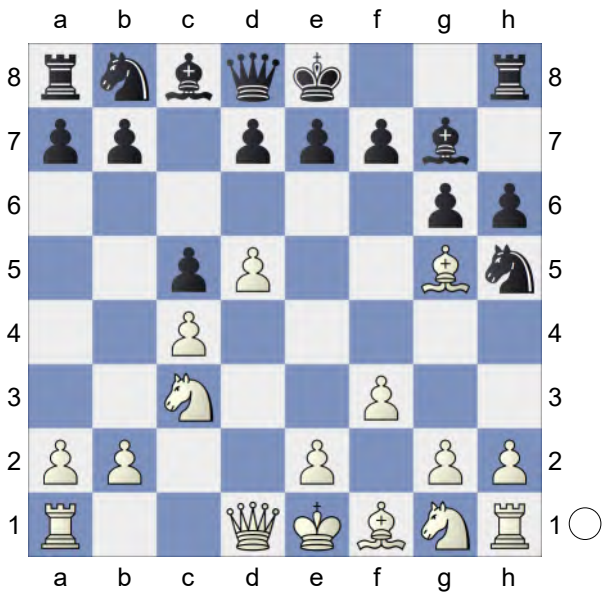
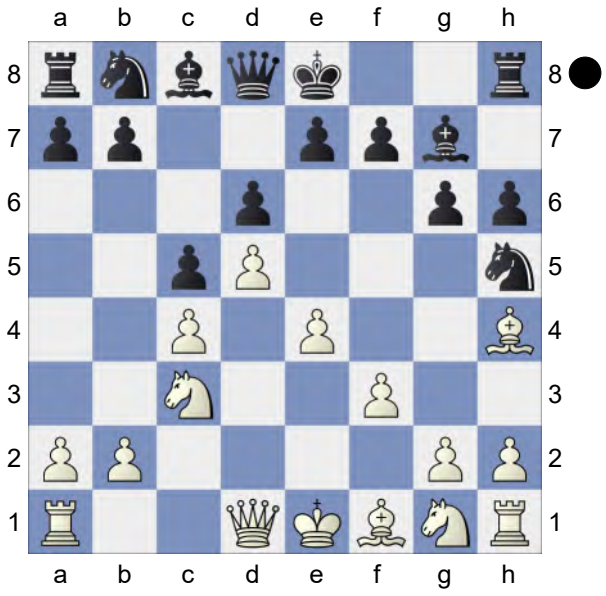
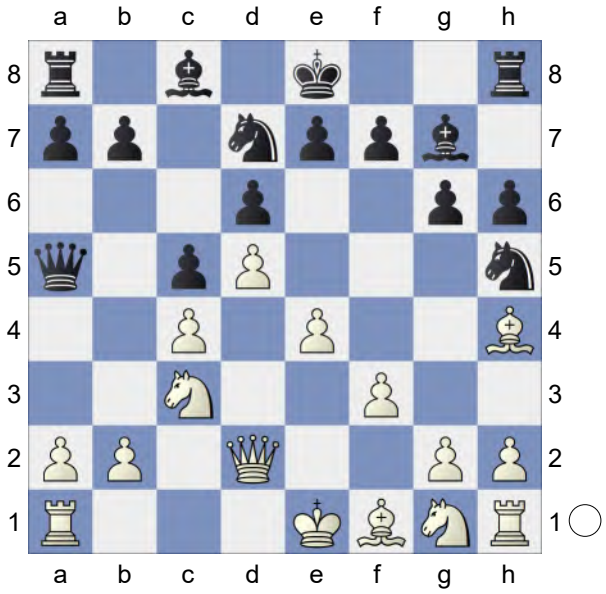


White has *7.Bd2!* This is the point! If Black starts with 5...h6 6.Bh4 and then plays 6...c5 it avoids this move, which gives White the opportunity for a plus after, say, *e6 8.Nh3±)* 6.Bh4 c5 7.d5 d6

A) 8.e4 is an alternative.



Qa5 *(My engine now says 8...Bxc3+!? but I would not like to give up my bishop so readily. Then 9.bxc3 Nd7 10.Bf2 Qa5 11.Qb3 Ne5!=)* 9.Qd2 *(9.Nge2 a6 10.Qd2 Nd7* transposes into the 9.Qd2 line and looks quite playable for Black*)* 9...Nd7 Diagram



10.Nge2 *(10.Nb5 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 g5!* , intending ...0-0 or ...Kd8, and if *12.Nc7+? Kd8 13.Nxa8 gxh4-+; 10.Bd3?! g5 11.Bf2 Nf4∓)* 10...a6= I would prefer to be Black here as he has a pleasant position with plans involving ...b5, ...g5, and ...Ne5 Gledura,Benjamin: 'transposes into the 9.Qd2 line and looks quite playable for Black';

B) 8.e3 b5!? *(8...Qa5* I think it's also good or playable for black *9.Nge2 Nd7 10.Qd2 a6 11.Nc1 Rb8=)* 9.g4?! *(9.cxb5 a6 10.bxa6 0-0⩱* is a very good version of the Benko Gambit and definitely playable for Black*;* or *9.Nxb5 Bxb2 10.Rb1 Bg7=)* 9...b4! 10.Ne4 g5! 11.Bf2 Diagram

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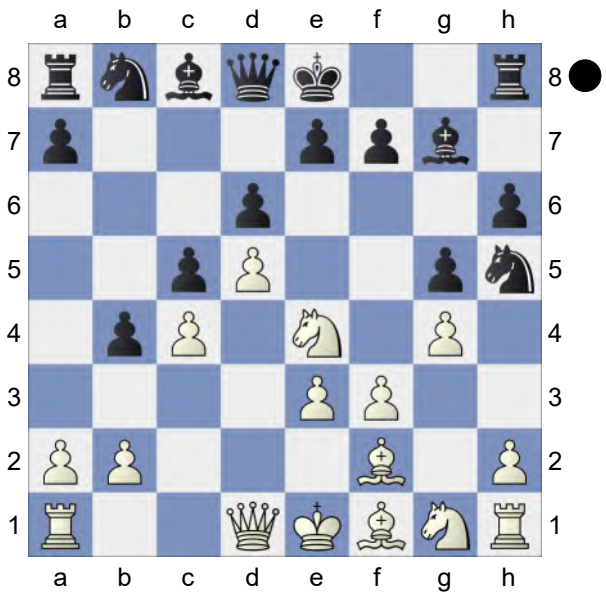
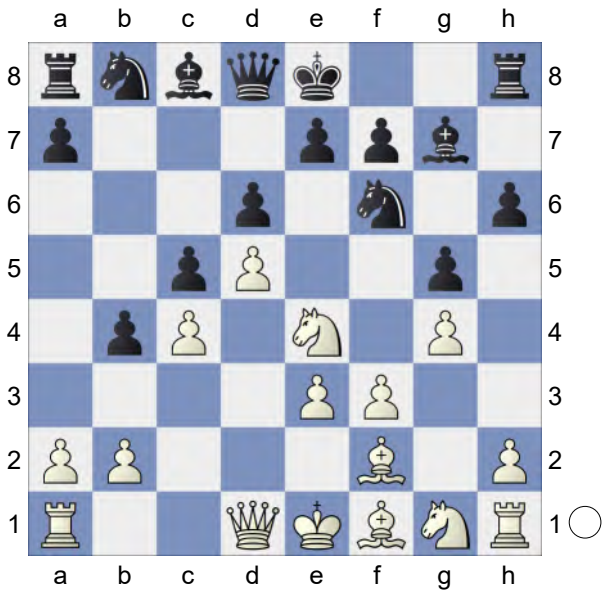


Nf6 Diagram *(11...f5 12.gxf5 Bxb2 13.Rb1 Bg7* also seems good for Black. *)*



B1) 12.Ng3 Qa5 13.Qd2 h5!

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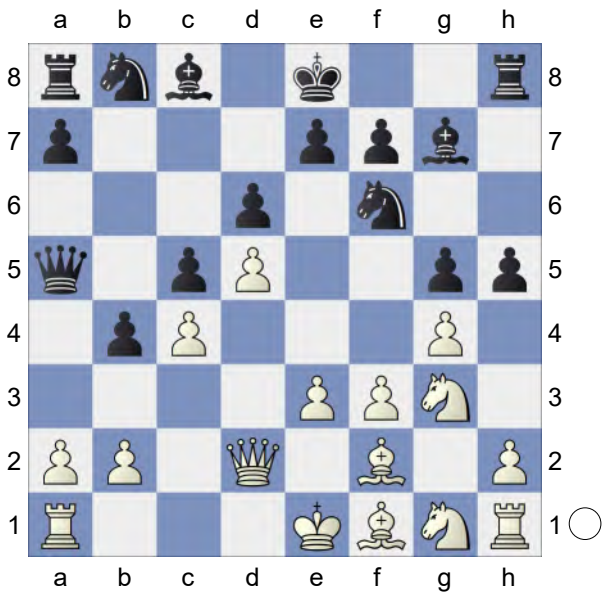


14.h4 *(14.gxh5 Nxh5∓; 14.h3 h4 15.Nf5 Bxf5 16.gxf5 Nbd7∓)* 14...gxh4 15.Nf5 Bf8! 16.Rxh4 Rg8!∓;

B2) 12.Bd3? Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Bxb2-+ Kavutskiy,Konstantin 2373 - Mikhalevski,Victor 2545, Calgary 2016,]

5.d5 Bg7 6.Nc3 d6 7.Qd2 h6 8.Bh4 a6 9.a4 f5 10.e3 Nd7 11.a5 Ne5 12.Na4 0-0 13.Nb6 Rb8 14.Ne2 Nd7 15.Nxd7 Bxd7 16.Nc3 g5 17.Bf2 f4 18.Bd3 Qe8 19.0-0 Qf7 20.Rae1 Be5 21.Bc2 Qg7 22.exf4 Nxf4 23.Bb1 b5 24.axb6 Rxb6 25.Qc2 g4 26.fxg4 Bxg4 27.Bg3 Rbb8 28.Kh1 h5 29.Qd2 Qg5 30.h3 Bd7 31.Ne4 Qh6 32.Bxf4 Rxf4 33.Rxf4 Qxf4 34.Qxf4 Bxf4 35.Re2 Be5 36.Kg1 Rxb2 37.Rxb2 Bxb2 38.Ba2 Bd4+ 39.Kf1 Bf5 40.Ng3 Bd3+ 41.Ke1 h4 42.Ne2 Be4 43.Nf4 Be5 44.Ne6 Bxg2 45.Ng5 Bf6 46.Ne6 Bxh3 47.Nf4 Bg4 48.Kf2 h3 49.Bb1 Be5 50.Ne2 h2 51.Be4 Bxe2 52.Kxe2 a5 53.Kd3 a4 54.Kc2 a3 55.Kb1 Bb2 56.Bh1 Kg7 57.Ka2 Kf6 58.Bg2 Ke5 59.Bf3 Kd4 60.Bh1 Kxc4 61.Bg2 Kc3 62.Bf1 c4 63.Bg2 Kd2 64.Be4 c3

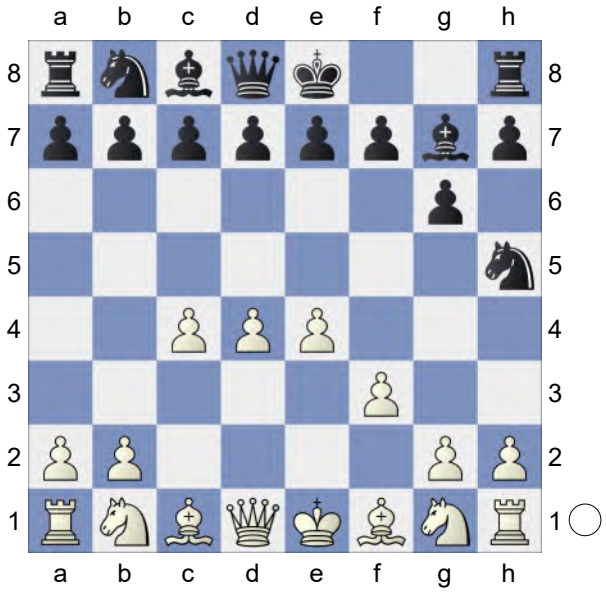
65.Kb3 c2 66.Bxc2 h1Q 67.Ka2 Qh2 68.Bb1 Qf2 69.Bc2 Qd4 70.Bb3 Qc5 71.Bc2 Qxd5+ 72.Bb3 Qd4 73.Bc4 Qc3 74.Bb3 Qc1 75.Bc2 Qa1+ 76.Kb3 a2 77.Ka4 Qb1 78.Bb3 Qc2 79.Kb5 Qc3 80.Bc4 Qb3+ 81.Kc6 Qxc4+ 82.Kd7 Qc5 83.Kxe7 ½-½ (83) penguingim1 (2762)-Pap,G (2698) Blitz 2018

4.Nc3 e5 5.Be3

[5.g3 exd4 6.Qxd4 Bg7 7.Qe4+ Kf8 8.Nh3 d6 9.Nf4 Nf6 10.Qd3 Nc6 11.b3 Bf5 12.e4 Ne5 13.Qe3 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxa1 16.Ng5 Qf6 17.Be2 Bc3+ 18.Kf1 Re8 19.Nd5 Qe5 20.Nxc3 h6 21.Bf4 Qd4 22.g4 hxg5 23.Bxg5 Bxg4 24.Qxg4 Qxc3 25.h4 Re5 26.Kg2 Qc2 27.Kf2 Rh5 28.Re1 Qc3 29.Kg2 Qxe1 30.Bf6 Rxe2+ 31.Kf3 Qf2# 0-1 (31) babykeem1 (2725)-SpaceCrystalis (2708) Blitz 2021]

5...exd4 6.Bxd4 Bg7 7.Bxg7 Nxg7 8.Nh3 0-0 9.Nf2 Nc6 10.Qd2 d6 11.e4 f5 12.Be2 fxe4 13.Ncxe4 Bf5 14.0-0 Qe7 15.Rad1 Rae8 16.Rfe1 Qe5 17.b4 Ne6 18.Bf1 Qd4 19.Qc1 Qb6 20.a3 Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Ne5 22.c5 Qc6 23.cxd6 Qxc1 24.Rxc1 cxd6 25.Rd1 Ng5 26.Re3 Rd8 27.h4 Ngf7 28.Ne4 Kg7 29.Be2 d5 30.Nc5 Kf6 31.f4 Nc6 32.Nxb7 Rde8 33.Rxe8 Rxe8 34.Bf3 Re3 35.Bxd5 Ne7 36.a4 Nxd5 37.Rxd5 Re1+ 38.Kh2 Re4 39.g3 Rxb4 40.Nc5 h5 41.Rd2 Nh6 42.Re2 Ng4+ 43.Kg2 Rc4 44.Ne4+ Kg7 45.a5 Ra4 46.Ng5 Rxa5 47.Ne6+ Kf6 48.Nd4 Ra3 49.Nf3 Re3 50.Ra2 a5 51.Nh2 Rb3 52.Nxg4+ hxg4 53.Rxa5 Rb2+ 54.Kf1 Rb3 55.Kf2 Rb2+ 56.Ke3 Rb3+ 57.Ke4 Rb4+ 58.Kd5 Rb3 59.Ra6+ Kf5 60.Kc4 Rxg3 61.Kd4 Rf3 62.Ra8 Rxf4+ 63.Ke3 Re4+ 64.Kf2 Rb4 65.Rf8+ Ke5 66.Kg3 Rc4 67.Rf7 Rd4 68.Rf8 Rc4 69.Re8+ Kf5 70.Ra8 Ke5 71.Ra6 Kf5 72.Ra5+ Kf6 73.Rg5 Kg7 74.Rxg4 Rxg4+ 75.Kxg4 Kh6 76.Kf4 Kh5 77.Kg3 g5 78.hxg5 Kxg5 ½-½ (78) curtainsjr (2735)-SpaceCrystalis (2671) Blitz 2021

155 **4...Bg7** Diagram



This is a tricky move but if White responds correctly then it will amount to a transposition: 5.Ne2!

[5.Nc3 e5! 6.Be3 exd4 7.Bxd4 Nc6 8.Bxg7 Nxg7 I think this position is playable with Black, who can play ...f7-f5 sooner or later]

[5.g4 Nf6 6.Nc3 d6 7.Nge2 0-0 8.Be3 c5 9.d5]

[5.Be3 c5 6.Ne2 Nc6 7.Nbc3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Qb6!]

5...e5 6.Be3 - which is a transposition of the sequence 4...e5 5.Be3 Bg7 6.Ne2

156 **5.Nh3** d5

[5...exd4 6.Qxd4 Bg7 7.Qd3 Nc6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Be2 d6 10.Nf2 Ne5

11.Qc2 Be6 12.Nd5 c6 13.Ne3 Nf4 14.0-0 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 Re8 16.Rd1 Qc7 17.Bd2 Rad8 18.Bc3 h6 19.f4 Nxc4 20.Nxc4 Bxc4 21.Qxc4 Bxc3 22.Qxc3 Qb6 23.Qd4 c5 24.Qc3 Qc6 25.Rd5 b5 26.Rad1 b4 27.Qd3 Qa4 28.Qb3 Qb5 29.g3 a5 30.a4 Qe2 31.R5d2 Qh5 32.Qd5 Qf3 33.e5 1-0 (33) benkonian (2682)-Dmitry_Gritsenko (2580) Blitz 2023]

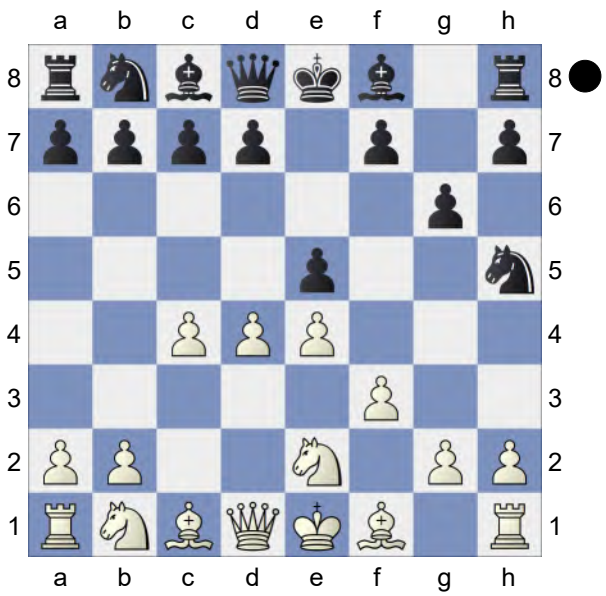
6.Nf2 dxe4 7.dxe5 Bb4+ 8.Nc3 Qxd1+ 9.Kxd1 exf3 10.gxf3 Nc6 11.f4 Bf5 12.Nd5 0-0-0 13.Bd3 Be6 14.a3 Bc5 15.Ne4 Bb6 16.Nec3 Nd4 17.Be3 Nb3 18.Bxb6 axb6 19.Rb1 c6 20.Nb4 Nc5 21.Kc2 Nxd3 22.Nxd3 Bf5 23.Rbd1 Nxf4 24.Rhf1 Bxd3+ 25.Rxd3 Nxd3 26.Rxf7 Nxe5 27.Re7 Nxc4 28.Ne4 Rd7 29.Re6 Rhd8 30.Kc3 Nd6 31.Nf6 Nb5+ 32.Kb3 Rd6 33.Re7 Rxf6 34.Rxh7 Rf3+ 35.Ka2 Rd2 36.Rg7 Rxa3+ 37.Kb1 Rb3 38.Kc1 Rdxb2 39.Rxg6 Rxh2 40.Rg8+ Kc7 41.Rg7+ Kb8 42.Rg5 Nd4 43.Rg4 Rhb2 44.Rxd4 Rh2 45.Rg4 Rf3 46.Rg1 b5 47.Re1 b4 48.Rg1 b3 49.Kb1 Rff2 50.Re1 Rb2+ 51.Kc1 Rhc2+ 52.Kd1 Rb1# 0-1 (52) FranjZ (2811)-venajalainen (2754) Blitz 2020

Arsovic,Zoran: '!f' **5.dxe5** Arsovic,Zoran: '?' 5...Qh4+ Arsovic,Zoran: '∓' 6.Kd2

[6.Ke2 Bc5 7.Qe1 Qe7 8.g4 Ng7 9.Bf4 Nc6 10.Nc3 0-0 11.Nd5 Qd8 12.Rd1 d6 13.Nf6+ Kh8 14.Qh4 h5 15.gxh5 gxh5 16.Bh6 Nxe5 17.Bxg7+ Kxg7 18.Nxh5+ Kh8 19.Nf6+ Kg7 20.Qg5+ Ng6 21.Nh5+ Kh7 22.Qxd8 Rxd8 23.Bh3 Kh6 24.Bxc8 Raxc8 25.Ng3 Nf4+ 26.Kd2 Rg8 27.N1e2 Nxe2 28.Kxe2 Rce8 29.Rd5 c6 30.Rf5 Re7 31.Rxc5 Rxg3 32.hxg3+ Kg6 33.Rf5 d5 34.cxd5 Rd7 35.Rh4 1-0 (35) Consent_to_treatment (2648)-slot (2560) Blitz 2021]

6...Bh6+ 7.Kc2 Bxc1 8.Qxc1 Nc6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Qe1 Qd8 11.Rd1 Nxe5 12.Kb1 d6 13.g3 Be6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.cxd5 f5 16.exf5 Qf6 17.f4 Qxf5+ 18.Ka1 Nd7 19.Nf3 Rfe8 20.Qc3 Nc5 21.Nd4 Qe4 22.Bh3 Ng7 23.Nb5 Qe7 24.Rhe1 Qf7 25.b4 Ne4 26.Qd4 a6 27.Nc3 Nxc3 28.Qxc3 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Nf5 30.Bxf5 gxf5 31.Re6 Rc8 32.Rf6 Qg7 33.Kb2 Rf8 34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Kc2 Qxc3+ 36.Kxc3 Kg7 37.Kd3 Kg6 38.h3 Kf6 39.g4 h5 40.g5+ Kg6 41.Kc4 h4 42.b5 a5 43.b6 cxb6 44.Kb5 1-0 (44) Consent_to_treatment (2688)-Zlatin (2648) Blitz 2023

5.Ne2N A novelty.



5...exd4 6.Qxd4

[6.Nxd4? Qh4+]

6...Bg7 7.Qf2! Diagram

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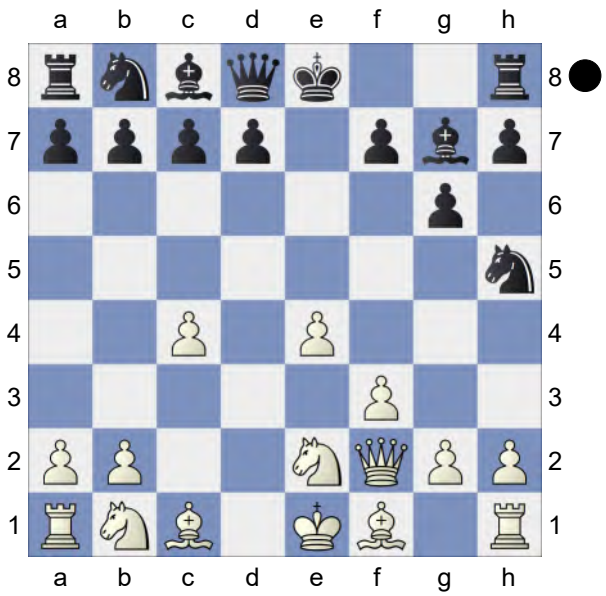

Gledura,Benjamin: 'Diagram [#]'

7...d6
[It's probably better to start with this because an immediate 7...0-0 might allow a kingside attack after 8.Nbc3 d6 9.g4!? Nf6 10.h4→]
8.Nbc3 Be6! 9.Nd4 0-0 10.Be3 Nc6
[10...c5!? 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.0-0-0 Qb6 13.Qd2 Be5∞ and although the engines prefer White here, I think it's playable for Black]
11.0-0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Qg5+ 13.Kb1
[13.Kc2 f5=]
13...Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qe5 15.Qd2
[15.Qxe5 dxe5 16.g3 *(or 16.Nd5 Rad8!=)* 16...Rad8=]
15...Rae8 and this position is more or less equal, as Black is playing for ... f5!.

157 **5...d6** 6.Nc3
[6.Ne2 Bg7 Arsovic,Zoran: 'Diagram

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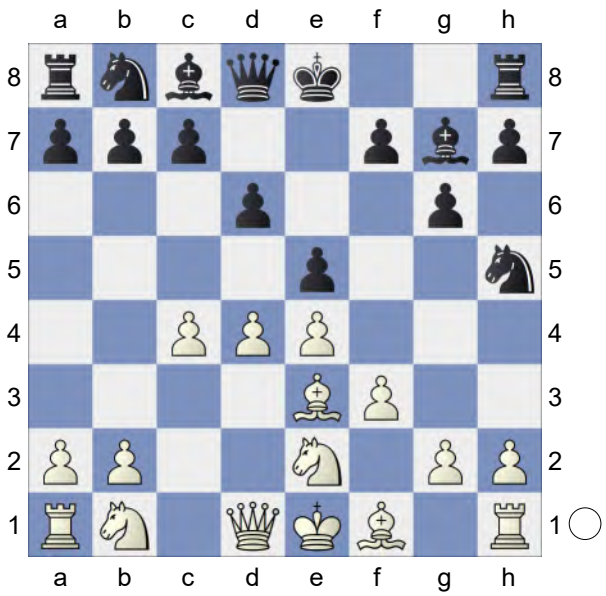

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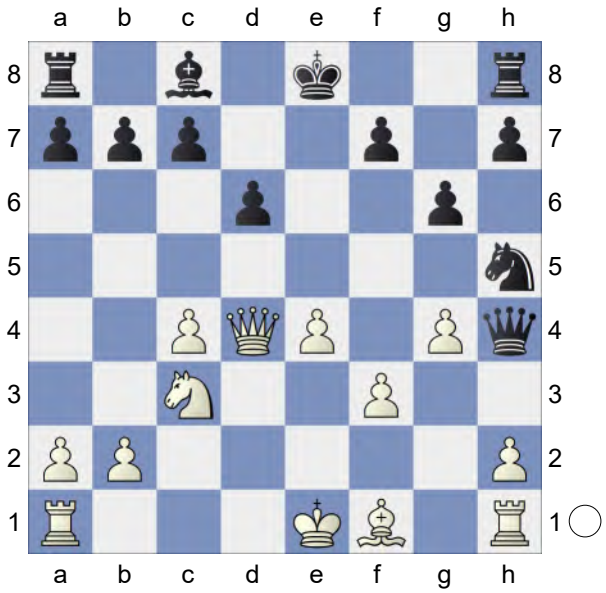
A) 7.Nbc3! exd4 8.Nxd4 Nc6 is a transposition to 5...Bg7 9.g4! Nxd4 *(9...Nf6 10.Qd2)* 10.Bxd4 Bxd4 11.Qxd4 Qh4+ Diagram



12.Qf2 *(12.Kd2 Qf6 13.Qxf6 Nxf6 14.Be2 c6 15.h4 Be6 16.Ke3±)* 12...Qxf2+ 13.Kxf2 Ng7± *(13...Nf6)* 14.h4 h5 15.g5 c6 16.Rd1 Ke7;
B) 7.g4 Nf4 Arsovic,Zoran: '!' 8.Nxf4 *(8.dxe5 Nxe2 9.Bxe2 Nc6!∞)* 8...exf4 9.Bxf4 Nc6 *(9...c5*

10.Nc3! cxd4 11.Nd5±) 10.Be3 Qh4+ 11.Bf2 Qf6 Arsovic,Zoran: '=' Arsovic,Zoran: 'Bacrot,Etienne 2718 - Aronian,Levon 2797, Beijing (blitz) 2014.' 12.Nc3 Nxd4 13.Bg2 Ne6 14.Qd2 h5 15.gxh5 Rxh5 16.Be3 Qh4+ 17.Bf2 Qg5 18.Be3 Qh4+ 19.Bf2 Bh6 20.Qxh6 Rxh6 21.Bxh4 Rxh4 22.Rd1 Bd7 23.Kf2 Bc6 24.Kg3 g5 25.Bh3 Nf4 26.Bg4 Ke7 27.b4 Rah8 28.c5 Rxg4+ 29.Kxg4 Bd7+ 30.Kg3 Rh3+ 31.Kf2 g4 32.cxd6+ cxd6 33.Nd5+ Nxd5 34.exd5 Rxf3+ 35.Kg2 f5 36.Rhe1+ Kf6 37.Rc1 f4 38.Rc7 Bf5 39.Rxb7 Ra3 40.Rb8 Rxa2+ 41.Kf1 Bd3+ 42.Kg1 f3 43.Rf8+ Kg5 44.Rg8+ Kf4 45.Rf8+ Kg5 46.Rg8+ Kf4 47.Rf8+ ½-½ (47) Bacrot,E (2718)-Aronian,L (2797) Beijing CHN 2014]

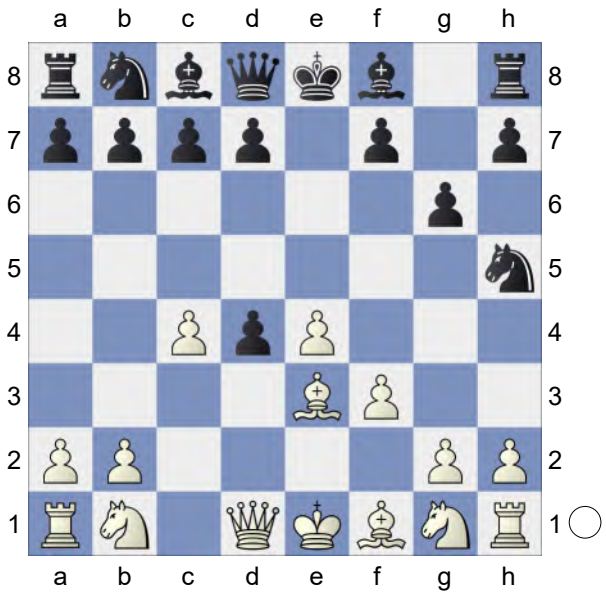
[6.dxe5 dxe5 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Nc3 c6=]

6...Nc6 7.d5 Nd4 8.Nge2 Nxe2 9.Bxe2 Nf4

[9...Bg7 10.Qd2 0-0]

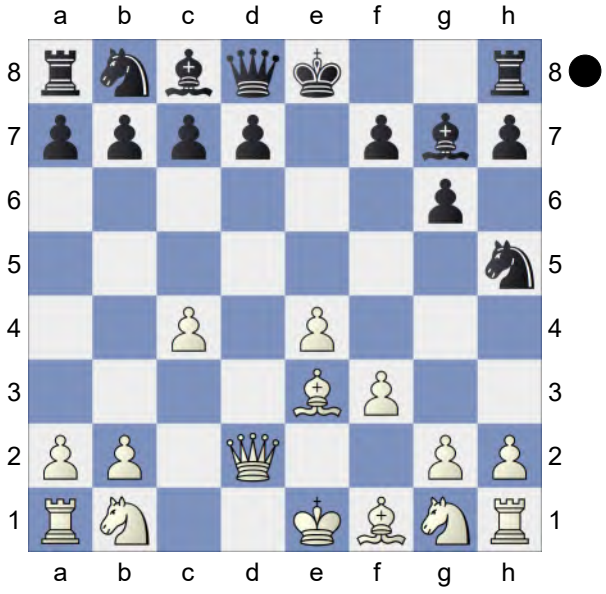
10.Bf1 c5 11.g3 Nh5 12.Bd3 Bg7 13.0-0 Bh3 14.Re1 0-0 15.Kh1 Bd7 16.Rg1 Kh8 17.Qe2 Bf6 18.Raf1 Qe7 19.Bh6 Rfe8 20.Bd2 Bg5 21.f4 exf4 22.gxf4 Bf6 23.Qf3 Rab8 24.a4 b6 25.Rg2 a6 26.Bc2 Bd4 27.Ne2 Bxb2 28.Nc3 b5 29.cxb5 axb5 30.axb5 Bxb5 31.Nxb5 Rxb5 32.Rb1 Ng7 33.Ba4 Rbb8 34.Bxe8 Qxe8 35.Rf1 Bd4 36.f5 Rb2 37.Bf4 Rb6 38.Rg4 Kg8 39.Bh6 Nh5 40.Rh4 Nf6 41.fxg6 hxg6 42.Rf4 Rb5 43.Rxf6 Bxf6 44.Qxf6 Qxe4+ 45.Qf3 Qxf3+ 46.Rxf3 c4 47.Bg5 Rxd5 48.Bf6 Kf8 49.Rh3 Ke8 50.Re3+ Kd7 51.Re7+ Kc6 52.Rxf7 Rf5 53.Rf8 Kd5 54.Be7 Ke6 55.Rxf5 Kxf5 56.Bxd6 ½-½ (56) Komododragon (3600)-Stockfish Dev15 (3617) tcec-chess.com INT 2022

5...exd4 Arsovic,Zoran: 'Diagram



' 6.Bxd4

[6.Qxd4! Bg7 7.Qd2 Diagram



Nc6 *(Unfortunately 7...Qh4+!? does not work as well: 8.Bf2 Qf4 9.Qc2!±*) 8.Nc3 d6 9.0-0-0 Be6 10.g4 *(10.Nd5±*) 10...Nf6 11.Nh3! Ne5 12.Ng5± Bxc4? 13.f4+-]

6...Bg7 7.Bxg7 Nxg7 8.Nc3

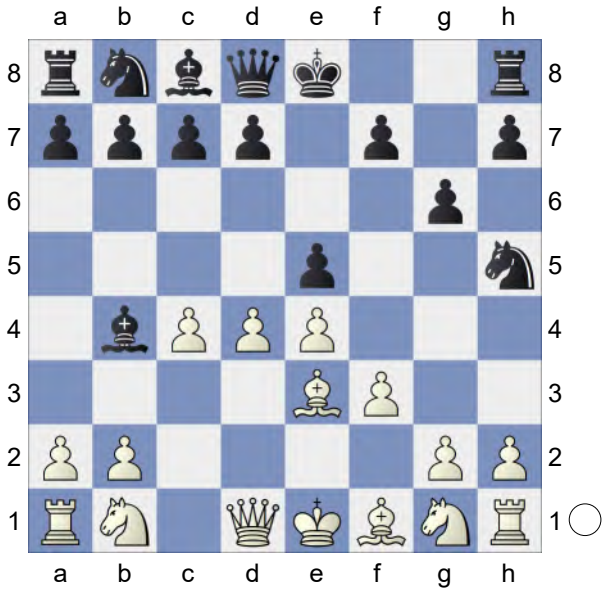
[8.Qd4 0-0 9.Nc3 *(9.Nd2 Nc6 10.Qc3 Re8 11.0-0-0 a6 12.Kb1 b5 13.cxb5 axb5 14.Bxb5 Qg5 15.Bxc6 dxc6 16.Nb3 Qxg2* 0-1 (16) MerugaMentality (2639)-SpaceCrystalis (2751) Blitz 2022*)* 9...Nc6 10.Qd2 d6 11.0-0-0 h5 12.Nge2 Ne5 13.Nf4 Ne6 14.Kb1 Nxf4 15.Qxf4 Be6 16.c5 Rc8 17.Be2 b6 18.cxd6 cxd6 19.Rd4 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qc7 21.Qd2 Nc6 22.Rxd6 Na5 23.Rd1 Qc5 24.Qd4 Qa3 25.Rd2 Rc8 26.Qb4 Qxc3 27.Rd8+ Kh7 28.Qxc3 Rxc3 29.Kb2 Re3 30.Kc1 Bc4 31.Bxc4 Nxc4 32.R2d7 Kg7 33.Rxa7 Re2 34.Rdd7 Ne5 35.Re7 Nd3+ 36.Kd1 Rxg2 37.Rxf7+ Kh6 38.h4 Nf2+ 39.Ke2 Ng4+ 40.Ke1 Rg1+ 41.Kd2 Rg2+ 42.Kc3 g5 43.fxg4 gxh4 44.Rh7+ Kg6 45.Rag7+ Kf6 46.g5+ Ke5 47.Rxh5 Rg3+ 48.Kb4 h3 49.Rgh7 Kxe4 50.Rxh3 Rg1 51.R7h4+ Kf5 52.Rc4 Rb1+ 53.Rb3 Re1 54.Kb5 Re6 55.a4 Kxg5 56.Rc6 Re5+ 57.Kxb6 Re4 58.Rb5+ Kf4 59.a5 Re8 60.a6 Rb8+ 61.Ka5 Ra8 62.Rcb6 Rd8 63.Rb7 Ra8 64.Kb6 Rd8 65.a7 Ra8 66.Ka6 Re8 67.Rb4+ Kf3 68.R7b5 Re6+ 69.Rb6 Re8 70.Rb8 Re1 71.R4b6 Ra1+ 72.Kb7 Rb1 73.a8Q Rxb6+ 74.Kxb6+ Kf4 75.Qa5 Ke4 76.Rc8 Kd4 77.Rc5 Kd3 78.Rb5 Ke4 79.Rb4+ Kd3 80.Qa3+ Kc2 81.Rb2+ Kc1 82.Qa1# 1-0 (82) Consent_to_treatment (2699)-supertactic91 (2740) Blitz 2023]

8...Nc6 Arsovic,Zoran: 'I think this position is playable with Black, who can play ...f7-f5 sooner or later'

[8...0-0 9.Qd2 d6 10.0-0-0± was played in Korotylev,Alexey 2609 - Grischuk,Alexander 2717, Moscow (blitz) 2006]

9.Bd3 d6 10.Nge2 0-0 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.b3 Nxd3+ 13.Qxd3 c6 14.Rd1 Qg5 15.0-0 Bh3 16.Ng3 Be6 17.Nce2 h5 18.f4 Qc5+ 19.Qd4 h4 20.Qxc5 dxc5 21.Nh1 Bg4 22.Rfe1 Rad8 23.Kf1 Ne6 24.g3 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Nd4 26.Nxd4 Bxd1 27.Ne2 Rd8 28.Nf2 Rd2 0-1 (28) edgelorde (2753)-SpaceCrystalis (2634) Blitz 2021

5...Bb4+ Diagram



I don't really think this is the right place for the bishop. 6.Nc3 exd4

[after 6...Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 d6 8.g4! *(or 8.Bd3±* White stands much better *)*]

7.Qxd4 0-0 8.0-0-0 Nc6 9.Qd2 d6 Sviridov,Valery 2517 - Fedoseev, Vladimir 2665, Russia (ch-Higher League) 2016, ending in a win for Black! But White should now play 10.Nge2±

[158] **6.Nc3** d6 7.dxe5 dxe5 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.0-0-0+ Bd7 10.Nh3 Kc8 11.g3 h6 12.Nf2 Be6 13.Nd3 Nd7 14.b3 c6 15.Kc2 b6 16.g4 Nhf6 17.h3 g5 18.h4 Nh7 19.c5 Kb7 20.h5 b5 21.Rh2

Rhc8 22.Rhd2 Nhf6 23.a4 a6 24.Bf2 Bf8 25.b4 a5 26.Rb1 Bc4 27.bxa5 Rxa5 28.Bg3 Bxd3+ 29.Bxd3 b4 30.Rxb4+ Kc7 31.Bc4 Bxc5 32.Rb1 Rf8 33.Rbd1 Kc8 34.Bb3 Bb4 35.Rd3 Be7 36.Be1 Ra7 37.Bf2 Ra5 38.Be1 Ra7 39.Ne2 Nc5 40.Rc3 Rd8 41.Bxf7 Rxd1 42.Kxd1 Rxa4 43.Ng3 Kc7 44.Rc2 Nfd7 45.Nf5 Bf8 46.Bc3 Ra3 47.Ne3 Na4 48.Ba5+ Kb7 49.Ke2 Nab6 50.Bc3 Bc5 51.Nf5 Bf8 52.Bb2 Ra4 53.Rc1 Kc7 54.Be6 Ra8 55.Rd1 Ra6 56.Kd2 Ra4 57.Kc2 Ra8 58.Ra1 Rxa1 59.Bxa1 Kb7 60.Bxd7 Nxd7 61.Ne3 Bd6 62.Nc4 Bc7 63.Ne3 Bd6 64.Nc4 Bc7 65.Bb2 Ka6 66.Ba3 c5 67.Ne3 Bd6 68.Nc4 Bc7 69.Kb3 Kb5 70.Bc1 Ka6 71.Bd2 Kb5 72.Bc3 Ka6 73.Na3 Bd6 74.Ba1 Bf8 75.Nc4 Bg7 76.Nd6 Bf8 77.Nf7 Kb5 78.Bb2 Bg7 79.Bc3 Kc6 80.Ba5 Kb5 81.Bc7 Nf8 82.Bxe5 Bxe5 83.Nxe5 Ne6 84.Kc2 Nd4+ 85.Kd3 Kb4 86.f4 Ne6 87.f5 Nf4+ 88.Kc2 c4 89.f6 Ne6 90.f7 Nd4+ 91.Kd1 Ne6 92.Nd7 Kb3 93.Nc5+ Nxc5 94.f8Q Nd3 95.Kd2 Ka4 96.Qb8 Nc5 97.Kc3 Nxe4+ 98.Kxc4 Nd2+ 99.Kc3 Ne4+ 100.Kd3 Ka5 101.Kxe4 Ka4 102.Kd4 Ka5 103.Kc5 Ka6 104.Qa8# 1-0 (104) Stockfish Dev15 (3617)-Komododragon (3600) tcec-chess.com INT 2022

6.dxe5 Bxe5 7.Nc3

[159] **8...f4** 9.Bf2 g5 10.c5 0-0 11.Nc1 Nf6 12.Be2 h5 13.Nd3 Na6 14.Qb3 Kh8 15.0-0-0 Ne8 16.g3 Bh3 17.Rhg1 Nxc5 18.Nxc5 dxc5 19.gxf4 exf4 20.Bxc5 Nd6 21.Qa4 Qe7 22.Bd4 Rae8 23.Bb5 c6 24.dxc6 bxc6 25.Bxc6 Rc8 26.Kb1 Nf7 27.Nd5 Qe6 28.Bxg7+ Kxg7 29.Nb4 Rfd8 30.Bd5 Qe7 31.Nc6 Rxc6 32.Qxc6 Ne5 33.Qc3 Rc8 34.Qd4 Kh6 35.Qf2 Rb8 36.Bb3 a5 37.Rd5 a4 38.Bxa4 Nc4 39.Bb3 Ne3 40.Rdxg5 1-0 (40) Niksss2023 (2780)-kzroma (2602) Blitz 2023

[160] **9...a6** 10.Nc1

[10.exf5!?± Schipkov,Boris: '!?' After ...e5 White can play the usual ♘bc3, because White has a small edge in that case, as I have written in my CD and articles.]

[10.0-0-0 Schipkov,Boris: 'In the pattern with the early ♘ge2 the better move is' 10...b5 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Schipkov,Boris: 'and White has only slightly better chances.' 11.cxb5 *(11.c5 b4 12.Nb1 fxe4 13.fxe4 a5 14.c6 Na6 15.Qc2 Nf6 16.h3 a4 17.Nd2 b3 18.axb3 Nb4 19.Qc4 Na2+ 20.Kb1 axb3 21.Qxb3 Ba6 22.Nc3 Nxc3+ 23.Qxc3 Nh5 24.Bxa6 Rxa6 25.Rhf1 Nf4 26.g3 Nxh3 27.Rxf8+ Qxf8 28.Rh1 Qc8 29.Qd3 Ra4 30.Qf1 Nf4 31.gxf4 exf4 32.Bxf4 Qa8 33.Nb3 Rxe4 34.Bh6 Be5 35.Qf3 Rb4 36.Rf1 Rb8 37.Qf7+ Kh8 38.Bg5 Rxb3 39.Bf6+ Bxf6 40.Qxf6+ Kg8 41.Qf7+ Kh8 42.Rh1 Qg8 43.Qf6+ Qg7 44.Qd8+ Qg8 45.Qxc7 h5 46.Qe7 Qxd5 47.Qf6+ Kh7 48.Re1 Qd3+ 49.Ka2 Rb4 50.Re7+ Kh6* 0-1 (50) alexkaspi (2603)-Excellorshipgator (2618) Blitz 2022 *)* 11...axb5 12.Nxb5 Rxa2 13.Kb1 Ra8 14.Rc1 Rf7 15.Qc2 Na6 16.Nec3 Bd7 17.Bc4 Bf6 18.Qd2 Nf4 19.g3 Nh3 20.Qe2 Bg5 21.b3 Bxe3 22.Qxe3 Nc5 23.Kb2 f4 24.Qe2 Be8 25.g4 Qh4 26.Ra1 Rc8 27.Na7 Rb8 28.Nc6 Bxc6 29.dxc6 Kg7 30.Bxf7 Kxf7 31.Ra3 Nf2 32.Rf1 Qxh2 33.Ka2 Ncd3 34.Nd5

Nxg4 35.Qxh2 Nxh2 36.Rd1 Nb4+ 37.Nxb4 Rxb4 38.Ra7 Nxf3 39.Rxc7+ Ke6 40.Rxh7 Rb6 41.c7 Rc6 42.Kb2 Ng5 43.Rc1 1-0 (43) Defence1234 (2648)-Nozdrachev,V (2504) Blitz 2022]

10...Nd7 11.Nd3

[11.b4 Ndf6 12.Be2 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.fxe4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Nxg3 0-1 (15) JoseAvelino2002 (2628)-MassterofMayhem (2625) Blitz 2023]

11...Ndf6 12.0-0-0 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.fxe4 b5 15.c5 Nf6 16.Nf2 Ng4 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 18.Re1 Qh4 19.Bd3 Bd7 20.c6 Be8 21.Kb1 Qe7 22.Rhf1 h5 23.h3 Kh7 24.g4 Qh4 25.Rxf8 Bxf8 26.Rf1 Bg7 27.Qg2 b4 28.gxh5 Qxh5 29.Be2 Qh4 30.Bg5 1-0 (30) Iqevsll (2839)-Orlando_Gloom (2671) Blitz 2023

9...Nd7 10.0-0-0 Ndf6

[10...a6 R.Scherbakov: '!'

A) 11.Kb1

A1) 11...b5 12.cxb5 *(12.Nc1 bxc4 13.Bxc4 Nb6 14.Bd3 a5 15.g3 f4 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.g4 Nf6 18.h4 a4 19.h5 g5 20.Bb5 a3 21.b4 Bd7 22.Bc6 Rc8 23.b5 Rc7 24.Nd3 Ra7 25.Rhg1 Ne8 26.Nb4 Nc7 27.Qd3 Bc8 28.Qc4 Bf6 29.Kc2 Rf7 30.Rb1 Kg7 31.Rb3 Ra5 32.Rg2 Qf8 33.Kd1 Bd8 34.Nc2 h6 35.Rxa3 Rxa3 36.Nxa3 Bf6 37.Nc2 Qd8 38.a4 Ne8 39.Kc1 Rc7 40.Kb2 Be7 41.Kb3 Nf6 42.Qe2 Bd7 43.Na3 Qb8 44.Nc4 Kh7 45.Rg1 Kg7 46.Qd1 Bc8 47.Na2 Ra7 48.Nb4 Bd8 49.Qe2 Kf8 50.Ra1 Ke7 51.Na2 Kf8 52.Nc3 Ke7 53.Rg1 Kf8 54.Qa2 Ke7 55.Qa3 Bc7 56.Nxe5 Kf8 57.Nc4 Ng8 58.e5* 1-0 (58) chessschool2023 (2630)-ex-champion (2603) Blitz 2023*)* 12...axb5 13.Nxb5 Ba6 14.Nec3 Qb8 15.a4 Qb7 16.g3 Nc5 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Be2 Nf6 19.h3 Ne8 20.g4 fxe4 21.fxe4 Nd6 22.Nxd6 cxd6 23.Bb5 Rfb8 24.b3 Qb6 25.Kc2 c4 26.bxc4 Qc5 27.Qe2 Bxb5 28.axb5 Ra3 29.Ra1 Rba8 30.Rxa3 Rxa3 31.Rb1 Qb6 32.Rb3 Ra1 33.Rb1 Ra3 34.Qe1 Bh6 35.Rb3 Ra7 36.Rb4 Be3 37.Ra4 Rc7 38.Ra6 Qd4 39.Rc6 Ra7 40.Ra6 Rf7 41.Ra8+ Kg7 42.Kb3 Bd2 43.Qa1 Rf3 44.Ra3 Rxc3+ 45.Ka4 Qa7+ 46.Kb4 Rxa3+ 47.Qc3 Qc5# 0-1 (47) ChessTheory64 (2646)-MassterofMayhem (2626) Blitz 2022;

A2) 11...Nc5 12.h3 f4 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.Nc1 b6 15.Nd3 Qd6 16.Be2 Bd7 17.Kc2 Ng3 18.Rhe1 g5 19.Rb1 h5 20.a3 b5 21.Nc1 b4 22.N3a2 a5 23.b3 g4 24.hxg4 hxg4 25.a4 Qg6 26.Nd3 gxf3 27.gxf3 Nxe4 28.fxe4 Qxe4 29.Bg4 Qxd3+ 30.Kxd3 Bxg4 31.Qg2 Bf5+ 32.Kd2 f3 33.Qg3 f2 34.Rf1 Bxb1 35.Nc1 Be4 36.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 37.Qxf2 Rf8 38.Qh4 Bg6 39.Ne2 Rf3 40.Qd8+ Kh7 41.Qxc7 Rd3+ 42.Ke1 Rxb3 43.d6 Rd3 44.Qxc5 Bf8 45.Qc7+ Kh6 46.d7 Be7 47.Nc1 Rd4 48.c5 Bg5 49.Nb3 Rd3 50.Qxe5 Rxd7 51.Qh8+ Rh7 52.Qf8+ Kh5 53.c6 Re7+

54.Kd1 Rf7 55.Qh8+ Rh7 56.Qe5 Re7 57.Qh2+ Kg4 58.c7 Rd7+ 59.Ke1 Re7+ 60.Kf2 Re8 61.Qg2+ Kf5 62.Qc6 Bh4+ 63.Kg2 Re2+ 64.Kf1 Re1+ 65.Kg2 Re2+ 66.Kh3 Kg5 67.c8Q Re3+ 68.Kg2 Rg3+ 69.Kh2 Rc3 70.Qd5+ Kh6 71.Qh8+ Bh7 72.Qf8+ Kg6 73.Qdf5# 1-0 (73) Caminero85 (2660)-PhysicistProf (2672) Blitz 2023;

B) 11.exf5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'White opens the game with the idea of ♘g3.' gxf5

B1) 12.g4 fxg4 13.fxg4 Nf4 14.Nxf4 *(14.h3)* 14...exf4 15.Bxf4

B1a) 15...Qh4 Schipkov, Boris: '?' 16.Bg5 Qxg4 17.Be2 R.Scherbakov: '⩲' R. Scherbakov: 'and White has maintained a small advantage in the game Gagunashvili - Haslinger, Hastings 2006' Qh3 R.Scherbakov: '?' *(17...Qf5 18.h4 Kh8* R. Scherbakov: '=' R. Scherbakov: 'Gelfand - Kasparov, Moscow 2002' *19.Rdf1 Qe5* R.Scherbakov: '!?' *20.h5* Schipkov,Boris: '+-'*)* 18.Rdg1 Schipkov,Boris: '!' R. Scherbakov: '↑' Ne5 19.Rg3 Qf5 20.Rhg1 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Kh8 21.Bh6 Ng6 22.Bxg7+ Kxg7 R.Scherbakov: '⩱' 23.Bd3 R. Scherbakov: '?!' Qf7 24.Bxg6 *(24.h4* Schipkov, Boris: '+-'*)* 24...hxg6 25.Qd4+ Kh7 26.Ne4 *(26.Qh4+* Schipkov,Boris: '+-'*)* 26...Qf4+ 27.Kd1 Bf5 28.Ng5+ Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (28) Gonzalez Somoza,O (2333)-Jimenez Martinez,J (2202) Madrid 2008';

B1b) 15...Ne5 16.Be2 Schipkov,Boris: '!' *(16.Bxe5 Bxe5 17.Kb1 Qh4* Schipkov, Boris: '0-1 (39) Nixon,T (2226)-Jasny,S (2319) Millfield 2003' *18.h3* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲!?' *)*

B1b1) 16...b5 17.Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: '⩲' *(17.h3* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲'*)* 17...bxc4 18.Rdf1 Schipkov,Boris: '!' *(18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rdf1 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 Bd7 21.g5 Qe7 22.Ne4 Rf8 23.Nf6 Be8 24.h4 Bg6 25.h5 Bd3 26.Bxd3 cxd3 27.Qf4 Nd7 28.h6+ Kh8 29.Qd4 Qe5 30.Qxe5 dxe5 31.Kd2 e4 32.Ke3 Nxf6 33.gxf6 Kg8 34.Kxe4 d2 35.Kf5 Kf7 36.Rd1 Rd8 37.Rxd2 Rd6 38.Rc2 Rxd5+ 39.Ke4 Rb5 40.Rxc7+ Kxf6 41.Rxh7 Rxb2 42.Ra7 Rxa2 43.h7 Rh2 44.Kd5 Kg6 45.Kc6 Rxh7 46.Rxh7 Kxh7 47.Kb6 a5 48.Kxa5* ½-½ (48) OnkelKonkel (2610)-Enialios (2717) Blitz 2022 *)* 18...Rxf1+ *(18...Bd7* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲!?' *)* 19.Rxf1 R.Scherbakov: '!' Rb8 20.Qf4 R.Scherbakov: '!' *(20.Bxg7* Schipkov, Boris: '!' *Kxg7 21.Ne4* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲'*)* 20...Bxg4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(20...Qe7* Schipkov,

Boris: ' ±!?' *)* 21.Bxg7 Bxe2 *(21...Kxg7 22.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: '+-' *)* 22.Bxe5 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Bxf1 23.Qg4+ R.Scherbakov: '+-' Kf8 R.Scherbakov: ' ± !?' 24.Qg7+ R.Scherbakov: '!?' Ke8 R.Scherbakov: 'is also possible:' 25.Bf6 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (25) Dumic,M-Stefanovic,M (2102) Obrenovac 2004';

B1b2) 16...Qh4 17.Bg3 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Qh3

B1b21) 18.Ne4 Schipkov,Boris: '!'

B1b211) 18...Bxg4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' 19.Bxe5 dxe5 20.Ng5 Qh5 21.Bxg4 Qxg4 22.Rhg1 Qxc4+ R.Scherbakov: 'White keeps a slight edge but Black's position is solid enough, Dautov - Morozevich, Bled (ol) 2002' R.Scherbakov: 'in case of' 23.Kb1 Rf6 24.Rc1 R.Scherbakov: 'White would protect the pawn by' Qd4 R.Scherbakov: '!?' 25.Qc2 Rg6 26.Rcd1 Qf4 27.d6 Rxg5 28.Rxg5 Qxg5 29.dxc7 Rc8 30.Qb3+ R.Scherbakov: 'and here in the game Ikonnikov - Buhmann, France 2006, White could have posed serious problems for Black by playing' Kf8 R.Scherbakov: '↑!' R. Scherbakov: 'For example,' *(30...Kh8 31.Qe6 Rxc7 32.Qe8+ Bf8 33.Qxf8+ Qg8* R.Scherbakov: '+-' R. Scherbakov: 'with such ideas as Rg1-g3 or Rg1xg7' *34.Qf6+ Rg7 35.Rd8* Schipkov, Boris: '+-' *)* 31.Rf1+ Bf6 32.Qxb7 Schipkov,Boris: '+-';

B1b212) 18...Bd7 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' R. Scherbakov: '↑';

B1b213) 18...Qg2 19.Ng5 Bh6 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(19...Bxg4* R.Scherbakov: ' ±' R. Scherbakov: 'and White maintained the better chances.' R.Scherbakov: 'An immediate' *20.Bxg4* R.Scherbakov: 'is one of the main continuations and it may lead to the actual game after' *Qxd2+ 21.Rxd2 Nxg4 22.Rg1 Bh6 23.Bxd6 cxd6* R.Scherbakov: 'and so on.' R.Scherbakov: 'after' *24.Rxg4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ± ' *)* 20.Bxe5 Schipkov, Boris: '!' dxe5 21.h4 Bxg4 Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (55) Fokin,S (2380)-Yurtaev,L

(2485) Riga 1988' 22.Rde1 Schipkov, Boris: '!' Rf2 23.Rhg1 Rxe2 24.Rxg2 Rxd2 25.Kxd2 Schipkov, Boris: '+-';

B1b22) 18.Rhg1 Bd7 R.Scherbakov: '⇄' R. Scherbakov: 'Gagunashvili - El Gindy, Abu Dhabi 2003' 19.g5 R.Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'is also interesting:' *(19.Ne4* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *)* 19...b5 *(19...Nf3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *20.Bxf3 Rxf3* Schipkov, Boris: '⇄' *)* 20.Ne4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 bxc4 22.Nf6+ Kh8 23.Rde1 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' *(23.Rdf1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!?' *)* 23...Bf5 Schipkov,Boris: '=' 24.Bf2 R.Scherbakov: '∞' R.Scherbakov: 'with acceptable play, Gagunashvili - Kommer, Haarlem 2004' Bg6 R.Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'deserves serious attention as well' 25.Bd4 R.Scherbakov: 'is an interesting option but it does not seem fully equalising. A recent game Bu Xiangzhi - Movsesian, Nanjing 2008 continued' Qf5 26.Qc3 Qf4+ 27.Be3 Qf5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(27...Qxh2* Schipkov, Boris: '=' *)* 28.Rgf1 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Qb1+ 29.Kd2 Qxa2 30.Bd4 Rf7 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(30...Qb3* Schipkov, Boris: ' ± ' *)* 31.h4 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (31) Molo,R (2328)-Gallo,M (2359) ICCF WS 2005';

B2) 12.Ng3 R.Scherbakov: '!?' 12...Ndf6 Schipkov,Boris: 'This position is favourable for White. '

B2a) 13.Bd3 Schipkov,Boris: 'is also good.' f4 *(13...e4* Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *14.Nxh5 Nxh5 15.fxe4* R.Scherbakov: '⩱' R.Scherbakov: 'or' *15...f4 16.Bf2* Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (28) Ibragimov,I (2555)-Fang,J (2330) New York 1997' *)* 14.Nxh5 fxe3 R.Scherbakov: '!' 15.Nxf6+ Qxf6 16.Qc2 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!' Schipkov, Boris: 'White increases his control over the important central e4-square. ' Kh8 *(16...Qh6 17.Ne4 Bf5 18.Kb1 Bxe4 19.Bxe4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Schipkov, Boris: '1-0 (41) Botvinnik,M-Medina Garcia,A (2380) Tel Aviv 1964' *)* 17.Kb1 b5 18.Ne4 Qe7 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (32) Bezman,V-Golubev,M (2465) Simferopol 1992' R. Scherbakov: ' ⩱' R.Scherbakov: 'with a drawish ending.';

B2b) 13.Bg5 R.Scherbakov: '!' 13...Qe8 R.Scherbakov: '!' *(13...Nxg3* Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *14.hxg3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' *)*

14.Bd3 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: 'White has a small but lasting advantage.' Qg6

B2b1) 15.Kb1

B2b11) 15...Bd7 16.Nxh5 Qxh5 R.Scherbakov: '!' 17.Be3 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: 'was fine for Black in the game Krush - Izoria, Berkeley 2008.' *(17.Rhg1* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±!?' *)* 17...Rae8 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: '?!' R. Scherbakov: 'is weakening:' *(17...b5* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄!' *)* 18.h3 f4 19.Bf2 Bf5 20.Qc2 *(20.Ne4* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *Qg6* R.Scherbakov: '1/2 Shchekachev - Conquest, France 2002' *21.Qe2* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R. Scherbakov: '?!' *)* 20...Bxd3 21.Qxd3 R.Scherbakov: 'and White has achieved more than sufficient compensation for the pawn, Zakharevich - Idrisova, Voronezh 2004.' R.Scherbakov: 'An alternative' 21...e4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: 'is considered above.' *(21...Qg6* Schipkov, Boris: '!?' *)* 22.fxe4 R.Scherbakov: ', which has been considered without the inclusion of the moves ...h7-h6 and Bg5-h4, is playable here as well:' Qg6 23.Rhe1 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' Nd7 24.g4 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(24.Bd4* Schipkov,Boris: '±' *)* 24...Nc5 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' *(24...Bxc3 25.Qxc3 Nf6 26.Bd4 Nxe4* Schipkov,Boris: ' ∓' *)* 25.Qf3 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(25.Bxc5 dxc5 26.Qf3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' *)* 25...Bxc3 26.Bxc5 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(26.bxc3 Nxe4 27.Kc1 Ng5 28.Qh1* R.Scherbakov: 'and Black had no problems in the game Siebrecht - Dautov, Saarbruecken 2002.' R.Scherbakov: 'or' *28...f3* Schipkov,Boris: '-+' *)* 26...Bxe1 Schipkov,Boris: '0-1 (26) Sykora,R (2145)-Havluj,Z Czechia 1995';

B2b12) 15...b5 16.Nxh5 Qxh5 17.cxb5 R.Scherbakov: '!!' axb5 18.Nxb5 *(18.Bxb5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±!?' *)* 18...Rb8 19.Nxc7 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: '+-' R. Scherbakov: 'were unsatisfactory for Black.' *(19.Nc3* Schipkov,Boris: '±!?' *)* 19...e4 Schipkov, Boris: '!' R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'was worthy of consideration:' 20.Be2 Schipkov,Boris:

'?' R.Scherbakov: '!' *(20.Bb5* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' *)* 20...exf3 Schipkov, Boris: '?' *(20...f4* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *21.Bxf4 Qg6 22.Qc2* R.Scherbakov: '↑' R. Scherbakov: 'White kept the initiative.' *Ne8 23.Bc1 Nxc7 24.Qxc7 Bf5 25.g4* R.Scherbakov: 'was acceptable for Black' *Qf6* Schipkov,Boris: '-+'*)* 21.gxf3 Qg6 Schipkov, Boris: '?' *(21...f4* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' R. Scherbakov: '!'*)* 22.Bf4 Nh5 R.Scherbakov: '⩲' R. Scherbakov: 'with compensation for a couple of pawns.' 23.Rhg1 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' R.Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'deserved serious attention, playing for the initiative. Then Black kept defending by' Qf6 24.Rxg7+ Qxg7 *(24...Nxg7 25.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: '+-' R. Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'was worthy of consideration. However, after'*)* R.Scherbakov: 'The knight was untouchable:' 25.Bxd6 R.Scherbakov: '??' Rd8 26.Ne8 Schipkov,Boris: '1-0 (26) Ivaschenko,V (2214)-Petrov,A (2389) Rostov 2010';

B2b2) 15.Nxh5 Qxh5 16.Kb1 Schipkov,Boris: '⩲!?' *(16.h4 Bd7* R.Scherbakov: '!' *17.Rdg1 b5* Schipkov, Boris: '⇄!' Schipkov,Boris: '1/2 (50) Naumann-Falkowski, W DDR 1989'*)* 16...f4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Black weakens the e4-square.' *(16...Bd7)* 17.Bxf6 R.Scherbakov: '⩲' R. Scherbakov: 'Shchekachev - Magem Badals, France 2002' Rxf6 R.Scherbakov: '!?' 18.g4 Schipkov,Boris: '!' fxg3 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(18...Qh4 19.Ne4 Rf7 20.c5* Schipkov,Boris: '±' R. Scherbakov: 'and in the game Kramnik - Kasparov, Moscow (m/7) 2001, Black came up with a pawn sacrifice which almost solved his problems:'*)* 19.hxg3 Qxf3 Schipkov, Boris: '0-1 (66) Moeller,J-Zschiedrich,H Binz 1995' R. Scherbakov: '⩲' R. Scherbakov: ', Zakharevich - Chuprov, Moscow 2006' 20.Rdf1 Schipkov,Boris: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'might promise a slight edge for White but, as a rule, this exchange does not bother Black very much:' Qg4 21.Rxf6 R.Scherbakov: '!?' Bxf6 22.Qf2 Qd4 23.Bxh7+ Kf7 24.Qf1 Schipkov,Boris: '+-';

B2b3) 15.Nge2 e4 R.Scherbakov: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'Black tries to complicate the game.'

(R.Scherbakov: 'and' *15...h6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' R.Scherbakov: '?') 16.Bc2 b5 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 17.Nd4 Schipkov,Boris: '!' Bd7 R.Scherbakov: '!' *(17...Re8* Schipkov,Boris: '⩲!?' *)* 18.Rhe1 R.Scherbakov: '!' R.Scherbakov: 'The best choice.' *(18.Ne6* Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *b4* R.Scherbakov: 'and after' *19.Nxe4* R.Scherbakov: 'White has' *fxe4* R.Scherbakov: '+-' *20.Nxf8* R.Scherbakov: '?!' R.Scherbakov: 'was weaker:' *Rxf8 21.Rhg1 Qf7 22.g4 exf3 23.gxh5 Ng4* R.Scherbakov: '!' *24.h6 Be5* R.Scherbakov: '↑!' R.Scherbakov: 'with the initiative.'R.Scherbakov: 'Both' *25.Rdf1* Schipkov, Boris: '±' R.Scherbakov: '?' *)*

B2b31) 18...bxc4 19.fxe4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bxd4 *(* R.Scherbakov: 'not' *20...fxe4* R.Scherbakov: '?!' *21.Rxe4* Schipkov,Boris: '±' *)* 21.Qxd4 R.Scherbakov: ' ±!' R.Scherbakov: 'and White blocked the black pawns just in time.' fxe4 R.Scherbakov: '?' 22.Bd2 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R.Scherbakov: '=!';

B2b32) 18...b4 19.Nce2 Rfe8 R.Scherbakov: '!' R.Scherbakov: 'Again Black finds the best way in this messy position!' 20.h3 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R.Scherbakov: '?' R.Scherbakov: 'Up to now both players were equal to the task but here White goes astray. His choice looks very tempting as it wins the queen but in fact it gives up all his active resources.'Schipkov, Boris: 'White intends g2-g4, of course.' Re5 21.f4 *(21.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: '±!?' R.Scherbakov: '!' *)* 21...Ree8 22.Qe3 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' *(22.Qxb4* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±'*; 22.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 22...a5 23.Rf1 Schipkov,Boris: '!' a4 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' R.Scherbakov: ' ∓' R.Scherbakov: 'White was probably hoping that he would find some way to use his extra queen at full power and push Black's pieces away, but it turns out that he cannot do much as Black's passers are very strong.' 24.g4 Schipkov,Boris: '!' R.Scherbakov: '?!' R.Scherbakov: 'This pawn push helps White to push his opponent's knight away but it loses a rather important pawn.' Schipkov,Boris: 'White

storms forward!' fxg4 25.f5 Qf7 26.hxg4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(26.Rg1* Schipkov,Boris: '!' Schipkov,Boris: 'is better.' *g3* R.Scherbakov: 'led to troubles for Black after' *27.Ne6* R.Scherbakov: '!' *b3 28.axb3 axb3 29.Bxb3* R.Scherbakov: '→!!' *Reb8* R.Scherbakov: '?' R. Scherbakov: 'is insufficient due to' *30.Nxg3* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Nxg3 31.Nxg7 Qxg7 32.Rxg3 Nh5 33.f6 Qf7 34.Rg2* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Bf5* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 26...Nxg4 27.Qh3 *(27.Qg1* R.Scherbakov: '±' *Nhf6* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' R.Scherbakov: '?' *)* 27...Nhf6 *(* R.Scherbakov: 'or simply' *27...Ne5 28.Bxe4 h6* R.Scherbakov: '=' *29.Nf4* R.Scherbakov: 'was worse:' *b3 30.a3 hxg5 31.Nxh5* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Nxc4 32.Rg1 Kf8 33.Nxg7 Qxg7 34.Qd3* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±'*)* 28.Ne6 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(28.Bxf6* Schipkov, Boris: '!' *Nxf6 29.Kb1* Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R. Scherbakov: '=' R. Scherbakov: 'with a perpetual check.'*)* 28...b3 Schipkov,Boris: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'White's major pieces are playing miserable roles - Black's win is a matter of time.' 29.axb3 axb3 R.Scherbakov: '!' 30.Bxb3 h5 *(30...Reb8* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 31.N2d4 *(31.Kb1* Schipkov,Boris: '!?'*)* 31...Ba4 Schipkov,Boris: '?!' *(31...Nh7* Schipkov, Boris: '⇄!?' *)* 32.Kb1 R.Scherbakov: '?!' R. Scherbakov: 'After this capture White has nothing to hope for.' *(32.Nxg7* Schipkov, Boris: '!?' *Qxg7 33.Bxf6 Qh6+ 34.Kb1 Bxb3* R.Scherbakov: '!' *35.Nxb3 Nxf6 36.Nd4 Kf7 37.Ne6* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±'*)* 32...Bxb3 *(32...Nh7* Schipkov, Boris: '!?'*)* 33.Qxb3 Reb8 R.Scherbakov: 'White is just playing without his queen. The rest is easy.' 34.Nb5 Schipkov,Boris: '±' Schipkov,Boris: 'White has a clear edge thanks to his strong knights.' Bh8 35.Bd2 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(35.Be3* Schipkov, Boris: ' ±'*)* 35...Ne5 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(35...Nxd5* Schipkov, Boris: '!' R.Scherbakov: '-+' *36.cxd5* R.Scherbakov: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'should have been played:' *e3*

37.Bxe3 Ra5 38.Nexc7 R.Scherbakov: '!' *Qxc7 39.Nxc7 Rxb3* R.Scherbakov: '!' *40.Bd4 Bxd4 41.Rxd4* R.Scherbakov: 'with a probable draw after' *Kf7* Schipkov,Boris: '=') 36.Bc3 Schipkov,Boris: '±!' Nfg4 37.Bd4 *(37.Rf4* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *Nd3* R.Scherbakov: 'followed by ...Nd5-b4' *38.Rxd3* Schipkov,Boris: '!' *exd3 39.Bxh8 Kxh8 40.Qxd3 Ra4 41.Rxg4* Schipkov, Boris: '!'Schipkov,Boris: 'White can sacrifice the second rook.' *hxg4 42.Qd4+* R.Scherbakov: '!?' R.Scherbakov: 'seemed more tenacious but White's chances to get half a point were not so high after'Schipkov, Boris: 'The queen and two knights are a very powerful force.' *Kg8 43.Qxg4+ Kh8 44.Ng5 Qd7 45.Qh5+ Kg8 46.Nd4 Rf8 47.b3 Ra3* R.Scherbakov: 'and so on. ' *48.Kb2* R.Scherbakov: '?' *Raa8 49.Nde6 Qe7* R.Scherbakov: '!' *50.Qg6+* R.Scherbakov: '?' R.Scherbakov: 'was also insufficient due to' *Kh8* R.Scherbakov: '!' *51.Qh6+ Kg8* R.Scherbakov: '!' *52.Ne4 Qh7 53.Qxh7+ Kxh7* R.Scherbakov: '!' *54.Nxc7 Rab8 55.Nxd6* Schipkov,Boris: '+-')

37...Ra5

B2b321) 38.Rf4 Schipkov,Boris: '!?' Bg7 *(38...Nxc4* R.Scherbakov: '?' R. Scherbakov: 'failed to' *39.Qxc4* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Raxb5 40.Rxg4+* R.Scherbakov: '!' R. Scherbakov: 'followed by ...Nd3-e1, promoting the passer.' *hxg4* R.Scherbakov: 'was met by' *41.Bxh8* R.Scherbakov: '!' *Rb4 42.Qc2* Schipkov, Boris: '+-') 39.Qc2 Nxc4 40.Qxc4 R.Scherbakov: 'the ending was drawn, for example:' Raxb5 41.Nxg7 Ne5 42.Qe2 Kxg7 43.Rh4 Schipkov,Boris: ' ±' R. Scherbakov: 'etc.';

B2b322) 38.f6 Schipkov,Boris: '?' Schipkov,Boris: 'A mistake.' 38...e3 Schipkov,Boris: '!' 39.Rf5 Bxf6 Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' R. Scherbakov: 'There is no defence against ... Nc6-b4-a2 so White played the desperate' 40.Bxe5 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: 'and resigned, not waiting

for the obvious 40... c1Q.' *(40.Qc2 Qh7* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' *)* 40...Qg6 Schipkov, Boris: '?!' R. Scherbakov: '!?' R. Scherbakov: 'was the last chance but it couldn't really help in case of Black's cool play:' *(40...Qh7 41.Qc2 e2 42.Re1 Ne3 43.Rg1+ Bg7 44.Bc3 Nxc2 45.Rxg7+* R.Scherbakov: 'and so on.' R.Scherbakov: 'Black could have gained the queen back by playing' *45...Qxg7* R.Scherbakov: '?' *46.Nxg7 e1Q+ 47.Bxe1 Nxe1* Schipkov,Boris: '⇄' R. Scherbakov: 'but after' *)* 41.Qc2 R.Scherbakov: '!?' Nxe5 Schipkov,Boris: '?' *(41...e2 42.Rg1 e1Q+ 43.Rxe1 Nxe5 44.Rf2* R.Scherbakov: '-+' R.Scherbakov: 'with a technically winning position.' R.Scherbakov: 'Black could even have captured the h-pawn first:' *44...Qxc2+* R.Scherbakov: '!?' *45.Kxc2 Ng4* Schipkov,Boris: '±') 42.Nf4 Schipkov,Boris: '+-' Schipkov,Boris: 'Winning.' Rba8 43.Na3 R.Scherbakov: '!' Qg4 44.Rxf6 1-0 (44) Brenninkmeijer,J (2617)-Koh,S (2556) Azuqueca de Henares 2012 Rubinstein MBM [Chess May 1947 p254];

C) 11.g4 fxg4 12.fxg4 Nf4 13.Nxf4 exf4 14.Bxf4 Ne5 15.h3 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Bxb5 Ba6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Rhf1 Qa8 20.Bh6 Nc4 21.Rxf8+ Bxf8 22.Qf4 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Rxa2 24.Nxa2 Qxa2 25.Rd2 Qa1+ 26.Kc2 Qxb2+ 27.Kd3 Qb3+ 28.Kd4 Ne5 29.Rf2 Qd3# 0-1 (29) squat2depth (2743)-GoranPa (2573) Blitz 2022]

[10...a5 11.g3 Nc5 12.Bg2 f4 13.Bf2 Bh6 14.g4 Nf6 15.h4 Bxg4 16.fxg4 Nxg4 17.Bf3 Nxf2 18.h5 Nxh1 19.Rxh1 g5 20.Bg4 f3 21.Ng3 Rf4 22.Nf5 Qf8 23.Rg1 f2 24.Rf1 Rxg4 25.Rxf2 Rf4 26.Rxf4 gxf4 27.Nb5 Nxe4 28.Qg2+ Ng3 0-1 (28) kbs0280 (2698)-Sultai (2477) Blitz 2024]

[10...Nc5 11.h3 *(11.b4 Nd7 12.Kb1 a5 13.b5 Nc5 14.Nc1 b6 15.Nb3 Bd7 16.Nxc5 bxc5 17.Bd3 Nf4 18.Bc2 Qf6 19.Kb2 Qf7 20.Ka3 g5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Bxf5 Qxf5 23.g4 Qf7 24.Ne4 h6 25.h4 gxh4 26.Rxh4 Qg6 27.Rdh1 Rf7 28.g5 h5 29.R1h2 Raf8 30.Qd1 Rf5 31.Kb3 Qf7 32.g6 Nxg6 33.Rxh5 Rxf3 34.R2h3 Rxh3 35.Rxh3 Qf5 36.Qh1 Nf4 37.Bxf4 exf4 38.Rh5 Qg4 39.Rg5 Qe2 40.Rxg7+ Kxg7 41.Qg1+ Kf7 42.Ng5+ Ke7 43.Ne6 Qe3+* 0-1 (43) Defence1234 (2657)-

furuko01 (2808) Blitz 2022*)* 11...fxe4 *(11...a6 12.g4 fxg4 13.hxg4 Nf4 14.Nxf4 exf4 15.Bxf4 Qe7 16.Be2 b5 17.Bh6 b4 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.Nb1 Qe5 20.Rh3 Bd7 21.Qd4 Qxd4 22.Rxd4 Rf4 23.Rd1 Raf8 24.Rdh1 R8f7 25.Nd2 Ba4 26.Nf1 Be8 27.Ne3 Nd7 28.Ng2 Ne5 29.Nxf4 Rxf4 30.Rxh7 Bf7 31.Rh8+ Kg7 32.R1h7+ Kf6 33.Rf8 g5 34.Kc2 Kg6 35.Rh3 a5 36.Kb3 Nd7 37.Rc8 Nc5+ 38.Kc2 a4 39.Rxc7 b3+ 40.axb3 axb3+ 41.Kc3 Rf6 42.Rh8 Rf4 43.Rf8 Rf6 44.Rc6 Na4+ 45.Kb4 Nc5 46.e5 dxe5 47.Rxf6+ Kxf6 48.Rxf7+ Kxf7 49.Kxc5 e4 50.fxe4* 1-0 (50) ChessTheory64 (2619)-Papamishki (2611) Blitz 2022*)* 12.fxe4 Bd7 13.g4 Nf4 14.Kb1 Qe7 15.Ng3 b6 16.b4 Na4 17.Nb5 a5 18.Nxc7 Bxg4 19.hxg4 Qxc7 20.c5 axb4 21.c6 Nc3+ 0-1 (21) Fastchess2345 (2674)-Mikhailov,V (2746) Blitz 2024]

11.h3 f4 12.Bf2 Ne8 13.Kb1 c5 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.c5 d5 16.exd5 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 Nc7 18.d6 Ne6 19.Ne4 Bxe4 20.fxe4 f3 21.gxf3 Rxf3 22.Nc3 Rb8 23.Bc4 Qd7 24.Be3 Nhf4 25.Rdf1 Rxf1+ 26.Rxf1 Kh8 27.Ne2 g5 28.Ng3 Nd4 29.Nf5 Nxf5 30.exf5 Qxf5 31.h4 g4 32.a3 g3 33.Ka2 g2 34.Qxg2 Nxg2 35.Rxf5 Nxe3 36.Bd3 Nxf5 37.Bxf5 e4 38.b4 e3 39.Bd3 Re8 40.Be2 Rd8 41.Kb3 Bh6 42.a4 Kg7 43.Kc4 Kf6 44.b5 cxb5+ 45.axb5 Bf4 46.Kd5 h5 47.Bxh5 Rd7 48.Bg4 Rd8 49.Kc6 Bg3 50.Be2 Kf5 51.Kc7 Rf8 52.h5 Kg5 53.Kd7 Bf4 54.c6 Rf7+ 55.Ke8 1-0 (55) Fastchess2345 (2785)-MassterofMayhem (2687) Blitz 2024

9...a5 10.c5 a4 11.cxd6 cxd6 12.Rc1 Na6 13.Nxa4 fxe4 14.fxe4 Qh4+ 15.Kd1 Qxe4 16.Nb6 Rb8 17.Nc3 Bg4+ 18.Ke1 Qf5 19.Bd3 e4 20.Nxe4 Qe5 21.Nf2 Bf5 22.Bxf5 Qxf5 23.Nc4 Rbe8 24.g4 Qf3 25.gxh5 Bh6 26.Rc3 Nc5 27.Qe2 Qxd5 28.Rg1 Rf3 29.hxg6 Bxe3 30.gxh7+ Kxh7 31.Qc2+ Kh8 32.Nxe3 Rexe3+ 33.Kf1 Rxc3 34.bxc3 Ne4 35.Rg2 Qc4+ 36.Qe2 Re3 37.Nxe4 Rxe2 38.Rxe2 d5 39.Nf6 Qf4+ 40.Rf2 Qc1+ 41.Kg2 Qxc3 42.Nxd5 Qc7 43.Nxc7 b6 44.Rf6 b5 45.Nxb5 Kg7 46.Ra6 Kh8 47.h4 1-0 (47) Surrender-at-20 (2619)-ElZeyega (2585) Blitz 2022

9...f4 10.Bf2 Bf6 11.g4 fxg3 12.hxg3 Bg5 13.Qd3 Na6 14.Bg2 Nc5 15.Qc2 a5 16.Nc1 Bxc1 17.Rxc1 Qg5 18.Ne2 Nf4 19.Nxf4 exf4 20.Qd2 Qe5 21.gxf4 Qxf4 22.Qxf4 Nd3+ 23.Kd2 Nxf4 24.Bf1 Bd7 25.Bd4 b6 26.Ke3 Rf7 27.Rc2 Raf8 28.Rch2 Nh5 29.Be2 Ng3 30.Rg1 Nxe2 31.Kxe2 Rxf3 32.Rxg6+ hxg6 33.Rh8+ Kf7 34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Kxf3 Kf7 36.e5 dxe5 37.Bxe5 c6 38.Bc7 cxd5 39.cxd5 Kf6 40.Bxb6 Ke5 41.Bxa5 Kxd5 42.Ke3 g5 43.Kd3 g4 44.Bc7 Kc6 45.Bg3 Be6 46.b3 Kb7 47.Kc3 Ka8 48.Kb2 Kb7 49.b4 Bd7 50.Kb3 Be6+ 51.Kb2 Bd7 52.a3 Ka6 53.Kb3 Be6+ 54.Kc3 Kb5 55.Kd4 Bb3 56.Ke5 Ba4 57.Kf4 Bd1 58.Kf5 Ka4 59.Ke6 Kb5 60.Bd6 Bf3 61.Kd7 Bd1 62.Kc7 Bf3 63.Kb8 Bd1 64.Ka7 Bf3 65.a4+ Kxa4 66.Kb6 Be2 67.Kc5 Bb5 68.Bg3 Bf1 ½-½ (68) kflorian (2614)-Darcy95 (2719) Blitz 2020

10.exf5 gxf5 11.Rg1

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25.Qxf4 Qe5 26.Qg4+ Kf8 27.Bd3 Nc5 28.Qh4 Nxd3+ 29.Rxd3 Bf5 30.Re3 axb4 31.Qh6+ Qg7 32.Qf4 Qe5 33.Qxe5 dxe5 34.axb4 Ra4 35.Nd2 Rxb4 36.Rxe5 Bd3 37.c5 bxc5 38.Ne4 Rd4 39.Nxc5 Kf7 40.f4 Bc4 41.Rh5 Kg8 42.Ne6 Rxd5 43.Rxd5 Bxd5 44.Nxc7 Bg2 45.h4 Kf7 46.Kd2 Kf6 47.Nb5 Kf5 48.Nd4+ Kxf4 ½-½ (48) Fire Beta (3729)-LCZero v0.25.1-sv-t60-3010 (3809) tcec-chess.com INT 2020]

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